

Dynamics 13th Edition Chapter 14

Some cities seem destined to become major financial capitals, yet never do—Seville, for instance, was the centre of Spain's opulent New World Empire, but failed to become a financial metropolis. Others, like former colonial backwater Hong Kong, defy the odds by growing into major trading centres. What are the key factors distinguishing those cities that become wealthy from those that don't? Christopher Kennedy illuminates how geography, technology, and especially the infrastructure of urban economies allow cities to develop and thrive. *The Evolution of Great World Cities* unfolds through the tales of several urban centres—including Venice, Amsterdam, London, and New York City—at key junctures in their histories. Kennedy weaves together significant insights from urbanists such as Jane Jacobs and economists such as John Maynard Keynes, drawing striking parallels between the functioning of ecosystems and of wealthy capitals. *The Evolution of Great World Cities* offers an accessible introduction to urban economies that 'will change the way you think about cities.'

A theoretically rich, nuanced history of Islam and Islamic civilization with a unique sociological component This major new reference work offers a complete historical and theoretically informed view of Islam as both a religion and a sociocultural force. Uniquely comprehensive, it surveys and discusses the transformation of Muslim societies in different eras and various regions, providing a broad narrative of the

historical development of Islamic civilization. This text explores the complex and varied history of the religion and its traditions. It provides an in-depth study of the diverse ways through which the religious dimension at the core of Islamic traditions has led to a distinctive type of civilizational process in history. The book illuminates the ways in which various historical forces have converged and crystallized in institutional forms at a variety of levels, embracing social, religious, legal, political, cultural, and civic dimensions. Together, the team of internationally renowned scholars move from the genesis of a new social order in 7th-century Arabia, right up to the rise of revolutionary Islamist currents in the 20th century and the varied ways in which Islam has grown and continues to pervade daily life in the Middle East and beyond. This book is essential reading for students and academics in a wide range of fields, including sociology, history, law, and political science. It will also appeal to general readers with an interest in the history of one of the world's great religions.

Three books on Zen and the brain by the celebrated Zen practitioner-neurologist James Austin. This compilation in digital form of three books by the celebrated Zen practitioner-neurologist James Austin offers concrete advice about various methods of meditation, provides timeless wisdom of Zen masters, integrates classical Buddhist literature with modern brain research, and explores mindfulness (and remindfulness) training. In these books, Austin clarifies the benefits of meditative training, guiding readers toward that open awareness awaiting them on the cushion and in the natural world. He discusses

different types of meditation, meditation and problem-solving, and the meaning of enlightenment; addresses egocentrism (self-centeredness) and allocentrism (other-centeredness) and the blending of focal and global attention; and considers the illuminating confluence of Zen, clinical neurology, and neuroscience. He describes an everyday life of “living Zen” while drawing on the poetry of Basho, the seventeenth-century haiku master, and illuminates the world of authentic Zen training—the commitment to a process of regular, ongoing daily life practice that trains and enables us to unlearn unfruitful habits, develop more wholesome ones, and lead a more genuinely creative life.

The book recounts the incredible life stories of the author starting with his life as a persecuted minority in the Indian subcontinent where he hopped across many geographical boundaries and socio-political- religious divides as a destitute refugee in search of his material and spiritual identity before coming to America with just \$9.57 in his pocket. The transformation from destitute refugee to serving the National Academy of Science, the highest scientific body in the U.S.A, is in and of itself an extraordinary tale. The book chronicles many of his subsequent awe-inspiring successes in America as a pioneering rocket and space scientist, including serving on various committees of the venerable National Academy of Sciences and as an adventurer with many extraordinary exploits including swimming the English Channel, cosmonaut training and Mig 25 flying in Russia, trekking to the North Pole, climbing to the base camp of Mount

