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Prototype Politics-Daniel Kreiss 2016-06-15 Given the advanced state of digital technology and social media, one would think that the Democratic and Republican Parties would be reasonably well-matched in terms of their technology uptake and sophistication. But as past presidential campaigns have shown, this is not the case. So what explains this odd disparity? Political scientists have shown that Republicans effectively used the strategy of party building and networking to gain campaign and electoral advantage throughout the twentieth century. In Prototype Politics, Daniel Kreiss argues that contemporary campaigning has entered a new technology-intensive era that the Democratic Party has engaged to not only gain traction against the Republicans, but to shape the new electoral context and define what electoral participation means in the twenty-first century. Prototype Politics provides an analytical framework for understanding why and how campaigns are newly "technology-intensive," and why digital media, data, and analytics are at the forefront of contemporary electoral dynamics. The book discusses the importance of infrastructure, the contexts within which technological innovation happens, and how the collective making of prototypes shapes
Parties and their technological futures. Drawing on an analysis of the careers of 629 presidential campaign staffers from 2004-2012, as well as interviews with party elites on both sides of the aisle, Prototype Politics details how and why the Democrats invested more in technology, were able to attract staffers with specialized expertise to work in electoral politics, and founded an array of firms to diffuse technological innovations down ballot and across election cycles. Taken together, this book shows how the differences between the major party campaigns on display in 2012 were shaped by their institutional histories since 2004, as well as that of their extended network of allied organizations. In the process, this book argues that scholars need to understand how technological development around politics happens in time and how the dynamics on display during presidential cycles are the outcome of longer processes.

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The Digital Party-Paolo Gerbaudo 2018-07-20 From the Five Star Movement to Podemos, from the Pirate Parties to La France Insoumise, from the movements behind Bernie Sanders to those backing Jeremy Corbyn, the last decade has witnessed the rise of a new blueprint for political organisation: the digital party. Paolo Gerbaudo addresses the organisational revolution that is transforming political parties in the time of Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, and Cambridge Analytica. Drawing on interviews with political leaders and organisers, Gerbaudo demonstrates that besides rapidly
Growing in votes, these formations have also revitalised party democracy, involving hundreds of thousands in discussions carried out on online decision-making platforms. Participatory, yet plebiscitarian, open and democratic, yet dominated by charismatic 'hyperleaders', digital parties display both great potentials and risks for the development of new forms of mass participation in an era of growing inequality. All political parties will have to reckon with the lessons of the digital party.

The Politics of Technological Progress-Joel W. Simmons 2016-12-15 Joel W. Simmons advances a new theory to explain countries' levels of technological progress and thus, their levels of wealth. Political Parties in the Technological Age-Stephen E. Frantzich 1989-01-01

