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New Materials in Civil Engineering provides engineers and scientists with the tools and methods needed to meet the challenge of designing and constructing more resilient and sustainable infrastructures. This book is a valuable guide to the properties, selection criteria, products, applications, lifecycle and recyclability of advanced materials. It presents an A-to-Z approach to all types of materials, highlighting their key performance properties, principal characteristics and applications. Traditional materials covered include concrete, soil, steel, timber, fly ash, geosynthetic, fiber-reinforced concrete, smart materials, carbon fiber and reinforced polymers. In addition, the book covers nanotechnology and biotechnology in the development of new materials. Covers a variety of materials, including fly ash, geosynthetic, fiber-reinforced concrete, smart materials, carbon fiber reinforced polymer and waste materials Provides a “one-stop resource of information for the latest materials and practical applications. Includes a variety of different use case studies

This book describes efficient and safe repair operations for pipelines, and develops new methods for the detection and repair of volumetric surface defects in transmission pipelines. It also addresses the physics, mechanics, and applications of advanced materials used for composite repair of corroded pipelines. Presenting results obtained in the European Commission’s INNOPIPES FRAMEWORK 7 programme, it develops long-range ultrasonic and phased array technologies for pipeline diagnostics, and explores their interactions with discontinuities and directional properties of ultrasonic antenna array. The book subsequently shares the results of non-destructive testing for different types of materials applications and advanced composite repair systems, and characterizes the mechanical properties by means of fracture methods and non-destructive techniques. In turn, the book assesses the currently available technologies for reinforcement of pipelines, drawing on the experience gained by project partners, and evaluates the recovery of the carrying capacity of pipeline sections with local corrosion damage by means of analytical and numerical procedures. It develops an optimization method based on the planning of experiments and surface techniques for advanced composite repair systems, before validating the numerical models developed and experimentally gauging the effectiveness of composite repair with the help of full-scale hydraulic tests.

Handbook of Railway Vehicle Dynamics, Second Edition, provides expanded, fully updated coverage of railway vehicle dynamics. With chapters by international experts, this work surveys the main areas of rolling stock and locomotive dynamics. Through mathematical analysis and numerous practical examples, it builds a deep understanding of the wheel-rail interface, suspension and suspension component design, simulation and testing of electrical and mechanical systems, and interaction with the surrounding infrastructure, and noise and vibration. Topics added in the Second Edition include magnetic levitation, rail vehicle aerodynamics, and advances in traction and braking for full trains and individual vehicles.

This volume brings together scientific experts in different areas that contribute to the Railway Track & Transportation Engineering challenges, evaluate the State-of-the-Art, identify the shortcomings and opportunities for research and promote the interaction with
the industry. In particular, scientific topics that are addressed in this volume include railway ballasted track degradation/settlement problems and stabilization/reinforcement technologies, switches and crossings and related derailments causes, train-induced vibrations and mitigation measures, operations, management and performance of ground transportation, and traffic congestion and safety procedures. This volume is part of the proceedings of the 1st GeoMEast International Congress and Exhibition on Sustainable Civil Infrastructures, Egypt 2017.

An examination of creative systems in structural and construction engineering taken from conference proceedings. Topics covered range from construction methods, safety and quality to seismic response of structural elements and soils and pavement analysis. Construction materials are the most widely used materials for civil infrastructure in our daily lives. However, from an environmental point of view, they consume a huge amount of natural resources and generate the majority of greenhouse gasses. Therefore, many new and novel technologies for designing environmentally friendly construction materials have been developed recently. This Special Issue, “Environment-Friendly Construction Materials”, has been proposed and organized as a means to present recent developments in the field of construction materials. It covers a wide range of selected topics on construction materials. Ballast plays a vital role in transmitting and distributing train wheel loads to the underlying sub-ballast and subgrade. Bearing capacity of track, train speed, riding quality and passenger comfort all depend on the stability of ballast through mechanical interlocking of particles. Ballast attrition and breakage occur progressively under heavy cyc.
working engineer in finding a solution for today’s mechanical engineering problems. Each subject is discussed in detail and supported by numerous figures and tables. By far the greatest proportion of the total cost of maintaining the infrastructure of a railway arises from the track. Modern trains are lighter, travel faster and are much easier to derail than before. Therefore it is vital that track is maintained adequately. This volume shows how railways can be kept running using the minimum necessary maintenance, taking into account the environmental conditions and the type and volume of traffic using the railway.