Everest, and racing an Indy 500 car at the Fontana Speedway, among others. His life story is the embodiment of the indomitable human spirit that allowed him to rise from a life of despair as a destitute refugee to scale many extraordinary heights in widely divergent fields, proving that the sky is indeed the limit in America, the land of opportunity. The author examines the minority experiences in other troubled spots all around the world in his attempt to understand the social dynamics that play out with disastrous consequences. The book also provides a closer look at the world's contemporary religions, in an attempt to understand the immeasurable suffering mankind has endured as a result of intolerance and acrimony towards differing faiths. The book includes the author's observations and experiences about the cultural and philosophical differences between the Western and Eastern societies and how it leads to contrasting outlooks and day-to-day life in different cultures. 1

The trusted landmark cardiology resource—thoroughly updated to reflect the latest clinical perspectives Includes DVD with image bank A Doody's Core Title ESSENTIAL PURCHASE for 2011! 5 STAR DOODY'S REVIEW! "This is an outstanding choice for those who strive for a firm foundation in cardiovascular medicine, as well as an up-to-date and user-friendly source that addresses every discipline in the field. The updates and enhancements to this edition have made the book easier to use."--Doody's Review Service Through thirteen editions, Hurst's the Heart has always represented the cornerstone of current scholarship in the discipline. Cardiologists, cardiology fellows,

and internists from across the globe have relied on its unmatched authority, breadth of coverage, and clinical relevance to help optimize patient outcomes. The thirteenth edition of *Hurst's the Heart* continues this standard-setting tradition with 19 new chapters and 59 new authors, each of whom are internationally recognized as experts in their respective content areas. Featuring an enhanced, reader-friendly design, the new edition covers need-to-know clinical advances, as well as issues that are becoming increasingly vital to cardiologists worldwide. As in previous editions, you will find the most complete overview of cardiology topics available—plus a timely new focus on evidence-based medicine, health outcomes, and health quality. New Features 1548 full-color illustrations and 578 tables Companion DVD with image bank includes key figures and tables from the text The Cardiovascular Disease: Past, Present, and Future section includes a new chapter on assessing and improving quality of care in cardiovascular medicine The section on the scientific foundations of cardiovascular medicine has been thoroughly revised 2 new chapters in the section on the evaluation of the patient detail the process of effective diagnostic decision making based on technology, clinical trials, and practice guidelines A new chapter in the section on heart failure details cardiac transplantation The sections on primary heart disease include new chapters on topics such as preventive strategies for coronary artery disease and updated pharmacologic strategies for acute coronary syndromes The section on cardiopulmonary disease features new chapters on chronic cor pulmonale and sleep disorder breathing and its

relationship to cardiovascular disease The section on valvular heart disease has four of the six chapters completely rewritten by new authors who are authorities in the field The final six sections feature new chapters on the environment and heart disease, surgical treatment of carotid and peripheral vascular disease and cost effective strategies in cardiology

An updated and expanded version of the training guide Booklist called "one of the most valuable professional publications to come off the presses in a long time," the new third edition of *Communicating Professionally* is completely revised with new sections outlining the opportunities offered by contemporary communication media. With more resource information on cross-cultural communication, including new applications of communication principles and the latest research-based material on communication in general, this comprehensive manual covers Fundamental skills such as listening, speaking, and writing Reading others' nonverbal behavior How to integrate skills, with tips for practicing Sense-making, a theory of information as communication Common interactions like speaking one-on-one, working in groups, and giving presentations Training others in communication skills, including a special section on technology-based training

Developments in Geotechnical Engineering, 23: Stability of Tidal Inlets: Theory and Engineering focuses on all aspects related to tidal inlets on littoral drift shores where freshwater flow is small or non-existing. The selection first tackles the development and

configuration of tidal inlets and inlet hydraulics. Discussions focus on flow dynamics and nearshore transport, combinations of waves and currents, sediment transport and storage in the tidal entrance, offsets of tidal inlets, natural inlet regimen, migration of inlets, and origin of tidal inlets. The manuscript then examines sediment transport in tidal inlets, stability of tidal inlets on littoral drift shores, and design and improvements of coastal inlets. Topics cover ocean entrance, overall stability condition, hydraulic and sedimentary principles, non-scouring channels, transport of sediments in wave agitated waters, and sediment transport by combined wave and current action. The publication explores improvements by structures, including natural bypassing, types of improvement, and bypassing by structures and bypassing plants or arrangements. The selection is a valuable source of data for researchers interested in the stability of tidal inlets.

