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### Advances on Mechanics, Design Engineering and Manufacturing III

## Proceedings of the International Joint Conference on Mechanics, Design Engineering & Advanced Manufacturing, JCM 2020, June 2-4, 2020

*Springer Nature* This open access book gathers contributions presented at the International Joint Conference on Mechanics, Design Engineering and Advanced Manufacturing (JCM 2020), held as a web conference on June 2-4, 2020. It reports on cutting-edge topics in product design and manufacturing, such as industrial methods for integrated product and process design; innovative design; and computer-aided design. Further topics covered include virtual simulation and reverse engineering; additive manufacturing; product manufacturing; engineering methods in medicine and education; representation techniques; and nautical, aeronautics and aerospace design and modeling. The book is organized into four main parts, reflecting the focus and primary themes of the conference. The contributions presented here not only provide researchers, engineers and experts in a range of industrial engineering subfields with extensive information to support their daily work; they are also intended to stimulate new research directions, advanced applications of the methods discussed and future interdisciplinary collaborations.

### Information Technology for Balanced Manufacturing Systems

## IFIP TC 5, WG 5.5 Seventh International Conference on Information Technology for Balanced Automation Systems in Manufacturing and Services, Niagra Falls, Ontario, Canada, September 4-6, 2006

*Springer BASYS* conferences were initially organized to promote the development of balanced automation systems. The first BASYS conference was successfully launched in Victoria, Brazil, in 1995. BASYS'06 is the 7th edition in this series. This book comprises three invited keynote papers and forty-nine regular papers accepted for presentation at the conference. All together, these papers will make significant contributions to the literature of Intelligent Technology for Balanced Manufacturing Systems.

### Collaborative Product and Service Life Cycle Management for a Sustainable World

## Proceedings of the 15th ISPE International Conference on Concurrent Engineering (CE2008)

*Springer Science & Business Media* "Collaborative Product and Service Life Cycle Management for a Sustainable World" gathers together papers from the 15th ISPE International Conference on Concurrent Engineering (CE2008), to stimulate the new thinking that is so crucial to our sustained productivity enhancement and quality of life. It is already evident in this new century that the desire for sustainable development is increasingly driving the market to reach for new and innovative solutions that more effectively utilize the resources we have inherited from previous generations; with the obvious responsibility to future generations. Human productivity and progress can be positively engineered and managed in harmony with the provision and needs of our natural environment. One century on from the industrial revolution, this is now the time of the sustainable revolution; requiring holistic technological, process and people integrated solutions to sustained socio-economic enhancement.

### The Future of Product Development

## Proceedings of the 17th CIRP Design Conference

*Springer Science & Business Media* These proceedings represent trends in Product Development concerning industrial vendors and scientific research aspects. Coverage includes the following topics are covered: Design Theory, Product Design, Requirements, Collaborative Engineering, Complex Design, Mechatronics, Reverse Engineering, Virtual Prototyping, CAE, KBE and PLM. The papers presented in this book show that answers can only be composed out of a variety of solutions where psychological, economical and technical research results are taken into account.

### Reverse Engineering

## Recent Advances and Applications

*BoD - Books on Demand* Reverse engineering encompasses a wide spectrum of activities aimed at extracting information on the function, structure, and behavior of man-made or natural artifacts. Increases in data sources, processing power, and improved data mining and processing algorithms have opened new fields of application for reverse engineering. In this book, we present twelve applications of reverse engineering in the software engineering, shape engineering, and medical and life sciences application domains. The book can serve as a guideline to practitioners in the above fields to the

state-of-the-art in reverse engineering techniques, tools, and use-cases, as well as an overview of open challenges for reverse engineering researchers.

