Inside COM+: Base Services (Microsoft Programming Series)
Synopsis
An in-depth architectural overview of COM+ component technologies for enterprise developers, this book offers a detailed look by providing implementation details and sample code. Content includes scalability, queued components and MSMQ, the in-memory database, and role-based security.

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Customer Reviews
I have a lot of books about COM and ActiveX, including "Essential COM", "Inside COM", "ATL internals", "Professional ATL Programming", "Inside OLE", "Essential COM and ActiveX". This is by far the best. It has explained the concept of COM very clearly, with very good examples. As someone say it has many topics similar to the author’s "Inside Distributed COM", I think it is because COM+ is based on DCOM concept and Microsoft often change the words.

This book presents the complexities of COM(+) with exceptional clarity. This book deals with COM deepest internals and key concepts are presented in a clear and understandable way. This is "The Book" about COM(+) and I was not suprised that it was the top choice of the: [...]

As people have stated below, this is an updated "Inside DCOM" book. Why are they complaining though? It states that on the back cover!! It's true, this book does not go into the nitty gritty of
anything specific to COM+. But if you want to know the "Base"-ics then get this book. After looking through many many COM+ books this is easily the winner. No BS. But you need to be a C++ programmer to understand a good deal of it.

Five months ago I read another book by the same authors: Programming Components with MS Visual Basic and I was very impressed. I was able to understand how to program COM from VB! Recently, I read Inside COM+ Base Services. It took me over five weeks to digest it, but then I understood its value. I was suprised to find a reviewer with such strong negative feeling about the authors of these books. Maybe he should not treat this book as a novel but spend some real time trying to understand it.

I have read nearly all the COM books and this one really explains some of the basic infrastructure well. The book does, however, focus more on COM/DCOM facilities than MTS/MSMQ type services.

It covers most of the COM important concepts with additional information on COM+ very well and in great detail. It covers most of the COM+ base infrastructure and services but not features like BYOT, CRM, Event system and transaction ...I find this book very useful for learning the why and how COM+ works, but not how to do COM/COM+ programming very much.

It provides the technical foundations of Component Software Engineering. The title is misleading - it is equally valuable to COM and CORBA programmers. This book takes you from object-oriented to component-oriented and then to distributed components.

This book breaks COM+ into little pieces and makes it look easy. I have a significant amount of books on COM/COM+ and this is definitely the best. I got it at half price but I think that is too much of a bargain. Note: You must know C++ and a bit of COM to appreciate the value of this book.

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