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Diaspora: A Very Short Introduction

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what does diaspora mean until quite recently the word had a specific and restricted meaning referring principally to the dispersal and exile of the jews but since the 1960s the term diaspora has proliferated to a remarkable extent to the point where it is now applied to migrants of almost every kind this very short introduction explains where the concept of diaspora came from how its meaning changed over time why its usage has expanded so dramatically in recent years and how it can both clarify and distort the nature of migration kevin kenny highlights the strength of diaspora as a mode of explanation focusing on three key elements movement connectivity and return and illustrating his argument with examples drawn from jewish armenian african irish and asian diasporas he shows that diaspora is not simply a synonym for the movement of people its explanatory power is greatest when people believe that their departure was forced rather than voluntary thus diaspora would not really explain most of the irish migration to america but it does shed light on the migration compelled by the great famine kenny also describes how migrants and their descendants develop diasporic cultures abroad regardless of the form their migration takes based on their connections with a homeland real or imagined and with people of common origin in other parts of the world finally most conceptions of diaspora feature the dream of a return to a homeland even when this yearning does not involve an actual physical relocation about the series oxford s very short introductions series offers concise and original introductions to a wide range of subjects from islam to sociology politics to classics literary theory to history and archaeology to the bible not simply a textbook of definitions each volume in this series provides trenchant and provocative yet always balanced and complete discussions of the central issues in a given discipline or field every very short introduction gives a readable evolution of the subject in question demonstrating how the subject has developed and how it has influenced society eventually the series will encompass every major academic discipline offering all students an accessible and abundant reference library whatever the area of study that one deems important or appealing whatever the topic that fascinates the general reader the very short introductions series has a handy and affordable guide that will likely prove indispensable

Fascism

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fascism is notoriously hard to define in the new edition of this very short introduction kevin passmore unravels the paradoxes of one of the most important phenomena in the modern world to make sense of its ideology and place in the modern world

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what is fascism is it revolutionary or is it reactionary can it be both fascism is notoriously hard to define how do we make sense of an ideology that appeals to streetfighters and intellectuals alike that is overtly macho in style yet attracts many women that calls for a return to tradition while maintaining a fascination with technology and that preaches violence in the name of an ordered society in the new edition of this very short introduction kevin passmore brilliantly unravels the paradoxes of one of the most important phenomena in the modern world tracing its origins in the intellectual political and social crises of the late nineteenth century the rise of fascism following world war i including fascist regimes in italy and germany and the fortunes of failed fascist movements in eastern europe spain and the americas he also considers fascism in culture the new interest in transnational research and the progress of the far right since 2002 about the series the very short introductions series from oxford university press contains hundreds of titles in almost every subject area these pocket sized books are the perfect way to get ahead in a new subject quickly our expert authors combine facts analysis perspective new ideas and enthusiasm to make interesting and challenging topics highly readable

Love

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explores the philosophical notion of love and argues that love is more complex than conventional thought would have us believe

The Virtues: A Very Short Introduction

2021-03-25

from the philosophy of aristotle and confucius to thomas aquinas summa theologiae to the paintings of raphael botticelli and many more fascination with the virtues has endured and evolved to fit a wide range of cultural religious and philosophical contexts through the centuries this very short introduction introduces readers to the various virtues the moral virtues the intellectual virtues and the theological virtues as well as the capital vices it explores the role of the virtues in moral life their cultivation and how they offer ways of thinking and acting that are alternatives to mere rule following it also considers the relationship of the virtues to our own emotions desires and rational capacities about the series the very short introductions series from oxford university press contains hundreds of titles in almost every subject area these pocket sized books are the perfect way to get ahead in a new subject quickly our expert authors combine facts analysis perspective new ideas and enthusiasm to make interesting and challenging topics highly readable

