

# Free epub Reset bruno latour Copy

bruno latour is among the most important figures in contemporary philosophy and social science his ethnographic studies have revolutionized our understanding of areas as diverse as science law politics and religion to facilitate a more realistic understanding of the world latour has introduced a radically fresh philosophical terminology and a new approach to social science actor network theory in seminal works such as *laboratory life* we have never been modern and an inquiry into modes of existence latour has outlined an alternative to the foundational categories of modern western thought Ð particularly its distinction between society and nature Ð that has major consequences for our understanding of the ecological crisis and of the role of science in democratic societies latour s empirical philosophy has evolved considerably over the past four decades in this lucid and compelling book gerard de vries provides one of the first overviews of latour s work he guides readers through latour s main publications from his early ethnographies to his more recent philosophical works showing with considerable skill how latour s ideas have developed this book will be of great value to students and scholars attempting to come to terms with the immense challenge posed by latour s thought it will be of interest to those studying philosophy anthropology sociology science and technology studies and almost all other branches of the social sciences and humanities bruno latour stirs things up latour began as a lover of science and technology co founder of actor network theory and philosopher of a modernity that had never been modern in the meantime he is regarded not just as one of the most intelligent and also popular exponents of science studies but also as a major innovator of the social sciences an exemplary wanderer who walks the line between the sciences and the humanities this book provides the first comprehensive overview of the latourian oeuvre from his early anthropological studies in abidjan ivory coast to influential books like *laboratory life* and *science in action* and his most recent reflections on an empirical metaphysics of modes of existence in the course of this enquiry it becomes clear that the basic problem to which latour s work responds is that of social tradition the transmission of experience and knowledge what this empirical philosopher constantly grapples with is the complex relationship of knowledge time and culture the first extended study of bruno latour s legal theory this book presents a critical reconstruction of the whole of latour s oeuvre to date from *laboratory life* to an inquiry into the modes of existence based on the powerful insights into normative effects that actor network theory makes possible the book advances a new theory of legal normativity and the force of law rethinking latour s work on technology the image and referential scientific inscriptions among others and placing them within the ambit of legality the 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summation of the work of one of the most influential and provocative interpreters of science it aims at saving what is good and valuable in modernity and replacing the rest with a broader fairer and finer sense of possibility french sociologist and philosopher bruno latour is one of the most significant and creative thinkers of the last decades bruno latour hybrid thoughts in a hybrid world is the first comprehensive and accessible english language introduction to this multi faceted work the book focuses on core latourian themes contribution to science studies sts science technology society philosophical approach to the rise and fall of modernity innovative thoughts on politics nature and ecology contribution to the branch of sociology known as ant actor network theory with ant latour has pioneered an approach to socio cultural analysis built on the notion that social life arises in complex networks of actants people things ideas norms technologies and so on influencing each other in dynamic ways this book explores how latour helps us make sense of the changing interrelations of science technology society nature and politics beyond modernity

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has occurred the archaeology of slavery investigates slavery in diverse settings and offers a broad framework for the interpretation of slaving in a series of televised interviews broadcast in spring 2022 bruno latour explained in clear and straightforward terms how humans have changed the planet and why environmental disasters are an intrinsic part

of modern life we have now come to realize that all life depends on a thin skin of our planet that is only few kilometres thick what scientists call the critical zone our capacity to continue to live on a planet we are transforming is now at risk and if we wish to survive as a species we must put an end to the mechanisms of destruction rethink our connection to living beings and face head on the confrontation between the extractivists who are exploiting the earth s resources and the ecologists this poignant reflection on the greatest challenge of our time was also an opportunity for latour to explain the underlying thread that guided his work throughout his career from his pathbreaking research on the social construction of scientific knowledge to his last writings on the anthropocene a scientist friend asked bruno latour point blank do you believe in reality taken aback by this strange query latour offers his meticulous response in pandora s hope it is a remarkable argument for understanding the reality of science in practical terms in this book latour identified by richard rorty as the new bête noire of the science worshipers gives us his most philosophically informed book since science in action through case studies of scientists in the amazon analyzing soil and in pasteur s lab studying the fermentation of lactic acid he shows us the myriad steps by which events in the material world are transformed into items of scientific knowledge through many examples in the world of technology we see how the material and human worlds come together and are reciprocally transformed in this process why latour asks did the idea of an independent reality free of human interaction emerge in the first place his answer to this question harking back to the debates between might and right narrated by plato points to the real stakes in the so called science wars the perplexed submission of ordinary people before the warring forces of claimants to the ultimate truth

