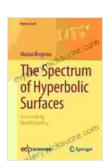
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- The hyperbolic disk

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- Properties of the spectrum

Chapter 4: Applications to geometry

- The genus of a hyperbolic surface
- The area of a hyperbolic surface

The volume of a hyperbolic surface

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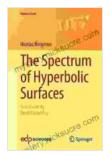
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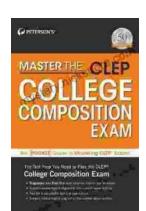
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