D. Baur, Nottingham University, UK

NGOs as Legitimate Partners of Corporations
A Political Conceptualization

Features
► First systematic conceptualization of NGOs as partners of corporations
► Innovative and critical view on the much applauded role of NGOs as partners of corporations
► First typology to clarify the blurred boundaries between NGOs, interest groups and activists

Contents

Fields of interests
Ethics; Political Science; Economics/Management Science, general

Target groups
Research

Product Category
Monograph

Due September 2011

2012. XX, 180 p. (Issues in Business Ethics, Volume 36) Hardcover
► $139.00
ISBN 978-94-007-2253-8

O. Belkind, University of Richmond, VA, USA

Physical Systems
Conceptual Pathways between Flat Spacetime and Matter

Based on the concept of a physical system, this book offers a new philosophical interpretation of classical mechanics and the Special Theory of Relativity. According to Belkind’s view the role of physical theory is to describe the motions of the parts of a physical system in relation to the motions of the whole. This approach provides a new perspective into the foundations of physical theory, where motions of parts and wholes of physical systems are taken to be fundamental, prior to spacetime, material properties and laws of motion.

Features
► Physical Systems offers a new philosophical framework for thinking about and analyzing the foundations of physical theory ► Offers a new basis for understanding physical reality, and introduces its own fresh approach for solving epistemological and metaphysical problems in the philosophy of physics ► The monograph is distinct in that it attempts to provide a philosophical foundation for the most basic physical concepts, while ushering new insights regarding these concepts

Contents

Fields of interests
Philosophy of Science; Astrophysics and Astroparticles

Target groups
Research

Product Category
Monograph

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2012. XII, 284 p. (Boston Studies in the Philosophy of Science, Volume 264) Hardcover
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J. A. Blair, University of Windsor, ON, Canada

Groundwork in the Theory of Argumentation
Selected Papers of J. Anthony Blair

Contents

Fields of interests
Logic; Comparative Linguistics; Literacy

Target groups
Research

Product Category
Monograph

Due October 2011

2012. XII, 348 p. 3 Illus. (Argumentation Library, Volume 21) Hardcover
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ISBN 978-94-007-2362-7
C. Corradetti, European Academy, Bolzano, Italy (Ed.)

Philosophical Dimensions of Human Rights
Some Contemporary Views

Contents

Fields of interests
Philosophy of Law; Political Science; European Law/Public International Law

Target groups
Research

Product Category
Contributed volume

H. T. Engelhardt, Rice University, Houston, TX, USA (Ed.)

Bioethics Critically Reconsidered
Having Second Thoughts

Bioethics developed as an academic and clinical discipline during the later part of the 20th century due to a variety of factors.

Features
► Focuses on the role of social/political ideology in the development of bioethics  ► Has as its focus a retrospective on the ideological foundations of bioethics as a discipline  ► Offers a variety of perspectives of the role that ideology plays in the discipline of bioethics  ► Shows how Ideology of bioethics is both secularism and paternalism

Contents

Fields of interests
Ethics; Theory of Medicine/Bioethics

Target groups
Research

Product Category
Contributed volume

H. Lekke, University of Oslo, Norway

Early Stoic Epistemology

This book looks at the epistemological views and arguments of the early Stoics, in particular those of Chrysippus (3rd century BC), the third head of the Stoic school. It discusses such issues as the manner in which we perceive things and come to have notions of them, the reliability of arguments, the nature and variety of cognitive errors, and the possibility and nature of knowledge. Unlike most recent works on the subject, the aim of this book is to give a comprehensive account of Stoic epistemology as a whole as it was developed by Chrysippus. The emphasis lies - more than usual - on how the epistemological views of the Stoics are interrelated, not only among themselves, but also with views belonging to their physics and logic.

