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*Solidarity* K. Bayertz 2013-03-09 Solidarity as a phenomenon lies like an erratic block in the midst of the moral landscape of our age. Until now, the geologists familiar with this landscape - ethicists and moral theorists - have taken it for granted, have circumnavigated it! in any case, they have been incapable of moving it. In the present volume, scientists from diverse disciplines discuss and examine the concept of solidarity, its history, its scope and its limits.

Organizational Trust Roderick M. Kramer 2006-11-30 Over the past two decades, the topic of trust moved from bit player to center stage in organizational theory and research. Whereas previously it often had been treated as a mediating variable in empirical studies - a variable of secondary interest, at best - trust emerged in the 1990s as a subject deemed important and worthy of study in its own right. Despite the importance of the topic, to date no single volume currently exists that provides the motivated reader with a sound introduction to, and reasonable overview of, this rapidly growing, widely dispersed, multi-disciplinary literature. Indeed, some of the most influential, foundational pieces remain scattered in obscure journals or books, some of which are not easily found or, in some instances, no longer even in print. Thus the individual scholar hoping to come up to speed with this literature currently had nowhere to turn. This

reader provides trust scholars and researchers with a handy reference volume, a broad guide for graduate students hoping to understand and possibly contribute to this significant and still-growing literature, and a resource for teachers at the undergraduate level of undergraduate anthropology, economics, political science, psychology, organizational sciences, and sociology courses.

**The American Non-Dilemma** Nancy DiTomaso 2013-01-17 The Civil Rights movement of the 1960s seemed to mark a historical turning point in advancing the American dream of equal opportunity for all citizens, regardless of race. Yet 50 years on, racial inequality remains a troubling fact of life in American society and its causes are highly contested. In *The American Non-Dilemma*, sociologist Nancy DiTomaso convincingly argues that America's enduring racial divide is sustained more by whites' preferential treatment of members of their own social networks than by overt racial discrimination. Drawing on research from sociology, political science, history, and psychology, as well as her own interviews with a cross-section of non-Hispanic whites, DiTomaso provides a comprehensive examination of the persistence of racial inequality in the post-Civil Rights era and how it plays out in today's economic and political context. Taking Gunnar Myrdal's classic work on America's racial divide, *The American Dilemma*, as her departure point, DiTomaso focuses on "the white side of the race line." To do so, she interviewed a sample of working, middle, and upper-class whites about their life histories, political views, and general outlook on racial inequality in America. While the vast majority of whites profess strong support for civil rights and equal opportunity regardless of race, they continue to pursue their own group-based advantage, especially in the labor market where whites tend to favor other whites in securing jobs protected from market competition. This "opportunity hoarding" leads to substantially improved life outcomes for whites due to their greater access to social resources from family, schools, churches, and other institutions with which they are engaged. DiTomaso also examines how whites understand the persistence of racial inequality in a society where whites are, on average, the advantaged racial group. Most whites see themselves as part of the solution rather than part of the problem with regard to racial inequality. Yet they continue to harbor strong reservations about public policies—such as affirmative action—intended to ameliorate racial inequality. In effect, they accept the principles of civil rights but not the implementation of policies that would bring about greater racial equality. DiTomaso shows that the political engagement of different groups of whites is affected by their views of how civil rights policies impact their ability to provide

advantages to family and friends. This tension between civil and labor rights is evident in Republicans' use of anti-civil rights platforms to attract white voters, and in the efforts of Democrats to bridge race and class issues, or civil and labor rights broadly defined. As a result, DiTomaso finds that whites are, at best, uncertain allies in the fight for racial equality. Weaving together research on both race and class, along with the life experiences of DiTomaso's interview subjects, *The American Non-Dilemma* provides a compelling exploration of how racial inequality is reproduced in today's society, how people come to terms with the issue in their day-to-day experiences, and what these trends may signify in the contemporary political landscape.

**Social Emergence** R. Keith Sawyer 2005-10-27 This book argues that societies are complex dynamical systems that can be understood through the concept of emergence.

