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Revealed Preference Theory 2016-01-05

the theory of revealed preference has a long distinguished tradition in economics but lacked a systematic presentation of the theory until now this book deals with basic questions in economic theory and studies situations in which empirical observations are consistent or inconsistent with some of the best known economic theories

Economic Policy: Theory and Practice 2018-11-07

economic policy provides a unique combination of facts based analysis state of the art economic theory and insights from first hand policy experience at the national and international levels to shed light on current domestic and international policy challenges it is ideally suited for students practitioners and scholars seeking understanding both of the pragmatic constraints of real world policy making and the analytical tools that enhance inquiry and inform debates the authors draw on their experiences as academics and as policy makers in european and international institutions to offer a deep dive into the rationale design and implementation of economic policy across a range of policy domains fiscal policy monetary policy international finance financial stability taxes long term growth and inequality highlighting the ways experience theories and institutions interact each chapter starts with historical examples of dilemmas and shows how theoretical approaches can help policy makers understand what is at stake and identify solutions the authors highlight the differences between the positive approach to economic policy how do policies impact the economy the normative approach what should be policymakers objectives and against which criteria should their action be judged and the political economy constraints what are the limits and obstacles to public intervention they rely on the most recent academic research providing technical boxes while explaining the mechanisms in plain english in the text with appropriate illustrations this new edition is informed by such important recent developments as the great recession the strains on the european union and the euro the challenges of public and private debt the successes and setbacks to emerging markets changes to labor markets along with the increased attention to inequality the debates on secular stagnation and its implications for conventional and unconventional monetary policy the re regulation of the financial sector the debt overhang in both the public and the private sector

Thermosyphons and Heat Pipes: Theory and Applications 2020-12-22

this book is about theories and applications of thermosyphons and heat pipes it discusses the physical phenomena that drive the working principles of thermosyphons heat pipes and related technologies many applications are discussed in this book including rationalizing energy use in industry solar heating of houses decrease of water consumption in cooling towers improvement of the thermal performance of industrial and domestic ovens and driers and new devices for heating stored oil and gas in petrochemical plants besides the book also presents heat pipe and thermosyphon technologies for the thermal management of electronic devices from portable equipment to airplanes and satellites the first part of the book explores the physical working principles of thermosyphons and heat pipes by explaining current heat transfer and thermal resistance models the author discusses the new heat pipe and thermosyphon technologies that have been developed in the last decade for solving a myriad of electronic environment and industrial heat and thermal problems the focus then shifts to the thermosyphon technology applications and the models and simulations necessary for each application including vehicles domestic appliances water conservation technologies and the thermal control of houses and other structures finally the book looks at the new technologies for heat pipes mini micro and similar devices loop heat pipes including new models for prediction of the thermal performance of porous media this book inspires engineers to adopt innovative approaches to heat transfer problems in equipment and components by applying thermosyphon and heat pipe technologies it is also of interest to researchers and academics working in the heat transfer field and to students who wish to learn more about heat transfer devices

Theory of Cryptography 2022-12-21

the three volume set lncs 13747 lncs 13748 and lncs 13749 constitutes the refereed proceedings of the 20th international conference on theory of cryptography tcc 2022 held in chicago il usa in november 2022 the total of 60 full papers presented in this three volume set was carefully reviewed and selected from 139 submissions they cover topics on post quantum cryptography interactive proofs quantum cryptography secret sharing and applications succinct proofs identity based encryption and functional encryption attribute based encryption and functional encryption encryption protocols key agreement and commitments theory sampling and friends lattices anonymity verfiability and robustness oram ot and pir and theory

