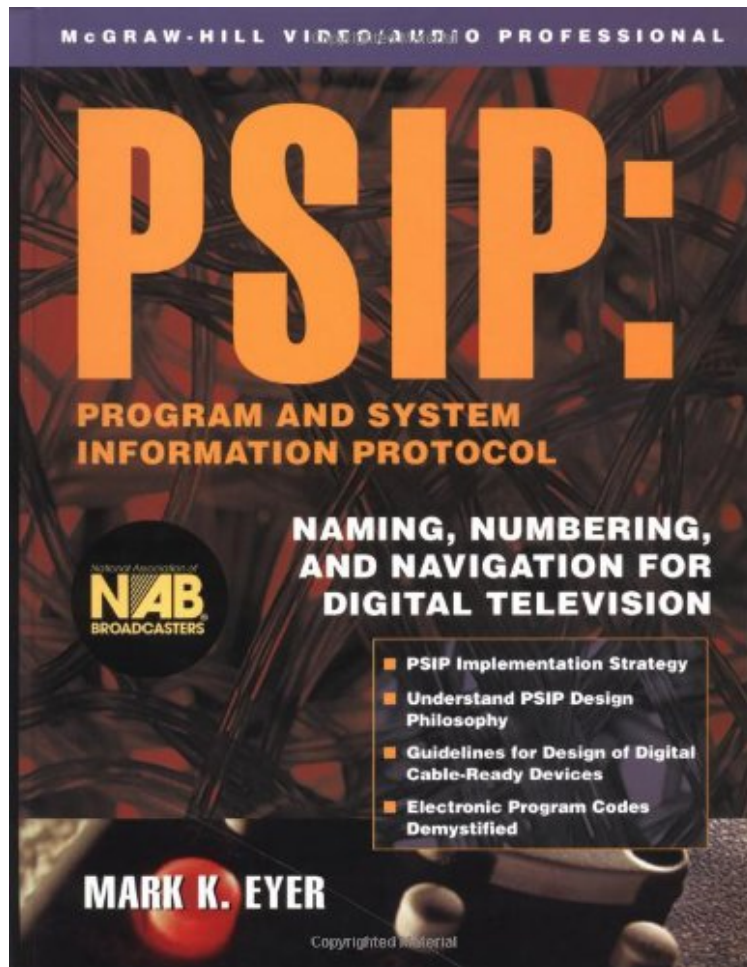


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* Save design time with guidelines, considerations, requirements, and checklists
* Design cable-ready devices and use navigation data delivered on the out-of-band channel
* Answer questions on PSIP expandability, from reserved fields to private data and collision avoidance
* Understand how the V-chip system works in digital television
* Comply with emergency alert system standards and meet EAS requirements
* Get a better grasp on PSIP with information on the standards background and an insiders history of reasons technical choices were made
* Look up needed facts in the complete ATSC A/65 standard
The Broadcast Industrys Official Technical Guide to DTV and Interactive Television
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