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far beyond a particular case study in the second part of the book irreductions latour sets out his notion of the dynamics of conflict and interaction of the relation of forces latour s method of analysis cuts across and through the boundaries of the established disciplines of sociology history and the philosophy of science to reveal how it is possible not to make the distinction between reason and force instead of leading to sociological reductionism this method leads to an unexpected irreductionism these 13 essays explore bruno latour s legal theory from a variety of disciplinary perspectives they combine analytical tools drawn from latour s actor network theory developed in science in action reassembling the social and the making of law with the philosophical anthropology of the moderns in an inquiry into modes of existence to blaze a new trail in legal epistemology after the harrowing experience of the pandemic and lockdown both states and individuals have been searching for ways to exit the crisis many hoping to return as soon as possible to the world as it was before the pandemic but there is another way to learn the lessons of this ordeal as inhabitants of the earth we may not be able to exit lockdown so easily after all since the global health crisis is embedded in another larger and more serious crisis that brought about by the new climate regime learning to live in lockdown might be an opportunity to be seized a dress rehearsal for the climate mutation an opportunity to understand at last where we inhabitants of the earth live what kind of place earth is and how we will be able to orient ourselves and exist in this world in the years to come we might finally be able to explore the land in which we live together with all other living beings begin to understand the true nature of the climate mutation we are living through and discover what kind of freedom is possible a freedom differently situated and differently understood in this sequel to his bestselling book down to earth bruno latour provides a compass for this necessary re orientation of our lives outlining the metaphysics of confinement and deconfinement with which we will all be obliged to come to terms by the strange times in which we are living this book offers a novel account of grace framed in terms of bruno latour s principle of irreduction it thus models an object oriented approach to grace experimentally moving a traditional christian understanding of grace out of a top down theistic ontology and into an agent based object oriented ontology in the process it also provides a systematic and original account of latour s overall project the account of grace offered here redistributes the tasks assigned to science and religion where now the work of science is to bring into focus objects that are too distant too resistant and too transcendent to be visible the business of religion is to bring into focus objects that are too near too available and too immanent to be visible where science reveals transcendent objects by correcting for our nearsightedness religion reveals immanent objects by correcting for our farsightedness speculative grace remaps the meaning of grace and examines the kinds of religious instruments and practices that as a result take center stage the emergence of modern sciences in the seventeenth century profoundly renewed our understanding of nature for the last three centuries new ideas of nature have been continually developed by theology politics economics and science especially the sciences of the material world the situation is even more unstable today now that we have entered an ecological mutation of unprecedented scale some call it the anthropocene but it is best described as a new climatic regime and a new regime it certainly is since the many unexpected connections between human activity and the natural world oblige every one of us to reopen the earlier notions of nature and redistribute what had been packed inside so the question now arises what will replace the old ways of looking at nature this book explores a potential candidate proposed by james lovelock when he chose the name gaia for the fragile complex system through which living phenomena modify the earth the fact that he was immediately misunderstood proves simply that his readers have tried to fit this new notion into an older frame transforming gaia into a single organism a kind of giant thermostat some sort of new age goddess or even divine providence in this series of lectures on natural religion bruno latour argues that the complex and ambiguous figure of gaia offers on the contrary an ideal way to disentangle the ethical political theological and scientific aspects of the now obsolete notion of nature he lays the groundwork for a future collaboration among scientists theologians activists and artists as they and we begin to adjust to the new climatic regime this anthology features essays and book excerpts on technology and values written by preeminent figures in the field from the early 20th century to the present it offers an in depth range of readings on important applied issues in technology as well useful in addressing questions on philosophy sociology and theory of technology includes wide ranging coverage on metaphysics ethics and politics as well as issues relating to gender biotechnology everyday artifacts and architecture a good supplemental text for courses on moral or political problems in which contemporary technology is a unit of focus an accessible and thought provoking book for beginning and advanced undergraduates yet also a helpful resource for graduate students and academics