## Harmonising Rock Engineering and the Environment

CRC Press *Harmonising Rock Mechanics and the Environment* comprises the proceedings (invited and contributed papers) of the 12th ISRM International Congress on Rock Mechanics (Beijing, China, 18-21 October 2011). The contributions cover the entire scope of rock mechanics and rock engineering, with an emphasis on the critical role of both disciplines in sustain

## Figure Study Made Easy

*Subject Covered: The human figure is a three dimensional structure of solid blocks having weight and to draw it convincingly you must learn how to create an illusion of solid form on a two dimensional sheet of paper. The topics in this book are arranged conveniently in step by step sequential chapters, which will show you how to capture the spirit and evolution of the figure. This will streamline your thoughts and result in capturing the essence of the figure in the shortest time. The approach of this book is based on teachings of the great masters of this subject which resulted in figured drawings of unforgettable strength and beauty. This book explains all the necessary guidelines towards the proper study of the human figure. Whether you want to learn figure drawing as a hobby or make a career out of it, the simple instructions in this book will help you in achieving that goal. Remember the key to successful drawing of the human figure is to practise one concept at a time.*

## CAD/CAM/CIM

New Age International *The Technology Of Cad/Cam/Cim Deals With The Creation Of Information At Different Stages From Design To Marketing And Integration Of Information And Its Effective Communication Among The Various Activities Like Design, Product Data Management, Process Planning, Production Planning And Control, Manufacturing, Inspection, Materials Handling Etc., Which Are Individually Carried Out Through Computer Software. Seamless Transfer Of Information From One Application To Another Is What Is Aimed At. This Book Gives A Detailed Account Of The Various Technologies Which Form Computer Based Automation Of Manufacturing Activities. The Issues Pertaining To Geometric Model Creation, Standardisation Of Graphics Data, Communication, Manufacturing Information Creation And Manufacturing Control Have Been Adequately Dealt With. Principles Of Concurrent Engineering Have Been Explained And Latest Software In The Various Application Areas Have Been Introduced. The Book Is Written With Two Objectives To Serve As A Textbook For Students Studying Cad/Cam/Cim And As A Reference Book For Professional Engineers.*

## BIM Handbook

## A Guide to Building Information Modeling for Owners, Designers, Engineers, Contractors, and Facility Managers

John Wiley & Sons *Discover BIM: A better way to build better buildings Building Information Modeling (BIM) offers a novel approach to design, construction, and facility management in which a digital representation of the building product and process is used to facilitate the exchange and interoperability of information in digital format. BIM is beginning to change the way buildings look, the way they function, and the ways in which they are designed and built. The BIM Handbook, Third Edition provides an in-depth understanding of BIM technologies, the business and organizational issues associated with its implementation, and the profound advantages that effective use of BIM can provide to all members of a project team. Updates to this edition include: Information on the ways in which professionals should use BIM to gain maximum value New topics such as collaborative working, national and major construction clients, BIM standards and guides A discussion on how various professional roles have expanded through the widespread use and the new avenues of BIM practices and services A wealth of new case studies that clearly illustrate exactly how BIM is applied in a wide variety of conditions Painting a colorful and thorough picture of the state of the art in building information modeling, the BIM Handbook, Third Edition guides readers to successful implementations, helping them to avoid needless frustration and costs and take full advantage of this paradigm-shifting approach to construct better buildings that consume fewer materials and require less time, labor, and capital resources.*

## Emotional Development in Atypical Children

Psychology Press *Early emotional development, emotional regulation, and the links between emotion and social or cognitive functioning in atypically developing children have not received much attention. This lack is due in part to the priorities given to the educational and therapeutic needs of these children. Yet an understanding of the basic emotional processes in children with atypical development can only serve to promote more effective strategies for teaching and intervening in the lives of these children and their families and may contribute to our understanding of basic emotional processes as well. When referring to "emotions," the editors mean some complex set of processes or abilities, whether or not the topic is normal or atypical development. Specifically, they use the term "emotion" to refer to at least three things -- emotional expressions, emotional states, and emotional experiences. The focus of this volume, these three aspects of emotional life are affected by socialization practices, maturational change, and individual biological differences including, in this case, differences in children as a function of disability. Contributors examine the development of emotions in children with organic or psychological disorders as well as those in compromised social contexts making this volume of prime importance to developmental, clinical, and social psychologists, educators, and child mental health experts.*

