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User Stories Applied

This report describes the development and application of LOADEST. Sections of the report describe estimation theory, input/output specifications, sample applications, and installation instructions.

Means Heavy Construction Handbook

A comprehensive and rigorous introduction for graduate students and researchers, with applications in sequential decision-making problems.

Bandit Algorithms

A unique cost reference, updated and expanded, for architects, engineers, contractors, building owners, and managers Green building is no longer a trend. Since the publication of the widely read first edition of this book, green building has become a major advancement in design and construction. Building codes and standards have adopted much stricter energy efficiencies. Businesses, institutions, and communities have discovered huge savings, along with health and marketing advantages, in sustainable building. Private facilities, as well as public buildings for

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Federal, state, and local governments are increasingly required to design and build sustainably in both new construction and renovation. This Third Edition has been updated with the latest in green building technologies, design concepts, standards, and costs. The chapters, case studies, and resources give you practical guidance on green building, including the latest on: Green building approaches, materials, rating systems, standards, and guidelines Energy efficiencies, implementing energy modeling tools Designing and specifying, as well as commissioning, green building projects Often-specified products and materials, as well as a sample spec Goals and techniques for health, comfort, and productivity Evaluating the cost versus value of green products over their life cycle Low-cost green strategies, and special economic incentives and funding Building deconstruction and cost considerations With a new chapter on greening of commercial real estate, this reference is a one-stop resource for the latest in green building approaches and implementation. The contributors, all prominent leaders in green building, include: Mark Kalin, FAIA, FCSI, author of the original GreenSpec Andy Walker, Ph.D., PE, senior engineer with NREL Joseph Macaluso, AACE, certified cost consultant

Residential Costs with Rsmeans Data

Contains all the basic requirements of the steel estimating trade in specific detail.

Discrete Choice Methods with Simulation

Simplify the estimating process with the latest data, materials, and practices. *Electrical Estimating Methods, Fourth Edition* is a comprehensive guide to estimating electrical costs, with data provided by leading construction database RS Means. The book covers the materials and processes encountered by the modern contractor, and provides all the information professionals need to make the most precise estimate. The fourth edition has been updated to reflect the changing materials, techniques, and practices in the field, and provides the most recent Means cost data available. The complexity of electrical systems can make accurate estimation difficult, but this guide contains all the necessary information in one place. An electrical estimate represents the total cost for materials, labor, overhead and profit, but accuracy is virtually impossible without a basic knowledge of the field, and real-world experience in the type of work required. Inaccurate estimates lead to problems with customer satisfaction, which often create payment issues. A thorough, complete, and accurate estimate is in the best interest of all parties involved in the work. *Electrical Estimating Methods* provides more than just data. Detailed discussions about the work itself help highlight factors that may escape notice, and access to the latest cost data helps tie everything together. Features include: Discussion of current equipment, materials, and processes Means data for both residential and commercial projects Case studies that illustrate best practices Online access to the latest Means data for fast access on the job The book

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discusses specific situations as well as general practices, and provides comprehensive guidance to the creation of a true, current, estimation of costs. For electrical contractors and estimators, Electrical Estimating Methods contains must-have content that simplifies the estimating process.

Construction Calculations Manual

Class-tested and coherent, this textbook teaches classical and web information retrieval, including web search and the related areas of text classification and text clustering from basic concepts. It gives an up-to-date treatment of all aspects of the design and implementation of systems for gathering, indexing, and searching documents; methods for evaluating systems; and an introduction to the use of machine learning methods on text collections. All the important ideas are explained using examples and figures, making it perfect for introductory courses in information retrieval for advanced undergraduates and graduate students in computer science. Based on feedback from extensive classroom experience, the book has been carefully structured in order to make teaching more natural and effective. Slides and additional exercises (with solutions for lecturers) are also available through the book's supporting website to help course instructors prepare their lectures.