climate god and uncertainty moves beyond bruno latour s thought to understand what climate change means for philosophical anthropology and wider culture what are for example the philosophical implications of climate change and its associated uncertainties referring mainly to works by latour william james and heinrich rickert petersen develops transcendental naturalism to reinterpret the interface between science and politics in the context of climate change he highlights for instance issues such as the religious disenchantment of nature the scientific disbelief in a plurality of value laden perspectives and the disregard for non modern worldviews in politics in developing its argument the book makes a methodological



laboratory studies in the history of science how can economics become genuinely quantitative this is the question that french sociologist gabriel tarde tackled at the end of his career and in this pamphlet bruno latour and vincent antonin lépinay offer a lively introduction to the work of the forgotten genius of nineteenth century social thought tarde s solution was in total contradiction to the dominant views of his time to quantify the connections between people and goods you need to grasp passionate interests in tarde s view capitalism is not a system of cold calculations rather it is a constant amplification in the intensity and reach of passions in a stunning anticipation of contemporary economic anthropology tarde s work defines an alternative path beyond the two illusions responsible for so much modern misery the adepts of the invisible hand and the devotees of the visible hand will learn how to escape the sterility of their fight and recognize the originality of a thinker for whom everything is intersubjective hence quantifiable at a time when the regulation of financial markets is the subject of heated debate latour and lépinay provide a valuable historical perspective on the fundamental nature of capitalism this collection of essays responds to the urgent call in the humanities to go beyond the act of negative critique which so far has been the dominant form of intellectual inquiry in academia the contributors take their inspiration from bruno latour s pragmatic relational approach and his philosophy of hybrid world where culture is immanent to nature and knowledge is tied to the things it co creates in such a world nature society and discourse relate to rather than negate each other the 11 essays ranging from early modern humanism and modern theorization of literature to contemporary political ecology and animal studies propose new productive ways of thinking reading and writing with not against the world in carrying out concrete practices that are inclusive rather than exclusive contributors strive to exemplify a form of scholarship that might be better attuned to the concerns of our post humanist era this text looks at bruno latour specifically as a philosopher part one covers four key works in latour s career in metaphysics while part two identifies latour s key contributions to ontology while criticizing his focus on the relational character of actors at the expense of their autonomous reality

## **Bruno Latour**

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## **Bruno Latour in Pieces**

2014-10-15

bruno latour stirs things up latour began as a lover of science and technology co founder of actor network theory and philosopher of a modernity that had never been modern in the meantime he is regarded not just as one of the most intelligent and also popular exponents of science studies but also as a major innovator of the social sciences an exemplary wanderer who walks the line between the sciences and the humanities this book provides the first comprehensive overview of the latourian oeuvre from his early anthropological studies in abidjan ivory coast to influential books like laboratory life and science in action and his most recent reflections on an empirical metaphysics of modes of existence in the course of this enquiry it becomes clear that the basic problem to which latour s work responds is that of social tradition the transmission of experience and knowledge what this empirical philosopher constantly grapples with is the complex relationship of knowledge time and culture

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## **We Have Never Been Modern**