Digital Politics Across Contexts, Social Media, Parties and Citizens-Wiebke Drews 2020 Located at the nexus between politics and the digital, this PhD thesis wants to shed light on the changing dynamics, opportunities and challenges citizens and parties are confronted with due to ongoing technological changes. In particular, I am investigating e-expression as a new form of political participation online, party responsiveness to voters' preferences expressed across social media platforms as well as the dynamics of issue competition on Twitter: In my first paper "E-participation in a comparative perspective: drivers and constraints of expressing political views online", I examine the conditions under which citizens express themselves politically on the Internet by focusing on individual-level motivations and resources, but also bringing back contextual factors such as media dependence, democratic longevity, civil society robustness and electoral events. I am employing multilevel modelling of ISSP 2014 data for 34 countries and reveal that citizens - particularly on the ideological extremes and distrusting politicians - who are residing in established democracies with an independent media are more likely to engage in e-expression. Moreover, I show that the
predictive effect of political distrust on e-expression ceases in countries with less free and dependent media. In terms of the contextual prerequisites, therefore, e-expression follows a similar pattern as offline political participation. Yet, it attracts critical citizens on the extreme ends of the ideological scale. In times of already rising populism and (cyber)polarization this finding points to risks for the future health of democracy. In the second paper "Trending campaigns? User preferences and parties' issue emphasis across social media", I connect the demand and supply side in digital politics and investigate the extent to which citizens expressing themselves on Facebook and Twitter do have an influence over the issue packages that political parties promote on those platforms during the German electoral campaign of 2017. Therefore, I hand-coded all Facebook posts and Tweets that the seven biggest German parties published on their account during the heated days preceding the election and conducted a supervised sentiment analysis of all Tweets commenting on the election and Facebook comments on parties' posts. A Poisson time series regression was used to analyse the data. Thereby, I take a cross-media approach that is sensitive to the technical opportunity structures and audiences different social media inhabit. My findings reveal that the preferences users express are not considered equally on the two social media platforms and for all issues. This suggests that German parties take their technical peculiarities and audiences into account and act strategically according to the type of issue in focus. It is mainly on Twitter and for welfare and economic issues that parties respond to users. Since Twitter is populated mainly by political opinion leaders and journalists, this raises questions on the extent to which cyberoptimistic accounts on the potential of digital tools to close the ranks between parties and voters are and can be realized. The third paper "Short-term issue emphasis on Twitter during the 2017 German election: a comparison of the economic left-right and socio-cultural dimensions" is a collaboration
with Andrea Ceron and Luigi Curini from the University of Milan. This paper underlines the importance of taking a time-sensitive approach when investigating issue competition. Based on the German election campaign of 2017 and the above-mentioned data on parties' issue emphasis on Twitter, we reveal that the attention parties give to issues they are renowned for fluctuates frequently and alternates with other thematic priorities that may not be owned. This contradicts earlier accounts of the issue ownership theory. We argue that the dynamics are driven by exogenous shocks and spatial considerations. The exact mechanism behind parties' decision to emphasize a specific issue in the short run depends on the type of issue. While exogenous shocks and the behaviour of ideologically adjacent rivals incentivizes parties to increasingly tweet about traditional economic and welfare issues, addressing greenlibertarian and immigration-related socio-cultural issues depends on focusing events. Uncontested socio-cultural issues strongly advocated but mainly owned by a single party remain unaddressed by its rivals unless they enjoy high public salience. The opposite is true for EU-related topics. As a cumulative dissertation, each of my three papers examines digital politics from a different disciplinary angle, analytical level and employing diverse methodological approaches: while the first paper is located in the field of comparative politics and political behaviour using survey data, the second and third paper are focusing on political communication and party politics based on large-N Big Data of the digital traces left by political parties and citizens on social media platforms. Altogether, therefore, my dissertation aims at shedding light on the complex transformations of politics in the digital era on the micro, meso and macro-levels as well as their interactions, which has important implications for the study of representative democracy. Overall, my findings suggest that politics is affected by digital communication, but not fundamentally reshaped.
New Technology, Organizational Change and Governance-E. Avril 2013-05-07 Globalization and the technological revolution have forced organizations to rethink decision-making structures favouring the adoption of highly innovative practices. This book analyzes the impact of new technologies testing empowerment, engagement and democratization against the new organizational morphology of political parties and corporations.

Democratic Governance and New Technology-Jens Hoff 2003-12-16 Drawing on case studies from Denmark, The Netherlands and the UK, this book discusses new Information and Communication Technologies (ICTs). Contributors argue that ICTs play an important role in the process of restructuring and redefining basic relations within the political systems of Western democracies.

The Parties Respond-Mark D. Brewer 2018-04-20 The industrial revolution was the single most important development in human history over the past three centuries, and it continues to shape the contemporary world. With new methods and organizations for producing goods, industrialization altered where people live, how they play, and even how they define political issues. By exploring the ways the industrial revolution reshaped world history, this book offers a unique look into the international factors that started the industrial revolution and its global spread and impact.

The Politics of Technological Progress-Joel W. Simmons 2016-12-15 Why are some countries richer than others and why do some economies grow more rapidly? The Politics of Technological Progress answers these vital questions by highlighting the importance of technological progress for sustained economic development. The author also explains why some countries exhibit faster technological progress than others. Armed with a wealth of cross-national empirical evidence, Professor Simmons stresses the importance of properly constructed political parties for establishing an environment conducive to technological progress. 'Well-institutionalized' ruling parties are essential for
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Technological progress, he argues, because only in such parties are time horizons long enough for governments to accept the deferred returns that are an inherent feature of government efforts to encourage innovation and technology adoption in the economy.

Online Political Advertising and Microtargeting: The Latest Legal, Ethical, Political and Technological Evolutions- 2021-03-19 Electoral campaigns are central to influencing how people vote and can also affect people’s perception of the legitimacy of a country’s elections and democracy in general. Today, political parties and other stakeholders are increasingly using new online techniques in electoral campaigns. Many countries struggle with applying regulatory frameworks on elections to the online sphere, especially as regards online political advertising and microtargeting. This Event Report provides an overview of the issues at stake and recommendations from two roundtables on online political advertising and microtargeting that were organized by International IDEA in June 2020, in collaboration with the European Commission and the Dutch Ministry of the Interior and Kingdom Relations. It covers topics such as what sets online campaigning apart from traditional campaigning, the rights and freedoms potentially affected by the use of digital microtargeting and online campaigning, gaps in current regulations, and division and coordination of oversight roles both domestically and internationally.

