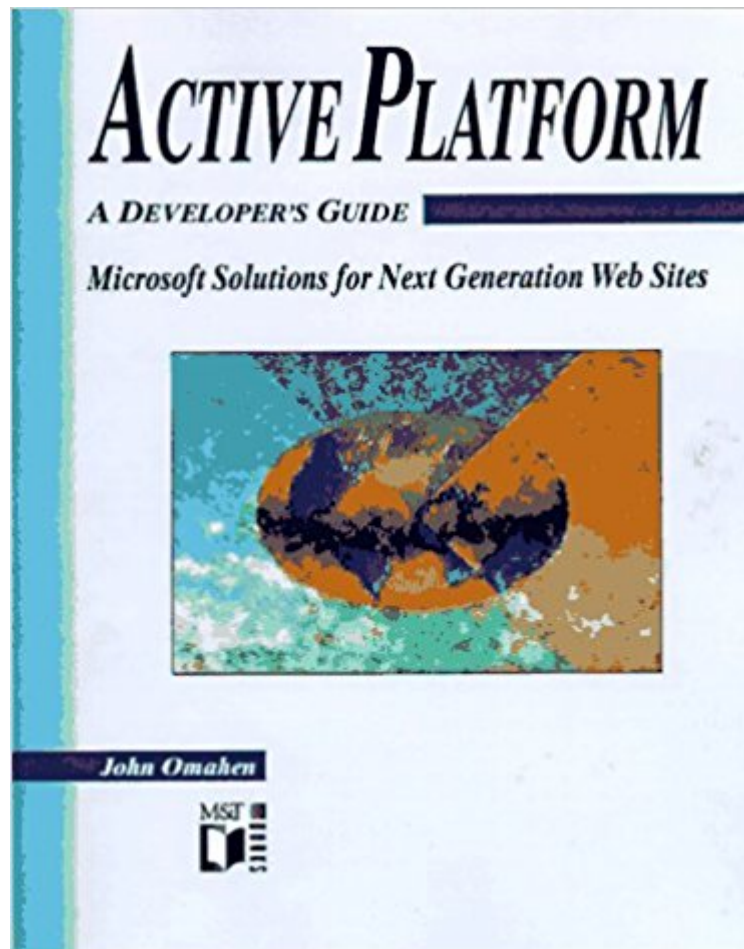


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# Active Platform: A Developer's Guide : Microsoft Solutions For Next Generation Web Sites



## Synopsis

This is a guide to understanding the Active Platform, Microsoft's integrated Internet environment. After describing how to choose the right tool for programming both the Active Server and Active Desktop, the author shows how Microsoft's overarching strategy fits (or doesn't fit) various kinds of Web projects. The accompanying CD-ROM contains code samples, tutorial samples, and Web sites that can be used or customized by the reader.

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I have to confess I was completely confused by IIS, ISAPI, CGI, ASP, COM/DCOM, SQL and Backoffice until I read this book. The authors do a good job of painting a cohesive picture and at the same time show you where you can deviate from Microsoft tools and use stuff like perl, JavaScript and C/C++. This is more of a technology overview and not really a hard core how to. If you need the technical details, I'd recommend the MSDN documentation. But if you want to know what the heck it all means before you get buried in details, this is a good book to read.

As a CS college student, I was obligated to purchase this title for a class. I feel quite victimized by the publisher and author who rushed this book to market. It is filled with spelling errors, crude diagrams, and paragraphs of disjointed text. Perhaps the next edition will be carefully reviewed and edited before release. There remains a need for a quality book that covers as many topics as this one attempted.

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