

# Sociologists, Economists, and Democracy

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"Rationalist theories of political behavior have recently risen in status to that of a new--or, more accurately, rediscovered--paradigm in the systematic study of politics. Brian Barry's short, provocative book played no small part in the debate that precipitated this shift. .... Without reservation, Barry's treatise is the most lucid and most influential critique of two important, competing perspectives in political analysis: the 'sociological' school of Talcott Parsons, Gabriel Almond, and other so-called functionalists; and the 'economic' school of Anthony Downs and Mancur Olson, among others."--Dennis J. Encarnation, "American Journal of Sociology"

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## 评论

pros & cons of 'economic' and 'sociological' approach of political theory. insightful discussion of choice and values, but not deep enough: origins of identity? role of institutions?

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