

Table of Contents

Preface	7
Acknowledgements	9
List of Abbreviations	11
Introduction	14

PRELUDE: A FIRST APPROXIMATION TO THE ABSTRACT

Early Pythagorean Principles: <i>Peras</i> and <i>Apeiron</i>	42
---	----

PART I: SOCRATES

Method

1. Socratic Argument Strategies and Aristotle's <i>Topics</i> and <i>Sophistical Refutations</i>	52
2. Socratic Conversation: Direct and Indirect Argumentation in the Socratic <i>Elenchus</i>	71
3. Socrates' Argumentative Strategy	83
4. The Socratic <i>Elenchus</i> Reconsidered – Once More	137
5. Hypothetical Method in the <i>Charmides</i> and in the <i>Elenchus</i>	149

Morality

6. The Foundation of Socratic Morality	162
7. The Meaning and Justification of a Paradox: Wrongdoing is Involuntary. The Refutation of Polus	175

PART II: PLATO

The Republic

1. The Place and Justification of the Good and of Social Justice in the Good Life in Plato's <i>Republic</i>	188
--	-----

2. The Psychotherapeutic Approach to Healing in Plato (The <i>Republic</i>)	198
3. <i>Eudaimonia</i> in Plato's <i>Republic</i>	200
4. Mental Health in Socrates and Plato	212
<i>The Timaeus</i>	
5. The Role and Status of the Forms in the <i>Timaeus</i> : Paradigmatism Revised?	225
6. Plato's Concept of Matter	237
7. Disorderly Motion in the <i>Timaeus</i>	255
<i>Psychology</i>	
8. Self-motion, Tripartition and Embodiment	259
9. The Physicality of God in the <i>Politicus</i> Myth and in the Later Dialogues	266
10. The Psychology of the <i>Philebus</i>	277
11. <i>Sophrosune</i> in the <i>Laws</i> : Cultivation of Feeling by Conditioning, Self-control and Sublimation	286
<i>Plato's Development and How to Read Plato</i>	
12. Plato's Development and the Date of the <i>Timaeus</i>	291
13. Plato's Late Philosophy in the Light of the <i>Epinomis</i> ?	315
14. Who Speaks for Plato? Everyone!	333
PART III: LATER PHILOSOPHY	
1. Aristotle on the Good Life and Quality of Life	346
2. On the Importance of the Transformation of Stoicism by Panaetius and Posidonius	362
General Index	380