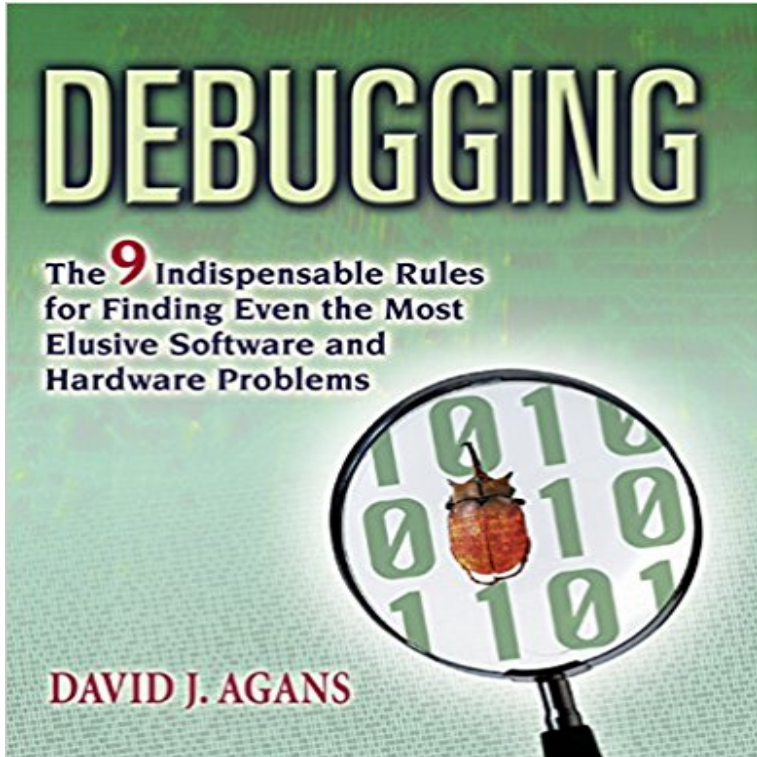


# Debugging: The 9 Indispensable Rules for Finding Even the Most Elusive Software and Hardware Problems



The rules of battle for tracking down -- and eliminating -- hardware and software bugs. When the pressure is on to root out an elusive software or hardware glitch, what's needed is a cool head courtesy of a set of rules guaranteed to work on any system, in any circumstance. Written in a frank but engaging style, *Debugging* provides simple, foolproof principles guaranteed to help find any bug quickly. This book makes those shelves of application-specific debugging books (on C++, Perl, Java, etc.) obsolete. It changes the way readers think about debugging, making those pesky problems suddenly much easier to find and fix. Illustrating the rules with real-life bug-detection war stories, the

- \* Understand the system: how perceiving the roadmap can hasten your journey
- \* Quit thinking and look: when hands-on investigation can't be avoided
- \* Isolate critical factors: why changing one element at a time can be an essential tool
- \* Keep an audit trail: how keeping a record of the debugging process can win the day

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