The Industrial Revolution: A Very Short Introduction

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the industrial revolution was a pivotal point in british history that occurred between the mid eighteenth and mid nineteenth centuries and led to far reaching transformations of society with the advent of revolutionary manufacturing technology productivity boomed machines were used to spin and weave cloth steam engines were used to provide reliable power and industry was fed by the construction of the first railways a great network of arteries feeding the factories cities grew as people shifted from agriculture to industry and commerce hand in hand with the growth of cities came rising levels of pollution and disease many people lost their jobs to the new machinery whilst working conditions in the factories were grim and pay was low as the middle classes prospered social unrest ran through the working classes and the exploitation of workers led to the growth of trade unions and protest movements in this very short introduction robert c allen analyzes the key features of the industrial revolution in britain and the spread of industrialization to other countries he considers the factors that combined to enable industrialization at this time including britain s position as a global commercial empire and discusses the changes in technology and business organization and their impact on different social classes and groups introducing the winners and the losers of the industrial revolution he looks at how the changes were reflected in evolving government policies and what contribution these made to the economic transformation about the series the very short introductions series from oxford university press contains hundreds of titles in almost every subject area these pocket sized books are the perfect way to get ahead in a new subject quickly our expert authors combine facts analysis perspective new ideas and enthusiasm to make interesting and challenging topics highly readable

Home

2016

michael allen fox considers the complex meaning of home he discusses what dwelling is and the variety of dwellings people live in he also looks at the politics of home homelessness refugeeism and migration the importance of place to our psyche and the future of the concept of home

A Game of Authors

2013-10-18

a conspiracy thriller from the new york times bestselling author of dune one of america s most intelligent imaginative and magnetic novelists kirkus reviews in pursuit of a scoop american journalist hal garson follows up on a mysterious desperate letter that points to the whereabouts of legendary author antone luac who vanished without a trace in mexico years ago the celebrated writer s disappearance is an enduring mystery and garson senses this story will make his career despite warnings he travels to isolated ciudad brockman and begins asking questions too many questions which place him in the crossfire of a local crime lord a communist insurgent group and finally to the imprisoned writer and his beautiful daughter who

may not want to be found

Ocean

2013-10-25

from a new york times bestselling author an ecological thriller about human animal hybrids battling to rescue the ocean from environmental impact in 2024 earth is consumed by a great war of ocean liberation a military force of sea creatures attacks naval installations shuts down shipping lanes and fishing operations and destroys offshore oil drilling rigs huge blue whales sharks dolphins and even monstrous creatures thought to be extinct all strike with ferocity and surprising strength the marine armada is led by hybrid transformed humans who call themselves sea warriors ocean rights zealots who can swim to the deepest regions of the sea and live off the bounty of the waters their commander kimo pohaku announces his startling intention the complete liberation of the seas from human control finally the ocean is fighting back but it might be too late

High-Opp

2012-03-11

from the new york times bestselling author of dune a dystopian novel in which a corrupted democracy leads to war between the privileged and labor classes emasi each man a separate individual that is the rallying cry of the seps engaged in a class war against the upper tiers of a society driven entirely by opinion polls those who score high the high opps are given plush apartments comfortable jobs every possible convenience but those who happen to be low opped live crowded in warrens facing harsh lives and brutal conditions daniel movius ex senior liaitor rides high in the opinion polls until he loses everything brushed aside by a very powerful man low opped and abandoned movius finds himself fighting for survival in the city s underworld there the opinion of the masses is clear it is time for a revolution against the corrupt super privileged and every revolution needs a leader from hugo and nebula award winning author frank herbert this posthumously published novel was written between his two classic books the dragon in the sea and dune

Memorymakers

2011-09-10

memorymakers tells the story of an ancient race of beings called the ch var who live among humans they look like humans act like humans talk like humans their appetites though are anything but human

The Godmakers

2013-04-21

an interstellar agent discovers his latent powers while investigating a warlike planet in this classic sci fi fantasy by the author of dune it s been centuries since the devastating rim wars separated numerous planets from the protection and control of the galactic empire the rediscovery and reeducation service is dedicated to finding these lost planets and returning them to the fold but not all civilizations are eager to cooperate young and charismatic lewis orne is one of the best r r agents in the organization s history but when he identifies troubling signs on the planet of hamal he is transferred to investigative adjustment the agency that specializes in dealing with violent worlds suddenly orne is shuttling to the edge of the galaxy to detect any signs of latent aggression among hamal s population shortly after making landfall orne makes a far more astonishing discovery he suddenly finds himself in possession of profound extrasensory powers when these powers become known he is invited to join hamal s company of gods it is an offer too enticing to refuse yet being a god comes with certain expectations

