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**Mathematical Morphology in
Geomorphology and GISci** KIT
Scientific Publishing

Much hope has been vested in pricing as a means of helping to regulate and rationalize water management, notably in the irrigation sector. The pricing of water has often been applied universally, using general and ideological policies,

and not considering regional environmental and economic differences. Almost 15 years after the emphasis laid at the Dublin and Rio conferences on treating water as an economic good, a comprehensive review of how such policies have helped manage water resources an irrigation use is necessary. The case-studies presented here offer a reassessment of current policies by evaluating their objectives and constraints and often demonstrating their failure by not

considering the regional context. They will therefore contribute to avoiding costly and misplaced reforms and help design water policies that are based on a deeper understanding of the factors which eventually dictate their effectiveness.

Isotope Hydrology and Integrated Water Resources Management World Bank Publications

This book is a sequel to Rural development : putting the last first (AL. 1719, BRN 32006). It explores methods and approaches of participatory rural appraisal (PRA), which, because of its wide application, should, according to the author, be changed to participatory learning and action (PLA).

Handbook of Mathematical Geosciences
John Wiley & Sons

If you're thinking about using online learning in your organization, Online Learning will become one of your greatest planning resources. The author explains online learning in simple language, defines basic terms and concepts, and addresses three key considerations when planning an online learning program.

Surface characterization of 2D transition metal carbides (MXenes) Cambridge University Press

Pollen studies make important contributions nature, into three main themes: pollen struc to our knowledge in many interdisciplinary ture and constituents, pollen evolutionary arenas. Pollen identification is widely used in ecology and the pollen-pollinator interface. reconstruction of, e.g.,

vegetation, the climate Several papers overlap somewhat or are of the past, and plant biodiversity. Studies perhaps even somewhat contradictory and concerning pollen structure, size and form are reflect the author's own ideas and experience. key issues in basic sciences, as, e.g., plant Some could be understood more deeply by taxonomy and evolution, but are also of consulting other closely related articles. The importance in applied fields as, e.g., plant reader is strongly referred to the respective breeding. In pollination studies pollen is literature list of each article. generally used specifically to identify food ofanther ripening and pollen The last steps development (Pacini) and the mature pollen sources of visitors and to reconstruct their foraging

routes. Fewer have been devoted to wall structure (Hesse) are key factors to pollen collection mechanisms and to the struc understand pollen dispersal mechanisms in ture and content of pollen in relation to its biotic pollination (Stroo) as well as abiotic pollination (Ackerman). Pollen size, shape, function. Indian Summer Monsoon Variability Springer Science & Business Media Research on two-dimensional (2D) materials is a rapidly growing field owing to the wide range of new interesting properties found in 2D structures that are vastly different from their three-dimensional (3D) analogues. In addition, 2D materials embodies a significant surface area that facilitates a high degree of surface reactions per unit volume or mass, that is imperative in

many applications such as catalysis, energy storage, energy conversion, filtration, and single molecule sensing. MXenes constitute a family of 2D materials consisting of transition metal carbides and/or nitrides, which are typically formed after selective etching of their 3D parent MAX phases. The latter, are a family of nanolaminated compounds that typically follow the formula $M_{n+1}AX_n$ ($n=1-3$), where M is a transition metal, A is a group 13 or 14 element, and X is C and or N. Selective etching by aqueous F- containing acids removes the A layer leaving 2D $M_{n+1}X_n$ slabs instantly terminated by a mix of O-, OH- and F-groups. The first and most investigated MXene is Ti_3C_2TX , where TX stands for surface termination, which has shown record properties in a range

