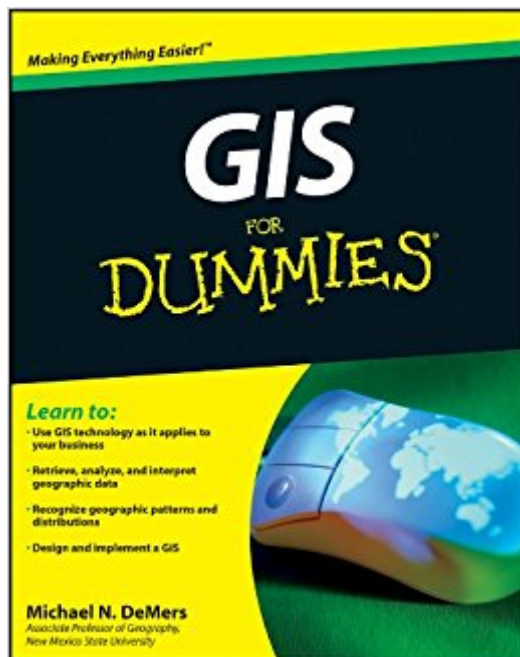


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## Synopsis

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Great overview of GIS! The text is written in an understandable way. The author uses examples that are easy to relate to. Layers out nicely so the reader can navigate to specific sections of interest. Definitely recommend to anyone wanting to get an introductory view of what GIS is all about. Also helpful for reference to more experienced users.

For general information for a first time user, the book is great.

The book is informative and easy to read and understand. I am required to perform GIS duties in my job and this book is a handy reference to keep myself straight.

Very easy to read and understand. Extremely useful for someone who has no background or basic knowledge of GIS.

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