Nation and Nationalism in Europe Ireneusz Pawel Karolewski 2011-06-13 An overview of the contending approaches to the nation and nationalism, in a European context

**Social Cohesion and Immigration in Europe and North America** Ruud Koopmans 2014-11-20 Concerns about immigration and the rising visibility of minorities have triggered a lively scholarly debate on the consequences of ethnic diversity for trust, cooperation, and other aspects of social cohesion. In this accessibly written volume, leading scholars explore where, when, and why ethnic diversity affects social cohesion by way of analyses covering the major European immigration countries, as well as the United States and Canada. They explore the merits of competing theoretical accounts and give rare insights into the underlying mechanisms through which diversity affects social cohesion. The volume offers a nuanced picture of the topic by explicitly exploring the conditions under which ethnic diversity affects the 'glue' that holds societies together. With its interdisciplinary perspective and contributions by sociologists, political scientists, social psychologists, as well as economists, the book offers the most comprehensive analysis of the link between ethnic diversity and social cohesion that is currently available.

Race in Society Margaret L. Andersen 2021-03-22 The second edition of *Race in Society* analyzes the social dynamics of systemic racism and the persistence of racial inequality in US institutions. The book is

informed by contemporary social science research and includes the most recent studies on racial disparities during the COVID pandemic and current racial protests. *Race in Society* is intended for courses in the sociology of race and ethnicity and can be used in other social science and interdisciplinary courses. Its accessible writing style, student friendly approach, and brevity make it attractive to instructors who want to pair it with other monographs or anthologies. Four themes guide the organization of the book: the social construction of race and ethnicity, as they evolve within systems of power and privilege; the social dynamics of prejudice, bias, and racism; the systemic character of racial inequality in US social institutions; and, strategies for social change, especially as the United States becomes increasingly racially and ethnically diverse. A new feature in the second edition, "Taking Action against Racism," will appeal to students who want to know what they can do to challenge racism. New to this edition: New preface and introduction Chapter 2 has been updated to include new research on the significance of racial resentment, as well as discussion of racial backlash and white rage Chapter 3 includes current data on the inclusion of people of color in media organization and media usage by diverse groups New material in Chapter 4 on multiracial identities and multiracial relationships Chapter 5 includes current attitudinal data on immigration, all of which reflects evolving US politics about immigration, the border wall, and national borders. Chapter 6 features a section on colonialism and postcolonial theory, as well as an extended discussion of intersectional theory Chapter 7 has been updated throughout to reflect both the ongoing economic and work disparities based on race, but also to note the disparate impact of economic change brought by the pandemic on people of color in low wage service jobs Chapter 9 includes updated information on residential and educational segregation. There is also new material on the racial achievement gap and how that is likely to be affected by school closures during the pandemic Chapter 10 opens with evidence of the huge racial disparities that have been sadly, but vividly, unveiled by the COVID pandemic Chapter 11 has been updated to reflect current national discussions and policing and police violence "Taking Action against Racism" is included at the end of each chapter to suggest how people can make a difference through action against racial injustice Updated charts, graphs, and new data are featured throughout

**Social dilemmas, institutions, and the evolution of cooperation** Ben Jann 2017-09-11 The question of how cooperation and social order can evolve from a Hobbesian state of nature of a "war of all against all" has

always been at the core of social scientific inquiry. Social dilemmas are the main analytical paradigm used by social scientists to explain competition, cooperation, and conflict in human groups. The formal analysis of social dilemmas allows for identifying the conditions under which cooperation evolves or unravels. This knowledge informs the design of institutions that promote cooperative behavior. Yet to gain practical relevance in policymaking and institutional design, predictions derived from the analysis of social dilemmas must be put to an empirical test. The collection of articles in this book gives an overview of state-of-the-art research on social dilemmas, institutions, and the evolution of cooperation. It covers theoretical contributions and offers a broad range of examples on how theoretical insights can be empirically verified and applied to cooperation problems in everyday life. By bringing together a group of distinguished scholars, the book fills an important gap in sociological scholarship and addresses some of the most interesting questions of human sociality.

*Social Psychology, Second Edition* Arie W. Kruglanski 2013-10-21 Now in a completely revised and expanded second edition, this authoritative handbook reviews the breadth of current knowledge on the psychological processes that underlie social behavior. Leading investigators identify core principles that have emerged from the study of biological systems, social cognition, goals and strivings, interpersonal interactions, and group and cultural dynamics. State-of-the-science theories, methods, and findings are explained, and important directions for future research are highlighted. More than an update, this edition is virtually a new book. Many more chapters are included, and significant advances in social cognitive neuroscience, motivational psychology, and other areas are incorporated throughout. A new section addresses implications for applied domains, such as clinical psychology, health, and consumer behavior.

