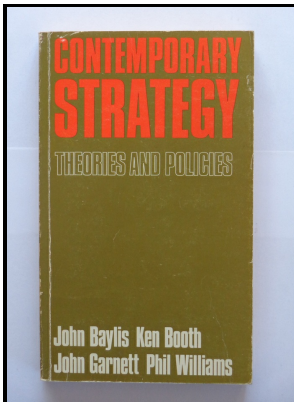


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But as intuitively appealing as this argument is, as long as the assumption is that Conflict is a mutually worst outcome, it still requires an irrational choice by a player and therefore fails to satisfactorily resolve the paradox of deterrence. Strategic culture grew up as a popular notion within IR after the end of the Cold War by analysts who for some reason believed that, hitherto, constructivist ideas had no correspondence with the study of how political entities sought to gain their objectives in the international system. Identifying Credibility A third important focus of recent theoretical developments has been on identifying credibility.

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However, game-theoretic models of deterrence do not make predictions regarding the success or failure of deterrence, per se; rather, the particular outcome of an interaction is predicted. The first is the value of the status quo, 127—128. Furthermore, deterrence is more likely to succeed the more highly Defender and Protégé value a war bilateral or multilateral with Challenger, and the less highly they value a concession to Challenger.

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Strategic theory, because it practices intellectual disinterest towards the moral validity of the cause, the means and the ends of political action, rejects this notion because, like any tactic, it can be used for either good or bad purposes. In our opinion, future theoretical developments, empirical analysis, and policy assessments are better served by using perfect deterrence theory as their foundation.

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Certainly further developments in three-actor models are warranted, and they are being developed e. It generates long and useless lists when it is not used correctly.

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But perfect deterrence theory is distinguished from decision-theoretic deterrence theory in other ways as well; not only is its axiomatic base

different, but its theoretical characteristics, its propositions about the dynamics of deterrence, and its policy prescriptions are also starkly at odds with those of its mainstream competitor.

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