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in an age of ecological decay western ontological and epistemological assumptions have to be revisited this book offers such a revision it opens with a critical analysis of the paradigm of sustainable development and problematically situates it within the ecocidal trajectory of western metaphysics in search of some tools for examining the ecological conundrum the book develops a pool of new categories of knowledge called transpositions though of cross disciplinary nature this work must be situated within the tradition of the post kantian critique of reason to develop its own framework of analysis it relies heavily upon nietzsche s oeuvre and that of part of his entourage including heidegger foucault derrida and plotnitsky major inputs also come from the work of the ecophilosopher of science patrick curry and ecofeminism at large it will appeal to students and established scholars in environmental studies ecology and philosophy

this book follows postwar germany s leading philosopher and social thinker jürgen habermas through four decades of political and constitutional struggle over the shape of liberal democracy in germany habermas s

most influential theories of the public sphere communicative action and modernity were decisively shaped by major west german political events the failure to de nazify the judiciary the rise of a powerful constitutional court student rebellions in the late 1960s the changing fortunes of the social democratic party nato s decision to station nuclear weapons and the unexpected collapse of east germany in turn habermas s writings on state law and constitution played a critical role in reorienting german political thought and culture to a progressive liberal democratic model matthew specter uniquely illuminates the interrelationship between the thinker and his culture

foucault christianity and interfaith dialogue develops a new model for interfaith dialogue using the work of the french historian of ideas michel foucault the author argues that it is the injustice done to the other by roman catholic protestant and other centred and unitary models of religious pluralism that allows the introduction of foucault s de centring of transcendence and human reason as an alternative model for understanding religious diversity and the role it ought to play in the constitution of the self and the making of society this foucaultian approach provides a new direction for interfaith dialogue in the modern world and leads to an ethical rather than a nihilistic position while fostering a non unitary theology of religious pluralism and an open textured process of self transformation the author s original and imaginative application and expansion of foucault s concept of the more from the archaeology of knowledge 1969 makes important and original contributions to academic work on foucault and contemporary theology

uses public opinion on lgbt equality to show an evolutionary shift toward deliberative democracy in which everyone has a voice

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this book revisits the discourse theories of habermas and foucault in a chinese context after arguing that habermas s discourse theory of law and democracy is too normative and idealistic it presents foucault s discourse theory of power relations to illustrate the tensions between different western discourse theories the book then draws on the normative concept of confucian rationality from traditional chinese cultural sources in order to investigate how adaptable these two discourse theories are to the chinese society and to balance the tension between them presenting these three dimensions of discourse theory as well as the relations between them it also uses empirical descriptions of certain facts of political legal discussion both in traditional china and in the country s new media age to explain supplement and question this theoretic framework the book asserts that because of the diverse modes of thinking in specific cultures there might be different normative paradigms of discourse and different political legal discussion modes across corresponding cultural contexts normative discourse theories provide guidance for the practices of deliberative democracy and legal discussions which can in turn verify supplement improve and challenge the normative discourse theories in addition to demonstrating the multiple dimensions of discourse theories this research also promotes an approach to the discourse theory of law and democracy that combines elements of both chinese and modern society

the eight essays in this volume celebrated the 400th birthday of the english political thinker thomas hobbes

dussel ethics universidad nacional autonoma de mexico shows how north american and european philosophies have failed to give historically faithful analysis of the genesis of the myth of modernity and have never engaged in a serious questioning of their own eurocentric presuppositions he contends that north american and european

philosophers have fallen into a false belief that there is a linear sequence that moves from the premodern to the modern developed and industrialized annotation copyright by book news inc portland or

this work analyzes how the conditions of modernity have shaped the contemporary views of the prominent islamic thinker yusuf al qaradawi at the outset it lays the foundation for a discussion of modernity by reviewing the ideas of prominent philosophers such as kant hegel as well as of contemporary social scientists such as habermas based on their understanding of modernity this work shows how increased education mass communication and migration have changed the way muslims perceive their religion it also shows how al qaradawi s thinking reflects this al qaradawi is put into historical perspective through a review of modernity in the islamic world over the last 200 years this is followed by an examination of his views on a number of pertinent issues including science massmedia jihad international relations democracy and feminism the findings are based on hundreds of fatwas sermons and interviews in the arab media and on relevant secondary sources both in english and arabic as of yet no in depth work of this length has been published on al qaradawi in english

