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A timeless classic of economic theory that remains fascinating and pertinent today, this is Frank Knight's famous explanation of why perfect competition cannot eliminate profits, the important differences between "risk" and "uncertainty," and the vital role of the entrepreneur in profitmaking. Based on Knight's PhD dissertation, this 1921 work, balancing theory with fact to come to stunning insights, is a distinct pleasure to read. FRANK H. KNIGHT (1885-1972) is considered by some the greatest American scholar of economics of the 20th century. An economics professor at the University of Chicago from 1927 until 1955, he was one of the founders of the Chicago school of economics, which influenced Milton Friedman and George Stigler.

Clean energy innovation is central to the fight against climate change. To rise to this challenge, the United States should launch a National Energy Innovation Mission. Led by the president and authorized by Congress, this mission should harness the nation's unmatched innovative capabilities-at research universities, federal laboratories, and private firms (both large and small), in all regions of the country-to speed the progress of clean energy technologies. To jumpstart this mission and unlock a virtuous cycle of public and private investment, the US federal government should triple its funding for energy research, development, and demonstration (RD&D) over the next five years to \$25 billion by 2025. "Energizing America" offers policymakers a strategic framework to build a growing RD&D portfolio over the next five years, detailed funding proposals across the full spectrum of critical energy technologies, and recommendations for immediate action.

Studying the origin of life is one of man's greatest achievements over the last sixty years. The fields of interest encompassed by this quest are multiple and interdisciplinary: chemistry, physics, biology, biochemistry, mathematics, geology but also statistics, atmospheric science, meteorology, oceanography, and astrophysics. Recent scientific discoveries, such as water on Mars and the existence of super-Earths with atmospheres similar to primordial Earth, have pushed researchers to simulate prebiotic conditions in explaining the abiotic formation of molecules essential to life. This collection of articles offers an overview of recent discoveries in the field of prebiotic chemistry of biomolecules, their formation and selection, and the evolution of complex chemical systems.

Internet of Things in Biomedical Engineering presents the most current research in Internet of Things (IoT) applications for clinical patient monitoring and treatment. The book takes a systems-level approach for both human-factors and the technical aspects of networking, databases and privacy. Sections delve into the latest advances and cutting-edge technologies, starting with an overview of the Internet of Things and biomedical engineering, as well as a focus on 'daily life.' Contributors from various experts then discuss 'computer assisted anthropology,' CLOUDFALL, and image guided surgery, as well as bio-informatics and data mining. This comprehensive coverage of the industry and technology is a perfect resource for students and researchers interested in the topic. Presents recent advances in IoT for biomedical engineering, covering biometrics, bioinformatics, artificial intelligence, computer vision and various network applications Discusses big data and data mining in healthcare and other IoT based biomedical data analysis Includes discussions on a variety of IoT applications and medical information systems Includes case studies and applications, as well as examples

on how to automate data analysis with Perl R in IoT  
Bool of readings collected by cd-founders of emotional intelligence introduces theory measurement & applications of. Based on careful analysis of burden of disease and the costs of interventions, this second edition of 'Disease Control Priorities in Developing Countries, 2nd edition' highlights achievable priorities; measures progress toward providing efficient, equitable care; promotes cost-effective interventions to targeted populations; and encourages integrated efforts to optimize health. Nearly 500 experts - scientists, epidemiologists, health economists, academicians, and public health practitioners - from around the world contributed to the data sources and methodologies, and identified challenges and priorities, resulting in this integrated, comprehensive reference volume on the state of health in developing countries.

Based on a Navy SEAL's inspiring graduation speech, this #1 New York Times bestseller of powerful life lessons "should be read by every leader in America" (Wall Street Journal). If you want to change the world, start off by making your bed. On May 17, 2014, Admiral William H. McRaven addressed the graduating class of the University of Texas at Austin on their Commencement day. Taking inspiration from the university's slogan, "What starts here changes the world," he shared the ten principles he learned during Navy Seal training that helped him overcome challenges not only in his training and long Naval career, but also throughout his life; and he explained how anyone can use these basic lessons to change themselves-and the world-for the better. Admiral McRaven's original speech went viral with over 10 million views. Building on the core tenets laid out in his speech, McRaven now recounts tales from his own life and from those of people he encountered during his military service who dealt with hardship and made tough decisions with determination,

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compassion, honor, and courage. Told with great humility and optimism, this timeless book provides simple wisdom, practical advice, and words of encouragement that will inspire readers to achieve more, even in life's darkest moments.

