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Modeling of vehicle-pavement interactions,
Constitutive modeling and experimental characterization of pavement materials (asphalt binder, aggregates, asphalt mixes, cementitious materials and Portland cement concrete, unstabilized and stabilized bases, and subgrade soils),
Numerical response analysis of pavements under static and dynamic wheel loading and climatic conditions,
Experimental measurements and modeling of permanent deformation, fatigue cracking, low temperature cracking and moisture damage in pavement layers,
Microstructure characterization and micromechanics of asphalt concrete and cementitious materials and Portland cement concrete,
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