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Redefining Irishness in a Coastal Maine City, 1770-1870

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redefining irishness in a coastal maine city 1770 1870 bridget s belfast examines how irish immigrants shaped and reshaped their identity in a rural new england community forty percent of irish immigrants to the united states settled in rural areas achieving success beyond large urban centers required distinctive ways of performing irishness class status and gender were more significant than ethnicity close reading of diaries newspapers local histories and public papers allows for nuanced understanding of immigrant lives amid stereotype and the nineteenth century evolution of a scotch irish identity

Soul Catcher

2012-06-12

deeply felt and magical a novel about the bond between a native american and his captive is an eloquent evocation of the old earth life religion kirkus reviews katsuk a militant native american student kidnaps thirteen year old david marshall the son of the us undersecretary of

ireland in recent years the word transnational has become more and more conspicuous in history writing across the globe with scholars seeking to move beyond national and local frameworks when investigating the past yet transnational approaches remain rare in irish historical scholarship this book argues that the broader contexts and scales associated with transnational history are ideally suited to open up new questions on many themes of critical importance to ireland s past and present they also provide an important means of challenging ideas of irish exceptionalism the chapters included here open up new perspectives on central debates and events in irish history they illuminate numerous transnational lives follow flows and ties across irish borders and trace networks and links with europe north america the caribbean australia and the british empire this book provides specialists and students with examples of different concepts and ways of doing transnational history non specialists will be interested in the new perspectives offered here on a rich variety of topics particularly the two major events in modern irish history the great irish famine and the 1916 rising

Symbolism 14

2014-12-12

symbolic representation is a crucial subject for and a potent heuristic instrument of diaspora studies this special focus inquires into the forms and functions of symbols of diaspora both in aesthetic practice and in critical discourse analyzing and theorizing symbols from shakespeare to bollywood as well as in critical writings of theorists of diaspora what kinds of symbols and symbolic practices contributors ask are germane to the representation both emic and etic of diasporics and diasporas how are specific symbols and symbolic practices analyzed across the academic fields contributing to diaspora studies which symbols and symbolic practices inform the academic study of diasporas sometimes unconsciously or without being remarked on to study these phenomena is to engage in a dialogue that aims at refining the theoretical and methodological vocabulary and practice of truly transdisciplinary diaspora studies while attending to the imperative of specificity that inheres in this emerging field the volume collects a range of analyses from social anthropology history and ethnography to literary and film studies all combining readings of individual symbolic practices with meta theoretical reflections

Fascism and Ideology

2015-03-24

this book develops a number of new conceptual tools to tackle some of the most hotly debated issues concerning the nature of fascism using three profoundly different national contexts in the inter war years as case studies italy britain and norway it explores how fascist ideology was the result of a sustained struggle between competing internal factions which created a precarious but also highly dynamic balance between revolutionary totalitarian and conservative authoritarian tendencies such a balance meant that these movements were hybrids with a

surprising degree of internal diversity which cannot be explained away as simple opportunism or lack of ideological substance the book's focus on fascist ideology's internal variety and aggregative potential leads it to argue that when fascism succeeded this was less an effect of its revolutionary ideas than of the opposite namely its power to integrate elements from other pre-existing ideologies given the prevailing opinion that fascism is revolutionary by definition the book ultimately poses a challenge to the dominant view in the field of fascist studies

Banishment and Belonging

2019-11-21

a ground breaking exploration of exile and diaspora as they relate to place language religious tradition literature and the imagination

The Vigilante Thriller

2022-03-24

this is a detailed examination of vigilantism in 1970s american film from its humble niche beginnings as a response to relaxing censorship laws to its growth into a unique subgenre of its own cary edwards explores the contextual factors leading to this new cycle of films ranging from joe 1970 and the french connection 1971 to dirty harry 1971 and taxi driver 1976 all of which have been challenged by contemporary critics for their gratuitous copycat inspiring violence yet close analysis of these films reveals a recurring focus on the emerging moral panic of the 1970s a problematisation of law and order's role in contemporary society and an increasing awareness of the impossibility of american myths of identity