*Advances in Group Processes* Shane R. Thye 2011-11-01 Publishes theoretical analyses, reviews, and theory based empirical chapters on group phenomena. This title examines topics such as: graded status characteristics and expectation states; standardizing open interaction coding for status processes; creating community through language among San Pedro Longshoremen; and, more.

**Adaptive Learning Agents** Matthew Taylor 2010-02-25

This book presents selected and revised papers of the Second Workshop on Adaptive and Learning Agents 2009

(ALA-09), held at the AAMAS 2009 conference in Budapest, Hungary, May 12. The goal of ALA is to provide an interdisciplinary forum for scientists from a variety of fields such as computer science, biology, game theory and economics. This year's edition of ALA was the second after the merger of the former two shops ALAMAS and ALAg. In 2008 this joint workshop was organized for the first time under the flag of both events. ALAMAS was a yearly returning European workshop on adaptive and learning agents and multi-agent systems (held eight times). ALAg was the international workshop on adaptive and learning agents, which was usually held at AAMAS. To increase the strength, visibility and quality of the workshop it was decided to merge both workshops under the flag of ALA and to set up a Steering Committee as an organizational backbone. This book contains six papers presented during the workshop, which were carefully selected after an additional review round in the summer of 2009. We therefore wish to explicitly thank the members of the Program Committee for the quality and sincerity of their efforts and service. Furthermore we would like to thank all the members of the senior Steering Committee for making this workshop possible and supporting it with sound advice. We also thank the AAMAS conference for providing us a platform for holding this event. Finally we also wish to thank all authors who responded to our call-for-papers with interesting contributions.

New Issues and Paradigms in Research on Social Dilemmas Anders Biel 2007-11-30 Readers need look no further if they seeking an edited volume compiled to present the latest developments in the field of social dilemma research. Social dilemmas are situations when there is a conflict between self-interest and collective interest. This work examines under what circumstances people make decisions that are in line with the collective interest as well as investigating what can increase the likelihood of cooperation. Three main sections mirror the different levels of analysis: individual, group, and societal.

**Handbook of Psychology, Personality and Social Psychology** Irving B. Weiner 2012-10-10 Psychology is of interest to academics from many fields, as well as to the thousands of academic and clinical psychologists and general public who can't help but be interested in learning more about why humans think and behave as they do. This award-winning twelve-volume reference covers every aspect of the ever-fascinating discipline of psychology and represents the most current knowledge in the field. This ten-year revision now covers discoveries based in neuroscience, clinical psychology's new interest in evidence-based

practice and mindfulness, and new findings in social, developmental, and forensic psychology.

**Confronting the American Dilemma of Race** Robert E. Washington 2002 *Confronting the American Dilemma of Race* consists of twelve articles written by six authors about the second generation African American sociologists who embarked on their sociological careers between 1930 and 1950 when American society was embedded in a racial caste system. From the perspective of the sociology of knowledge, these articles, through examining the life experiences and works of these African American sociologists, reveal important insights into the impact of racial segregation on the development of both black sociology and the sociology of race relations.

**Altruism and Prosocial Behavior in Groups** Shane R. Thye 2009-04-17 Addresses a range of phenomena related to the general question of when people behave in an altruistic fashion. This book contains topics that include how empathy induced altruism can actually be a threat to the some larger collective good, and the role of egoism in the production and maintenance of social order.

*Oppositional Consciousness* Jane J. Mansbridge 2001-10-30 How can human beings be induced to sacrifice their lives—even one minute of their lives—for the sake of their group? This question, central to understanding the dynamics of social movements, is at the heart of this collection of original essays. The book is the first to conceptualize and illustrate the complex patterns of negotiation, struggle, borrowing, and crafting that characterize what the editors term "oppositional consciousness"—an empowering mental state that prepares members of an oppressed group to undermine, reform, or overthrow a dominant system. Each essay employs a recent historical case to demonstrate how oppositional consciousness actually worked in the experience of a subordinate group. Based on participant observation and interviews, chapters focus on the successful social movements of groups such as African Americans, people with disabilities, sexually harassed women, Chicano workers, and AIDS activists. Ultimately, *Oppositional Consciousness* sheds new light on the intricate mechanisms that drive the important social movements of our time. Contributors: Naomi Braine, Sharon Groch, Fredrick C. Harris, Jane Mansbridge, Anna-Maria Marshall, Aldon Morris, Marc Simon Rodriguez, Brett C. Stockdill, Lori G. Waite

**Individualism, Holism and the Central Dilemma of Sociological Theory** Jiří Šubr 2019-05-13 This book examines individualism and holism, the two interpretive perspectives that have divided sociological theory into two camps, examines attempts to overcome this antinomy and sets out a new approach to resolving this dilemma via 'critical reconfigurationism'.

