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# **Understanding Structures**





# Synopsis

This conceptual introduction to architectural structures covers all the basic structural principles and terms, explains how to use statistics of equilibrium formulae to calculate beam reactions, and employs illustrations and multi-exposure model photographs to provide a compelling overall guide to structural behavior. Also distinguishing this guide from many others on the market are its case studies and useful preliminary sizing data.

## **Book Information**

Paperback: 304 pages Publisher: McGraw-Hill Science/Engineering/Math; 1 edition (July 2, 1998) Language: English ISBN-10: 0070432538 ISBN-13: 978-0070432536 Product Dimensions: 8.4 x 0.5 x 10.8 inches Shipping Weight: 12.6 ounces Average Customer Review: 4.9 out of 5 stars Â See all reviews (7 customer reviews) Best Sellers Rank: #551,408 in Books (See Top 100 in Books) #143 in Books > Engineering & Transportation > Engineering > Reference > Architecture > Study & Teaching #250 in Books > Engineering & Transportation > Engineering > Civil & Environmental > Structural #461 in Books > Textbooks > Engineering > Civil Engineering

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The book deals with trusses, frames, funicular structures, shells. It has no calculations, indeed it gives a clear understanding of the behavior of structures, thanks also to very very clear schematic drawings and some buildings' examples.

Excellent intro to architectural structures. Strong on principles and concepts with numerous case studies; illustrations (by the author) alone are worth the price; expensive.

This book includes examples of actual buildings, depicted in exquisite drawings, and illustrates the structural loads and forces with concise diagrams. A must for beginning architecture students.

This book is a jewel for architects and engineers. Lots of books have info but this one is just a cut above the rest in terms of explanation.

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