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Visual Spatial Enquiry explores visual and textual ways of working within spatial research. Architects and spatial thinkers from the arts, social sciences and humanities present rich case studies from remote and regional settings in Australia to the suburbs of Los Angeles, and from gallery and university settings to community collaborations in Mongolia. Through these case studies the authors reappraise and reconsider research approaches, methods and processes within and across their fields. In spatial research diagramming can be used as a method to synthesise complex concepts into a succinct picture, whereas metaphors can add the richness of lived experiences. Drawing on the editors' own architectural backgrounds, this volume is organised into three key themes: seeing, doing and making space. In seeing space chapters consider observational research enquiries where developing empathy for the context and topic is as important as gathering concrete data. Doing space explores generative opportunities that inform new and innovative propositions, and making space looks at ways to rethink and reshape spatial and relational settings. Through this volume Creagh and McGann invite readers to find their own understandings of the value and practices of neighbouring fields including

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planning, geography, ethnography, architecture and art. This exploration will be of value to researchers looking to develop their cross-disciplinary literacy, and to design practitioners looking to enhance and articulate their research skills.

Architectural competitions act as a tool for enhancing a design and selecting planning partners. The quality of urban development, high-rise buildings and open spaces is thus sustainably improved. Nevertheless, this planning and awarding tool is repeatedly scrutinized. Twenty-five international projects from 2009 to 2015 presented in this volume shed light on design methods and techniques employed by internationally renowned architects. The collection is supplemented by explanations of technical and formal criteria regarding the presentation of competition entries and addresses expenditure issues in relation to prize money and architects' fees. This manual not only includes an essay on the history of architectural drawings submitted in competitions, but also presents theses and guest contributions by judges and entrants. These address the importance of competition designs in relation to panels and diagrams since these hold significant sway over the eventual outcome.

Diagram is one of the most used words in contemporary architecture and urban design. It's almost a common understanding of using diagrams to explain the design concept. However, it is more

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than simply showing the audience to help them understand the idea. Diagramming is an element of design in itself. On more than 750 pages this manual showcases diagrams of avant-garde architects and designers from all over the world, among others: LAVA, JDS Architects, Jürgen Mayer H. Architects, UNStudio, Périphérique, BIG - Bjarke Ingels Group. Thorough step-by-step guide discusses anatomy of horse, lion, and bull; methods of construction; tools, materials, etc. Also comprehensive exposition of casting in plaster. 63 full-page photographic plates. 138 drawings and diagrams.

This thought-provoking book presents a compelling argument for moving architecture from a part-by-part, linear approach to an integrated one that brings together technology, materials, and production methods. Using examples from several industries that have successfully made the change to an integrated component approach, these visionary authors lay the groundwork for a dramatic and much-needed change in the building industry. * Packed with graphics that illustrate how and why change is needed * Examples from the auto, shipbuilding, and aerospace industries illustrating how to improve quality while saving time and money * Redefines the roles of architects, materials scientists, process engineers, and contractors

A complete guide to preparing construction documentation from a design perspective

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Construction Drawings and Details for Interiors has become a must-have guide for students of interior design. It covers the essentials of traditional and computer-aided drafting with a uniquely design-oriented perspective. No other text provides this kind of attention to detail. Inside, you'll find specialty drawings, a sensitivity to aesthetic concerns, and real-world guidance from leaders in the field of interior design. Updated content is presented here in a highly visual format, making it easy to learn the basics of drawing for each phase of the design process. This new Third Edition includes access to a full suite of online resources. Students and designers studying for the National Council for Interior Design Qualification (NCIDQ) will especially appreciate these new materials. This revision also keeps pace with evolving construction standards and design conventions. Two new chapters, 'Concept Development and the Design Process' and 'Structural Systems for Buildings,' along with expanded coverage of building information modeling (BIM), address the latest design trends. Includes online access to all-new resources for students and instructors Provides real-world perspective using countless example drawings and photos Focuses on interior design-specific aspects of construction documentation Serves as a perfect reference for the contract documents section of the NCIDQ exam Written by designers, for designers, Construction

