Proceedings of the Eighth International Conference on the Application of Artificial Intelligence to Civil, Structural and Environmental Engineering

Civil-Comp Press publications on Computational Engineering

Proceedings of the Ninth International Conference on Civil and Structural Engineering Computing

Edited by: B.H.V. Topping

Proceedings of the Seventh International Conference on the Application of Artificial Intelligence to Civil and Structural Engineering

Edited by: B.H.V. Topping

Proceedings of the Eighth International Conference on Civil and Structural Engineering Computing

Edited by: B.H.V. Topping

Proceedings of the Sixth International Conference on the Application of Artificial Intelligence to Civil and Structural Engineering Edited by: B.H.V. Topping and B. Kumar

Saxe-Coburg Publications on Computational Engineering

Progress in Civil and Structural Engineering Computing

Edited by: B.H.V. Topping

Civil and Structural Engineering Computing: 2001

Edited by: B.H.V. Topping

Object Oriented Methods and Finite Element Analysis

R.I. Mackie

Computational Modelling of Masonry, Brickwork and Blockwork Structures

Edited by: J.W. Bull

Finite Element Mesh Generation

B.H.V. Topping, J. Muylle, P Iványi, R. Putanowicz and B. Cheng

Proceedings of the Eighth International Conference on the Application of Artificial Intelligence to Civil, Structural and Environmental Engineering

Edited by B.H.V. Topping



© Civil-Comp Ltd, Stirling, Scotland

published 2005 by **Civil-Comp Press** Dun Eaglais, Kippen Stirling, FK8 3DY, UK

Civil-Comp Press is an imprint of Civil-Comp Ltd

ISBN 1-905088-03-5 (Book) ISBN 1-905088-04-3 (CD-Rom) ISBN 1-905088-05-1 (Combined Set)

British Library Cataloguing in Publication Data

A catalogue record for this book is available from the British Library

Cover Image: View over the River Tiber towards the Castel Sant'Angelo, Rome.

Contents

Preface		vii
I	Artificial Intelligence Based Assessment and Design: Tools and Techniques	1
1	Conceptual Design of Orthogonal Commercial Buildings D.J. Shaw, J.C. Miles and W.A. Gray	3
2	Tunnels in an Ontological Perspective M. Cristani, C.E. Majorana and V. Salomoni	
3	A Prototype Hybrid Rule-Object System for Structural Design F. Oudjehane and H. Mili	
4	Specifications and Design for a Multi-Agent Collaborative Structural Design System I. Fahdah and W. Tizani	9
5	Web-Based Tunnel Upgrading M. Cristani, C.E. Majorana and V. Salomoni	
II	Risk Analysis and Safety Management	13
6	Assessing Vulnerability of Buildings to Blast using Interval Probability Theory W.P.S. Dias and S.R. Chandratilake	15
7	Epiphenomenal Intelligence from Partial Models in Safety Management M. Lazzari	
8	Radial Basis Function Network Approach to Model the Implicit Performance Function for Reliability Analysis J. Deng and D.S. Gu	19
III	Case Based Reasoning and Design	21
9	A Case-based Reasoning Approach for Identifying Risks in Construction Projects Y. Tan, N.J. Smith and D.A. Bower	23

10	Al Techniques for Preliminary Design Decisions on Column Spacing and Sizing W.P.S. Dias and U.A. Padukka			
11	KnowPrice: Using Derivational Analogy to Estimate Project Costs B. Raphael and S. Saitta			
12	A Hybrid Approach to Solve Space Planning Problems G. Bi and B. Medjdoub			
IV	Image Acquisition and Processing			
13	Shape Image Acquisition and Merging Methods using Digital Holograms for a Computer Aided Industrial Design System K. Sakita			
14	A Knowledge Based Decision System for an Image Based Measurement System A. Reiterer, U. Egly, T. Eiter and H. Kahmen			
V	Environmental Decision Systems	37		
15	Process Control using Artificial Intelligence Techniques: Innovative Activated Sludge Process P.N. Ravindra and H. Rao			
16	Solid Waste Management using a Multicriteria Decision System R. Galvez-Cloutier and R. Rodríguez-Méndez	41		
VI	Data Mining	43		
17	Data Mining Techniques for Analysing Geotechnical Data I.E.G. Davey-Wilson			
18	Application of Data Mining Techniques in Predicting the Behaviour of Composite Joints S. Shirazi Kia, S. Noroozi, B. Carse and J. Vinney			
VII	Metaphors from Nature for Engineering Analysis	49		
19	Application of the Particle Swarm Optimization Algorithm and Artificial Neural Networks to the Prediction of Pile Displacement B.L. Liang and X.L. Lu			
20	Simulating Ozone Level Time Series using an Innovative Hybrid Model based on a Multilayer Perceptron D. Wang, W.Z. Lu			
21	Using Artificial Intelligence Techniques to Predict the Behaviour of Masonry Panels M.Y. Rafiq, C. Sui, G.C. Zhou, D.J. Easterbrook and G. Bugmann			

