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**Taking a failure prevention perspective, this book provides engineers with a balance between analysis and design. The new edition presents a more thorough treatment of stress analysis and fatigue. It integrates the use of computer tools to provide a more current view of the field. Photos or images are included next to descriptions of the types and uses of common materials. The book has been updated with the most comprehensive coverage of possible failure modes and how to design with each in mind. Engineers will also benefit from the consistent**

**approach to problem solving that will help them apply the material on the job.**

**Understanding and recognising failure mechanisms in concrete is a fundamental prerequisite to determining the type of repair, or whether a repair is feasible. This title provides a review of concrete deterioration and damage, as well as looking at the problem of defects in concrete. It also discusses condition assessment and repair techniques. Part one discusses failure mechanisms in concrete and covers topics such as causes and mechanisms of deterioration in reinforced concrete, types of damage in concrete structures, types and causes**

**of cracking and condition assessment of concrete structures. Part two reviews the repair of concrete structures with coverage of themes such as standards and guidelines for repairing concrete structures, methods of crack repair, repair materials, bonded concrete overlays, repairing and retrofitting concrete structures with fiber-reinforced polymers, patching deteriorated concrete structures and durability of repaired concrete. With its distinguished editor and international team of contributors, Failure and repair of concrete structures is a standard reference for civil engineers, architects and anyone working in the**

**construction sector, as well as those concerned with ensuring the safety of concrete structures. Provides a review of concrete deterioration and damage Discusses condition assessment and repair techniques, standards and guidelines From the preface: "The 1966 'Human Factors' edition focused on the contemporary threat of Maoist insurgencies, particularly in Southeast Asia, and also drew extensively on World War II resistance movements in Europe. Much of this information is still relevant and has been retained and integrated. In the post-Cold War world, the most important insurgencies tend to be ethnic and religious. Long-simmering**

**conflicts, sometimes with roots in colonial policies, have become prominent; examples include the Liberation Tigers of Tamil Eelam (LTTE) in Sri Lanka, Euskadi Ta Askatasuna (Basque Homeland and Freedom or ETA) in Spain, the Hutu-Tutsi genocides, the Ushtia** ❖ **lirimtare e Kosov** ❖ **s (Kosovo Liberation Army, or KLA), and the Provisional Irish Republican Army (PIRA). Battle lines in these conflicts are often drawn along ethnic lines, even when land or politics are the immediate issues in contention. The other important new category is extremist religious movements, most prominently Islamic groups, including regional**

**insurgent movements like Hizbollah and Harakat al-Muqawamah al'Islamiyyah (Islamic Resistance Movement, or HAMAS) and global movements like Al Qaeda. These present a different profile of ideology, organizational forms, and psychology than either Cold War Maoists or post-colonial ethnic insurgencies (although the Palestinian cause could be considered a post-colonial issue). Globalization has also changed underground operations in numerous ways. Insurgencies, enabled by low-cost transportation, Internet based communications, and other information technologies, can more easily recruit,**

**communicate, and operate across borders. It is correspondingly much more difficult to contain an insurgency in a region. Global media has led to development of new tactics, in particular new types of terrorism, designed to capture worldwide attention. Compared with what was available in the 1960s, there are orders of magnitude more academic research available relevant to this study's topics. We were able to draw on more recent work in psychology, political science, economics, sociology, organizational studies, and communications studies. Readers of this edition will, over the course of eleven chapters, get a wide exposure**

**to basic concepts from a number of disciplines".**

**Advanced Materials & Processes**

**The Management of Security Assistance**

**Commercial Communication in the Digital Age**

**Environmental Degradation of Advanced and**

**Traditional Engineering Materials**

**Human Factors Considerations of Undergrounds  
in Insurgencies**

**Information or Disinformation?**

**One of the main, ongoing challenges for any  
engineering enterprise is that systems are  
built of materials subject to environmental  
degradation. Whether working with an**

**airframe, integrated circuit, bridge, prosthetic device, or implantable drug-delivery system, understanding the chemical stability of materials remains a key element in determining their useful life.**

**Environmental Degradation of Advanced and Traditional Engineering Materials is a monumental work for the field, providing comprehensive coverage of the environmental impacts on the full breadth of materials used for engineering infrastructure, buildings, machines, and components. The book**