*Social Psychology and Economics* David De Cremer 2006 This book combines chapters written by leading social psychologists and economists, illuminating the developing trends in explaining and understanding economic behavior in a social world. It provides insights from both fields, communicated by eloquent scholars, and demonstrates through recent research and theory how economic behaviors may be more effectively examined using a combination of both fields. *Social Psychology and Economics* comes at a particularly fitting time, as a psychological approach to economics has begun to flourish, and papers exploring the intersection of these two disciplines have appeared in peer-reviewed journals, opening a dynamic dialogue between previously separated fields. It addresses a variety of economic phenomena within a social context, such as scarcity and materialism, emphasizing the importance of integrating social psychology and economics. *Social Psychology and Economics* is arranged in seven parts that discuss: \*an introduction to the topic; \*preferences, utility, and choice; \*emotions; \*reciprocity, cooperation, and fairness; \*social distance; \*challenges to social psychology and economics; and \*collaborative reflections and projections. The market for this book is students, researchers, and professionals in the disciplines of economics, psychology, business, and behavioral decision making. Graduate students and upper-level undergraduate students will consider it a useful supplemental text.

The Social Dilemma Gordon Tullock 2005 Volume 8 in "The Selected Works of Gordon Tullock" draws from two highly acclaimed and path-breaking books by Gordon Tullock, *The Social Dilemma* (1974) and *Autocracy* (1987). In this work, Tullock explores political market behaviour that is based on conflict rather than on bargaining and thus behaviour that results in wealth reduction rather than in gains from trade. "The Social Dilemma: The Economics of War and Revolution" was written in response to the tumultuous events of the 1960s and 1970s. Specifically, after the constitutional crisis caused by the Watergate scandal, Tullock acknowledged the Hobbesian nature of democracy. He posed that political figures are locked in wealth-reducing circumstances by the nature of the political game and inherent problems found

in democracy. In *Autocracy*, Tullock provides a scientific analysis of dictatorships, using a rational choice model to analyse the behaviour of individuals under autocracy. Whereas most scholars have applied public choice theory only to co-operative, democratic states, Tullock extends the theory into new territory. In addition, his insights contribute to the discussion of pressing current issues, such as the transformation of autocracies into democracies.

*European Review of Social Psychology* Wolfgang Stroebe 2005-02-24 The *European Review of Social Psychology* is an annual series that reflects the dynamism of social psychology in Europe and has been widely accepted as one of the most important international series in social psychology. The series is open to authors from all nations and its primary purpose is to further the international exchange of ideas by providing an outlet for substantial accounts of theoretical and empirical work. With the help of an editorial board consisting of senior scholars from various European countries, Australasia and North America, the editors invite outstanding researchers to contribute to these volumes. Invitations are based either on suggestions from editorial board members or made in response to proposals submitted to the editors. The emphasis of these contributions is on critical assessment of major areas of research and of substantial individual programmes of research as well as on topics and initiatives of contemporary interest and originality.

**Advanced Introduction to Social Capital** Cook, Karen S. 2022-09-06 This *Advanced Introduction to Social Capital* provides an overview of cutting-edge research on social capital. Karen S. Cook highlights the networks, norms and trust involved in social capital that facilitate cooperation, strengthen civil society and contribute to social order, indicating how each contributes to the collective good and provides resources of value to individuals, organizations and institutions.

**Resolving Social Dilemmas** Margaret Foddy 1999 A social dilemma arises when actions that are justifiable in terms of individual rationality threaten the common good and in the long run the individual's own self-interest as well. The book presents current research on social dilemmas.

