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- Foundations and Concept Formalization
- Ontological and Cognitive Foundations for Conceptual Modeling
- Multi-level Modeling
- Justification and Evaluation of Models

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- Data Semantics and Integrity Constraints
- Integration of Conceptual Models and Database Schemas
- Schema Evolution and Management of Database Constraints
- NoSQL and NewSQL Databases
- Big Data and Conceptual Modeling
- Data Warehousing, Data Mining, Business Intelligence and Analytics
- Spatial, Temporal, and Multimedia Aspects in Conceptual Models
- Metadata and Applications
- Semi-structured Data and XML

**Business Information Systems**
- Enterprise Models
- Enterprise Architectures
- Service-Oriented Architectures
- Business Process Modeling
- Models at Runtime
- Models to Support IT Management
- Modeling Distributed Ledger Systems

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- Conceptual Models and Machine Learning
- Conceptual Models and Decision Making
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- Role of Conceptual Modeling in Social Networks, Mobile Computing, Deep Learning, Internet of Objects, Serious Games and Pedagogical Models, etc.
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**Engineering**
- Agile Development
- Interleaving Modeling and Development
- Domain Specific Conceptual Modeling Languages, Methods and Frameworks
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- Reverse Engineering and Round-Trip Engineering
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