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Density Matrix Theory and Applications - Karl Blum
2013-06-29

Quantum mechanics has been mostly concerned with those states of systems that are represented by state vectors. In many cases, however, the system of interest is incompletely determined; for example, it may have no more than a certain probability of being in the precisely defined dynamical state characterized by a state vector. Because of this incomplete knowledge, a

need for statistical averaging arises in the same sense as in classical physics. The density matrix was introduced by J. von Neumann in 1927 to describe statistical concepts in quantum mechanics. The main virtue of the density matrix is its analytical power in the construction of general formulas and in the proof of general theorems. The evaluation of averages and probabilities of the physical quantities characterizing a given system is extremely

cumbersome without the use of density matrix techniques. The representation of quantum mechanical states by density matrices enables the maximum information available on the system to be expressed in a compact manner and hence avoids the introduction of unnecessary variables. The use of density matrix methods also has the advantage of providing a uniform treatment of all quantum mechanical states, whether they are completely or incompletely known. Until recently the use of the density matrix method has been mainly restricted to statistical physics. In recent years, however, the application of the density matrix has been gaining more and more importance in many other fields of physics.

Current Catalog - National Library of Medicine (U.S.)

First multi-year cumulation covers six years: 1965-70.

Einstein Was Right - Jed Z. Buchwald 2020-10-13

An authoritative interdisciplinary account of the historic discovery of gravitational waves In 1915,

Albert Einstein predicted the existence of gravitational waves—ripples in the fabric of spacetime caused by the movement of large masses—as part of the theory of general relativity. A century later, researchers with the Laser Interferometer Gravitational-Wave Observatory (LIGO) confirmed Einstein's prediction, detecting gravitational waves generated by the collision of two black holes. Shedding new light on the hundred-year history of this momentous achievement, *Einstein Was Right* brings together essays by two of the physicists who won the Nobel Prize for their instrumental roles in the discovery, along with contributions by leading scholars who offer unparalleled insights into one of the most significant scientific breakthroughs of our time. This illuminating book features an introduction by Tilman Sauer and invaluable firsthand perspectives on the history and significance of the LIGO consortium by physicists Barry Barish and Kip Thorne.

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Theoretical physicist
Alessandra Buonanno discusses
the new possibilities opened by
gravitational wave astronomy,
and sociologist of science
Harry Collins and historians of
science Diana Kormos
Buchwald, Daniel Kennefick,
and Jürgen Renn provide
further insights into the history
of relativity and LIGO. The
book closes with a reflection by
philosopher Don Howard on
the significance of Einstein's
theory for the philosophy of
science. Edited by Jed
Buchwald, *Einstein Was Right*
is a compelling and thought-
provoking account of one of the
most thrilling scientific
discoveries of the modern age.

**The Problem of Long-range
Forces in the Computer
Simulation of Condensed
Media** - David Ceperley 1980

Physics Letters - 1998

Bad Karma - Deborah Blum
2013-06-22

A TRUE CRIME THRILLER
THAT EXPLORES THE
DARKEST REGIONS OF
ROMANTIC INFATUATION.

THE YEAR: 1969 THE
SETTING: Berkeley, California
THE STORY: Amidst the
turmoil of student rebellion two
loners encounter each other
and turn an innocent flirtation
into a dance of death. THE
CHARACTERS: Prosenjit
Poddar was the brilliant
engineering student who
wanted nothing more than to
return to his native India a big
success and to marry a woman
of his parents' choosing. Tanya
Tarasoff was the naive coed
who just wanted somebody to
love. And Larry Moore was the
young psychologist who
thought he recognized the
warning signs that his patient
was not just suffering from a
jilted love affair... but was
about to commit an act of
murder. THE STAKES: In a
culture clash that pits the
traditional values of male-
dominated India against free-
love attitudes of Berkeley in
the '60s, an impending tragedy
unfolds. Soon Larry Moore
finds himself face-to-face with
the biggest dilemma of his
career. What does a doctor do
if he perceives his patient as

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mentally unstable and a threat to the well-being of another... but is bound by the oath of doctor-patient confidentiality not to warn the police? This true story tracks Moore's race against time to stop the inevitable. *BAD KARMA* is more than an anatomy of madness; it is also a chronicle of the events that would culminate in a landmark decision handed down by the California Supreme Court. Known simply as *Tarasoff*, this 1976 ruling would change the oath of confidentiality between therapist and patient, and establish the rule that a mental health professional has the legal duty to protect a threatened individual.

