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Understanding the Educational and Career Pathways of Engineers
 Oxford University Press
 The Internet of Things offers massive societal and economic opportunities while at the same time significant challenges, not least the delivery and management of the technical infrastructure underpinning it, the deluge of data generated from it, ensuring privacy and security, and capturing value from it. This Open Access Pivot explores these challenges, presenting the state of the art and future directions for research but also frameworks for making sense of this complex area. This book provides a variety of perspectives on how technology innovations such as fog, edge and dew computing, 5G networks, and distributed intelligence are making us rethink conventional cloud computing to support the Internet of Things. Much of this book focuses on technical aspects of the Internet of Things, however, clear methodologies for mapping the business value of the Internet of Things are still missing. We provide a value mapping framework for the Internet of Things to address this gap. While there is much hype about

the Internet of Things, we have yet to reach the tipping point. As such, this book provides a timely entrée for higher education educators, researchers and students, industry and policy makers on the technologies that promise to reshape how society interacts and operates.

Images of the Arab Future Cambridge University Press
 The Collectivistic Premise views economics from a new perspective, acknowledging the influence of art, philosophy, history, psychology, ethics, and other factors not often looked at and challenges the premises on which economic thought has been conventionally based. According to Adam Smith and many subsequent economists, self-interest is the only motive driving human beings in the economic sphere and, consequently, the only true guarantor of human productivity and wealth creation. Government regulation and ethical considerations are irrelevant and counterproductive in this regard, however high principled and noble their motivation. While this explanation may account for some aspects of economic behavior in the marketplace that can be labeled as "utilitarian" and "individualistic," this book takes note of a new principle, the "collectivistic" premise, whether reflected in consumption, work, and trade, which has not received its merited attention. Human beings act not only out of

self-serving motives but also out of communal ones so that the marketplace assumes a character and personality larger than its constituent parts. Far from being irrelevant, ethical, political, and communal considerations are central to comprehending its nature and function. The role of the emerging global economy and advances in technology provide even stronger incentives to examine in detail this neglected aspect of human motivation and conduct.

The Collectivistic Premise Springer

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Contributions to Mathematical Economics in Honor of Gérard Debreu Psychology Press

More children born today will survive to adulthood than at any time in history. It is now time to emphasize health and development in middle childhood and adolescence--developmental phases that are critical to health in adulthood and the next generation. *Child and Adolescent Health and Development* explores the benefits that accrue from sustained and targeted interventions across the first two decades of life. The volume outlines the investment case for effective, costed, and scalable interventions for low-resource settings, emphasizing the cross-sectoral role of education. This evidence base can guide policy makers in prioritizing actions to promote survival, health, cognition, and physical growth throughout childhood and adolescence.

E. G. West Princeton, N.J : Princeton University Press

The economic and social development of nations relies on their population having physical access to services and employment opportunities. For the vast majority of the 3.4 billion people living in rural locations, this largely depends on their access to urban centers of different sizes. Similarly, urban centers depend on their rural hinterlands. Building on the literature on functional areas/territories and the rural-urban continuum as well as insights from central place theory, this review paper advances the notion of catchment areas differentiated along an urban-to-rural continuum to capture these urban-rural interconnections. It further shows how a new, publicly available data set operationalizing this concept can shed new light on policy making across a series of development fields, including institutions and governance, urbanization and food systems, welfare and poverty, and access to health and education services. Together the insights support a more geographically nuanced perspective on development.

Economic and Social Development Along the Urban-Rural Continuum Princeton University Press

This book presents the development of a theory of social goal-objective formation and its relationship to national interest and social vision under a democratic decision-choice system with imperfect information structure. It provides a framework for the application of fuzzy logic and its mathematics to the analysis in resolving conflicts in individual preferences in the collective decision-choice space without violence. The book demonstrates how to use fuzzy logic and its mathematics in the study of economics, social sciences and other complex systems. It also presents the use of collaborative tools of opposites, duality, polarity, continuum in fuzzy paradigm with its logic, laws of thought and mathematics in developing a new approach to the theory of political economy in order to enhance the constructs of social decision-choice theory.