Estimating Excavation

This easy-to-use guide gives you the building components required to develop accurate assemblies-level cost estimates, evaluate trade-off costs and verify unit price estimates. Be prepared to estimate any job with this indispensable cost reference. An accurate estimate of costs to build your particular project depends on location, project scope, specific components used and current market conditions.

RSMeans Plumbing Estimating Methods

Construction Calculations is a manual that provides end users with a comprehensive guide for many of the formulas, mathematical vectors and conversion factors that are commonly encountered during the design and construction stages of a construction project. It offers readers detailed calculations, applications and examples needed in site work, cost estimation, piping and pipefitting, and project management. The book also serves as a refresher course for some of the formulas and concepts of geometry and trigonometry. The book is divided into sections that present the common components of construction. The first section of the books starts with a refresher discussion of unit and systems measurement; its origin and evolution; the standards of length, mass and capacity;

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terminology and tables; and notes of metric, U.S, and British units of measurements. The following concepts are presented and discussed throughout the book: Conversion tables and formulas, including the Metric Conversion Law and conversion factors for builders and design professionals Calculations and formulas of geometry, trigonometry and physics in construction Rudiments of excavation, classification, use of material, measurement and payment Soil classification and morphology, including its physicochemical properties Formulas and calculations needed for soil tests and evaluations and for the design of retaining structures Calculations relating to concrete and masonry Calculations of the size/weight of structural steel and other metals Mechanical properties of wood and processing of wood products Calculations relating to sound and thermal transmission Interior finishes, plumbing and HVAC calculations Electrical formulas and calculations Construction managers and engineers, architects, contractors, and beginners in engineering, architecture, and construction will find this practical guide useful for managing all aspects of construction. Work in and convert between building dimensions, including metric Built-in right-angle solutions Areas, volumes, square-ups Complete stair layouts Roof, rafter and framing solutions Circle: arcs, circumference, segments

Load Estimator (Loadest)

Electrical Estimating Methods

Thoroughly reviewed and eagerly anticipated by the agile community, *User Stories Applied* offers a requirements process that saves time, eliminates rework, and leads directly to better software. The best way to build software that meets users' needs is to begin with "user stories": simple, clear, brief descriptions of functionality that will be valuable to real users. In *User Stories Applied*, Mike Cohn provides you with a front-to-back blueprint for writing these user stories and weaving them into your development lifecycle. You'll learn what makes a great user story, and what makes a bad one. You'll discover practical ways to gather user stories, even when you can't speak with your users. Then, once you've compiled your user stories, Cohn shows how to organize them, prioritize them, and use them for planning, management, and testing. User role modeling: understanding what users have in common, and where they differ Gathering stories: user interviewing, questionnaires, observation, and workshops Working with managers, trainers, salespeople and other "proxies" Writing user stories for acceptance testing Using stories to prioritize, set schedules, and estimate release costs Includes end-of-chapter practice questions and exercises *User Stories Applied* will be invaluable to every software developer, tester, analyst, and manager working with any agile method: XP, Scrum or even your own home-grown approach.

RSMMeans Estimating Handbook

Data aimed at estimating the cost of new single family residential construction. Designed for home owners, contractors, estimators, architects and engineers. Featuring unit, assemblies and square foot prices.

Estimating Building Costs for the Residential and Light Commercial Construction Professional

This brand-new book provides a thorough introduction to cost estimating in a self-contained print and online package. With clear explanations and a hands-on, example-driven approach, it is the ideal reference for students and new professionals who need to learn how to perform cost estimating for building construction. With more than 930 Location Factors in the United States and Canada, the data includes up-to-date system prices for more than 100 standard assemblies and in-place costs for thousands of alternates making it easy to customize budget estimates and compare system costs. The book includes a free access code to the supplemental website with plans, specifications, problem sets, and a full sample estimate.