This book presents the findings of scientific studies on the successful operation of complex transport infrastructures in regions with extreme climatic and geographical conditions. It features the proceedings of the VIII International Scientific Siberian Transport Forum, TransSiberia 2019, which was held in Novosibirsk, Russia, on May 22–27, 2019. The book discusses improving energy efficiency in the transportation sector and the use of artificial intelligence in transport, highlighting a range of topics, such as freight and logistics, freeway traffic modelling and control, intelligent transport systems and smart mobility, transport data and transport models, highway and railway construction and trucking on the Siberian ice roads. Consisting of 214 high-quality papers on a wide range of issues, these proceedings appeal to scientists, engineers, managers in the transport sector, and anyone involved in the construction and operation of transport infrastructure facilities.

After an examination of fundamental theories as applied to civil engineering, authoritative coverage is included on design practice for certain materials and specific structures and applications. A particular feature is the incorporation of chapters on construction and site practice, including contract management and control.

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The Concrete Solutions series of International Conferences on Concrete Repair began in 2003 with a conference held in St. Malo, France in association with INSA Rennes. Subsequent conferences have seen us partnering with the University of Padua in 2009 and with TU Dresden in 2011. This conference is being held for the first time in the UK, in associ

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Advances in Construction and Demolition Waste Recycling: Management, Processing and Environmental Assessment is divided over three parts. Part One focuses on the management of construction and demolition waste, including estimation of quantities and the use of BIM and GIS tools. Part Two reviews the processing of recycled aggregates, along with the performance of concrete mixtures using different types of recycled aggregates. Part Three looks at the environmental assessment of non-hazardous waste. This book will be a standard reference for civil engineers, structural engineers, architects and academic researchers working in the field of construction and demolition waste.

In 1986, the FIP Commission on Prefabrication issued the state-of-art report "Concrete Railway Sleepers", which included design considerations, manufacturing methods, rail fastening systems and field performance. During the two decades since that report, precast concrete has gained importance in the field of railway track systems for plain track, switches and crossings, tunnels and other applications. Developments in production methods for concrete sleepers in switch and crossing layouts to cope with the complex geometry and the industry's confidence in their performance have contributed to the huge increase in the use of this type of sleeper. The use of slab track for high-speed track has also grown, particularly where either new track is built or where existing track is renewed and long periods of track possession are possible. There has also been progress in the development of plant and equipment for the installation, renewal and maintenance of concrete sleepered track. With machines now able to replace existing track at a rate of 5000 sleepers (over 3 km track) per day, choosing concrete sleepers can reduce the time on site, meaning tracks can be reopened quickly whilst reducing labour requirements and costs. Today, precast concrete is considered to be the best performing and preferred material for railway sleepers, due to the following factors: long-term durability; improved geometric retention of track and greater weight vital for high-speed and heavy freight lines; improved elasticity of track; improved ride quality; low first cost; minimum life cycle cost; low cost of maintenance; environmental friendliness - no chemical treatment required and can be recycled. As all aspects of precast concrete railway track systems, from design through manufacture to installation and maintenance, have progressed since the publication of the FIP report, an update was considered timely, in order to provide a
synthesis of currently available information. This new edition covers quality, design, production, durability, maintenance and environmental considerations, and includes survey on the use of precast concrete track systems in over 30 countries.

The use of concrete sleepers in railways started in the 1940s. They are currently used in many countries throughout the world at a rate of over 12 million per year. This report discusses the various types of sleeper which have been developed - monoblock, two-block, reinforced and prestressed concrete. Separate sections deal with design, rail fastening systems, manufacture, quality control and testing, installation and performance, and research and development.

In railway applications, performance studies are fundamental to increase the lifetime of railway systems. One of their main goals is verifying whether their working conditions are reliable and safety. This task not only takes into account the analysis of the whole traction chain, but also requires ensuring that the railway infrastructure is properly working. Therefore, several tests for detecting any dysfunctions on their proper operation have been developed. This book covers this topic, introducing the reader to railway traction fundamentals, providing some ideas on safety and reliability issues, and experimental approaches to detect any of these dysfunctions. The objective of the book is to serve as a valuable reference for students, educators, scientists, faculty members, researchers, and engineers.

The rail-based transit system is a popular public transportation option, not just with members of the public but also with policy makers looking to install a form of convenient and rapid travel. Even for moving bulk freight long distances, a rail-based system is the most sustainable transportation system currently available. The Handbook of Research on Emerging Innovations in Rail Transportation Engineering presents the latest research on next-generation public transportation infrastructures. Emphasizing a diverse set of topics related to rail-based transportation such as funding issues, policy design, traffic planning and forecasting, and engineering solutions, this comprehensive publication is an essential resource for transportation planners, engineers, policymakers, and graduate-level engineering students interested in uncovering research-based solutions, recommendations, and examples of modern rail transportation systems.

