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Vehicular traffic congestion and accidents remain universal issues in today's world. Due to the continued growth in the use of vehicles, optimizing traffic management operations is an immense challenge. To reduce the number of traffic accidents, improve the performance of transportation systems, enhance road safety, and protect the environment, vehicular ad-hoc networks have been introduced. Current developments in wireless communication, computing paradigms, big data, and cloud computing enable the enhancement of these networks, equipped with wireless communication capabilities and high-performance processing tools. *Cloud-Based Big Data Analytics in Vehicular Ad-Hoc Networks* is a pivotal reference source that provides vital research on cloud and data analytic applications in intelligent transportation systems. While highlighting topics such as location routing, accident detection, and data warehousing, this publication addresses future challenges in vehicular ad-hoc networks and presents viable solutions. This book is ideally designed for researchers, computer scientists, engineers, automobile industry professionals, IT practitioners, academicians, and students seeking current research on cloud computing models in vehicular networks.

Black money and financial crime are emerging global phenomena. During the last few decades, corrupt financial practices were increasingly being monitored in many countries around the globe. Among a large number of problems is a lack of general awareness about all these issues among various stakeholders including researchers and practitioners. *The Handbook of Research on Theory and Practice of Financial Crimes* is a critical scholarly research publication that provides comprehensive research on all aspects of black money and financial crime in individual, organizational, and societal experiences. The book further examines the implications of white-collar crime and practices to enhance forensic audits on financial fraud and the effects on tax enforcement. Featuring a wide range of topics such as ethical leadership, cybercrime, and blockchain, this book is ideal for policymakers, academicians, business professionals, managers, IT specialists, researchers, and students.

This book constitutes the proceedings of the 14th International Conference on Web and Internet Economics, WINE 2019, held in New York City, USA, in December 2019. The 23 revised full papers presented were carefully reviewed and selected from 111 submissions. The papers reflect the work of researchers in theoretical computer science, artificial intelligence, and microeconomics who have joined forces to tackle problems at the intersection of computation, game theory and economics.

Consumer needs and demands are constantly changing. Because of this, marketing science and finance have their own concepts and theoretical backgrounds for evaluating consumer-related challenges. However, examining the function of finance with a marketing discipline can help to better understand

internal management processes and compete in today's market. The Handbook of Research on Decision-Making Techniques in Financial Marketing is a collection of innovative research that integrates financial and marketing functions to make better sense of the workplace environment and business-related challenges. Different financial challenges are taken into consideration while many of them are based on marketing theories such as agency theory, product life cycle, and optimal consumer experience. While highlighting topics including behavioral financing, corporate ethics, and Islamic banking, this book is ideally designed for financiers, marketers, financial analysts, marketing strategists, researchers, policymakers, government officials, academicians, students, and industry professionals.

This handbook is organized under three major parts. The first part of this handbook deals with multimedia security for emerging applications. The chapters include basic concepts of multimedia tools and applications, biological and behavioral biometrics, effective multimedia encryption and secure watermarking techniques for emerging applications, an adaptive face identification approach for android mobile devices, and multimedia using chaotic and perceptual hashing function. The second part of this handbook focuses on multimedia processing for various potential applications. The chapter includes a detail survey of image processing based automated glaucoma detection techniques and role of de-noising, recent study of dictionary learning based image reconstruction techniques for analyzing the big medical data, brief introduction of quantum image processing and its applications, a segmentation-less efficient Alzheimer detection approach, object recognition, image enhancements and de-noising techniques for emerging applications, improved performance of image compression approach, and automated detection of eye related diseases using digital image processing. The third part of this handbook introduces multimedia applications. The chapter includes the extensive survey on the role of multimedia in medicine and multimedia forensics classification, a finger based authentication system for e-health security, analysis of recently developed deep learning techniques for emotion and activity recognition. Further, the book introduces a case study on change of ECG according to time for user identification, role of multimedia in big data, cloud computing, the Internet of things (IoT) and blockchain environment in detail for real life applications. This handbook targets researchers, policy makers, programmers and industry professionals in creating new knowledge for developing efficient techniques/framework for multimedia applications. Advanced level students studying computer science, specifically security and multimedia will find this book useful as a reference.