## Industrial Engineering and Operations Management

## XXVI IJCIEOM (2nd Edition), Rio de Janeiro, Brazil, February 22–24, 2021

Springer Nature *This proceedings volume gathers together selected peer-reviewed papers presented at the second edition of the XXVI International Joint Conference on Industrial Engineering and Operations Management (IJCIEOM), which was virtually held on February 22-24, 2021 with the main organization based at the Pontifical Catholic University of Rio de Janeiro, Brazil. Works cover a range of topics in industrial engineering, including operations and process management, global operations, managerial economics, data science and stochastic optimization, logistics and supply chain management, quality management, product development, strategy and organizational engineering, knowledge and information management, sustainability, and disaster management, to name a few. These topics broadly involve fields like operations, manufacturing, industrial and production engineering, and management. This book can be a valuable resource for researchers and practitioners in optimization research, operations research, and correlated fields.*

## Building Product Models

## Computer Environments, Supporting Design and Construction

CRC Press *Building Product Models* thoroughly presents the concepts, technology, and methods now used to work out what will become the building product model - a new, digital representation for architecture, civil engineering, and building construction. Organized into three sections (history, current tools and concepts, and existing efforts and research issues), this resource provides the field of building product modeling with a standard reference as well as a single, comprehensive text for university courses. Until now, all the efforts in building modeling have been reported in research journals and conference proceedings or been made available as draft standards on the Internet. *Building Product Models* is the only book available on this vital field, bringing together essential aspects of major efforts from the early 1970s to the present.

## EcoMasterplanning

Wiley In planning for a sustainable future for our planet, it is vital that we achieve a seamless and benign biointegration of all human interventions in the natural environment. Finding green design solutions for our built environment must start from the wider scale of regional and urban planning and must then be carried right through to infrastructural engineering, architecture and industrial design. Masterplanning affords the chance to redress current environmental imbalances and to reduce the consequences of our built systems on the environment, with the greater and of reversing climate change. Ecomasterplanning presents a groundbreaking integrative and comprehensive approach to masterplanning, illustrated by examples that Ken Yeang – the original pioneer of the ‘green skyscraper’ – has designed in a highly visually driven format, the book examines over 20 of his masterplans from around the world, including those in the Netherlands, china, India, Turkey, Malaysia, Singapore and North America.

## Applying Manufacturing Execution Systems

CRC Press Computer systems have become an integral part of most companies. The newest of these is Manufacturing Execution Systems (MES), a technology that provides on-line application software that companies rely on to manage their manufacturing processes. Applying Manufacturing Execution Systems is the book for everyone who has the responsibility of improving their company's manufacturing results. It shows how the current conditions on the plant floor can be optimized to improve production output using an integrated MES. Applying Manufacturing Execution Systems shows how MES benefits all types of manufacturing from discrete item production to process flow production. The concepts discussed are applicable in all production facilities where a number of variables, whether simple or complex, need to be considered in order to optimize production by effectively using the available resources of people, inventory, and equipment. The book emphasizes the application of MES in the real world of manufacturing that includes:

## Virtual Reality & Augmented Reality in Industry

Springer Science & Business Media "Virtual Reality & Augmented Reality in Industry" collects the proceedings of the 2nd Sino-German Workshop on the same topic held in Shanghai on April 16-17, 2009. The papers focus on the latest Virtual Reality (VR) / Augmented Reality (AR) technology and its application in industrial processes and presents readers with innovative methods, typical case studies and the latest information on VR/AR basic research results and industrial applications, such as 3D rendering, innovative human-machine design, VR/AR methodology and new tools for assisting in industry, virtual assembly, virtual factory, training and education, etc. The book is intended for computer scientists, IT engineers as well as researchers in Mechanical Engineering. Dr. Dengzhe Ma and Dr. Xiumin Fan are both professors at Shanghai Jiao Tong University, China; Dr.-Ing. Jürgen Gausemeier is a professor of Computer-Integrated Manufacturing at the Heinz Nixdorf Institute, University of Paderborn, Germany; Dipl.-Ing. Michael Grafe is a senior engineer in the Product Engineering Research Group at the Heinz Nixdorf Institute, University of Paderborn.

