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How can an average person navigate the maze of audio/video technologies in a home theater system? Turn to Mark Fleischmann's Practical Home Theater: A Guide to Video and Audio Systems. The 12th edition has been thoroughly revised and updated for 2013. The ultimate answer book, it tells you everything you need to know when shopping for HDTV and surround gear including how to read a spec sheet, how to separate fact from hype, and how to get good value for your money. The book weighs the pros and cons of HDTV display technologies such as LED-backlit LCD, plasma, and both front- and rear-projection. It dispels the confusion surrounding such topics as 3DTV, 1080p, and HDMI. New sections discuss ultra-high-res 4K x 2K video and the ultra-wide 21:9 screen shape. The book explains the differences between Dolby, DTS, THX, and Audyssey surround technologies including the new height- and width-enhanced listening modes. And it covers all formats under the sun including Blu-ray and DVD, proliferating streaming devices, and anything that plays in an iPod. The book explores often ignored topics such as buying a DTV antenna, power-line accessories, and cables. A richly detailed connections chapter tells how to hook up every component. By knowledgeably guiding readers through the briar patch of video and audio, Practical Home Theater has become the standard reference work for home theater buffs. Future annual editions will continue to track changes in home theater technology.