



Coding Places: Software Practice in a South American City (Hardback)

By Yuri Takhteyev

MIT Press Ltd, United States, 2012. Hardback. Condition: New. Language: English . Brand New Book. An examination of software practice in Brazil that reveals both the globalization and the localization of software development. Software development would seem to be a quintessential example of today's Internet-enabled knowledge work -- a global profession not bound by the constraints of geography. In Coding Places, Yuri Takhteyev looks at the work of software developers who inhabit two contexts: a geographical area -- in this case, greater Rio de Janeiro -- and a world of practice, a global system of activities linked by shared meanings and joint practice. The work of the Brazilian developers, Takhteyev discovers, reveals a paradox of the world of software: it is both diffuse and sharply centralized. The world of software revolves around a handful of places -- in particular, the San Francisco Bay area -- that exercise substantial control over both the material and cultural elements of software production. Takhteyev shows how in this context Brazilian software developers work to find their place in the world of software and to bring its benefits to their city. Takhteyev's study closely examines Lua, an open source programming language developed in Rio but used in such internationally popular products as World of...



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