**discusses fundamental degradation processes and presents examples of degradation under various environmental conditions. Each chapter presents the basic properties of the class of material, followed by detailed characteristics of degradation, guidelines on how to protect against corrosion, and a description of testing procedures. A complete, self-contained industrial reference guide, this valuable resource is designed for students and professionals interested in the development of deterioration-resistant**

**technological systems constructed with metallurgical, polymeric, ceramic, and natural materials.**

**This databook is an essential handbook for every engineering student or professional. Engineers' Practical Databook provides a concise and useful source of up-to-date essential formula, charts, and data for the student or practising engineer, technologist, applied mathematician or undergraduate scientist. Unlike almost all other engineering handbooks out there, this**

**one doesn't package itself as a heavy, expensive or cumbersome textbook, and doesn't contain any preamble or lengthy chapters of 'filler' material. You will find value cover-to-cover with all the essential formula, charts, and materials data. This handbook is suitable for use in support of Higher Education programmes, including Higher National Diplomas and accredited engineering degrees. Topics include the essentials of aerospace, civil, electrical and electronic, mechanical and general**

**engineering. Chapters include Mathematics, Materials, Mechanics, Structures, Machines and Mechanisms, Electrical and Electronics, Thermodynamics, Fluid Mechanics, Systems, and Project Management. First Edition is in SI Units. - Easy to use - Chapters organised by module/discipline topic - Physical, geometric, thermal, chemical and electrical properties - All variables and units clearly defined - Essential technical data  
Materials Selection in Mechanical DesignElsevier**

**Composite Materials Handbook  
Engineering for Sustainable Development  
Mechanical Design of Machine Elements and  
Machines**

**Understanding Well-being Data  
Second Edition**

**Two Centuries of US Military Operations in  
Liberia**

Engineering design is a fundamental problem-solving model used by the discipline. Effective problem-solving requires the ability to find and incorporate quality information sources. To teach courses in this area

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effectively, educators need to understand the information needs of engineers and engineering students and their information gathering habits. This book provides essential guidance for engineering faculty and librarians wishing to better integrate information competencies into their curricular offerings. The treatment of the subject matter is pragmatic, accessible, and engaging. Rather than focusing on specific resources or interfaces, the book adopts a process-driven approach that outlasts changing information technologies. After several chapters introducing the conceptual underpinnings of the book, a sequence of shorter contributions go into more detail about specific

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steps in the design process and the information needs for those steps. While they are based on the latest research and theory, the emphasis of the chapters is on usable knowledge. Designed to be accessible, they also include illustrative examples drawn from specific engineering sub-disciplines to show how the core concepts can be applied in those situations.

Understanding materials, their properties and behavior is fundamental to engineering design, and a key application of materials science. Written for all students of engineering, materials science and design, this book describes the procedures for material selection in mechanical design in order to ensure that the most

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suitable materials for a given application are identified from the full range of materials and section shapes available. Fully revised and expanded for this third edition, *Materials Selection in Mechanical Design* is recognized as one of the leading texts, and provides a unique and genuinely innovative resource. Features new to this edition

- New chapters on topics including process selection, material and shape selection, design of hybrid materials, environmental factors and industrial design.
- Reader-friendly approach and attractive, easy to use two-color presentation.
- The methods developed in the book are implemented in Granta Design's widely used CES Educational software.

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Materials are introduced through their properties; materials selection charts (now available on line) capture the important features of all materials, allowing rapid retrieval of information and application of selection techniques. Merit indices, combined with charts, allow optimization of the materials selection process. Sources of material property data are reviewed and approaches to their use are given. Material processing and its influence on the design are discussed. New chapters on environmental issues, industrial engineering and materials design are included, as are new worked examples, and exercise materials. New case studies have been developed to further illustrate

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procedures and to add to the practical implementation of the text. The new edition of the leading materials selection text Expanded and fully revised throughout, with new material on key emerging topics, an even more student-friendly approach, and attractive, easy to use two-color presentation

**AN INTRODUCTION TO MECHANICAL ENGINEERING** introduces students to the ever-emerging field of mechanical engineering, giving an appreciation for how engineers design the hardware that builds and improves societies all around the world. Intended for students in their first or second year of a typical college or university program in mechanical engineering or a

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closely related field, the text balances the treatments of technical problem-solving skills, design, engineering analysis, and modern technology. Important Notice: Media content referenced within the product description or the product text may not be available in the ebook version.