The Lunar Market Trading System developed by Swami Ram Charran is based on The LifeCode system of trading that has been utilized by popular systems such as Gann, Elliot and Fibonacci in the markets. Swami Ram has developed this system in a more extensive in-depth method of trading that follows the energy movements of trading instruments as they rise or fall day to day, month to

month, year to year etc. This handbook will help you to follow a consistent trading system that will increase your profits in the market so you can use those profits wisely to benefit yourself as well as those around you. Using the LifeCode and Vedic Mathematics together with Fibonacci sequences and the Elliot Wave Theory, Swami Ram has prepared easy-to-read investment charts for any stock commodity or futures in the stock market. To date, research has shown that the trends of stocks in past performances have matched the Vedic Codes close to 80-90%% accuracy.

Clinical Paediatrics, 4/e is specially designed for medical students, this book presents a succinct exposition of the clinical procedures involved in the diagnosis and management of common Paediatric cases. In a simple and easy-to-understand language, the book explains the fundamentals of History taking-both general and systemic, Clinical examination, Differential diagnosis, Investigations, Diagnosis, Management and prognosis. It particularly emphasizes history taking and examination of the cardiovascular system, central nervous system and nutritional diseases. The book also explains the various disorders seen in children. A simple point wise style of presentation is followed throughout the text and important features are summarized in appropriate tables and boxes.

Relevant clinical photographs are included to illustrate the text.

The digital age has presented an exponential growth in the amount of data available to individuals looking to draw conclusions based on given or collected information across industries. Challenges associated with the analysis, security, sharing, storage, and visualization of large and complex data sets continue to plague data scientists and analysts alike as traditional data processing applications struggle to adequately manage big data. The Handbook of Research on Big Data Storage and Visualization Techniques is a critical scholarly resource that explores big data analytics and technologies and their role in developing a broad understanding of issues pertaining to the use of big data in multidisciplinary fields. Featuring coverage on a broad range of topics, such as architecture patterns, programing systems, and computational energy, this publication is geared towards professionals, researchers, and students seeking current research and application topics on the subject.

This book presents an up-to-date and comprehensive review of female contraception, offering an extensive overview of contraception types, including oral, injectable, emergency, and various cervical barrier contraceptives. It also discusses behavioral and sterilization methods of contraception as well as the clinical effectiveness, advantages, disadvantages, side effects, and mechanisms of action of each method. Now in its fully revised and expanded third edition, this text includes seven new chapters that address specific clinical issues that healthcare providers face daily. These issues include patients with medical problems, perimenopausal women, the adolescent population, post-pregnancy patients, patients with bleeding problems, fibroids or hyperplasia, obese patients and patients with acne or hirutism. There is also a new chapter dedicated to

contraceptive methods that are currently in development. Each chapter reviews the correct use of the individual method, the most appropriate candidates, timing of initiation, red flag contraindications, risks and benefits, method of action, handling side effects, non-contraceptive benefits, switching methods and the CDC Medical Eligibility for the method. Importantly however, there is a new emphasis placed on standardized evidence-based practice recommendations incorporating the most recent US Selected Practice Recommendations and rationale as published by the US CDC. Written by experts in the field, The Handbook of Contraception, Third Edition, is a valuable resource for obstetricians, gynecologists, reproductive medicine specialists and primary care physicians.

This handbook is currently in development, with individual articles publishing online in advance of print publication. At this time, we cannot add information about unpublished articles in this handbook, however the table of contents will continue to grow as additional articles pass through the review process and are added to the site. Please note that the online publication date for this handbook is the date that the first article in the title was published online.