Introduction to Information Retrieval

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How to always be on time, and not risk missing important deadlines or go over budget This book is the result of many years of hard work, and plenty of lessons learned. I wrote it because I believe we can do better than the accepted "status quo" in the software industry. It took me years to learn what I needed to learn to come up with my version of the #NoEstimates approach. You can do it in weeks! The techniques and ideas described here will help you explore the #NoEstimates universe in a very practical and hands-on manner. You will walk through Carmen's story. Carmen is a senior, very experienced project manager who is now confronted with a very difficult project. One would say, an impossible project. Through the book, and with the help of Herman, Carmen discovers and slowly adopts #NoEstimates which helps her turn that project around. Just like I expect it will help with the project you are in right now. The book also includes many concrete approaches you can use to adopt #NoEstimates, or just adopt those practices on their own.

#NoEstimates

This fast-paced business novel does for project management what The Goal and

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It's Not Luck have done for production and marketing. Goldratt's novels have traditionally slain sacred cows and delivered new ways of looking at processes which seem like common sense once you read them. Critical Chain is no exception. In perhaps Eli's most readable book yet, two of the established principles of project management, the engineering estimate and project milestones, are found wanting and dismissed, and other established principles are up for scrutiny - as Goldratt once more applies his Theory of Constraints. The approach is radical, yet clear, understandable and logical. New techniques are introduced, and Project Buffers, Feeding Buffers, Limit Multitasking, Improved Communications and Correct Measurements make them work. Goldratt even handles the complicated statistics of dispersed variability versus accumulated variability so deftly you won't even be aware of learning about them - they'll just seem like more common sense! Critical Chain is critical reading for anyone who deals with projects. If you use block diagrams, drawings or charts to keep track of your activities, you are managing a project - and this book is for you.

Conceptual Cost Estimating Manual

Current building costs for residential, commercial, and industrial construction. Estimated prices for every common building material. Provides manhours, recommended crew, and gives the labor cost for installation. Complete estimates for just about every item used in residential, commercial, or industrial

construction." --

Means Building Construction Cost Data

A real-world guide to success in construction estimating, the DEWALT® Construction Estimating Handbook is loaded with tips, checklists, worksheets, data tables, and tutorials that will provide readers with the tools they need to effectively navigate through every step of the estimating process. The book focuses on the construction estimating "how-to" essentials and provides on-the-spot answers backed up with graphic examples. With a thorough understanding of the important profit-making factors within the industry, its comprehensive coverage includes marketing, bid planning, scope review, quantity take-off for all trades and divisions, cost analysis, value engineering, Excel® spreadsheet estimating, and more. Based on the author's extensive experience in estimating, this valuable resource aims to provide workable solutions to the unprecedented challenges that construction professionals face today, from a weak economy and fierce competition to material price volatilities, skilled labor shortages, and strict regulations.

Principles, Process and Practice of Professional Number Juggling

Square Foot Costs with Rsmeans Data

This comprehensive reference covers the full spectrum of technical data required to estimate costs for major construction projects. Widely used in the industry for tasks ranging from routine estimates to special cost analysis projects, the book has been completely updated and reorganized with new and expanded technical information. RSMMeans Estimating Handbook will help construction professionals:

- Evaluate architectural plans and specifications
- Prepare accurate quantity takeoffs
- Compare design alternatives and costs
- Perform value engineering
- Double-check estimates and quotes
- Estimate change orders

FEATURES: This new edition includes expanded coverage of: Construction specialties—green building, metal decking, plastic pipe, demolition items, and more Preliminary or square foot estimating tools Updated city cost indexes to adjust costs—by trade—for 30 major cities Historic indexes to factor costs for economic effects over time Complete reorganization to the newest CSI MasterFormat classification system

Means Repair & Remodeling Estimating Methods

Agile Estimating and Planning is the definitive, practical guide to estimating and planning agile projects. In this book, Agile Alliance cofounder Mike Cohn discusses

