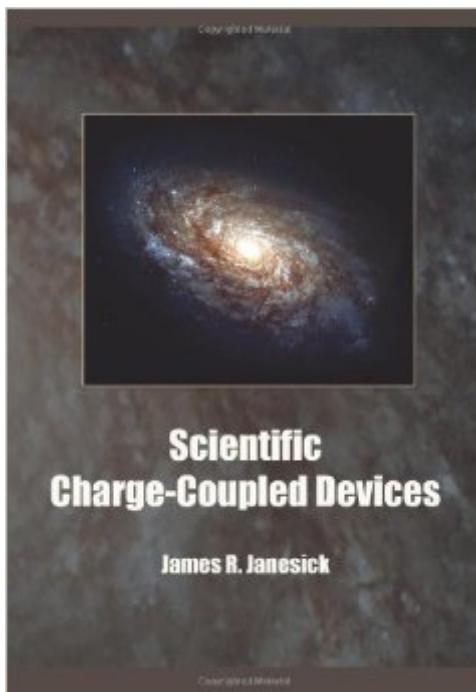


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author, while working at JPL and elsewhere, played a critical role in the development of scientific grade CCDs over the past twenty years. This book represents the culmination of lectures, monographs, and professional papers that he wrote over twenty years or more in the field. It is really a core dump of all his accumulated knowledge. Be warned that this is an advanced book, suitable for graduate students or professionals (primarily EEs and astrophysicists) working with CCDs and other solid state imagers in either the astronomical or defense fields. If you are an amateur trying to put a CCD camera on the back of a telescope in your backyard to look at Mars, or you know a bit about electronics and want to learn how your digital camera works, this is not the book for you.

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