**Computational Approaches to Studying the Co-evolution of Networks and Behavior in Social Dilemmas**

Rense Corten 2014-04-07 Computational Approaches to Studying the Co-evolution of Networks and Behaviour in Social Dilemmas shows students, researchers, and professionals how to use computation methods, rather than mathematical analysis, to answer research questions for an easier, more productive method of testing their models. Illustrations of general methodology are provided and explore how computer simulation is used to bridge the gap between formal theoretical models and empirical applications.

**The Cooperator's Dilemma** Mark Irving Lichbach 1996 A comprehensive and current presentation of the collective-action approach

Review of Sociology of the Hungarian Sociological Association 2005

*Modern Sociological Theory* George Ritzer 2021-02-07 The authors are proud sponsors of the SAGE Keith Roberts Teaching Innovations Award—enabling graduate students and early career faculty to attend the annual ASA pre-conference teaching and learning workshop. *Modern Sociological Theory* gives readers a comprehensive overview of the major theorists and schools of sociological thought, from sociology's 19th century origins through the mid-20th century. Written by an author team that includes one of the leading contemporary thinkers, the text integrates key theories with with biographical sketches of theorists, placing them in historical and intellectual context.

**Group Processes** John M. Levine 2013 The many groups we belong to influence our lives in crucial ways. This volume provides a comprehensive overview of classic and contemporary issues in the field of group processes and will interest scholars in various disciplines, including social and organizational psychology, sociology, communication, economics, and political science.

*Blackwell Handbook of Social Psychology* Michael A. Hogg 2008-04-15 This handbook provides an authoritative, up-to-date overview of the social psychology of group processes. The topics covered include group decisions, juries, group remembering, roles, status, leadership, social identity and group membership, socialization, group performance, negotiation and bargaining, emotion and mood, computer-

mediated communication, organizations and mental health. Provides an authoritative, up-to-date overview of the social psychology of group processes. Written by leading researchers from around the world to provide a classic and current overview of research as well as providing a description of future trends within the area. Includes coverage of group decisions, juries, group remembering, roles, status, leadership, social identity and group membership, socialization, group performance, negotiation and bargaining, emotion and mood, computer-mediated communication, organizations and mental health. Essential reading for any serious scholar of group behavior. Now available in full text online via xreferplus, the award-winning reference library on the web from xrefer. For more information, visit [www.xreferplus.com](http://www.xreferplus.com)

**Barriers and Biases in Computer-Mediated Knowledge Communication** Rainer Bromme 2006-03-30 What are the barriers in computer-mediated communication for cooperative learning and work? Based on empirical research, the chapters of this book offer different perspectives on the nature and causes of such barriers for students and researchers in the field.

Advances in the Sociology of Trust and Cooperation Vincent Buskens 2020-10-26 The problem of cooperation is one of the core issues in sociology and social science more in general. The key question is how humans, groups, organizations, institutions, and countries can avoid or overcome the collective good dilemmas that could lead to a Hobbesian "war of all against all". The chapters in this book provide state of the art examples of research on this crucial topic. These include theoretical, laboratory, and field studies on trust and cooperation, thereby approaching the issue in three complementary and synergetic ways. The theoretical work covers articles on trust and control, reputation formation, and paradigmatic articles on the benefits and caveats of abstracting reality into models. The laboratory studies test the implications of different models of trust and reputation, such as the effects of social and institutional embeddedness and the potentially emerging inequalities this may cause. The field studies test these implications in applied settings such as business purchasing and supply, informal care, and different kinds of collaboration networks. This book is exemplary for rigorous social science. The focus is on effects of social conditions, in particular different forms of social and institutional embeddedness, on social outcomes at the macro level. Modelling efforts are applied to connect social conditions to social outcomes through micro-level

behavior in ways that are easily overlooked when argumentation is intuitive and impressionistic. The book sets forth a mixed-method approach by applying different empirical methods to test hypotheses about similar questions. Several contributions re-evaluate the theoretical strengths and weaknesses following from the laboratory and field studies. Improving the theory in light of these findings facilitates pushing the boundaries of social science .