Democratic Theory and Mass Incarceration 2016-09-26

the united states leads the world in incarceration and the united kingdom is persistently one of the european countries with the highest per capita rates of imprisonment yet despite its increasing visibility as a social issue mass incarceration and its inconsistency with core democratic ideals rarely surfaces in contemporary anglo american political theory democratic theory and mass incarceration seeks to overcome this puzzling disconnect by deepening the dialogue between democratic theory and punishment policy this collection of original essays initiates a multi disciplinary discussion among philosophers political theorists and criminologists regarding ways in which contemporary democratic theory might begin to think beyond mass incarceration rather than viewing punishment as a natural reaction to crime and imprisonment as a sensible outgrowth of this reaction the volume argues that crime and punishment are institutions that reveal unmet demands for public oversight and democratic influence chapters explore theoretical paths towards de carceration and alternatives to prison suggest ways in which democratic theory can strengthen recent reform movements and offer creative alternatives to mass incarceration democratic theory and mass incarceration offers guideposts for critical thinking about incarceration examining ways to rebuild crime control institutions and create a healthier more just society

Theory and Computation in Hydrodynamic Stability 2018-12-06

offers modern and numerical techniques for the stability of fluid flow with illustrations an extensive bibliography and exercises with solutions

<u>Higher Education: Handbook of Theory and Research</u> 2018-04-06

published annually since 1985 the handbook series provides a compendium of thorough and integrative literature reviews on a diverse array of topics of interest to the higher education scholarly and policy communities each chapter provides a comprehensive review of research findings on a selected topic critiques the research literature in terms of its conceptual and methodological rigor and sets forth an agenda for future research intended to advance knowledge on the chosen topic the handbook focuses on a comprehensive set of central areas of study in higher education that encompasses the salient dimensions of scholarly and policy inquiries undertaken in the international higher education community each annual volume contains chapters on such diverse topics as research on college students and faculty organization and administration curriculum and instruction policy diversity issues economics and finance history and philosophy community colleges advances in research methodology and more the series is fortunate to have attracted annual contributions from distinguished scholars throughout the world

Economics, Game Theory And International Environmental Agreements: The Ca' Foscari Lectures 2019-05-29

the science and management of environmental problems is a vast area comprising both the natural and social sciences and the multidisciplinary links often make these issues challenging to comprehend economics game theory and international environmental agreements the ca foscari lectures aims to introduce students to the multidimensional character of international environmental problems in general and climate change in particular ecology economics game theory and diplomacy are called upon and brought together in the common framework of a basic mathematical model within that framework and using tools from these four disciplines the book develops a theory that aims to explain and promote cooperation in international environmental affairs other books on the topic tend to be research oriented volumes of various papers instead this is a book that offers a reasonably sized synthesis of the multidimensional societal problems of transfrontier pollution particularly of climate change it uses mathematical modeling of economic and game theory concepts to examine these environmental issues and demonstrate many results in an accessible fashion readers interested in understanding the links between ecology and economics as well as the connection between economics and institutional decision making will find in this text not only answers to many of their queries but also questions for further thinking

Theory of Shocks, COVID-19, and Normative Fundamentals for Policy Responses 2021-03-18

the phenomenon of shocks is often mentioned in relation to economic crises but rarely studied this gap in research has resulted in shocks being poorly understood with no fundamental explanation of their inciting conditions it is a system forming problem that cannot be investigated without dynamic ideas about the economy but an incomplete understanding of this event leaves economic systems vulnerable to collapse theory of shocks covid 19 and normative fundamentals for policy responses is an essential publication that explores the factors that cause economic shocks and the mechanisms of their implementation the book serves as a resource for the development of policy oriented frameworks for achieving and maintaining national and international strategies to properly manage future global shocks featuring coverage of a wide range of topics including dialectics self evolvement and structural relationships this book is ideally designed for economists executives managers entrepreneurs academicians students and researchers in the areas of finance macroeconomics economic theory and risk assessment

