

“Science and Ideology in Economic, Political and Social Thought”; by
Claude Hillinger
AE remarks to the author

I thank the referee for his assessment. I would appreciate if Professor Hillinger could indeed combine sections 5 through 8 in the way suggested by the referee. It would be good if most of the quotes to Leeson and Amadae could be left out or reduced. Furthermore, if some of the focus could be put, as in the words of the referee, "on ideology and/or politics driving analysis.", that would be appreciated. The referee suggests to consider Steve Fuller's work on the 'strong sociology of knowledge' approach and his critiques of Thomas Kuhn's basic support for 'big science'. Also it would be appreciated if sections 6 and 7 could be combined. Finally, the reference by Krugman on Milton Friedman could possibly be consulted. Having considered the referee's report and the comments made by the readers, my recommendation, at this stage, is to accept the paper conditional upon those changes. We now wait for another two weeks to receive any additional comments on the paper. At the end of the two weeks a final decision will be made.