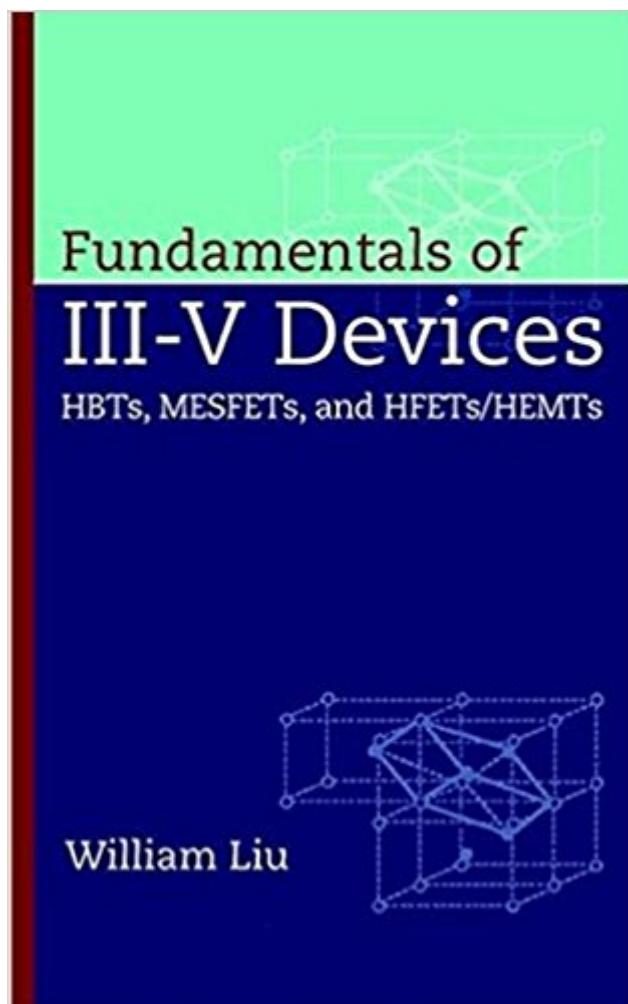


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Really thorough and in-depth explanation for both HBT and MESFET/HEMT devices. Specially interesting for me is the "from low freq to high freq" approach of the book with regards to the equivalent linear models of the devices. Too mathematical sometimes...

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