From traditional brick and mortar to new start-ups, businesses are harnessing the power of digital enterprise as a cost-effective model to deliver goods and services online. Digital enterprise strategy is adopted for transforming business, streamlining processes, and making the best use of online technologies to enhance interaction with customers and employees and deliver excellent customer experience in real time. Digital enterprises increasingly need digital workers to establish greater digital skills to bear on every activity and to drive management, strategy, and innovation, which are key for digital enterprise transformation. The Handbook of Research on Management and Strategies for Digital Enterprise Transformation is a crucial reference source that discusses leveraging technology for the customers', employees', and suppliers' benefit, as well as integrating complex processes to management, marketing, production, manufacturing, and financial systems. Combining management, strategy, technology, and digital enterprise topics into one book provides the reader with a holistic understanding of the new developments in these emerging fields. This study will also include key topics of interest on how to address structural changes underway in the local and global business environment for digital enterprise transformation. Featuring research on topics such as e-commerce, organizational learning, and agile management, this book is ideally designed for business professionals, policymakers, researchers, students, and managers.

This Handbook takes an econometric approach to the foundations of economic performance analysis. The focus is on the measurement of efficiency, productivity, growth and performance. These concepts are commonly measured residually and difficult to quantify in practice. In real-life applications, efficiency and productivity estimates are often quite sensitive to the models used in the performance assessment and the methodological approaches adopted by the

analysis. The Palgrave Handbook of Performance Analysis discusses the two basic techniques of performance measurement – deterministic benchmarking and stochastic benchmarking – in detail, and addresses the statistical techniques that connect them. All chapters include applications and explore topics ranging from the output/input ratio to productivity indexes and national statistics.

Distributed systems intertwine with our everyday lives. The benefits and current shortcomings of the underpinning technologies are experienced by a wide range of people and their smart devices. With the rise of large-scale IoT and similar distributed systems, cloud bursting technologies, and partial outsourcing solutions, private entities are encouraged to increase their efficiency and offer unparalleled availability and reliability to their users. Applying Integration Techniques and Methods in Distributed Systems is a critical scholarly publication that defines the current state of distributed systems, determines further goals, and presents architectures and service frameworks to achieve highly integrated distributed systems and presents solutions to integration and efficient management challenges faced by current and future distributed systems. Highlighting topics such as multimedia, programming languages, and smart environments, this book is ideal for system administrators, integrators, designers, developers, researchers, and academicians.

This Special Issue presents an in-depth analysis of transport research commissioned by the UK Department for International Development under the High Volume Transport Programme (2017-2023). The analysis done in the period 2018-2019 contributes to the UK response to improving transport in the low-income countries in Africa and South Asia. As a result, key priorities have been identified for applied research in 2020 to make road, rail and urban transport more efficient and affordable, and all transport greener, safer and more inclusive for all users. This applied research is a vital link in making transport a sustainable lifeline for people in low-income countries, because transport gives farmers and manufacturers access to domestic and international markets and people in rural and urban areas access to schools and health services.

The Handbook of Hinduism in Europe portrays and analyses Hindu traditions in every country in Europe. It presents the main Hindu communities, religious groups, forms and teachings present in the continent and shows that Hinduism have become a major religion in Europe.

The importance of effective use of resources within a business is paramount to the success of the business. This includes the effective use of employees as well as efficient strategies for the direction of those employees and resources. A manager's ability to adapt and utilize contemporary approaches for maximizing both individuals and organizational knowledge is essential. The Handbook of Research on Contemporary Approaches in Management and Organizational Strategy is a pivotal reference source that provides vital research on the application of contemporary management strategies. While highlighting topics such as e-business, leadership styles, and organizational behavior, this publication explores strategies for the achievement of organizational goals, as well as the methods of effective resource

allocation. This book is ideally designed for academicians, students, managers, specialists, and consultants seeking current research on strategies for the management of people and knowledge within an organization.

Despite the development of advanced methods, models, and algorithms, optimization within structural engineering remains a primary method for overcoming potential structural failures. With the overarching goal to improve capacity, limit structural damage, and assess the structural dynamic response, further improvements to these methods must be entertained. Optimization of Design for Better Structural Capacity is an essential reference source that discusses the advancement and augmentation of optimization designs for better behavior of structure under different types of loads, as well as the use of these advanced designs in combination with other methods in civil engineering. Featuring research on topics such as industrial software, geotechnical engineering, and systems optimization, this book is ideally designed for architects, professionals, researchers, engineers, and academicians seeking coverage on advanced designs for use in civil engineering environments.