"Powerful." --USA Today "Full of captivating personal anecdotes from inside the national security vault."

--Washington Post "Superb, smart, and succinct." --Forbes

This book, first published in 2002, compiles psychologists' best attempts to answer important questions about intuitive judgment.

. *Renewal of Life by Transmission*. The most notable distinction between living and inanimate things is that the former maintain themselves by renewal. A stone when struck resists. If its resistance is greater than the force of the blow struck, it remains outwardly unchanged.

Otherwise, it is shattered into smaller bits. Never does the stone attempt to react in such a way that it may maintain itself against the blow, much less so as to render the blow a contributing factor to its own continued action. While the living thing may easily be crushed by superior force, it none the less tries to turn the energies which act upon it into means of its own further existence. If it cannot do so, it does not just split into smaller pieces (at least in the higher forms of life), but loses its identity as a living thing. As long as it endures, it struggles to use surrounding energies in its own behalf. It uses light, air, moisture, and the material of soil. To say that it uses them is to say that it turns them into means of its own conservation. As long as it is growing, the energy it expends in thus turning the environment to account is more than compensated for by the return it gets: it grows. Understanding the word "control" in this sense, it

may be said that a living being is one that subjugates and controls for its own continued activity the energies that would otherwise use it up. Life is a self-renewing process through action upon the environment.

The General Theory of Employment, Interest, and Money, written by legendary author John Maynard Keynes is widely considered to be one of the top 100 greatest books of all time. This masterpiece was published right after the Great Depression. It sought to bring about a revolution, commonly referred to as the 'Keynesian Revolution', in the way economists thought—especially challenging the proposition that a market economy tends naturally to restore itself to full employment on its own. Regarded widely as the cornerstone of Keynesian thought, this book challenged the established classical economics and introduced new concepts. 'The General Theory of Employment, Interest, and Money' transformed economics and changed the face of modern macroeconomics. Keynes' argument is based on the idea that the level of employment is not determined by the price of labour, but by the spending of money. It gave way to an entirely new approach where employment, inflation and the market economy are concerned.

Collaborative teaching, or co-teaching, is a powerful way to support the learning of students with diverse learning needs. But how do you know when you're doing it right? And if you're not, what can you do about that? Authors Wendy W. Murawski and Wendy W. Lochner introduce the Collaborative Teaching Improvement Model of Excellence (CTIME), a continuous improvement model

that embraces personalized professional learning to ensure that teachers meet the core competencies for co-teaching without burning out along the way.

Incorporating a systematic application of collaborative groups, data analysis, microteaching, feedback, and collegial support, CTIME is the culmination of the best research in the field. As Murawski and Lochner walk you through their data-driven, no-fail model of co-teaching, you'll learn about

- The CTIME process and how it works.
- Co-teaching core competencies measured schoolwide and at the classroom level.
- Assessment of progress toward mastery.
- Co-teaching action plans.
- Professional learning communities and schoolwide improvement.
- Co-teaching communities of practice and microteaching.
- Co-teaching facilitation, feedback, and reflection.

Offering a practical approach to achieving mastery of the co-teaching core competencies, this book provides dozens of strategies, resources, and templates that can be used by district-level administrators, principals, and co-teaching teams. If you're ready to examine your co-teaching practices to make sure you're achieving the best possible outcomes for your students, then *Beyond Co-Teaching Basics* is for you.

*Event Studies* is the only book devoted to developing knowledge and theory about planned events. It focuses on event planning and management, outcomes, the experience of events and the meanings attached to them, the dynamic processes shaping events and why people attend them. This title draws from a large number of foundation disciplines and closely related professional fields, to foster interdisciplinary theory focused on

planned events. It brings together important discourses on events including event management, event tourism, and the study of events within various disciplines that are able to shed light on the roles, importance and impacts of events in society and culture. New to this edition: New sections on social and intangible influences, consumer psychology and legal environment, planning and policy framework to reflect recent developments in the field Extended coverage of philosophy and research methods and how they can best be used in event studies; social media as a marketing tool; and the class and cultural influences of events New and additional case studies throughout the book from a wide range of international events Companion website to include PowerPoint slides and updated Instructor's Manual including suggested lecture outlines and sequence, quizzes per chapter and essay questions.