Essentials of Game Theory

2022-05-31

game theory is the mathematical study of interaction among independent self interested agents the audience for game theory has grown dramatically in recent years and now spans disciplines as diverse as political science biology psychology economics linguistics sociology and computer science among others what has been missing is a relatively short introduction to the field covering the common basis that anyone with a professional interest in game theory is likely to require such a text would minimize notation ruthlessly focus on essentials and yet not sacrifice rigor this synthesis lecture aims to fill this gap by providing a concise and accessible introduction to the field it covers the main classes of games their representations and the main concepts used to analyze them

A Companion to Greeks Across the Ancient World

2020-05-07

an innovative up to date treatment of ancient greek mobility and migration from 1000 bce to 30 bce a companion to greeks across the ancient world explores the mobility and migration of greeks who left their homelands in the ten centuries between the early iron age and the hellenistic period while most academic literature centers on the greeks of the aegean basin area this unique volume provides a systematic examination of the history of the other half of the ancient greek world contributions from leading scholars and historians discuss where migrants settled their new communities and their connections and interactions with both aegean greeks and non greeks divided into three parts the book first covers ancient and modern approaches and the study of the ancient greeks outside their homelands including various intellectual national and linguistic traditions regional case studies form the core of the text taking a microhistory approach to examine greeks in the near eastern empires greek celtic interactions in central europe greek established states in central asia and many others throughout europe africa and asia the closing section of the text discusses wider themes such as the relations between the greek homeland and the edges of greek civilization reflecting contemporary research and fresh perspectives on ancient greek culture contact this volume discusses the development and intersection of mobility migration and diaspora studies examines the various forms of ancient greek mobility and their outcomes highlights contributions to cultural development in the greek and non greek world examines wider themes and the various forms of ancient greek mobility and their outcomes includes an overview of ancient terminology and concepts modern translations numerous maps and full references a companion to greeks across the ancient world is a valuable resource for students instructors and researchers of classical antiquity as well as non specialists with interest in ancient greek mobilities migrations and diasporas

Faith and Virtue Formation

2021

the christian tradition offers a compelling vision of what it is for human life to be lived well this collection articulates various aspects of that vision in ways that will deepen understanding of virtue formation the contributors demonstrate that moral philosophy not only illuminates but can also inspire the formation of virtue

Modernism: Evolution of an Idea

2015-10-22

what exactly is modernism and how and why has its definition changed over time modernism evolution of an idea is the first book to trace the development of the term modernism from

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cultural debates in the early twentieth century to the dynamic contemporary field of modernist studies rather than assuming and recounting the contributions of modernism's chief literary and artistic figures this book focuses on critical formulations and reception through topics such as the evolution of modernism from a pejorative term in intellectual arguments through its condemnation by pope pius x in 1907 and on to its subsequent centrality to definitions of new art by t s eliot laura riding and robert graves f r leavis edmund wilson and clement greenberg new criticism and its legacies in the formation of the modernist canon in anthologies classrooms and literary histories the shifting conceptions of modernism during the rise of gender and race studies french theory marxist criticism postmodernism and more the new modernist studies and its contemporary engagements with the politics institutions and many cultures of modernism internationally with a glossary of key terms and movements and a capacious critical bibliography this is an essential survey for students and scholars working in modernist studies at all levels

Fascist Interactions

2016-05

although studies of fascism have constituted one of the most fertile areas of historical inquiry in recent decades more and more scholars have called for a new agenda with more research beyond italy and germany less preoccupation with definition and classification and more sustained focus on the relationships among different fascist formations before 1945 starting from a critical assessment of these imperatives this rigorous volume charts a historiographical path that transcends rigid distinctions while still developing meaningful criteria of differentiation even as we take fascism seriously as a political phenomenon such an approach allows us to better understand its distinctive contradictions and historical variations

Globalization and the Making of Religious Modernity in China

2014-03-20

globalization and the making of religious modernity in china co edited by thomas jansen thoralf klein and christian meyer investigates the transformation of china's religious landscape under the impact of global influences since 1800 the interdisciplinary case studies analyze the ways in which processes of globalization are interlinked with localizing tendencies thereby forging transnational relationships between individuals the state and religious as well as non religious groups at the same time that the global concept religion embeds itself in the emerging chinese religious field and within the new academic disciplines of religious studies and theology the contributors unravel the intellectual social political and economic forces that shaped and were themselves shaped by the emergence of what has remained a highly contested category the contributors are hildegard diemberger vincent goossaert esther maria guggenmos thomas jansen thoralf klein dirk kuhlmann lai pan chiu joseph tse hei lee christian meyer lauren pfister

