Contents

Preface: Poetic Force xi
Acknowledgments xxiii
Translations and Abbreviations xxv

1. Ur-ability: Force and Image from Kant to Benjamin 1
2. Hölderlin's Peace 29
3. Poetic Reason of State: Baudelaire and the Multitudes 55
4. Arnold's Resignation 77
   Epilogue: Making Room for Reason 105

Notes 121
Bibliography 153
Index 167