Handbook of IoT and Blockchain: Methods, solutions, and Recent Advancements includes contributions from around the globe on recent advances and findings in the domain of Internet of Things (IoT) and Blockchain. Chapters include theoretical analysis, practical implications, and extensive surveys with analysis on methods, algorithms, and processes for new product development. IoT and Blockchain are the emerging topics in the current manufacturing scenario. This handbook includes recent advances; showcases the work of research around the globe; offers theoretical analysis and practical implications; presents extensive surveys with analysis, new contributions, and proposals on methods, algorithms, and processes; and also covers

recent advances from quantitative and qualitative articles, case studies, conceptual works, and theoretical backing. This handbook will be of interest to graduate students, researchers, academicians, institutions, and professionals that are interested in exploring the areas of IoT and Blockchain.

Economic growth is directly impacted by a multitude of different industries; in recent years, the service industry has emerged as a significant contributor to the global economy. As such, the effective management of this sector has become a widely studied topic. The Handbook of Research on Promotional Strategies and Consumer Influence in the Service Sector is an authoritative reference source for the latest research on emerging methods for innovative service design and delivery, examining how growing customer expectations and global competition has influenced this industry. Featuring quality factors, marketing tools, and the effects of consumer behavior, this publication is ideally suited for researchers, professionals, and academicians actively involved in the service industry.

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quality reading experience, this work has been proofread and republished using a format that seamlessly blends the original graphical elements with text in an easy-to-read typeface. We appreciate your support of the preservation process, and thank you for being an important part of keeping this knowledge alive and relevant.

The book covers some of the key research developments in autism and brings together the current state of evidence on the neurobiologic understanding of this intriguing disorder. The pathogenetic mechanisms are explored by contributors from diverse perspectives including genetics, neuroimaging, neuroanatomy, neurophysiology, neurochemistry, neuroimmunology, neuroendocrinology, functional organization of the brain and clinical applications from the role of diet to vaccines. It is hoped that understanding these interconnected neurobiological systems, the programming of which is genetically modulated during neurodevelopment and mediated through a range of neuropeptides and interacting neurotransmitter systems, would no doubt assist in developing interventions that accommodate the way the brains of individuals with autism function. In keeping with the multimodal and diverse origins of the disorder, a wide range of topics is covered and these include genetic underpinnings and environmental modulation leading to epigenetic changes in the aetiology; neural substrates, potential biomarkers and endophenotypes that underlie clinical characteristics; as well as neurochemical pathways and pathophysiological mechanisms that pave the way for therapeutic

interventions.

This book provides a synoptic view of the developments in the discipline of public administration in the age of globalization. The strength of the book lies in its ability to dwell on issues critical to understanding governance, while taking into account the significant transformations that have taken place in civil society and administrative set-ups across the world. Key areas of focus: • Evolution of public administration as a discipline • Administrative theories • Contemporary developments in public administration • Public policy • Development administration • Decentralization and local governance • Social welfare administration • Citizens and administration • Public administration in India • Budget and financial administration in India • Administrative reforms in India • Globalization and public administration Written in a comprehensive text-book mould, along with model questions for each of its twelve chapters, it will be an essential reading for undergraduate and graduate-level students of public administration. It will also be useful for students appearing in various Indian civil service examinations as well as those aiming to clear the UGC-NET exam.

Classic of economic and social theory offers satiric examination of the hollowness and falsity suggested by the term "conspicuous consumption," exposing the emptiness of many standards of taste, education, dress, and culture. Today, with the impact of globalization and liberalization on the world economy, new ideas and new thinking dominate the world. The financial services sector is no exception to this. Being an integral part of the financial system of a modern industrial economy, the financial sector has witnessed a proliferation of its functions. This well-organized, easy-to-read text covers the entire gamut of development that is taking place in the Indian financial services sector. Besides

providing an extensive coverage of the dynamics of bond market, insurance, banking services, plastic cards, bancassurance, derivatives and emerging trends of real estate industries, the book also offers an in-depth knowledge of venture capital, lease financing, securitization as effective financial instruments. In addition, the text also gives a detailed account of the principles, operational policies and practices of the financial services sector. **KEY FEATURES :** Pedagogically rich to help students comprehend and apply chapter concepts. Comprehensive coverage of Indian financial regulatory bodies and practices. Detailed discussions on the working of SEBI and Stock Exchanges—both NSE and BSE. Highlights latest trends in financial services sector with figures and tables. The text is intended for the students of management as well as professionals in the field of financial management. Students pursuing professional courses such as ICWA, CFA and CA will also find the book useful.