Civil Engineering for Underground Rail Transport focuses on civil engineering techniques in underground rail construction. The book first discusses the need for underground rail transport, including justification of underground systems and the techniques of civil engineering in underground construction. The text looks at civil engineering aspects of route planning. Curvature and gradients, drainage, ventilation, working sites, rolling stock depots, and construction materials are discussed. The book also discusses civil engineering aspects of station location and design, ground treatment, and tracks for underground railways. The text then examines cut and cover design and construction in reinforced concrete. Form and layout, construction methods, soil/structure interaction, reinforced concrete design, and design development are described. The compilation also looks at the construction of concrete piling and diaphragm walls, hand-dug caissons or wells, large reinforced concrete caissons, and immersed-tube and precast concrete tunnels. Tunneling machines and types of tunnels are also described. The book is a good source of information for readers interested in civil engineering.
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This book takes a scientific approach to railways, and is intended to be of use to railway managers, economists and engineers, consulting economists and engineers, students of schools of engineering, transportation and management. This revised, updated and expanded edition is still rooted in engineering but now provides a much broader context, including policy and legislation, planning and management, and forecasting demand.

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This book contains the proceedings of the fib Symposium “High Tech Concrete: Where Technology and Engineering Meet”, that was held in Maastricht, The Netherlands, in June 2017. This annual symposium was organised by the Dutch Concrete Association and the Belgian Concrete Association. Topics addressed include: materials technology, modelling, testing and design, special loadings, safety, reliability and codes, existing concrete structures, durability and life time, sustainability, innovative building concepts, challenging projects and historic concrete, amongst others. The fib (International Federation for Structural Concrete) is a not-for-profit association committed to advancing the technical, economic, aesthetic and environmental performance of concrete structures worldwide.
Railway Track Engineering presents conventional methods of track construction, maintenance and monitoring, along with modern sophisticated track machines. It also comprehensively covers design details and specifications of important track components. Changes in the revised edition include:

- Explanation of the hitherto little understood phenomenon of rolling contact fatigue in rails and practical steps to deal with it. New technology of alumino-thermic rail welding. New guidelines for ultrasonic rail flaw detection. Ballastless track for metros, mainlines and washable aprons. Track standards for ultra high-speed lines in India. Track structure for Dedicated Freight Corridors.
- Technology of fully mechanized track construction with the deployment of simple track laying equipment to highly sophisticated track-laying trains. Richly illustrated with photographs and line drawings, this book will be useful to professionals and students.

Many of the engineering problems of particular importance to railways arise at interfaces and the safety-critical role of the wheel/rail interface is widely acknowledged. Better understanding of wheel/rail interfaces is therefore critical to improving the capacity, reliability and safety of the railway system. Wheel-rail interface handbook is a one-stop reference for railway engineering practitioners and academic researchers. Part one provides the fundamentals of contact mechanics, wear, fatigue and lubrication as well as state-of-the-art research and emerging technologies related to the wheel/rail interface and its management. Part two offers an overview of industrial practice from several different regions of the world, thereby providing an invaluable international perspective with practitioners’ experience of managing the wheel/rail interface in a variety of environments and circumstances. This comprehensive volume will enable practising railway engineers, in whatever discipline of railway engineering – infrastructure, vehicle design and safety, and so on – to enhance their understanding of wheel/rail issues, which have a major influence on the running of a reliable, efficient and safe railway. One-stop reference on the important topic of wheel-rail interfaces.

This textbook covers the very wide spectrum of all aspects of railway engineering for all engineering disciplines, in a 'broad brush' way giving a good overall knowledge of what is involved in planning, designing, constructing and maintaining a railway. It covers all types of railway systems including light rail and metro as well as main line. The first edition has proved very popular both with students new to railways and with practicing engineers who need to work in this newly expanding area. In the second edition, the illustrations have been improved and brought up to date, particularly with the introduction of 30 colour pages which include many newly taken photographs. The text has been reviewed for present day accuracy and, where necessary, has been modified or expanded to include reference to recent trends or developments. New topics include automatic train control, level crossings, dot matrix indicators, measures for the mobility impaired, reinforced earth structures, air conditioning, etc. Recent railway experience, both technical and political, has also been reflected in the commentary.

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