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The Criminal Brain, Second Edition

2016-08-30

a lively up to date overview of the newest research in biosocial criminology what is the relationship between criminality and biology nineteenth century phrenologists insisted that criminality was innate inherent in the offender s brain matter while they were eventually repudiated as pseudo scientists today the pendulum has swung back both criminologists and biologists have begun to speak of a tantalizing but disturbing possibility that criminality may be inherited as a set of genetic deficits that place one at risk to commit theft violence or acts of sexual deviance but what do these new theories really assert are they as dangerous as their forerunners which the nazis and other eugenicists used to sterilize incarcerate and even execute thousands of supposed born criminals how can we prepare for a future in which leaders may propose crime control programs based on biology in this second edition of the criminal brain nicole rafter chad posick and michael rocque describe early biological theories of crime and provide a lively up to date overview of the newest research in biosocial criminology new chapters introduce the theories of the latter part of the 20th century apply and critically assess current biosocial and evolutionary theories the developments in neuro imaging and recent progressions in fields such as epigenetics and finally provide a vision for the future of criminology and crime policy from a biosocial perspective the book is a careful critical examination of each research approach and conclusion both compiling and analyzing the body of scholarship devoted to understanding the criminal brain this volume serves as a condensed accessible and contemporary exploration of biological theories of crime and their everyday relevance

Theory for Beginners

2020-11-03

since its inception in the 1970s the philosophy for children movement p4c has affirmed children s literature as important philosophical work theory meanwhile has invested in children s classics especially lewis carroll s alice books and has also developed a literature for beginners that resembles children s literature in significant ways offering a novel take on this phenomenon theory for beginners explores how philosophy and theory draw on children s literature and have even come to resemble it in their strategies for cultivating the child and or the beginner examining everything from the rise of french theory in the united states to the crucial pedagogies offered in children s picture books from alison bechdel s graphic memoir are you my mother and lemony snicket s a series of unfortunate events to studies of queer childhood kenneth b kidd deftly reveals the way in which children may learn from philosophy and vice versa

Fascism and the Masses

2018-01-17

highlighting the mass nature of interwar european fascism has long become commonplace throughout the years numerous critics have construed fascism as a phenomenon of mass society perhaps the ultimate expression of mass politics this study deconstructs this long standing perception it argues that the entwining of fascism with the masses is a remarkable transubstantiation of a movement which understood and presented itself as a militant rejection of the ideal of mass politics and indeed of mass society and mass culture more broadly conceived thus rather than massifying society fascism was the culmination of a long effort on the part of the élites and the middle classes to de massify it the perennially menacing mass seen as plebeian and insubordinate was to be drilled into submission replaced by supposedly superior collective entities such as the nation the race or the people focusing on italian fascism and german national socialism but consulting fascist movements and individuals elsewhere in interwar europe the book incisively shows how fascism is best understood as ferociously resisting what elias referred to as the civilizing process and what marx termed the social individual fascism notably was a revolt against what nietzsche described as the peaceful middling and egalitarian last humans

Exploring Religion and the Sacred in a Media Age

2016-12-05

in recent years there has been growing awareness across a range of academic disciplines of the value of exploring issues of religion and the sacred in relation to cultures of everyday life exploring religion and the sacred in a media age offers inter disciplinary perspectives drawing from theology religious studies media studies cultural studies film studies sociology and anthropology combining theoretical frameworks for the analysis of religion media and popular culture with focused international case studies of particular texts practices communities and audiences the authors examine topics such as media rituals marketing strategies empirical investigations of audience testimony and the influence of religion on music reality television and the internet both academically rigorous and of interest to a wider readership this book offers a wide range of fascinating explorations at the cutting edge of many contemporary debates in sociology religion and media including chapters on the way evangelical groups in america have made use of the da vinci code and on the influences of religion on british club culture and electronic dance music