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Drawings and Details for Interiors remains a standout choice for the fields of interior design, technical drawing, and construction documentation. From schematics through to working drawings, learn to communicate your vision every step of the way. La 4e de couv. indique "Architects use diagrams every day - as sketches they are convenient tools for quickly demonstrating a point, as worked through representations they present complex ideas simply and attractively for clients, and as graphics they cross language barriers. Their theoretical background is, however, not quite so well known. Alongside offering inspiring examples of these multifaceted visualisations, this volume explores some of the associated history and theory. How is the diagram a place where architecture and philosophy meet? In what ways can we critically examine their analogue and digital forms? Is the history of the diagram over? Citing the ideas of, among others, Peter Eisenman and Gilles Deleuze the philosopher Lidia Gasperoni investigates diagrammatic practices in architectural design in her absorbing introductory essay. Part of the Construction and Design Manuals series, Architectural Diagrams 2 is a practical guide for those working in creative disciplines: over 312 pages it covers the fields of architecture, interior design, and installation, with both images and quotes from carefully selected contemporary practitioners."

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The industry-standard guide to designing well-performing buildings *Architectural Detailing* systematically describes the principles by which good architectural details are designed. Principles are explained in brief, and backed by extensive illustrations that show you how to design details that will not leak water or air, will control the flow of heat and water vapor, will adjust to all kinds of movement, and will be easy to construct. This new third edition has been updated to conform to International Building Code 2012, and incorporates current knowledge about new material and construction technology. Sustainable design issues are integrated where relevant, and the discussion includes reviews of recent built works that extract underlying principles that can be the basis for new patterns or the alteration and addition to existing patterns. Regulatory topics are primarily focused on the US, but touch on other jurisdictions and geographic settings to give you a well-rounded perspective of the art and science of architectural detailing. In guiding a design from idea to reality, architects design a set of details that show how a structure will be put together. Good details are correct, complete, and provide accurate information to a wide variety of users. By demonstrating the use of detail patterns, this book teaches you how to design a building that will perform as well as you intend. Integrate appropriate detailing into your designs Learn the latest in materials, assemblies, and construction methods Incorporate sustainable design principles and current building codes Design buildings that perform well, age gracefully, and look great Architects understand that aesthetics are only a small fraction of good design, and that stability and functionality require a deep understanding of how things come together. *Architectural Detailing* helps you bring it all together with a well fleshed-out design that communicates accurately at all levels of the construction process.

As far back as the earliest Greek temples, color has been an

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integral part of architecture but also one of its least understood elements. Color theory is rarely taught in architecture schools, leaving architects to puzzle out the hows and whys of which colors to select and how they interact, complement, or clash. Color for Architects is profusely illustrated and provides a clear, concise primer on color for designers of every kind. This latest volume in our Architecture Briefs series combines the theoretical and practical, providing the basics on which to build a fuller mastery of this essential component of design. A wealth of built examples, exercises, and activities allows students to apply their learning of color to real-world situations.

Birds are the most consistently inventive builders, and their nests set the bar for functional design in nature. Avian Architecture describes how birds design, engineer, and build their nests, deconstructing all types of nests found around the world using architectural blueprints and detailed descriptions of the construction processes and engineering techniques birds use. This spectacularly illustrated book features 300 full-color images and more than 35 case studies that profile key species worldwide. Each chapter covers a different type of nest, from tunnel nests and mound nests to floating nests, hanging nests, woven nests, and even multiple-nest avian cities. Other kinds of avian construction--such as bowers and harvest wells--are also featured. Avian Architecture includes intricate step-by-step sequences, visual spreads on nest-building materials and methods, and insightful commentary by a leading expert. Illustrates how birds around the world design, engineer, and build their nests Features architectural blueprints, step-by-step sequences, visual spreads on nest-building materials and methods, and expert commentary Includes 300 full-color images Covers more than 100 bird species worldwide

