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sociology one that sets out a manifesto and roadmap for the field Its wide acceptance and popular reception is a clear demonstration of the rhetorical power of Wright's strong reasoning skills In critical thinking reasoning involves the creation of an argument that is strong balanced and of course persuasive In Mills s case this core argument makes a case for what he terms the sociological imagination a particular quality of mind capable of analyzing how individual lives fit into and interact with social structures Only by adopting such an approach Mills argues can sociologists see the private troubles of individuals as the social issues they really are Allied to this central argument are supporting arguments for the need for sociology to maintain its independence from corporations and governments and for social scientists to steer away from high theory and focus on the real difficulties of everyday life Carefully organized watertight and persuasive The Sociological Imagination exemplifies reasoned argument at its best College and Society Stephen Sweet, 2001 A brief book that uses examples from a college or university setting to illustrate society in terms of social groups and forces College and Society is based on the premise that colleges are not ivory towers that stand in contrast to the larger society Rather the author argues that colleges tend to reflect many of the same social structures culturally based expectations of social conduct and patterns of interaction seen at work in the larger society For anyone interested in learning basic concepts of Sociology **Nietzsche's Sociological Imagination** Jack Fong, 2020-07-24 Harnessing the empowering ideas of Friedrich Nietzsche to read the human condition of modern existence through a sociological lens Employing Nietzsche's Sociological Imagination How to Understand Totalitarian Democracy confronts the realities of how modernity and its utopianisms affect one s ability to purpose existence with self authored meaning By critically assessing the ideals of modern institutions the motives of their pundits and their political ideologies as expressions born from the social decay of exhausted dreams and projects of modernity Jack Fong assembles Nietzsche s existential sociological imagination to empower actors to emancipate the self from such duress Illuminating the merits of creating new meaning for life affirmation by overcoming struggle with one s will to power Fong reveals Nietzsche's horizons for actualized and empowered selves to be liberated from convention groupthink and cultural scripts that exact deference from society s captive audiences Omar Khayyam's Secret: Hermeneutics of the Robaiyat in Quantum Sociological Imagination: Book 3: Khayyami Astronomy Mohammad H. Tamdgidi, 2021-06-01 Omar Khayyam's Secret Hermeneutics of the Robaiyat in Quantum Sociological Imagination is a twelve book series of which this book is the third volume subtitled Khayyami Astronomy How Omar Khayyam s Newly Discovered True Birth Date Horoscope Reveals the Origins of His Pen Name and Independently Confirms His Authorship of the Robaiyat Each book is independently readable although it will be best understood as a part of the whole series In the overall series the transdisciplinary sociologist Mohammad H Tamdgidi shares the results of his decades long research on Omar Khayyam the enigmatic 11th 12th centuries Persian Muslim sage philosopher astronomer mathematician physician writer and poet from Neyshabour Iran whose life and works still remain behind a veil of deep mystery Tamdgidi s purpose has been to find

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completing his 102nd solar year age Strange is that these discoveries are made just in time as we approach the first solar millennium of Omar Khayyam's birth date on June 10 1021 at sunrise of Neyshabour Iran and the ninth solar centennial of his passing on June 10 1123 on the eve also of his birthday closing the circle of his life's coming and going CONTENTS About OKCIR i Published to Date in the Series ii About this Book iv About the Author viii Notes on Transliteration xix Acknowledgments xxi Preface to Book 2 Recap From Prior Book of the Series 1 Introduction to Book 2 The Dilemma and Significance of Omar Khayyam's Dates of Birth and Passing 11 CHAPTER I Contributions Inconsistencies and Inaccuracies of Sw m Govinda T rtha s Findings Regarding Omar Khayyam s Dates of Birth and