International Encyclopedia of Civil Society Helmut K. Anheier 2009-11-24 Recently the topic of civil society has generated a wave of interest, and a wealth of new information. Until now no publication has attempted to organize and consolidate this knowledge. The International Encyclopedia of Civil Society fills this gap, establishing a common set of understandings and terminology, and an analytical starting point for future research. Global in scope and authoritative in content, the Encyclopedia offers succinct summaries of core concepts and theories; definitions of terms; biographical entries on important figures and organizational profiles. In addition, it serves as a reliable and up-to-date guide to additional sources of information. In sum, the Encyclopedia provides an overview of the contours of civil society, social capital, philanthropy and nonprofits across cultures and historical periods. For researchers in nonprofit and civil society studies, political science, economics, management and social enterprise, this is the most systematic appraisal of a rapidly growing field.

*Social Psychology Quarterly* 1979 Includes theoretical and empirical papers on topics in social psychology including sociometry. Publishes works by both sociologists and psychologists.

*Handbook of Contemporary Sociological Theory* Seth Abrutyn 2016-06-22 This Handbook provides the hidden common threads that tie sociological inquiry together and featuring eminent scholars, it separates itself from its predecessors in substance and organization. Rather than rehashing old debates or longingly gazing at the past, this book presents sociologists with new ways of conceptualizing the organization and presentation of sociological theory. At the heart of this Handbook's vision is the twin goals of making theory a viable enterprise by reconceptualizing how we teach theory and keeping theory closely tied to its empirical applications. Three strategies are offered: (1) Elucidating how classic issues like integration or interaction are interrogated today; (2) Presenting a coherent vision of the social levels of reality that

theorists work on such as communities, groups, and the self as well as how the coherence of these levels speaks to the macro-micro link; and, (3) Theorizing the social world rather than celebrating theorists or theories; that is, one can look at how theory is used holistically to understand the constraints the social world places on our lived experience or the dynamics of social change. Hence, in the second decade of the 21st century, it has become clear that sociology is at a crossroads as the number of theorists and amount of theory available is increasingly unmanageable and unknowable by the vast majority of professionals and students. As such, this Handbook of Contemporary Sociological Theory presents the novice and the expert with the a roadmap for traversing this crossroad and building a more coherent, robust, and cumulative sociology.

The Handbook of Rational Choice Social Research Rafael Wittek 2013-06-05 The Handbook of Rational Choice Social Research offers the first comprehensive overview of how the rational choice paradigm can inform empirical research within the social sciences. This landmark collection highlights successful empirical applications across a broad array of disciplines, including sociology, political science, economics, history, and psychology. Taking on issues ranging from financial markets and terrorism to immigration, race relations, and emotions, and a huge variety of other phenomena, rational choice proves a useful tool for theory- driven social research. Each chapter uses a rational choice framework to elaborate on testable hypotheses and then apply this to empirical research, including experimental research, survey studies, ethnographies, and historical investigations. Useful to students and scholars across the social sciences, this handbook will reinvigorate discussions about the utility and versatility of the rational choice approach, its key assumptions, and tools.

**Theories of Small Groups** Marshall Scott Poole 2004-10-28 Theories of Small Groups: Interdisciplinary Perspectives brings together the threads that unify the field of group research. The book is designed to define and describe theoretical perspectives on groups and to highlight select research findings within those perspectives. In this text, editors Marshall Scott Poole and Andrea B. Hollingshead capitalize on the theoretical advances made over the last fifty years by integrating models and theories of small groups into a set of nine general theoretical perspectives. Theories of Small Groups is the first book to assess, synthesize, integrate, and evaluate the body of theory and research on small groups across disciplinary

boundaries.

**Social Science Microsimulation** Klaus G. Troitzsch 1996-09-17 This book gives an overview of the state of the art in five different approaches to social science simulation on the individual level. The volume contains microanalytical simulation models designed for policy implementation and evaluation, multilevel simulation methods designed for detecting emergent phenomena, dynamical game theory applications, the use of cellular automata to explain the emergence of structure in social systems, and multi-agent models using the experience from distributed artificial intelligence applied to special phenomena. The book collects the results of an international conference which brought together social scientists and computer scientists both engaged in a wide range of simulation approaches for the first time.