of applications (eg. electrode in Li-batteries, supercapacitors, sieving membrane, electromagnetic interference shielding, and carbon capture). Adding to that, over 30 different MXenes have been discovered since 2011, exhibiting alternative or superior properties. Most importantly, elegant routes for property design in the MXene family has been demonstrated, by means of either varying the chemistry in the $M_{n+1}X_n$ compound, by alloying two M elements, or by changing the structure of the MXene by introducing vacancies. The present work has led to an additional route for post synthesis property tuning in MXenes by manipulation of surface termination elements. This enables a unique toolbox for property tuning which is not available to other 2D materials

and is highly beneficial for applications that is dependent on surface reactions. Furthermore, chemical and structural characterization of terminations on single sheets is essential to rule out the influence of intercalants or contamination that is typically present in multilayer MXene samples or thin films. For that purpose, a method for preparing isolated contamination free single sheets of MXene samples for transmission electron microscopy (TEM) characterization was established. In order to determine vacancy and termination sites, atomically resolved scanning (S)TEM imaging and image simulations was carried out. Two main processes were employed to substitute the termination elements. 1) An initial thermal treatment in vacuum facilitates

F desorption and it was shown that O-terminations rearranges on the evacuated sites. H₂ gas exposure in a controlled environment demonstrated a removal of the remaining O-terminations. As a result, termination-free MXene is possible to realize under vacuum conditions. 2) CO₂ was introduced as a first non-inherent termination on MXene by in situ CO₂ gas exposure at low temperatures. That was a first demonstration of Ti₃C₂TX as promising material for carbon capture. Additionally, O-saturated surfaces were demonstrated after introduction of O₂ gas on the F-depleted Ti₃C₂TX MXene, which is highly relevant for hydrogen evolution reactions where fully O-terminated Ti₃C₂TX are predicted to improve efficiency. A Lewis acid melt

synthesis method was used to realize the first MXene exclusively terminated with Cl. Moreover, this was the first report of a MXene directly synthesised with terminations other than O, OH, and F. Furthermore, we have expanded the space of property tuning by introduction of chemical ordering, by selective etching of Y in an alloyed (Mo₂/3Y_{1/3})₂CTX MXene. This either produced chemical ordering with one M (Mo) element and vacancies, or ordering between two M (Mo and Y) elements. This was further reported to significantly increase volumetric capacitance because of the increased number of active sites around vacancies, leading to an increasing charge density. As a final note, the stability of Nb₂CTX MXene under ambient conditions was

investigated. It was found that the surface Nb adatoms, present after etching, got oxidized over time which resulted in local clustering and effectively degraded the MXene. This work has demonstrated reproducible surface characterization methods for determining termination elements and sites in 2D MXenes, that is ultimately governing MXene properties. Most importantly, we report on a new approach for MXene property tuning as well as contributing to several existing property tuning approaches.

Aspergillus Fumigatus and Aspergillosis Polity

It is widely recognized that the degree of development of a science is given by the transition from a mainly descriptive stage to a more quantitative stage. In

this transition, qualitative interpretations (conceptual models) are complemented with quantification (numerical models, both, deterministic and stochastic). This has been the main task of mathematical geoscientists during the last forty years - to establish new frontiers and new challenges in the study and understanding of the natural world. Mathematics of Planet Earth comprises the proceedings of the International Association for Mathematical Geosciences Conference (IAMG2013), held in Madrid from September 2-6, 2013. The Conference addresses researchers, professionals and students. The proceedings contain more than 150 original contributions and give a multidisciplinary vision of mathematical geosciences.

Bird Migration across the Himalayas Agro Environ Media, Publication Cell of AESA, Agriculture and Environmental Science Academy,
The WEB of Transport Corridors in South Asia develops a holistic appraisal methodology to ensure that economic benefits of investments in transport corridors are amplified and more widely spread, and possible negative impacts such as congestion, environmental degradation, and other unintended consequences are minimized. It focuses on South Asia—not only as one of the world’s most populous and poorest regions—but as a hinge between East Asia, Central Asia, the Middle East, and Europe. The book is aimed at politicians, technocrats, civil society organizations, and businesses. It presents case studies

