



Science, Technology and Society

Spring/Summer 2024

Welcome

Established in 2019, Bristol's newest list publishes books that examine the cultural, political and economic implications of science and technology. This season we're excited to introduce new books on topics as diverse as social media lurkers, IVF technologies, plants and property rights, digital platforms and more-than-human aesthetics.

We are continuing to expand our publishing in this area, and we look forward to exhibiting at conferences including EAST/4S in Amsterdam and AoIR in Sheffield. We are always pleased to hear from prospective authors, and we are especially interested in work that focuses on the following areas:

- Digital economies
- Science, technology, medicine and health
- Digital culture
- The politics of science and technology
- New directions in theory, method and methodology

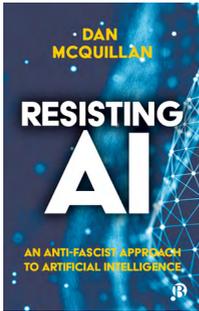


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Resisting AI

An Anti-Fascist Approach to Artificial Intelligence

Dan McQuillan, Goldsmiths, University of London

"An important and necessary book... McQuillan has provided us with a powerful contribution."

COMPUTATIONAL IMPACTS

This book provides an analysis of AI's deep learning technology and its political effects and traces the ways that it resonates with contemporary political and social currents, from global austerity to the rise of the far right. Dan McQuillan sets out an anti-fascist approach to AI that replaces exclusions with caring, proposes people's councils to restructure AI through mutual aid and outlines new mechanisms that would support collective freedom.

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The Mutant Project

Inside the Global Race to Genetically Modify Humans

Eben Kirksey, Deakin University

"Kirksey tackles many complex issues, including ethics, social justice, inequality, threats of eugenics, and the influence of money on science...Science fiction is increasingly becoming science reality. Be concerned."

BOOKLIST

Longlisted for the Baillie Gifford Prize 2021. An anthropologist visits the frontiers of genetics, medicine and technology to ask: whose values are guiding gene-editing experiments, and what are the implications for humanity? Professor Eben Kirksey takes us on a groundbreaking journey to meet the key scientists, lobbyists and entrepreneurs who are bringing cutting-edge genetic modification tools like CRISPR to your local clinic. He also talks to doctors, hackers, chronically ill patients, disabled scholars and activists who have alternative visions of a genetically modified future for humanity. *The Mutant Project* empowers us to ask the right questions, uncover the truth, and navigate this new era of scientific enquiry.

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Slow Computing

Why We Need Balanced Digital Lives

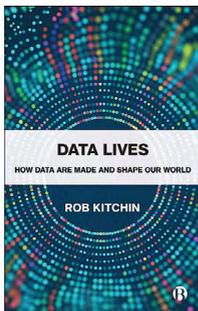
Rob Kitchin and **Alistair Fraser**,
Maynooth University

"Clearly identifi[ies] the issues and gets [its] teeth into solutions, ideas, and concepts in terms of how we need to be more sentient around these issues. There are lots of good suggestions to follow and we strongly recommend you engage with them."

IRISH TECH NEWS

Digital technologies should be making life easier. And to a large degree they are, but they are also accelerating and fragmenting our lives, affecting our wellbeing and exposing us to extensive data extraction and profiling that helps determine our life chances. Drawing on the ideas of the 'slow movement', *Slow Computing* sets out numerous practical and political means to take back control and counter the more pernicious effects of living digital lives.

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Data Lives

How Data Are Made and Shape Our World

Rob Kitchin, Maynooth University

"A powerful and important account of the role data plays in shaping everyday life from a world-leading researcher with decades of experience in the field."

JAMES ASH, NEWCASTLE UNIVERSITY

In *Data Lives*, renowned social scientist Rob Kitchin explores the intricacies of data creation and charts how data-driven technologies have become essential to society, government and the economy. Creatively blending scholarly analysis, biography and fiction, he demonstrates how data are shaped by social and political forces, and the extent to which they influence our daily lives. He reveals our data world to be one of potential danger, but also of hope.