Social Agency Wojciech W. Gasparski Praxiology deals with doing and working from the point of view of effectiveness. It has three components: analysis of concepts involving purposive actions; critique of models of action from the viewpoint of efficiency; and normative advisory aspects in recommendations for increasing human efficiency. This fourth volume of the Praxiology series is devoted to the very special topic of social agency. It focuses on two important praxiological concepts: rationality and preparation as preconditions for human action to be effective and efficient. The question of efficiency was raised by Anatol Rapoport over three decades ago in his lecture to the audience at the Praxiological Seminar in Warsaw in 1961. Social Agency begins with an article written by this same famous scholar on the topic of decision theory, "Social Dilemmas: A Historical Overview." Social dilemmas is the subject of the first part of this volume, a question related to studies on human action guided by two types of rationality: individual and collective rationality. The intersection of the two, in which individuals meet collectives, creates the situation in which social agency emerges, generating dilemmatic circumstances for the actors involved. The articles collected in the second part explore praxiological dimensions of education aimed toward the knowledge society, because of knowledge possessed and produced by educated persons. Chapters and contributors to volume 4 include: "Five Questions on the Research on Social Dilemmas" by Marek K. Mlicki; "Psychological Processes Underlying Cooperation in Social Dilemmas" by Paul A. M. Van Lange and David M. Messick; "Designing a System for Design Learning: Designers and/or Learners?" by Arne Collen; "Creating an Evolutionary Image of New Systems of Learning and Human Development" by Janet

A. Khan; and "A Study Program Design in Retrospect" by Stig C. Holmberg. Social Agency continues the trend of original research done in a little-known, but important area. Social scientists, policymakers, and educators will benefit from this work.

**Networks, Markets, and the Pacific Rim** W. Mark Fruin 1998-11-19 Despite the negative press Asian economies have received in connection with the recent financial crisis, their record of spectacular growth over the past few decades remains irrefutable. In an effort to provide a rich, textured analysis of these economies, editor W. Mark Fruin presents a collection of essays that explores the wide range of network organizations that have been established in the Pacific Rim. Conventional studies of economic organization have tended to center on markets and hierarchies, the two forms of organization most common in the West. But today the world moves too quickly and too unpredictably for the idealized organizations of microeconomic theory to keep up. It is no accident that the region that has generated the world's most explosive economic growth is also the region where network organizations--sets of independent actors who cooperate frequently for mutual advantage--are most pervasive. Rapid economic, social, and technical changes favor the formation of network organizations, and vice versa. The contributors to this volume identify and elucidate four basic types of networks: naturally occurring networks, market replacing networks, hierarchy replacing networks, and market enhancing networks. They show how all of these have been shaped by the history, government, legal system, and culture of each country under consideration. These network organizations allow the authors to compare and contrast network forms in China, Japan, South Korea, Taiwan, and the United States according to features such as degrees of formalization, rule definition, and market conformance. The works collected here make an important contribution to a networks-markets- hierarchies framework that recognizes and emphasizes the diversity of organizational forms and behaviors. A unique resource for scholars and professionals in the fields of management and economics, this book enables a complex analysis of one of the world's fastest growing and most theoretically challenging regions.

**Emerging Media** Xigen Li 2015-12-07 Emerging Media provides an understanding of media use in the expanding digital age and fills the void of existing literature in exploring the emerging new media use as a dynamic communication process in cyberspace. It addresses emerging media dynamics during the second

decade of online communication, the Web 2.0 era after Mosaic and Netscape. The current status of emerging media development calls for extended exploration of how emerging media are used in different patterns and contexts, and this volume answers that call: it is a comprehensive examination of emerging media evolution and concurrent social interaction. This collection: Provides a comprehensive analysis of digital media use and online communication with empirical data Contains both theoretical and empirical studies, which not only test communication and related theories in the age of digital media, but also provide new insights into important issues in digital media use and online communication with significant theoretical advances Spotlights studies that use a variety of research methods and approaches, including surveys, content analysis and experiments This volume will be invaluable to researchers of communication and new media, and will serve advanced undergraduate and graduate students studying media and digital communication. With an international scope, it appeals to readers around the world in all areas that utilize new media technologies.

**Game Theory and Its Applications in the Social and Biological Sciences** Andrew M. Colman 1995 A critical introduction to game theory and a survey of some of its major applications and associated experimental research. The first edition was titled *Game Theory and Experimental Games: The Study of Strategic Interaction*, and was published by Pergamon Press in 1982. The second edition is extensively revised, and updated to include significant or interesting theoretical developments and empirical research findings related to coordination games, social dilemmas, strategic aspects of evolutionary biology, framing effects, strategic voting, and other areas of research. Annotation copyright by Book News, Inc., Portland, OR