Dichotomy Or Continuum University of Pennsylvania Press

"This book revisits the justifications of state intervention in schooling and contrasts them with the actual genesis of intervention, and its evolution over time. Tooley ... makes the connection between disappointment with state-dominated schooling and the absence of market-determined prices to guide and energize decision making and innovation"--Foreword, p. [xi]. *Disease Control Priorities, Third Edition (Volume 9)* World Bank Publications

What role should government have in education? This question has exercised philosophers since Plato and economists since Adam Smith. It is also a question that is as relevant today, as people around the world worry about standards in public (government) schools and governments and international agencies look to fine-tune their educational policies. This book describes and analyses the work of one economist, Professor E.G. West, whose life's work was focused precisely on this question. His classic 1965 book, *Education and the State*, and subsequent writings inspired a new way of looking at this question. Based on historical analysis of what happened in the UK and USA before governments got involved in education, and supplemented with philosophical exploration of the justifications for government involvement, West set out a position with only minimal state involvement. James Tooley outlines West's ideas and their challenges, elaborating them in terms of public choice theory and recent empirical evidence of 'education without the state' in developing countries.

Variational Inequality Problems with a Continuum of Solutions: Existence and Computation AuthorHouse

The word blat refers to the system of informal contacts and personal networks which was used to obtain goods and services under the rationing which characterised Soviet Russia. Alena Ledeneva's book is the first to analyse blat in all its historical, socio-economic and cultural aspects, and to explore its implications for post-Soviet society. In a socialist distribution system which resulted in constant shortages, blat developed into an 'economy of favours' which shadowed an overcontrolling centre and represented the reaction of ordinary people to the social constraints they faced. In social and economic terms, blat exchanges became vital to the population, and to the functioning of the Soviet system. The book shows that the nature of the economic and political changes in contemporary Russia cannot be properly understood without attention to the powerful legacy of the blat economy.

Disease Control Priorities, Third Edition (Volume 8) Springer Nature

Continuing his groundbreaking analysis of economic structures, Douglass North develops an analytical framework for explaining the ways in which institutions and institutional change affect the performance of economies, both at a given time and over time. Institutions exist, he argues, due to the uncertainties involved in

human interaction; they are the constraints devised to structure that interaction. Yet, institutions vary widely in their consequences for economic performance; some economies develop institutions that produce growth and development, while others develop institutions that produce stagnation. North first explores the nature of institutions and explains the role of transaction and production costs in their development. The second part of the book deals with institutional change. Institutions create the incentive structure in an economy, and organisations will be created to take advantage of the opportunities provided within a given institutional framework. North argues that the kinds of skills and knowledge fostered by the structure of an economy will shape the direction of change and gradually alter the institutional framework. He then explains how institutional development may lead to a path-dependent pattern of development. In the final part of the book, North explains the implications of this analysis for economic theory and economic history. He indicates how institutional analysis must be incorporated into neo-classical theory and explores the potential for the construction of a dynamic theory of long-term economic change. Douglass C. North is Director of the Center of Political Economy and Professor of Economics and History at Washington University in St. Louis. He is a past president of the Economic History Association and Western Economics Association and a Fellow, American Academy of Arts and Sciences. He has written over sixty articles for a variety of journals and is the author of *The Rise of the Western World: A New Economic History* (CUP, 1973, with R.P. Thomas) and *Structure and Change in Economic History* (Norton, 1981). Professor North is included in *Great Economists Since Keynes* edited by M. Blaug (CUP, 1988 paperback ed.)

Unemployment and the Informal Sector World Bank Publications
The evaluation of reproductive, maternal, newborn, and child health (RMNCH) by the Disease Control Priorities, Third Edition (DCP3) focuses on maternal conditions, childhood illness, and malnutrition. Specifically, the chapters address acute illness and undernutrition in children, principally under age 5. It also covers maternal mortality, morbidity, stillbirth, and influences to pregnancy and pre-pregnancy. Volume 3 focuses on developments since the publication of DCP2 and will also include the transition to older childhood, in particular, the overlap and commonality with the child development volume. The DCP3 evaluation of these conditions produced three key findings: 1. There is significant difficulty in measuring the burden of key conditions such as unintended pregnancy, unsafe abortion, nonsexually transmitted infections, infertility, and violence against women. 2. Investments in the continuum of care can have significant returns for improved and equitable access, health, poverty, and health systems. 3. There is a large difference in how RMNCH conditions affect different income groups; investments in RMNCH can lessen the disparity in terms of both health and financial risk.