Handbook of Electrochemistry -

Cynthia G. Zoski 2006-12-11

Electrochemistry plays a key role in a broad range of research and applied areas including the exploration of new inorganic and organic compounds, biochemical and biological systems, corrosion, energy applications involving fuel cells and solar cells, and nanoscale investigations. The

Handbook of Electrochemistry serves as a source of electrochemical information, providing details of experimental considerations, representative calculations, and illustrations of the possibilities available in electrochemical experimentation. The book is divided into five parts: Fundamentals, Laboratory Practical, Techniques, Applications, and Data. The first section covers the fundamentals of electrochemistry which are essential for everyone working in the field, presenting an overview of electrochemical conventions, terminology, fundamental equations, and electrochemical cells, experiments, literature, textbooks, and specialized books. Part 2 focuses on the different laboratory aspects of electrochemistry which is followed by a review of the various electrochemical techniques ranging from classical experiments to scanning electrochemical microscopy, electrogenerated

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chemiluminescence and spectroelectrochemistry. Applications of electrochemistry include electrode kinetic determinations, unique aspects of metal deposition, and electrochemistry in small places and at novel interfaces and these are detailed in Part 4. The remaining three chapters provide useful electrochemical data and information involving electrode potentials, diffusion coefficients, and methods used in measuring liquid junction potentials. * serves as a source of electrochemical information * includes useful electrochemical data and information involving electrode potentials, diffusion coefficients, and methods used in measuring liquid junction potentials * reviews electrochemical techniques (incl. scanning electrochemical microscopy, electrogenerated chemiluminescence and spectroelectrochemistry)

Nuclear Science Abstracts - 1974

The Mechanical Universe - Steven C. Frautschi 2008-01-14

This innovative physics textbook intended for science and engineering majors develops classical mechanics from a historical perspective. The presentation of the standard course material includes a discussion of the thought processes of the discoverers and a description of the methods by which they arrived at their theories. However the presentation proceeds logically rather than strictly chronologically, so new concepts are introduced at the natural moment. The book assumes a familiarity with calculus, includes a discussion of rigid body motion, and contains numerous thought-provoking problems. It is largely based in content on *The Mechanical Universe: Introduction to Mechanics and Heat*, a book designed in conjunction with a tele-course to be offered by PBS in the Fall of 1985. The advanced edition, however, does not coincide exactly with the video lessons, contains additional material,

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and develops the fundamental ideas introduced in the lower-level edition to a greater degree.

OE [publication] - 1969

Stroenie i Svoïstva Zhidkikh Metallov - Aleksandr Mikhaïlovich Samarin 1962

National Educators' Workshop: Update 1994. Standard Experiments in Engineering Materials Science and Technology - 1995

Density Matrix Theory and Applications - Karl Blum 1996-10-31

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SQUID '85 Superconducting Quantum Interference Devices and their Applications - Hans-D. Hahlbohm 1986-01-01

Bohmian Mechanics and Quantum Theory: An Appraisal - J.T. Cushing

2013-04-17

We are often told that quantum phenomena demand radical revisions of our scientific world view and that no physical theory describing well defined objects, such as particles described by their positions, evolving in a well defined way, let alone deterministically, can account for such phenomena. The great majority of physicists continue to subscribe to this view, despite the fact that just such a deterministic theory, accounting for all of the phenomena of nonrelativistic quantum mechanics, was proposed by David Bohm more than four decades ago and has arguably been around almost

since the inception of quantum mechanics itself. Our purpose in asking colleagues to write the essays for this volume has not been to produce a Festschrift in honor of David Bohm (worthy an undertaking as that would have been) or to gather together a collection of papers simply stating uncritically Bohm's views on quantum mechanics. The central theme around which the essays in this volume are arranged is David Bohm's version of quantum mechanics. It has by now become fairly standard practice to refer to his theory as Bohmian mechanics and to the larger conceptual framework within which this is located as the causal quantum theory program. While it is true that one can have reservations about the appropriateness of these specific labels, both do elicit distinctive images characteristic of the key concepts of these approaches and such terminology does serve effectively to contrast this class of theories with more standard formulations of

quantum theory.

