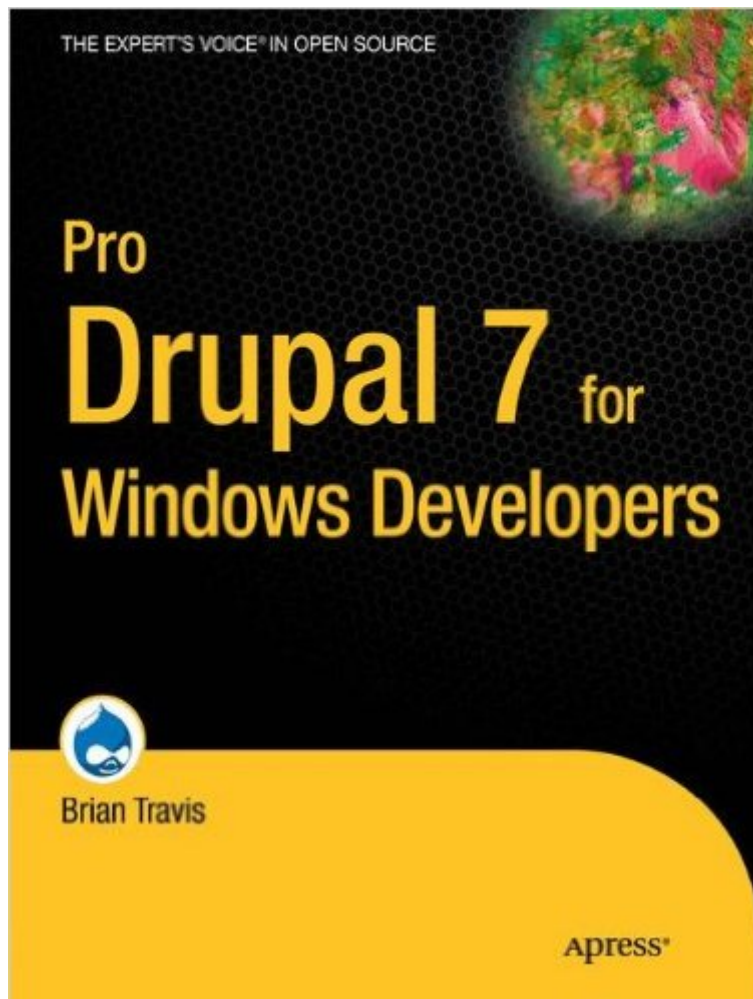


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Drupal 7 opens the door for you as a Windows developer to build Drupal sitesâ•including custom modulesâ•all without leaving Visual Studio! Pro Drupal 7 for Windows Developers gives you everything you need to know to achieve this, whilst drilling down into the advanced topics that you'll want to master whilst working with Drupal 7 as a Windows developer. Pro Drupal 7 for Windows Developers starts with the Drupal page model, which Windows programmers can contrast against the ASP.NET page model. You will then explore the various features of Drupal, including the hook model, theming, roles, and caching. You'll also discover the data abstraction layer which lays the foundation for integration with your enterprise-level databases and external systems. Pro Drupal 7 for Windows Developers focuses on the important topics for the programmer coming to Drupal: An up-to-speed introduction to Drupal for developers so that they can get past the initial learning curve most efficiently. Key introductions to the important features of Drupal, including the page model, the hook architecture, the theming layer, and custom module development. How to work with the Drupal 7 features you want to work with within the Windows development environment. Step-by-step tutorials on building, testing, and deploying custom modules for internal use or for sharing with the Drupal community. Pro Drupal 7 for Windows Developers provides a bridge to Drupal for you as a Windows developerâ•by speaking your language!

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This is easily the best book available on Drupal 7. Why it's packaged as a Windows book is a head scratcher, given that the author mentions Windows in the opening paragraph ("I'm a Windows guy"), then more or less forgets about it till the Appendix. Everything else is open source and platform independent. I only found the book because the amazing theming chapter turned up in a Drupal search at my school library, and from there I went on to read the rest of the book straight through. As far as I'm concerned, this is the Missing Manual that Drupal has needed. Travis is an experienced writer and developer who's also new to Drupal, so what he's recently learned is fresh in his mind, and that somehow helps him explain complicated material concisely and clearly. Three chapters in particular make this book a powerhouse: the ones on module development, theming, and an Appendix on creating a subtheme from the Omega theme. I've read most of the Drupal books available, and have contributed to some of them, but Travis is in a league of his own when it comes to the clarity of his writing and the succinctness of his presentation. My guess is he thinks this book is for beginners. It might be, but it's really best for anyone who knows what nodes and blocks are, who already has shaken the pieces of Drupal out of the box and is trying to figure out how to put them together. I'm passionate about Drupal, but it's no joke getting up to speed with it, and this book makes that happen with wit and real power.

I haven't read the entire book, but the section on how Drupal does a single page execution from start to finish was worth the cost. Thanks, Brian!

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