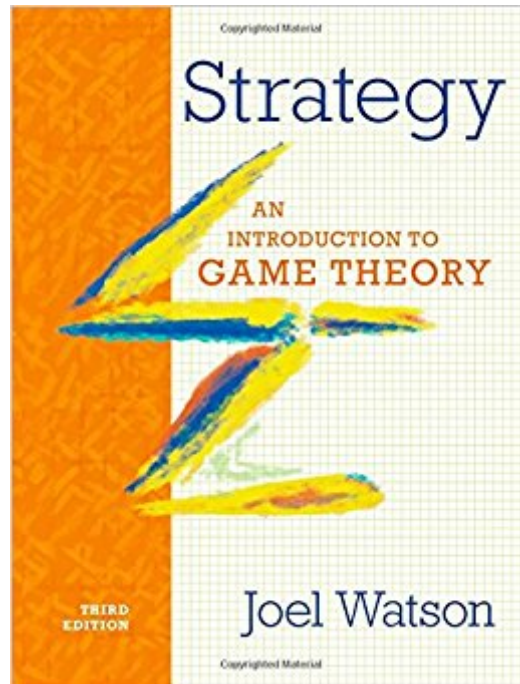


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# Strategy: An Introduction To Game Theory (Third Edition)



## Synopsis

The perfect balance of readability and formalism. Joel Watson has refined his successful text to make it even more student-friendly. A number of sections have been added, and numerous chapters have been substantially revised. Dozens of new exercises have been added, along with solutions to selected exercises. Chapters are short and focused, with just the right amount of mathematical content and end-of-chapter exercises. New passages walk students through tricky topics.

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As far as economics textbooks go, this one is very readable. Its treatment of the subject is clear and reasonably rigorous on the undergraduate level. The author is also quite witty.

I bought this book because it was the required text for the Open Yale Course on Game Theory. I did not think it was well written and is not easy to follow. Chapter 3's Terminology and Notation section is especially bad. The organization of the book's chapters don't seem to have any rhyme or reason, with some chapters being only two pages long. This came as a surprise to me after reading the reviews for this book. There are no answers in the book for the exercises so you can't be sure if you have correctly understood the lesson. They said that guided exercises were added, but they are really part of the lesson and there is no way you can practice or test yourself with the single guided exercise. What is most glaring is that the book doesn't even mention Evolutionary Stable Strategies. How can a text on Strategy ignore that completely? The only saving grace is that the examples are

more realistic than the Open Yale Course, but who cares as long as you learn the lesson. I would not have bought the book and would have stuck with the Open Yale videos alone if I had known.

This is the best book on Game Theory I've ever read. If you have a hard time preparing for Game Theory or Microeconomics exam, just start reading this book as soon as possible. The main feature is that it is written for students, really understandable and doesn't require from you knowledge of all these messy notations from the very beginning of the book. Everything is explained on the way, and there are example almost on every aspect. I had read this book after reading 2 others and this one finally put everything on its places. Highly Recommended!

Good paired with the less mathematical "Thinking Strategically" by Nalebuff and Dixit for broader applications. The exercises at the ends of chapters sometimes require looking outside the book, I think, especially for some three-player games.

I found this book well worth my money. It's quite accessible and has great examples. I like the guided problem sets. I just wish the exercises had an answer key. They're great practice.

For a text book it is VERY READABLE! Great book for an extremely difficult subject!

Could be clearer at times, but definitely did the job. Exercises were always deliberately harder than examples to make you think. An excellent text if you have an instructor.

This book is easy to follow. With it's example it makes the material very accessible. The exercises in the book will help you internalize the material.

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