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Thermal Barrier Coatings: Failure Theory and Evaluation Technology 2017-05-25

this book highlights the failure theories and evaluation techniques of thermal barrier coatings covering the thermal mechanical chemical coupling theories performance and damage characterization techniques and related evaluations thermal barrier coatings are the key thermal protection materials for high temperature components in advanced aeroengines coating spallation is a major technical bottleneck faced by researchers the extremely complex microstructure diverse service environments and failure behaviors bring challenges to the spallation analysis in terms of the selective use of mechanical theories experimental methods and testing platforms in the book the authors provide a systematic summary of the latest research and technological advances and present their insights and findings in the past couple of decades this book is not only suitable for researchers and engineers in thermal barrier coatings and related fields but also a good reference for upper undergraduate and postgraduate students of materials science and mechanics majors

Computational Social Psychology 2017-04-06

computational social psychology showcases a new approach to social psychology that enables theorists and researchers to specify social psychological processes in terms of formal rules that can be implemented and tested using the power of high speed computing technology and sophisticated software this approach allows for previously infeasible investigations of the multi dimensional nature of human experience as it unfolds in accordance with different temporal patterns on different timescales in effect the computational approach represents a rediscovery of the themes and ambitions that launched the field over a century ago the book brings together social psychologists with varying topical interests who are taking the lead in this redirection of the field many present formal models that are implemented in computer simulations to test basic assumptions and investigate the emergence of higher order properties others develop models to fit the real time evolution of people s inner states overt behavior and social interactions collectively the contributions illustrate how the methods and tools of the computational approach can investigate and transform the diverse landscape of social psychology

Design Theory 2024-03-29

this textbook presents the core of recent advances in design theory and its implications for design methods and design organization providing a unified perspective on different design methods and approaches from the most classic systematic design to the most advanced c k theory it offers a unique and integrated presentation of traditional and contemporary theories in the field examining the principles of each theory this guide utilizes numerous real life industrial applications with clear links to engineering design industrial design management economics psychology and creativity containing a section of exams with detailed answers it is useful for courses in design theory engineering design and advanced innovation management students and professors practitioners and researchers in diverse disciplines interested in design will find in this book a rich and vital source for studying fundamental design methods and tools as well as the most advanced design theories that work in practice professor yoram reich tel aviv university editor in chief research in engineering design twenty years of research in design theory and engineering have shown that training in creative design is indeed possible and offers remarkably operational methods this book is indispensable for all leaders and practitioners who wish to strengthen theinnovation capacity of their company pascal daloz executive vice president dassault systèmes

Theory and Technology of Wireless Power Transfer 2016

shinohara and co authors present a comprehensive and in depth discussion of all current wireless power transfer wpt methods and meet the growing need for a detailed understanding of the advantages disadvantages and applications of each method wpt is a game changing technology not only for iot networks and sensors but also for mobile chargers long flying drones solar powered satellites and more and the list of potential applications will continue to grow each author s chapter is based on a minimum of 13 years and a maximum of over 30 years of research experience on selected wpt technologies to explain the theory and advantages and disadvantages of this to various applications the book provides an insight into wpt theories and technologies including inductive coupling for short distance wpt radio waves for long distance wpt optical wpt using lasers supersonic wpt in water and more the characteristics of each wpt method are compared theoretically and technically the differences of each wpt method are explained with reference to the different theories techniques and suitable applications the reader will gain an understanding of the recent and future commercial market and regulations regarding wpt they will be able to apply this knowledge to select the appropriate wpt method for their desired application this book is appropriate for students wpt researchers and engineers in industry who are developing wpt applications

How Traditions Live and Die 2016-07-08

of all the things we do and say most will never be repeated or reproduced once in a while however an idea or a practice generates a chain of transmission that covers more distance through space and time than any individual person ever could what makes such transmission chains possible for two centuries the dominant view from psychology to anthropology was that humans owe their cultural prosperity to their powers of imitation in this view modern cultures exist because the people who carry them are gifted at remembering storing and reproducing information how traditions live and die proposes an alternative to this standard view what makes traditions live is not a general purpose imitation capacity cultural transmission is partial selective often unfaithful some traditions live on in spite of this because they tap into widespread and basic cognitive preferences these attractive traditions spread not by being better retained or more accurately transferred but because they are transmitted over and over this theory is used to shed light on various puzzles of cultural change from the distribution of bird songs to the staying power of children s rhymes and to explain the special relation that links the human species to its cultures morin combines recent work in cognitive anthropology with new advances in quantitative cultural history to map and predict the diffusion of traditions this book is both an introduction and an accessible alternative to contemporary theories of cultural evolution

