

EDITORS' NOTE

In 1981, Ronald Dworkin published an influential two-part essay on economic equality in *Philosophy and Public Affairs*. The second part of that essay described and defended an ideal of equality of resources that relies heavily on the conception of “envy-free” allocation of resources, originally articulated by the economists Duncan Foley and Hal Varian. The essay by Varian which follows assesses Dworkin’s attempt to modify and extend the theory of envy-free allocations for his larger philosophical purposes. Appended to the essay is an extensive bibliography of writings spawned by the economic analysis of envy-free allocations.