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SERIES

Contemporary Issues in Science Communication

Series Editor: **Clare Wilkinson**, University of the West of England

As science communication continues to establish itself as a discipline in the 21st century, this original new series links the present with the past to develop our understanding of the history of science communication, both in practice and as an academic discipline. For more information, see:

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Race and Sociocultural Inclusion in Science Communication

Innovation, Decolonisation, and Transformation

Edited by **Elizabeth Rasekoala**, The Pan-African Network for the Popularization of Science and Technology and Science Communication

"Convincingly calls for radical change."

BARBARA STREICHER, AUSTRIAN SCIENCECENTER-NETWORK

Chapter 12 is available open access digitally under CC-BY-NC-ND licence. Moving beyond tokenistic and extractive approaches, this book creates a space for academics and practitioners to challenge issues around race and sociocultural inclusion in science communication.



Queering Science Communication

Representations, Theory, and Practice

Lindy A. Orthia, The Australian National University and **Tara Roberson**, University of Queensland

"A fascinating read."

EMILY DAWSON, UNIVERSITY COLLEGE LONDON

Written by leading names in the field, this collection examines the place of queer people within science communication and asks what it means for the field to 'queer' science communication practice, theory and research agendas to foster radical inclusivity and equity.

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Contemporary Issues in Science Communication



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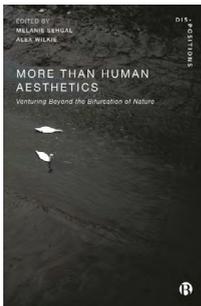
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Dis-positions: Troubling Methods and Theory in STS

Series Editors: **Mike Michael**, University of Exeter and **Alex Wilkie**, Goldsmiths, University of London

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More-Than-Human Aesthetics

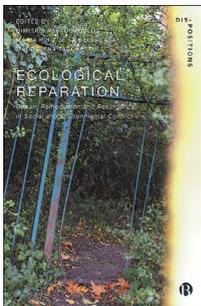
Venturing Beyond the Bifurcation of Nature

Edited by **Melanie Sehgal**, University of Wuppertal and **Alex Wilkie**, Goldsmiths, University of London

In a present marked by planetary crisis, a radical rethinking of aesthetics is necessary. This book invites readers on an adventure to explore how a broader view of aesthetics can reshape science and technology studies, as well social and cultural research more broadly.

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Ecological Reparation

Repair, Remediation and Resurgence in Social and Environmental Conflict

Edited by **Dimitris Papadopoulos**, University of Nottingham, **Maria Puig de la Bellacasa**, University of Warwick and **Maddalena Tacchetti**, University of Nottingham

"...an inspiring call for creative and careful experimentation to reimagine and recraft possibilities for shared life in difficult times."

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How do we engage with the threat of social and environmental degradation while creating and maintaining liveable and just worlds? This groundbreaking collection establishes ecological reparation as an urgent and essential topic of public and scholarly debate.

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Brexit, Tweeted

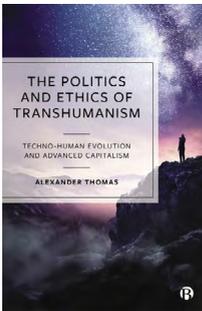
Polarization and Social Media Manipulation

Marco T. Bastos, University College Dublin

Dissecting 45 million tweets from the period that followed the Brexit referendum, this book presents an extensive analysis of social media manipulation. Making complex data accessible to non-technical audiences, this unique post-mortem of the Brexit referendum contributes to our understanding of social media disinformation in the UK and beyond.

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The Politics and Ethics of Transhumanism

Techno-Human Evolution and Advanced Capitalism

Alexander Thomas, University of East London

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Just Here for the Comments

Lurking as Digital Literacy Practice

Gina Siple, SUNY Nassau Community College

We all sometimes 'lurk' in online spaces without posting or engaging, just reading the posts and comments. But neither reading nor lurking are ever passive acts. In fact, readers of social media are making decisions and taking grassroots actions on multiple dimensions. Unpacking this understudied phenomenon, this book challenges the conventional perspective of what counts as participatory online culture.

