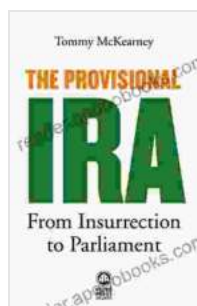


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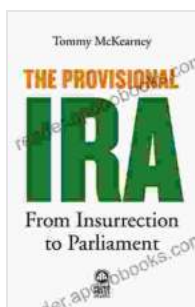
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The book provides an unbiased analysis of the organization's motives, actions, and impact. It avoids simplistic judgments and instead offers a nuanced understanding of the complex forces that shaped the Provisional IRA and its path to parliament.

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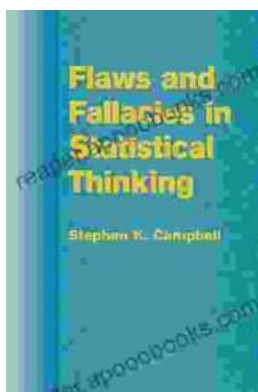


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