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This book is a comprehensive approach to the computational treatment of metaphor and its figurative brethren (simile, analogy, and conceptual blending) without shying away from their cognitive and philosophical dimensions. While stopping by significant landmarks on its journey, it approaches metaphor from multiple computational perspectives, providing coverage of both symbolic and statistical approaches to interpretation and paraphrase generation while also considering key contributions from philosophy on what constitutes the "meaning" of a metaphor.

Metaphor is a pervasive aspect of every genre of text and every register of speech, and is useful for describing the inner workings of a "black hole" (itself a metaphor) as it is the affairs of the heart. The ubiquity of metaphor in natural language thus poses a significant challenge for Natural Language Processing (NLP) systems and their builders who cannot afford to wait until the problems of literal language have been solved before turning their attention to figurative phenomena. Any reader with interest in metaphor, from beginning researchers to seasoned scholars, will find this book to be an invaluable guide to what is a fascinating linguistic phenomenon