of past and recent corridor initiatives, provides rigorous analysis of the literature on the spatial impact of corridors, and offers assessments of corridor investment projects supported by international development organizations. A series of spotlights examines such issues as private sector co-investment; the impacts of corridors on small enterprises and women; and issues with implementing cross-border corridors. The 'WEB' in the title stands for both the wider economic benefits (WEB) that transport corridors are expected to generate and the complex web of transport corridors that has been proposed. The appraisal methodology introduced in this book shows how the web of interconnected elements around corridors can be disentangled and the

most promising corridor proposals—the ones with the greatest wider economic benefits—can be selected.

Cognitive Behavioral Therapy for Tinnitus Plural Publishing

This book provides a collection of selected papers presented at the International Conference on Cybernetics, Cognition and Machine Learning Applications (ICCCMLA 2019), which was held in Goa, India, on 16–17 August 2019. It covers the latest research trends and advances in the areas of data science, artificial intelligence, neural networks, cognitive science and machine learning applications, cyber-physical systems, and cybernetics.

Cumulated Index Medicus World Health Organization

'As an aid for battling away takeaway

temptation and cooking from scratch, this cookbook's a winner.' - EVENING STANDARD 'Can you really knock up perfect lasagne, curry or sticky toffee pudding in just ten minutes? While Ramsay concedes that he cooks faster than most, he shows that speedy, delicious food is achievable for anyone.' - DAILY MAIL This is fine food at its fastest and fast food at its finest - 100 new incredibly delicious recipes, all clocking in at around 10 minutes. Inspired by his YouTube series, you'll be challenged to get creative in the kitchen and learn how to cook impressive, flavoursome dishes in no time. Whether you're looking to excite the whole family with a tasty One Pan Pumpkin Pasta or some Chicken Souvlaki, or you need something super quick to assemble, like Microwave Sticky

Toffee Pudding - these are recipes guaranteed to become instant classics. Plus, with each time you cook, you'll get faster and faster with Gordon's shortcuts to speed up your cooking, reduce your prep times and get the very best from simple, fresh ingredients. 'When I'm shooting Ramsay in 10, I'm genuinely full of excitement and energy because I get to show everyone how to really cook with confidence. It doesn't matter if it takes you 10 minutes, 12 minutes or even 15 minutes, to me, it's about sharing my 25 years' of knowledge, expertise and hands-on experience, to make everyone feel like better, happier cooks.' - Gordon Ramsay Have fun and get cooking! Great food is only 10 minutes away.

Index Medicus Springer Science &

Business Media

Water, which plays an important role in every aspect of our daily lives, is the most valuable natural resource we have on this planet. Drinking, bathing, cooking, regeneration, cleaning, production, energy, and many other uses of water originate from some of its versatile, useful, basic, and unique features. The access, purification, and reuse of water on our planet, which is of course not endless and not available for direct use, is directly related to the water chemistry that explores its inimitable properties. This book includes research on water chemistry-related applications in environmental management and sustainable environmental issues such as water and wastewater treatment, water quality

management, and other similar topics. The book consists of three sections, namely, water treatment, wastewater treatment, and water splitting, respectively, and includes 11 chapters. In these chapters, water-wastewater remediation methods, nanomaterials in water treatment, and water splitting processes are comprehensively reviewed in terms of water chemistry. The editors would like to record their sincere thanks to the authors for their contributions.

