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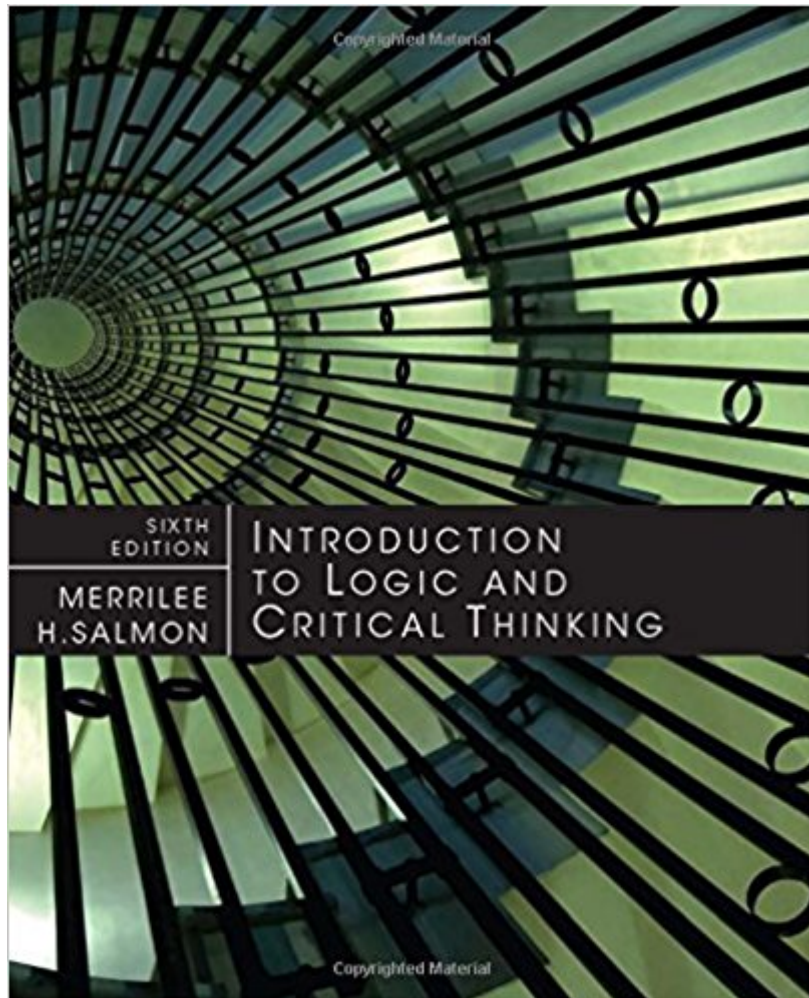
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Merrilee Salmon is Professor Emeritus in the Department of the History and Philosophy of Science at the University of Pittsburgh.

This is the most easy book to read and understand if you want to begin with logic and critical thinking.

Hard to understand context

Great quality. Renting it was so worth it. Small book, so it is kinda awkward in your back pack. :D

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