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## **An Introduction to Theory in Anthropology**

This is the fifth edition of a work (first published in 1938) which has become the standard introduction to the subject. The book has grown out of lectures delivered by the authors at Oxford, Cambridge, Aberdeen, and other universities. It is neither a systematic treatise on the theory of numbers nor a 'popular' book for non-mathematical readers. It contains short accounts of the elements of many different sides of the theory, not usually combined in a single volume; and, although it is written for mathematicians, the range of mathematical knowledge presupposed is not greater than that of an intelligent first-year student. In this edition the main changes are in the notes at the end of each chapter; Sir Edward Wright seeks to provide up-to-date references for the reader who wishes to pursue a particular topic further and to present, both in the notes and in the text, a reasonably accurate account of the present state of knowledge.

## **An Introduction to the Theory of Elasticity**

Geared toward advanced undergraduates and graduate students, this outstanding text was written by one of the founders of bioengineering and modern biomechanics. It offers unusually thorough coverage of the interaction of aerodynamic forces

and elastic structures. It has also proven highly useful to designers and engineers concerned with flutter, structural dynamics, flight loads, and related subjects. An introductory chapter covers concepts of aerodynamics, elasticity, and mechanical vibrations. Chapters 2 through 11 survey aeroelastic problems, their historical background, basic physical concepts, and the principles of analysis. Chapters 12 through 15 contain the fundamentals of oscillating airfoil theory and a brief summary of experimental results. Each chapter is followed by a bibliography, and 147 illustrations and 20 tables illuminate the text.

## **An Introduction to the Theory of Numbers**

· Divisibility· Congruences· Quadratic Reciprocity and Quadratic Forms· Some Functions of Number Theory· Some Diophantine Equations· Farey Fractions and Irrational Numbers· Simple Continued Fractions· Primes and Multiplicative Number Theory· Algebraic Numbers· The Partition Function · The Density of Sequences of Integers

## **An Introduction to the Theory of Knowledge**

Now revised and updated, this introduction to decision theory is both accessible and comprehensive, covering topics including decision making under ignorance and risk, the foundations of utility theory, the debate over subjective and objective probability, Bayesianism, causal decision theory, game theory, and social choice theory. No mathematical skills are assumed, with all concepts and results explained in non-technical and intuitive as well as more formal ways. There are now over 140 exercises with solutions, along with a glossary of key terms and concepts. This second edition includes a new chapter on risk aversion as well as updated discussions of numerous central ideas, including Newcomb's problem, prisoner's dilemmas, and Arrow's impossibility theorem. The book will appeal particularly to philosophy students but also to readers in a range of disciplines, from computer science and psychology to economics and political science.

## **An Introduction to the Theory of Statistics**

Epistemology or the theory of knowledge is one of the cornerstones of analytic philosophy, and this book provides a clear and accessible introduction to the subject. It discusses some of the main theories of justification, including foundationalism, coherentism, reliabilism, and virtue epistemology. Other topics include the Gettier problem, internalism and externalism, skepticism, the problem of epistemic circularity, the problem of the criterion, a priori knowledge, and naturalized epistemology. Intended primarily for students taking a first class in epistemology, this lucid and well-written text would also provide an excellent introduction for anyone interested in knowing more about this important area of philosophy.

## **An Introduction to Knot Theory**

This textbook is a straightforward introduction to the theory of optimal control with an emphasis on presenting many different applications. Professor Hocking has taken pains to ensure that the theory is developed to display the main themes of the arguments but without using sophisticated mathematical tools. Throughout there are many worked examples, and numerous exercises (with solutions) are provided.

## **An Introduction to the Theory of Superconductivity**

## **An Introduction to the Theory of Groups**

## **An Introduction to the Theory of Statistics**

This book is based on lecture notes for a graduate course that has been offered at University of Nebraska-Lincoln on and off since 1998. The course is intended to provide graduate students with the basic aspects of the continuum modeling of electroelastic interactions in solids. A concise treatment of linear, nonlinear, static and dynamic theories and problems is presented. The emphasis is on formulation and understanding of problems useful in device applications rather than solution techniques of mathematical problems. The mathematics used in the book is minimal. The book is suitable for a one-semester graduate course on electroelasticity. It can also be used as a reference for researchers. I would like to take this opportunity to thank UNL for a Maude Hammond Fling Faculty Research Fellowship in 2003 for the preparation of the first draft of this book. I also wish to thank Ms. Deborah Derrick of the College of Engineering and Technology at UNL for editing assistance with the book, and Professor David Y. Gao of Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University for recommending this book to Kluwer for publication in the series of Advances in Mechanics and Mathematics. JSY Lincoln, Nebraska 2004 Preface Electroelastic materials exhibit electromechanical coupling. They experience mechanical deformations when placed in an electric field, and become electrically polarized under mechanical loads. Strictly speaking, piezoelectricity refers to linear electromechanical couplings only.