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Processes of globalization have changed the world in many, often fundamental, ways. Increasingly these processes are being debated and contested. This Handbook offers a timely, rich as well as critical panorama of these multifaceted processes with up-to-date chapters by renowned specialists from many countries. It comprises chapters on the historical background of globalization, different geographical perspectives (including world systems analysis and geopolitics), the geographies of flows (of people, goods and services, and capital), and the geographies of places (including global cities, clusters, port cities and the impact of climate change).

In achieving civic engagement and social justice in smart cities, literacy programs are offered in the society by three essential information service providers: libraries, archives, and museums. Although the library and museum services are documented in literature, there is little evidence of community-led library or museum services that make a full circle in understanding community-library, community-archive, and community-museum relationships. The Handbook of Research on the Role of Libraries, Archives, and Museums in Achieving Civic Engagement and Social Justice in Smart Cities examines the application of tools and techniques in library and museum literacy in achieving civic engagement and social justice. It also introduces a new outlook in the services of libraries and museums. Covering topics such as countering fake news, human rights literacies, and outreach activities, this book is essential for community-based organizations, librarians, museum administrations, education leaders, information professionals, smart city design planners, digital tool developers, policymakers engaged in diversity, researchers, and academicians.

Microwave photonics and information optics provide high bandwidth and precision along with ultrafast speed at a low cost. In order to reduce noise at the communication trans-receivers, scattering in the devices needs to be decreased, which can be achieved by replacing optoelectronic devices with photonic devices because in the latter only photons propagate electromagnetic waves. Contemporary Developments in High-Frequency Photonic Devices is a crucial research book that examines high-frequency photonics and their applications in communication engineering. Featuring coverage on a wide range of topics such as metamaterials, optoelectronic devices, and plasmonics, this book is excellent for students,

researchers, engineers, and professionals.

The concept of ecosystem services has emerged in recent years as one of the most powerful guiding principles for ecology, biodiversity conservation and the management of natural resources. It provides the basis of assessing the multiple values and services that ecosystems can provide to humankind, including such diverse issues as carbon sequestration, flood control, crop pollination and aesthetic and cultural services. This introductory textbook sets out the key aspects of ecosystem services. The book details the historical roots of ecosystem services in the second half of the twentieth century and through initiatives such as the Millennium Ecosystem Assessment. It shows how ecosystem goods and services can be categorised and valued in economic as well as non-monetary terms, while also highlighting some of the difficulties and limitations of valuation techniques. The author describes how themes such as systems thinking, social-ecological resilience and natural capital relate to ecosystem services, and how these can contribute to more sustainable and equitable development. The book assumes limited prior knowledge and is aimed at a wide interdisciplinary audience of students across the social, environmental and life sciences. It is illustrated by a wide range of international case studies and includes learning objectives and guidance for further reading.

Narendra Modi's energetic personal diplomacy and promise to make India a 'leading power', made soon after his landslide election victory in May 2014, surprised many analysts. Most had predicted that his government would concentrate on domestic issues, on the growth and development demanded by Indian voters, and that he lacked necessary experience in international relations. Instead, Modi's time in office saw a concerted attempt to reinvent Indian foreign policy by replacing inherited understandings of its place in the world with one drawn largely from Hindu nationalist ideology. This book explores the drivers of this reinvention, arguing it arose from a combination of elite conviction and electoral calculation, and the impact it had on India's international relations under Modi.

As the advancement of technology continues, cyber security continues to play a significant role in today's world. With society becoming more dependent on the internet, new opportunities for virtual attacks can lead to the exposure of critical information. Machine and deep learning techniques to prevent this exposure of information are being applied to address mounting concerns in computer security. The Handbook of Research on Machine and Deep Learning Applications for Cyber Security is a pivotal reference source that provides vital research on the application of machine learning techniques for network security research. While highlighting topics such as web security, malware detection, and secure information sharing, this publication explores recent research findings in the area of electronic security as well as challenges and countermeasures in cyber security research. It is ideally designed for software engineers, IT specialists, cybersecurity analysts, industrial experts, academicians, researchers, and post-graduate students.

