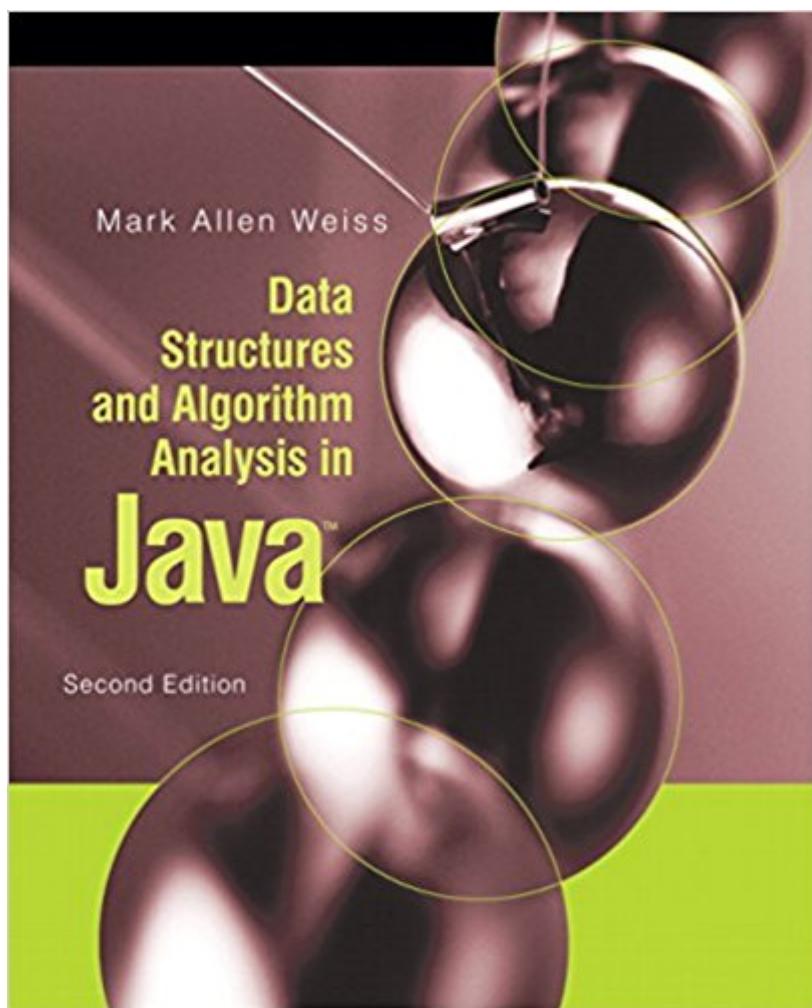


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PROs: decent coverage of the material
CONS: mediocre writing style ("Irregardless"?) and coding style; occasional bugs/typos in example code; poor explanation of Java generics

I used this for my college course. And it's pretty straight forward, but I wish there was more concise information.

Thorough.

This book is quite advanced as many others have written in their reviews. Maybe it should have had a "pre-requisites" section, telling what background the author expects from the reader. BUT with that said, I love this book and could not put it down from the time I started reading it. Weiss has driven the points across very well. Right from page 1 the book is quite exciting to read. Weiss stresses the importance of recursion and shows many good (and a bad) uses of recursion. Chapter 2 illustrates bad and good algorithms with elegant examples - all the algorithms and their computational complexities are explained in detail very well in Sec. 2.4.3. I could not wait to get to the O(N) algorithm, and then there is the surprise - it is so simple, what the heck am I missing? And then you realize you are not dumb and the short program does involve some serious intelligence behind it! This book has really flexed my mind very well and I love reading it! I am sure I will learn a lot more as I read more from it. And I feel this book does not deserve a poor 3-point rating and does deserve

more 5-point ratings by advanced readers.

I felt the author has a firm understanding of the concepts and truly what he wanted to convey, but this book lacked a great deal for beginners or newcomers to Java. Far too many of the examples were tough to understand and in many cases simply un-answered. This is not a book for beginners.

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