## Research in Interactive Design (Vol. 4)

## Mechanics, Design Engineering and Advanced Manufacturing

Springer Covering key topics in the field such as technological innovation, human-centered sustainable engineering and manufacturing, and manufacture at a global scale in a virtual world, this book addresses both advanced techniques and industrial applications of key research in interactive design and manufacturing. Featuring the full papers presented at the 2014 Joint Conference on Mechanical Design Engineering and Advanced Manufacturing, which took place in June 2014 in Toulouse, France, it presents recent research and industrial success stories related to implementing interactive design and manufacturing solutions.

## Learning Femap

## Advances on Mechanics, Design Engineering and Manufacturing II

## Proceedings of the International Joint Conference on Mechanics, Design Engineering & Advanced Manufacturing (JCM 2018)

Springer This book contains the papers presented at the International Joint Conference on Mechanics, Design Engineering and Advanced Manufacturing (JCM 2018), held on 20-22 June 2018 in Cartagena, Spain. It reports on cutting-edge topics in product design and manufacturing, such as industrial methods for integrated product and process design; innovative design; and computer-aided design. Further topics covered include virtual simulation and reverse engineering; additive manufacturing; product manufacturing; engineering methods in medicine and education; representation techniques; and nautical, aeronautics and aerospace design and modeling. The book is divided into six main sections, reflecting the focus and primary themes of the conference. The contributions presented here will not only provide researchers, engineers and experts in a range of industrial engineering subfields with extensive information to support their daily work; they are also intended to stimulate new research directions, advanced applications of the methods discussed, and future interdisciplinary collaborations.

## Uncertainty Quantification in Computational Fluid Dynamics

Springer Science & Business Media Fluid flows are characterized by uncertain inputs such as random initial data, material and flux coefficients, and boundary conditions. The current volume addresses the pertinent issue of efficiently computing the flow uncertainty, given this initial randomness. It collects seven original review articles that cover improved versions of the Monte Carlo method (the so-called multi-level Monte Carlo method (MLMC)), moment-based stochastic Galerkin methods and modified versions of the stochastic collocation methods that use adaptive stencil selection of the ENO-WENO type in both physical and stochastic space. The methods are also complemented by concrete applications such as flows around aerofoils and rockets, problems of aeroelasticity (fluid-structure interactions), and shallow water flows for propagating water waves. The wealth of numerical examples provide evidence on the suitability of each proposed method as well as comparisons of different approaches.

## Tourism Management

## An Introduction

SAGE An introductory text that gives its reader a strong understanding of the dimensions of tourism, the industries of which it is comprised, the issues that affect its success, and the management of its impact on destination economies, environments and communities. Now in a full colour design, the new edition features a clear focus on the issues affecting 21st century tourism, providing students with extensive coverage on the effects of globalisation and global conflict; sustainability and climate change; developments in digital technology and the rise of the sharing economy. International case-studies and snapshots (mini-case studies) are used throughout and have been taken from around the globe, including the US, China, Russia, Gambia, Bhutan, Cuba, Singapore, New Zealand, Australia, Caribbean, Canada and the UK, and from companies including TUI, Airbnb and Marriot. The accompanying Online Resources include PowerPoint slides and an Instructor's Manual for lecturers and additional case studies, useful video links, and web links for students. Suitable for students new to tourism studies.