African Indigenous Knowledge and the Sciences 2015

this book is an intellectual journey into epistemology pedagogy physics architecture medicine and metallurgy the focus is on various dimensions of african indigenous knowledge aik with an emphasis on the sciences an area that has been neglected in aik discourse the authors provide diverse views and perspectives on african indigenous scientific and technological knowledge that can benefit a wide spectrum of academics scholars students development agents and policy makers in both governmental and non governmental organizations and enable critical and alternative analyses and possibilities for understanding science and technology in an african historical and contemporary context

2018-04-17

the effects of climate change rapid urbanization and aging infrastructure challenge water policymakers to confront a radical paradigm shift in water resources utilization recent advances in sensing networking processing and control have provided the means for sustainable solutions in water management and their implementation in water infrastructures is collectively referred to as smart water grids smart water grids depend upon cyber physical system principles to effectively respond to issues regarding the scalability and reliability of dynamic and inaccessible environments as such unique smart water grid issues associated with front end signal processing communication control and data analysis must be jointly addressed while sophisticated techniques for data analytics must be introduced into cyber physical systems research this book provides a thorough description of the best practices for designing and implementing cyber physical systems that are tailored to different aspects of smart water grids it is organized into three distinct yet complementary areas namely the theory behind water oriented cyber physical systems with an emphasis on front end sensing and processing communication technologies and learning techniques over water data the applications and emerging topics of cyber physical systems for water urban infrastructures including real life deployments modern control tools and economic aspects for smart water grids and the applications and emerging topics across natural environments emphasizing the evolution of fresh water resources the structured discussion yields a rich comprehensive body of knowledge on this emerging topic of research and engineering as water issues intensify on a global scale this book offers an algorithmic and practical toolkit for intermediate and advanced readers as well as professionals and researchers who are active in or interested in learning more about smart water grids key features emphasizes the multidisciplinary nature of this emerging topic covering both theoretical and practical aspects of this area while providing insights on existing deployments which can serve as design examples for new applications explores how modern signal processing and machine learning techniques can contribute and enrich the potential of smart water grids well beyond conventional closed loop control techniques highlights complementary aspects that will help shape the future of smart water grids such as consumption awareness economic aspects and control tools in industrial water treatment as well as the impact of climate change on fresh water resources enables the reader to better understand this emerging topic investing in current state of the art and future technological roadmaps for smart water grids

Smart Water Grids 2015-06-09

this 2015 oecd economic survey of new zealand examines recent economic developments policies and prospects special chapters cover sustaining the economic expansion and making growth more inclusive

OECD Economic Surveys: New Zealand 2015 2016-11-03

this book investigates whether a power shift has taken place in the asia pacific region since the end of the cold war by systematically examining the development of power dynamics in asia pacific it challenges the notion that a wealthier and militarily more powerful china is automatically turning the regional tides in its favour with a special emphasis on sino us competition the book explores the alleged linkage between the regional distribution of relevant material and immaterial

capabilities national power and the much cited regional power shift the book presents a novel concept for measuring power in international relations by outlining a composite index on aggregated power ciap that includes 55 variables for 44 regional countries and covers a period of twenty years moreover it develops a middle power theory that outlines the significance of middle powers in times of major power shifts by addressing political military and economic cooperation via a structured focused comparison and by applying a comparative historical analysis the book analyses in depth the bilateral relations of six regional middle powers to washington and beijing