Democratic Capitalism at the Crossroads-Carles Boix 2021-05-04 An incisive history of the changing relationship between democracy and capitalism The twentieth century witnessed the triumph of democratic capitalism in the industrialized West, with widespread popular support for both free markets and representative elections. Today, that political consensus appears to be breaking down, disrupted by polarization and income inequality, widespread dissatisfaction with democratic institutions, and insurgent populism. Tracing the history of democratic capitalism over the past two
centuries, Carles Boix explains how we got here—and where we could be headed. Boix looks at three defining stages of capitalism, each originating in a distinct time and place with its unique political challenges, structure of production and employment, and relationship with democracy. He begins in nineteenth-century Manchester, where factory owners employed unskilled laborers at low wages, generating rampant inequality and a restrictive electoral franchise. He then moves to Detroit in the early 1900s, where the invention of the modern assembly line shifted labor demand to skilled blue-collar workers. Boix shows how growing wages, declining inequality, and an expanding middle class enabled democratic capitalism to flourish. Today, however, the information revolution that began in Silicon Valley in the 1970s is benefitting the highly educated at the expense of the traditional working class, jobs are going offshore, and inequality has risen sharply, making many wonder whether democracy and capitalism are still compatible. Essential reading for these uncertain times, Democratic Capitalism at the Crossroads proposes sensible policy solutions that can help harness the unruly forces of capitalism to preserve democracy and meet the challenges that lie ahead.

Digital Parties-Oscar Barberà 2021-11-11 This book analyzes how mainstream and new parties are building their digital platforms and transitioning from traditional (offline) organizations into the digital world. The authors present an innovative empirical exploration of the democratic consequences and technical challenges of the digitalization of party organizations from a comparative perspective. They provide an original account of how party digital platforms are regulated and used, and a crucial discussion of the main technological and democratic issues that political parties face in their digital transition. Further, the authors assess the consequences of these digitalization processes for political participation and party membership, as well as the impact on party organizational models and electoral campaign potential. The book looks into one of the less-
studied aspects of digital democracy, also presenting empirical evidence and case studies. It presents different parties and their adoption of digital participation platforms, from the Pirate Parties in Northern Europe to Podemos in Spain, La France Insoumise in France, the Five Stars Movement in Italy, or the German Greens. Therefore, the book is a must-read for scholars of political science, policy-makers, and practitioners, interested in a better understanding of the transition of political parties into the digital world.

New Media and Politics-Barrie Axford 2001-01-26 Exploring the theme of the putative transformation of political modernity under the impact of "new" media, this book adopts a questioning approach to the ways in which cultural and technological factors are affecting the temper of political life, and reflects the variety of normative thinking about and empirical research on the changing character of politics in mediatized cultures. New Media and Politics examines: the extent to which commercial populism now dominates electoral and other political discourses; the ways in which the functions of leadership, government and political parties are modified by different forms of both old and new media; the democratic or undemocratic import of such changes; and the ways in which the dominant territorial paradigm of politics is challenged by the space and time devouring capacities of electronic media.

The Politics of Technology in Africa-Governance.com-Elaine C. Kamarck 2004-05-26 Advances in information technology are transforming democratic governance. Power over information has become decentralized, fostering new types of community and different roles for government. This volume—developed by the Visions of Governance in the 21st Century program at the Kennedy School of Government—explores the ways in which the information revolution is changing our institutions of governance. Contributors
examine the impact of technology on our basic institutions and processes of governance, including representation, community, politics, bureaucracy, and sovereignty. Their essays illuminate many of the promises and challenges of twenty-first century government. The contributors (all from Harvard unless otherwise indicated) include Joseph S. Nye Jr., Arthur Isak Applbaum, Dennis Thompson, William A. Galston (University of Maryland), L. Jean Camp, Pippa Norris, Anna Greenberg, Elaine Ciulla Kamarck, David C. King, Jane Fountain, Jerry Mechling, and Robert O. Keohane (Duke University).

Parties and Their Members-Susan E. Scarrow 1996-03-21 This book investigates changing relations between parties and their members in four major British and German political parties. By calling attention to the varied benefits members can provide for parties even in a mass-media age, this account helps to explain why some party leaders have been willing to back recent expansions of intra-party democracy.