Architectural Graphics focuses on the techniques,

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methodologies, and graphic tools used in conveying architectural ideas. The book takes a look at equipment and materials, architectural drafting, and architectural drawing conventions. Discussions focus on drawing pencils, technical drawing pens, set squares/templates, circle templates/compasses, line weight/line types, drafting technique, drawing circular elements, floor plan, doors and windows in plan, stairs, wall indications, plan grids, and site boundaries. The manuscript examines rendition of value and context and graphic symbols and lettering. Topics include tonal values, media and techniques, value/texture rendition, material rendition, shades and shadows, people, furniture, graphic representation symbols, and hand lettering. The text explores freehand drawing and architectural presentations, including freehand sketching, graphic diagramming, and sketching equipment. The publication is a valuable reference for architects interested in doing further studies in architectural graphics.

Mysteries and folkways of New York City revealed in an entertaining collection of graphic art The life and legend of New York City, from the size of its skyscrapers to the ways of its inhabitants, is vividly captured in this lively collection of more than 250 maps, cross sections, flowcharts, tables, board games, cartoons and infographics, and other unique diagrams spanning 150 years. Superstars such as Saul Steinberg, Maira Kalman, Christoph Niemann, Roz Chast, and Milton Glaser butt up against the unsung heroes of the popular press in a book that is made not only for lovers of New York but also for anyone who enjoys or works with information design.

Precedents in Architecture provides a vocabulary for architectural analysis that will help you understand the works of others, and aid you in creating your own designs. Here, you will examine the work of internationally known architects

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with the help of a unique diagrammatic technique, which you can also use to analyze existing buildings. In addition to the sixteen original contributors, the Second Edition features seven new, distinguished architects. All 23 architects were selected because of the strength, quality, and interest of their designs.

This atlas is a collection of continuous cooling transformation diagrams applicable to low carbon low alloy weld metals. It will be of assistance to welding engineers, welding metallurgists, welding-consumables designers in industry. Space planning involves much more than sketching a preliminary floor plan. A designer must take a client's programming needs into account and must also consider how other factors such as building codes and environmental factors affect a spatial composition. Space Planning Basics, now in its Third Edition, offers a highly visual, step-by-step approach to developing preliminary floor plans for commercial spaces. The book provides tools for visualizing space and walks the designer through other considerations such as building code requirements and environmental control needs. Specific programming techniques covered include matrices, bubble diagrams, CAD templates, block plans, and more. New to this edition are coverage of the basics of stair design, an essential aspect for planning spaces.

A timely update of the architectural classic on design analysis Precedents in Architecture, Fourth Edition provides a vocabulary for architectural analysis that

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illuminates the works of leading architects and aids architects and designers in creating their own designs. Thirty-eight leading architects are represented in this updated edition through an analysis of more than 100 buildings that are assessed using a diagrammatic technique applicable to any building. This impressive collection includes fourteen new buildings and seven new, innovative architects distinguished by the strength, quality, and interest of their designs. It delivers valuable guidance in analyzing architectural history as an evolutionary process by exploring the commonality of design ideas reflected in a broad range of structures by internationally renowned architects. Both novices and seasoned professionals will find *Precedents in Architecture, Fourth Edition* to be a very useful tool for enriching their design vocabulary and for the ongoing assessment of buildings found in today's evolving landscape.

