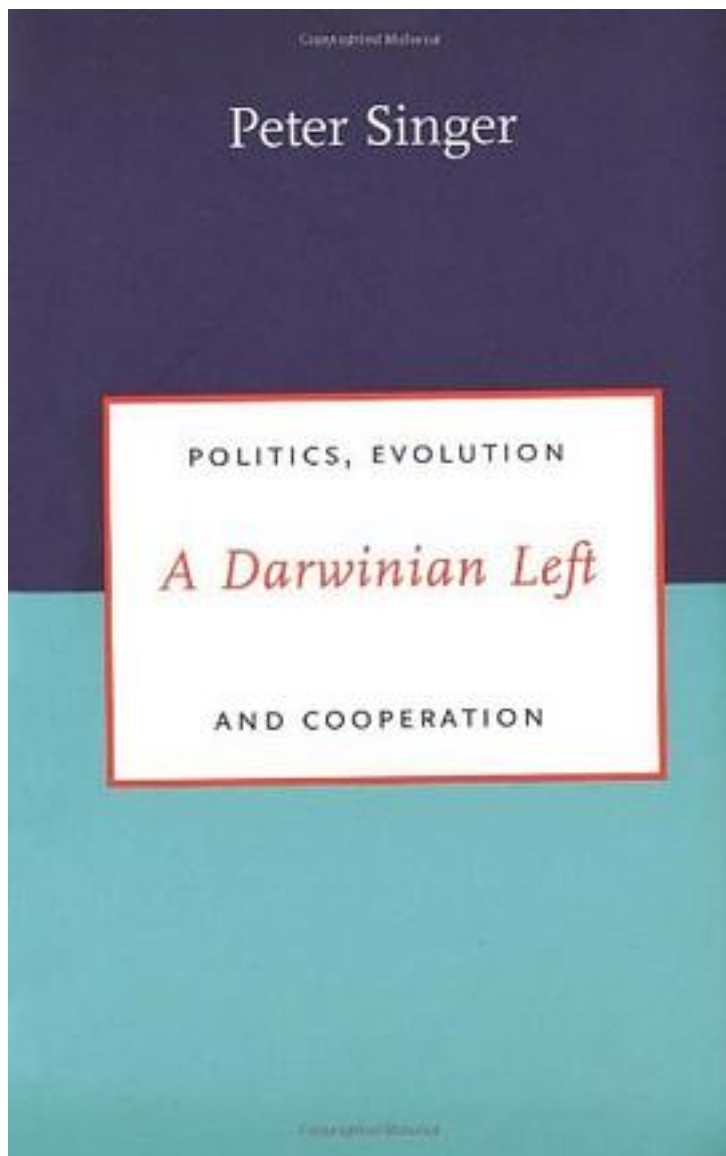


# A Darwinian Left



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In this ground-breaking book, a renowned bioethicist argues that the political left must radically revise its outdated view of human nature. He shows how the insights of modern evolutionary theory, particularly on the evolution of cooperation, can help the left attain its social and political goals. Singer explains why the left originally rejected Darwinian thought and why these reasons are no longer viable. He discusses how twentieth-century thinking has transformed our understanding of Darwinian evolution, showing that it is compatible with cooperation as well as competition, and that the left can draw on this modern understanding to foster cooperation for socially desirable ends. A Darwinian left, says Singer, would still be on the side of the weak, poor, and oppressed, but it would have a better understanding of what social and economic changes would really work to benefit them. It would also work toward a higher moral status for nonhuman animals and a less anthropocentric view of our dominance over nature.

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观点很中肯，但细想的话还是有些问题。其论证思路是人性并非全善和无限可塑，但利他主义的的确确是人性的一部分，所以建立利他主义社会具有生物可能性。然而“人性”究竟是什么东西？在什么层面上使用这个词？并没有详细的论证。能够看出作者在尝试弥合自然与社会的二分，只是尝试的手段比较有限，依然是合作博弈论和道金斯的思路。希望看到后续。【题外话：谁给贴的社会达尔文主义的标签？？根本不是的啊…\_( :3」 ∠)\_

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與傳統馬克思主義的對照辨析挺有意思，但後半關於altruism的討論稍嫌隔靴搔癢。

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