**Systems Factorial Technology: A Theory Driven Methodology for the Identification of Perceptual and Cognitive Mechanisms** explores the theoretical and methodological tools used to investigate fundamental questions central to basic psychological and perceptual processes. Such processes include detection, identification, classification, recognition, and decision-making. This book collects the tools that allow researchers to deal with the pervasive model mimicry problems which exist in standard experimental and theoretical paradigms and includes novel applications to not only basic psychological questions, but also clinical diagnosis and links to neuroscience. Researchers can use this book to begin using the methodology behind SFT and to get an overview of current uses and future directions. The collected developments and applications of SFT allow us to peer inside the human mind and provide strong constraints on

psychological theory. Provides a thorough introduction to the diagnostic tools offered by SFT Includes a tutorial on applying the method to reaction time data from a variety of different situations Introduces novel advances for testing the significance of SFT results Incorporates new measures that allow for the relaxation of the high accuracy criterion Examines tools to expand the scope of SFT analyses Applies SFT to a spectrum of different cognitive domains across different sensory modalities

Decision Neuroscience addresses fundamental questions about how the brain makes perceptual, value-based, and more complex decisions in non-social and social contexts. This book presents compelling neuroimaging, electrophysiological, lesional, and neurocomputational models in combination with hormonal and genetic approaches, which have led to a clearer understanding of the neural mechanisms behind how the brain makes decisions. The five parts of the book address distinct but inter-related topics and are designed to serve both as classroom introductions to major subareas in decision neuroscience and as advanced syntheses of all that has been accomplished in the last decade. Part I is devoted to anatomical, neurophysiological, pharmacological, and optogenetics animal studies on reinforcement-guided decision making, such as the representation of instructions, expectations, and outcomes; the updating of action values; and the evaluation process guiding choices between prospective rewards. Part II covers the topic of the neural representations of motivation, perceptual decision making, and value-based decision making in humans, combining neurocomputational models and brain imaging studies. Part III focuses on the rapidly developing field of social decision neuroscience, integrating recent mechanistic understanding of social decisions in both non-human primates and humans. Part IV covers clinical

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aspects involving disorders of decision making that link together basic research areas including systems, cognitive, and clinical neuroscience; this part examines dysfunctions of decision making in neurological and psychiatric disorders, such as Parkinson's disease, schizophrenia, behavioral addictions, and focal brain lesions. Part V focuses on the roles of various hormones (cortisol, oxytocin, ghrelin/leptine) and genes that underlie inter-individual differences observed with stress, food choices, and social decision-making processes. The volume is essential reading for anyone interested in decision making neuroscience. With contributions that are forward-looking assessments of the current and future issues faced by researchers, Decision Neuroscience is essential reading for anyone interested in decision-making neuroscience. Provides comprehensive coverage of approaches to studying individual and social decision neuroscience, including primate neurophysiology, brain imaging in healthy humans and in various disorders, and genetic and hormonal influences on decision making Covers multiple levels of analysis, from molecular mechanisms to neural-systems dynamics and computational models of how we make choices Discusses clinical implications of process dysfunctions, including schizophrenia, Parkinson's disease, eating disorders, drug addiction, and pathological gambling Features chapters from top international researchers in the field and full-color presentation throughout with numerous illustrations to highlight key concepts

The book focuses on soft computing and its applications to solve real-world problems in different domains, ranging from medicine and health care, to supply chain management, image processing and cryptanalysis. It includes high-quality papers presented at the International Conference on Soft Computing: Theories and Applications (SoCTA 2018),

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organized by Dr. B. R. Ambedkar National Institute of Technology, Jalandhar, Punjab, India. Offering significant insights into soft computing for teachers and researchers alike, the book inspires more researchers to work in the field of soft computing.