Passing 27 CHAPTER II In Search of the Correct Gemini Degree The Story of How Omar Khayyam s True Date of Birth Was Discovered Shortly Before Its Imminent Millennium 63 CHAPTER III In Search of Omar Khayyam's True Date of Passing Superposing the Birth Date Findings With Beyhagi s Tatemmat Sewan el Hekmat And Khazeni s Mizan ol Hekmat 133 CHAPTER IV Searching More for Omar Khayyam s True Date of Passing Superposing the Birth Date Findings With Present and Older Manuscript Copies of Nezami Arouzi s Chahar Magaleh 171 CHAPTER V Omar Khayyam s True Date of Passing Discovered and Reconfirmed Superposing the Birth Date Findings With All Tarabkhaneh Chahar Magaleh And Tatemmat Sewan el Hekmat Accounts 201 Conclusion to Book 2 Summary of Findings 255 Appendix Transliteration System and Book 2 Glossary 267 Book 2 Cumulative Glossary of Transliterations 280 Book 2 References 287 Book 2 Index 291 Omar Khayyam's Secret: Hermeneutics of the Robaiyat in Quantum Sociological Imagination: Book 1: New Khayyami Studies Mohammad H. Tamdgidi, 2021-06-01 Omar Khayyam s Secret Hermeneutics of the Robaiyat in Quantum Sociological Imagination is a twelve book series of which this book subtitled New Khayyami Studies Quantumizing the Newtonian Structures of C Wright Mills s Sociological Imagination for A New Hermeneutic Method is the first volume Each book is independently readable although it will be best understood as a part of the whole series In the overall series the transdisciplinary sociologist Mohammad H Tamdgidi shares the results of his decades long research on Omar Khayyam the enigmatic 11th 12th centuries Persian Muslim sage philosopher astronomer mathematician physician writer and poet from Neyshabour Iran whose life and works still remain behind a veil of deep mystery Tamdgidi s purpose has been to find definitive answers to the many puzzles still surrounding Khayyam especially regarding the existence nature and purpose of the Robaiyat in his life and works To explore the questions posed he advances a new hermeneutic method of textual analysis informed by what he calls the quantum sociological imagination to gather and study all the attributed philosophical religious scientific and literary writings of Khayyam In this first book of the series following a common preface and introduction to the series Tamdgidi develops the quantum sociological imagination method framing his hermeneutic study in the series as a whole In the prefatory note he shares the origins of this series and how the study is itself a moment in the trajectory of a broader research project In his introduction he describes how centuries of Khayyami studies especially during the last two have reached an impasse in shedding light on his enigmatic life and works

especially his attributed Robaiyat The four chapters of the book are then dedicated to developing the quantum sociological imagination as a new hermeneutic method framing the Khayyami studies in the series The method builds in an applied way on the results of Tamdgidi's recent work in the sociology of scientific knowledge Liberating Sociology From Newtonian Toward Quantum Imagination Volume 1 Unriddling the Quantum Enigma 2020 where he explored extensively in greater depth and in the context of understanding the so called quantum enigma the Newtonian and quantum ways of imagining reality In this first book he shares the findings of that research in summary amid new applied insights developed in relation to Khayyami studies In the first chapter Tamdqidi raises a set of eight questions about the structure of C Wright Mills s sociological imagination as a potential framework for Khayyami studies In the second chapter he shows how the questions are symptomatic of Newtonian structures that still continue to frame Mills s sociological imagination In the third chapter the author explores how the sociological imagination can be reinvented to be more in tune with the findings of quantum science In the last chapter the implications of the quantum sociological imagination for devising a hermeneutic method for new Khayyam and Robaiyat studies are outlined In conclusion the findings of this first book of the Omar Khayyam's Secret series are summarized CONTENTS About OKCIR i Published to Date in the Series ii About this Book iv About the Author vi Note on Transliteration xv Acknowledgments xvii Preface to the Series Origins of This Study 1 Introduction to the Series The Enigmatic Omar Khayyam and the Impasse of Khayyami Studies 