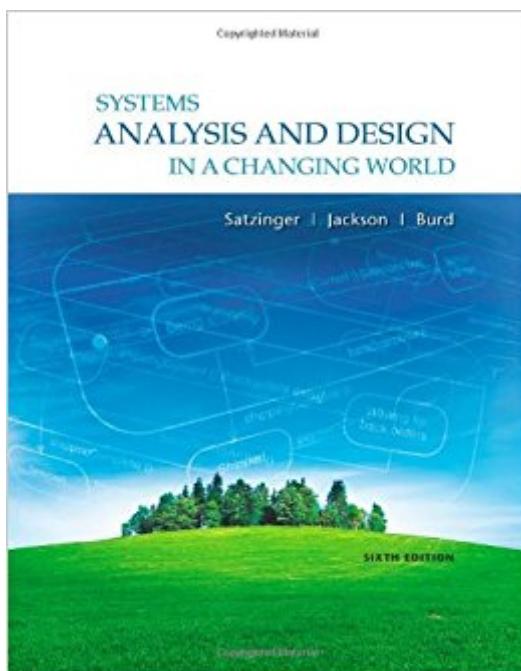


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This book was assigned for class, and I do not have any other books to compare this one to. Although I'm studying systems design, I find the topic as presented in this book to be redundant and boring. The entire book centers around using the UML (Unified Modeling Language) to draw out various diagrams and flowcharts for how systems should operate. The topic itself is useful for understanding how computer systems should collect, process, organize, store, and output data. The way the book presents its diagrams, pictures, and information, it feels...obsolete. These are things I could see being heavily implemented in the late 90's and early 2000's, but in 2016 not so much. Everything builds on top of everything else as you progress throughout the book, but it left me scratching my head as to why we learned how to design activity diagrams if we were just going to replace them with a Systems Sequence Diagram later. Or, why did we learn how to design a domain model when a few chapters later, we toss it out in favor of a Domain Class Diagram? Maybe the topic itself isn't really a semester's worth of content, but I feel the book could have cut a lot out and still have provided students with all the same relevant information. On a positive note, the book provides several "case studies" throughout and provides you opportunity to apply your knowledge to a potential "real world" case. Each chapter builds on the case study so by the end of the book you have completed nearly the entire process of designing an information system, start to finish. If you are on the fence about whether to rent this book or purchase it to add to your collection, I'll say that I'm glad I rented mine because I'm not sure I will ever reference this book anytime throughout my career.

A \$200 textbook that didn't teach me anything Wikipedia couldn't have done for free. Terrible, terrible book. Only good news is that I can sell it back to at the end of the semester for about half of what I paid. Buy used if you have to have this book for class, like I did.

This book is a good book with some good examples about a topic that is slowly dying. Many of the ideas are still relevant even though the book is getting old. I'd recommend this book to people who need it for a course (even if they are supposed to have the new book). If you are trying to get familiar with design patterns on your own, this book will give you more than enough foundation, but I'd try to point you in the direction of some books more related to Agile. This book does cover a lot of topics that it is good to have a foundation in. Overall great book about the topic.

Book was used for technology course at my University. Was a good book, had a bit of fun reading it and definitely insightful when paired with a good professor.

Only needed it for class and the book is terribly written compared to books from other classes.

I did not like the way things were organized in this book. Many very important concepts in this book are lost within large blocks of small text without even changing the font. If you like to read these things word for word, go for it. You can learn these concepts online in a fraction of the time. I gave up on the book a third of the way through the semester and still scored an A. I just looked at what the chapter was going to teach and found well thought out powerpoints and pdf's from other universities to study.

When I think of all the things I could do with over \$200 it makes me a little sad that I have to buy this for a systems A&D class.... nevertheless it is a great textbook with a lot of excellent reference materials. I will be keeping it for informational purposes down the road.

I am taking this class in college that requires this book. I tried to get away with the 5th edition, but they were nothing alike. The instructor assigned questions at the end of the chapter that didn't exist in the 5th edition so I had to upgrade. I can say though that the 6th edition is MUCH better than the 5th edition. However, as far as IT textbooks go, this one kinda sucks. IMOChris

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