Fruit and Vegetable Phytochemicals
Editions Quae

The book has a comprehensive account of the climate change with possible projections on food security in India. Global scenario of extreme climatic events and the corresponding probable climatic parameters in the years to come

are discussed elaborately. The effect of climatic variability on the productivity of crops particularly cereals, pulses, oilseeds, vegetables, fruits and flowers etc and incidences of plant diseases are highlighted. Moreover, the environmental effect on edible mushroom and rubber cultivation is also brought under the discussion in the book. Besides crop productivity, the information on the impact of climatic variability on the productivity/survival of livestock and freshwater fisheries is also made available. To avert weather vagaries, agro-advisory services on national perspectives are rendered with due importance. Finally, a focus on district level agro-advisory followed by a proper crop planning is also bestowed. *Spatial Epidemiology* Springer Nature

For many individuals afflicted with tinnitus, the condition causes substantial distress. While there is no known cure for tinnitus, cognitive behavioral therapy (CBT) can offer an effective strategy for managing the symptoms and side effects of chronic tinnitus. Cognitive Behavioral Therapy for Tinnitus is the first book to provide comprehensive CBT counseling materials specifically developed for the management of tinnitus. This valuable professional book has two primary purposes: to provide clinical guidelines for audiologists who are offering CBT-based counseling for tinnitus and to provide self-help materials for individuals with tinnitus. In addition, these materials may be of interest to researchers developing evidence-based therapies for tinnitus.

The book is structured into three sections. Section A provides background information about the theoretical aspects of CBT and some practical tips on how to use this book. Section B provides the CBT counseling, or self-help materials, which can be used by both audiologists and those with tinnitus. Finally, Section C provides some supplementary materials for clinicians that can aid monitoring and engagement of individuals experiencing tinnitus during the course of intervention. Key Features: * The CBT materials contained in this text have been tested in numerous clinical trials across the globe (Australia, Germany, Sweden, United Kingdom, and the United States) both as self-help book chapters and self-help materials delivered via the Internet. *

The counseling materials are presented at minimum reading grade level (U.S. 6th grade level) to maximize reader engagement. * The authors of this book have extensive experience in the management of tinnitus, offering useful insights for clinicians and those with tinnitus. * Includes expert advice videos for each chapter to facilitate its adoption to clinical practice.

Living territories to transform the world Springer

Abstracts of journal articles, books, essays, exhibition catalogs, dissertations, and exhibition reviews. The scope of ARTbibliographies Modern extends from artists and movements beginning with Impressionism in the late 19th century, up to the most recent works and trends in the late 20th

century. Photography is covered from its invention in 1839 to the present. A particular emphasis is placed upon adding new and lesser-known artists and on the coverage of foreign-language literature. Approximately 13,000 new entries are added each year. Published with title LOMA from 1969-1971.

Approximate Kalman Filtering Springer Science & Business Media

Green Food Processing Techniques: Preservation, Transformation and Extraction advances the ethics and practical objectives of "Green Food Processing" by offering a critical mass of research on a series of methodological and technological tools in innovative food processing techniques, along with their role in promoting the sustainable food industry. These techniques (such as

microwave, ultrasound, pulse electric field, instant controlled pressure drop, supercritical fluid processing, extrusion...) lie on the frontier of food processing, food chemistry, and food microbiology, and are thus presented with tools to make preservation, transformation and extraction greener. The Food Industry constantly needs to reshape and innovate itself in order to achieve the social, financial and environmental demands of the 21st century. Green Food Processing can respond to these challenges by enhancing shelf life and the nutritional quality of food products, while at the same time reducing energy use and unit operations for processing, eliminating wastes and byproducts, reducing water use in harvesting, washing and

processing, and using naturally derived ingredients. - Introduces the strategic concept of Green Food Processing to meet the challenges of the future of the food industry - Presents innovative techniques for green food processing that can be used in academia, and in industry in R&D and processing - Brings a multidisciplinary approach, with significant contributions from eminent scientists who are actively working on Green Food Processing techniques
Bibliography of Agriculture Academic Press

The compliance of this book is helpful for academicians, researchers, students, as well as other people seeking the relevant material in current trends of studies on the topic of environmental degradation.
Comparative Quantification of Health

Risks: Sexual and reproductive health
 World Scientific

Provides a flood risk-management framework for identifying and assessing climate-related risks and developing adaptation responses, for academic researchers and professionals.