jurgen habermas is by far the most preeminent and influential philosopher in germany today the scope of his writings is remarkable their influence extends over a wide range of disciplines that include philosophy social theory hermeneutics anthropology linguistics ethics educational theory and public policy the impact of habermas s writings on theology alone reaches from fundamental to political theology from moral to practical theology the significance of habermas modernity and public theology is twofold first it represents a genuine dialogue an actual conversation between habermas and theologians while theologians have appealed to habermas s work in innumerable articles and monographs he himself until now has remained silent this book then is unique insofar as it offers the true give and take of dialogue second this book focuses on habermas s

most recent work especially his interpretation of modernity his theory of communicative action and his development of a discourse ethics in so doing it corrects some of the prevalent misreadings of habermas within the theological literature devoted to him in examining the relation between critical theory and a public and practical theology the contributors note both the promise and limitations of habermas s basic arguments and insights they challenge habermas as much as they learn from him sharing the conviction that religious traditions contain sources for interpreting human nature and society they argue that if habermas would attend more to the role of religion within life and society he would more fully realize his project for a communicative rationality under the conditions of modernity and would offer amore comprehensive understanding of rationality society and modernity taking his own turn at the end of the book habermas responds to each of the contributors comments on the broader theological reception of his work and offers his own fascinating views on the function and development of religion in modernity and on the status and claim to truth of theological discourse the work concludes with an extremely useful annotated bibliography covering habermas s own writings general introductions to habermas and to critical theory and works devoted to specific aspects of habermas s thought

presents biographies of the men and women who wrestled with the complex theoretical problems of twentieth century culture many of the theorists treated in this volume are concerned with the effects of mass culture technology and consumerism

the struggle over the past contains essays on three facets of fundamentalist religion its international character its american protestant form and its appearance in roman catholicism the papers range in methodological perspective from textual commentary to history to philosophical and theological argument they are critical as well as descriptive the papers that comprise this volume are written by leading scholars in the field islamicist

john esposito r scott appleby of the fundamentalist project theologian francis fiorenza of harvard divinity school william dinges of catholic university mary jo weaver of indiana university and terrence tilley of the florida state university additional commentary by three noted scholars of american evangelical religion ó samuel hill jr e glenn hinson and bernard rammó rounds out the examination of modern fundamentalism co published with the college theology society

in this brilliantly combative study robyn wiegman challenges contemporary clichés about race and gender a formulation that is itself a cliché in need of questioning as part of what she calls her feminist disloyalty she turns a critical even skeptical eye on current debates about multiculturalism and difference while simultaneously exposing the many ways in which white racial supremacy has been reconfigured since the institutional demise of segregation most of all she examines the hypocrisy and contradictoriness of over a century of narratives that posit anglo americans as heroic agents of racism s decline whether assessing uncle tom s cabin lynching leslie fiedler s racist mapping of the american novel the black power movement of the 60s 80s buddy films or the novels of richard wright and toni morrison wiegman unflinchingly confronts the paradoxes of both racism and antiracist agendas including those advanced from a feminist perspective american anatomies takes the long view what epistemological frameworks allowed the west from the renaissance forward to schematize racial and gender differences and to create social hierarchies based on these differences how have those epistemological regimes changed and not changed over time where are we now with painstaking care political passion and intellectual daring wiegman analyzes the biological and cultural bases of racial and gender bias in order to reinvigorate the discussion of identity politics she concludes that for very different reasons identity proves to be dangerous to minority and majority alike

this book compares the social decomposition in late medieval europe to the societal failure witnessed today in the modern west arguing that in the case of emergencies a strong despotic state is the only way to maintain basic order shlapentokh asserts that asocial behavior criminality promiscuity and anti sanitary actions as well as other aspects of social political and communal breakdown in both medieval france and the contemporary west is not a marginal occurrence but rather a mainstream phenomena and one that can often be stopped by strong force as the only antidote to social chaos while the majority of western and particularly anglo american scholarship dictates that jeffersonian democracy will spread over the world shlapentokh argues that instead it is the precepts of hobbes and carl schmitt that will shape the world to come

small wonder presents the dangers of the underside of modernity the unleashing of unlimited lust for global power and wealth relying on leading critical intellectuals dallmayr offers a critique of the self deceptions of our age arguing in favor of the cultivation of the small wonder of everyday life

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