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Mundania

How and Where Technologies Are Made Ordinary

Robert Willim, Lund University

Emerging technologies eventually disappear into the atmosphere of everyday life – they become ordinary and enmeshed in ignored infrastructures and patterns of behaviour. This is how Mundania takes form. Based on original research, this book uses the concept of mundania to better understand our relationship with technology.

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Foundations of Interdisciplinary and Transdisciplinary Research

A Reader

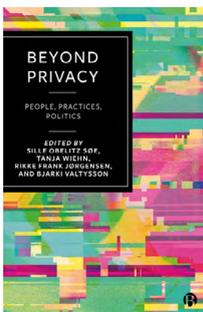
Edited by **Bianca Vienni-Baptista**, ETH Zürich, **Isabel Fletcher** and **Catherine Lyall**, University of Edinburgh

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Beyond Privacy

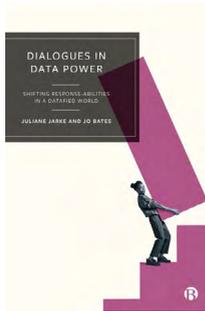
People, Practices, Politics

Edited by **Sille Obelitz Søe**, University of Copenhagen, **Tanja Wiehn**, University of Copenhagen, **Rikke Frank Jørgensen**, The Danish Institute for Human Rights, **Bjarki Valtýsson**, University of Copenhagen

This timely volume tackles the challenges of privacy in the digital sphere, addressing fundamental societal and structural issues from three perspectives: people, practices and politics. Experts from diverse fields provide a valuable contribution to key debates about privacy and data protection, surveillance capitalism and big tech companies.

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Dialogues in Data Power

Shifting Response-Abilities in a Datafied World

Juliane Jarke, University of Graz, **Jo Bates**, University of Sheffield

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Written in an engaging dialogue format, this book introduces readers to emerging themes and future directions in the interdisciplinary field of data studies. It will be a key resource for scholars and students who require a cutting-edge guide to this rapidly evolving area of research.

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Biomedical Innovation in Fertility Care

Evidence Challenges, Commercialization and the Market for Hope

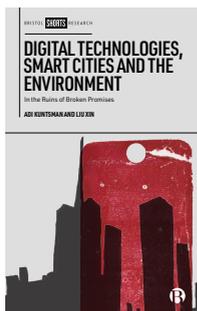
Manuela Perrotta, Queen Mary University of London

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This book analyses the clashes between evidence-based medicine and the dynamics of an increasingly privatised fertility care industry. With a unique focus on 'add-on' treatments, it reveals how these controversial treatments are now widespread and can lead to lead to an emerging market for hope.

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Digital Technologies, Smart Cities and the Environment

In the Ruins of Broken Promises

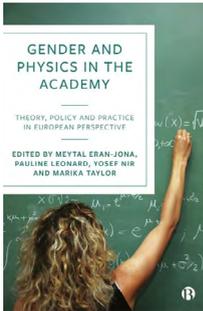
Adi Kuntsman, Manchester Metropolitan University, **Liu Xin**, University of Karlstad

Examining the environmental impacts of digitalisation in smart cities, this book asks how we can reconcile the adoption of smart technologies into sustainable projects. It traces the material and environmental costs of daily realities for smart cities and asks how promises are broken when cities become 'smart'.

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Gender and Physics in the Academy

Theory, Policy and Practice in European Perspective

Edited by **Meytal Eran-Jona**, Weizmann Institute of Science, **Pauline Leonard**, University of Southampton, **Yosef Nir**, Weizmann Institute of Science, **Marika Taylor**, University of Southampton

This innovative collection confronts the worldwide challenge of women's underrepresentation in science through an interrogation of the field of physics and its gender imbalance. Evaluating policy solutions implemented in various European contexts, it offers key insights into the world of women physicists and sheds light on their life stories.