## Handbook on Advanced Design and Manufacturing Technologies for Biomedical Devices

*Springer Science & Business Media* The last decades have seen remarkable advances in computer-aided design, engineering and manufacturing technologies, multi-variable simulation tools, medical imaging, biomimetic design, rapid prototyping, micro and nanomanufacturing methods and information management resources, all of which provide new horizons for the Biomedical Engineering fields and the Medical Device Industry. *Advanced Design and Manufacturing Technologies for Biomedical Devices* covers such topics in depth, with an applied perspective and providing several case studies that help to analyze and understand the key factors of the different stages linked to the development of a novel biomedical device, from the conceptual and design steps, to the prototyping and industrialization phases. Main research challenges and future potentials are also discussed, taking into account relevant social demands and a growing market already exceeding billions of dollars. In time, advanced biomedical devices will decisively change methods and results in the medical world, dramatically improving diagnoses and therapies for all kinds of pathologies. But if these biodevices are to fulfill present expectations, today's engineers need a thorough grounding in related simulation, design and manufacturing technologies, and collaboration between experts of different areas has to be promoted, as is also analyzed within this handbook.

## Collaborative Process Automation Systems

*ISA* Providing a comprehensive overview of the state-of-the-art in Collaborative Process Automation Systems (CPAS), this book discusses topics such as engineering, security, enterprise connectivity, advanced process control, plant asset management, and operator efficiency. Collaborating with other industry experts, the author covers the system architecture and infrastructure required for a CPAS, as well as important standards like OPC and the ISA-95 series of standards. This in-depth reference focuses on the differences between a CPAS and traditional automation systems. Implications on modern automation systems are outlined in theory and practice. This book is ideal for industrial engineers, as well as graduate students in control and automation.

## Computer Models of Musical Creativity

*Mit Press* "He then describes a model that integrates these different aspects - an inductive-association computational process that can create music. Cope's writing style is lively and nontechnical; the reader needs neither knowledge of computer programming nor specialized computer hardware or software to follow the text."--Jacket.

## The Management of Additive Manufacturing

## Enhancing Business Value

*Springer* This book introduces readers to additive technology and its application in different business sectors. It explores the fundamental impact additive has on technology, particularly on operations, innovation, supply chains, the environment and customer relations. Subsequently, on the basis of a broad survey of the best technology adopters, it offers advice on how to enhance business value by implementing the technology in different industrial and commercial environments. Additive manufacturing (AM) is a new area of manufacturing that has already brought about phenomenal changes to industry and business models. It affects nearly all aspects of the managerial and organizational thinking that was applied to conventional manufacturing. Currently, the technology is being adopted in manufacturing areas that involve high-value products with complex geometries, and small to medium production volumes. It boosts the productivity of new product development processes by slashing costs, reducing time and promoting creativity and innovativeness. Further, it shrinks supply chains by bringing firms closer to their customers. This unique book offers abundant empirical and practical evidence confirming the value of this new technology.

## “The” Plays of William Shakespeare

## Adobe Illustrator 9.0

*Adobe Press* Showcases the computer graphics program's updated features while demonstrating fundamental and advanced Illustrator concepts and displaying professionally designed projects.

## Biology 12

## Automotive Ergonomics

*Springer* Ergonomics teaches how to design technology in such a way that it is optimally adapted to the needs, wishes and characteristics of the user. In this context, the concept of the human-machine system has become established. In a systematic way and with a detailed view of the complicated technical and perceptual psychological and methodological connections, this book explains the basics of automotive ergonomics with numerous examples. The application is shown in examples such as package, design of displays and control elements, of environmental ergonomics such as lighting, sound, vibrations, climate and smell. The design of driver assistance systems from an ergonomic perspective is also a central topic. The book is rounded off by methods of ergonomic vehicle development, the use of mock-ups, driving simulators and tests in real vehicles and prototypes. For the first time, those responsible in the automotive industry and in the field of relevant research are provided with a specialized systematic work that provides the ergonomic findings in the design of today's automobiles. This provides planners and designers of today's automobiles with concrete information for ergonomic product development, enabling them to keep an eye on decisive requirements and subsequent customer acceptance. This book is a translation of the original German 1st edition *Automobilergonomie* by Heiner Bubb, Klaus Bengler, Rainer E. Grünen & Mark Vollrath, published by Springer Fachmedien Wiesbaden GmbH, part of Springer Nature in 2015. The translation was done with the help of artificial intelligence (machine translation by the service DeepL.com). A subsequent human revision was done primarily in terms of content, so that the book will read stylistically differently from a conventional translation. Springer Nature works continuously to further the development of tools for the production of books and on the related technologies to support the authors.

