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	<p>Stability Research Council; 1991, 423-45 Chapter 7.</p> <p>[16] Z. Michalewicz, A survey of constraint handling techniques in evolutionary computation methods, <i>Proc. 4th annual conference on evolutionary programming</i>, MIT Press, Cambridge (1995), pp. 135-155.</p>
<b>Journal Articles</b>	<p>[1] Xu YL, Kwok KCS, Samali B. Control of wind-induced tall building vibration by tuned mass dampers. <i>J Wind Eng Ind Aerodyn</i> 40 (1992) pp. 1-32.</p> <p>[4] M.Z. Cohn and A.S. Dinovitzer, Application of structural optimization, <i>Journal of Structural Engineering, ASCE</i> 120 (1994) (2), pp. 617-650.</p>
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<b>Standards</b>	<p>[9] Canadian Standards Association, Design of concrete structures for buildings CSA A 23.3-94, Rexdale, Ontario (Canada) (1994).</p>
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