Features
► The first comprehensive modern study of Stoic epistemology, which greatly influenced e.g. Descartes  ► Builds on and critically assesses the latest research on the subject  ► Gives access to issues that, because of poor source material, are not easily accessible to even advanced students and specialists

Contents

Fields of interests
Epistemology; History of Philosophy; Philosophy of Mind

Target groups
Research

Product Category
Monograph
E. MacKinnon, California State University East Bay, CA, USA

**Interpreting Physics**

**Language and the Classical/Quantum Divide**

This book is the first to offer a systematic account of the role of language in the development and interpretation of physics. An historical-conceptual analysis of the co-evolution of mathematical and physical concepts leads to the classical/quantum interface. Bohrian orthodoxy stresses the indispensability of classical concepts and the functional role of mathematics. This book analyzes ways of extending, and then going beyond this orthodoxy orthodoxy. Finally, the book analyzes how a revised interpretation of physics impacts on basic philosophical issues: conceptual revolutions, realism, and reductionism.

**Contents**


**Fields of interests**

History of Philosophy; Languages and Literature; Aesthetics

**Target groups**

Research

**Product Category**

Monograph

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R. Munk, VU University, Amsterdam, The Netherlands (Ed.)

**Moses Mendelssohn’s Metaphysics and Aesthetics**

**Contents**

Preface.- logic and mathematics

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M. Murphey

**The Development of Quine's Philosophy**

This book covers W. V. Quine's philosophic career from his early radical empiricism and behaviorism through his development of a series of skeptical doctrines regarding meaning, reference, and science. It shows what problems he tried to solve and what his solutions were. Result has been a series of highly controversial claims that have won him international fame. His work is still a center of controversy and has lead to an enormous literature of commentary.

**Contents**

Introduction Chapter I. Logic and Philosophy Chapter II. Semantics and Ontology Chapter III. From Word and Object to the Roots of Reference Chapter IV. Last Revisions Chapter V. Conclusion Appendix Notes

**Fields of interests**

Philosophy (general); History; History of Philosophy

**Target groups**

Research

**Product Category**

Monograph

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$229.00

Vitalism and the Scientific Image in Post-Enlightenment Life Science, 1800-2010

Contents


Philosophy of Biology; Systems Biology; Medicine/Public Health, general

Target groups
Research

Product Category
Contributed volume

Philosophy of Behavioral Biology

Contents


Fields of interests

Philosophy of Biology; Philosophy of Science; Behavioural Sciences

Target groups
Research

Product Category
Contributed volume

Imagined Causes: Hume’s Conception of Objects

This book provides the first comprehensive account of Hume’s conception of objects in Book 1 of the Treatise. What, according to Hume, are objects? Ideas? Impressions? Mind-independent objects? All three? None of the above? Through a close textual analysis, I show that Hume thought that objects are imagined ideas. However, I argue that he struggled with two accounts of how and when we imagine such ideas. On the one hand, Hume believed that we always and universally imagine that objects are the causes of our perceptions. On the other hand, he thought that we only imagine such causes when we reach a “philosophical” level of thought. This tension manifests itself in Hume’s account of personal identity; a tension that, I argue, Hume acknowledges in the Appendix to the Treatise. As a result of presenting a detailed account of Hume’s conception of objects, we are forced to accommodate new interpretations of, at least, Hume’s notions of belief, personal identity, justification and causality.

Features

► The first comprehensive account of Hume’s conception of objects ► Discusses hotly debated claims in recent literature, such as why some causal relations are justified, and why Hume is not a “skeptical realist” ► Contains many analyses that sharply diverge from traditional accounts

Fields of interests

History of Philosophy; Modern Philosophy

Target groups
Research

Product Category
Monograph
K. Sadegh-Zadeh, University of Munster, Germany

**Handbook of Analytic Philosophy of Medicine**

Contents

Part I The Language of Medicine.
- 1. The Epistemological Impact of Medical Language.
- 2. The Syntax and Semantics of Medical Language.
- 3. The Pragmatics of Medical Language.
- 4. Varieties of Medical Concepts.
- 5. Fundamentals of Medical Concept Formation.
- Part II Medical Pragmatology.
- 6. The Patient.
- Part III Medical Epistemology.
- 10. Types of Medical Knowledge.
- 11. The Semantics and Pragmatics of Medical Knowledge.
- 12. Technoconstructionism.
- Part IV Medical Deontics.
- 14. Disease as a Deontic Construct.
- 15. Medicine Is a Deontic Discipline.
- Part V Medical Logic.
- 16. Logic in Medicine.
- 17. The Logic of Medicine.
- Part VI Medical Metaphysics.
- 19. Medical Ontology.
- Part VII Medical Truth.
- Part VIII Logical Fundamentals.
- 23. Perspectivism.
- 24. The Doubter.
- Part IX Modal Extensions of Classical Logic.
- 29. Probability Logic.
- 30. Fuzzy Logic.