Shifting Power in Asia-Pacific? 2020-03-09

the post independence integration endeavor of the east african community has been punctuated with challenges culminating into the collapse of the 1967 1977 regional organization the renaissance of the integration agenda since the re establishment of the regional organization in 1999 has rekindled epistemological debate among scholars and practitioners on the east african community raison d etre and integration process this volume is the first of its kind in this ongoing debate that puts into proper context the nexus between the east african citizens and the integration agenda focusing on the partner states case studies the authors of the chapters operationalize the concepts of popular participation eastafricanness eastafricanization democratization and integration using political national constitutions and eac treaty communication and awareness dimensions the authors of the chapters have analyzed the nexus between the eaccitizens and the integration process the study generally proceeds from the premise that the exclusion of the eac citizens from exercising their sovereign rights through popular participation undermines the prospects for the institutionalization and consolidation of the eac identity eastafricanness eastafricanization democratization and integration

Popular Participation in the Integration of the East African Community 2018-11-29

over the past two decades experimental economics has moved from a fringe activity to become a standard tool for empirical research with experimental economics now regarded as part of the basic tool kit for applied economics this book demonstrates how controlled experiments can be a useful in providing evidence relevant to economic research professors jacquemet and l haridon take the standard model in applied econometrics as a basis to the methodology of controlled experiments methodological discussions are illustrated with standard experimental results this book provides future experimental practitioners with the means to construct experiments that fit their research question and new comers with an understanding of the strengths and weaknesses of controlled experimental economics will be able to learn how to undertake understand and criticise empirical research based on lab experiments and refer to specific experiments results or designs completed with case study applications

Experimental Economics 2019-08-26

madison powers and ruth faden here develop an innovative theory of structural injustice that links human rights norms and fairness norms norms of both kinds are grounded in an account of well being their well being account provides the foundation for human rights explains the depth of unfairness of systematic patterns of disadvantage and locates the unfairness of power relations in forms of control some groups have over the well being of other groups they explain how human rights violations and structurally unfair patterns of power and advantage are so often interconnected unlike theories of structural injustice tailored for largely benign social processes powers and faden s theory addresses typical patterns of structural injustice those in which the wrongful conduct of identifiable agents creates or sustains mutually reinforcing forms of injustice these patterns exist both within nation states and across national boundaries however this theory rejects the claim that for a structural theory to be broadly applicable both within and across national boundaries its central claims must be universally endorsable instead powers and faden find support for their theory in examples of structural injustice around the world and in the insights and perspectives of related social movements their theory also differs from approaches that make enhanced democratic decision making or the global extension of republican institutions the centerpiece of proposed remedies instead the theory focuses on justifiable forms of resistance in circumstances in which institutions are unwilling or unable to address pressing problems of injustice the insights developed in structural injustice will interest not only scholars and students in a range of disciplines from political philosophy to feminist theory and environmental justice but also activists and journalists engaged with issues of social justice

Structural Injustice 2016-05-17

new york times bestseller washington post bestseller winner of the getabstract 17th international book award the seventh sense is a concept every businessman diplomat or student should aspire to master a powerful idea backed by stories and figures that will be impossible to forget walter isaacson author of steve jobs and leonardo da vinci endless terror refugee waves an unfixable global economy surprising election results new billion dollar fortunes miracle medical advances what if they were all connected what if you could understand why the seventh sense is the story of what all of today s successful figures see and feel the forces that are invisible to most of us but explain everything from explosive technological change to uneasy political ripples the secret to power now is understanding our new age of networks not merely the internet but also webs of trade finance and even dna based on his years of advising generals ceos and politicians ramo takes us into the opaque heart of our world s rapidly connected systems and teaches us what the losers are not yet seeing and what the victors of this age already know

The Seventh Sense 2015-10-29

this volume documents international national and small scale testing and assessment projects of english language education for young learners across a range of educational contexts it covers three main areas age appropriate can do statements and task types for teaching and testing learners between the ages of 6 to 13 innovative approaches to self assessment diagnostic testing self perception and computer based testing and findings on how young learners perform on vocabulary listening speaking pronunciation and reading comprehension tests in european and asian contexts early language learning has become a major trend in english language education around the globe as a result of the spread of teaching english to a growing number of young children assessment of and for learning have emerged as key issues in line with this development there is a clear and emerging need to make early language programs accountable and to assess both the progress children make over time and to quantify their achievement at various stages of development this volume informs stakeholders about the realistic goals of early language learning their efficiency and how much progress children make over time