2012-10-01

with the rise of science we moderns believe the world changed irrevocably separating us forever from our primitive premodern ancestors but if we were to let go of this fond conviction bruno latour asks what would the world look like his book an anthropology of science shows us how much of modernity is actually a matter of faith what does it mean to be modern what difference does the scientific method make the difference latour explains is in our careful distinctions between nature and society between human and thing distinctions that our benighted ancestors in their world of alchemy astrology and phrenology never made but alongside this purifying practice that defines modernity there exists another seemingly contrary one the construction of systems that mix politics science technology and nature the ozone debate is such a hybrid in latour s analysis as are global warming deforestation even the idea of black holes as these hybrids proliferate the prospect of keeping nature and culture in their separate mental chambers becomes overwhelming and rather than try latour suggests we should rethink our distinctions rethink the definition and constitution of modernity itself his book offers a new explanation of science that finally recognizes the connections between nature and culture and so between our culture and others past and present nothing short of a reworking of our mental landscape we have never been modern blurs the boundaries among science the humanities and the social sciences to enhance understanding on all sides a summation of the work of one of the most influential and provocative interpreters of science it aims at saving what is good and valuable in modernity and replacing the rest with a broader fairer and finer sense of possibility

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## ***Latour and the Humanities***

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## ***Politics of Nature***

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## ***The Prince and the Wolf: Latour and Harman at the LSE***

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in this book bruno latour calls upon christians to join the struggle to avert a climate catastrophe first and foremost christians need to overcome their lack of interest in earthly things and pay attention to the earth at a time when it is being neglected he also urges christians to renew their understanding of their faith in the context of the new image of the world that has emerged from earth system science that of a world in which the myriad of beings that inhabit the world are interdependent and living in close proximity on a slender fragile membrane on the surface of the planet this new image of the world cannot fail to have an impact on the sciences on politics and on religion just as in earlier centuries the cosmology of copernicus and galileo upset the old order latour sees the ecological crisis and the cosmological mutation that it entails as an opportunity to convey anew to the largest possible audience the tradition of christianity as it has never been appreciated before by bringing to bear the lessons of eschatology on the great crisis that looms before us all

## ***The Making of Law***

2013-04-26

illuminating conversations with one of france s most respected and controversial philosophers

## **If we lose the Earth, we lose our souls**

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plantation sites especially those in the southeastern us have long dominated the archaeological study of slavery these antebellum estates however are not representative of the range of geographic locations and time periods in which slaving has occurred the archaeology of slavery investigates slavery in diverse settings and offers a broad framework for the interpretation of slaving

## **Conversations on Science, Culture, and Time**

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in a series of televised interviews broadcast in spring 2022 bruno latour explained in clear and straightforward terms how humans have changed the planet and why environmental disasters are an intrinsic part of modern life we have now come to realize that all life depends on a thin skin of our planet that is only few kilometres thick what scientists call the critical zone our capacity to continue to live on a planet we are transforming is now at risk and if we wish to survive as a species we must put an end to the mechanisms of destruction rethink our connection to living beings and face head on the confrontation between the extractivists who are exploiting the earth s resources and the ecologists this poignant reflection on the greatest challenge of our time was also an opportunity for latour to explain the underlying thread that guided his work throughout his career from his pathbreaking research on the social construction of scientific knowledge to his last writings on the anthropocene

## **Thinking with Bruno Latour in Rhetoric and Composition**

2015-04-20

a scientist friend asked bruno latour point blank do you believe in reality taken aback by this strange query latour offers his meticulous response in pandora s hope it is a remarkable argument for understanding the reality of science in practical terms in this book latour identified by richard rorty as the new bête noire of the science worshipers gives us his most philosophically informed book since science in action through case studies of scientists in the amazon analyzing soil and in pasteur s lab studying the fermentation of lactic acid he shows us the myriad steps by which events in the material world are transformed into items of scientific knowledge through many examples in the world of technology we see how the material and human worlds come together and are reciprocally transformed in this process why latour asks did the idea of an independent reality free of human interaction emerge in the first place his answer to this question harking back to the debates between might and right narrated by plato points to the real stakes in the so called science wars the perplexed submission of ordinary people before the warring forces of claimants to the ultimate truth

