



There are 40 lectures in the semester. On average, each of these 9 chapters will take about 4-5 lectures to cover.

While this textbook closely approximates my pedagogic approach, you should understand that for most upper level courses the textbook is an aid, not the “bible”. Depending on the material/chapter, various sub-topics will not be covered in class (or the reverse). The rule of thumb to use in this course is that if a concept is not discussed in lecture, you don’t need to know the corresponding passage of a chapter unless I assign some reading on your own. Conversely you are responsible for all material discussed in class.

Also, be aware that much of the content may be presented by me differently from the way the author has done a given topic. Having said all this, I want to emphasize that trying to learn the subtleties of physical chemistry just from attending lectures and reviewing my notes is probably not going to cut it. There is real value to reading a textbook with wording that is different from the way the instructor presents it – and it is a good book to reference for any future chemistry topic.

*Homework*

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