9 CHAPTER I The Promise and the Classical Limits of C Wright Mills s Sociological Imagination 27 CHAPTER II The Newtonian Way of Imagining Reality Society Sociology and Khayyami Studies 61 CHAPTER III Quantum Sociological Imagination As A Framework for New Khayyami Studies 109 CHAPTER IV Hermeneutics of the Khavvami Robaiyat in Quantum Sociological Imagination Source Availability and Matters of Secrecy 177 Conclusion to Book 1 Summary of Findings 215 Appendix Transliteration System and Book 1 Glossary 225 Book 1 Cumulative Glossary of Transliterations 238 Book 1 References 243 Book 1 Index 251 Omar Khavvam's Secret: Hermeneutics of the Robaiyat in Quantum Sociological Imagination: Book 12: Khayyami Legacy: The Collected Works of Omar Khayyam (AD 1021-1123) Culminating in His Secretive 1000 Robaiyat Autobiography Mohammad H. Tamdgidi, 2025-06-10 Omar Khayyam's Secret Hermeneutics of the Robaiyat in Quantum Sociological Imagination by Mohammad H Tamdgidi is a 12 book series of which this book is the 12th subtitled Khayyami Legacy The Collected Works of Omar Khayyam AD 1021 1123 Culminating in His Secretive 1000 Robaiyat Autobiography Book 12 condenses the series and its findings in a single volume This is the first time since Khayyam's passing that all his extant works have been compiled in one publication series and volume and studied integratively accomplished just in time for the millennium of his true birth date and the ninth centennial of his true date of passing It includes two forewords one by Winston E Langley Professor Emeritus of Political Science and International Relations and former Provost of UMass Boston and another by Jafar Aghayani Chavoshi Professor of History of Science and Mathematics at Sharif University of Technology in Tehran The original texts are included with their new English and where needed updated or new Persian translations The preface recaps how a method in quantum sociological imagination helped solve the riddles of Khayyam's life and works in the series The introduction delineates this series findings toward a scientifically reliable biography of Khayyam including a critical commentary on how Edward FitzGerald's Rubaiyat colonially distorted Khayyam's Robaiyat and Islamic legacy Three other chapters are also shared one on how Khayyam's true dates of birth and passing were discovered and reconfirmed in this series including further notes on Swami Govinda Tirtha s errors in studying Khayyam s birth horoscope for the purpose another on integratively viewing astronomy and its relation to astrology amid all of Khayyam's works and a third on the role he played in the design of Isfahan's North Dome Khayyam's studied writings are his treatise on the science of the universals of existence his annotated Persian translation of Avicenna's Splendid Sermon on God's unity and creation his treatise on the created world and worship duty his three part treatises on existence 1 on the necessity of contradiction determinism and survival 2 on attributes and 3 on the light of intellect on existent as the subject matter of universal science his treatise on soul s survival necessity of accidents and nature of time his treatise in music on tetrachords his two treatises on balance his treatise on circle quadrant for achieving a certain proportionality his treatise in algebra and equations his treatise on Euclid's postulation problems his literary treatise Nowrooznameh and his secretive autobiography the Robaiyat comprised of 1000 quatrains logically organized based on his own three phased method of inquiry This series has found the answer to its question about the origins nature and purpose of the Robaiyat in Khayyam's life and works Lifelong he was secretively writing his Robaiyat as his book of life his autobiography for posthumous release His poetic pen name Khayyam tentmaker had been inspired by his dazzling birth chart By re sewing in this series his autobiographical tent of wisdom as a Tavern serving the spiritual Wine of his poetry we have advanced from knowing little about his life to reading his most intimate autobiography But the Robaiyat is not just a private autobiography it is also a sociologically imaginative and poetic public telling of humanity s search for a universal healing Iran s appreciation of Omar Khayyam s legacy can be best judged not by the physics of his burial sites traditionally humble or artistically modern but by the role Iranians themselves have played since his time in safeguarding