Handbook of Biomaterial Properties

Information Sources in Engineering

Materials e design

For Fatigue and Fracture Mechanics Allowables

Aerospace Structural Metals Handbook

Applied Strength of Materials

The rapid introduction of sophisticated computers, services,

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telecommunications systems, and manufacturing systems has caused a major shift in the way people use and work with technology. It is not surprising that computer-aided modeling has emerged as a promising method for ensuring products meet the requirements of the consumer. The Handbook of Digital Human Modeling provides comprehensive coverage of the theory, tools, and methods to effectively achieve this objective. The 56 chapters in this book, written by 113 contributing authorities from Canada, China, France, Germany, the Netherlands, Poland, Sweden, Taiwan, UK, and the US, provide a wealth of international knowledge and guidelines. They cover applications in advanced manufacturing, aerospace, automotive, data visualization and

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simulation, defense and military systems, design for impaired mobility, healthcare and medicine, information systems, and product design. The text elucidates tools to help evaluate product and work design while reducing the need for physical prototyping. Additional software and demonstration materials on the CRC Press web site include a never-before-released 220-page step-by-step UGS-Siemens Jack™ help manual developed at Purdue University. The current gap between capability to correctly predict outcomes and set expectation for new and existing products and processes affects human-system performance, market acceptance, product safety, and satisfaction at work. The handbook provides the fundamental concepts and tools for digital human modeling and simulation

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with a focus on its foundations in human factors and ergonomics. The tools identified and made available in this handbook help reduce the need for physical prototyping. They enable engineers to quantify acceptability and risk in design in terms of the human factors and ergonomics.

Neoliberalism - the doctrine that market exchange is an ethic in itself, capable of acting as a guide for all human action - has become dominant in both thought and practice throughout much of the world since 1970 or so. Its spread has depended upon a reconstitution of state powers such that privatization, finance, and market processes are emphasized. State interventions in the economy are minimized, while the obligations of the state to provide for the welfare of its citizens

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are diminished. David Harvey, author of 'The New Imperialism' and 'The Condition of Postmodernity', here tells the political-economic story of where neoliberalization came from and how it proliferated on the world stage. While Thatcher and Reagan are often cited as primary authors of this neoliberal turn, Harvey shows how a complex of forces, from Chile to China and from New York City to Mexico City, have also played their part. In addition he explores the continuities and contrasts between neoliberalism of the Clinton sort and the recent turn towards neoconservative imperialism of George W. Bush. Finally, through critical engagement with this history, Harvey constructs a framework not only for analyzing the political and economic dangers that now surround us, but also

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for assessing the prospects for the more socially just alternatives being advocated by many oppositional movements.

New materials enable advances in engineering design. This book describes a procedure for material selection in mechanical design, allowing the most suitable materials for a given application to be identified from the full range of materials and section shapes available. A novel approach is adopted not found elsewhere. Materials are introduced through their properties; materials selection charts (a new development) capture the important features of all materials, allowing rapid retrieval of information and application of selection techniques. Merit indices, combined with charts,

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allow optimisation of the materials selection process. Sources of material property data are reviewed and approaches to their use are given. Material processing and its influence on the design are discussed. The book closes with chapters on aesthetics and industrial design. Case studies are developed as a method of illustrating the procedure and as a way of developing the ideas further.

Virtual Testing and Predictive Modeling

A Technical Reference Guide for Students and Professionals

A Failure Prevention Perspective

Why the Information Revolution May Not Lead to Security,  
Democracy, or Peace

Polymer Matrix Composites: Material properties

### Whitaker's Cumulative Book List

Este livro explora o papel dos materiais e da fabricação no design de produtos, dando ênfase particular ao modo como a materialidade de um objeto (do que ele é feito e como é feito) pode ser manipulada para criar estética e funcionalidade de um produto. Seus autores se preocuparam igualmente com questões relacionadas à viabilidade de produção e à sustentabilidade de um sistema. Os métodos apresentados aqui são apoiados por cerca de 100 perfis de materiais e processos de fabricação que dão ênfase aos atributos mais relevantes para o design de produtos.

Designed for a first course in strength of materials, Applied Strength of Materials has long been the bestseller for

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Engineering Technology programs because of its comprehensive coverage, and its emphasis on sound fundamentals, applications, and problem-solving techniques. The combination of clear and consistent problem-solving techniques, numerous end-of-chapter problems, and the integration of both analysis and design approaches to strength of materials principles prepares students for subsequent courses and professional practice. The fully updated Sixth Edition. Built around an educational philosophy that stresses active learning, consistent reinforcement of key concepts, and a strong visual component, Applied Strength of Materials, Sixth Edition continues to offer the readers the most thorough and understandable approach to mechanics of materials.

