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Complex systems in nature are those with many interacting parts, all capable of influencing global system outcomes. There is a growing body of research that has modeled sport performance from a complexity sciences perspective, studying the behavior of individual athletes and sports teams as emergent phenomena which self-organise under interacting constraints. This book is the first to bring together experts studying complex systems in the context of sport from across the world to collate core theoretical ideas, current methodologies and existing data into one comprehensive resource. It offers new methods of analysis for investigating representative complex sport movements and actions at an individual and team level, exploring the application of methodologies from the complexity sciences in the context of sports performance and the organization of sport practice. Complex Systems in Sport is important reading for any advanced student or researcher working in sport and exercise science, sports coaching, kinesiology or human movement.

Behind the Greatest Upset in College Football History Royal Society of Chemistry

New Scientist magazine was launched in 1956 "for all those men and women who are interested in scientific discovery, and in its industrial, commercial and social consequences". The brand's mission is no different today - for its consumers, New Scientist reports, explores and interprets the results of human endeavour set in the context of society and culture.

The Farmer's Companion. Being a Complete System of Modern Husbandry, Including the Latest Improvements and Discoveries in Theory and Practice .. 2nd Ed World Scientific

A stunning exploration of one of the hottest trends in garden design, nature-based planting with an eco-aware approach, featuring the work of leading designers such as Sean Hogan, Piet Oudolf, and Dan Pearson Forget the mild, manicured gardens of the past: planting today is undergoing a revolution in taste and aesthetics. This is the first comprehensive overview of a new planting approach that is wild and natural by nature, reflecting the global turn towards sustainability and the current zeitgeist in garden design. Featuring over 40 gardens - from a perennial meadow in East Sussex, England to a private, drought-resistant garden in Australia - each garden in this stunning book is brought to life with beautiful photography and insightful text.

Practical Agriculture, Or, a Complete System of Modern Husbandry Bearing Capacity of Roads, Railways and Airfields Proceedings of the 10th International Conference on the Bearing Capacity of Roads, Railways and Airfields (BCRRA 2017), June 28-30, 2017, Athens, Greece

This unique volume takes a very different approach to the county-level governance and the land system reform in China. Based on thorough-going interviews with — township and village cadres, the book analyzes the current major conflicts in rural areas: between urbanization and rural development, between small-scale production and big market, and between the land

operation right and land ownership etc. The book also describes the turbulent phase of transition characterized by the reform of the county-level administrative system, economic system and land system; and depicts how to capture the dynamic micro functions of grassroots government as well as macro evolutions of overarching political institutions in China. The goal of this book is to explore a new approach to speed up the construction of the market and society at the base level and enhance the overall, integrated and intrinsic dynamics of the county-level economy. The down-to-earth presentation of this book engages readers to deeply feel the genuine situation and dilemmas of cadres at the rural grassroots levels in China. Its comprehensive documentation and in-depth discussion provide the best depiction of rural governance in contemporary China, and will serve as a good reference for economic source professionals, political researchers, college students and faculties.

Contents:County Economy is the Base of China's ModernizationTo Strengthen the Building of County Governance CapacitiesFurther Improve the Mechanism to Ensure "Land to the Tiller"Land Rights Relationship AnalysisLand Financial Market ConstructionGains and Losses in Abolishing Agricultural Tax and the CountermeasuresRural Development Strategy AnalysisNew-Type Household Manufacturing and New-Type UrbanizationDevelopment-Oriented Finance Boosts Sustainable UrbanizationThe Development-Oriented Finance Supports Ecological Governance of the Southwest Rocky DesertificationNew Ideas for the Agricultural Cooperation Between China and South American

CountriesBibliographyPostscriptIndex Readership: Academics, undergraduate and graduates students, professionals interested in China's county-level economy, county governance, land reform and urbanization. Key Features:The on-site surveys and interviews with township and village cadres help readers to easily understand the dilemmas at the rural grassroots levels in ChinaThe discussion of rural areas with upper-level and sub-level governments provides a comprehensive sociological analysis of Chinese rural grassroots politics and societyThe exploration of the new approach to coordinate urban and rural economic and social development not only provides significant reference value for the government to deepen the reform, but also enriches the content of development economicsKeywords:Country-level Economy;Country Governance;Land Reform;Land Financial Market;The Agricultural Tax;Urbanization

