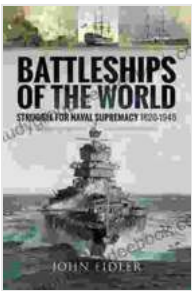


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The 19th and 20th centuries witnessed a dramatic evolution in naval warfare, as steam power and new technologies transformed ships and weapons. The battleship emerged as the dominant warship of the era, and the struggle for naval supremacy among the world's great powers reached its peak in the two world wars.



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The Age of Sail

Before the advent of steam power, battleships were powered by sails. The first steam-powered warships appeared in the early 19th century, but they were not widely adopted until the 1860s. Sail-powered battleships continued to be used in combat until the early 20th century, but they were gradually replaced by steam-powered ships.

The Ironclads

The use of steam power led to the development of ironclads, which were warships protected by iron armor. Ironclads were much more resistant to enemy fire than wooden ships, and they quickly became the dominant type of warship. The first ironclad battle was fought in 1862 between the USS Monitor and the CSS Virginia.

The Pre-Dreadnoughts

The pre-dreadnoughts were a type of battleship that was developed in the late 19th century. Pre-dreadnoughts were armed with a variety of guns, including large-caliber guns, medium-caliber guns, and small-caliber guns. They were also protected by thick armor.

The Dreadnoughts

The dreadnought was a type of battleship that was developed in the early 20th century. Dreadnoughts were armed with a uniform battery of large-caliber guns, and they were protected by even thicker armor than pre-dreadnoughts. The first dreadnought was the HMS Dreadnought, which was launched in 1906.

The World Wars

The two world wars were the most significant naval conflicts in history. The First World War saw the use of a wide variety of warships, including battleships, cruisers, destroyers, and submarines. The Second World War saw the development of even more powerful battleships, including the Iowa-class battleships of the United States Navy.

The End of the Battleship Era

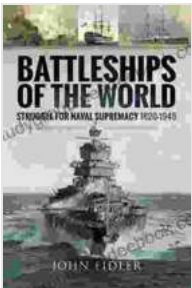
The battleship era came to an end after the Second World War. The development of aircraft carriers and guided missiles made battleships obsolete. The last battleships in service were the Iowa-class battleships of the United States Navy, which were retired in the 1990s.

The Legacy of the Battleship Era

The battleship era was a time of great technological innovation and naval warfare. The battleships that were built during this era were some of the most powerful warships in history, and they played a major role in the outcome of the two world wars. The legacy of the battleship era lives on in the modern navies of the world, which continue to use many of the technologies that were developed during this time.

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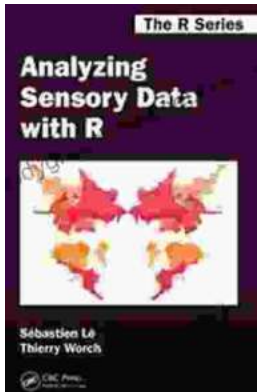
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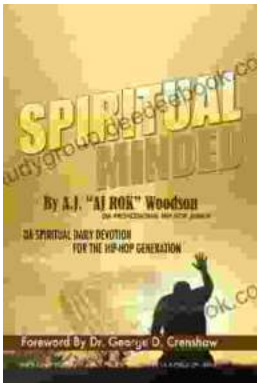
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