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the philosophy of agile estimating and planning and shows you exactly how to get the job done, with real-world examples and case studies. Concepts are clearly illustrated and readers are guided, step by step, toward how to answer the following questions: What will we build? How big will it be? When must it be done? How much can I really complete by then? You will first learn what makes a good plan-and then what makes it agile. Using the techniques in Agile Estimating and Planning , you can stay agile from start to finish, saving time, conserving resources, and accomplishing more. Highlights include: Why conventional prescriptive planning fails and why agile planning works How to estimate feature size using story points and ideal days-and when to use each How and when to re-estimate How to prioritize features using both financial and nonfinancial approaches How to split large features into smaller, more manageable ones How to plan iterations and predict your team's initial rate of progress How to schedule projects that have unusually high uncertainty or schedule-related risk How to estimate projects that will be worked on by multiple teams Agile Estimating and Planning supports any agile, semiagile, or iterative process, including Scrum, XP, Feature-Driven Development, Crystal, Adaptive Software Development, DSDM, Unified Process, and many more. It will be an indispensable resource for every development manager, team leader, and team member.

National Electrical Estimator 2018

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How to succeed in the construction business—step-by-step guidelines for estimating To be competitive, contractors and homebuilders need to know how to generate complete, accurate estimates for labor and material costs. This book guides readers through the entire estimating process, explaining in detail how to put together a reliable estimate that can be used not only for budgeting, but also for developing a schedule, managing a project, dealing with contingencies, and ultimately making a profit. Completely revised and updated to reflect the new CSI MasterFormat 2010™ system, the Second Edition of this practical guide describes estimating techniques for each building system and how to apply them according to the latest industry standards. Cost considerations and quantity takeoff and pricing are included for virtually every type of work found in residential and light commercial projects, from demolition, concrete, and masonry to windows and doors, siding, roofing, mechanical and electrical systems, finish work, and site construction. Complete with many new graphics and references to professional construction cost databases, the new edition provides experienced contractors and novices alike with essential information on: How to correctly interpret plans and specifications, reflecting updates to contract documents since the first edition Computer estimating techniques and new estimating software for performing quantity takeoff The best methods for conceptual estimating as well as the extremely useful topic of parametric estimating How to allocate the right amounts for profit and contingencies, and other hard-to-find professional guidance How a unit price estimate is built along

with labor issues and budgeting for subcontractor work

How to Estimate with RSMeans Data

Principles, Process and Practice of Professional Number Juggling (Volume 1 of the Working Guides to Estimating & Forecasting series) sets the scene of TRACEability and good estimate practice that is followed in the other volumes in this series of five working guides. It clarifies the difference between an Estimating Process, Procedure, Approach, Method and Technique. It expands on these definitions of Approach (Top-down, Bottom-up and 'Ethereal') and Method (Analogy, Parametric and 'Trusted Source') and discusses how these form the basis of all other means of establishing an estimate. This volume also underlines the importance of 'data normalisation' in any estimating procedure, and demonstrates that the Estimating by Analogy Method, in essence, is a simple extension of Data Normalisation. The author looks at simple measures of assessing the maturity or health of an estimate, and offers a means of assessing a spreadsheet for any inherent risks or errors that may be introduced by failing to follow good practice in spreadsheet design and build. This book provides a taster of the more numerical techniques covered in the remainder of the series by considering how an estimator can potentially exploit Benford's Law (traditionally used in Fraud Detection) to identify systematic bias from third party contributors. It will be a valuable resource for estimators, engineers, accountants, project risk specialists as well as students of

cost engineering.

2020 National Construction Estimator

This working handbook provides invaluable assistance for estimating and planning today's more complex urban and suburban heavy construction rehabilitation projects. Means Heavy Construction Handbook is designed to simplify the task by providing relevant information and advice for the problem at hand whether it's selecting the right number of haulers for a load and haul job, choosing the right method of compaction, or projecting equipment repair and maintenance costs. You'll find a tremendous range of expert advice on every aspect of heavy construction work including guidance for using RSMeans cost data to prepare highly reliable estimates. FEATURES: Special benefits of this unique Handbook: Explains the business aspects of buying vs. leasing, maintaining, and accounting for equipment. Includes a major section on site evaluation and hazardous wastes. Provides a comprehensive understanding of heavy construction operations and equipment. Explains techniques for hazardous waste site assessment and remediation. Provides guidance for analyzing and estimating heavy construction on a unit price basis. Explains and illustrates the math of heavy construction with formulas and sample calculations – solutions to a variety of productivity and operational problems. Provides a substantial Appendix of productivity and other reference data for estimating and project planning. Explains successful

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management and supervision approaches – including guidance for those who oversee the work.