VIII	Genetic and Evolutionary Algorithms in Structural Engineering	ineering 57		
22	A new Parallel Genetic Algorithm Scheme in Structural Design Optimisation T. Talaslioglu			
23	Discrete and Continuous Structural Optimization using Evolution Strategies O. Hasançebi and A.F. Ulusoy	61		
24	Genetic Algorithm Optimization of Semi-Rigid Steel Structures A.A. Del Savio, S.A.L. de Andrade, P.C.G.S. Vellasco and L.F. Martha			
25	Coarse-Grain Parallel Meta-Genetic Algorithms in the Optimization of Truss-Structure Design V. Esfahanian, A. Khajavi Rad and F. Torabi			
26	Parallel Computing for Design Optimization with Computationally Expensive Functions using Evolutionary Algorithms M. Mrzyglod and A. Osyczka			
27	Optimal Fuzzy Control of Hybrid Base Isolation System using Genetic Algorithms H.S. Kim, P.N. Roschke and D.G. Lee			
28	Conceptual Design of Geodesic Domes D.J. Shaw, J.C. Miles and W.A. Gray			
29	Optimum Shape Design of Space Structures using Genetic Algorithms E. Salajegheh, M. Mashayekhi, M. Kaykha and M. Khatibinia	73		
IX	Genetic and Evolutionary Algorithms in Civil and Environmental Engineering	75		
30	Emerging Security Patterns: Co-evolution of Terrorist and Security Scenarios Z. Skolicki, T. Arciszewski, M.H. Houck and K. De Jong			
31	Application of a Genetic Algorithm to Optimize the Layout of Temporary Construction Facilities B. Soltani, A.A. Ramezanianpour and H.R. Ashrafi			
32	Water Network Optimisation using Fuzzy Multiobjective Genetic Algorithms L.S. Vamvakeridou-Lyroudia, G.A. Walters and D.A. Savic			
33	The Use of the Simple Genetic Algorithm in the Non-Circular Analysis of Slope Stability P.F. McCombie, A.R. Zolfaghari and A.C. Heath			

34	A Genetic Algorithm Approach for Critical Non-Circular Slip Surface Analysis S. Solati and G. Habibagahi		
35	Optimum Design of Pile Groups in Nonlinear Soil using Genetic Algorithms J.T.M. Ng, C.M. Chan and L.M. Zhang	87	
X	Hybrid Systems incorporating Genetic Algorithms and Neural Networks		
36	Black-Box Function Optimization using Radial Basis Function Networks A. Kučerová, M. Lepš and J. Skoček		
37	A Hybrid Computational Strategy for Identification of a Non Linear Composite Model D.H. Bassir and S. Guessasma	93	
38	Design Optimization of Offshore Platforms using Genetic Algorithms and Wave-Net M.J. Fadaee and M. Besharat	95	
XI	Neural Networks in Structural Engineering	97	
39	Life Cycle Cost-Oriented Optimization of Steel Frames: A Neural Network Approach S.S. Abdelatif Hassanien and N. Shrive	99	
40	Joint Finite Element: Artificial Neural Network Numerical Analysis of Multilevel Composites D.P. Boso, M. Lefik and B.A. Schrefler	101	
41	Efficient Neural Network Models for Structural Reliability Analysis and Identification Problems Y. Tsompanakis, N.D. Lagaros and G.E. Stavroulakis	103	
42	Displacement Based Assessment of Existing Structures using Intelligent Systems M. Safi and M. Tehranizadeh	105	
43	Fault Detection in Shear Buildings Subject to Earthquakes using a Neural Network F.J. Rivero-Angeles, E. Gomez-Ramirez, B. Gomez-Gonzalez and R. Garrido		
44	Neural-Network Based Models of a Diagnosis System for Concrete Structures using Non-destructive Test Data B. Cho, SC. Lee, YS. Cho	109	