An inside view of how one of the world's leading architecture and engineering practice does business *Sustainable Built Environments: Principles and Practice* offers detailed, environmentally sound design solutions to a wide range of building engineering challenges. The text uses case examples and project data provided by engineers and designers at Arup Associates. It covers a broad range of relevant issues, with focused commentaries and explanations presented in an accessible format

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for use by students, busy practitioners and informed clients. Whilst this book stresses the importance of a unified approach to design, the text is divided into six principal chapters, each addressing an important aspect of sustainable architecture and engineering. These chapters (Master Planning, Transport, Energy, The Building Envelope, Environmental Services, and Materials) may be read on their own or in sequence as part of a narrative. Throughout the book, photographs, architectural and engineering drawings and diagrams, examples, and other data illustrate the case studies. Numerous web links are provided to additional information. This inspirational book: Focuses on the work of Arup Associates, the award winning architectural and engineering practice Uses real-life examples of functioning buildings and structures to provide information and guidance on the development of sustainable solutions Is packed with informative illustrations Sustainable Built Environments: Principles and Practice is a unique text that will inform and inspire architects and engineers, as well as students of those disciplines, around the globe.

Since the 1980s, the diagram has become a preferred method for researching, communicating, theorising and making architectural designs, ideas and projects. Thus the rise of the diagram, as opposed to the model or the drawing, is the one of the most significant new developments in the

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process of design in the late 20th and early 21st centuries. *Diagrams of Architecture* is the first anthology to represent - through texts and diagrams - the histories, theories and futures of architecture through the diagram. Spanning the Pre-historic to the Parametric, *Diagrams of Architecture* illustrates over 250 diagrams and brings together 26 previously published and newly commissioned essays from leading international academics, architects, theorists and professional experts. These combine to define the past and future of the diagram's discourse. Prefaced with a critical introduction by Mark Garcia, each text investigates a central concept or dimension of the diagram ranging from socio-cultural studies, science, philosophy, technology, CAD/CAM, computing and cyberspace and virtual/digital design to methodology, environment/sustainability and phenomenological, poetic and art architecture; as well as interior, urban, engineering, interactive and landscape design. The first critical, multidisciplinary book on the history, theory and futures of the architectural diagram. Includes seminal articles on the diagram from the history and theory of architecture such as those by Peter Eisenman, Sanford Kwinter, MVRDV, Neil Spiller, Lars Spuybroek, UN Studio and Anthony Vidler. Features 14 newly commissioned articles by leading architects and theorists, including Charles Jencks, Hanif Kara, Patrik Schumacher, Neil Spiller, Leon van Schaik

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and Alejandro Zaera-Polo and two new interviews with Will Alsop and Bernard Tschumi. Includes a full-colour critical collection of over 250 of the most significant and original diagrams, many of which are previously unpublished, in the history of architecture from around the world.

Diagrams play an increasingly important role in architecture and urban planning helping to communicate both complex ideas and systems relationships in a way that is simple to understand across both linguistic and cultural barriers. With bold visions and unexpected approaches diagrams contribute significantly to complex construction development tasks and ultimately their successful implementation. Additionally they are also design objects that reflect the signature of their respective creator as a fresh and inspiring art form. This book, Volume 2 of Architectural and Program Diagrams from the series Construction and Design Manual showcases over 416 pages an almost endless variety of ideas and solutions around the topic of design and construction. It also includes an introductory essay on the importance of using diagrams in presenting architecture.

Improve Your Ability to Read and Interpret All Types of Construction Drawings Blueprint Reading is a step-by-step guide to reading and interpreting all types of construction drawings. Filled with hundreds of illustrations and study questions, this easy-to-use

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resource offers a complete overview of construction drawing basics for every aspect of the construction process- from site work, foundations, and structural systems to interior work and finishes. Covering all the latest technological advances, noted architect Sam Kubba offers detailed information on: Blueprint standards-ANSI, ISO, AWS, and ASME Computer-aided design (CAD) and computer-aided design and drafting (CADD) Lines, views, elevations, and dimensions Layouts of all construction drawing types- architectural, structural, mechanical, and electrical Specifications-MasterFormat and UniFormat Symbols-materials, electrical, plumbing, HVAC, and others How to avoid costly pitfalls on construction projects You'll also find a glossary of terms for quick reference, convenient tables and charts for identifying symbols and abbreviations, and much more. Inside This Skills-Building Guide to Construction Drawing Basics • Blueprint Standards • Blueprints and Construction Drawings: A Universal Language • Understanding Lines • Types of Views • Understanding Dimensions • Layout of Construction Drawings • Understanding Industrial Blueprints • The Meaning of Symbols • Understanding Schedules • Specifications • ISO Issues, Codes, and Building Regulations • Construction Business Environment