- The book is intended to the experts in qualitative theory of differential equations, dynamical systems and their applications

The study of attractors of dynamical systems occupies an important position in the modern qualitative theory of differential equations. This engaging volume presents an authoritative overview of both autonomous and non-autonomous dynamical systems, including the global compact attractor. From an in-depth introduction to the different types of dissipativity and attraction, the book takes a comprehensive look at the connections between them, and critically discusses applications of general results to different classes of differential equations. The new Chapters 15-17 added to this edition include some results concerning Control Dynamical Systems — the global attractors, asymptotic stability of switched systems, absolute asymptotic stability of differential/difference equations and inclusions — published in

the works of author in recent years.

In *Leadership Rites of Passage: The Journey of the Aspiring Leader and the Methods of the Mentor*, accomplished author, Rick Tirrell, examines the sixteen universal challenges every leader must master as well as the methods of great mentorship. This book is designed to help you build your own leadership skills, become an exceptional mentor, or conduct leadership seminars. This compelling business fable begins with the naïve and overwhelmed young Joe Miller and follows his career toward Extraordinary Leadership while he easily builds some leadership skills, nearly fails others, undergoes betrayals, and builds a team. At age 25 Joe joins his family firm believing he will have an easy run along with the supportive mentorship of his father. However, six months later his father dies suddenly, precisely as a massive recession hits the economy. Sales plummet, he cannot service his debt, employees are in revolt, and he knows he is inexperienced. He seeks the advice of Sagen Cruz, thus beginning a lifelong leadership mentoring relationship. Sagen masterfully displays his own mentoring methods which any reader can imitate. He asks probing questions and deftly allows silence to do his work. As he mentors, he points to the great masterworks of the leadership literature. He provides Joe a brief explanation of each theory and asks him to read a relevant book so Joe can put its contents to work. Sagen sends Joe on four missions; four separate areas of leadership development. Within each mission, Joe will encounter very specific challenges. If he chooses to ignore any challenge, it will continue to call to him until he masters it. Sagen has given these challenges a name, Rites of Passage. Each Rite of Passage is a separate chapter and at chapter end, three brief summaries offer us Joe's work, Sagen's process, and seminar discussion questions.

This book constitutes the refereed proceedings of the 13th Conference on Computability in Europe, CiE 2017, held in Turku, Finland, in June 2017. The 24 revised full papers and 12 invited papers were carefully reviewed and selected from 69 submissions. The conference CiE 2016 has six special sessions, namely: algorithmics for biology; combinatorics and algorithmics on words; computability in analysis, algebra, and geometry; cryptography and information theory; formal languages and automata theory; and history and philosophy of computing. The American Journal of Islamic Social Sciences (AJISS), established in 1984, is a quarterly, double blind peer-reviewed and interdisciplinary journal, published by the International Institute of Islamic Thought (IIIT), and distributed worldwide. The journal showcases a wide variety of scholarly research on all facets of Islam and the Muslim world including subjects such as anthropology, history, philosophy and metaphysics, politics, psychology, religious law, and traditional Islam.

This fully illustrated volume covers the history of radar meteorology, deals with the issues in the field from both the operational and the scientific viewpoint, and looks ahead to future issues and how they will affect the current atmosphere. With over 200 contributors, the volume is a product of the entire community and represents an unprecedented compendium of knowledge in the field.