his works especially in the poetic bricks and mortars of the human architecture of his own secretly designed and designated everlasting tomb REVIEWS a masterpiece in Omar Khayyam studies Jafar Aghayani Chavoshi Ph D University of Paris 1997 Professor of Philosophy of Science at Sharif University of Technology Tehran Iran specializing in Philosophy Epistemology and History of Mathematics and Science and in Omar Khayyam Studies From his Foreword to the last book of the Omar Khayyam's Secret series Tamdgidi having taken his readers through the first eleven books of his Omar Khayyam's Secret series in book twelve consistent with good teaching offers an overview of what had already been covered by the series as he does in each of its successive books He does more He discusses the scientific requirements for the study of Khayyam's biography and then he proceeds to depict the new findings of the series that make

possible a textually and historically more reliable biography for Khayyam Both with distinction he has achieved The series is a most admirable example of teaching at its best Tamdgidi is but an expert guide in a journey of joint learning and teaching nowhere except in the concluding book including his notes on the biography of Omar Khayyam is it conclusory He patiently anticipates and works with the reader to grapple with issues so there are common discoveries At times he and his readers are detectives with moments of sudden insights realizations and inspiration Indeed for this reader who was exposed at an early age to Khayyam through the work of Edward FitzGerald encountering this series was like the astronauts who experienced seeing the Earth for the first time from outer space It was nothing I could have imagined from prior experience Every college library should at least secure a copy of the last synoptic volume of the series and every research library should have the entire series as one of its prized acquisitions and holdings The claim or assertion respecting the likely longevity of the series and its importance to libraries and by implication scholars is not made lightly and it is in no way an exaggeration A study of its methodology its findings the significance of those findings for the universe of learning of the skills dedication and sacrifices the author brought to bear on the work and of the approach observed to help readers grapple with and understand what is being disclosed attests a rich body of corroborating testimony to the assertion Winston E Langley Professor Emeritus of Political Science From his Foreword to the last book of the Omar Khayyam's Secret series TABLE OF CONTENTS About OKCIR i All the Titles Published in this 12 Book Series ii About this Book iv About the Series Author viii Acknowledgments xxi Foreword by Winston E Langley 1 Foreword by Jafar Aghayani Chavoshi 9 Preface to Book 12 How a Method Framed in the Quantum Sociological Imagination Helped Solve the Riddles of Omar Khayyam's Life and His Robaiyat amid All His Works A Recap from the Prior Books of This Series 11 Introduction to Book 12 Toward A Textually and Historically More Reliable Biography of Omar Khayyam AD 1021 1123 Based on the Findings of This Series 27 1 The Collected Works of Omar Khayyam The Organization of This Last Book of the Series 27 2 The Scientific Requirements for the Study of Omar Khayyam s Biography 34 3 Delineating the New Findings of This Series That Make Possible a Textually and Historically More Reliable Biography for Omar Khayyam 39 1 Omar Khayyam s True Date of Birth AD 1021 Discovered 40 2 Omar Khayyam s Historically Known True Date of Passing AD 1123 Reconfirmed 40 3 Omar Khayyam s Horoscope A Possible Biographical Source of His Personal Interest in Astronomy and Critical Attention to Astrology 42 4 The Biographical Significance of the Stated Feature of Samimi Cazimi in Omar Khayyam's Horoscope Possible Source of a Personal Trouble and Motivation and a Trope in His Robaiyat 46 5 The Biographical Significance of the Silent Features of Triplicities and Venus Secrecy in Omar Khayyam's Horoscope Inspirations for His Pen Name and for the Trope Sewing Tents of Wisdom 47 6 Omar Khayyam's Three Classmates Childhood Story Could Have Been True Even Though Differently Told 49 7 Omar Khayyam s Personally Attended Teachers Reaffirmed al Movaffag al Anbari and Ibn Sina Avicenna 51 8 The Biographical Significance of Omar Khayyam s Relation to Abu Taher What Was Khayyam Doing Before His Work in Isfahan 52 9 Omar Khayyam s Friends or Foes Nezam ol