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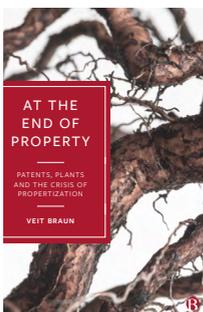
The Economic Lives of Platforms

Rethinking the Political Economy of Digital Markets

Edited by **Anne Mette Thorhauge**, **Andreas Lindegaard Gregersen**, **Eva Iris Otto**, **Morten Axel Pedersen** and **Jacob Ørmen**, University of Copenhagen

A truly interdisciplinary collection, this book rethinks the political economy of the digital market by asking what came before platforms and suggesting what might come after them. Addressing themes like internet decolonisation, it makes a timely assessment of the impact of evolving connections between technology, information, society and markets.

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At the End of Property

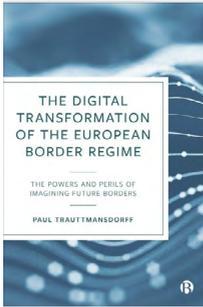
Patents, Plants and the Crisis of Propertization

Veit Braun, Goethe University Frankfurt

This book explores the idea of ownership in the realm of plant breeding, revealing how plants have been legally and physically transformed into property. It highlights the controversial aspects in the process of turning seeds, plants and genes into property and how this endangers the viability of the seed industry.

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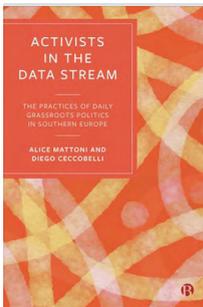
The Digital Transformation of the European Border Regime

The Powers and Perils of Imagining Future Borders

Paul Trauttmansdorff, Independent Researcher

Asking broader questions about exclusion, discrimination, violence and mobility rights, this book offers an in-depth investigation into the digitisation processes of Europe's border regime. Focusing on eu-LISA, one of the most significant actors in the digital border regime, it shows how sociotechnical imaginations drive the future of borders and European governance of mobility.

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Activists in the Data Stream

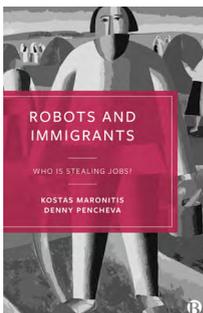
The Practices of Daily Grassroots Politics in Southern Europe

Alice Mattoni, University of Bologna,
Diego Ceccobelli, University of Milan

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This book pulls back the curtain on the link between activism, media and technology. Introducing the novel concept of the 'data stream', it explores the intricate ways in which activists interact daily with various types of data and how they navigate the impact of digitalisation and datafication on today's grassroots politics.

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Robots and Immigrants

Who Is Stealing Jobs?

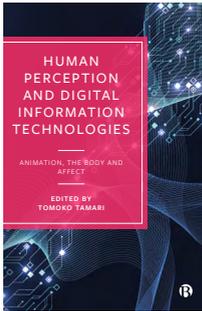
Kostas Maronitis, Leeds Trinity University,
Denny Pencheva, University College London

Who steals jobs? Who owns jobs? Focusing on the competitive labour market, this book scrutinises the narratives created around immigration and automation. It is an invaluable resource for academics and practitioners working in the areas of immigration, labour, capitalism, social exclusion, economic models and political governance.

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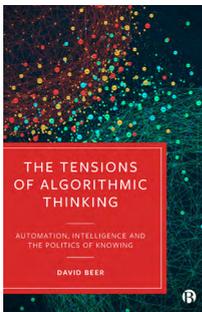
Human Perception and Digital Information Technologies

Animation, the Body, and Affect

Edited by **Tomoko Tamari**, Goldsmiths, University of London

This groundbreaking collection explores the ways in which digital information technologies form and influence human perception and experience. Examining the relationship between technological reductionism and the body, it takes on board discursive perspectives from the humanities and brings digital media, affect and body studies into conversation with one another.

