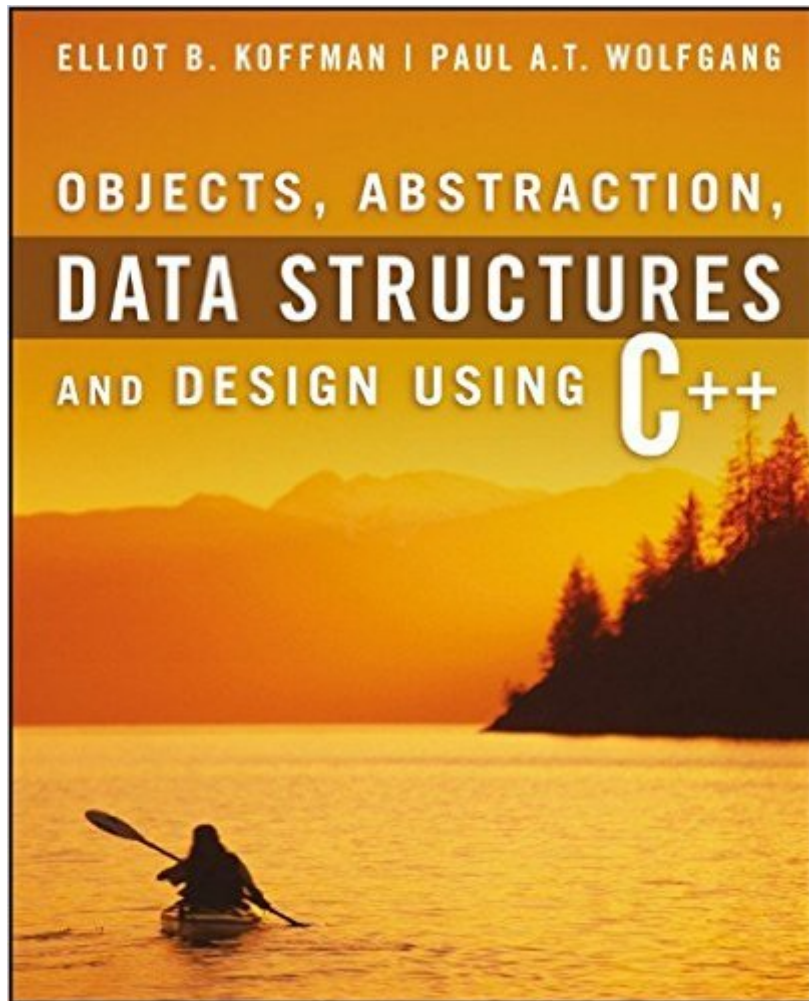


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# Objects, Abstraction, Data Structures And Design: Using C++



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**Think, Then Code** When it comes to writing code, preparation is crucial to success. Before you can begin writing successful code, you need to first work through your options and analyze the expected performance of your design. That's why Elliot Koffman and Paul Wolfgang's **Objects, Abstraction, Data Structures, and Design: Using C++** encourages you to **Think, Then Code**, to help you make good decisions in those critical first steps in the software design process. The text helps you thoroughly understand basic data structures and algorithms, as well as essential design skills and principles. Approximately 20 case studies show you how to apply those skills and principles to real-world problems. Along the way, you'll gain an understanding of why different data structures are needed, the applications they are suited for, and the advantages and disadvantages of their possible implementations.

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- \* Object-oriented approach.
- \* Data structures are presented in the context of software design principles.
- \* 20 case studies reinforce good programming practice.
- \* Problem-solving methodology used throughout... "Think, then code!"
- \* Emphasis on the C++ Standard Library.
- \* Effective pedagogy.

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What is it with this book? It's like they're using an unknown language to teach you another language. The only programming I've done was in an introductory C++ class (which I got an "A" in). This is not a good study source, especially if you're trying to understand the material on your own.

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I do not understand the numerous poor reviews of this book. This book contains a wonderful amount of detail about programming classical algorithms in C++. I do NOT think it is intended as a first book in C++. But there are plenty of those. At my university, after a year of introductory programming a student would take a course in data structures and algorithms. This book would be suitable for that level. And it does a very good job.

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