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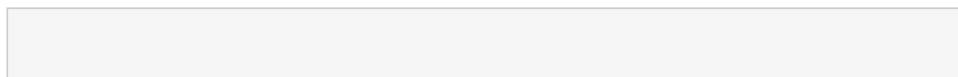
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This book will be very useful for first year students. I think what students find difficult with this subject is how to link it together, not only with real life examples but with topics within the subject. This book does this well. Jake Doherty, student, UCLan

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