The Science and Engineering of Sport Surfaces Routledge Sports surface design is crucial for the successful performance of sports skills and the reduction of injury risk. Surfaces have developed from natural materials such as turf, clay and cinder, to synthetic surfaces such as acrylic tennis courts, artificial turf for soccer and synthetic running tracks, while our understanding of natural turf has developed in terms of properties appropriate for different sports and surface sustainability. This book draws together the very latest research on biomechanical, medical and engineering approaches to the study of sports surfaces. Written by a team of leading international sport scientists, engineers and technologists, the book covers every key aspect of surface development and design, including: surface behaviour surface

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The Jamaica Planter's Guide, Or a System for Planting and Managing a Sugar Estate, Or Other Plantations in that Island Springer Science & Business Media

2017 Seymour Medal from the Society for American Baseball Research 2016 Pete Delohery Award for Best Sports Book from Shelf Unbound When it opened in 1965, the Houston Astrodome, nicknamed the Eighth Wonder of the World, captured the attention of an entire nation, bringing pride to the city and enhancing its reputation nationwide. It was a Texas-sized vision of the future, an unthinkable feat of engineering with premium luxury suites, theater-style seating, and the first animated scoreboard. Yet there were memorable problems such as outfielders' inability to see fly balls and failed attempts to grow natural grass—which ultimately led to the development of AstroTurf. The Astrodome nonetheless changed the way people viewed sports, putting casual fans at the forefront of a user-experience approach that soon became the standard in all American sports. The Eighth Wonder of the World tears back the facade and details the Astrodome's role in transforming Houston as a city while also chronicling the building's storied fifty years in existence and the ongoing debate about its preservation.

Photocatalysis Routledge

In this book, a generic model in as far as possible mathematical closed-form is developed that predicts the behavior of large self-organizing robot groups (robot swarms) based on their control algorithm. In addition, an extensive subsumption of the relatively young and distinctive interdisciplinary research field of swarm robotics is emphasized. The connection to many related fields is highlighted and the concepts and methods borrowed from these fields are described shortly.

Handbook of Technical Textiles Routledge

A Practical Guide to Plastics Sustainability: Concept, Solutions, and Implementation is a groundbreaking reference work offering a broad, detailed and highly practical vision of the complex concept of sustainability in plastics. The book's aim is to present a range of potential pathways towards more sustainable plastics parts and products, enabling the reader to further integrate the idea of sustainability into their design process. It begins by introducing the context and concept of sustainability, discussing perceptions, drivers of change, key factors, and environmental issues, before presenting a detailed outline of the current situation with types of plastics, processing, and opportunities for improved sustainability. Subsequent chapters focus on the different possibilities for improved sustainability, offering a step-by-step technical approach to areas including design, properties, renewable plastics, and recycling and re-use. Each of these pillars are supported by data, examples, analysis and best practice guidance. Finally, the latest developments and future possibilities are considered. Approaches the idea of sustainability from numerous angles, offering practical solutions to improve sustainability in the development of plastic components and products Explains how sustainability can be applied across plastics design, materials selection, processing, and end of life, all set alongside socioeconomic factors Considers key areas of innovation, such as eco-design, novel opportunities for recycling or re-use, bio-based polymers and new technologies

The Life of Houston's Iconic Astrodome Fibre2Fashion

They are known as “cupcake games”—lower division teams get paid to travel to college football Meccas where the hosts make a nice profit from an extra game. On September 1, 2007, the University of Michigan Wolverines, with more wins than any team in history, hosted the Appalachian State Mountaineers from Boone, North Carolina, in the first such game at Michigan Stadium, the largest stadium in the country. App State was no cupcake. Coach Jerry Moore, in the spirit of the 1980 U.S. Olympic Hockey Team and other memorable underdogs, assembled his team with two things in mind—speed and character—and conditioned them to the breaking point. “We’re fixin’ to shock ‘em,” he shouted at practice, in the locker room, at the dinner table. This book tells the inside story of Moore’s legendary team and the Mountaineers’ historic win.