Engineering Mechanics: Combined Statics & Dynamics, Twelfth Edition is ideal for civil and mechanical engineering professionals. In his substantial revision of Engineering Mechanics, R.C. Hibbeler empowers students to succeed in the whole learning experience. Hibbeler achieves this by calling on his everyday classroom experience

and his knowledge of how students learn inside and outside of lecture. In addition to over 50% new homework problems, the twelfth edition introduces the new elements of Conceptual Problems, Fundamental Problems and MasteringEngineering, the most technologically advanced online tutorial and homework system.

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Used to explain complicated economic behavior for decades, game theory is quickly becoming a tool of choice for those serious about optimizing next generation wireless systems. Illustrating how game theory can effectively address a wide range of issues that until now remained unresolved, *Game Theory for Wireless Communications and Networking* provides

Our goal with this 13th Edition is to keep this first mainline organizational behavior text up-to-date with the latest and relevant theory building, basic and applied research, and

the best-practice applications. We give special recognition of this scientific foundation by our subtitle - An Evidence-Based Approach. As emphasized in the introductory chapter, the time has come to help narrow the theory/research—effective application/practice gap. This has been the mission from the beginning of this text. As “hard evidence” for this theory/research based text, we can say unequivocally that no other organizational behavior text has close to the number of footnote references. For example, whereas a few texts may have up to 40 or even 50 references for a few chapters, all the chapters of this text average more than twice that amount. This edition continues the tradition by incorporating recent breakthrough research to provide and add to the evidence on the theories and techniques presented throughout. Two distinguishing features that no other organizational behavior textbook can claim are the following: 1) We are committed at this stage of development of the field of OB to a comprehensive theoretical framework to structure our text. Instead of the typical potpourri of chapters and topics, there is now the opportunity to have a sound conceptual framework to present our now credible (evidence-based) body of knowledge. We use the widely recognized, very comprehensive social cognitive theory to structure this text. We present the background and theory building of this framework in the introductory chapter and also provide a specific model (Figure 1.5) that fits in all 14 chapters. Importantly, the logic of this conceptual framework requires two chapters not found in other texts and the rearrangement and combination of several others. For

example, in the opening organizational context part there is Chapter 4, “Reward Systems,” and in the cognitive processes second part, Chapter 7, “Positive Organizational Behavior and Psychological Capital,” that no other text contains. 2) The second unique feature reflects our continuing basic research program over the years. Chapter 7 contains our most recent work on what we have termed “Positive Organizational Behavior” and “Psychological Capital” (or PsyCap). [The three of us introduced the term “Psychological Capital” in our joint article in 2004]. To meet the inclusion criteria (positive; theory and research based; valid measurement; open to development; and manage for performance improvement), for the first time the topics of optimism, hope, happiness/subjective well-being, resiliency, emotional intelligence, self-efficacy, and our overall core construct of psychological capital have been given chapter status. Just as real-world management can no longer afford to evolve slowly, neither can the academic side of the field. With the uncertain, very turbulent environment most organizations face today, drastically new ideas, approaches, and techniques are needed both in the practice of management and in the way we study and apply the field of organizational behavior. This text mirrors these needed changes. Social Cognitive Conceptual Framework. The book contains 14 chapters in four major parts. Social cognitive theory explains organizational behavior in terms of both environmental, contextual events and internal cognitive factors, as well as the dynamics and outcomes of the organizational behavior itself. Thus, Part One provides the

evidence-based and organizational context for the study and application of organizational behavior.

Redefining Diversity and Dynamics of Natural Resources Management in Southeast Asia, Volumes 1-4 brings together scientific research and policy issues across various topographical areas in Asia to provide a comprehensive overview of the issues facing this region. Natural Resource Dynamics and Social Ecological Systems in Central Vietnam: Development, Resource Changes and Conservation Issues, Volume 3, focuses on the issues specific to Central Vietnam that are also found globally. War had significantly impacted both land and water resources, from which it had to recover environmentally. Additionally, this is an area with growing urbanization pressures and industrial development, both of which are known for stretching resources beyond their limits. The introduction of several hydro-electric power projects have even further eroded the local agricultural and forest ecosystems. This volume looks at Central Vietnam holistically, from management and use to policy and data-driven solutions. Provides land management practitioners and policy makers with the tools to deal with natural resource issues in a developing nation Reviews the impacts of the first PES, Payment for Ecosystem Services, policies upon which were based similar programs in Latin America Reviews the current and potential future land management of Central Vietnam, giving an eye to solutions for any nation impacted by war, trying to balance development with conservation efforts and provide their populations with sustainable

economic futures Examines Central Vietnam holistically, from management and use to policy and data-driven solutions

