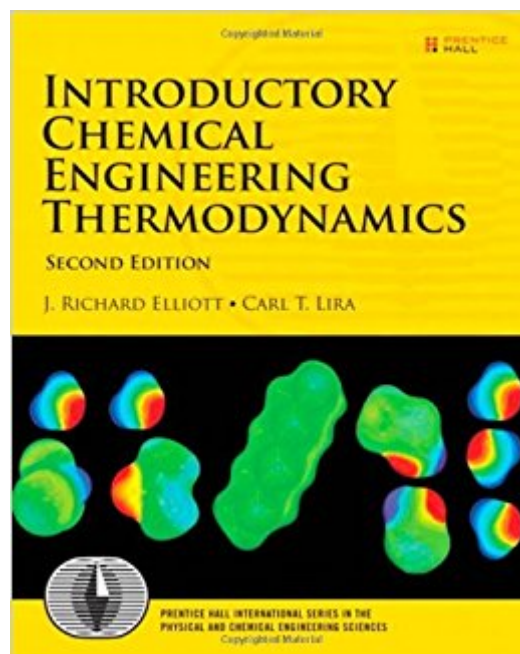




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Note: I am reviewing the Kindle version of this book, which I would highly recommend not purchasing. The hardcover version is somewhat better. The things I liked about the actual book were that it had plenty of examples, and was generally pretty clear about material. Also, the table of contents is very detailed, making it easy to find specific topics. That said, the book is extremely irritating to use on the Kindle, which is where most of my gripes are. The issues I encountered with the Kindle version of this book are:- There are no page numbers, so if someone references a page number to use, you have to get more information. The only way to locate things in the Kindle version is by "location" which is just something that Kindle appears to just make up. I do not know if it corresponds to word count or line number or something else entirely. The "location" is pretty much useless though, and it does not make any sense not to include page numbers for a textbook.- This is somewhat an extension of the previous gripe: Because you can zoom in at different levels (and zooming in is useful for this book because of varying font sizes and images), it makes it even harder to find what you are looking for later on. There isn't really a way to intuitively know where you are in a chapter, especially if you need to flip back and forth (which I personally tend to a lot with textbooks).- While you can zoom in on text, you can't really zoom in on most figures. There are certain thermodynamic charts where it is important to get good resolution, which is not possible with the Kindle version of this book. For example, Appendix E.12 is a Pressure-Enthalpy Diagram for R134a, with multiple overlapping lines, and you cannot zoom in at all. I suggest Googling "Pressure-Enthalpy Diagram for R134a" and looking at the images, and try imagining using one of these charts when the Kindle won't let you zoom in. As a final note, I had peers who bought the international edition. I recommend not doing this if the teacher is likely to assign problems out of the book because all of the problems are different or numbered differently. In summary, if you have to buy this book for a class, buy the hardcover.

While comprehensive, the book has little in the way of helping a practicing ChemE apply the knowledge. A couple of chapters that I consulted fall short of explaining how the myriad formulas will have to be chained together to solve a real life problem. I do appreciate its completeness though.

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