Interior Design Handbook Phaidon Press

The second edition of *Handbook of Technical Textiles, Volume 1: Technical Textile Processes* provides readers with a comprehensive understanding of the latest advancements in technical textiles. With revised and updated coverage, including several new chapters, this volume reviews recent developments and technologies in the field, beginning with an overview of the technical textiles industry that includes coverage of technical fibers and yarns, weaving, spinning, knitting, and nonwoven production. Subsequent sections include discussions on finishing, coating, and the coloration of technical textiles. Provides a comprehensive handbook for all aspects of technical textiles Presents updated, detailed coverage of processes, fabric structure, and applications An ideal resource for those interested in high-performance textiles, textile processes, textile processing, and textile applications Contains contributions from many of the original, recognized experts from the first edition who update their respective chapters

American Gas Engineering Journal Woodhead Publishing

Improvements in materials technology have made a significant impact on sporting performance in recent years. Advanced materials and novel processing methods have enabled the development of new types of equipment with enhanced properties, as well as improving the overall design of sporting goods. The interdependence between material technology and design, and its impact on many of the most popular sports, is reviewed in this book. *Materials in sports equipment* presents the latest research, from a distinguished panel of international contributors, into the chemical structure and composition, microstructure and material processing of the various materials used in a wide range of sports. The relationship between performance and design is examined in detail for each sport covered. Part one concentrates on the general use of materials in sports. Here, the reader is given a broad insight into the overall influence of materials in sports, and the significance of material processing and design. Part two focuses on showing how individual sports have benefited from recent improvements in material technology. It also analyses the way in which improvements in our understanding of biomechanics and the engineering aspects of sports equipment performance have influenced materials and design. Sports whose equipment is considered in detail include: golf, tennis, cycling, mountaineering, skiing, cricket and paralympic sports. The overall aim of the book is to make the reader aware of the interaction between the type of material, its selection, processing and surface treatment, and show how this process underpins the performance of the final sporting product. It is essential reading for all materials scientists and researchers working in this rapidly developing field. A major handbook on materials in sports Practical guide to material selection and processing for equipment used in many popular sports Shows how material characteristics affect design and

performance

Fundamentals and Perspectives Plunkett Research, Ltd.

Fibre2Fashion magazine—the print venture of Fibre2Fashion.com since 2011—is circulated among a carefully-chosen target audience globally, and reaches the desks of top management and decision-makers in the textiles, apparel and fashion industry. As one of India's leading industry magazines for the entire textile value chain, Fibre2Fashion Magazine takes the reader beyond the mundane headlines, and analyses issues in-depth.

Proceedings of the 10th International Conference on the Bearing Capacity of Roads, Railways and Airfields (BCRRA 2017), June 28-30, 2017, Athens, Greece Springer Nature

Constructing athletic fields on a sand base allows for more rapid drainage; however, lateral shear strength and traffic tolerance tends to not be as good as that of a native soil field. Hybrid turf systems were developed that intertwine turfgrass with synthetic fibers that are able to improve shear strength. Hybrid systems are used on sports fields ranging from practice fields to competition fields globally. Previous stabilization systems included fibers that were shorter than the intended height of cut of the turfgrass. The purpose of this study was to test a new system which has the natural turf maintained at the same height as the synthetic fibers. The project's main goal was to compare two hybrid turf systems constructed in combination with two different types of sand (round vs angular), and three turf species to determine which leads to the highest performance for elite level soccer matches, while also keeping player safety in mind. Measurements and treatments taken to achieve these goals included Gmax, traffic, quality, soil moisture and shear strength both rotational and lateral. All measurements and data were taken at the project's field site at the Ohio Turfgrass Foundation (OTF) research facility over the course of two years. Results indicated that turf species was ultimately the most significant factor, with both hybrid carpets doing their intended job and sand shape playing a much smaller roll than initially anticipated on overall results. The HERO hybrid system in conjunction with angular sand and ryegrass was the overall best combination for elite level soccer teams to be able to have both safer fields and higher levels of player performance.