## **How to Inhabit the Earth**

2023-10-09

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## ***Pandora's Hope***

1999-06-30

this book is the first treatment of bruno latour specifically as a philosopher part one covers four key works in latouros career in metaphysics irreductions science in action we have never been modern and pandoraocos hope in part two the author identifies latouros key contributions to ontology while criticizing his focus on the relational character of actors at the expense of their autonomous reality

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2019-12

from weaker to stronger rhetoric literature laboratories from weak points to strongholds machines insiders out  
from short to longer networks tribunals of reason centres of calculation

## **Prince of Networks**

2009

bruno latour has written a unique and wonderful tale of a technological dream gone wrong the story of the birth and death of aramis the guided transportation system intended for paris is told in this thought provoking and fictional account by several different parties an engineer and his professor company executives and elected officials a sociologist and finally aramis itself who delivers a passionate plea on behalf of technological innovations that risk being abandoned by their makers as the young engineer and professor follow aramis s trail conducting interviews analyzing documents assessing the evidence perspectives keep shifting the truth is revealed as multilayered unascertainable comprising an array of possibilities worthy of rashomon this charming and profound book part novel and part sociological study is latour at his thought provoking best

## ***Science in Action***

1987

the present ecological mutation has organized the whole political landscape for the last thirty years this could explain the deadly cocktail of exploding inequalities massive deregulation and conversion of the dream of globalization into a nightmare for most people what holds these three phenomena together is the conviction shared by some powerful people that the ecological threat is real and that the only way for them to survive is to abandon any pretense at sharing a common future with the rest of the world hence their flight offshore and their massive investment in climate change denial the left has been slow to turn its attention to this new situation it is still organized along an axis that goes from investment in local values to the hope of globalization and just at the time when everywhere people dissatisfied with the ideal of modernity are turning back to the protection of national or even ethnic borders this is why it is urgent to shift sideways and to define politics as what leads toward the earth and not toward the global or the national belonging to a territory is the phenomenon most in need of rethinking and careful redescription learning new ways to inhabit the earth is our biggest challenge bringing us down to earth is the task of politics today

## ***Aramis, or The Love of Technology***

1996-04-01

in a new approach to philosophical anthropology bruno latour offers answers to questions raised in we have never been modern if not modern what have we been and what values should we inherit an inquiry into modes of existence offers a new basis for diplomatic encounters with other societies at a time of ecological crisis

## ***Down to Earth***

2018-11-26

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## **An Inquiry Into Modes of Existence**

2013-08-19

what can one man accomplish even a great man and brilliant scientist although every town in france has a street named for louis pasteur was he alone able to stop people from spitting persuade them to dig drains influence them to undergo vaccination pasteur s success depended upon a whole network of forces including the public hygiene movement the medical profession both military physicians and private practitioners and colonial interests it is the operation of these forces in combination with the talent of pasteur that bruno latour sets before us as a prime example of science in action latour argues that the triumph of the biologist and his methodology must be understood within the particular historical convergence of competing social forces and conflicting interests yet

pasteur was not the only scientist working on the relationships of microbes and disease how was he able to galvanize the other forces to support his own research latour shows pasteur s efforts to win over the french public the farmers industrialists politicians and much of the scientific establishment instead of reducing science to a given social environment latour tries to show the simultaneous building of a society and its scientific facts the first section of the book which retells the story of pasteur is a vivid description of an approach to science whose theoretical implications go far beyond a particular case study in the second part of the book irreductions latour sets out his notion of the dynamics of conflict and interaction of the relation of forces latour s method of analysis cuts across and through the boundaries of the established disciplines of sociology history and the philosophy of science to reveal how it is possible not to make the distinction between reason and force instead of leading to sociological reductionism this method leads to an unexpected irreductionism

