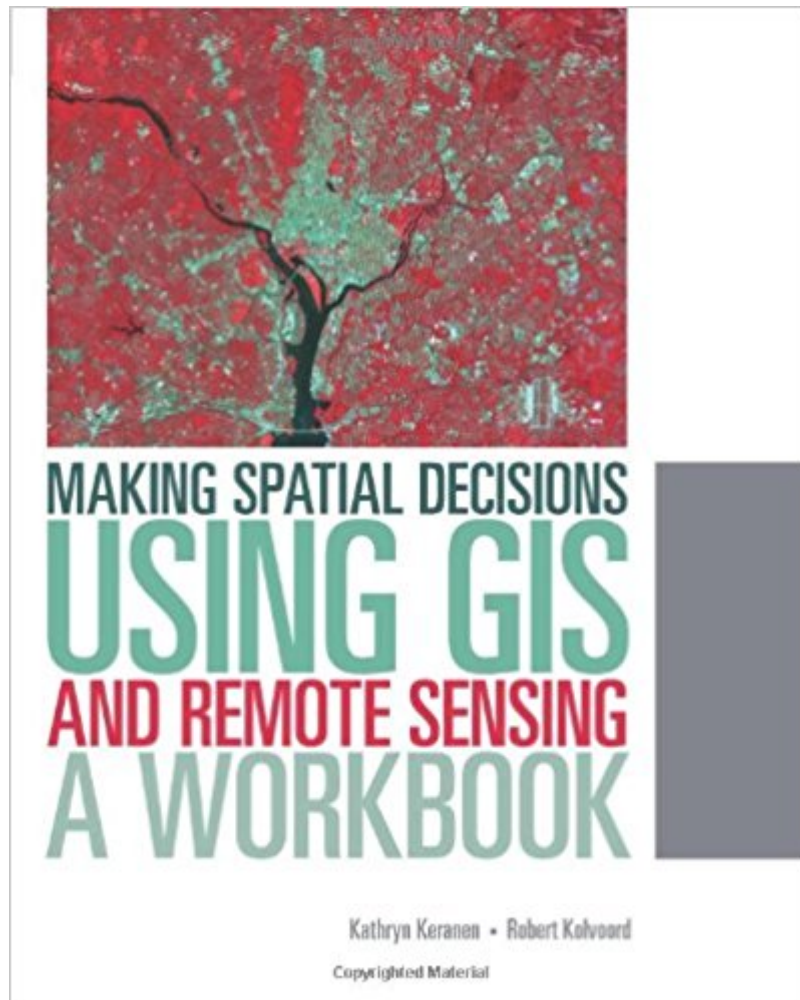




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I really like what this book has to offer, but I am disappointed with what it actually delivers. I ordered it with the CD ROM and expected to be able to utilize all of the features that are advertised. I was

disappointed to learn that the data files on the CD are only useful when viewed with the ARCGIS software, as that is the only way to get the meta data from each image. The book purchase comes with a 180 trial for use of this software. Unfortunately the web-site no longer hosts the correct version of the software. Now (Nov 2016, 3 years after publication) you can only get a 60 day trial. The software is literally thousands of dollars to subscribe to. The book by itself, without the image files and meta data, is useless. I would only recommend this book to people who already have access to ARCGIS or those who know that they will be using that software in future coursework or in their career. I had intended to use this book to coach Science Olympiad students in the Remote Sensing event. I will need to strategically plan my 60 day window of opportunity to use this text.

This is very good book in terms of techniques taught. It educated me about the image analysis capabilities of ARCGIS, which remained unknown before using this book. I read this on my own without a tutor, so at times it became very difficult to verify the validity of my analysis. I had no way of knowing that whether I am doing it right or wrong. It would have been far better and helpful if the writer could have provided the answers at the end of the book, so that the guys like me who are undertaking self study could feel more confident about the results of their analysis. I hope the author would consider my suggestion in their new addition if any.

Just got this book and working on the first project we have already identified 2 different factual inaccuracies (Incorrect location of McCarran International Airport and Asking to identify incorrect features in various AOIs). Also, the data provided fails to include key metadata which are asked for in the worksheet questions.

Good

Good real world examples. Disk with data is very convenient. I would recommend.

Very in depth. Great "real world" exercises.

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