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## ***Economie, recherche opérationnelle, jeux***

Martino BARDI, T.E.S. RAGHAVAN, T. PARTHASARATHY, (Editors). — **Stochastic and differential games: theory and numerical methods.** — Annals of the International Society of Dynamic Games, vol. 4. — Un vol. relié, 16×24, de xvi, 380 p. — ISBN 0-8176-4029-0. — Prix: SFr. 168.00. — Birkhäuser, Boston, 1999.

This new book is aimed at control engineers, applied mathematicians, operations research specialists, and research workers. It contains survey papers on such diverse topics as pursuit-evasion games, viscosity solutions, gambling theory, discounted stochastic games, optimal routing, numerical methods, and others. The volume consists of two parts, the first dealing with zero-sum differential games and numerical methods, the second with stochastic and nonzero-sum games and applications.

Ding-Zhu DU, Panos M. PARDALOS, (Editors). — **Handbook of combinatorial optimization.** — 3 vol. reliés, 17×25, de VIII, 785 p., VIII, 753 p. et VIII, 865 p. — ISBN 0-7923-5019-7 (set). — Prix: Dfl. 2'450.00 (les 3 vol.). — Kluwer Academic Publishers, Boston, 1998.

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Michael PATRIKSSON. — **Nonlinear programming and variational inequality problems: a unified approach.** — Applied optimization, vol. 23. — Un vol. relié, 16,5×24,5, de xiv, 334 p. — ISBN 0-7923-5455-9. — Prix: Dfl. 280.00. — Kluwer Academic Publishers, Dordrecht, 1999.

The framework of algorithms presented in this book is called Cost Approximation. It describes, for a given formulation of a variational inequality or nonlinear programming problem, an algorithm by means of approximating mappings and problems, a principle for the update of the iteration points, and a merit function which guides and monitors the convergence of the algorithm. One purpose of the book is to offer this framework as an intuitively appealing tool for describing an algorithm. Another purpose is to provide a convergence analysis of the algorithms in the framework.