Means Landscape Estimating

This comprehensive reference explains everything you need to know about taking off and pricing detailed, unit price construction estimates. The book takes you through every step of the estimating process — from receipt of the plans, to detailed quantity takeoffs and pricing, to bidding strategies, and finally, cost control. Also includes electronic estimating forms you can access to download and customize from the book's own website. Organized for quick reference, the book features: Estimating guidance for every segment of construction by CSI MasterFormat division — the most recognized industry standard for organizing construction projects and costs Checklists and forms to streamline the estimating process What to watch out for — common errors and omissions How to calculate and apply direct and indirect costs, including overhead and profit A complete, fully updated sample cost estimate An appendix with labor hours for common construction operations

Electrical Costs with Rsmeans Data

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Using North America's most recognized construction cost data from RSMeans, this step-by-step guide develops problem-solving skills through over 300 sample problems and exercises. All of the major construction items, including site work, concrete and masonry, wood and metal framing, doors and windows, and more are covered. Access to a password-protected web site is included, which contains the instruction version of RSMeans Cos/Works, the electronic version of RS Means Building Construction Cost Data, and sample building plans and spreadsheets, enabling you to practice creating a complete construction estimate.

Carbon Dioxide Capture and Storage

Everything needed for a course in Estimating is provided in this proven text, which combines coverage of principles with step-by-step procedures. Ideal for construction, architecture, and engineering students, it reflects the popular approach of tracing a complete project's progress. The use of computers as a key estimating tool is incorporated throughout.

Critical Chain

Now in its third edition, this estimating guide offers comprehensive coverage of all aspects of plumbing: Residential, commercial, industrial, and medical systems The

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most common plumbing materials and methods, subsystems and components
Pricing quantities for an estimate and calculating markup
Preparing bids
Best techniques for using Means Plumbing Cost Data
Sample takeoff and estimate forms
Includes special sections on change order analysis, estimating for additions, and alterations to existing systems. Also covers budget and assemblies estimating. A complete sample estimate shows you how to perform each step in the estimating process, making it easy to follow the authors' methods.

Means Structural Steel Estimating

Companies live or die on the basis of estimating their costs. Preparing estimates and bidding for new jobs is a complex and often costly process. There is no substitute for on the job training -- until now. Drawing on the authors' combined experience of more than 70 years, *Estimating Building Costs* presents state-of-the-art principles, practices, and techniques for assessing these expenditures that can be applied regardless of changes in the costs of materials, equipment, and labor. The book is an efficient and practical tool for developing contracts or controlling project costs. The authors cover the major components of the direct cost: estimating procedures and cost trends related to materials, construction equipment, and skilled and unskilled labor. They describe various types of building estimates encountered during the lifecycle of a project, as well as the role and accuracy of each. The book provides an overview of the industry, cost indexes in

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use, approaches to preparing a detailed estimate, and an in-depth description of the organization and function of the estimating group. Including CSI Master Format and UniFormat codes, estimating forms, a list of available estimating software packages, a detailed construction site and investigation report, the book provides a cost estimating methodology that readers can tailor to their own organizational needs.

Green Building

IPCC Report on sources, capture, transport, and storage of CO₂, for researchers, policy-makers and engineers.