## **Introduction to the Theory of Games**

This book provides a very elementary introduction to K-theory for  $C^*$ -algebras, and is ideal for beginning graduate students.

## **History**

A clear and concise introduction to contemporary debates in epistemology, this title covers topics such as testimony, the internalism/externalism debate, and naturalized epistemology.

## **An Introduction to the Theory of the Boltzmann Equation**

Comprehensive coverage of special theory (frames of reference, Lorentz transformation, more), general theory (principle of equivalence, more) and unified theory (Weyl's gauge-invariant geometry, more.) Foreword by Albert Einstein.

## **An Introduction to the Theory of Piezoelectricity**

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## **An Introduction to the Theory of Knowledge**

Using fundamental physics, the theory of stellar structure and evolution can predict how stars are born, how their complex internal structure changes, what nuclear fuel they burn, and their ultimate fate. This textbook is a stimulating introduction for undergraduates in astronomy, physics and applied mathematics, taking a course on the physics of stars. It uniquely emphasises the basic physical principles governing stellar structure and evolution. This second edition contains two new chapters on mass loss from stars and interacting binary stars, and new exercises. Clear and methodical, it explains the processes in simple terms, while maintaining mathematical rigour. Starting from general principles, this textbook leads students step-by-step to a global, comprehensive understanding of the subject. Fifty exercises and full solutions allow students to test their understanding. No prior knowledge of astronomy is required, and only a basic background in physics and mathematics is necessary.

## **Literary Theory**

Accessible text covers deformation and stress, derivation of equations of finite elasticity, and formulation of infinitesimal elasticity with application to two- and three-dimensional static problems and elastic waves. 1980 edition.

## **An Introduction to the Theory of Infinite Series**

This comprehensive overview of the mathematical theory of games illustrates applications to situations involving conflicts of interest, including economic, social, political, and military contexts. Advanced calculus a prerequisite. Includes 51 figures and 8 tables. 1952 edition.

## **An Introduction to the Theory of Groups**

A new edition of a classic graduate text on the theory of distributions.

## **Introduction to the Theory of Relativity**

This 7th Edition helps students unravel the mysteries of human behavior through its highly readable introduction to the ideas of the most significant personality theorists. Engaging biographical sketches begin each chapter, and unique capsule summaries help students review key concepts. Theories come alive through the inclusion of quotations from the theorists' writings and numerous applications such as dream interpretation, psychopathology, and psychotherapy. Significant changes in the 7th edition include an extended discussion of the practical applications of personality theory, with an emphasis on guidelines that can help people increase their self-knowledge, make better decisions, and live more fulfilling lives. Fictionalized but true-to-life examples illustrating the perils of inadequate self-knowledge include college students, parents, terrorists, business executives, and politicians, while other examples show the positive outcomes that can result from a better understanding of one's unconscious. This 7th edition also includes a more extensive discussion of how a lack of self-understanding caused difficulties for such noted theorists as Freud and Erikson, and a new section that explains how behavior can be strongly influenced by the situation as well as by one's personality. Finally, a new interactive web site provides practice test questions and other topics of interest.

## **Introduction to Theories of Learning**

The sixth edition of the classic undergraduate text in elementary number theory includes a new chapter on elliptic curves

and their role in the proof of Fermat's Last Theorem, a foreword by Andrew Wiles and extensively revised and updated end-of-chapter notes.

## **An Introduction to the Theory of Elasticity**

## **An Introduction to the Theory of Stellar Structure and Evolution**

Accessible text covers deformation and stress, derivation of equations of finite elasticity, and formulation of infinitesimal elasticity with application to two- and three-dimensional static problems and elastic waves. 1980 edition.

## **An Introduction to Theories of Personality**

" This introductory exposition of group theory by an eminent Russian mathematician is particularly suited to undergraduates, developing material of fundamental importance in a clear and rigorous fashion. A wealth of simple examples, primarily geometrical, illustrate the primary concepts. Exercises at the end of each chapter provide additional reinforcement. 1959 edition"--

## **Introduction to the Theory of Distributions**

Demystifying the subject with clarity and verve, *History: An Introduction to Theory, Method and Practice* familiarizes the reader with the varied spectrum of historical approaches in a balanced, comprehensive and engaging manner. Global in scope, and covering a wide range of topics from the ancient and medieval worlds to the twenty-first century, it explores historical perspectives not only from historiography itself, but from related areas such as literature, sociology, geography and anthropology. Clearly written, accessible and student-friendly, this second edition is fully updated throughout to include: An increased spread of case studies from beyond Europe, especially from American and imperial histories. New chapters on important and growing areas of historical inquiry, such as environmental history and digital history Expanded sections on political, cultural and social history More discussion of non-traditional forms of historical representation and knowledge like film, fiction and video games. Accompanied by a new companion website ([www.routledge.com/cw/claus](http://www.routledge.com/cw/claus)) containing valuable supporting material for students and instructors such as discussion questions, further reading and web links, this book is an essential introduction for all students of historical theory and method.