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Integrated computational materials engineering (ICME) is an emerging discipline that can accelerate materials development and unify design and manufacturing. Developing ICME is a grand challenge that could provide significant economic benefit. To help develop a strategy for development of this new technology area, DOE and DoD asked the NRC to explore its benefits and promises, including the benefits of a comprehensive ICME capability; to establish a strategy for development and maintenance of an ICME infrastructure, and to make recommendations about how best to meet these opportunities. This book provides a vision for ICME, a review of case studies and lessons learned, an analysis of technological barriers, and an evaluation of ways to overcome

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cultural and organizational challenges to develop the discipline.

Commerce Business Daily

Engineers' Practical Databook

Engineering, Science, Processing and Design; North American Edition

Materials

Engineering Methods for Deformation, Fracture and Fatigue

An Introduction to Mechanical Engineering

**In today's digital age, online and mobile advertising are of growing importance, with advertising no longer bound to the traditional media industry. Although the advertising industry still has broader access to the different measures**

**and channels, users and consumers today have more possibilities to publish, get informed or communicate – to “co-create” –, and to reach a bigger audience. There is a good chance thus that users and consumers are better informed about the objectives and persuasive tricks of the advertising industry than ever before. At the same time, advertisers can inform about products and services without the limitations of time and place faced by traditional mass media. But will there really be a time when advertisers and consumers have equal power, or does tracking users online and offline lead to a situation where advertisers have more information about the consumers than ever before? The volume discusses these questions and**

related issues.

**Continual improvements in data collection and processing have had a huge impact on brain research, producing data sets that are often large and complicated. By emphasizing a few fundamental principles, and a handful of ubiquitous techniques, Analysis of Neural Data provides a unified treatment of analytical methods that have become essential for contemporary researchers. Throughout the book ideas are illustrated with more than 100 examples drawn from the literature, ranging from electrophysiology, to neuroimaging, to behavior. By demonstrating the commonality among various statistical approaches the authors provide the crucial tools for gaining knowledge**

**from diverse types of data. Aimed at experimentalists with only high-school level mathematics, as well as computationally-oriented neuroscientists who have limited familiarity with statistics, Analysis of Neural Data serves as both a self-contained introduction and a reference work. 'An Introduction to Modern Vehicle Design' provides a thorough introduction to the many aspects of passenger car design in one volume. Starting with basic principles, the author builds up analysis procedures for all major aspects of vehicle and component design. Subjects of current interest to the motor industry, such as failure prevention, designing with modern materials, ergonomics and control systems are covered in detail, and the author**

**concludes with a discussion on the future trends in automobile design. With contributions from both academics lecturing in motor vehicle engineering and those working in the industry, "An Introduction to Modern Vehicle Design" provides students with an excellent overview and background in the design of vehicles before they move on to specialised areas. Filling the niche between the more descriptive low level books and books which focus on specific areas of the design process, this unique volume is essential for all students of automotive engineering. Only book to cover the broad range of topics for automobile design and analysis procedures Each topic written by an expert with many years experience of the automotive**

**industry**

**ASTM Standardization News**

**Analysis of Neural Data**

**Research for Applied Ergonomics and Human Factors**

**Engineering**

**Polymer matrix composites, materials properties**

**Materials Selection in Mechanical Design**

**Shigley's Mechanical Engineering Design**

The materials used in manufacturing the aerospace, aircraft, automobile, and nuclear parts have inherent flaws that may grow under fluctuating load environments during the operational phase of the structural hardware. The design philosophy, material selection,

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analysis approach, testing, quality control, inspection, and manufacturing are key elements that can contribute to failure prevention and assure a trouble-free structure. To have a robust structure, it must be designed to withstand the environmental load throughout its service life, even when the structure has pre-existing flaws or when a part of the structure has already failed. If the design philosophy of the structure is based on the fail-safe requirements, or multiple load path design, partial failure of a structural component due to crack propagation is localized and safely contained or arrested. For that reason, proper inspection technique must be

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scheduled for reusable parts to detect the amount and rate of crack growth, and the possible need for repairing or replacement of the part. An example of a fail-safe designed structure with crack-arrest feature, common to all aircraft structural parts, is the skin-stiffened design configuration. However, in other cases, the design philosophy has safe-life or single load path feature, where analysts must demonstrate that parts have adequate life during their service operation and the possibility of catastrophic failure is remote. For example, all pressurized vessels that have single load path feature are classified as high-risk parts. During their service operation, these

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tanks may develop cracks, which will grow gradually in a stable manner.

