



Rock Mechanics: Current Challenges and Novel Technologies

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Rock mechanics, a branch of mechanics concerned with the response of rock to the force fields from its physical environment, plays an important role in natural resources exploration and exploitation activities, such as mining and petroleum engineering. This Special Issue focuses on the mechanic difficulties in mining exploration and exposition and relevant solutions. We invite submissions of original papers that investigate the mechanical problems in mining and advanced analysis monitoring technologies. This Special Issue covers aims to exhibit original articles that explore (but are not limited to) the following topics:

- Stress field in deep mines
- Mine tremors
- Focal mechanism analysis
- Fracture development
- Rockburst mechanism
- The influence of geological structure on stress field
- Mechanics characteristics of tight sandstone in coal strata
- Rock physics mechanics experiment and modelling
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- Seismic wave velocity tomography
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