Preparing students for successful NCLEX results and strong futures as nurses in today's world. Now in its 12th edition, Brunner and Suddarth's Textbook of Medical-Surgical Nursing is designed to assist nurses in preparing for their roles and responsibilities in the medical-surgical setting and for success on the NCLEX. In the latest edition, the resource suite is complete with a robust set of premium and included ancillaries such as simulation support, adaptive testing, and a variety of digital resources helping prepare today's students for success. This leading textbook focuses on physiological, pathophysiological, and psychosocial concepts as they relate to nursing care. Brunner is known for its strong Nursing Process focus and its readability. This edition retains these strengths and incorporates enhanced visual appeal and better portability for students. Online Tutoring powered by Smarthinking--Free online tutoring, powered by Smarthinking, gives students access to expert nursing and allied health science educators whose mission, like yours, is to achieve success. Students can access live tutoring support, critiques of written work, and other valuable tools.

This is the classic work upon which modern-day game theory is based. What began as a modest proposal that a mathematician and an economist write a short paper together blossomed, when Princeton University Press published Theory of Games and Economic Behavior. In it, John von Neumann and Oskar Morgenstern conceived a groundbreaking mathematical theory of economic and social organization, based on a theory of games of strategy. Not only would this revolutionize economics, but the entirely new

field of scientific inquiry it yielded--game theory--has since been widely used to analyze a host of real-world phenomena from arms races to optimal policy choices of presidential candidates, from vaccination policy to major league baseball salary negotiations. And it is today established throughout both the social sciences and a wide range of other sciences. *System and Process* (1957) broke the mould in political science by combining systems, game, and cybernetic concepts in its theoretical formulations. Since its publication, serious research in international relations has needed to respond to the bold hypotheses that matched equilibrial rules with type of system. Kaplan's life-long interest in finding an objective basis for moral judgments had its scholarly origins in an appendix of this classical book, which incorporated his understanding of philosophy and, in particular, the philosophy of science. A second appendix on 'The Mechanisms of Regulation' explored the cybernetic and recursive nature of knowing. In this book Michels analyzes the tendencies that oppose the realization of democracy, and claims that these tendencies can be classified in three ways: dependence upon the nature of the individual; dependence upon the nature of the political structure; and dependence upon the nature of organization. This edition, described by Morris Janowitz as a "classic of modern social science" and by Melvin Tumin as "the beginning of a tradition", offers a landmark study in political science. Following its original publication in 1910, the study and analysis of political parties was established as a new branch of science. *Political Parties* continues to be a foundation work in the literature and is a necessary addition to the

libraries of contemporary political scientists, sociologists, and historians. Copyright © Libri GmbH. All rights reserved.

Predicts the pace of environmental change during the next thirty years and the ways in which the individual must face and learn to cope with personal and social change

The book features original papers from the 2nd International Conference on Smart IoT Systems: Innovations and Computing (SSIC 2019), presenting scientific work related to smart solution concepts. It discusses computational collective intelligence, which includes interactions between smart devices, smart environments and smart interactions, as well as information technology support for such areas. It also describes how to successfully approach various government organizations for funding for business and the humanitarian technology development projects. Thanks to the high-quality content and the broad range of the topics covered, the book appeals to researchers pursuing advanced studies.

With the subject poised to occupy an important niche in B-school curricula, this path-breaking book, rich in textual detail, draws on a wealth of practical examples to illustrate the basics as well as the finer points of crucial decision making situations in the real estate business, such as:

- v Creating viable alternatives as substitutes for saturated markets.
- v Customizing products and services to meet the demand of new markets.
- v How to reach the customer in the best possible manner.
- v Pricing strategies that are irresistible.
- v Defining distribution



channels to capture latent customer needs. This book will be an invaluable resource for students, faculty, as well as practitioners of real estate business.