Assessing Young Learners of English: Global and Local Perspectives 2016-07-07

this 2016 edition of the oecd employment outlook provides an in depth review of recent labour market trends and short term prospects in oecd countries the outlook s analysis and recommendations are complemented by a statistical annex

OECD Employment Outlook 2016 2021-02-02

the definitive reference work with comprehensive analysis and review of peer production peer production is no longer the sole domain of small groups of technical or academic elites the internet has enabled millions of people to collectively produce revise and distribute everything from computer operating systems and applications to encyclopedia articles and film and television databases today peer production has branched out to include wireless networks online currencies biohacking and peer to peer urbanism amongst others the handbook of peer production outlines central concepts examines current and emerging areas of application and analyzes the forms and principles of cooperation that continue to impact multiple areas of production and sociality featuring contributions from an international team of experts in the field this landmark work maps the origins and manifestations of peer production discusses the factors and conditions that are enabling advancing and co opting peer production and considers its current impact and potential consequences for the social order detailed chapters address the governance political economy and cultures of peer production user motivations social rules and norms the role of peer production in social change and activism and much more filling a gap in available literature as the only extensive overview of peer production s modes of generating informational goods and services this groundbreaking volume offers accessible up to date information to both specialists and non specialists across academia industry journalism and public advocacy includes interviews with leading practitioners discussing the future of peer production discusses the history traditions key debates and pioneers of peer production explores technologies for peer production openness and licensing peer learning open design and manufacturing and free and open source software the handbook of peer production is an indispensable resource for students instructors researchers and professionals working in fields including communication studies science and technology studies sociology and management studies as well as those interested in the network information economy the public domain and new forms of organization and networking

The Handbook of Peer Production 2016-10-26

the conflict in ukraine and russia s annexation of crimea has undoubtedly been a pivotal moment for policy makers and military planners in europe and beyond many analysts see an unexpected character in the conflict and expect negative reverberations and a long lasting period of turbulence and uncertainty the de legitimation of international institutions and a declining role for global norms and rules did these events bring substantial correctives and modifications to the extant conceptualization of international relations does the conflict significantly alter previous assumptions and foster a new academic vocabulary or does it confirm the validity of well established schools of thought in international relations has the crisis in ukraine confirmed the vitality and academic vigour of conventional concepts these questions are the starting points for this book covering conceptualisations from rationalist to reflectivist and from quantitative to qualitative most contributors agree that many of the old concepts such as multi polarity spheres of influence sovereignty or even containment are still cognitively valid yet believe the eruption of the crisis means that they are now used in different contexts and thus infused with different meanings it is these multiple conceptual languages that the volume puts at the centre of its analysis this text will be of great interest to students and scholars studying international relations politics and russian and ukrainian studies

Vocabularies of International Relations After the Crisis in Ukraine 2019-12-12

this book draws upon economic and sociological theory to provide a comprehensive discussion of economic space for social innovation addressing especially marginalized groups and the long term projects programmes and policies that have emerged and evolved within and across european states it approaches the explanatory and normative questions raised by this topic via a novel approach the extended social grid model esgm taking inspiration from the fields of economic sociology and ethics this model shows that social innovation processes must be structural and require change in power relations if marginalization is to be effectively dealt with via social innovation part i of the book sets out the esgm including an exposition on the model along with background chapters on innovation power and marginalization ethics and social innovation and empirical methods part ii explores the model with a focus on social innovation trajectories of social housing drinking water provision employment education and food provision it also explores the operationalization of the model with a view to agency and empowerment as well as social innovation policy in europe and the use of social impact bonds as a tool for financing social innovation part iii revisits the esgm and considers the explanatory adequacy and fruitfulness of the model for innovation research and for theorizing social innovation addressing questions on the role and limitations of participation in social innovation for the marginalized the role of capital for creating economic space for capabilities and how we can approach the social impact of social innovation this collection of essays presents a diverse range of perspectives on understanding and addressing the key issue of marginalization and offers key recommendations for policy makers engaging with social innovation across the european union and beyond