XII	Neural Networks in Civil and Environmental Engineering	111	
45	Back-Propagation Neural Networks for Prediction of Storm Surges C.P. Tsai, T.L. Lee, T.J. Yang and Y.J. Hsu		
46	Evaluation of Building Performance using Artificial Neural Networks: A Study on Service Life Planning in Achieving Sustainability J.M. Yatim, S.H. Tapir and F. Usman	115	
47	Alternative Neuro-Nets to Estimate Spillway Scour H.M. Azmathullah, M.C. Deo and P.B. Deolalikar		
48	Traffic Pattern Recognition using an Active Learning Neural Network and Principal Components Analysis L. Yan, M. Fraser, K. Oliver, A. Elgamal, J.P. Conte and T. Fountain		
49	Towards a Generic Artificial Neural Network Model for Dynamic Predictions of Stream Flow in Ungauged Watersheds M.H. Nour, D.W. Smith, M. Gamal El-Din and E.E. Prepas		
50	Mass Transfer Analysis in Ozone Bubble Columns using Artificial Neural Networks M.S. Baawain, M. Gamal El-Din and D.W. Smith		
51	Automatic Component Identification using Artificial Neural Network Techniques M. Schleinkofer, A. Bastian, C. van Treeck and E. Rank		
52	Stability Prediction of Asphaltic Concrete Mixes using Neural Networks M.H. Alawi, M.A. Saif and M.S. El-Bisy	127	
53	Merging Neural Networks and Topological Models to Re-Engineer Construction Drawings V. Berkhahn and S. Komorowski	129	
54	Seismic Micro-zoning in Tangshan City based on an ANN Q.J. Zhu, Y.H. Chen and Y.P. Su		
55	Development of an Artificial Neural Network Model for Prediction of Ultimate Soil Bearing Capacity J. Noorzaei, M.S. Jaafar, W.A.M. Thanoon and S.J.S. Hakim		
56	The Ranking of Factors Influencing the Behaviour of Light Structures on Expansive Soils in Victoria, Australia N.Y. Osman and K.J. McManus	135	
Author	Index	137	
Keywor	d Index	139	

Preface

This volume comprises the extended abstracts of contributed papers presented at the Eighth International Conference on the Application of Artificial Intelligence to Civil, Structural and Environmental Engineering (AICivil-Comp 2005) held in Rome, Italy from 30 August to 2 September 2005. The full papers from the conference are available on the accompanying CD-ROM. This conference is part of the AICivil-Comp Series series that commenced in 1987. The 2005 conference was held concurrently with the Tenth International Conference on Civil, Structural and Environmental Engineering Computing (Civil-Comp 2005).

The following sessions are included in this volume:

- Artificial Intelligence Based Assessment and Design: Tools and Techniques
- Risk Analysis and Safety Management
- Case Based Reasoning and Design
- Image Acquisition and Processing
- Environmental Decision Systems
- Data Mining
- Metaphors from Nature for Engineering Analysis
- Genetic and Evolutionary Algorithms in Structural Engineering
- Genetic and Evolutionary Algorithms in Civil and Environmental Engineering
- Hybrid Systems incorporating Genetic Algorithms and Neural Networks
- Neural Networks in Structural Engineering
- Neural Networks in Civil and Environmental Engineering

Other papers presented at the conferences in 2005 are published as follows:

- The Invited Lectures from Civil-Comp 2005 are published in: Innovation in Civil and Structural Engineering Computing, B.H.V. Topping (Editor), Saxe-Coburg Publications, Stirling, Scotland, 2005.
- The Contributed Papers from Civil-Comp 2005 are published in:
 Proceedings of the Tenth International Conference on Civil, Structural and Environmental Engineering Computing, B.H.V. Topping (Editor), (Book of Abstracts and CD-ROM), Civil-Comp Press, Stirling, Scotland, 2005.

These conferences could not have been organised without the help and support of many people. I would like to thank Jelle Muylle (Civil-Comp Press) for designing and

organising this book and the volumes of conference proceedings. Once again, I would like to thank Judy Tait (Civil-Comp Press) for her organisational skills, which were greatly appreciated.

Finally, I should like to thank the members of the AICivil-Comp 2005 Conference Editorial Board for their help before and during the conference: Professor M. Alshawi, UK; Professor C.J. Anumba, UK; Professor G. Aouad, UK; Professor T. Arciszewski, USA; Dr J. Bai, Wales; Dr R. Beheshti, Netherlands; Dr A. Bjelanovic, Croatia; Professor F. Bontempi, Italy; Professor F. Casciati, Italy; Professor W.T. Chan, Singapore; Dr K.W. Chau, Hong Kong; Professor S. Christodoulou, Cyprus; Dr I.E.G. Davey-Wilson, UK; Professor W.P.S. Dias, Sri Lanka; Dr I. Faraj, UK; Professor F. Farinha, Portugal; Professor I. Flood, USA; Prof. H. Furuta, Japan; Professor J.S. Gero, Australia; Professor A.T.C. Goh, Singapore; Professor A. Gupta, India; Professor V.K. Koumousis, Greece; Professor T.J. McCarthy, Australia; Professor J.C. Miles, UK; Dr S.T. Ng, Hong Kong; Professor A. Portela, Portugal; Dr M.Y. Rafiq, UK; Dr B Raphael, Switzerland; Professor I.S.M. Rowlinson, Hong Kong; Professor R.J. Scherer, Germany; Professor I.F.C. Smith, Switzerland; Dr S.Tanaka, Japan; Dr W. Tizani, UK; Professor C.P. Tsai, Taiwan; Professor Z. Turk, Slovenia; and Professor P.C.G. da S. Vellasco, Brazil.

Barry H.V. Topping