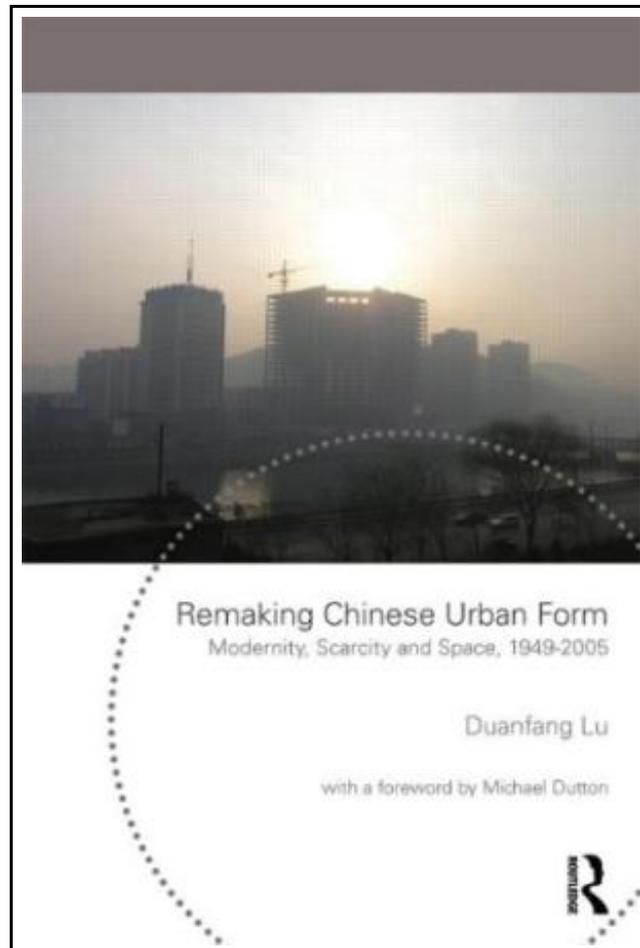# Remaking Chinese Urban Form: Modernity, Scarcity and Space, 1949-2005

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