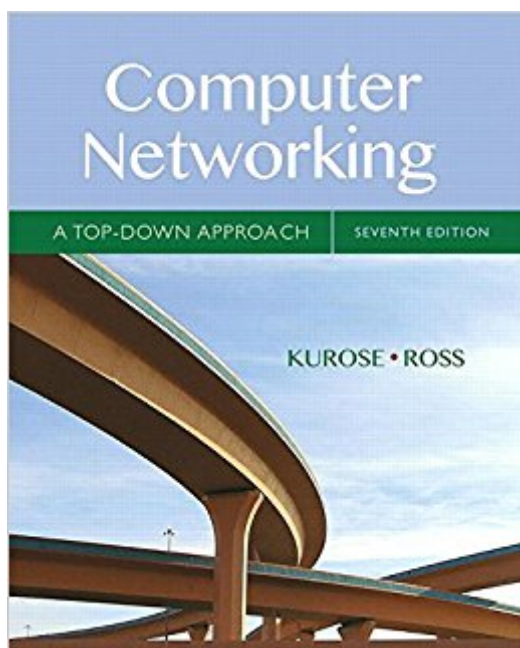


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# Computer Networking: A Top-Down Approach (7th Edition)



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Over priced reprint of previous versions. Version 6 is almost the exact same book and it's much cheaper.

Well written text. The homework problems are awkwardly written. Many of them are written as a string of questions, rather than being broken out in to part a, b, c, etc. It is easy to overlook part of the problem, or provide an incomplete answer.

I would not agree with another reviewer that this is v7 is simply a reprint of v6 and being sold for

higher price. The v6 was published in 2013, and v7 is in 2017. In my perspective the v7 reflected many up-to-date changes that happened during the 3 years. For example, in chapter 2 application, online video streaming is added, and how do Netflix and youtube work are discussed. Chapter 4 network layer are now divided into 2 chapters: the control plane and the data plane, to accommodate the software defined network concept. In some sense, you will for sure still see many many same pictures and sentences in the v7 as in v6, however, as a new edition, you do not expect it to be a completely new book. There are at least some substantial content update and structure changes in this newer version.

I've been comparing the paperback to the hardcover and noticed that the Review questions at the end of the chapter do not exactly match between the versions. We noticed that this was especially true with chapter 4. College Textbook buyers beware!

Gets to the point and explains what you need to know about networking, this book is most helpful.

Very good book/read. The Top Down Approach unique and refreshing, for a networking book.

I bought the hardback book of the 7th edition but the quality is pretty bad in my opinion for a hardback. It feels like it won't last long. I ended up reading the PDF version on my computer of the 6th edition instead. The content in the book is good.

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