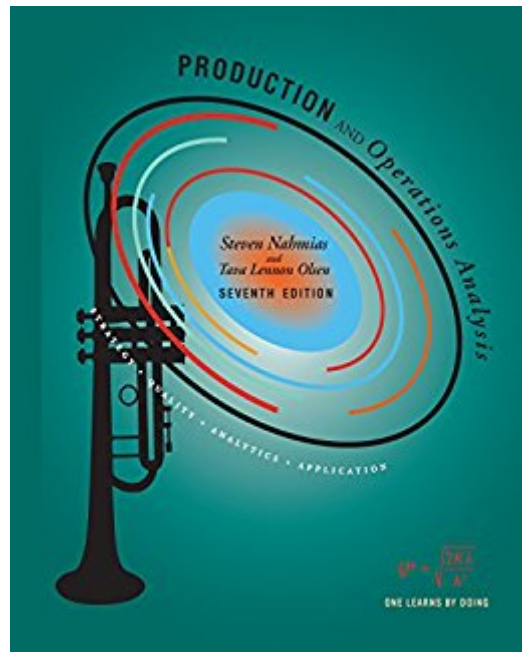


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# Production And Operations Analysis



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I'm not yet through with this book in the course I am taking that uses it, so bear that in mind. Also bear in mind that I come from a mathematical background, not a management or industrial or

systems engineering background. That said, this book is distinctly divided into two major areas:1) What it does well2) What it doesn't do wellLet's talk about what it doesn't do well. New in this edition are the inclusion of many qualitative ideas including risk factors involving a range of four terms from variation to chaos (something apparently new in the field), a guidance on methodologies for aggregate planning, the entirety of Chapter 7, among other things.And for each of these things (we're currently on chapter 4 in class, but I've read through Chapter 10), nothing is explained in any concrete terms. It comes off as a lot of double speak to throw you around so the author can say "Hey we included this new material now we're the most comprehensive book out there!" You're given a rough explanation on something, shown no example on how someone might apply this knowledge, and then asked to explain things yourself. This was quite the issue in both the Variation-Chaos range of risk analysis (where the wording of each example you're supposed to match to one of the four terms was largely ambiguous) and when dealing with aggregate planning but considering "special cases," such as stock outs, demand backordered or lost, etc.In some cases, you're meant to justify a point (like deciding if something is a variational risk or a planned risk), but the author gives no real indication that this is okay and treats it more as a binary idea (you're right or wrong so choose correctly).

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