The Eighth Wonder of the World Liveright Publishing

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County-Level Economy and Society John Wiley & Sons

The coast represents the crossroads between the oceans, land and atmosphere, and all three contribute to the physical and ecological evolution of coastlines. Coasts are dynamic systems, with identifiable inputs and outputs of energy and material. Changes to input force coasts to respond, often in dramatic ways as attested by the impacts of the Indian Ocean tsunami in 2004, the landfall of Hurricane Katrina along the Gulf Coast of the USA in 2005, and the steady rise of global warming driven sea-level. More than half the world's human population lives at the coast, and here people often come into conflict with natural coastal processes. Research continues to unravel the relationship

between coastal processes and society, so that we may better appreciate, understand, manage and live safely within this unique global environment. Coastal Systems offers a concise introduction to the processes, landforms, ecosystems and management of this important global environment. New to the second edition is a greater emphasis on the role of high-energy events, such as storms and tsunamis, which have manifested themselves with catastrophic effects in recent years. There is also a new concluding chapter, and updated guides to the ever-growing coastal literature. Each chapter is illustrated and furnished with topical case studies from around the world. Introductory chapters establish the importance of coasts, and explain how they are studied within a systems framework. Subsequent chapters explore the role of waves, tides, rivers and sea-level change in coastal evolution. Students will benefit from summary points, themed boxes, engaging discussion questions and new graded annotated guides to further reading at the end of each chapter. Additionally, a comprehensive glossary of technical terms and an extensive bibliography are provided. The book is highly illustrated with diagrams and original plates. The comprehensive balance of illustrations and academic thought provides a well balanced view between the role of coastal catastrophes and gradual processes, also examining the impact humans and society have and continue to have on the coastal environment.

China Base Routledge

Combining the basic concepts of photocatalysis with the synthesis of new catalysts, reactor and reaction engineering, this book provides a comprehensive resource on the topic. The book introduces the fundamental aspects of photocatalysis including the role of surface chemistry and understanding the chemistry of photocatalytic processes before exploring the theory and experimental studies of charge carrier dynamics. Specific chapters then cover new materials for the degradation of organics; water splitting and CO₂ reduction; as well as reactor and reaction engineering. Researchers new to this discipline can learn the first principles, whilst experienced researchers can gain further information about aspects in photocatalysis beyond their area of expertise. Together with Photocatalysis: Applications, these volumes provide a complete overview to photocatalysis.

Coastal Systems Hodder Education

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Belgium, Economic and Commercial Information Elsevier

Covers the trends in apparel and textile supply chains, manufacturing, design, women's fashions, men's fashions, children's fashions, shoes, accessories, retailing, distribution,

technologies and fabrics of many types. This work contains more than thousand contacts for business and industry leaders, industry associations, and Internet sites.

ICIS Chemical Business Fibre2Fashion

Finalist • PEN/ESPN Award for Literary Sports Writing “An inventive, fast-paced look at what have become our modern shrines in a sports-obsessed society.” —Tom Verducci In this “addictive” (Publishers Weekly) romp, intrepid sportswriter Rafi Kohan finagles access to our most beloved fields to find out just what makes them tick: from old-timer Wrigley, creakily adjusting to the twenty-first century, to the oversized monstrosity of Jerry’s World in Dallas. Investigating harrowing logistics and deeply

ingrained traditions, Kohan employs his infectious “wit and style” (Christian Science Monitor) to expose the realities of building and maintaining these commercial cathedrals of sports worship.

“Highly compelling” (Kirkus Reviews, starred review), *The Arena* is a must-read for superfans, shameless bandwagoners, athletes, groundskeepers, culture junkies, and anyone who’s ever headed off eagerly to the ballpark to catch a game.

Stadia Routledge

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