A Continuum Modeling Approach to Traffic Equilibrium Problems A&C Black

When a continuum of technologies is introduced to the model of Grossman and Helpman (1991), both continuous and discrete technological progress may occur as a result of technology choices by private firms. A good is created through R & D based on one of a continuum of technologies that differ in productivity, and the R & D cost is smaller when there is greater public knowledge about that technology, which accumulates through spillovers. When firms shift continuously to superior technologies, there is no incentive to retain existing technologies and the economy grows smoothly. By contrast, when many firms choose the same technology, accumulated knowledge makes this choice

privately optimal for a certain time period, and the economy grows cyclically through a sequence of discrete progresses in technology. These two dynamics constitute multiple equilibria, and it depends on the size of the parameters which equilibrium is desirable for consumers. -- endogenous growth ; growth cycles ; technology choice ; R & D spillovers ; continuous and discrete technological progress ; general purpose technologies
Russia's Economy of Favours Open Dissertation Press
Drawing on material as diverse as macroeconomic statistics and firm-level case studies, the contributors demonstrate that services are often important innovators in their own right, as well as contributing to innovation and economic performance in their user industries.

Disease Control Priorities, Third Edition (Volume 2)

Palgrave Pivot

Physical distance and time are considered basic dimensions not only of a physical system but of an economic system as well. Space, time, supply, and demand are, when interwoven into a pattern of analysis, a vitally important aspect of the American economic system viewed in a time-space continuum. This book presents the results of research into this theory of geographically influenced price ranges. With emphasis on the slowly recognized and slowly emerging concepts of space and time, the author surveys the development of thought in economics and the physical sciences, from Galileo's time onward, and points out that the end has not been reached: we are only beginning to grasp the significance of time and space relationships. This phase of research, which William Warntz calls "macrogeography", represents a distinct break with conventional microscopic descriptive aerial studies that have characterized geographic research in the United States for many years. This book is dedicated to the premise that there has long been a "fallacy of composition in American geography." Warntz feels that the existing notion that a mosaic of microscopic aerial economic studies covering the United States would produce a valid picture of the American economy as a space-occupying system will be overcome by the adoption of a macroscopic point of view and the recognition of distance as a basic dimension. A macroscopic geography, recognizing that an economic system exists in a space (time) continuum and consists of integrated units, coordinated by interdependence and having a functional consistency and an organize unity greater than the sum of its parts, is within the reach of modern economic geographers. *Toward a Geography of Price* is an important start in that direction. This particular study covers the United States production by states of four crops in the decade 1940-49. Using the geographic center of each of the forty-eight states, the author has worked out 2,304 distance relationships and, over the decade, 156 time relationships. In addition he has produced space potentials from income-weighted population figures. Using standard mathematical procedures, he puts these figures to the test and finds reason to advance his original hypothesis to theory. The entire study is presented with remarkable compactness and clarity that will hold the attention of geographers, economists, econometricians, and the serious reader interested in the economic phenomena of our day.

Survey of Current Business National Academies Press

Applying the new economics of organisation and relational theories of the firm to the problem of understanding cross-national variation in the political economy, this volume elaborates a new understanding of the institutional differences that characterise the 'varieties of capitalism' worldwide.

A Ricardian Model with a Continuum of Goods Under Nonhomothetic Preferences Cambridge University Press

Engineering skills and knowledge are foundational to

technological innovation and development that drive long-term economic growth and help solve societal challenges. Therefore, to ensure national competitiveness and quality of life it is important to understand and to continuously adapt and improve the educational and career pathways of engineers in the United States. To gather this understanding it is necessary to study the people with the engineering skills and knowledge as well as the evolving system of institutions, policies, markets, people, and other resources that together prepare, deploy, and replenish the nation's engineering workforce. This report explores the characteristics and career choices of engineering graduates, particularly those with a BS or MS degree, who constitute the vast majority of degreed engineers, as well as the characteristics of those with non-engineering degrees who are employed as engineers in the United States. It provides insight into their educational and career pathways and related decision making, the forces that influence their decisions, and the implications for major elements of engineering education-to-workforce pathways.