Advances in Chemical Physics -

Ilya Prigogine 2009-09-08

The Advances in Chemical Physics series provides the chemical physics and physical chemistry fields with a forum for critical, authoritative evaluations of advances in every area of the discipline. Filled with cutting-edge research reported in a cohesive manner not found elsewhere in the literature, each volume of the Advances in Chemical Physics series serves as the perfect supplement to any advanced graduate class devoted to the study of chemical physics.

Particle Detection with Drift Chambers - Walter Blum

2013-03-09

This study edition of Blum and Rolandi's successful book addresses those students who want to begin to understand particle detection and drift chambers, by providing a solid foundation for judging the achievable accuracy for coordinate and ionization measurements. It covers topics such as gas ionization by

particles and by laser rays; the drift of electrons and ions in gases; electrostatics of wire grids and field cages; amplification of ionization; creation of the signal track parameters and their errors; ion gates; particle identification by measurement of ionization; existing chambers; drift chamber gas.

The topics are treated in a textbook style with many figures, together with explicitly performed calculations.

High Energy Physics 99 Proceedings of the International Europhysics Conference on High Energy Physics, Tampere, Finland, 15-21 July 1999 - K Huitu
2000-01-01

High Energy Physics 99 contains the 18 invited plenary presentations and 250 contributions to parallel sessions presented at the International Europhysics Conference on High Energy Physics. The book provides a comprehensive survey of the latest developments in high energy physics. Topics discussed include hard high

energy, structure functions, soft interactions, heavy flavor, the standard model, hadron spectroscopy, neutrino masses, particle astrophysics, field theory, and detector development.

CERN Courier - 2013

Particle Detection with Drift Chambers - Walter Blum
2008-08-26

This second edition is a thoroughly revised, updated and expanded version of a classic text, with lots of new material on electronic signal creation, amplification and shaping. It's still a thorough general introduction, too, to the theory and operation of drift chambers. The topics discussed include the basics of gas ionization, electronic drift and signal creation and discuss in depth the fundamental limits of accuracy and the issue of particle identification.

The Physics of Complex Systems (New Advances and Perspectives) - F. Mallamace
2004-11-24

It is widely known that complex systems and complex materials

comprise a major interdisciplinary scientific field that draws on mathematics, physics, chemistry, biology, and medicine as well as such social sciences as economics. The role of statistical physics in this new field has been expanding. Statistical physics has shown how phenomena and processes in different research areas that have long been assumed to be unrelated can have a common description. Through the application of statistical physics, methods developed for studying order phenomena in simple systems and processes have been generalized to more complex systems. The two conceptual pillars in this approach are scaling and universality. This volume focuses on recent advances and perspectives in the physics of complex systems and provides both an overview of the field and a more detailed examination of the new ideas and unsolved problems that are currently attracting the attention of researchers. This book should be a useful reference work for anyone

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interested in this area, whether beginning graduate student or advanced research professional. It provides up-to-date reviews on cutting-edge topics compiled by leading authorities and is designed to both broaden the reader's competence within their own field and encourage the exploration of new problems in related fields.

Europhysics Conference

Abstracts - European Physical Society 1990

The Language of Shape - S. Hyde 1996-11-19

This book develops the thesis that structure and function in a variety of condensed systems - from the atomic assemblies in inorganic frameworks and organic molecules, through molecular self-assemblies to proteins - can be unified when curvature and surface geometry are taken together with molecular shape and forces. An astonishing variety of synthetic and biological assemblies can be accurately modelled and understood in terms of hyperbolic surfaces,

whose richness and beauty are only now being revealed by applied mathematicians, physicists, chemists and crystallographers. These surfaces, often close to periodic minimal surfaces, weave and twist through space, carving out interconnected labyrinths whose range of topologies and symmetries challenge the imaginative powers. The book offers an overview of these structures and structural transformations, convincingly demonstrating their ubiquity in covalent frameworks from zeolites used for cracking oil and pollution control to enzymes and structural proteins, thermotropic and lyotropic bicontinuous mesophases formed by surfactants, detergents and lipids, synthetic block copolymer and protein networks, as well as biological cell assemblies, from muscles to membranes in prokaryotic and eukaryotic cells. The relation between structure and function is analysed in terms of the previously neglected hidden variables of curvature

