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a big-picture introduction to the topic and detailed insights into the technical details underlying all of the key trends. Smart Phone and Next-Generation Mobile Computing shows you how the field has evolved, its real and potential current capabilities, and the issues affecting its future direction. It lays a solid foundation for the decisions you face in your work, whether you're a manager, engineer, designer, or entrepreneur. + Covers the convergence of phone and PDA functionality on the terminal side, and the integration of different network types on the infrastructure side + Compares existing and anticipated wireless technologies, focusing on 3G cellular networks and wireless LANs + Evaluates terminal-side operating systems/programming environments, including Microsoft Windows Mobile, Palm OS, Symbian, J2ME, and Linux + Considers the limitations of existing terminal designs and several pressing application design issues + Explores challenges and possible solutions relating to the next phase of smart phone development, as it relates to services, devices, and networks + Surveys a collection of promising applications, in areas ranging from gaming to law enforcement to financial processing.
