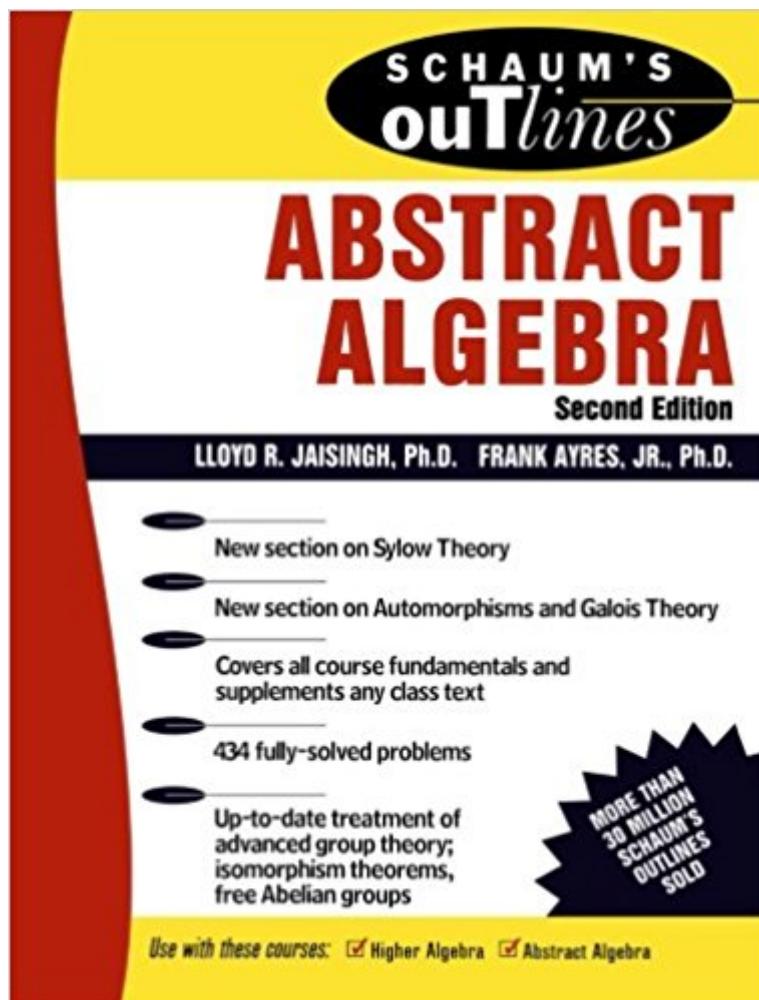


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I read about 20 books on Abstract Algebra, but I still find this book excellent for Math students who have not been exposed to Abstract Math before. This book serves as a bridge from High-school 'computational' Math to the University Math which is based on abstract proof of Math structures. I have not seen a similar excellent book on Abstract Algebra which could cover the vast topics in such systematic manner: from Set, Relation, N,Z,Q,R,C, building a solid foundation, before attacking the 'gems' in Group, Ring, Field, Polynomial, Matrices & Linear Algebra. The selling point

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I was not impressed with this book. The author appears to make quite a few errors, both in the definitions and in the examples, enough so that I could not be sure what was intended. I cannot recommend this as a tutorial in abstract algebra. However, the confusion did force me to think about the subject.

If your professor doesn't use the notation in this book then it's not worth the buy since you find yourself having to memorize twice the Amy of quantifiers

Like so many of the Schaum's outlines - well done and very helpful for those of us doing self-tutoring

Excellent outline and practical approach to the subject matter.

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Nice supplement to a standard text.

I think that most of schaum's series are out of date. In particular, Schaum's "abstract algebra" is not an exception. I bought this book to prepare my course, Abstract Algebra 1. But this book was full of stuff which is not relevant to the subject. For example, it deals in matrix and boolean algebra, which are excluded in most of Abstract Algebra courses in universities. And it doesn't contain stuff about

Galois' Theory. Galois' theory can be called the aim to learn Abstract Algebra. I cannot help confessing that to read this book is to waste time. It would confuse you rather than help. You cannot build the outline of Abstract Algebra with this book. I think that it is because this book was too old-fashioned.

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