Fields of interests

- Philosophy of Medicine;
- Medicine/Public Health, general;
- Computational Biology/Bioinformatics

Target groups

Research

Product Category

Handbook

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**Radioactive Waste**

Technical and Normative Aspects of its Disposal

Radioactive waste (above all highly radioactive wastes from nuclear installations) caused by research, medicine and technology must be disposed of safely. However both the strategies disputed for the disposal of radioactive waste as well as concrete proposals for choosing a location for final waste disposal are highly debatable. An appropriate disposal must conform to both complex, technical requirements and fulfill the radio-biological conditions to appropriately protect man and nature. Ethical, legal and social conditions must also be considered.

Features

- Provides an up-to-date informative basis to a highly controversial topic
- Interdisciplinary approach: technical, biological, and political
- Comprehensive description of technical concepts and the legal situation in different countries

Contents

Executive Summary and Recommendations.
- Technical and Normative Foundations.
- Annex and Apparatus.

Fields of interests

- Ethics;
- Waste Management/Waste Technology;
- Nuclear Engineering

Target groups

Research

Product Category

Monograph

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**Between Logic and Reality**

Modeling Inference, Action and Understanding

Contents

Introduction: Majda Trobok, Nenad Miščević and Berislav Žarnić.
- I. Logical and Mathematical Structures.
- The Philosophical Impact of the Löwenheim-Skolem Theorem: Miloš Arsenijević.
- Debating (Neo)logicism: Frege and the neo-Fregeans: Majda Trobok.
- II. Epistemology and Logic.
- Informal Logic and Informal Consequence: Danilo Suster.
- Logical Consequence and Rationality: Nenad Smokrović.
- Logic, Indispensability and Aposiropoity: Nenad Miščević.
- III. Dynamic Logical Models of Meaning.
- Extended Game-Theoretical Semantics: Manuel Rebuschi.
- Dynamic Logic of Propositional Commitments: Tomoyuki Yamada.
- Is Unsaying Polite?: Berislav Žarnić.
- IV. Logical Methods in Ontological and Linguistic Analyses.
- Towards a Formal Account of Identity Criteria: Massimiliano Carrara and Silvia Gaio.
- A Merology for the Change of Parts: Pierdaniele Giaretta and Giuseppe Spolaore.
- Russell versus Frege: Imre Rusza.
- Goodman’s OnlyWorld: Vladan Djordjević.

Fields of interest

Logic

Target groups

Research

Product Category

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M. Winter, University of St. Thomas, St. Paul, MN, USA

Rethinking Virtue Ethics

Rethinking Virtue Ethics offers a model of Aristotelian virtue ethics based on a deductive paradigm. This book argues that, contrary to what many contemporary thinkers are inclined to believe, Aristotelian virtue ethics is consistent with at least some action-guiding moral principles being true unconditionally, and that a justification for general moral principles can be grounded in fundamental concepts within Aristotle's theory. An analysis of ethical propositions that hold for the most part is proposed that fits well within the deductive paradigm developed. This unique interpretation of virtue ethics has implications for recent discussions of the virtues in social psychology, issues about how fundamental moral principles are known, questions about the justification of inalienable rights, debates about moral particularism and generalism, and discussions of moral realism and anti-realism.

Features
► Offers an original and unique contribution to a vibrant discussion in contemporary philosophy
► Provides a basis for seeing how to make a philosophical case for inalienable rights
► Explains how unconditional ethical principles are consistent with a virtue based approach to ethics
► Addresses some of the main challenges and objections to virtue ethics in contemporary literature

Fields of interests
Ethics; Personality and Social Psychology

Target groups
Research

Product Category
Monograph

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