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The Tensions of Algorithmic Thinking

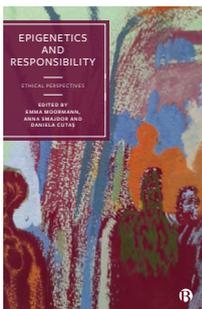
Automation, Intelligence and the Politics of Knowing

David Beer, University of York

From machine learning to artificial intelligence, automated systems can transform the social world in ways that are just starting to be imagined. Redefining these emergent technologies as the new systems of knowing, pioneering scholar David Beer examines the acute tensions they create and how they are changing what is known and what is knowable.

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Epigenetics and Responsibility

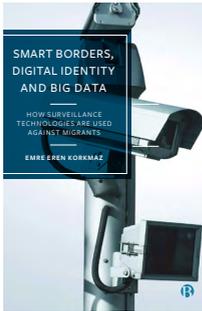
Ethical Perspectives

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Available open access digitally under CC-BY-NC-ND licence. This thought-provoking book redefines the boundaries of moral responsibility in the context of epigenetics. Challenging established notions of human nature, it reveals how certain environmental factors can impact our genes and genetic expression, shifting the focus from individual to collective responsibility.

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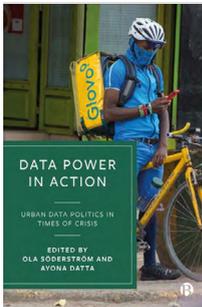
Smart Borders, Digital Identity and Big Data

How Surveillance Technologies Are Used Against Migrants

Emre Eren Korkmaz, University of Oxford

In recent years, UN agencies, global tech corporations, states and humanitarian NGOs have invested in surveillance technologies to support migrant communities and streamline their management. Unpacking the effects of surveillance capitalism on migrants, this book shows how the new surveillance systems reproduce structural inequalities and discriminative policies.

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Data Power in Action

Urban Data Politics in Times of Crisis

Edited by **Ola Söderström**, University of Neuchâtel, **Ayona Datta**, University College London

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Genetic Science and New Digital Technologies

Science and Technology Studies and Health Praxis

Tina Sikka, Newcastle University

From health tracking to diet apps to biohacking, technology is changing how we relate to our material, embodied selves. Drawing from a range of disciplines and case studies, this volume looks at what makes these health and genetic technologies unique and explores the representation, communication and internalisation of health knowledge.

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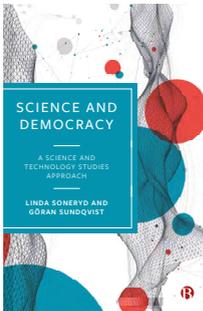
Games in the Platform Economy

Steam's Tangled Markets

Anne Mette Thorhauge, University of Copenhagen

This book examines the evolution of digital platform economies through the lens of online gaming. Offering valuable empirical work on Valve's 'Steam' platform, Thorhauge examines the architecture of this global online videogame marketplace and the way it enables new markets and economic transactions.

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Science and Democracy

A Science and Technology Studies Approach

Linda Soneryd and Göran Sundqvist, University of Gothenburg

Putting forward the thesis that science and democracy share important characteristics, this accessible book shows how authority cannot be taken for granted and must continuously be reproduced and confirmed by others. It sheds light on the role of scientific knowledge in governance, societal developments and democracy.

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Democratizing Science

The Political Roots of the Public Engagement Agenda

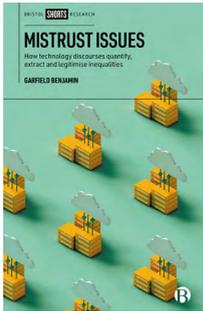
Paola Mattei, University of Milan

Available open access under CC-BY-NC-ND licence. Public trust in the scientific community is under extraordinary pressure. Crucial areas of human activity and public policy, such as education, universities, climate and health care are influenced by populist political strategies rather than evidence-based solutions. This book examines potential remedies for improving public trust and the legitimacy of science.

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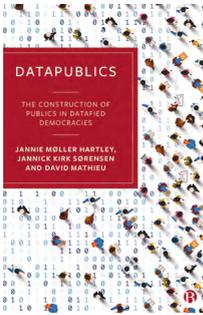
How Technology Discourses Quantify, Extract and Legitimise Inequalities

Garfield Benjamin, Solent University

We are often expected to trust technologies, and how they are used, even if we have good reason not to. Exploring relations between trust and mistrust in the context of data, AI and technology at large, this book defines a process of ‘trustification’ used by governments, corporations, researchers and the media to legitimise exploitation and increase inequalities.