Creating Economic Space for Social Innovation 2016-06-23

politics in scotland is an authoritative introduction to the contemporary political landscape in scotland and an essential text for undergraduate and postgraduate students of scottish politics written by leading experts in the field it is coherently organised to provide a clear and comprehensive overview of a range of themes in contemporary scottish politics key topics include government and electoral behaviour representation and political parties in scotland public policy and scotland s relationship with the rest of the world scottish politics both in the run up to and after the 2014 referendum the future of scottish government and politics this textbook will be essential reading for students of scottish politics british politics devolution government and policy

Politics in Scotland 2015-05-01

this volume is part of the ongoing collaboration between the rmc series and the socio economic institute for firms and organizations iseor a french intervention research think tank co directed by henri savall and véronique zardet building on an earlier collaboration on the iseor approach socio economic intervention in organizations the intervener researcher and the seam approach to organizational analysis iap 2007 buono and savall bring together over 30 talented intervener researchers to explore and examine the ongoing evolution of the socio economic

approach to management seam this volume revisits the application of seam in the context of intervention challenges in the wake of the recent economic crisis and the disruptive change that has taken hold across the world the basic foundation of seam built on the idea of strategic patience the need to undertake holistic intervention in organizations and the challenge to get organizational members to listen to themselves through what they refer to as the mirror effect has remained the same in response to economic and organizational pressures in the current environment however there has been a concomitant emphasis on helping client organizations achieve short term results while still maintaining focus on the long term many ideas that have become part of the current discourse within iseor today were not as explicitly addressed in the initial volume from the destructive effect of the taylorism fayolism weberism tfw virus to the need to focus on ways to ensure the sustainability of a seam intervention the growing importance of collaborative interactions between external and internal consultants and the growing importance of cocreating knowledge with client firms and organizations

<u>The Socio-Economic Approach to Management Revisited</u> 2018-03-12

raise the skill and competency level of project finance organizations project finance for business development helps readers understand how to develop a competitive advantage through project finance most importantly it shows how different elements of project finance such as opportunity screening and evaluation project development risk management and due diligence come together to structure viable and financeable projects which are crucial pieces missing from the current literature eliminating misconceptions about what is really important for successful project financings this book shows you how to develop structure and implement projects successfully by creating competitive advantage by shedding light on project finance failures it also helps you avoid failures of your own offers a roadmap for successful financing participant roles and responsibilities and assessing and testing project viability considers project finance from a broad business development and competitive advantage provides a strategic decision forecasting perspective delves deeper than existing treatments of project finance into decisions needed to create and implement effective financing plans helping readers develop structure and implement projects successfully by creating competitive advantage this book is a useful tool for project sponsors and developers helping them structure and implement projects by creating competitive advantage

Project Finance for Business Development 2017-01-06

discussions of the use and limits of randomized control trials considering the power of theory external validity gaps in knowledge and what issues matter the practice of development economics has undergone something of a revolution as many economists have adopted new methods to answer perennial questions about the effectiveness of anti poverty programs in this book prominent development economists discuss the use and impact of one of the most significant of these new methods randomized control trials rcts and field experiments in extended interviews conducted over a period of several years they explain their work and their thinking and consider the broader issues of how we learn about the world and how we can change it for the better these conversations offer specialists and nonspecialists alike a unique opportunity to hear economists speak in their own words free of the confines of a particular study or econometric esoterica the economists describe how they apply research findings in the way they think about the world revealing their ideas about the power of theory external validity gaps in knowledge and what issues matter also included are interviews with rct observers critics sponsors consumers and others each interview provides a brief biography of the interviewee thorough annotations offer background and explanations for key ideas and studies referred to in the conversations contributors abhijit banerjee nancy birdsall chris blattman alex counts tyler cowen angus deaton frank degiovanni esther duflo pascaline dupas xavi gine rachel glennerster judy gueron elie hassenfeld dean karlan michael kremer david mckenzie jonathan morduch lant pritchett jonathan robinson antoinette schoar dean yang