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and topology. Thus, the catalytic activity of zeolites and enzymes, the superior material properties of interpenetrating networks in microstructured polymer composites, the transport requirements in cells, the transmission of nerve signals and the folding of DNA can be more easily understood in the light of this. The text is liberally sprinkled with figures and colour plates, making it accessible to both the beginning graduate student and researchers in condensed matter physics and chemistry, mineralogists, crystallographers and biologists.

Hydrosols and Rheology - Milton Kerker 2014-05-10
Colloid and Interface Science, Volume IV: Hydrosols and Rheology is the fourth volume of papers presented at the International Conference on Colloids and Surfaces, held in San Juan, Puerto Rico on June 21-25, 1976. This volume contains 57 chapters and begins with reviews on colloidal dispersions, interacting latex particles,

reversible adsorption of hydrosols, and stability of colloidal kaolinite suspensions. The next chapters deal with determination of colloidal stability, the microstructure of latex particles, instrumentation, and analytical methods for rheology measurement. These topics are followed by discussions of polymer adsorption, kinetic aspects of rheology, and measurement of important parameters in adsorption. This text also explores the properties of surface rheological models, the analysis of sedimentation velocity, and the application of hydrodynamic chromatography. The remaining chapters look into the colloid chemical aspects of drilling fluid rheology, the rheology of dilute polymer solutions, colloidal sol flow, and the shear thickening of colloidal dispersions. This book will prove useful to chemical engineers and other related professions who are interested in colloidal dispersion, rheology, and hydrosols.

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Heisenberg's 1958 Weltformel and the Roots of Post-Empirical Physics - Alexander S. Blum
2019-05-14

This book presents the first detailed account of Werner Heisenberg's failed attempt to find a theory of everything in the autumn of his career. It further investigates what we can learn from his failure in relation to the search for a final theory of physics, an endeavour that continues to define research in fundamental physics to this day. Thereby it provides the first historically informed contribution to the current debate on post-empirical physics and the state of particle physics.

Soil Colloids - Fernando V. Molina
2016-04-19

Within the field of soil science, soil chemistry encompasses the different chemical processes that take place, including mineral weathering, humification of organic plant residues, and ionic reactions involving natural and foreign metal ions that play significant roles in soil. Chemical reactions occur both in the soil

solution and at the soil part
Physics Project Lab - Paul Gluck
2015

Over 50 extended projects are described in detail. Each project description starts with a summary of theoretical background, proceeds to outline goals and possible avenues of exploration, suggests needed instrumentation, experimental setup and data analysis, and presents typical results which can serve as guidelines for the beginner researcher.

Perfect/Complete Scattering Experiments - Hans Kleinpoppen
2013-12-04

The main goal of this book is to elucidate what kind of experiment must be performed in order to determine the full set of independent parameters which can be extracted and calculated from theory, where electrons, photons, atoms, ions, molecules, or molecular ions may serve as the interacting constituents of matter. The feasibility of such 'perfect' and/or 'complete' experiments, providing the complete quantum mechanical

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knowledge of the process, is associated with the enormous potential of modern research techniques, both, in experiment and theory. It is even difficult to overestimate the role of theory in setting of the complete experiment, starting with the fact that an experiment can be complete only within a certain theoretical framework, and ending with the direct prescription of what, and in what conditions should be measured to make the experiment 'complete'. The language of the related theory is the language of quantum mechanical amplitudes and their relative phases. This book captures the spirit of research in the direction of the complete experiment in atomic and molecular physics, considering some of the basic quantum processes: scattering, Auger decay and photo-ionization. It includes a description of the experimental methods used to realize, step by step, the complete experiment up to the level of the amplitudes and phases. The corresponding

