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近年,在全球信息化大潮的推动下,我国的计算机产业发展迅猛,对专业人才的需求日益迫切。这对计算机教育界和出版界都既是机遇,也是挑战,而专业教材的建设在教育战略上显得举足轻重。在我国信息技术发展时间较短的现状下,美国等发达国家在其计算机科学发展的几十年间积淀和发展的经典教材仍有许多值得借鉴之处。因此,引进一批国外优秀计算机教材将对我国计算机教育事业的发展起到积极的推动作用,也是与世界接轨、建设真正的世界一流大学的必由之路。

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PREFACE

E-Business, *Eighth Edition* provides complete coverage of the key business and technology elements of electronic commerce. The book does not assume that readers have any previous electronic commerce knowledge or experience.

In 1998, having spent several years doing electronic commerce research, consulting, and corporate training, I began developing an undergraduate business school course and an MBA-level course in electronic commerce. Although I had used a variety of books and other materials in my corporate training work, I was concerned that those materials would not work well in university courses because they were written at widely varying levels and did not have the pedagogic organization and features, such as review questions, that are so important to students.

After searching for a textbook that offered balanced coverage of both the business and technology elements of electronic commerce, I concluded that no such book existed. The first edition of *E-Business* was written to fill that void. In the subsequent editions, I have worked to improve the book and keep it current with the rapid changes in this dynamic field. The eighth edition includes many updates to the content that reflect the rapid changes that are occurring in electronic commerce today.

ORGANIZATION AND COVERAGE

E-Business: *Eighth Edition* introduces readers to both the theory and practice of conducting business over the Internet and World Wide Web. The book is organized into four sections: an introduction, business strategies, technologies, and integration.

New to this Edition

This edition includes the usual updates to keep the content current with the rapidly occurring changes in electronic commerce. New to this edition is a comprehensive appendix of common HTML tags, including tag attributes and descriptions. The eighth edition also includes new material on the following topics:

- First-mover advantage and alternative revenue strategies
- Role of branding and branded products in online sales
- · Recent developments in online sales of music and video products
- Role of convergence in mobile commerce
- New forms of text advertising
- Mobile users and the Web
- · Social networking sites
- · Developments in microlending
- · Online customer relationship management software

Introduction

The book's first section includes two chapters. Chapter 1, "Introduction to Electronic Commerce," defines electronic commerce and describes how companies use it to create new products and services, reduce the cost of existing business processes, and improve the efficiency and effectiveness of their operations. The concept of the second wave of electronic commerce is presented and developed in this chapter. Chapter 1 also describes the history of the Internet and the Web, explains the international environment in which electronic commerce exists, provides an overview of the economic structures in which businesses operate, and describes how electronic commerce fits into those structures. Two themes are introduced in this chapter that recur throughout later chapters: examining a firm's value chain can suggest opportunities for electronic commerce initiatives, and reductions in transaction costs are important elements of many electronic commerce initiatives.

Chapter 2, "Technology Infrastructure: The Internet and the World Wide Web," introduces the technologies used to conduct business online, including topics such as Internet infrastructure, protocols, and packet-switched networks. Chapter 2 also describes the markup languages used on the Web (HTML and XML) and discusses Internet connection options and tradeoffs, including wireless technologies.

Business Strategies for Electronic Commerce

The second section of the book includes four chapters that describe the business strategies that companies and other organizations are using to do business online. Chapter 3, "Selling on the Web: Revenue Models and Building a Web Presence," describes revenue models that companies are using on the Web and explains how some companies have changed their revenue models as the Web has matured. The chapter also describes how firms that understand the nature of communication on the Web can identify and reach the largest possible number of qualified customers.

Chapter 4, "Marketing on the Web," provides an introduction to Internet marketing and online advertising. It includes coverage of market segmentation, technology-enabled customer relationship management, rational branding, contextual advertising, localized advertising, viral marketing, and permission marketing. The chapter also explains how online businesses can share and transfer brand benefits through affiliate marketing and cooperative efforts among brand owners.