Experimental Conversations 2016-01-26

this book explores the ways in which the adoption of new paradigms processes and technologies can lead to greater revenue cost efficiency and control as well as improved business agility in the insurance industry

Digital Insurance 2020-05-22

digital twin driven smart design draws on the latest industry practice and research to establish a basis for the implementation of digital twin technology in product design coverage of relevant design theory and methodology is followed by detailed discussions of key enabling technologies that are supported by cutting edge case studies of implementation this groundbreaking book explores how digital twin technology can bring improvements to different kinds of product design process including functional lean and green drawing on the work of researchers at the forefront of this technology this book is the ideal guide for anyone interested in digital manufacturing or computer aided design provides detailed case studies that explore key applications of digital twin technology in design practice introduces the concept of using digital twins to create the virtual commissioning of design projects presents a framework to help engineers incorporate digital twins into their product design process

Digital Twin Driven Smart Design 2017-01-20

black african african descendant and of african heritage are just some of the ways africans and africans in the diaspora both old and new describe themselves this volume examines concepts of race ethnicity and identity as they are ascribed to people of colour around the world examining different case studies of how the process of identity formation occurred and is changing contributors to this volume selected from a wide range of academic and cultural backgrounds explore issues that encourage a deeper understanding of race ethnicity and identity as our notions about what it means to be black or of african heritage change as a result of globalization it is important to reassess how these issues are currently developing and the origins from which these issues developed global africans is an important and insightful book useful to a wide range of students and scholars particularly of african studies sociology diaspora studies and race and ethnic studies

Global Africans 2019-01-31

examining democracies from a comparative perspective helps us better understand why politics or as harold lasswell famously said who gets what when and how differ among democracies american difference a guide to american politics in comparative perspective takes the reader through different aspects of democracy political culture institutions interest groups political parties and elections and unlike other works explores how the united states is both different from and similar to other democracies the fully updated second edition has been expanded to include several new chapters and discussion on civil liberties and civil rights constitutional arrangements elections and electoral institutions and electoral behavior this edition also includes data around the 2016 general election and 2018 midterm election

American Difference 2020-09-19

in sub saharan africa the rapidly evolving covid 19 increasing population growth and exponential expansion in demand for agricultural commodities are putting pressure on available resources thereby posing immense challenges to the region s capacity to achieve nutritional security related to united nations sustainable development goals sdgs although sub saharan africa boasts vast fertile and uncultivated arable lands its capacity to contribute to feeding its current and future population is being seriously undermined by factors such as poor adoption and utilization of innovations and digital tools climate change impact environmental degradation weak political will limited interest in farming lack of government support and more in spite of these constraints sustainable agriculture food security and nutrition security in sub saharan africa can be achieved by adopting a multi pronged approach which includes improved agricultural mechanization adoption of high yielding crop varieties use of information technology public investments in improved technologies and rural infrastructure funding this edited volume provides innovative policy tools for enhancing sub saharan africa s capacity to achieve sustainable agriculture food security and nutrition security in the digital age and in the face of climate variability furthermore this book presents smart strategies for increased agricultural production reduced food waste and enhanced nutritional outcomes by harnessing the latest discoveries in agricultural research education and advisory services

Nutrition, Sustainable Agriculture and Climate Change in Africa 2019-01-31

this contributed volume applies cliometric methods to the study of family and households in order to derive global patterns and determine their impact on economic development family and households are a fundamental feature of societies and economies they are found throughout history and are the place where key decisions on fertility labour force participation education consumption are made this is especially relevant for the position of women the book gathers key insights from a variety of fields economics history demography anthropology biology to shed light on the relation between family organisation and the long term process of economic development

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