arsenal includes, beyond determining the total cross section, the observation of angle and spin resolved quantities, photon polarization and correlation parameters, measurements applying coincidence techniques, preparing initially polarized targets, and even more sophisticated methods. The 'complete' experiment is, until today, hardly to perform. Therefore, much attention is paid to the results of state-of-the-art experiments providing detailed information on the process, and their comparison to the related theoretical approaches, just to mention relativistic multi-configurational Dirac-Fock, convergent close-coupling, Breit-Pauli R-matrix, or relativistic distorted wave approaches, as well as Green's operator methods. This book has been written in honor of Herbert Walther and his major contribution to the field but even to stimulate advanced Bachelor and Master students by demonstrating that obviously nowadays atomic and

molecular scattering physics yields and gives a much exciting appreciation for further advancing the field.

Beyond Programming -

Bruce I Blum 1996

A unique examination of the software development process, arguing that it must undergo a fundamental re-examination of its guiding principles in order for significant progress to take place.

Superconducting Quantum Electronics -

Volkmar Kose

2012-12-06
With the surprising discovery of superconductivity at temperatures above 100 K, this field was not only brought into the public eye, but also stimulated research in universities, scientific institutions and industry, thus continuing the fascinating development which began with the discovery of the Josephson effect in the sixties.

Cryoelectronics has become a special branch of cryophysics and cryotechnics and today plays a prominent role whenever high resolution and precision measurements are

required. Motivated by this development, seven years ago scientists working in cryoelectronics in the Federal Republic of Germany felt the necessity for regular meetings allowing a free exchange of ideas and results achieved. Seminars under the title of "Kryoelektronische Bauelemente" were held for the first time at the Physikalisch-Technische Bundesanstalt in Braunschweig in 1982 on the occasion of the 100th anniversary of the birth of Walther Meißner, a pioneer in superconductivity. Since then, meetings have been held every year at different venues in Germany. It is now felt that the status of this field necessitates a review of the results of the past, a description of the current state of the art, and a discussion of future perspectives. This book, entitled SUPERCONDUCTING QUANTUM ELECTRONICS is a collection of invited lectures and contributions which will inform the reader on the most interesting problems involving fundamentals, sensitive

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detectors and precision metrology being studied by different groups.

George & Edward Blum -

Andrew D. Dolkart 1993

This publication reveals for the first time the singular contribution that the architects George & Edward Blum made to the design of the New York apartment building. The Blums' buildings, designed between 1910 & 1930, are superbly embellished with complex brick patterning & are highlighted by unusual detail in terra cotta & art tile. This book investigates the influence of Parisian design on the Blums' work & places their apartment houses within the larger context of residential development in New York City. It also explores the varied designs & innovative handling of decorative materials found in these in buildings.

Physics: Electricity, magnetism, and light -

Duane Emerson Roller 1981
Vol. 2.

Ionic Soft Matter: Modern Trends in Theory and Applications - Douglas

Henderson

Ranger Games - Ben Blum

2017-09-12

"A gloriously good writer...Ranger Games is both surprising and moving...A memorable, novelistic account."—Jennifer Senior, New York Times Intricate, heartrending, and morally urgent, Ranger Games is a crime story like no other Alex Blum was a good kid, a popular high school hockey star from a tight-knit Colorado family. He had one goal in life: endure a brutally difficult selection program, become a U.S. Army Ranger, and fight terrorists for his country. He poured everything into achieving his dream. In the first hours of his final leave before deployment to Iraq, Alex was supposed to fly home to see his family and beloved girlfriend. Instead, he got into his car with two fellow soldiers and two strangers, drove to a local bank in Tacoma, and committed armed robbery... The question that haunted the entire Blum family was: Why? Why would he ruin

his life in such a spectacularly foolish way? At first, Alex insisted he thought the robbery was just another exercise in the famously daunting Ranger program. His attorney presented a case based on the theory that the Ranger indoctrination mirrored that of a cult. In the midst of his own personal crisis, and in the hopes of helping both Alex and his splintering family cope, Ben Blum, Alex's first cousin, delved into these mysteries, growing closer to Alex in the process. As he probed further, Ben began to question not only Alex, but the influence of his superior, Luke Elliot Sommer, the man who planned the robbery. A charismatic combat veteran, Sommer's manipulative tendencies combined with a magnetic personality pulled Ben into a relationship that put his loyalties to the test.

