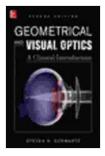
The realm of optics is a fascinating blend of science and art, where light and its interactions with physical objects create awe-inspiring phenomena. In the Second Edition of "Geometrical and Visual Optics," renowned author E. Hecht deftly guides readers on an enlightening journey through the intricacies of light and its remarkable properties.

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Key Features of the Second Edition

This fully revised and updated edition of "Geometrical and Visual Optics" boasts several enhancements that make it an invaluable resource for students, researchers, and professionals alike:

 Expanded Content: The second edition includes expanded coverage of contemporary topics in optics, such as fiber optics, holography, and lasers.

- Updated Examples: Numerous new examples and applications have been incorporated to illustrate the practical significance of optical principles.
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- Comprehensive Glossary: A comprehensive glossary provides clear definitions of key terms and concepts.

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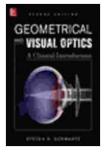
Target Audience

"Geometrical and Visual Optics" is meticulously written for a broad audience, including:

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- Researchers: Researchers in optics and related fields will find valuable references and insights within its pages.
- Engineers and Professionals: Engineers and professionals working in optical engineering, telecommunications, and other optics-related industries will benefit from the book's comprehensive coverage.

The Second Edition of "Geometrical and Visual Optics" is a must-have resource for anyone seeking a thorough understanding of the principles of light and its interactions with the world around us. E. Hecht's masterful writing and the book's wealth of content make it an indispensable guide for students, researchers, and professionals alike. Embark on an illuminating journey into the world of optics with "Geometrical and Visual Optics: Exploring the Principles of Light and Illusion."

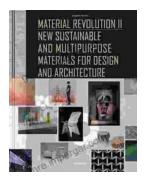
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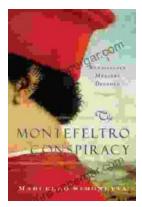
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