Fundamentals of Road Design

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Description:
This reference book communicates the basic theoretical knowledge, the practical requirements and experience for designing, mapping, calculating and checking roads and the planning process overall – and at the same time reveals important development trends.

The book is guided by the current rules and regulations in Germany, it universalizes this knowledge and also integrates important current research results in road design processes.

The scope of the book is limited to the theoretical principles and knowledge, and the practical experience for, designing rural roads (i.e. the special features of urban roads are not mentioned). This clear separation is necessary because different principles, rules and regulations apply to urban roads.

The terms, definitions, abbreviations and formula Symbols, though based on German usage, can be easily transferred to an international framework.

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Review:
“...the book should find a place in the bookshelf of every modern and prominent highway design professional.”

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