Record Nr. UNINA9910786195103321 Autore Lisi Leonardo F Titolo Marginal modernity [[electronic resource]]: the aesthetics of dependency from Kierkegaard to Joyce / / Leonardo F. Lisi New York, : Fordham University Press, c2013 Pubbl/distr/stampa 0-8232-4535-7 **ISBN** 0-8232-5254-X 0-8232-5036-9 Edizione [1st ed.] Descrizione fisica 1 online resource (350 p.) Disciplina 809/.9112 Modernism (Literature) Soggetti Dependency (Psychology) in literature Aesthetics in literature Philosophy in literature Lingua di pubblicazione Inglese **Formato** Materiale a stampa Livello bibliografico Monografia Note generali Description based upon print version of record. Nota di bibliografia Includes bibliographical references and index. Introduction: The aesthetics of modernism -- Presuppositions and Nota di contenuto varieties of aesthetic experience -- Johan Ludvig Heiberg and the autonomy of art -- Aesthetics of fragmentation in Henrik Ibsen's Peer Gvnt -- Nora's departure and the aesthetics of dependency -- Henry James and the emergence of the major phase -- Hugo von Hofmannsthal and the language of the future -- Conflict and mediation in James Joyce's The dead -- Intransitive love in Rainer Maria Rilke's The notebooks of Malte Laurids Brigge. Two ways of understanding the aesthetic organization of literary works Sommario/riassunto have come down to us from the late 18th century and dominate discussions of European modernism today: the aesthetics of autonomy, associated with the self-sufficient work of art, and the aesthetics of fragmentation, practiced by the avant-gardes. In this revisionary study, Leonardo Lisi argues that these models rest on assumptions about the nature of truth and existence that cannot be treated as exhaustive of modernist form.Lisi traces an alternative aesthetics of dependency that provides a different formal structure, philosophical foundation, and

historical condition for modernist texts. Taking Europe's Scandinavian

periphery as his point of departure, Lisi examines how Søren Kierkegaard and Henrik Ibsen imagined a response to the changing conditions of modernity different from those at the European core, one that subsequently influenced Henry James, Hugo von Hofmannsthal, Rainer Maria Rilke, and James Joyce.Combining close readings with a broader revision of the nature and genealogy of modernism, Marginal Modernity challenges what we understand by modernist aesthetics, their origins, and their implications for how we conceive of our relation to the modern world.