Unit Price Estimating Methods

Written by one of the nation's most highly regarded steel fabrication and erection specialists, this comprehensive reference on estimating structural steel, miscellaneous iron, steel stairs and ornamental metal includes: -- setting up a steel fabrication plant -- steel erection techniques and quality control -- evaluating the bid package -- structural steel takeoff and estimating -- contracts, bonds, insurance

RSMeans Cost Data, + Website

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The book focuses on the unique problems of estimating renovations of existing structures. It identifies types of estimates, providing step-by-step explanation of estimate preparation from takeoff to pricing. Two sample estimates provide working models. The book includes a new section that addresses the special considerations of planning and estimating the cost of disaster reconstruction. Line drawings, tables and charts.

Cost Estimator's Reference Manual

This working handbook provides invaluable assistance for estimating and planning today's more complex urban and suburban heavy construction rehabilitation projects. Means Heavy Construction Handbook is designed to simplify the task by providing relevant information and advice for the problem at hand whether it's selecting the right number of haulers for a load and haul job, choosing the right method of compaction, or projecting equipment repair and maintenance costs. You'll find a tremendous range of expert advice on every aspect of heavy construction work including guidance for using RSMeans cost data to prepare highly reliable estimates. FEATURES: Special benefits of this unique Handbook: Explains the business aspects of buying vs. leasing, maintaining, and accounting for equipment. Includes a major section on site evaluation and hazardous wastes. Provides a comprehensive understanding of heavy construction operations and equipment. Explains techniques for hazardous waste site assessment and

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remediation. Provides guidance for analyzing and estimating heavy construction on a unit price basis. Explains and illustrates the math of heavy construction with formulas and sample calculations – solutions to a variety of productivity and operational problems. Provides a substantial Appendix of productivity and other reference data for estimating and project planning. Explains successful management and supervision approaches – including guidance for those who oversee the work.

RSMeans Building Construction Cost Data 2015

This manual shows you, in simple, easy -to-understand language, how to calculate the amount of dirt you'll have to move, the cost of owning and operating the machines you'll do it with, and finally, how to assign bid prices to each part of the job. Using clear, detailed illustrations and examples, the author makes it easy to follow and duplicate his system. The book ends with a complete sample estimate, from the take-off to completing the bid sheet. Included in this book: -- How to set up & use an organized & logical estimating system -- How to read plans & specs -- Why a site visit is mandatory -- How to assess accessibility & job difficulty -- How soil characteristics can affect your estimate -- The best ways to evaluate subsurface conditions -- Figuring your overhead -- How to get the information you need from contour maps -- When you have to undercut -- Dealing with irregular regions and odd areas -- Factors for estimating swell and shrinkage -- Balancing the job: spoil &

borrow -- Calculating machine owning & operating costs -- The two common methods of estimating earthwork quantities

Construction Estimating Complete Handbook

This book describes the new generation of discrete choice methods, focusing on the many advances that are made possible by simulation. Researchers use these statistical methods to examine the choices that consumers, households, firms, and other agents make. Each of the major models is covered: logit, generalized extreme value, or GEV (including nested and cross-nested logits), probit, and mixed logit, plus a variety of specifications that build on these basics. Simulation-assisted estimation procedures are investigated and compared, including maximum stimulated likelihood, method of simulated moments, and method of simulated scores. Procedures for drawing from densities are described, including variance reduction techniques such as antithetics and Halton draws. Recent advances in Bayesian procedures are explored, including the use of the Metropolis-Hastings algorithm and its variant Gibbs sampling. The second edition adds chapters on endogeneity and expectation-maximization (EM) algorithms. No other book incorporates all these fields, which have arisen in the past 25 years. The procedures are applicable in many fields, including energy, transportation, environmental studies, health, labor, and marketing.