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need to maintain a wakeful awareness of the inevitability of one s physical death in order to use the opportunity of life to cultivate universal self awareness before it is too late that paradise and hell and judgment days are not otherworldly but realities of our here and now living He thus transcends the sentiment of a promised future hope by advising us to create a happy life in the cash of the here and now his own poetry itself being a means toward that end Part 2 must then be understood in consideration of the other two parts of his book of poetry one already shared in Book 8 addressing the questions Does Happiness Exist and the next to follow in Book 10 addressing the question Why Does or Can Happiness Exist

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and amid feelings of helplessness in confronting physical death He then turns to the topic of spiritual Love signifying the role the sentiment of Love in search of the Source of creation plays in the evolutionary process of the succession order of the created existence as discussed in his writings He continues to the topic of death and the possibility of lasting spiritual survival and existence by practically encouraging the Drinkers of the Wine of his poetry itself to help bring about that end He ends the Wine of his poetry by expressing how it has helped free himself from the prior in Part 1 doubtfully expressed inevitability of physical death in favor of not just hopefulness in Part 2 but the certainty of having initiated a lasting spiritual existence by way of the bittersweet Wine of his poetry itself celebrating a return to the spiritual Source of all existence as woven into the 1000 threaded wick of the candle of his Love for God We should therefore judge each step of the third part of Khayyam's poetic inquiry in consideration of the two other parts of his book of poetry those already shared in Books 8 and 9 addressing the questions Does Happiness Exist and What Is Happiness Thich Nhat Hanh's Sociological Imagination: Essays and Commentaries on Engaged Buddhism-Plus Proceedings from the Panels on "Buddhist Contributions to Social Justice" at the Fifth International Buddhist Conference on the United Nations Day of Vesak held in Hanoi, Vietnam—May 2008 Mohammad H. Tamdgidi, 2008-06-01 This Summer 2008 VI 3 issue of Human Architecture Journal of the Sociology of Self Knowledge is dedicated to an exploration of Thich Nhat Hanh's Engaged Buddhist philosophy and spiritual theory and practice from a sociological and social scientific vantage point to highlight the significance his teaching bears for the development of a self reflective globally humanist and environmentally concerned sociological imagination Included are several talks letters and a poem by Thich Nhat Hanh on the meaning and practice of Engaged Buddhism in regard to issues ranging from war and conflict the environment food industry and consumption and history of Engaged Buddhism Other articles put his views in social science and sociological contexts specifically exploring the overlapping landscapes of Engaged Buddhism with Pragmatism Deep Ecology sociological imagination and ideological analysis Other contributions are illustrative of the ways in which Thich Nhat Hanh's teachings have engaged contexts such as international conflict the classroom urban policing traumatized populations economic theory environmental crisis and family loss and trauma A critical commentary by a participant s experience of attending one of Thich Nhat Hanh's retreats in 2005 is also included followed by a response from a representative of the Plum Village community in France Contributors include Thich Nhat Hanh Winston Langley Michael C Adorjan Benjamin W Kelly Julie Gregory Samah Sabra Darren Noy Sujin Choi Marc Black Samiyeh Sharqawi Richard Brady Michael J DeValve Cary D Adkinson Robert Brian Wall Glenn Manga Angela Tam Karen Hilsberg Lisa Kemmerer Bhikshuni Chan Tung Nghiem Barbara Newell Robert Andrew Parker and Mohammad H Tamdqidi also as journal editor in chief Human Architecture Journal of the Sociology of Self Knowledge is a publication of OKCIR The Omar Khayyam Center for Integrative Research in Utopia Mysticism and Science Utopystics For more information about OKCIR and other issues in its journal s Edited Collection as well as Monograph and Translation series visit

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