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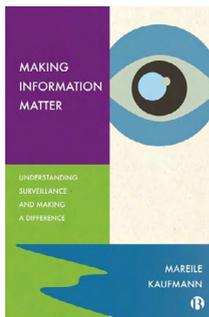
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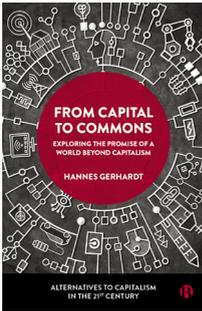
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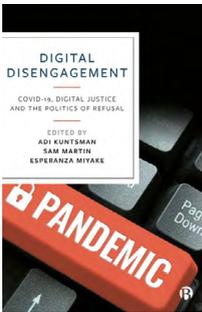
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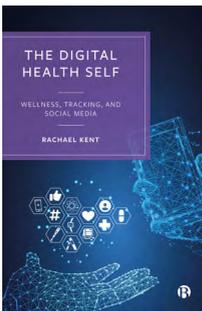
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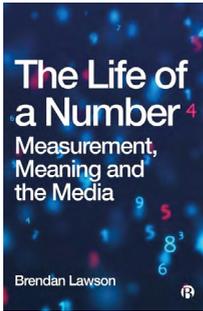
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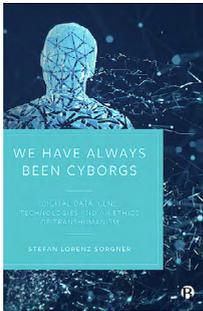
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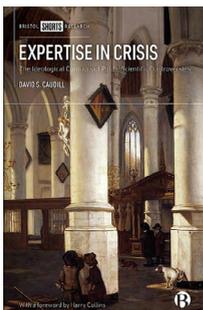
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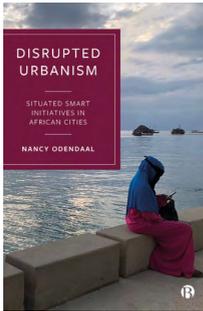
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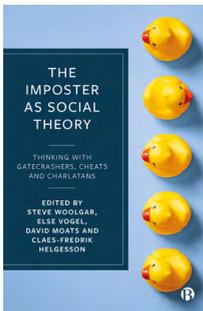
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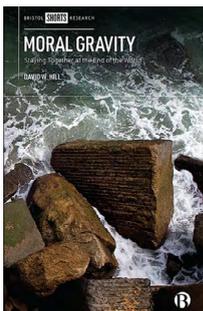
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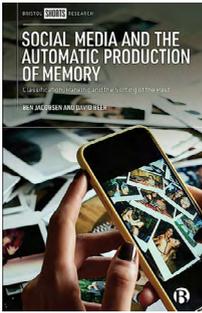
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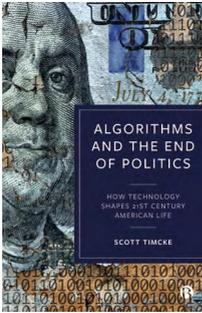
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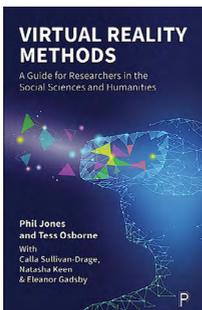
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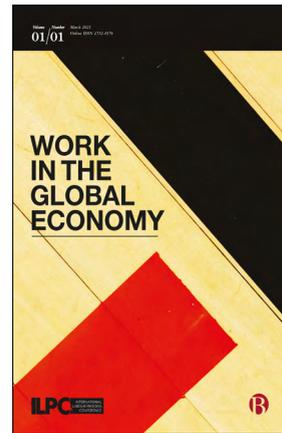
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