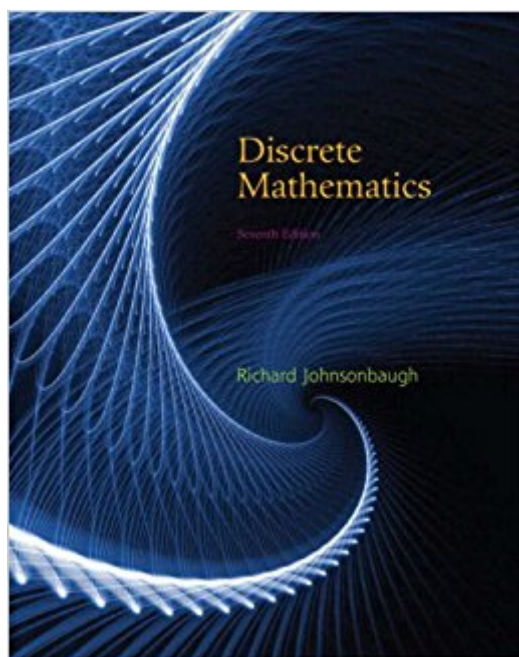


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co-author of numerous books and articles in these areas. Several of his books have been translated into various languages. He is a member of the Mathematical Association of America.

If you are going into this book without any prior knowledge of "discrete" mathematics, there are much better options. The learning style of this book is atrocious. I found myself searching on YouTube for just about every single chapter/section concepts. The way the author describes the material is incredibly difficult to understand; almost as though they are assuming the reader is an expert already in the material and already knows logic symbols and their meaning. They do an awful job at describing new material to learners. Right off the bat, they are throwing in logic symbols with little to no description of the meaning -- which leaves the learner confused and looking to other sources to learn.

Terrible, sections are poorly organized and new topics aren't well established. Its reads like a normal book instead of a textbook, its hard to figure out things. Also it brings up a lot of new stuff in the exercises for some reason. To make things even more annoying it doesn't even have that many solutions

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Not a helpful textbook for my CSC331: Discrete Structures & Logic class. The textbook does NOT explain the logic clearly enough, and does NOT give enough examples beyond a few obvious examples strictly deducible from the writing. Good luck figuring out how any of it applies to, well, anything.

Absolutely awful book that does a pretty poor job of explaining discrete mathematics concepts in general, and throws it all in your face head first instead. My teacher who said we had to buy it even said it was terrible. Go figure.

I needed this book for class. I thought this was just the paper back copy of the book. This book is

missing huge chunks, especially in the review sections, which of course I need for homework. Save yourself some frustration and go buy the 200\$ book if it's a required text.

One of the worst math textbooks I have ever had the displeasure of reading. Even our Professor disputed many of the author's methods. If this turns out to be a required text for you, cozy up to Wolfram Alpha, get ready to ask questions in class, and make some friends. You'll need all the help you can get.

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