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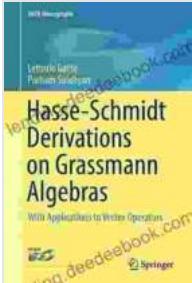
Basic Concepts

A vertex algebra is a mathematical structure that consists of a vector space V , a linear map $Y: V \otimes V \rightarrow V$, and a distinguished element $1 \in V$. The vector space V is called the state space of the vertex algebra, the linear map Y is called the vertex operator product, and the element 1 is called the vacuum state.

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A module for a vertex algebra is a vector space M on which the vertex algebra V acts. The action of V on M is given by a linear map $Y: V \otimes M \rightarrow M$.

Vertex Operators

A vertex operator is a linear map from a vertex algebra V to a module for V . Vertex operators are used to construct new vertex algebras and modules for vertex algebras.

The simplest example of a vertex operator is the vacuum state operator. The vacuum state operator is a linear map from the vertex algebra V to the module V . The vacuum state operator is defined by

$$Y(1, v) = v$$

for all $v \in V$.

More generally, a vertex operator can be constructed from any element of the state space of a vertex algebra. Given an element $v \in V$, the vertex operator $Y(v,)$ is defined by

$$Y(v, w) = Y(v \otimes w, 1)$$

for all $w \in V$.

Applications

Vertex operators have a wide range of applications in mathematics. They are used to construct new vertex algebras and modules for vertex algebras. They are also used to study representation theory and conformal field theory.

In representation theory, vertex operators are used to construct new representations of Lie algebras. In conformal field theory, vertex operators are used to study the structure of conformal field theories.

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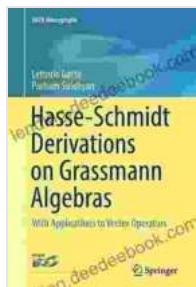
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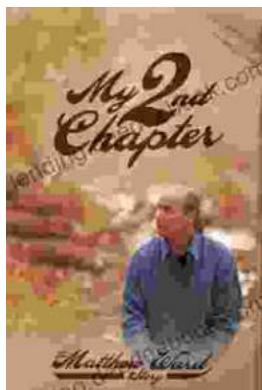
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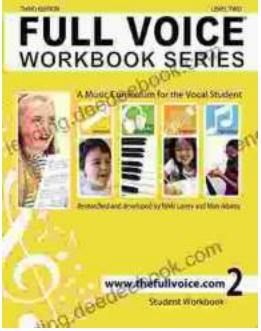
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