Means Estimating Handbook

In today's hypercompetitive global marketplace, accurate cost estimating is crucial to bottom-line results. Nowhere is this more evident than in the design and development of new products and services. Among managing engineers responsible for developing realistic cost estimates for new product designs, the number-one source of information and guidance has been the Cost Estimator's Reference Manual. Comprehensive, authoritative, and practical, the Manual instructs readers in the full range of cost estimating techniques and procedures currently used in the fields of development, testing, manufacturing, production, construction, software, general services, government contracting, engineering services, scientific projects, and proposal preparation. The authors clearly explain how to go about gathering the data essential to preparing a realistic estimate of costs and guide the reader step by step through each procedure. This new Second Edition incorporates a decade of progress in the methods, procedures, and strategies of cost estimating. All the material has been updated and five new chapters have been added to reflect the most recent information on such increasingly important topics as activity-based costing, software estimating, design-to-cost techniques, and cost implications of new concurrent engineering and systems engineering approaches to projects. Indispensable to virtually anyone whose work requires accurate cost estimates, the Cost Estimator's Reference Manual will be especially valuable to engineers,

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estimators, accountants, and contractors of products, projects, processes, and services to both government and industry. The essential ready-reference for the techniques, methods, and procedures of cost estimating COST ESTIMATOR'S REFERENCE MANUAL Second Edition Indispensable for anyone who depends on accurate cost estimates for engineering projects, the Cost Estimator's Reference Manual guides the user through both the basic and more sophisticated aspects of the estimating process. Authoritative and comprehensive, the Manual seamlessly integrates the many functions--accounting, financial, statistical, and management--of modern cost estimating practice. Its broad coverage includes estimating procedures applied to such areas as: * Production * Software * Development * General services * Testing * Government contracting * Manufacturing * Engineering * Proposal preparation * Scientific projects * Construction This updated and expanded Second Edition incorporates all the most important recent developments in cost estimating, such as activity-based costing, software estimating, design-to-cost techniques, computer-aided estimating tools, concurrent engineering, and life cycle costing. For engineers, estimators, accountants, planners, and others who are involved in the cost aspects of projects, the Cost Estimator's Reference Manual is an invaluable information source that will pay for itself many times over.

Estimating in Building Construction

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This comprehensive reference covers the full spectrum of technical data required to estimate construction costs. The book includes information on sizing, productivity, equipment requirements, code-mandated specifications, design standards and engineering factors.

Commercial Steel Estimating

Resources for all types of estimators, including contractors, designers and engineers. The latest costs for green building materials, including LED light fixtures, wind turbines, electrical meters, car charging stations and more.

Estimating Building Costs

Get the confidence and know-how you need to deliver more accurate cost estimates and improve profitability. The 73rd edition of this bestselling cost guide has been updated and expanded to provide you with the information you need to:

- Estimate projects with confidence and accuracy
- Improve project planning and budgeting
- Reduce risk
- Access detailed construction costs, arranged in the CSI MasterFormat 2010 system, and leverage the resources available in the reference section to construct a winning estimate.

Agile Estimating and Planning

An easy-to-use tool for estimating heating, ventilating, and airconditioning systems, with up-to-date cost data and estimating examples. This all-in-one reference gives you the accepted standards and procedures for takeoff and pricing HVAC systems, as well as piping, plumbing, and fire protection. Includes all of the major mechanical systems in new building construction. The book will show you how to: Evaluate mechanical plans and specs so you can estimate all cost components Measure, quantify, and perform takeoffs for materials, labor, and equipment Identify and correctly apply direct and indirect costs, including overhead and profit Use forms to improve accuracy and efficiency - with electronic forms now available on the book's own website Compare materials and methods and select the most cost-effective way to get the job done Train new estimators with clear instructions for estimating the mechanical trades Make the best use of RSMeans Mechanical Cost Data and RSMeans Plumbing Cost Data Organized for easy reference, the book gives you quick access to whatever aspect of mechanical estimating you need. It includes a glossary of mechanical terms and definitions - plus symbols used on mechanical plans, useful formulas, checklists, and conversion tables.

Means Mechanical Estimating Methods: Takeoff & Pricing for

HVAC & Plumbing, Updated 4th Edition

"Current labor and material cost estimates for residential, commercial, and industrial electrical work"--Cover.

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