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2007-04

these 13 essays explore bruno latour s legal theory from a variety of disciplinary perspectives they combine analytical tools drawn from latour s actor network theory developed in science in action reassembling the social and the making of law with the philosophical anthropology of the moderns in an inquiry into modes of existence to blaze a new trail in legal epistemology

## **The Pasteurization of France**

1993-10-15

after the harrowing experience of the pandemic and lockdown both states and individuals have been searching for ways to exit the crisis many hoping to return as soon as possible to the world as it was before the pandemic but there is another way to learn the lessons of this ordeal as inhabitants of the earth we may not be able to exit lockdown so easily after all since the global health crisis is embedded in another larger and more serious crisis that brought about by the new climate regime learning to live in lockdown might be an opportunity to be seized a dress rehearsal for the climate mutation an opportunity to understand at last where we inhabitants of the earth live what kind of place earth is and how we will be able to orient ourselves and exist in this world in the years to come we might finally be able to explore the land in which we live together with all other living beings begin to understand the true nature of the climate mutation we are living through and discover what kind of freedom is possible a freedom differently situated and differently understood in this sequel to his bestselling book down to earth bruno latour provides a compass for this necessary re orientation of our lives outlining the metaphysics of confinement and deconfinement with which we will all be obliged to come to terms by the strange times in which we are living

## **Latour and the Passage of Law**

2016-08-18

this book offers a novel account of grace framed in terms of bruno latour s principle of irreduction it thus models an object oriented approach to grace experimentally moving a traditional christian understanding of grace out of a top down theistic ontology and into an agent based object oriented ontology in the process it also provides a systematic and original account of latour s overall project the account of grace offered here redistributes the tasks assigned to science and religion where now the work of science is to bring into focus objects that are too distant too resistant and too transcendent to be visible the business of religion is to bring into focus objects that are too near too available and too immanent to be visible where science reveals transcendent objects by correcting for our nearsightedness religion reveals immanent objects by correcting for our farsightedness speculative grace remaps the meaning of grace and examines the kinds of religious instruments and practices that as a result take center stage

## **After Lockdown**

2021-09-09

the emergence of modern sciences in the seventeenth century profoundly renewed our understanding of nature



leaving room for other elements wonder judgements and values and the way we construct provisional models of reality these issues are especially acute in the context of climate change when we face the interplay of science and policy petersen stresses the importance of imagination to articulate meaning and of recognising a plurality of value laden perspectives striving for responsible action and sensitivity to that which may escape planning and policy this book can be read fruitfully in at least two ways as a highly relevant reflection on religion and science in the face of climate change and as a profound philosophical analysis of pluralism and provisionality and hence of living with uncertainty willem b drees professor emeritus of philosophy of religion and ethics leiden university and of philosophy of the humanities tilburg university



1999-03

bruno latour is one of the leading figures in social sciences today but his contributions are also widely recognised in the arts his theories flourished in the 1980s in the aftermath of the structuralism wave and generated new concepts and methodologies for the understanding of the social in the past decade latour and his actor network theory ant have gained popularity among researchers in the field of architecture latour for architects is the first introduction to the key concepts and ideas of bruno latour that are relevant to architects first the book discusses critically how specific methods and insights from his philosophy can inspire new thinking in architecture and design pedagogy second it explores examples from architectural practice and urban design and reviews recent attempts to extend the methods of ant into the fields of architectural and urban studies third the book advocates an ant inspired approach to architecture and examines how its methodological insights can trace new research avenues in the field reflecting meticulously on its epistemological offerings drawing on many lively examples from the world of architectural practice the book makes a compelling argument about the agency of architectural design and the role architects can play in re ordering the world we live in following latour s philosophy offers a new way to handle all the objects of human and nonhuman collective life to re examine the role of matter in design practice and to redefine the forms of social political and ethical associations that bind us together in cities

