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Machine Learning-Driven Modeling and Optimization in Structural Engineering

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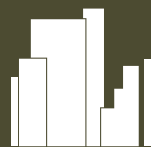
This Special Issue of *Buildings*, titled “Machine Learning-Driven Modeling and Optimization in Structural Engineering”, will focus on the in-depth integration of machine learning with structural engineering. It will center fundamental modeling of structural mechanics, leveraging machine learning to enhance analytical accuracy. To improve durability and predict carbonation effects, it will explore the application value of intelligent algorithms. With green and low carbon as core goals, it will tap into the potential of machine learning in CO₂ emission reduction pathways. Additionally, it will address structural design and optimization as well as structural engineering reliability analysis, helping to boost engineering design efficiency and safety performance. Altogether, this Special Issue aims to synthesize interdisciplinary research outcomes and provide innovative solutions for the intelligent and low-carbon development of structural engineering.

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