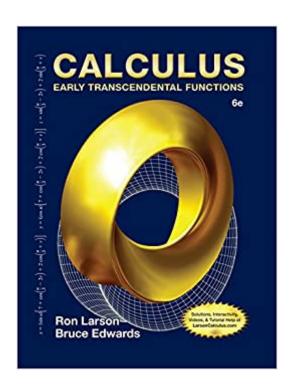


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This text is one of the best thing that has happened to me. I am literally reading it all, that is from CH01 to CH15. I started it on February of this year (2015) and I am in CH11 now. Will probably finish it in 4 more months. For math lovers: Don't worry it does not really take that long to read all the chapters, it might actually take just about 8 months at most to 1 year, perhaps less, say 6 months? The reason why it is taking me so long is because I have a full time job and I'm also taking other classes, so I only get to read it twice a week, that is a section per day, and work on Exercise problems also twice a week (different days). About the book: This book is very comprehensive. There are some people who say that most of the examples don't explain much, well in reality they are straight forward, and most of the basic stuff, such as algebraic or trigonometric calculations is

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They say this is one of the better Calculus and Analytic Geometry textbooks out there. I have mixed reviews...This does give you good information on the subject but the problems are very "here and there". I wish that the problems were progressive in the sense that they started off in the easiest example and gradually got harder. I had a PHENOMENAL Calc professor and would say I learned more from him then from this textbook. For an easy "read" (lol) be extremely well versed in Trig, logarithms and advanced Algebra. This is a great book for Engineering majors.

I recently decided to take a course in calculus as a refresher after a career in engineering that spanned 40+ years. This is the book that was required for the course. At first I felt a little sticker shock compared to the books I bought (and still have) from back in the day but this book is well worth the money. It is a thorough treatment of the subject with clear explanations of the concepts and methodologies for solving complex problems, augmented by great graphics. The publisher also provides great on-line resources that students can use to check their work. The book is a definite

'keeper' for those with academic or technical career goals. My old books need to make room on the shelf; this one is so much better.

It's a good textbook, but not stellar. There's a lot of examples that help you with calculus and even answers with work are on calculus in you need it. It's giant and can provide you with three semesters of calculus in college if they keep using the same textbook.

Not hard cover. Just a bunch of loose leaf sheets with no binder. Shipping took over a week. Will be needing a refund asap.

This book was advertised as being in "good" condition but I received it in "very good" condition. Apparently it was exposed to humid conditions at one time or another but the pages are clean (no marking or folds) and crisp and the binding is in good shape. I had purchased the calculus multiple variable book not realizing there was a single variable companion until to looked at the page numbers. The books were written with graphing calculators in mind as well. Because it was published in 1994 I had pretty much given up hope of finding this companion book. I was happy to find it offered at a very nice price and in very good condition. I am very pleased with this purchase. This will definitely help me in my efforts to understand advanced scientific research material.

If my son would actually use this book the way it was intended, he'd get five stars as well. It will serve as a great reference for me as I return to school.

This book is great for Calculus course (I, II and III). It gives thorough explanation with examples to help students understand the concepts. The book is also a good choice for self study as it guides you through all materials that students need to know for the course. The website for answers to the practice/homework problems also is included inside the book (those that do not provide at the end of the book).

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