## **An Introduction to the Theory of Numbers**

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Geared toward advanced undergraduate and graduate engineering students, this text introduces the theory and applications of optimal control. It serves as a bridge to the technical literature, enabling students to evaluate the implications of theoretical control work, and to judge the merits of papers on the subject. Rather than presenting an exhaustive treatise, Optimal Control offers a detailed introduction that fosters careful thinking and disciplined intuition. It develops the basic mathematical background, with a coherent formulation of the control problem and discussions of the necessary conditions for optimality based on the maximum principle of Pontryagin. In-depth examinations cover applications of the theory to minimum time, minimum fuel, and to quadratic criteria problems. The structure, properties, and engineering realizations of several optimal feedback control systems also receive attention. Special features include numerous specific problems, carried through to engineering realization in block diagram form. The text treats almost all current examples of control problems that permit analytic solutions, and its unified approach makes frequent use of geometric ideas to encourage students' intuition.

## **An Elementary Introduction to the Theory of Probability**

An introduction to catastrophe theory, a mathematical theory which deals with those changes which occur abruptly rather than smoothly. Includes many applications to illustrate the different ways in which catastrophe can be used in life, physical and social sciences.

## **Introduction to War Theory**

Anyone who has studied abstract algebra and linear algebra as an undergraduate can understand this book. The first six chapters provide material for a first course, while the rest of the book covers more advanced topics. This revised edition retains the clarity of presentation that was the hallmark of the previous editions. From the reviews: "Rotman has given us a very readable and valuable text, and has shown us many beautiful vistas along his chosen route." --MATHEMATICAL REVIEWS

## **An Introduction to the Theory of Mechanism Design**

This book is meant for advanced undergraduate and graduate students of economics who have a good understanding of game theory.

## **An Introduction to Decision Theory**

This compact volume equips the reader with all the facts and principles essential to a fundamental understanding of the theory of probability. It is an introduction, no more: throughout the book the authors discuss the theory of probability for situations having only a finite number of possibilities, and the mathematics employed is held to the elementary level. But within its purposely restricted range it is extremely thorough, well organized, and absolutely authoritative. It is the only English translation of the latest revised Russian edition; and it is the only current translation on the market that has been checked and approved by Gnedenko himself. After explaining in simple terms the meaning of the concept of probability and the means by which an event is declared to be in practice, impossible, the authors take up the processes involved in the calculation of probabilities. They survey the rules for addition and multiplication of probabilities, the concept of conditional probability, the formula for total probability, Bayes's formula, Bernoulli's scheme and theorem, the concepts of random variables, insufficiency of the mean value for the characterization of a random variable, methods of measuring the variance of a random variable, theorems on the standard deviation, the Chebyshev inequality, normal laws of distribution, distribution curves, properties of normal distribution curves, and related topics. The book is unique in that, while there are several high school and college textbooks available on this subject, there is no other popular treatment for the layman that contains quite the same material presented with the same degree of clarity and authenticity. Anyone who desires a fundamental grasp of this increasingly important subject cannot do better than to start with this book. New preface for Dover edition by B. V. Gnedenko.

## **An Introduction to the Theory of Numbers**

A selection of topics which graduate students have found to be a successful introduction to the field, employing three distinct techniques: geometric topology manoeuvres, combinatorics, and algebraic topology. Each topic is developed until significant results are achieved and each chapter ends with exercises and brief accounts of the latest research. What may reasonably be referred to as knot theory has expanded enormously over the last decade and, while the author describes important discoveries throughout the twentieth century, the latest discoveries such as quantum invariants of 3-manifolds as well as generalisations and applications of the Jones polynomial are also included, presented in an easily intelligible style. Readers are assumed to have knowledge of the basic ideas of the fundamental group and simple homology theory, although explanations throughout the text are numerous and well-done. Written by an internationally known expert in the field, this will appeal to graduate students, mathematicians and physicists with a mathematical background wishing to gain new insights in this area.

