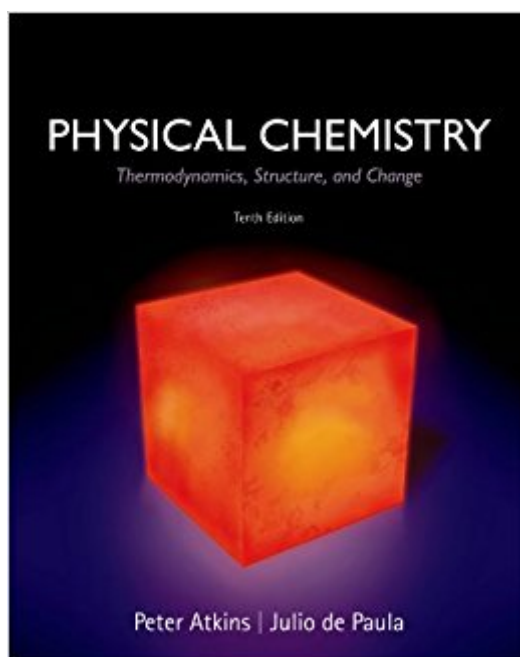


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I purchased this book for a class and reading it helped clarify my understanding of the material.

Very good book by Atkins ! I used it in physical chemistry 1 and 2 (thermodynamics and quantum chemistry). I am currently taking a graduate level chemical engineering reactions engineering course, it was referenced by Pilling in Chemical reaction kinetics portion. This is a good book to have on hand that makes hard equations easier to understand! Great explanation an equations are well explained with detail derivation !

Used this book for a chemical modeling class. I also used it in the past for P Chem, and it is how I remembered. Everything is laid out straightforwardly but there are times where the author could definitely spend more time articulating via examples. Also, some concepts are difficult to locate from the index. I would say get another P chem book but this is the one that most teachers are familiar with so chances are you won't have a choice.

Though the writing in the book is incredibly dull and dry, the book is arranged to help you understand the content as clearly as possible. I especially appreciate the derivations of equations and the step-by-step walkthroughs of problems. This book really helped me achieve an A in thermodynamics and kinetics.

Book is difficult to understand. The organization is confusing. They have the answers to the self tests, but not an explanation. The self tests are not directly related to the example they are paired with.

As we all know you don't choose your textbooks. Atkins seems rather ubiquitous in the northwest and it's okay as text books go. Some of the figures are rather confusing and it seems to enjoy rather odd variable substitution at times. That said, the general layout is good and the "mathematical backgrounds" are very helpful with remembering or learning advanced calculus methods.

This is an absolutely excellent text that certainly meets my expectations for the topic - physical chem. Further, the shipping was done overnight apparently, from the US no less! There aren't too many choices in this particular field (versus organic chem., for example) but fortunately, this text is well written at an appropriate level. And you can't mistake the position of P. W. Atkins in the field.

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