In *The Economics of Welfare*, originally published in 1920, Pigou reconceptualized economics as a science of economic welfare, in the course of which he developed the first systematic theory of market failures. Employing Alfred Marshall's theoretical framework and the utilitarian logic of Henry Sidgwick, he argued that the Smithian 'system of natural liberty' can fail to maximise economic welfare in three crucial spheres. Economic transactions grounded in the free play of self-interest may achieve a suboptimal allocation of resources by producing spillovers; they may maldistribute the national income, damaging much of the population; and they may generate business cycles, causing unemployment as well as income and consumption instabilities. In his analysis of how to repair these failures, Pigou made an elaborate, carefully reasoned case that interventions in otherwise unfettered markets may be in order. This reissued classic includes a new introduction by Nahid Aslanbeigui and Guy Oakes, who offer fresh ideas on *The Economics of Welfare* as a treatise that cannot be reduced to a programmatic collection of taxes and subsidies designed to maximise economic welfare. They also spell out the implications of Pigou's thought for contemporary economics.

In this candid and witty autobiography, Nobel laureate Herbert A. Simon looks at his distinguished and varied career, continually asking himself whether (and how) what he learned as a scientist helps to explain other

aspects of his life. A brilliant polymath in an age of increasing specialization, Simon is one of those rare scholars whose work defines fields of inquiry. Crossing disciplinary lines in half a dozen fields, Simon's story encompasses an explosion in the information sciences, the transformation of psychology by the information-processing paradigm, and the use of computer simulation for modeling the behavior of highly complex systems. Simon's theory of bounded rationality led to a Nobel Prize in economics, and his work on building machines that think—based on the notion that human intelligence is the rule-governed manipulation of symbols—laid conceptual foundations for the new cognitive science. Subsequently, contrasting metaphors of the maze (Simon's view) and of the mind (neural nets) have dominated the artificial intelligence debate. There is also a warm account of his successful marriage and of an unconsummated love affair, letters to his children, columns, a short story, and political and personal intrigue in academe.

This book presents five critical dimensions on relationships, institutions, production, organisation, and governance from design and systems perspectives for the systematic transition of unstable and vulnerable communities across the world to sustainable community systems.

- The first section discusses features of relationships and processes to deep cooperation and trust within a community.
- The second section examines institutions within and outside a district to foster synergy across institutions within a district and to minimise negative externalities on local communities within a

district. • The third section deals with food production systems that are nature-friendly, resilient, efficient and sustainable. • The fourth section discusses the design of producer organisations that can graduate to become sustainable community enterprise systems. • The fifth section focuses on community governance that can facilitate decentralised, participatory, transparent and democratic local governance systems. This book • offers a fresh perspective on design thinking for optimising internal design consistencies. • provides a systems perspective on building sustainable community systems at the lowest governance unit in different countries, such as Ward/Gram Panchayat/Panchayat Council/Gewong/Union Council/GN. • gives insights into design & systems perspectives towards building sustainable community systems within a district of any country across the world.

**Climate Change and Sustainable Development:**

Mitigation and Adaptation focuses on the link between climate change threats and sustainable development goals. This book analyzes the policies of climate change mitigation and adaptation from an economic point of view by addressing globalization, international trade, and business opportunities and challenges. Based on extended research on energy, transportation, agriculture, and more, the case studies included in this book present business opportunities linked to mitigation and adaptation actions; from European Union greenhouse gas emission trading to climate change adaptation policies in developing countries. It presents a framework for the harmonization of climate and sustainable

development policies and their mutual outcomes.

Specific features: The first book to address main scientific aspects of climate change mitigation and sustainable development and how to deal with these main challenges in a harmonized way Provides practical examples of policies and business development opportunities linked with climate change mitigation and adaptation Analyses climate change challenges and provides implications for business development and good practice case studies from Europe Discusses issues of climate change at different scales ranging from macro to micro level Highlights the importance of climate change adaptation for developing countries, migration trends, city developments and agriculture As the threat of climate change grows ever more present, resources like this book, that provide and discuss necessary solutions and frameworks for ways to deal with and mitigate that threat become ever more essential. This book is a vital resource for academics, students, and professionals in any field seeking to deal with the threats from climate change, and particularly those relating to environmental and climate sciences, as well as those in political and economic fields.

