

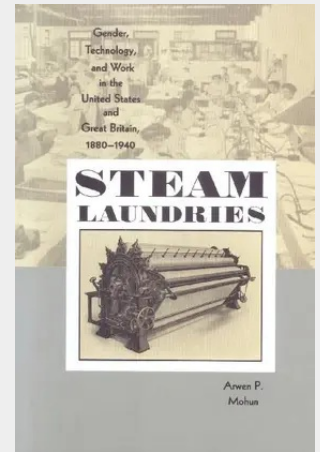
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Gender, Technology, and Work in the United States and Great Britain, 1880-1940

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