Idea of Continental Philosophy

2006-06-12

the idea of continental philosophy has never been properly explained in philosophical terms in

this short and engaging book simon glendinning attempts finally to succeed where others have failed although not by giving an account of its internal unity but by showing instead why no such account can be given providing a clear picture of the current state of the contemporary philosophical culture glendinning traces the origins and development of the idea of a distinctive continental tradition critiquing current attempts to survey the field of contemporary philosophy

Ireland and Empire in the Late Nineteenth Century

2023

this book examines the place of imperialism in the cultural political and economic life of late nineteenth century irish society it highlights the tensions which arose because ireland was at the same time both a colonial subject of britain yet also shared aspects of the imperial culture which was being formed during this period it considers how empire seeped into everyday irish life explores how irishmen and irish women were intimately bound up with british expansionism with imperial achievements and setbacks enthusiastically covered in many national and local newspapers and discusses how irish politicians and students vehemently debated imperial matters in public it addresses key question including what were the similarities and differences with britain s imperial experience was there a general awareness and understanding of the implications of british overseas expansionism how was ireland s ambiguous role in britain s imperial enterprise perceived did the irish perceive themselves as empire makers opponents of british national chauvinism or occupying a more neutral role overall the book provides a nuanced analysis of the impact of the british empire in ireland demonstrating how the empire was central to ireland s late nineteenth century historical experience for nationalists and unionists alike opponents of british national chauvinism or occupying a more neutral role overall the book provides a nuanced analysis of the impact of the british empire in ireland demonstrating how the empire was central to ireland s late nineteenth century historical experience for nationalists and unionists alike opponents of british national chauvinism or occupying a more neutral role overall the book provides a nuanced analysis of the impact of the british empire in ireland demonstrating how the empire was central to ireland s late nineteenth century historical experience for nationalists and unionists alike

In Quest of the Historical Adam

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was adam a real historical person and if so who was he and when did he live william lane craig sets out to answer these questions through a biblical and scientific investigation he begins with

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an inquiry into the genre of genesis 1 11 determining that it can most plausibly be classified as mytho history a narrative with both literary and historical value he then moves into the new testament where he examines references to adam in the words of jesus and the writings of paul ultimately concluding that the entire bible considers adam the historical progenitor of the human race a position that must therefore be accepted as a premise for christians who take seriously the inspired truth of scripture working from that foundation of biblical truth craig embarks upon an interdisciplinary survey of scientific evidence to determine where adam could be most plausibly located in the evolutionary history of humankind ultimately determining that adam lived between 750 000 and 1 000 000 years ago as a member of the archaic human species homo heidelbergensis he concludes by reflecting theologically on his findings and asking what all this might mean for us as human beings created in the image of god literally descended from a common ancestor albeit one who lived in the remote past

England

2002

travelling around england is in many senses a journey back in time on all sides and sometimes even under the road or footpath itself there are fragments of the ancient past side by side with the clutter of the modern world medieval villages castles ancient churches and roman villas are commonplace and take us back to the time of christ far older yet equally abundant are the barrows hillforts stone circles camps standing stones trackways and other relics of prehistoric times that have survived for several thousand years this guide is all about these ancient remains the prehistoric roman and medieval sites which date from the time between the first appearance of people in what we now call england during the last ice age and the end of medieval times around 1600 ad

Lifelong Machine Learning

2016-11-07

lifelong machine learning or lifelong learning is an advanced machine learning paradigm that learns continuously accumulates the knowledge learned in previous tasks and uses it to help future learning in the process the learner becomes more and more knowledgeable and effective at learning this learning ability is one of the hallmarks of human intelligence however the current dominant machine learning paradigm learns in isolation given a training dataset it runs a machine learning algorithm on the dataset to produce a model it makes no attempt to retain the learned knowledge and use it in future learning although this isolated learning paradigm has been very successful it requires a large number of training examples and is only suitable for well defined and narrow tasks in comparison we humans can learn effectively with a few examples because we have accumulated so much knowledge in the past which enables us to learn with little data or effort lifelong learning aims to achieve this capability as statistical machine learning matures it is time to make a major effort to break the isolated learning

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