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Since the middle of the 20th Century yield design approaches have been identified with the lower and upper bound theorem of limit analysis theory - a theory associated with perfect plasticity. This theory is very restrictive regarding the applicability of yield design approaches, which have been used for centuries for the stability of civil engineering structures. This book presents a theory of yield design within the original "equilibrium/resistance" framework rather than referring to the theories of plasticity or limit analysis; expressing the compatibility between the equilibrium of

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