Reviews in Computational Chemistry - Kenny B.

Lipkowitz 2003-05-08

Computational chemistry is increasingly used in most areas of molecular science including

organic, inorganic, medicinal, biological, physical, and analytical chemistry. Researchers in these fields who do molecular modelling need to understand and stay current with recent developments. This volume, like those prior to it, features chapters by experts in various fields of computational chemistry. Two chapters focus on molecular docking, one of which relates to drug discovery and cheminformatics and the other to proteomics. In addition, this volume contains tutorials on spin-orbit coupling and cellular automata modeling, as well as an extensive bibliography of computational chemistry books. FROM REVIEWS OF THE SERIES "Reviews in Computational Chemistry remains the most valuable reference to methods and techniques in computational chemistry."—JOURNAL OF MOLECULAR GRAPHICS AND MODELLING "One cannot generally do better than to try to find an appropriate article in the highly successful Reviews

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inComputational Chemistry. The basic philosophy of the editors seemsto be to help the authors produce chapters that are complete,accurate, clear, and accessible to experimentalists (in particular)and other nonspecialists (in general)."—JOURNAL OF THEAMERICAN CHEMICAL SOCIETY

Issues in General Physics Research: 2013 Edition - 2013-05-01

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<http://www.ScholarlyEditions.com/>.

U.S. Office of Education Support of Computer Projects, 1965-1971 - Lawrence P. Grayson 1972

Mathematics Of Physics And Engineering - Blum Edward K 2006-07-07

Aimed at scientists and engineers, this book is an exciting intellectual journey through the mathematical worlds of Euclid, Newton, Maxwell, Einstein, and Schrodinger-Dirac. While similar books present the required mathematics in a

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piecemeal manner with tangential references to the relevant physics and engineering, this textbook serves the interdisciplinary needs of engineers, scientists and applied mathematicians by unifying the mathematics and physics into a single systematic body of knowledge but preserving the rigorous logical development of the mathematics. The authors take an unconventional approach by integrating the mathematics with its motivating physical phenomena and, conversely, by showing how the mathematical models predict new physical phenomena.

Complete Scattering Experiments - Uwe Becker
2001-04-30

The Hans Kleinpoppen Symposium on "Complete Scattering Experiments" th was held in honor of Hans Kleinpoppen's 70 birthday. It took place in Il Ciocco, Italy. The symposium had two purposes: to present the work that Hans Kleinpoppen has done or initiated during his remarkable scientific career,

and to bring people from various fields together who perform complete scattering experiments. Hans Kleinpoppen's work included electron and photon impact experiments which were accompanied by studies of entangled states - a field of high current interest. Representatives from each of these fields gave excellent lectures on their particular subjects, and many discussions that started during the sessions were continued later in the relaxed atmosphere of the Il Ciocco resort. The breathtaking view of the beautiful landscape will be an unforg- table memory to all who participated in this extraordinary scientific event. The coherent and ideal combination of subject, people and location reflected the coherence of Hans Kleinpoppen's aims and activities in science and life. We offer our grateful thanks to all contributors who made this volume such a worthy tribute to Hans Kleinpoppen. We also like to thank Rainer Hentges

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for the painstaking work to prepare this volume in its complete ready to print version. We are also grateful to the Royal Society of London and the Max-

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The Evolution of Knowledge -

Jürgen Renn 2020-01-14

Jürgen Renn examines the role of knowledge in global transformations going back to the dawn of civilization while providing vital perspectives on the complex challenges confronting us today in the Anthropocene--this new geological epoch shaped by humankind. Renn reframes the history of science and

technology within a much broader history of knowledge, analyzing key episodes such as the evolution of writing, the emergence of science in the ancient world, the Scientific Revolution of early modernity, the globalization of knowledge, industrialization, and the profound transformations wrought by modern science.

He investigates the evolution of knowledge using an array of disciplines and methods, from cognitive science and experimental psychology to earth science and evolutionary biology. The result is an entirely new framework for understanding structural changes in systems of knowledge--and a bold new approach to the history and philosophy of science.