While yoga was originally intended to be practiced for spiritual growth, there is an increasing interest in applying yoga in all areas of life. It is important to understand this ancient science and way of life through as many perspectives as possible (e.g., based on biomedical engineering). As its popularity and interest grows, more practitioners want to know about the proven physiological effects and uses in healthcare. The Handbook of Research on Evidence-Based Perspectives on the Psychophysiology of Yoga and Its Applications provides research exploring the theoretical and practical aspects of yoga therapy and its physiological effects from diverse, evidence-based viewpoints. The book adds in-depth information regarding the (1) physiological effects of yoga; (2) neurobiological effects of yoga meditation; (3) psychological benefits related to yoga, such as mental wellbeing; (4) molecular changes associated with yoga practice; and (5) therapeutic applications (for lymphedema, mental health disorders, non-communicable diseases, attention deficit hyperactivity disorder, and trauma, among other



File noting has been in the recent past, and still is, under heated discussion in the context of Right to Information Act, 2005. It has, thus, been drawing a lot of interest from all concerned. Basic note in a file is written by an Office Assistant/ Assistant Section Officer. A good note should properly define and analyse the problem; refer to relevant rules, regulations, policies and precedents; talk about alternative solutions; discuss implications of these various alternatives and then suggest a suitable solution and a draft reply. Noting and drafting has, therefore, always been a vital part of decision-making process in the Government. the quality of Noting and Drafting has deteriorated over the years. There is hardly any publication on the subject except for some references in the manuals of office procedures. Hence, this attempt, A book for Government Officials to Master Noting and Drafting. It is a comprehensive book which talks about various concepts, the significance, features of good and bad notings, and skilful drafts citing examples drawn from actual files. Different exercises, their solutions, and samples of some good file notings and useful drafts make this book valuable for all its readers.

According to the October 2016 "World Economic Outlook," global growth is projected to slow to 3.1 percent in 2016 before recovering to 3.4 percent in 2017. The forecast, revised down by 0.1 percentage point for 2016 and 2017 relative to April's report, reflects a more subdued outlook for advanced economies following the June U.K. vote in favor of leaving the European Union (Brexit) and weaker-than-expected growth in the United States. These developments have put further downward pressure on global interest rates, as monetary policy is now expected to remain accommodative for longer. Although the market reaction to the Brexit shock was reassuringly orderly, the ultimate impact remains very unclear, as the fate of institutional and trade arrangements between the United Kingdom and the European Union is uncertain. Financial market sentiment toward emerging market economies has improved with expectations of lower interest rates in advanced economies, reduced concern about China's near-term prospects following policy support to growth, and some firming of commodity prices. But prospects differ sharply across countries and regions, with emerging Asia in general and India in particular showing robust growth and sub-Saharan Africa experiencing a sharp slowdown. In advanced economies, a subdued outlook subject to sizable uncertainty and downside risks may fuel further political discontent, with anti-integration policy platforms gaining more traction. Several emerging market and developing economies still face daunting policy challenges in adjusting to weaker commodity prices. These worrisome prospects make the need for a broad-based policy response to raise growth and manage vulnerabilities more urgent than ever.

Plants produce a vast number of bioactive compounds with different chemical scaffolds, which modulate a diverse range of molecular targets and are used as drugs for treating numerous diseases. Most present-day medicines are derived either from plant compounds or their derivatives, and plant compounds continue to offer limitless reserves for the discovery of new medicines. While different classes of plant compounds, like phenolics, flavonoids, saponins and alkaloids, and their potential pharmacological applications are currently being explored, their curative mechanisms are yet to be understood in detail. This book is divided into 2 volumes and offers detailed information on plant-derived bioactive compounds, including recent research findings. Volume 1, Plant-derived Bioactives: Chemistry and Mode of Action, discusses

the chemistry of highly valued plant bioactive compounds and their mode of actions at the molecular level. Volume 2, *Plant-derived Bioactives: Production, Properties and Therapeutic Applications*, explores the sources, biosynthesis, production, biological properties and therapeutic applications of plant bioactives. Given their scope, these books are valuable resources for members of the scientific community wishing to further explore various medicinal plants and the therapeutic applications of their bioactive compounds. They appeal to scholars, teachers and scientists involved in plant product research, and facilitate the development of innovative new drugs.