Political Parties-Richard Gunther 2002-03-07 This book, with contributions from leading scholars in the field, presents a critical overview of much of the recent literature on political parties. It systematically assesses the capacity of existing concepts, typologies, and methodological approaches to deal with contemporary parties. It critically analyses the 'decline of parties' literature both from a conceptual perspective and - with regard to antiparty attitudes among citizens - on the basis of empirical analyses of survey data. It systematically re-examines the underpinnings of rational-choice analyses of electoral competition, as well as the misapplication of standard party models as the 'catch-all party.' Several chapters reexamine existing models of parties and party typologies, particularly with regard to the capacity of commonly used concepts to capture the wide variation among parties that exist in old and new democracies today, and with regard to their ability to deal
adequately with the new challenges that parties are facing in rapidly changing political, social and technological environments. In particular, two detailed case studies demonstrate how party models are significant not only as frameworks for scholarly research, but also insofar as they can affect party performance. Other chapters also examine in detail how corruption and party patronage have contributed to party decline, as well as the public attitudes towards parties in several countries. In the aggregate, the various contributions to this volume reject the notion that a 'decline of party' has progressed to such an extent as to threaten the survival of parties as the crucial intermediary actors in modern democracies. The contributing authors argue, however, that parties are facing a new set of sometimes demanding challenges. Not only have parties differed significantly in their ability to successfully meet these challenges, but the core concepts, typologies, party chdels and methodological approaches that have guided research in this area over the past 40 years have met with only mixed success in adequately capturing these recent developments and serving as fruitful frameworks for analysis. This book is intended to remedy some of these shortcomings.

A Research Agenda for Digital Politics-William H. Dutton 2020-05-29 This Elgar Research Agenda showcases insights from leading researchers on the charged issues and questions that lie ahead in the multidisciplinary field of digital politics. Covering the political implications of the Internet, social media, datafication and computational analytics, it looks to the future of how research might address the political challenges of the digital age and maps the key emerging trends in this field.

Computational Propaganda-Samuel C. Woolley 2018-11-12 Social media platforms do not just circulate political ideas, they support manipulative disinformation campaigns. While some of these disinformation campaigns are carried out directly by individuals, most are waged by software, commonly known as bots, programmed to perform simple, repetitive, robotic tasks. Some social
media bots collect and distribute legitimate information, while others communicate with and harass people, manipulate trending algorithms, and inundate systems with spam. Campaigns made up of bots, fake accounts, and trolls can be coordinated by one person, or a small group of people, to give the illusion of large-scale consensus. Some political regimes use political bots to silence opponents and to push official state messaging, to sway the vote during elections, and to defame critics, human rights defenders, civil society groups, and journalists. This book argues that such automation and platform manipulation, amounts to a new political communications mechanism that Samuel Woolley and Philip N. Noward call "computational propaganda." This differs from older styles of propaganda in that it uses algorithms, automation, and human curation to purposefully distribute misleading information over social media networks while it actively learns from and mimicks real people so as to manipulate public opinion across a diverse range of platforms and device networks. This book includes cases of computational propaganda from nine countries (both democratic and authoritarian) and four continents (North and South America, Europe, and Asia), covering propaganda efforts over a wide array of social media platforms and usage in different types of political processes (elections, referenda, and during political crises).

Political Parties and the Internet-R. K. Gibson 2003-08-29 Can the Internet help to re-engage the public in politics? How are political parties using the Internet as a communication tool? Has politics changed in the information age? This book provides an assessment of how political parties are adapting to the rise of new information and communication technologies and what the consequences will be. It includes case studies of the US, the UK, Australia, Korea, Mexico, France, Romania and the Mediterranean region.

Political Parties in American Society-NA NA 2016-09-27 In this comprehensive introduction to
political parties, two of the country's foremost scholars combine the traditional PIE, PIG, PO approach with unique chapters on such issues as race and campaign finance. Throughout the book, the authors argue strongly in favor of the continued relevance of parties in the American political system and provide strong evidence that parties have adapted to the changing American political scene.

Politics and Technology in the Post-Truth Era-Anna Visvizi 2019-05-07 This book examines the relationship between information and communication technology (ICT) and politics in a global perspective.

