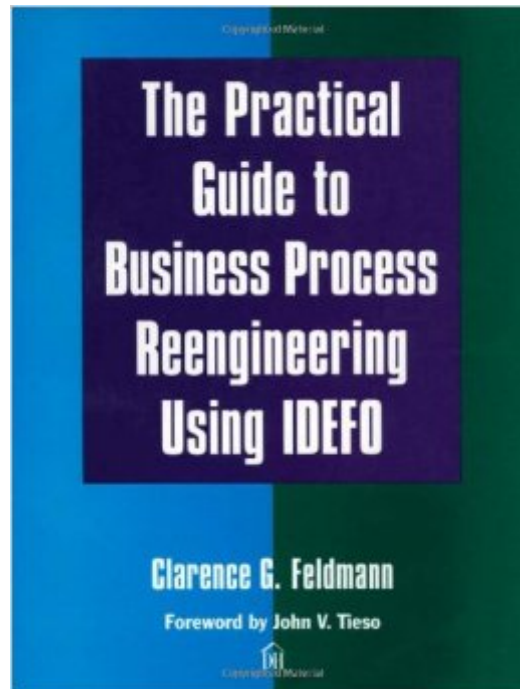


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An excellent book that goes beyond the FIPS manual in terms of increasing the readers understanding of IDEF0 concepts. More importantly, however, are the sections on the do's and don't's. These sections are very useful in improving ones authoring techniques and are very useful for a project manager. Great book.

This is a book that is more about IDEF0 modeling than Business Process Reengineering (BPR). It is well organized with numerous diagrams and illustrations. IDEF0 conventions, benefits, and history are all well presented, but anyone seeking a "how-to" on BPR will not find much here. The book provides chapters on the utility of IDEF0, its use by the Department of Defense (DoD) in process improvement, as well as IDEF0 syntax and semantics, their application (called pragmatics), and tips. The appendices may well be the most useful part of the book. Appendix A describes the types of models and decomposition strategies. The next section provides many interesting sample models. A rather academic and dry treatment of SADT and IDEF0 is in Appendix C. In Appendix D, where SADT data modeling, IDEF0 and IDEF1X are positioned, the author asserts that "some amount of process modeling should be done before data modeling." The final section provides an

insightful case study. The primary concern about the book is its light treatment of BPR concepts. Also, the points made in the "Do's and Don'ts" section might have been better presented in the related sections of the text; the separate chapter seems redundant or confusing at times, making a single topic difficult to review. A detailed treatment of how to use activity based costing in process analysis and redesign would have been most welcome. Finally, the book seems incomplete without a listing of tools that support IDEF0 modeling. All things considered, this book is recommended with reservations. It is the best-written summary of IDEF0 presently in print.

This book is more than the title said. I bought it to refresh my IDEF0 but I found many great stories behind IDEF development as well as the "growing" example while you learn. Compared to its size, you can finish this book in a day -but pack with lots of information. I found it's quite useful for brush-up my IDEF. For the new user of IDEF, it might be a little bit (just a little) to grasp the whole idea of BPR. Additional book of workflow management, BPR and system analysis are required.

My name is Louma I am from Jordan, my background is computer science, my comment on this book is:- Reading this book was my only guidance to do my job in process reengineering, it helped me a lot understanding the IDEF0 methodology. And I wish that this book had with it a booklet with more in depth explanation and examples for another cases may be a health service delivery, book production, security guarding etc of general cases. I want to add that the book is written in a very user friendly way and it is easy to be understood. Thank you author. Keep the good work.

Good book about IDEF0. Very clear and concise. Many graphical examples.

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