## South Park Annual 2014

*Pedigree Books Limited*

## Microwave Remote Sensing of Land Surfaces

## Techniques and Methods

*Elsevier Microwave Remote Sensing of Land Surface: Techniques and Methods brings essential coverage of the space techniques of observation on continental surfaces. The authors explore major applications and provide detailed chapters on physical principles, physics of measurement, and data processing for each technique, bringing readers up-to-date descriptions of techniques used by leading scientists in the field of remote sensing and Earth observation. Presents clear-and-concise descriptions of modern methods Explores current remote sensing techniques that include physical aspects of measurement (theory) and their applications Provides physical principles, measurement, and data processing chapters that are included for each technique described*

## Research and Practical Issues of Enterprise Information Systems

### 10th IFIP WG 8.9 Working Conference, CONFENIS 2016, Vienna, Austria, December 13–14, 2016, Proceedings

*Springer This book constitutes the proceedings of the 10th International IFIP WG 8.9 Working Conference on Research and Practical Issues of Enterprise Information Systems, CONFENIS 2016, held in Vienna, Austria, in December 2016. The conference provided an international forum for the broader IFIP community to discuss the latest research findings in the area of EIS and specifically aimed at facilitating the exchange of ideas and advances on all aspects and developments of EIS. The 25 papers presented in this volume were carefully reviewed and selected from 63 submissions. They were organized in topical sections on: semantic concepts and open data; customer relationship management; security and privacy issues; advanced manufacturing and management aspects; business intelligence and big data; decision support in EIS; and EIS-practices.*

## IF Design Awards 2014

### Product Communication Packaging

*Prestel Pub The iF Design Awards 2014 annual presents all winners of the iF Product Design Awards 2014 and the iF Communications & Packaging Design Awards 2014—including some 2,000 entries. New this year is that all iF awards from this year are published in one comprehensive volume and sorted according to the manufacturer. This provides the reader with an even more convenient overall survey. As always, this reference work provides an international cross-section over various fields of design and serves as an archive of the manufacturers and designers who have been honored. This new portrayal of the winning entries is combined with the iF Design Award--App 2014, which is released simultaneously.*

## CIRP Encyclopedia of Production Engineering

*Springer The CIRP Encyclopedia covers the state-of-art of advanced technologies, methods and models for production, production engineering and logistics. While the technological and operational aspects are in the focus, economical aspects are addressed too. The entries for a wide variety of terms were reviewed by the CIRP-Community, representing the highest standards in research. Thus, the content is not only evaluated internationally on a high scientific level but also reflects very recent developments.*

## Challenge Poster

*Productivity Press The poster is available with a thin Plastic Film Coating to protect against dust and grime, fading due to light exposure, and oil from finger marks. We encourage our customers to protect their posters with this product.*