Blockchain-Harvard Business Review 2019-08-27 Can blockchain solve your biggest business problem? While the world is transfixed by bitcoin mania, your competitors are tuning out the noise and making strategic bets on blockchain. Your rivals are effortlessly tracking every last link in their supply chains. They're making bureaucratic paper trails obsolete while keeping their customers' data safer and discovering new ways to use this next foundational technology to sustain their competitive advantage. What should you be doing with blockchain now to ensure that your business is poised for success? "Blockchain: The Insights You Need from Harvard Business Review" brings you today's most essential thinking on blockchain, explains how to get the right initiatives started at your company, and prepares you to seize the opportunity of the coming blockchain wave. Business is changing. Will you adapt or be left behind? Get up to speed and deepen your understanding of the topics that are shaping your company's future with the Insights You Need from Harvard Business Review series. Featuring HBR's smartest thinking on fast-moving issues--blockchain, cybersecurity, AI, and more--each book provides the foundational introduction and practical case studies your organization needs to compete today and collects the best research, interviews, and analysis to get it
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Technological Mistakes and Reserves of the Government System-
Political Parties, Growth and Equality—Carles Boix 1998-06-13
This book shows that partisanship and electoral politics play a role in the selection of policies to generate growth and competitiveness.

Smart Citizens, Smarter State—Beth Simone Noveck 2015-11-02
Governments make too little use of the skills and experience of citizens. New tools—what Beth Simone Noveck calls technologies of expertise—are making it possible to match citizen expertise to the demand for it in government. She offers a vision of participatory democracy rooted not in voting or crowdsourcing but in people’s knowledge and know-how.

Artificial Intelligence, China, Russia, and the Global Order—Air University Air University Press 2019-10-19
Given the wide-ranging implications for global competition, domestic political systems and daily life, US policymakers must prepare for the impacts of new artificial intelligence (AI)-related technologies. Anticipating AI's impacts on the global order requires US policy makers' awareness of certain key aspects of the AI-related technologies—and how those technologies will interact with the rapidly changing global system of human societies. One area that has received little in-depth examination to date is how AI-related technologies could affect countries' domestic political systems—whether authoritarian, liberal democratic, or a hybrid of the two—and how they might impact global competition between different regimes. This work highlights several key areas where AI-related technologies have clear implications for globally integrated strategic planning and requirements.
The Only Constant Is Change-Ben Epstein 2018-05 "The overarching goals of political communication rarely change, yet political communication strategies have evolved a great deal over the course of American history. As this book argues, these changes (at least the successful ones) occur during brief periods of dramatic and permanent transformation, are driven by political actors and organizations, and tend to follow predictable patterns each time. Covering over 300 years of such changes - what it identifies as Political Communication Revolutions - the book shows how this process of change happens and why. To do this, Ben Epstein, following an American Political Development approach, proposes a new model that accounts for the technological, behavioral, and political factors that lead to revolutionary political communication changes over time. In this way the book moves beyond the technological determinism that characterizes communication history scholarship and the medium-specific focus of much political communication work. The book identifies the political communication revolutions that have, in the United States, led to four, relatively stable political communication orders over history: the elite, mass, broadcast, and (the current) information orders. It identifies and tests three pattern phases of each revolution, ultimately sketching possible paths for the future"--

The Social Dynamics of Carbon Capture and Storage-Nils Markusson 2012-05-04 Carbon capture and storage (CCS) has emerged rapidly as a crucial technological option for decarbonising electricity supply and mitigating climate change. Great hopes are being pinned on this new technology but it is also facing growing scepticism and criticism. This book is the first to bring together the full range of social and policy issues surrounding CCS shedding new light on this potentially vital technology and its future. The book covers many crucial topics including the roles and positions that different publics, NGOs, industry, political parties and media are taking up; the
way CCS is organised, supported and regulated; how CCS is being debated and judged; how innovation, demonstration and learning are occurring and being conceptualised and promoted; and the role of CCS in the transition to a low carbon energy future. The authors draw on a variety of approaches, concepts, methods and themes and provide a new understanding of innovation in the energy and climate change fields. It tackles the many issues in a way that speaks to those concerned not only to understand these developments, but to those who are involved in the scientific and technological work itself, as well as those charged with evaluating and making decisions relevant to the future of the technology.

Political Parties and the Internet-Rachel Kay Gibson 2003 This volume looks at party competition & online campaigning, internal party democracy & the role of parties within democracy.

Technological Democracy-Carol J. Hager 1995 An examination of the role of the citizen in a society in which specialized knowledge confers power

Internet Politics-Andrew Chadwick 2006 Providing an overview of Internet politics, this work examines the impact of communication technologies on political parties and elections, pressure groups, social movements, public bureaucracies, and global governance.