This volume contains the proceedings of the 13th AIAA Computational Fluid Dynamics Conference. It addresses numerical procedures for the solution of fluid dynamics and interdisciplinary problems. Technical sessions of the conference focus on design optimization, solution adaptive techniques, convergence acceleration methods, high-resolution schemes, parallel computing as well as improved algorithms for the solution of viscous, inviscid, and multi-component flow applications. The programme also includes a panel discussion addressing the evolving roles of government, industry and academia in future CFD developments.

This volume brings together unpublished Italian and Albanian archaeological reports and new archaeological studies from recent fieldwork that throw new light on the archaeology and history of the Pavllas River Valley, the Mediterranean alluvial plain in the territory of Butrint, ancient Buthrotum, in southwestern Albania. It gives prominence for the first time to two important sites, Kalivo and Çuka e Aitoit, which are here reinterpreted and shown to have played major roles in the early history of Butrint as it evolved in the later first millennium BC to emerge as the key city of Chaonia in Epirus. Butrint 7 also presents the full excavation report of the Late Bronze Age and Hellenistic fortified site of Mursi, in addition to other Butrint Foundation surveys and excavations in the hinterland of Butrint, including the Roman villa maritima at Diaporit, the villa

suburbana on the Vrina Plain, and Roman sites on Alinura Bay and at the Customs House, as well as new surveys of the early modern Triangular Fortress and a survey to locate the lost Venetian village of Zarópulo. The volume also features a new study of the Hellenistic bronze statuette of Pan found on Mount Mile and of his sanctuary at Butrint. The volume concludes with a comprehensive reassessment of the Pavllas River Valley in relation to Butrint, from the Palaeolithic to the modern eras, examining how dominion, territory, environment and the 'corrupting sea' reshaped Butrint and its fluvial corridor diachronically and particularly brought profound territorial, economic and social alterations under the Roman Empire.

Model Validation and Uncertainty Quantification, Volume 3: Proceedings of the 36th IMAC, A Conference and Exposition on Structural Dynamics, 2018, the third volume of nine from the Conference brings together contributions to this important area of research and engineering. The collection presents early findings and case studies on fundamental and applied aspects of Model Validation and Uncertainty Quantification, including papers on: Uncertainty Quantification in Material Models Uncertainty Propagation in Structural Dynamics Practical Applications of MVUQ Advances in Model Validation & Uncertainty Quantification: Model Updating Model Validation & Uncertainty Quantification: Industrial Applications Controlling Uncertainty Uncertainty in Early Stage Design Modeling of Musical Instruments Overview of Model Validation and Uncertainty The last book on Alaska politics came out over twenty years ago, long before the rise of

the Tea Party and Sarah Palin and the decline of oil revenue and fisheries. With *Alaska Politics and Public Policy*, Clive Thomas has pulled together a diverse team of specialists to update and expand our understanding of the political and policy realities of Alaska. This comprehensive volume lays out a detailed map of a political landscape that's physically huge, environmentally diverse, and constrained in economics and population. This book, the most comprehensive on Alaska politics and public policy published to date, explores how beliefs, institutions, personalities, and power shape Alaska politics and public policies. Understanding how these elements interact helps explain why and how some issues get dealt with by government in Alaska, why others get little attention, why some are tackled but cannot be resolved, and why others are not addressed at all. Combining the human element with the interrelationships within the political system gets to the very nature of politics. The book ranges from covering the basics of Alaska politics to providing detailed treatments of the factors shaping politics and the operation of government to providing in-depth analysis of issues and policies. *Alaska Politics and Public Policy* provides a wide range of information and analysis to a broad readership--from those with very little knowledge of Alaska politics to Alaska politics junkies. The book also includes an extensive glossary of terms related to Alaska and its politics. Two types of people were asked to contribute to the book: One group is political scientists and other social scientists. The other includes past and present state elected and appointed officials, as well as other political practitioners and