The current, thoroughly revised and updated edition of this approved title, evaluates information sources in the field of technology. It provides the reader not only with information of primary and secondary sources, but also analyses the details of information from all the important technical fields, including environmental technology, biotechnology, aviation and defence, nanotechnology, industrial design, material science, security and health care in the workplace, as well as aspects of the fields of chemistry, electro technology and mechanical

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engineering. The sources of information presented also contain publications available in printed and electronic form, such as books, journals, electronic magazines, technical reports, dissertations, scientific reports, articles from conferences, meetings and symposiums, patents and patent information, technical standards, products, electronic full text services, abstract and indexing services, bibliographies, reviews, internet sources, reference works and publications of professional associations. Information Sources in Engineering is aimed at librarians and information scientists in technical fields as well as non-professional

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information specialists, who have to provide information about technical issues. Furthermore, this title is of great value to students and people with technical professions.

X-ray computed tomography has been used for several decades as a tool for measuring the three-dimensional geometry of the internal organs in medicine. However, in recent years, we have seen a move in manufacturing industries for the use of X-ray computed tomography; first to give qualitative information about the internal geometry and defects in a component, and more recently, as a fully-quantitative technique for dimensional and materials

analysis. This trend is primarily due to the ability of X-ray computed tomography to give a high-density and multi-scale representation of both the external and internal geometry of a component, in a non-destructive, non-contact and relatively fast way. But, due to the complexity of X-ray computed tomography, there are remaining metrological issues to solve and the specification standards are still under development. This book will act as a one-stop-shop resource for students and users of X-ray computed tomography in both academia and industry. It presents the fundamental principles of the technique, detailed descriptions of the various

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components (hardware and software), current developments in calibration and performance verification and a wealth of example applications. The book will also highlight where there is still work to do, in the perspective that X-ray computed tomography will be an essential part of Industry 4.0.

Computer-Aided Materials Selection During Structural Design

A Brief History of Neoliberalism

Integrated Computational Materials Engineering

Industrial X-Ray Computed Tomography

Handbook of Digital Human Modeling

*Materials, Third Edition, is the essential materials*

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*engineering text and resource for students developing skills and understanding of materials properties and selection for engineering applications. This new edition retains its design-led focus and strong emphasis on visual communication while expanding its inclusion of the underlying science of materials to fully meet the needs of instructors teaching an introductory course in materials. A design-led approach motivates and engages students in the study of materials science and engineering through real-life case studies and illustrative applications. Highly visual full color graphics facilitate understanding of materials concepts and properties. For instructors, a solutions manual, lecture slides, online image bank, and materials selection charts for use in class handouts or lecture presentations are available*

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*at <http://textbooks.elsevier.com>. The number of worked examples has been increased by 50% while the number of standard end-of-chapter exercises in the text has been doubled. Coverage of materials and the environment has been updated with a new section on Sustainability and Sustainable Technology. The text meets the curriculum needs of a wide variety of courses in the materials and design field, including introduction to materials science and engineering, engineering materials, materials selection and processing, and materials in design. Design-led approach motivates and engages students in the study of materials science and engineering through real-life case studies and illustrative applications Highly visual full color graphics facilitate understanding of materials concepts and*

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*properties Chapters on materials selection and design are integrated with chapters on materials fundamentals, enabling students to see how specific fundamentals can be important to the design process For instructors, a solutions manual, lecture slides, online image bank and materials selection charts for use in class handouts or lecture presentations are available at <http://textbooks.elsevier.com> Links with the Cambridge Engineering Selector (CES EduPack), the powerful materials selection software. See [www.grantadesign.com](http://www.grantadesign.com) for information*

**NEW TO THIS EDITION:** Text and figures have been revised and updated throughout The number of worked examples has been increased by 50% The number of standard end-of-chapter exercises in the text has been doubled Coverage of

