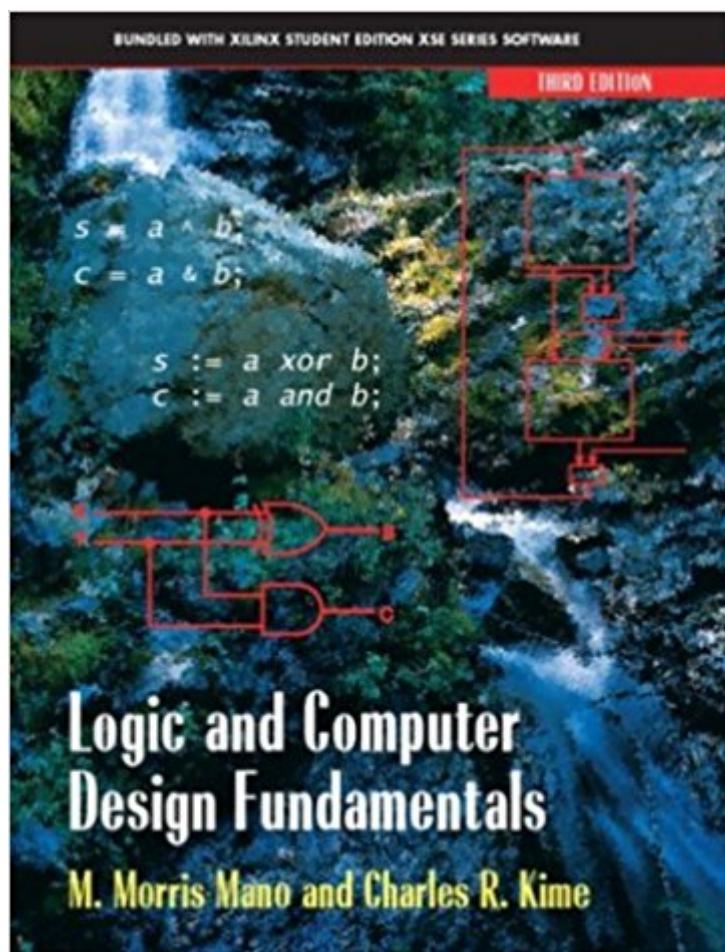


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I really wish this book would have been better, but it's not. It was a required textbook for my college, I went to SIPI in Albuquerque. My school had textbooks that were given to you for the quarter and then returned, the plus side of this was that you didn't have to buy any textbooks but the downside was that the classes would sometimes be stuck with terrible textbooks. Even my professor didn't like the book. The book was overly technical for the college level it was designed for he said. Also the examples were not completely explained through, which was a pain when we were assigned the questions at the ends of the chapters. I really feel this book did such a disservice to my class, I would say half the people either failed or dropped out. I am confident when I say the class average was a C. I don't know about newer versions but please if you are a professor please do not use this book. If you're learning on your own, just stay away, save the money and the headache. There are

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The only reason I would purchase this because is because it was a required book in my school. And boy, this is some really rough reading. Let me generalize, being a technical book and a "logic" one the authors' attempt to convey a message so garbled and mismanaged it is extremely mind numbing to read. For example, here's an excerpt from the book, "We also, however, choose to treat it first so that we can clearly justify, in terms of hardware cost, that which otherwise appears bizarre and often is accepted on faith, namely, the use of complement representations in arithmetic." Ok that wasn't so bad right? Well think about reading a few pages. Bored yet? I feel like I'm in a middle of a sunday church service and the priest is repetitiously rephrasing a sentence over, and over, and over with no meaning intended. I believe these authors should stick to what they do best. Design circuits. They fail to explain things thoroughly without an emphasis WHY. Also there is too much technical garble mixed up with sentences which really should be split into paragraphs. Another thing is a hefty price tag that comes with this book. I also forgot to mention the software. The software is designed by xilinx. I've not been able to get it to run on either my laptop, or my home pc. During lab hours at my school the schematic editor has been nothing but buggy. The software would at times erase my circuits, files won't save, etc. I find myself rewriting circuits 5 to 6 times just to rid of bugs that just seem to appear. If this book wasn't used in my classroom I'd recommend avoiding it. Not only is this book well over 100 dollars new and/or used the authors do a terrible job conveying technical data into a well formed, understandable structure we REAL humans can understand.

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