Chapter 5, "Business-to-Business Online Strategies" explores the variety of methods that companies are using to improve their purchasing and logistics primary activities with Internet and Web technologies. Chapter 5 also provides an overview of EDI and explores how the Internet now provides an inexpensive EDI communications channel that allows smaller businesses to reap EDI's benefits. Chapter 5 explains how the Internet and the Web have become an important force driving the adoption of technologies such as e-procurement, radio-frequency identification, and reverse auctions in the practice of supply chain management.

Chapter 6, "Online Auctions, Virtual Communities, and Web Portals," outlines how companies now use the Web to do things that they have never done before, such as operating auction sites, creating virtual communities such as social networks, and serving as Web portals. The chapter describes how firms are using Web auction sites to sell goods to their customers and generate advertising revenue. The chapter explains how businesses are creating virtual communities that facilitate social and business networking.

Technologies for Electronic Commerce

The third section of the book includes three chapters that describe the technologies of electronic commerce and explains how they work.

Chapter 7, "Electronic Commerce Software," describes the basic functions that all electronic commerce Web sites must accomplish and explains the various software options available to companies of various sizes. This chapter includes an overview of Web services, a set of technologies that are becoming key elements of the infrastructure used in electronic commerce.

Chapter 8, "Electronic Commerce Security," discusses security threats and countermeasures that organizations can use to ensure the security of client computers, communications channels, and Web servers. The role of industry organizations in promoting computer, network, and Internet security is also outlined. The chapter emphasizes the importance of a written security policy and explains how encryption and digital certificates work.

Chapter 9, "Payment Systems for Electronic Commerce," presents a discussion of electronic payment systems, including electronic cash, electronic wallets, stored-value cards, credit cards, debit cards, and charge cards. The chapter describes how payment systems operate, including approval of transactions and disbursements to merchants, and describes new developments in how banks are using Internet technologies to improve check clearing and payment-processing operations. The chapter also includes a discussion of the threats that phishing attacks and identity theft pose for individuals and online businesses.

Integration

The fourth section of the book includes one chapter that integrates the business and technology strategies used in electronic commerce. Chapter 10, "Planning for Electronic Commerce," presents an overview of key elements that are typically included in business plans for electronic commerce implementations. These elements include the setting of objectives and estimated costs and benefits of the project. The chapter describes outsourcing strategies used in electronic commerce and covers the use of project management as a formal way to plan and control specific tasks and resources used in electronic commerce projects. This chapter concludes with discussions of change management and staffing strategies.

FEATURES

The eighth edition of *E-Business* includes a number of features and offers additional resources designed to help readers understand electronic commerce. These features and resources include:

• Business Case Approach The introduction to each chapter includes a real business case that provides a unifying theme for the chapter. The case provides a backdrop for the material described in the chapter. Each case illustrates an important topic from the chapter and demonstrates its relevance to the current practice of electronic commerce.

- Learning From Failures Not all electronic commerce initiatives have been successful. Each chapter in the book includes a short summary of an electronic commerce failure related to the content of that chapter. We all learn from our mistakes—this feature is designed to help readers understand the missteps of electronic commerce pioneers who learned their lessons the hard way.
- * Summaries Each chapter concludes with a Summary that concisely recaps the most important concepts in the chapter.
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- Online Companion References in Text Throughout each chapter, there are Online Companion References that indicate the name of a link included in the Online Companion. Text set in bold, green, sans-serif letters ("Metabot Pro") indicates a like-named link in the Online Companion. The links in the Online Companion are organized under chapter and subchapter headings that correspond to those in the book. The Online Companion also contains many supplemental links to help students explore beyond the book's content.
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- Cases Each chapter concludes with two comprehensive cases. One case uses a ficticious setting to illustrate key learning objectives from that chapter. The other case gives students an opportunity to apply what they have learned from the chapter to an actual situation that a real company or organization has faced. The cases offer students a rich environment in which they can apply what they have learned and provide motivation for doing further research on the topics.
- For Further Study and Research Each chapter concludes with a comprehensive list of the resources that were consulted during the writing of the chapter. These references to publications in academic journals, books, and the IT industry and business press provide a sound starting point for readers who want to learn more about the topics contained in the chapter.
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