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*materials and the environment has been updated with a new section on Sustainability and Sustainable Technology. Introducing a new engineering product or changing an existing model involves developing designs, reaching economic decisions, selecting materials, choosing manufacturing processes, and assessing environmental impact. These activities are interdependent and should not be performed in isolation from each other. This is because the materials and processes used in making a product can have a major influence on its design, cost, and performance in service. This Fourth Edition of the best-selling Materials and Process Selection for Engineering Design takes all of this into account and has been comprehensively revised to reflect the many advances in the fields of materials and*

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*manufacturing, including: Increasing use of additive manufacturing technology, especially in biomedical, aerospace and automotive applications Emphasizing the environmental impact of engineering products, recycling, and increasing use of biodegradable polymers and composites Analyzing further into weight reduction of products through design changes as well as material and process selection, especially in manufacturing products such as electric cars Discussing new methods for solving multi-criteria decision-making problems, including multi-component material selection as well as concurrent and geometry-dependent selection of materials and joining technology Increasing use of MATLAB by engineering students in solving problems This textbook features the*

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*following pedagogical tools: New and updated practical case studies from industry A variety of suggested topics and background information for in-class group work Ideas and background information for reflection papers so readers can think critically about the material they have read, give their interpretation of the issues under discussion and the lessons learned, and then propose a way forward Open-book exercises and questions at the end of each chapter where readers are evaluated on how they use the material, rather than how well they recall it, in addition to the traditional review questions Includes a solutions manual and PowerPoint lecture materials for adopting professors Aimed at students in mechanical, manufacturing, and materials engineering, as well as professionals in these fields, this*

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*book provides the practical know-how in order to choose the right materials and processes for development of new or enhanced products.*

*This book reviews the history of the United States-Liberia relations from the early 1820s to 2015, with particular attention paid to the role of the US armed forces. Contrary to most literature on the genesis and development of Liberia, this book demonstrates how US military power has been the primary influence shaping Liberia's history. This includes the role played by the US military in the founding of Liberia, the protection of the country during the European formal colonial era, multiple covert operations in securing US-friendly administrations in Liberia, and direct military interventions when necessary to secure American interests*

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*in the region.*

*Mechanical Behavior of Materials*

*Aerospace Engineering*

*An Introduction to Modern Vehicle Design*

*Integrating Information Into the Engineering Design Process*

*Failure, Distress and Repair of Concrete Structures*

*A arte e ciência da seleção de materiais no projeto do produto*

This book provides tabular and text data relating to normal and diseased tissue materials and materials used in medical devices. Comprehensive and practical for students, researchers, engineers, and practicing physicians who use implants, this book

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considers the materials aspects of both implantable materials and natural tissues and fluids. Examples of materials and topics covered include titanium, elastomers, degradable biomaterials, composites, scaffold materials for tissue engineering, dental implants, sterilization effects on material properties, metallic alloys, and much more. Each chapter author considers the intrinsic and interactive properties of biomaterials, as well as their appropriate applications and historical contexts. Now in an updated second edition, this book also contains two new chapters on the cornea and on vocal folds, as well as updated

insights, data, and citations for several chapters. A collection of international contributions from renowned academics and practitioners from the US, UK, China, the second edition of Fashion Marketing has been completely updated, revised and expanded to reflect the major changes in the fashion industry since 2001 and covers all of the key themes and issues of the area. Key themes and areas covered include globalization, fast fashion, luxury fashion, offshoring, business-to-business, forecasting, sourcing, supply chain management, new product development, design management, logistics, range

planning, color prediction, market testing, e-commerce, and strategy.

Argues that increasing levels of transparency do not always change international politics for the better.

The Perils and Promise of Global Transparency

A Transformational Discipline for Improved  
Competitiveness and National Security

Materials and Process Selection for Engineering  
Design

Fashion Marketing

*Comprehensive in scope and readable, this book explores the methods used by engineers*

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*to analyze and predict the mechanical behavior of materials. Author Norman E. Dowling provides thorough coverage of materials testing and practical methods for forecasting the strength and life of mechanical parts and structural members. The selection of the proper materials for a structural component is a critical activity that is governed by many, often conflicting factors. Incorporating materials expert systems into CAD/CAM operations could assist designers by suggesting potential manufacturing processes for particular products to facilitate concurrent*

*engineering, recommending various materials for a specific part based on a given set of characteristics, or proposing possible modifications of a design if suitable materials for a particular part do not exist. This book reviews the structural design process, determines the elements, and capabilities required for a materials selection expert system to assist design engineers, and recommends the areas of expert system and materials modeling research and development required to devise a materials-specific design system.*