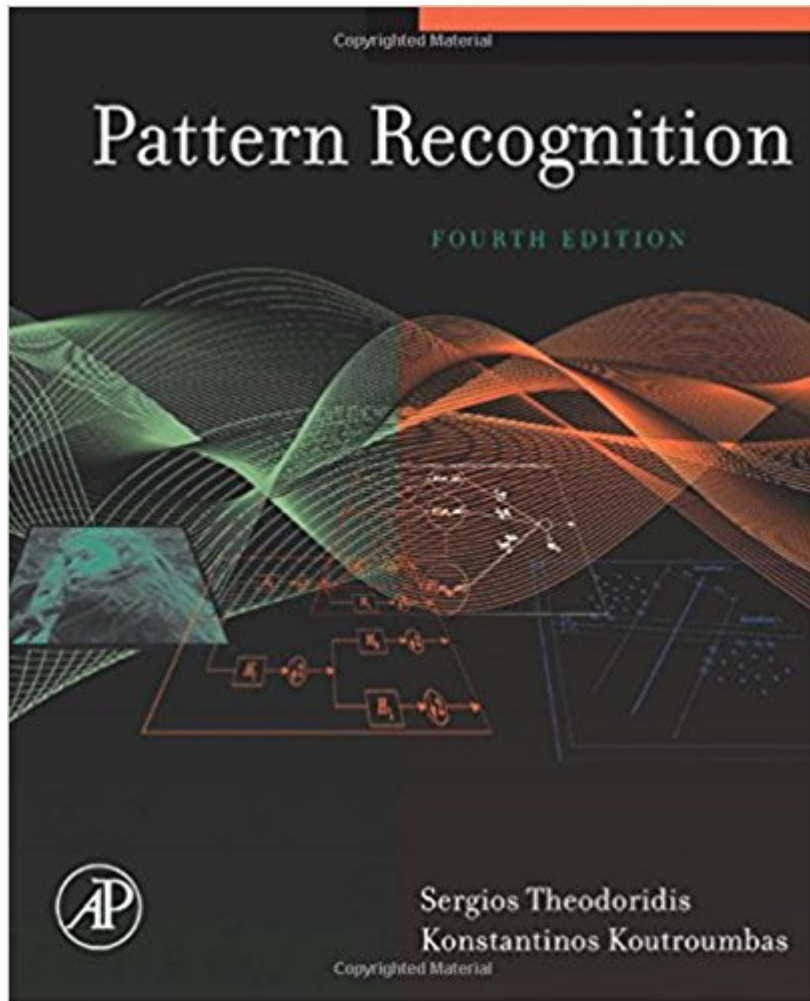




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# Pattern Recognition, Fourth Edition



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The book "Pattern Recognition" of Theodoridis and Koutroumbas is an excellent one. It covers the field thoroughly, and the material is presented very clearly, both from the mathematical and the algorithm point of view. It includes superb examples and computer experiments with which the reader can gain insight to the topics. Also, it is updated with a lot of recent advances on the Pattern Recognition domain, as e.g. Semi-supervised learning, combining classifiers, spectral clustering, nonlinear dimensionality reduction. The presentation of all these advanced material is very well organized and the reader can follow and understand these sophisticated mathematically concepts. It is one of my three best books on the topic, the other ones are the "Neural Networks" of S. Haykin, and "Pattern Recognition and Machine Learning", of C. Bishop. I think all these three books are excellent, in their own way, and should not be missed from the bookshelf of anyone that copes with the Pattern Recognition field, either student or researcher. However, for the reader interested in developing computer algorithms in the Pattern Recognition area, the book of Theodoridis and Koutroumbas is the superior choice.

Although there is a TON of info in this book it's really not that great for learning pattern recognition. It's definitely more of a reference than anything else. You can't really read a section and then sit down at your computer and code it up. There are so many details missing. And the equations are so compact that you spend most of your time decoding bad notation. If this book were a piece of software it would suffer from feature bloat. If you need to actually do any real applications using the techniques in this book you should definitely buy the MATLAB companion text.

The book describes the field, including classification and clustering, clearly and concisely, while not ignoring the key mathematical concepts. I'm a CS grad student studying this area and have been subjected to a number of textbooks that are math-heavy and fail to give any descriptive context of what's being presented. A good textbook on a subject should actually TEACH the reader the concepts. This one does that quite well. In addition, three chapters on feature generation and processing are included, a subject most other texts barely cover at all. This revised addition is a substantial expansion of the previous one and now includes many recently-developed concepts. If I were teaching an advanced undergrad or graduate course on the subject I would probably choose this as my primary text.

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