observers, such as lobbyists and journalists. This combination of contributors enables the book to provide both conceptual and hands-on insights into its comprehensive coverage of topics ranging from the role of Alaska Natives to the influence of interest groups to the reality of the state's dependence on oil to the ambivalent attitude toward the federal government to the likely potential of the Arctic in Alaska's future.

Public Health

The new volume takes an interdisciplinary look at current technical challenges and recent developmental trends in microbial biotechnology. It covers an avalanche of new information available through research by focusing on a broad spectrum of issues on different microorganisms and their recent applications and implications in agriculture, soil science and forestry, industry, and public health and medicine. Microbes present in our immediate environment have a direct or indirect influence leading to either a harmful or beneficial effect. *Microbial Biotechnology: Technological Challenges and Developmental Trends* is divided into four major sections that focus on Part I: Antimicrobial Agents: Role and Applications in Medicine and Health Care Part II: Role of Microorganisms in Agriculture and Plant Biotechnology Part III: Microbial Enzymes and Their Potential Industrial Applications Part IV: Microorganisms in Environment: Role and Industrial Applications Topic include organic chemistry, biomass conversion, optimal production processes for different microbes, screening methods, and application of omics approaches such as (meta) genomics, proteomics, and

metabolomics, or other biotechnology tools, to provide a deeper understanding of the microbial-based new and emerging products, trends, processes, and technologies. The chapters present unbiased original research results on microbes by incorporating case studies wherever appropriate. Providing research findings applicable to the development of new methodologies, applications, and technologies, the book will be a valuable resource for people working in various fields of microbiology.

Business and Polity explores, through a variety of economic and political formations over the past two and a half millennia, right from the Greco-Roman civilization to present day globalization, the behaviour of two power networks: those who control the levers of political power and those who engage themselves in wealth-generating activities. It traces the dynamics of interdependence between these two powerful networks and what happens when one or the other becomes more powerful. The rational and logical approach taken by the author reveals the links that our modern state of affairs has with the experience of past civilizations-knowledge that can potentially enhance our ability to make informed decisions to shape the global future. Though the content is academic and interdisciplinary in scope and nature, its lucid presentation will appeal to a wide range of readers who are interested in geopolitical issues and economic, political and business history.

'This book provides refreshing and powerful insights on the challenges of conducting management research from a European perspective. Particularly for someone embarking on a management research career this book will provide valuable guidelines.' -- Ian MacMillan, Wharton School of Business, University of Pennsylvania

'This comprehensive volume is distinguished by its balance and pragmatism. The authors who present the various research methods are not proponents but researchers who have applied these methods. The authors who discuss philosophical and strategic issues are not advocates but researchers who have had to confront these issues in their research' - Bill Starbuck, New York University

'Doing Management Research is a fabulous contribution to our field. Thietart and his colleagues have put together a unique and valuable guide to help management scholars more deeply understand the issues, dynamics and contradictions of executing first class managerial research. This book will hold an important place on the researcher's desk for years to come' - Michael Tushman, Harvard Business School

'This is an excellent in-depth examination of the conduct of management research. It will serve as a valuable resource for management scholars and researchers and is a must read for Ph.D. students in management.' -- Michael Hitt, Arizona State University

