

Parenting Styles and Balance of Power

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Abstract:

Household decisions including parenting decisions depend on the balance of power between spouses. This model shows that the balance of power, in turn, depends on the parenting decisions themselves. In this model, altruistic parents care about the consumption of the child, which is affected by parenting decisions. Therefore, parents care about these decisions and, parenting decisions will influence the balance of power between spouses even when the differences between parents are small. To this aim, I adapt the model of Doepke and Zilibotti (2017) to a non-conventional collective model of the household similar to Basu (2006).

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