A superb visual reference to the principles of architecture Now including interactive CD-ROM! For

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more than thirty years, the beautifully illustrated *Architecture: Form, Space, and Order* has been the classic introduction to the basic vocabulary of architectural design. The updated Third Edition features expanded sections on circulation, light, views, and site context, along with new considerations of environmental factors, building codes, and contemporary examples of form, space, and order. This classic visual reference helps both students and practicing architects understand the basic vocabulary of architectural design by examining how form and space are ordered in the built environment. Using his trademark meticulous drawing, Professor Ching shows the relationship between fundamental elements of architecture through the ages and across cultural boundaries. By looking at these seminal ideas, *Architecture: Form, Space, and Order* encourages the reader to look critically at the built environment and promotes a more evocative understanding of architecture. In addition to updates to content and many of the illustrations, this new edition includes a companion CD-ROM that brings the book's architectural concepts to life through three-dimensional models and animations created by Professor Ching. This is the eagerly-anticipated revision to one of the seminal books in the field of software architecture which clearly defines and explains the topic. Get a realistic guide to producing construction

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documents that clearly communicate the interior space of new construction, remodeling, or installation projects with Construction Drawings and Details for Interiors. This highly visual book: includes such details as furniture, finishes, lighting, and others. features authors' drawings as well as those from practicing professionals. covers drafting fundamentals and conventions; drawing types, plans, and schedules; and computer-aided design. addresses graphic language as a communication tool. details the process of creating construction documents, the use of computers, and various reproduction systems and standards. includes examples of both residential and commercial interiors. is an essential reference for NCIDQ examination. Order your copy today.

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

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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.

What are the ingredients of robust, elegant, flexible, and maintainable software architecture? Beautiful Architecture answers this question through a collection of intriguing essays from more than a dozen of today's leading software designers and architects. In each essay, contributors present a notable software architecture, and analyze what makes it innovative and ideal for its purpose. Some of the engineers in this book reveal how they developed a specific project, including decisions they

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faced and tradeoffs they made. Others take a step back to investigate how certain architectural aspects have influenced computing as a whole. With this book, you'll discover: How Facebook's architecture is the basis for a data-centric application ecosystem The effect of Xen's well-designed architecture on the way operating systems evolve How community processes within the KDE project help software architectures evolve from rough sketches to beautiful systems How creeping featurism has helped GNU Emacs gain unanticipated functionality The magic behind the Jikes RVM self-optimizable, self-hosting runtime Design choices and building blocks that made Tandem the choice platform in high-availability environments for over two decades Differences and similarities between object-oriented and functional architectural views How architectures can affect the software's evolution and the developers' engagement Go behind the scenes to learn what it takes to design elegant software architecture, and how it can shape the way you approach your own projects, with Beautiful Architecture.

Smart Buildings Systems for Architects, Owners and Builders is a practical guide and resource for architects, builders, engineers, facility managers, developers, contractors, and design consultants. The book covers the costs and benefits of smart buildings, and the basic design foundations, technology systems, and management systems

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encompassed within a smart building. Unlike other resources, Smart Buildings is organized to provide an overview of each of the technology systems in a building, and to indicate where each of these systems is in their migration to and utilization of the standard underpinnings of a smart building. Written for any professional interested in designing or building smart Buildings systems, this book provides you with the fundamentals needed to select and utilize the most up to date technologies to serve your purpose. In this book, you'll find simple to follow illustrations and diagrams, detailed explanations of systems and how they work and their draw backs. Case studies are used to provide examples of systems and the common problems encountered during instillation. Some simple Repair and Trouble shooting tips are also included. After reading this book, builders, architects and owners will have a solid understanding of how these systems work which of these system is right for their project. Concise and easy to understand, the book will also provide a common language for ensure understanding across the board. Thereby, eliminating confusion and creating a common understanding among professionals. Ethernet, TCP/IP protocols, SQL datebases, standard fiber optic Data Networks and Voice Networks Fire Alarm Systems, Access Control Systems and Video Surveillance Systems Heating, Ventilating and Air