Soft Computing for Problem Solving Nipa

This is a new paperback edition of the well received text Spatial Epidemiology: Methods and Applications. It is an easy to read, clear and concise exploration of the field of geographical variations in diseases . Especially with respect to variations in environmental exposures at the small-area scale this book gives an authoritative account of current practice and developments. The recent and rapid expansion of the field looks set to continue in line with growing public,

governmental and media concern about environmental and health issues, and the scientific need to understand and explain the effects of environmental pollutants on health.

Proceedings of the Second Workshop of the HORIZON 2020 CEBAMA Project (KIT Scientific Reports ; 7752) CRC Press

Kalman filtering algorithm gives optimal (linear, unbiased and minimum error-variance) estimates of the unknown state vectors of a linear dynamic-observation system, under the regular conditions such as perfect data information; complete noise statistics; exact linear modeling; ideal well-conditioned matrices in computation and strictly centralized filtering. In practice, however, one or more of the

forementioned conditions may not be satisfied, so that the standard Kalman filtering algorithm cannot be directly used, and hence “approximate Kalman filtering” becomes necessary. In the last decade, a great deal of attention has been focused on modifying and/or extending the standard Kalman filtering technique to handle such irregular cases. It has been realized that approximate Kalman filtering is even more important and useful in applications. This book is a collection of several tutorial and survey articles summarizing recent contributions to the field, along the line of approximate Kalman filtering with emphasis on both its theoretical and practical aspects.

Manufacturing Happy Citizens

Linköping University Electronic Press

Since the isolation and characterization of graphene, there has been a growing interest in 2D materials owing to their unique properties compared to their 3D counterparts. Recently, a family of 2D materials of early transition metal carbides and nitrides, labelled MXenes, has been discovered (Ti_2CTz , $\text{Ti}_3\text{C}_2\text{Tz}$, $\text{Mo}_2\text{TiC}_2\text{Tz}$, Ti_3CNTz , $\text{Ta}_4\text{C}_3\text{Tz}$, $\text{Ti}_4\text{N}_3\text{Tz}$ among many others), where T stands for surface-terminating groups (O, OH, and F). MXenes are mostly produced by selectively etching A layers (where A stands for group A elements, mostly groups 13 and 14) from the MAX phases. The latter are a family of layered ternary carbides and/or nitrides and have a general formula of $\text{M}_{n+1}\text{AX}_n$ ($n = 1-3$), where M is a transition metal and X is carbon and/or nitrogen. The produced

MXenes have a conductive carbide core and a non-conductive O-, OH- and/or F-terminated surface, which allows them to work as electrodes for energy storage applications, such as Li-ion batteries and supercapacitors. Prior to this work, MXenes were produced in the form of flakes of lateral dimension of about 1 to 2 microns; such dimensions and form are not suitable for electronic characterization and applications. I have synthesized various MXenes ($\text{Ti}_3\text{C}_2\text{Tz}$, Ti_2CTz and Nb_2CTz) as epitaxial thin films, a more suitable form for electronic and photonic applications. These films were produced by HF, NH_4HF_2 or $\text{LiF} + \text{HCl}$ etching of magnetron sputtered epitaxial Ti_3AlC_2 , Ti_2AlC , and Nb_2AlC thin films. For transport properties of the Ti-based MXenes, Ti_2CTz and $\text{Ti}_3\text{C}_2\text{Tz}$,

changing n from 1 to 2 resulted in an increase in conductivity but had no effect on the transport mechanism (i.e. both Ti_3C_2Tx and Ti_2CTx were metallic). In order to examine whether the electronic properties of MXenes differ when going from a few layers to a single flake, similar to graphene, the electrical characterization of a single Ti_3C_2Tz flake with a lateral size of about $10\ \mu m$ was performed. These measurements, the first for MXene, demonstrated its metallic nature, along with determining the nature of the charge carriers and their mobility. This indicates that Ti_3C_2Tz is inherently of 2D nature independent of the number of stacked layers, unlike graphene, where the electronic properties change based on the number of stacked layers. Changing