This handbook provides comprehensive treatment of the current state of glass science from the leading experts in the field. Opening with an enlightening contribution on the history of glass, the volume is then divided into eight parts. The first part covers fundamental properties, from the current understanding of the thermodynamics of the amorphous state, kinetics, and linear and nonlinear optical properties through colors, photosensitivity, and chemical durability. The second part provides dedicated chapters on each individual glass type, covering traditional systems like silicates and other oxide systems, as well as novel hybrid amorphous materials and spin glasses. The third part features detailed descriptions of modern characterization techniques for understanding this complex state of matter. The fourth part covers modeling, from first-principles calculations through molecular dynamics simulations, and statistical modeling. The fifth part presents a range of laboratory and industrial glass processing methods. The remaining parts cover a wide and representative range of applications areas from optics and photonics through environment, energy, architecture, and sensing. Written by the leading international experts in the field, the *Springer Handbook of Glass* represents an invaluable resource for graduate students through academic and industry researchers working in photonics, optoelectronics, materials science, energy, architecture, and more.

*Alkali-Aggregate Reaction in Concrete: A World Review* is unique in providing authoritative and up to date expert information on the causes and effects of Alkali-Aggregate Reaction (AAR) in concrete structures worldwide. In 1992 a first edition entitled *The Alkali-Silica Reaction in Concrete*, edited by Professor Narayan Swamy, was published in a first attempt to cover this concrete problem from a global perspective, but the coverage was incomplete. This completely new edition offers a fully updated and more universal coverage of the world situation concerning AAR and includes a wealth of new evidence and research information that has accumulated in the intervening years. Although there are various textbooks offering readers sections that deal with AAR deterioration and damage to concrete, no other single book brings together the views of recognised international experts in the field, and the wealth of scattered research information that is available. It provides a 'state of the art' review and deals authoritatively with the mechanisms of AAR, its diagnosis and how to treat concrete affected by AAR. It is illustrated by numerous actual examples from around the world, and comprises specialist contributions provided by senior engineers and scientists from many parts of the world. The book is divided into two distinct but complementary parts. The first five chapters deal with the most recent findings concerning the mechanisms involved in the reaction, methods concerning its diagnosis, testing and evaluation, together with an appraisal of current methods used in its avoidance and in the remediation of affected concrete structures. The second part is

divided into eleven chapters covering each region of the world in turn. These chapters have been written by experts with specialist knowledge of AAR in the countries involved and include an authoritative appraisal of the problem and its solution as it affects concrete structures in the region. Such an authoritative compilation of information on AAR has not been attempted previously on this scale and this work is therefore an essential source for practising and research civil engineers, consultant engineers and materials scientists, as well as aggregate and cement producers, designers and concrete suppliers, especially regarding projects outside their own region.

Rapid changes in technology and lifestyle have led to a dramatic increase in energy demand. Growing energy demand is the main cause of environmental pollution, but the efficient use of renewable resources and technologies for residential, commercial, industrial, and agricultural sectors offers the opportunity to diminish energy dependence, ensure efficiency and reliability, reduce pollutant emissions, and buoy national economies. Eco-friendly energy processes are the key to long-term sustainability. *Eco-Friendly Energy Processes and Technologies for Achieving Sustainable Development* is a collection of innovative research that identifies sustainability pillars such as environmental, technical, social, institutional, and economic disciplines and explores the longevity of these disciplines through a resource-oriented approach. Featuring coverage of a broad range of topics including environmental policy, corporate accountability, and urban planning, this book is ideally designed for policymakers, urban planners, engineers, advocates, researchers, academicians, and students.

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