This book is a detailed account of how hierarchy has been maintained historically by the Nepali state, affirming the uniqueness of a caste-based social order by bringing outsiders, especially ethnic groups and religious minorities, into the caste fold. Focusing on the contemporary state of Dalits, the community that was and is put at the bottom of a very hierarchical social order in Nepal, the author argues that the traditional

caste-based social order is still prevalent in the “new” Nepal even after the recent socio-political and constitutional changes. Illustrated by scientifically employed and interpreted data mainly in the three sectors of education, politics and employment, the book postulates that people who were and are born into the “high caste” still have more access to the resources and opportunities available in society in comparison with those born into the “lower” caste. It further argues that although reservation policies are in place to address social exclusion, these could not bring expected outcomes mainly due to the lack of engagement, if not ignorance, of both dominant groups and the community in the margin. The absence of clarity among political actors on the positive discrimination and affirmative actions has contributed to backtracking the recently created space in line with “inclusive Nepal”.

Nobel Laureate Herbert A. Simon has in the past quarter century been in the front line of the information-processing revolution; in fact, to a remarkable extent his and his colleagues' contributions have written the history of that revolution in cognitive psychology. Research in this burgeoning new branch of knowledge seeks to describe with precision the workings of the human mind in terms of a small number of basic mechanisms organized into strategies. Newly developed computer languages express theories of mental processes, so that computers can then simulate the predicted human behavior. This book brings together papers dating from the start of Simon's career to the present. Its focus is on modeling the chief components of human cognition and

on testing these models experimentally. After considering basic structural elements of the human information-processing system (especially search, selective attention, and storage in memory), Simon builds from these components a system capable of solving problems, inducing rules and concepts, perceiving, and understanding. These essays describe a relatively austere, simple, and unified processing system capable of highly complex and various tasks. They provide strong evidence for an explanation of human thinking in terms of basic information processes.

In the years since it first published, *Neuroeconomics: Decision Making and the Brain* has become the standard reference and textbook in the burgeoning field of neuroeconomics. The second edition, a nearly complete revision of this landmark book, will set a new standard. This new edition features five sections designed to serve as both classroom-friendly introductions to each of the major subareas in neuroeconomics, and as advanced synopses of all that has been accomplished in the last two decades in this rapidly expanding academic discipline. The first of these sections provides useful introductions to the disciplines of microeconomics, the psychology of judgment and decision, computational neuroscience, and anthropology for scholars and students seeking interdisciplinary breadth. The second section provides an overview of how human and animal preferences are represented in the mammalian nervous systems. Chapters on risk, time preferences, social preferences, emotion, pharmacology, and common neural currencies—each written by leading experts—lay

out the foundations of neuroeconomic thought. The third section contains both overview and in-depth chapters on the fundamentals of reinforcement learning, value learning, and value representation. The fourth section, “The Neural Mechanisms for Choice, integrates what is known about the decision-making architecture into state-of-the-art models of how we make choices. The final section embeds these mechanisms in a larger social context, showing how these mechanisms function during social decision-making in both humans and animals. The book provides a historically rich exposition in each of its chapters and emphasizes both the accomplishments and the controversies in the field. A clear explanatory style and a single expository voice characterize all chapters, making core issues in economics, psychology, and neuroscience accessible to scholars from all disciplines. The volume is essential reading for anyone interested in neuroeconomics in particular or decision making in general. Editors and contributing authors are among the acknowledged experts and founders in the field, making this the authoritative reference for neuroeconomics Suitable as an advanced undergraduate or graduate textbook as well as a thorough reference for active researchers Introductory chapters on economics, psychology, neuroscience, and anthropology provide students and scholars from any discipline with the keys to understanding this interdisciplinary field Detailed chapters on subjects that include reinforcement learning, risk, inter-temporal choice, drift-diffusion models, game theory, and prospect theory make this an invaluable reference Published in association with the Society for

Neuroeconomics—[www.neuroeconomics.org](http://www.neuroeconomics.org) Full-color presentation throughout with numerous carefully selected illustrations to highlight key concepts

This book provides an introduction to the theory, method, and practice of State-Trace Analysis (STA), and includes a detailed tutorial on the statistical analysis of state-trace designs. The book offers instructions on how to perform state-trace analysis using the authors' own publicly-available software in both Matlab and R. The book begins by discussing the general framework for thinking about the relationships between independent variables, latent variables, and dependent variables. Subsequent chapters provide a software package that can be used to fit state-trace models as well as additional designs and examples. The book concludes with a discussion on potential extensions of STA and additional aspects of its application. State-Trace Analysis will be of interest to researchers and graduate students working in experimental, applied, and cognitive psychology.

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