1. Record Nr. UNINA9910156330603321 Autore Gonzalez George A Titolo The Absolute and Star Trek / / by George A. Gonzalez Cham:,: Springer International Publishing:,: Imprint: Palgrave Pubbl/distr/stampa Macmillan, , 2017 3-319-47794-3 **ISBN** Edizione [1st ed. 2017.] Descrizione fisica 1 online resource (XIII, 116 p. 5 illus. in color.) Collana Palgrave Pivot Disciplina 141 Soggetti Idealism, German History—Philosophy Motion pictures—United States German Idealism Philosophy of History American Cinema and TV Lingua di pubblicazione Inglese **Formato** Materiale a stampa Livello bibliografico Monografia Includes bibliographical references and index. Nota di bibliografia Nota di contenuto 1. Introduction -- 2. Analytic Philosophy and Star Trek -- 3. Speculation in Star Trek -- 4. The Progressive Dialectic of Star Trek --5. Star Trek and False Infinities -- 6. Star Trek and Language: Dasein or Speculation? -- 7. Star Trek: Prejudice versus Universal Rationality -- 8. Star Trek: Voyager: Pragmatism and Neo-Pragmatism as False Infinities -- 9. Zombies, Star Trek, and International Relations -- 10. Conclusion: The Inviability of Analytic Philosophy, as well as Bad and False Infinities. Sommario/riassunto This volume explains how Star Trek allows viewers to comprehend significant aspects of Georg Hegel's concept the absolute, the driving force behind history. Gonzalez, with wit and wisdom, explains how Star Trek exhibits central elements of the absolute. He describes how themes and ethos central to the show display the concept beautifully. For instance, the show posits that people must possess the correct attitudes in order to bring about an ideal society: a commitment to social justice; an unvielding commitment to the truth; and a similar commitment to scientific, intellectual discovery. These characteristics serve as perfect embodiments of Hegel's conceptualization, and

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