'This book will prove to be an excellent guide for those engaged in management research for the first time

and an excellent refresher for more experienced scholars. Raymond Thietart and his colleagues should be thanked roundly for this comprehensive volume' - Gordon Walker, Southern Methodist University, Cox Business School `This textbook makes an outstanding contribution to texts on management research. For researchers considering management research it offers an extensive guide to the research process' - Paula Roberts, Nurse Researcher Doing Management Research, a major new textbook, provides answers to questions and problems which researchers invariably encounter when embarking on management research, be it quantitative or qualitative. This book will carefully guide the reader through the research process from beginning to end. An excellent tool for academics and students, it enables the reader to acquire and build upon empirical evidence, and to decide what tools to use to understand and describe what is being observed, and then, which methods of analysis to adopt. There is an entire section dedicated to writing up and communicating the research findings. Written in an accessible and easy-to-use style, this book can be read from cover to cover or dipped into, to clarify particular issues during the research process. Doing Management Research results from the 'hands-on' experience of a large group of researchers who have all had to address the different issues raised when undertaking management research. It is anchored in real

methodological problems that researchers face in their work. This work will also become one of the most useful reference tools for senior researchers who are looking for answers to epistemological or methodological problems.

First published in 1982. Until the nineteenth-century the history of agriculture was the history of mankind but it has not perhaps received the wide attention that this importance justifies. In this study, the author reviews for the student of agricultural history successive attempts to describe and explain agricultural changes that are not specific to a limited area or a particular time. In a sense *The Dynamics of Agricultural Change* is a systematic historical geography of agriculture. Some of the models the author explores have been developed within agricultural history; some, drawn from other disciplines, can be applied fruitfully to it. What is the relationship between population growth and agricultural development? Between environmental changes and those in agriculture? What was the effect of the industrial revolution? And has there been an agricultural revolution? This book suggests to university students of economic history, historical geography and agriculture, a number of stimulating ways of interpreting and reinterpreting agricultural history.

In most countries, parliament has the constitutional mandate to both oversee and hold government to account. In light of the increased focus on good governance,

academics and legislative strengthening practitioners are re-examining parliament's oversight function with a view to increasing public financial accountability, curbing corruption, and contributing to poverty reduction. This volume brings together research from many different perspectives and many different legislative settings worldwide. As the country case studies in section III demonstrate, the accountability mechanisms or oversight tools available to the legislature vary based on constitutionally defined powers of the legislature, institutional arrangements between the branches of government, divisions of authority between national, regional, and local governments, the degree of legitimacy conferred on the legislature, and the resources available to it. The budget process provides critical opportunities. Section II of this volume is devoted to examining budget oversight from the formulation and approval of the budget, to implementation and the ex post examination of the public accounts. Special attention is also paid to mechanisms to assist parliaments such as Public Accounts Committees and independent parliamentary budget offices. This title will be of interest to parliamentarians and parliamentary staff, legislative strengthening practitioners, and students of legislative development. In the first modern biography of Lord Mansfield (1705-1793), Norman Poser details the turbulent political life of eighteenth-century Britain's most powerful

judge, serving as chief justice for an unprecedented thirty-two years. His legal decisions launched England on the path to abolishing slavery and the slave trade, modernized commercial law in ways that helped establish Britain as the world's leading industrial and trading nation, and his vigorous opposition to the American colonists stoked Revolutionary fires. Although his father and brother were Jacobite rebels loyal to the deposed King James II, Mansfield was able to rise through English society to become a member of its ruling aristocracy and a confidential advisor to two kings. Poser sets Mansfield's rulings in historical context while delving into Mansfield's circle, which included poets (Alexander Pope described him as "his country's pride"), artists, actors, clergymen, noblemen and women, and politicians. Still celebrated for his application of common sense and moral values to the formal and complicated English common law system, Mansfield brought a practical and humanistic approach to the law. His decisions continue to influence the legal systems of Canada, Britain, and the United States to an extent unmatched by any judge of the past. An illuminating account of one of the greatest legal minds, Lord Mansfield presents a vibrant look at Britain's Age of Reason through one of its central figures.

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