Economic Forces Affecting the Continuum of Care Burns & Oates
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Abstract: ABSTRACT for the thesis entitled A CONTINUUM MODELING APPROACH TO TRAFFIC EQUILIBRIUM PROBLEMS submitted by HO Hung Wai for the Degree of Doctor of Philosophy at the University of Hong Kong in August 2005 In modeling traffic equilibrium problems for a transportation system, two different approaches, the discrete and the continuum modeling approach, are commonly adopted. The continuum modeling approach is mainly used for initial planning and macroscopic studies, and depending on the configuration of the modeling region can be classified into models of specific or arbitrary region configuration. This thesis aims to develop the continuum modeling approach with arbitrary region configuration for application in more realistic and complicated situations. The thesis first focuses on applying the continuum modeling approach to the airport competition problem of domestic and international flights within the Pearl River Delta. In this model, air passengers make their choice of airport based on the air ticket price and the transportation cost, which depends on their geographical location. The current situation and four alternative policy scenarios are considered, and reasonable results are found and interpreted. The continuum modeling approach is then applied to formulate a cordon-based congestion pricing problem. This problem is first formulated as a minimization problem, and the first-best solution, in which the net economic benefit is maximized, is found. For a more practical implementation, the toll contours in the first-best solution are selected as toll charging cordons, and a second-best solution is found by further optimizing the toll that is charged in these cordons. In a more theoretical development of the continuum modeling approach, the thesis introduces the idea of multiple

user classes into continuum models for the traffic equilibrium problem. System users with different perceptions of transportation and facility costs are considered in this model, and a logit-type demand distribution function is specified to model the probabilistic choice of destinations among multi-class users. Two different optimization approaches are developed to solve the minimization program formulated for this multiple user class problem. The thesis also extends the continuum modeling approach to include housing-related parameters as one of the control variables. A bi-level model is formulated to find the optimal housing provision pattern. In the lower-level model, housing rent is included in the utility function in the traffic equilibrium problem, which affects the allocation of demand. In the upper-level model, the total utility of users is optimized with respect to the housing provision pattern. An effective solution algorithm and numerical example are presented for this housing-related continuum model. DOI: 10.5353/th_b3193826 Subjects: Traffic estimation - Mathematical models

Toward a Geography of Price Springer Nature

Economic Forces Affecting the Continuum of Care Alternative Food in Economic Context
 Disease Control Priorities, Third Edition (Volume 2) World Bank Publications

Nonanonymous Crowding Springer

This handbook fills a large gap in the current knowledge about the critical role of Africa in the changing global order. By connecting the past, present, and future in a continuum that shows the paradox of existence for over one billion people, the book underlines the centrality of the African continent to global knowledge production, the global economy, global security, and global creativity. Bringing together perspectives from top Africa scholars, it actively dispels myths of the continent as just a passive recipient of external influences, presenting instead an image of an active global agent that astutely projects soft power. Unlike previous handbooks, this book offers an eclectic mix of historical, contemporary, and interdisciplinary approaches that allow for a more holistic view of the many aspects of Africa's relations with the world.

Varieties of Capitalism North-Holland

As the culminating volume in the DCP3 series, volume 9 will provide an overview of DCP3 findings and methods, a summary of messages and substantive lessons to be taken from DCP3, and a further discussion of cross-cutting and synthesizing topics across the first eight volumes. The introductory chapters (1-3) in this volume take as their starting point the elements of the Essential Packages presented in the overview chapters of each volume. First, the chapter on intersectoral policy priorities for health includes fiscal and intersectoral policies and assembles a subset of the population policies and applies strict criteria for a low-income setting in order to propose a "highest-priority" essential package. Second, the chapter on packages of care and delivery platforms for universal health coverage (UHC) includes health sector interventions, primarily clinical and public health services, and uses the same approach to propose a highest priority package of interventions and policies that meet similar criteria, provides cost estimates, and describes a pathway to UHC.

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