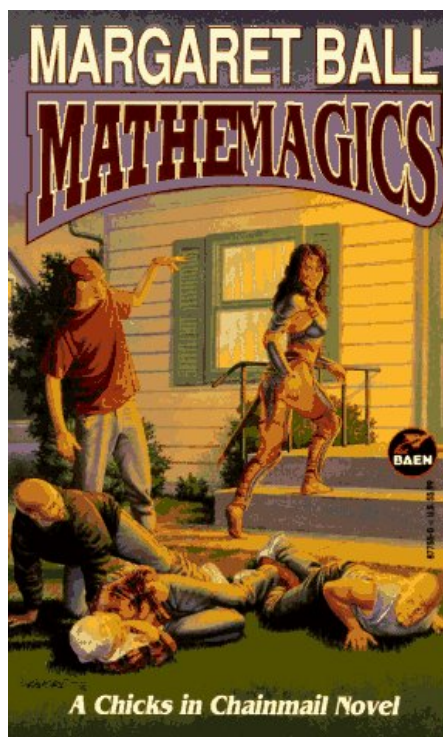




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Riva was a warrior woman from the sword & sorcery world of Dazau, who came to our world of the paper-pushers to give her daughter an education. Then old enemies from home showed up....

Mathemagics Details

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StarMan says

You already know if you like this kind of book.

A bit dated, very over-the-top, and has bonus clever MATHS.

SUMMARY: capable female swordswoman warrior/mother + inept evil magician fantasy, mostly set in the frustrating world o' paper pushers (late 20th century-ish Earth), with occasional scenes elsewhere.

For me, it's ~2.67 stars. Somewhat entertaining, but no laugh-out louds, and super low on realism. Yes, it's obviously over-the-top fantasy -- but character actions and dialogue are just too, well, *over-the-top*, which gets tiring. Maybe I should drink a few pints of ale before reading such?

BONUS POINTS FOR: math-based magic (thus, 'mathemagics')

Not recommended for: those who take their fantasy oh-so-seriously
Recommended for : math lovers, readers of Sword and Sorceress I* fare

*to date, 30 books (short story collections, S&S I through XXX)

Debi Sullivan says

Wonderful!

Thomas S. says

Good narrative. Sometimes hard to follow if you are not somewhat knowledgeable about Sci-Fi/Fantasy books.

Terry says

A woman warrior from a swords-and-sorcery world where mathematics is the underpinning of magic has a challenge in Austin, Texas where she moved to give her daughter a chance at a better education. It would have been worth it just for the chapter numbering which requires fairly sophisticated mathematical computations.

Lisa w says

it is about people from one of the chicks in chain mail storys . a good read if you are the type who watches things like xena. a fun read.

Tim Ponygroom says

Entertaining even if you don't get the math jokes; hilarious at times if you do. Don't let the chapter numbering system put you off. I felt I got to know Riva and Dennis, Becky and Salla. Dingbat Boatright, not so much, although I might have met him in this Universe already.

May you never have a personal experience in Outer Yark.

Katie says

Another delightful visit with an old friend.

Moontyger says

I've actually read this book several times and I really love it. It's hilarious, but also deals well with some serious issues. I honestly wish she'd written some sequels, but as far as I know, this is the only one (other than the stories in the Chicks in Chainmail anthologies).

John says

If you want to understand how the Fourier transformation can appear in the same book as the phrase "Chicks in Chainmail", you will have to read the book...

Christy says

Some good, old-school sf/fantasy stuff here. Interesting subtexts of feminism, abuse, and religious fanaticism still ring bells even after a decade or so. Nice.

Ginger K says

Almost made me want to spend more time studying math. Almost.

Zach, "Gnome" Israel says

I really like Riva, Dennis, and Salla. They are wonderful characters, and it's hard not to root for them in this story. However Margaret Ball does get really preachy in parts, and does make her villains a little one note in

parts.

There is a part where she has moderate a panel where two authors are having an argument about wither or not it is appropriate for women to serve in combat roles. The man on the con side is an overweight bastard who makes his points by screaming. Ball is a decent writer, but I just wish she'd put more thought in places.

Nathan C. Weber says

I truly enjoy Margaret Ball's writing style, a combination of sarcastic wit and descriptive action/adventure. This book is actually a continuation of the short story "Career Day" from the anthology Chicks in Chainmail edited by Esther M. Friesner. In the story we follow the developing lifestyle of Rivakonneka, a woman warrior from an alternate dimension living in our modern world with her daughter and developing a relationship with her daughter's math teacher. It isn't long, however, before trouble from home follows her to our dimension. A very fun read, done with intelligence and style. Highly recommended.

Elvi says

This was a really fun read. I picked it up second hand while traveling, to supplement my airplane reading, and am very happy I did. Although the writing in the 'relationship development' parts is a little unconvincing, for the most part it's a very smooth read. I appreciated the in-jokes for science fiction fen and people who know math, and I liked the underlying messages as well. Maybe a bit heavy handed with the male villains, but not jarringly so. I wish there were sequels!

Chris says

Oldie but goodie that mixes modern setting with characters from heroic fantasy, plus math!