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Conditioning Systems and Electric Power
Management Systems, Lighting Control Systems
Facility Management Systems

Intelligent readers who want to build their own embedded computer systems-- installed in everything from cell phones to cars to handheld organizers to refrigerators-- will find this book to be the most in-depth, practical, and up-to-date guide on the market. Designing Embedded Hardware carefully steers between the practical and philosophical aspects, so developers can both create their own devices and gadgets and customize and extend off-the-shelf systems. There are hundreds of books to choose from if you need to learn programming, but only a few are available if you want to learn to create hardware. Designing Embedded Hardware provides software and hardware engineers with no prior experience in embedded systems with the necessary conceptual and design building blocks to understand the architectures of embedded systems. Written to provide the depth of coverage and real-world examples developers need, Designing Embedded Hardware also provides a road-map to the pitfalls and traps to avoid in designing embedded systems. Designing Embedded Hardware covers such essential topics as: The principles of developing computer hardware Core hardware designs Assembly language concepts Parallel I/O Analog-digital conversion Timers (internal and external)

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UART Serial Peripheral Interface Inter-Integrated Circuit Bus Controller Area Network (CAN) Data Converter Interface (DCI) Low-power operation This invaluable and eminently useful book gives you the practical tools and skills to develop, build, and program your own application-specific computers. Architectural Diagrams 2 Construction and Design Manual Dom Publishers

As the digital economy changes the rules of the game for enterprises, the role of software and IT architects is also transforming. Rather than focus on technical decisions alone, architects and senior technologists need to combine organizational and technical knowledge to effect change in their company's structure and processes. To accomplish that, they need to connect the IT engine room to the penthouse, where the business strategy is defined. In this guide, author Gregor Hohpe shares real-world advice and hard-learned lessons from actual IT transformations. His anecdotes help architects, senior developers, and other IT professionals prepare for a more complex but rewarding role in the enterprise. This book is ideal for: Software architects and senior developers looking to shape the company's technology direction or assist in an organizational transformation Enterprise architects and senior technologists searching for practical advice on how to navigate technical and organizational topics CTOs and senior technical architects who are devising an IT strategy that impacts the way the organization works IT managers who want to learn what's worked and what hasn't in large-scale

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transformation

This book provides an introductory overview of the rapid growth in interdisciplinary research into Thinking with Diagrams. Diagrammatic representations are becoming more common in everyday human experience, yet they offer unique challenges to cognitive science research. Neither linguistic nor perceptual theories are sufficient to completely explain their advantages and applications. These research challenges may be part of the reason why so many diagrams are badly designed or badly used. This is ironic when the user interfaces of computer software and the worldwide web are becoming so completely dominated by graphical and diagrammatic representations. This book includes chapters commissioned from leading researchers in the major disciplines involved in diagrams research. They review the philosophical status of diagrams, the cognitive processes involved in their application, and a range of specialist fields in which diagrams are central, including education, architectural design and visual programming languages. The result is immediately relevant to researchers in cognitive science and artificial intelligence, as well as in applied technology areas such as human-computer interaction and information design. With *Points + Lines: Diagrams and Projects for the City*, influential architect and theorist Stan Allen proposes a series of new architectural strategies for the contemporary city. Organized in the form of a user's manual, it juxtaposes texts outlining Allen's theoretical principles with his projects, in which those principles are demonstrated in practice. Finding inspiration in the

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artistic minimalism and postminimalism of the 1970s, Allen uses the city's vitality and infrastructure to support projects that reflect and augment the urban experience. Included in this volume are three essays by Allen along with six projects, including his designs for the Cardiff Bay Opera House in Wales, the Museo del Prado in Madrid, the Souks of Beirut, the Logistical Activities Zone of Barcelona, the Korean-American Museum of Art in Los Angeles, and the National Diet Library in Kansai Kan, Japan. Allen's work is introduced by K. Michael Hays; R.E. Somol provides an afterword. In addition, the book contains a complete, illustrated chronology of Allen's projects.