## Hcpcs 2019

*American Medical Association Press Organized for quick and accurate coding, HCPCS Level II 2019 Professional Edition codebook includes the most current Healthcare Common Procedure Coding System (HCPCS) codes and regulations, which are essential references needed for accurate medical billing and maximum permissible reimbursement. This professional edition includes such features as Netter's Anatomy illustrations, dental codes, and Ambulatory Surgical Center (ASC) payment payment and status indicators. Features and Benefits \* Full-color Netter's Anatomy illustrations clarify complex anatomic information and how it affects coding. \* At-a-glance code listings and distinctive symbols identify all new, revised, reinstated and deleted codes for 2019. \* The American Hospital Association Coding Clinic® for HCPCS citations provides sources for information about specific codes and their usage. \* Convenient spiral binding provides easy access in practice settings. \* Quantity feature highlights units of service allowable per patient, per day, as listed in the Medically Unlikely Edits (MUEs) for enhanced accuracy on claims. \* Drug code annotations identify brand-name drugs as well as drugs that appear on the National Drug Class (NDC) directory and other Food and Drug Administration (FDA) approved drugs. \* Color-codedTable of Drugs makes it easier to find specific drug information. \* Durable medical equipment, prosthetics, orthotics, and supplies (DMEPOS) indicators clearly identify supplies to report to durable medical third-party payers. \* Ambulatory Surgery Center (ASC) payment and status indicators show which codes are payable in the Hospital Outpatient Prospective Payment System. \* American Dental Association (ADA) Current Dental Terminology code sets offer access to all dental codes in one place. \* Jurisdiction symbols show the appropriate contractor to be billed for suppliers submitting claims to Medicare contractors, Part B carriers and Medicare administrative contractors for DMEPOS services. \* Special coverage information provides alerts when codes have specific coverage instructions, are not valid or covered by Medicare or may be paid at the carrier's discretion. \* Age/Sex edits identify codes for use only with patients of a specific age or sex.*

## Crik

*CreateSpace Deep within Crik Wood is a village in which every person has a unique ability called a "Talent." The Mayor can talk to insects, a girl can disappear in a cloud of smoke, and a young boy called Jack has a living shadow. One thunderous night Jack discovers the horrifying secret buried at the heart of his village. Thrown into an adventure filled with danger and discovery, Jack is faced with the question: 'What would you do if your closest friend was your greatest enemy?' For Jack that someone is his shadow.*

## Introductory circuit analysis

*Pearson Education India*

## MicroCAD 2008

international scientific conference; 20 - 21 March 2008. Matematika és számítástudomány. G szekció

The Point of the Spear!

## Covey Forward Air Controllers in Vietnam

*The unparalleled true story of the "Covey" Forward Air Controllers (FACs) will unfold before your eyes as you absorb their personal stories about the Covey mission in the undeclared war over Laos, North Vietnam, South Vietnam, and Cambodia. The Covey acquired an unprecedented "out-country" mission, in contrast to the "in-country" FAC mission in Southeast Asia. The Covey FAC sometimes carried a partner to assist in the complex Covey mission. The FAN (Forward Air Navigator) and the Covey "Rider" (a U.S. Army SOG team leader) both helped carry out the Covey mission. The out-country Covey mission was considerably different from the in-country FAC mission. In-country FACs acted as aerial observers, collected intelligence, and, where needed, controlled tactical air power in support of friendly ground forces. Coveys operated as part of a larger-scale quasi-strategic effort to interdict the flow of North Vietnamese battle supplies down the Ho Chi Minh Trail. Covey FACs, on a daily and nightly basis, flew in the sights of hundreds of anti-aircraft guns bent on knocking them from the sky. Covey's fought to destroy enemy units and their logistic support moving south through Laos and North Vietnam, into Cambodia and South Vietnam. Coveys also provided air cover for U.S. Army Special Forces "SOG" teams as they infiltrated behind enemy lines into the Trail network. Often, the Covey was the sole link between life and death for an out-numbered SOG team under attack. You will enjoy this book of personal accounts of combat action in Vietnam by the men themselves. Each story brings to life a by-gone era of personal sacrifice, honor, excitement, and life-and-death decisions. Covey FACs were decorated with every medal for bravery possible, including the Medal of Honor, the Air Force Cross, the Silver Star, the Distinguished Flying Cross, and the Air Medal. Coveys flew low, slow, and extraordinarily vulnerable in antiquated aircraft ill-suited to survive the hazard laden, anti-aircraft filled skies over Laos and the border areas.*

## Database System Concepts