

This book is dedicated to my family.

*To my late mother, Mary Davies, to record her never-failing
love and devotion.*

*To my late father, Arthur Granville Davies, who passed on to me
his appreciation of the beauties of mathematics and science.*

To my wife, Joan, for love, patience, support, and inspiration.

To my children, Elizabeth, Sarah, and Marion, the music in my life.

*To my grandson, Jasper, for reminding me of the carefree
joys of youth.*