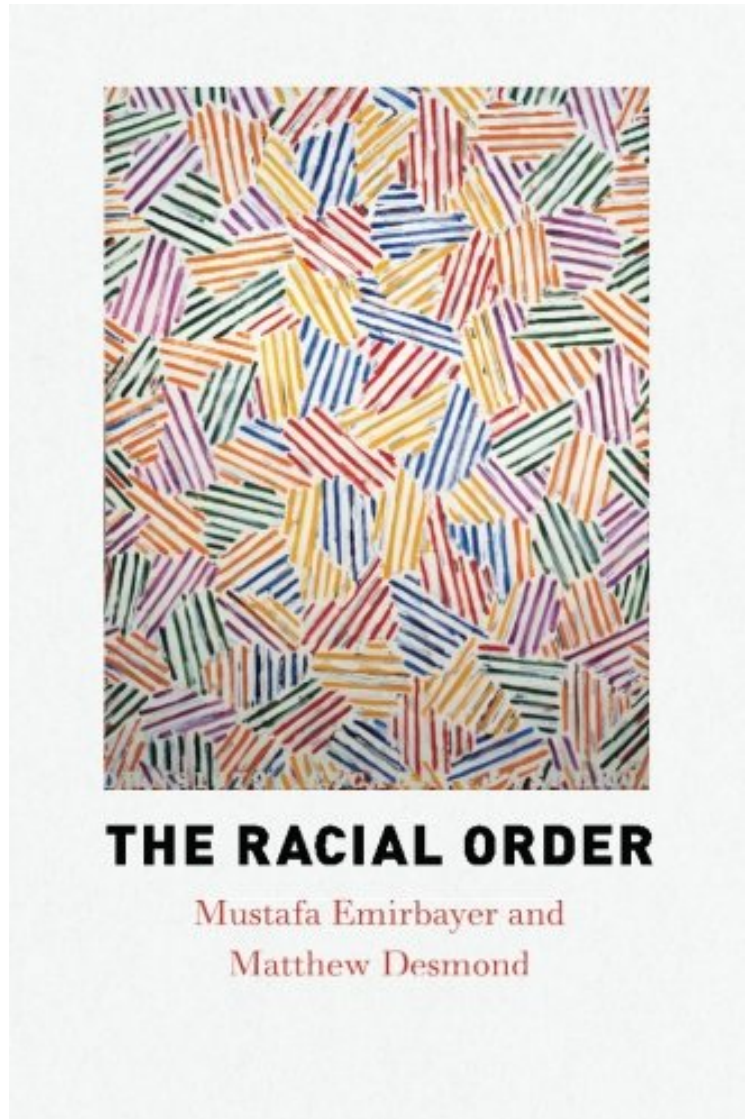


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2 of 2 people found the following review helpful. A fresh approach that could guide field and quantitative research for years to comeBy philipmerrillIf the sociology, philosophy (pragmatism) and footnotes don't give you brainfreeze, this is an important and potentially transforming read. As someone outside of sociology the book seems heavily oriented toward having an impact on research in the field, but the same content can also be interesting to outsiders. The amount

of work and effort that has gone into trying to understand and/or improve racist patterns in U.S. life is staggering both in its quantity and its ineffectiveness. This book's "relational" approach encourages the replacement of unwieldy "thing" concepts in the perception of racism with fluid and transactional "action" concepts, people engaging with society attempting to meet goals and overcome obstacles. Perhaps this theory's greatest virtue is that it avoids being wrong and impractical. If the authors succeed in having the impact they seek, then this book's foundation will have only provided the beginning of great new work ahead. Like its early emphasis on reflexivity as a process that should become a reflex, this sweeping framework promises many ways we can turn inward for new discoveries that change how we face outward and what we see.

Proceeding from the bold and provocative claim that there never has been a comprehensive and systematic theory of race, Mustafa Emirbayer and Matthew Desmond set out to reformulate how we think about this most difficult of topics in American life. In *The Racial Order*, they draw on Bourdieu, Durkheim, and Dewey to present a new theoretical framework for race scholarship. Animated by a deep and reflexive intelligence, the book engages the large and important issues of social theory today and, along the way, offers piercing insights into how race actually works in America. Emirbayer and Desmond set out to examine how the racial order is structured, how it is reproduced and sometimes transformed, and how it penetrates into the innermost reaches of our racialized selves. They also consider how and toward what end the racial order might be reconstructed. In the end, this project is not merely about race; it is a theoretical reconsideration of the fundamental problems of order, agency, power, and social justice. *The Racial Order* is a challenging work of social theory, institutional and cultural analysis, and normative inquiry.

The Racial Order is a landmark in the theoretical analysis of race relations. Integrating and building on ideas from some of the most important thinkers on intergroup relations, Emirbayer and Desmond provide a comprehensive framework that takes race scholarship to a higher level of illumination and will inform and provide direction for empirical scholarship. Look no further for a publication that addresses the complexities of racial life with explanatory power.