## Climate, God and Uncertainty

2023-11-28

reassembling the social is a fundamental challenge from one of the world s leading social theorists to how we understand society and the social bruno latour s contention is that the word social as used by social scientists has become laden with assumptions to the point where it has become misnomer when the adjective is applied to a phenomenon it is used to indicate a stabilized state of affairs a bundle of ties that in due course may be used to account for another phenomenon but latour also finds the word used as if it described a type of material in a comparable way to an adjective such as wooden or steely rather than simply indicating what is already assembled together it is now used in a way that makes assumptions about the nature of what is assembled it has become a word that designates two distinct things a process of assembling and a type of material distinct from others latour shows why the social cannot be thought of as a kind of material or domain and disputes attempts to provide a social explanations of other states of affairs while these attempts have been productive and probably necessary in the past the very success of the social sciences mean that they are largely no longer so at the present stage it is no longer possible to inspect the precise constituents entering the social domain latour returns to the original meaning of the social to redefine the notion and allow it to trace connections again it will then be possible to resume the traditional goal of the social sciences but using more refined tools drawing on his extensive work examining the assemblages of nature latour finds it necessary to scrutinize thoroughly the exact content of what is assembled under the umbrella of society this approach a sociology of associations has become known as actor network theory and this book is an essential introduction both for those seeking to understand actor network theory or the ideas of one of its most influential proponents

## Latour for Architects

2022-03-30



## Reassembling the Social

2007-09-06

this highly original work presents laboratory science in a deliberately skeptical way as an anthropological approach to the culture of the scientist drawing on recent work in literary criticism the authors study how the social world of the laboratory produces papers and other texts and how the scientific vision of reality becomes that set of statements considered for the time being too expensive to change the book is based on field work done by bruno latour in roger guillemin s laboratory at the salk institute and provides an important link between the sociology of modern sciences and laboratory studies in the history of science

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how can economics become genuinely quantitative this is the question that french sociologist gabriel tarde tackled at the end of his career and in this pamphlet bruno latour and vincent antonin lépinay offer a lively introduction to the work of the forgotten genius of nineteenth century social thought tarde s solution was in total contradiction to the dominant views of his time to quantify the connections between people and goods you need to grasp passionate interests in tarde s view capitalism is not a system of cold calculations rather it is a constant amplification in the intensity and reach of passions in a stunning anticipation of contemporary economic anthropology tarde s work defines an alternative path beyond the two illusions responsible for so much modern misery the adepts of the invisible hand and the devotees of the visible hand will learn how to escape the sterility of their fight and recognize the originality of a thinker for whom everything is intersubjective hence quantifiable at a time when the regulation of financial markets is the subject of heated debate latour and lépinay provide a valuable historical perspective on the fundamental nature of capitalism

## Laboratory Life

2013-04-04

this collection of essays responds to the urgent call in the humanities to go beyond the act of negative critique which so far has been the dominant form of intellectual inquiry in academia the contributors take their inspiration from bruno latour s pragmatic relational approach and his philosophy of hybrid world where culture is immanent to nature and knowledge is tied to the things it co creates in such a world nature society and discourse relate to rather than negate each other the 11 essays ranging from early modern humanism and modern theorization of literature to contemporary political ecology and animal studies propose new productive ways of thinking reading and writing with not against the world in carrying out concrete practices that are inclusive rather than exclusive contributors strive to exemplify a form of scholarship that might be better attuned to the concerns of our post humanist era

## The Science of Passionate Interests

2009

this text looks at bruno latour specifically as a philosopher part one covers four key works in latour s career in metaphysics while part two identifies latour s key contributions to ontology while criticizing his focus on the relational character of actors at the expense of their autonomous reality

## Nonmodern Practices

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## **Prince of Networks**

2009

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