## **An Introduction to the Theory of Infinite Series**

This undergraduate text develops its subject through observations of the physical world, covering finite sets, cardinal numbers, infinite cardinals, and ordinals. Includes exercises with answers. 1958 edition.

## **An Introduction to the Theory of Point Processes**

This edition consists largely of a reproduction of the first edition (which was based on lectures on Elementary Analysis given at Queen's College, Galway, from 1902-1907), with additional theorems and examples. Additional material includes a discussion of the solution of linear differential equations of the second order; a discussion of elliptic function formulae; expanded treatment of asymptotic series; a discussion of trigonometrical series, including Stokes' transformation and Gibbs' phenomenon; and an expanded Appendix II that includes an account of Napier's invention of logarithms.

## **An Introduction to Category Theory**

A few years ago the author, Chris Brown, gave a lecture to a group of fifty eminent historians. He asked them two questions: had they ever written about war? Of course they all had, history is war. And how many had read a book about the theory of war? There was a resentful silence. This remarkable admission initiated the writing of An Introduction to War Theory. In the same vein, the pre-eminent military historian Michael Howard, having lectured young army officers at Sandhurst on the Italian Campaign of 1942, was asked a single question by an impatient captain: OK, but what were its lessons? Here are those lessons, distilled. This book is for the reader who is starting his or her journey in war theory – students, journalists, junior military professionals – and anyone with a general interest who would like to know more about how wars actually work.

## **An Introduction to Catastrophe Theory**

This is the second volume of the reworked second edition of a key work on Point Process Theory. Fully revised and updated by the authors who have reworked their 1988 first edition, it brings together the basic theory of random measures and point processes in a unified setting and continues with the more theoretical topics of the first edition: limit theorems, ergodic theory, Palm theory, and evolutionary behaviour via martingales and conditional intensity. The very substantial new material in this second volume includes expanded discussions of marked point processes, convergence to equilibrium, and the structure of spatial point processes.

## **Optimal Control**

## **Introduction to the Theory of Sets**

Category theory provides a general conceptual framework that has proved fruitful in subjects as diverse as geometry, topology, theoretical computer science and foundational mathematics. Here is a friendly, easy-to-read textbook that explains the fundamentals at a level suitable for newcomers to the subject. Beginning postgraduate mathematicians will find this book an excellent introduction to all of the basics of category theory. It gives the basic definitions; goes through the various associated gadgetry, such as functors, natural transformations, limits and colimits; and then explains adjunctions. The material is slowly developed using many examples and illustrations to illuminate the concepts explained. Over 200 exercises, with solutions available online, help the reader to access the subject and make the book ideal for self-study. It can also be used as a recommended text for a taught introductory course.

## **Optimal Control**

Textbook

## **An Introduction to K-Theory for C\*-Algebras**

This introductory graduate-level course for students of physics and engineering features detailed presentations of Boltzmann's equation, including applications using both Boltzmann's equation and the model Boltzmann equations developed within the text. It emphasizes physical aspects of the theory and offers a practical resource for researchers and other professionals. 1971 edition.

## **Literature: An Introduction to Theory and Analysis**

How does literature work? And what does it mean? How does it relate to the world: to politics, to history, to the environment? How do we analyse and interpret a literary text, paying attention to its specific poetic and fictitious qualities? This wide-ranging introduction helps students to explore these and many other essential questions in the study of literature, criticism and theory. In a series of introductory chapters, leading international scholars present the fundamental topics of literary studies through conceptual definitions as well as interpretative readings of works familiar from a range of world literary traditions. In an easy-to-navigate format, *Literature: An Introduction to Theory and Analysis* covers such topics as:

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- Modes of literature and criticism – from books to performance, from creative to critical writing

With annotated reading guides throughout and a glossary of major critical schools to help students when

studying, revising and writing essays, this is an essential introduction and reference guide to the study of literature at all levels

## **An Introduction to the Theory of Aeroelasticity**

Defines learning and shows how the learning process is studied. Clearly written and user-friendly, Introduction to the Theories of Learning places learning in its historical perspective and provides appreciation for the figures and theories that have shaped 100 years of learning theory research. The 9th edition has been updated with the most current research in the field. With Pearson's MySearchLab with interactive eText and Experiment's Tool, this program is more user-friendly than ever. Learning Goals Upon completing this book, readers should be able to: Define learning and show how the learning process is studied Place learning theory in historical perspective Present essential features of the major theories of learning with implications for educational practice Note: MySearchLab does not come automatically packaged with this text. To purchase MySearchLab, please visit: [www.mysearchlab.com](http://www.mysearchlab.com) or you can purchase a ValuePack of the text + MySearchLab (at no additional cost).

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