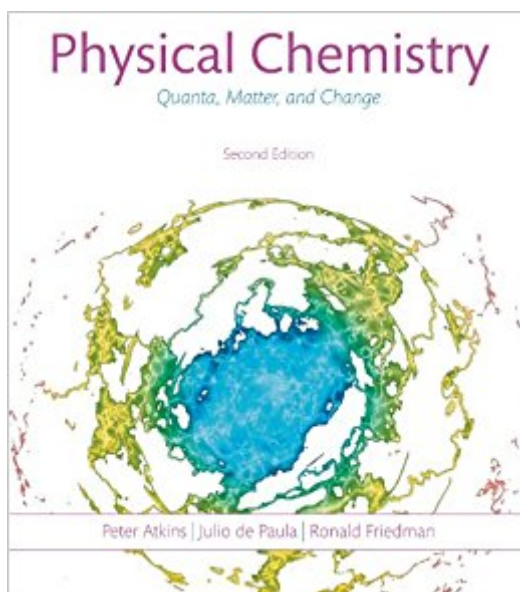


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This book was supposed to be new, but the binding was loose as if it was not. Also, the way the subject matter is presented is (for the most part) good... but it lacks explanation in pretty much all of the example problems (i.e. even advanced integrations aren't explained - just the integral and it skips to the final answer. No explanation as to how or why...)

Just what I wanted, this book came just in time for the start of the first semester.

Easy to understand, but is a little confusing to find where things are in the chapters.

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Clear and precise explanations. Well organized. Thoroughly explains concepts of physical chemistry. Good practice problems and additional material to further explain concepts and related ideas.

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