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A major problem confronting a researcher new to this area is which theoretical perspective is most apt. A research study can be a voyage of discovering or choice of theoretical perspective as well as gathering empirics or facts on a problem or situation. This book provides a good guideline as to why and how to choose a particular theory or method to study an organisational phenomenon such as accounting.

The contributors to this collection are world-renowned in their respective field. Each chapter documents latest research in accounting and control systems.

The book is primarily intended for research students and academic researchers in the areas of accounting and organisational practices in organisations. It can also be used for undergraduate (3rd year level) and postgraduate accounting methodology courses, and research organizations/consulting firms in the accounting and business field.

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In order to survive in the changing business environment, organisations should rethink their strategic philosophy and the role of management accounting, which itself is in a process of change. While some businesses continue to use conventional methods of costing, performance measurement and cost analysis, increasing numbers are adopting activity-based cost allocation systems, strategic investment decisions models, and multiple performance measures such as the Balanced Scorecard.

This handbook focuses on both conventional and contemporary issues. All the chapters provide both retrospective and modern views and commentaries by knowledgeable scholars in the field, who offer unique insights on the changing role of cost and management accounting in today's businesses. People without a background in cost and management accounting should find all of these chapters easily understandable.

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