Social Theory after the Internet-Ralph Schroeder 2018-01-04 The internet has fundamentally transformed society in the past 25 years, yet existing theories of mass or interpersonal communication do not work well in understanding a digital world. Nor has this understanding been helped by disciplinary specialization and a continual focus on the latest innovations. Ralph Schroeder takes a longer-term view, synthesizing perspectives and findings from various social science disciplines in four countries: the United States, Sweden, India and China. His comparison highlights, among other observations, that smartphones are in many respects more important than
PC-based internet uses. Social Theory after the Internet focuses on everyday uses and effects of the internet, including information seeking and big data, and explains how the internet has gone beyond traditional media in, for example, enabling Donald Trump and Narendra Modi to come to power. Schroeder puts forward a sophisticated theory of the role of the internet, and how both technological and social forces shape its significance. He provides a sweeping and penetrating study, theoretically ambitious and at the same time always empirically grounded. The book will be of great interest to students and scholars of digital media and society, the internet and politics, and the social implications of big data.

Digital Objects, Digital Subjects-David Chandler 2019-01-29 This volume explores activism, research and critique in the age of digital subjects and objects and Big Data capitalism after a digital turn said to have radically transformed our political futures. Optimists assert that the ‘digital’ promises: new forms of community and ways of knowing and sensing, innovation, participatory culture, networked activism, and distributed democracy. Pessimists argue that digital technologies have extended domination via new forms of control, networked authoritarianism and exploitation, dehumanization and the surveillance society. Leading international scholars present varied interdisciplinary assessments of such claims - in theory and via dialogue - and of the digital’s impact on society and the potentials, pitfalls, limits and ideologies, of digital activism. They reflect on whether computational social science, digital humanities and ubiquitous datafication lead to digital positivism that threatens critical research or lead to new horizons in theory and society. An electronic version of this book is freely available, thanks to the support of libraries working with Knowledge Unlatched. KU is a collaborative initiative designed to make high quality books Open Access for the public good. More information about the initiative and details about KU’s Open
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The Technological Laws and Intellectual Conquest of the U.s.a.-Valentine Nesnov 2009-07-17

Digital Rights Management-Eberhard Becker 2003-11-04 The content industries consider Digital Rights Management (DRM) to contend with unauthorized downloading of copyrighted material, a practice that costs artists and distributors massively in lost revenue. Based on two conferences that brought together high-profile specialists in this area - scientists, lawyers, academics, and business practitioners - this book presents a broad, well-balanced, and objective approach that covers the entire DRM spectrum. Reflecting the interdisciplinary nature of the field, the book is structured using three different perspectives that cover the technical, legal, and business issues. This monograph-like anthology is the first consolidated book on this young topic.

The People Vs Tech-Jamie Bartlett 2018-04-05 **Winner of the 2019 Transmission Prize** 

**Longlisted for the 2019 Orwell Prize for Political Writing** ‘A superb book by one of the world’s leading experts on the digital revolution’ David Patrikarakos, Literary Review ‘This book could not have come at a better moment... The People Vs Tech makes clear that there is still time – just – for us to take back control’ - Camilla Cavendish, Sunday Times The internet was meant to set us free. Tech has radically changed the way we live our lives. But have we unwittingly handed too much away to shadowy powers behind a wall of code, all manipulated by a handful of Silicon Valley utopians, ad men, and venture capitalists? And, in light of recent data breach scandals around companies like Facebook and Cambridge Analytica, what does that mean for democracy, our delicately balanced system of government that was created long before big data, total information and artificial intelligence? In this urgent polemic, Jamie Bartlett argues that through our unquestioning embrace of big tech, the building blocks of democracy are slowly being removed. The
middle class is being eroded, sovereign authority and civil society is weakened, and we citizens are losing our critical faculties, maybe even our free will. The People Vs Tech is an enthralling account of how our fragile political system is being threatened by the digital revolution. Bartlett explains that by upholding six key pillars of democracy, we can save it before it is too late. We need to become active citizens; uphold a shared democratic culture; protect free elections; promote equality; safeguard competitive and civic freedoms; and trust in a sovereign authority. This essential book shows that the stakes couldn't be higher and that, unless we radically alter our course, democracy will join feudalism, supreme monarchies and communism as just another political experiment that quietly disappeared.

The Justice and Development Party in Turkey-Toygar Sinan Baykan 2018-12-06 A fieldwork-based account of the role of populism, personalism and organisation in the rise of Erdoğan's JDP to authoritarian predominance.
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