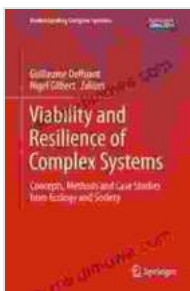


# Understanding: Concepts, Methods, and Case Studies from Ecology and Society

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The first part of the book introduces the basic concepts of ecology and society. These concepts include:



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- **Ecology** is the study of the interactions between organisms and their environment.
- **Society** is a group of people who share a common culture and way of life.
- **Ecology and society** is the study of the interactions between humans and their environment.

The first part of the book also discusses the different ways that humans can impact their environment. These impacts include:

- **Pollution** is the of harmful substances into the environment.
- **Climate change** is the long-term change in the Earth's climate.
- **Deforestation** is the clearing of forests.
- **Overpopulation** is the situation in which there are too many people for the environment to support.

The second part of the book discusses the methods used to study ecology and society. These methods include:

- **Field research** is the collection of data in the field.
- **Laboratory research** is the collection of data in a laboratory.
- **Modeling** is the use of mathematical models to simulate ecological and social systems.

- **Social surveys** are used to collect data on people's attitudes and behaviors.
- **Interviews** are used to collect data on people's experiences and perspectives.

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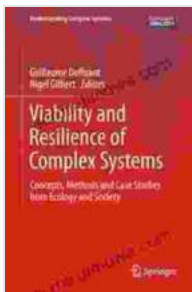
- **Quantitative data** is data that can be measured and expressed in numbers.
- **Qualitative data** is data that cannot be measured and expressed in numbers.

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- **The case of the Chesapeake Bay** is a study of the impact of pollution on a major estuary.
- **The case of the Aral Sea** is a study of the impact of climate change on a major lake.
- **The case of the Our Book Library rainforest** is a study of the impact of deforestation on a major forest.
- **The case of the world's population** is a study of the impact of overpopulation on the global environment.

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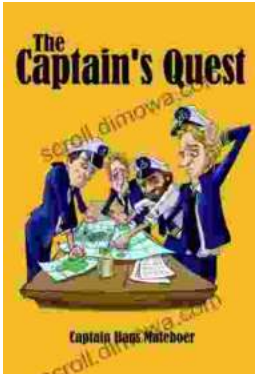
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