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on the content of the shara? The answers to these questions have been debated and discussed by Muslim scholars in the genre of literature called ul al-fiqh, glossed in English language secondary literature as Islamic legal theory". This volume contains editions and commentaries of hitherto un-edited manuscripts from the various strands of the Shiite tradition of Islamic thought (Zaydi, Ismaili and Twelver). A careful side-by-side reading of these texts and commentaries will help identify themes peculiar to the Shiite "family" of legal theories. The distinctive Shiite contribution to the history of ul al-fiqh has not received the attention it deserves in contemporary scholarship; this volume forms part of wider attempt to bring the richness and diversity of Shiite ul to the wider field."
