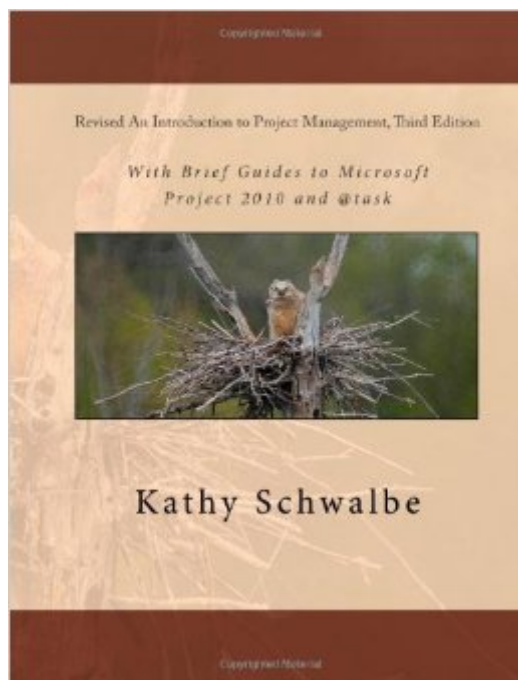**The book was found**

Revised An Introduction To Project Management, Third Edition: With Brief Guides To Microsoft Project 2010 And @task

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