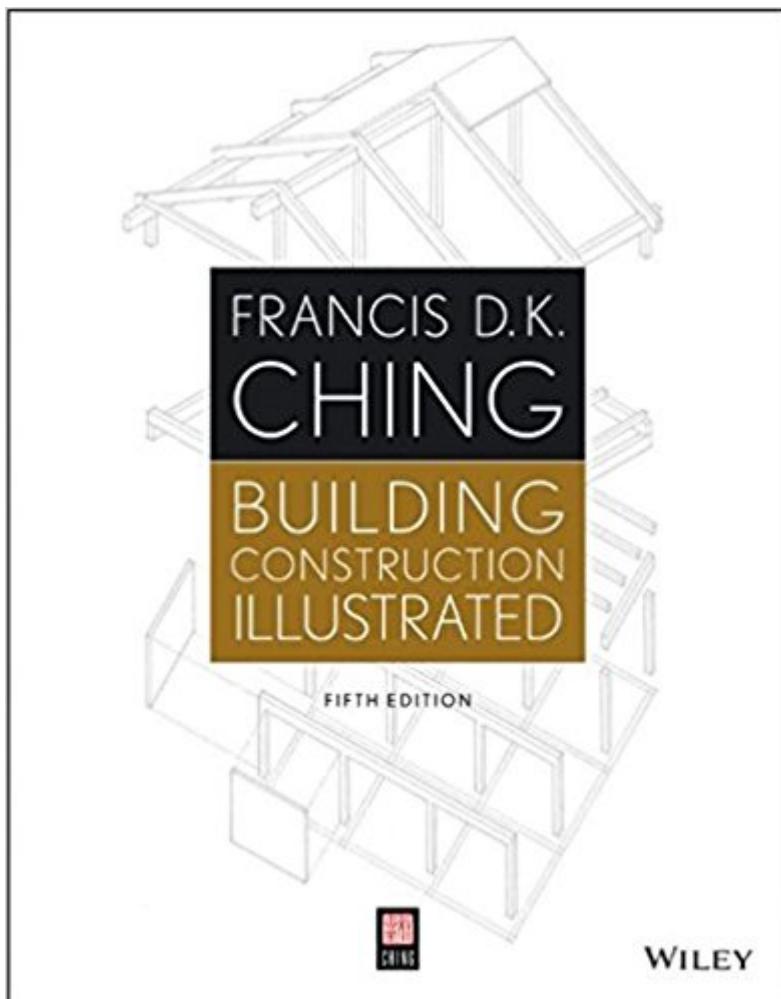


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# Building Construction Illustrated



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The classic visual guide to core principles of building construction, now with a Companion Web Site Building Construction Illustrated is the go-to resource for answers to questions about the basic concepts underlying every construction project. With rich illustrations and detailed discussions of

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FRANCIS D.K. CHING is Professor Emeritus of Architecture at the University of Washington in Seattle. He is the bestselling author and coauthor of numerous architecture and design books, including *Architectural Graphics*; *Building Codes Illustrated*; *Architecture: Form, Space, and Order*; *A Visual Dictionary of Architecture*; *A Global History of Architecture*; *Building Structures Illustrated*; and *Design Drawing*. Mr. Ching's works have been translated into more than eleven languages and are recognized for their clear explanations and graphic presentations of complex material.

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Great book, used these all during architectural school Ordered this one for a newer staff member at my company to gain experience. Very detailed drawings with all kinds of notes. Great for Residential and Commercial applications.

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Great content, but poor choice of font and font color...darn hard to read

Another triumph for Ching. His ability to communicate through his excellent sketches is second to none. The basics of a wide range of construction materials and systems are laid in an orderly way which is easy for the uninformed to understand.

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