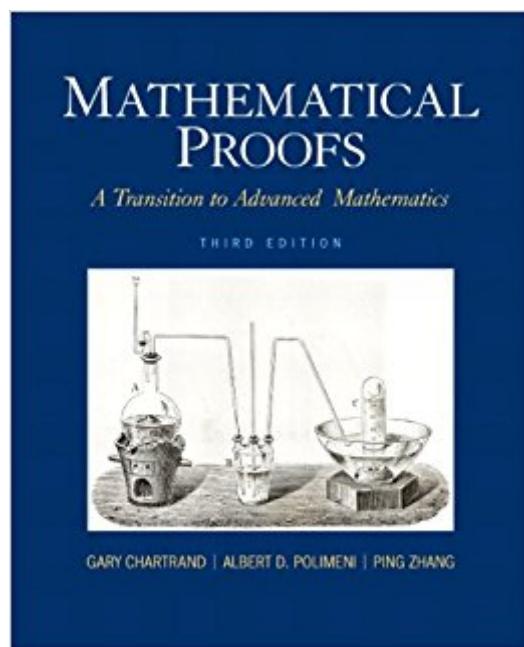


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This is a great tool that every math major should own. This helped me through my advance calculus class in college. I think this would also be a great buy for a high school student that wants to get ahead of the game.

Very insightful and provides a practical foundation for learning how to write proofs

This is the best proof book by far. The other books I tried are Mathematical Thinking: Problem-Solving and Proofs (2nd Edition) How to Prove It: A Structured Approach, 2nd Edition. This book is much better than the other two books. The nice thing about the book is that the chapter is organized by method of proof (direct, contradiction, induction, ...). This really helps to improve each proof method, instead of using only one method you are familiar over and over.

Excellent book...and excellent service

I needed this book quickly for a summer class. It arrived quickly and in perfect condition (exactly as described by the seller). I will definitely keep this long past the end of this course. It is a great introduction to logic mathematical proofs. It is easy to read and follow, and I'm sure will be invaluable to me as I progress through my academic career.

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