The trendsetting architect Rem Koolhaas has carried it out to perfection, whereas the next generation of international stars refined it even more, giving us the unconventional presentation of designs and ideas in the form of diagrams. This method of presentation is easy to understand when dealing with the client and can be communicated internationally, beyond language and cultural barriers – a product of our globalised world. However, diagrams are now much more than explanations and form their own discipline in creative professions connected to design and construction. What looks simple is in fact a complex matter. This title in the series Construction and Design Manual is in its second edition and assembles 384 pages of diagrams by avant-garde architects and designers who specialise in public space, landscape architecture and urban planning. Construction Engineering Calculations and Rules of Thumb begins with a brief, but rigorous, introduction to

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the mathematics behind the equations that is followed by self-contained chapters concerning applications for all aspects of construction engineering. Design examples with step-by-step solutions, along with a generous amount of tables, schematics, and calculations are provided to facilitate more accurate solutions through all phases of a project, from planning, through construction and completion. Includes easy-to-read and understand tables, schematics, and calculations Presents examples with step-by-step calculations in both US and SI metric units Provides users with an illustrated, easy-to-understand approach to equations and calculation methods

The drawing architect – for centuries, this term was just as tautological as the 'baking baker' or the 'gardening gardener'. Nevertheless, in this compendium one has to begin with reference to the fact that the acquisition of drawing skills is by no means a minor field of study for architects. Design methodology, also referred to as methodology of space and the representation of the human body, plays an important role – once more – in the present-day field of architectural activity. This book explores options for illustration, as well as contemporary practice with architectural presentation. It deals with the following topics: The history and theory of architectural drawing, covering a wide spectrum of issues in terms of art and architectural history, examples are provided by two design collections; ten architects present their architectural concepts based on a selection of drawing and presentation techniques; ten exercises for freehand drawing; demonstrative examples

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and practical exercises which illustrate technical drawing and the fundamental principles of perspective. You can use this book to design a house for yourself with your family; you can use it to work with your neighbors to improve your town and neighborhood; you can use it to design an office, or a workshop, or a public building. And you can use it to guide you in the actual process of construction. After a ten-year silence, Christopher Alexander and his colleagues at the Center for Environmental Structure are now publishing a major statement in the form of three books which will, in their words, "lay the basis for an entirely new approach to architecture, building and planning, which will we hope replace existing ideas and practices entirely." The three books are *The Timeless Way of Building*, *The Oregon Experiment*, and this book, *A Pattern Language*. At the core of these books is the idea that people should design for themselves their own houses, streets, and communities. This idea may be radical (it implies a radical transformation of the architectural profession) but it comes simply from the observation that most of the wonderful places of the world were not made by architects but by the people. At the core of the books, too, is the point that in designing their environments people always rely on certain "languages," which, like the languages we speak, allow them to articulate and communicate an infinite variety of designs within a form system which gives them coherence. This book provides a language of this kind. It will enable a person to make a design for almost any kind of building, or any part of the built environment. "Patterns," the units of this language,

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are answers to design problems (How high should a window sill be? How many stories should a building have? How much space in a neighborhood should be devoted to grass and trees?). More than 250 of the patterns in this pattern language are given: each consists of a problem statement, a discussion of the problem with an illustration, and a solution. As the authors say in their introduction, many of the patterns are archetypal, so deeply rooted in the nature of things that it seems likely that they will be a part of human nature, and human action, as much in five hundred years as they are today.

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