the transition metal from Ti to Nb, viz. comparing Ti_2CTz and Nb_2CTz thin films, the electronic properties and electronic conduction mechanism differ. Ti_2CTz showed metallic-like behavior (resistivity increases with increasing temperature) unlike Nb_2CTz where the conduction occurs via variable range hopping mechanism (VRH) - where resistivity decreases with increasing temperature. Furthermore, these studies show the synthesis of pure Mo_2CTz in the form of single flakes and freestanding films made by filtering Mo_2CTz colloidal suspensions. Electronic characterization of free-standing films made from delaminated Mo_2CTz flakes was investigated, showing that a VRH mechanism prevails at low temperatures (7 to ≈ 60 K). Upon vacuum annealing,

the room temperature, RT, conductivity of Mo₂CT_x increased by two orders of magnitude. The conduction mechanism was concluded to be VRH most likely dominated by hopping within each flake. Other Mo-based MXenes, Mo₂TiC₂T_z and Mo₂Ti₂C₃T_z, showed VRH mechanism at low temperature. However, at higher temperatures up to RT, the transport mechanism was not clearly understood. Therefore, a part of this thesis was dedicated to further investigating the transport properties of Mo-based MXenes. This includes Mo₂CT_z, out-of-plane ordered Mo₂TiC₂T_z and Mo₂Ti₂C₃T_z, and vacancy ordered Mo_{1.33}CT_z. Magneto-transport of free-standing thin films of the Mo-based MXenes were studied, showing that all Mo-based MXenes have two transport

regimes: a VRH mechanism at lower temperatures and a thermally activated process at higher temperatures. All Mo-based MXenes except Mo_{1.33}CT_z show that the electrical transport is dominated by inter-flake transfer. As for Mo_{1.33}CT_z, the primary electrical transport mechanism is more likely to be intra-flake. The synthesis of vacancy ordered MXenes (Mo_{1.33}CT_z and W_{1.33}CT_z) raised the question of possible introduction of vacancies in all MXenes. Vacancy ordered MXenes are produced by selective etching of Al and (Sc or Y) atoms from the parent 3D MAX phases, such as (Mo₂/3Sc_{1/3})₂AlC, with in-plane chemical ordering of Mo and Sc. However, not all quaternary parent MAX phases form the in-plane chemical ordering of the two M metals; thus the

synthesis of the vacancy-ordered MXenes is restricted to a very limited number of MAX phases. I present a new method to obtain MXene flakes with disordered vacancies that may be generalized to all quaternary MAX phases. As proof of concept, I chose Nb-C MXene, as this 2D material has shown promise in several applications, including energy storage, photothermal cell ablation and photocatalysts for hydrogen evolution. Starting from synthesizing $(\text{Nb}_{2/3}\text{Sc}_{1/3})_2\text{AlC}$ quaternary solid solution and etching both the Sc and Al atoms resulted in Nb_{1.33}C material with a large number of vacancies and vacancy clusters. This method may be applicable to other quaternary or higher MAX phases wherein one of the transition metals is

more reactive than the other, and it could be of vital importance in applications such as catalysis and energy storage.

Climate Change and Food Security

Human Resource Development

Offers the latest insights into the fundamental biology and pathogenesis of *A. fumigatus*. Provides a combined synopsis of both *A. fumigatus* and its diseases and therapies. Encompasses the most up-to-date knowledge to serve as a resource guide for the next decade of study on this organism and the many diseases it causes. Covers the fundamental biology of *A. fumigatus* including specific features in genetics, biochemistry, and cell biology that can explain the virulence of this opportunistic pathogen. Discusses the

wide range of clinical infection, plus the latest diagnostic and treatment

strategies, in specific patient populations.