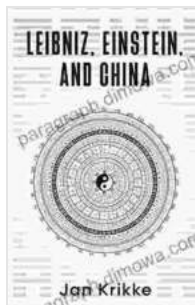


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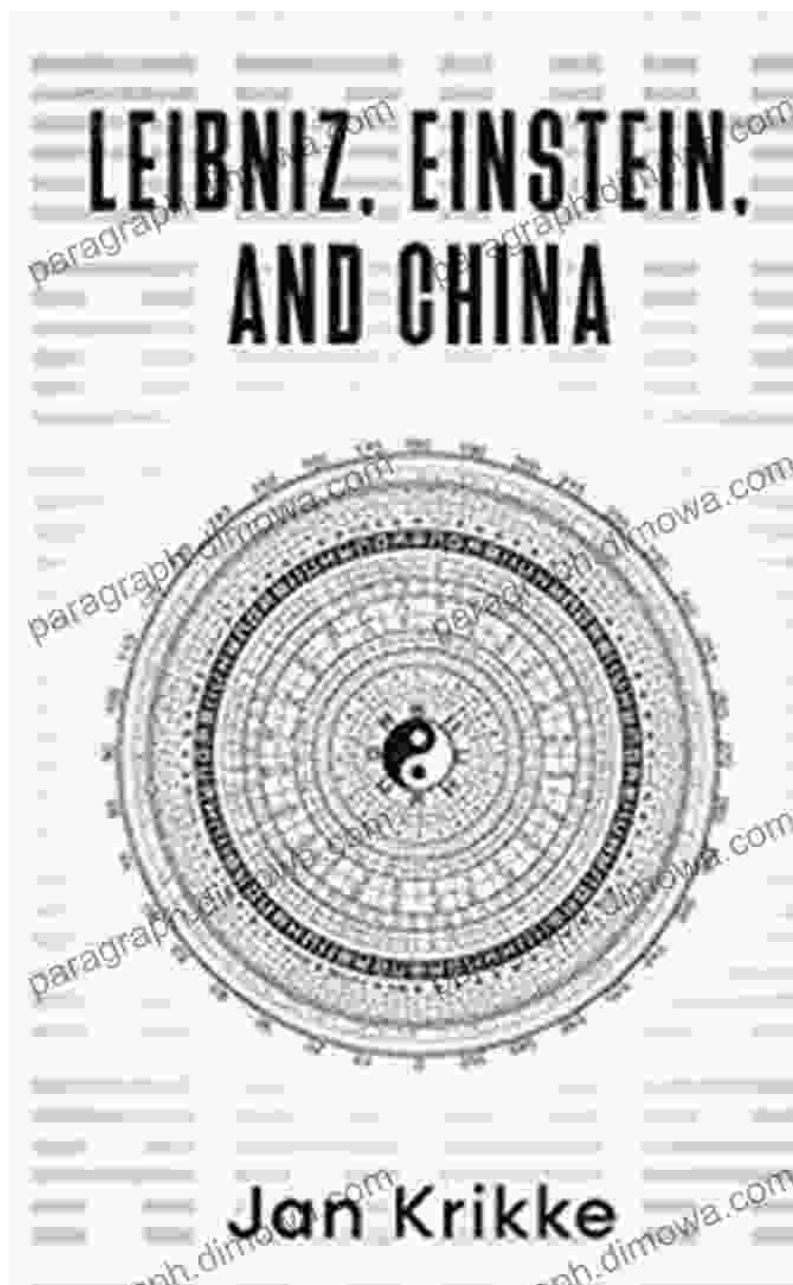
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Leibniz, a German philosopher and mathematician, is best known for his development of calculus and his theory of monads. Einstein, a German-born physicist, is best known for his theory of relativity. Chinese philosophy

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Krikke argues that Leibniz and Einstein were both deeply influenced by Chinese ideas. Leibniz was particularly interested in the Chinese concept of the "Tao," which he saw as a parallel to his own concept of the "monad." Einstein was influenced by Chinese ideas about space and time, which he incorporated into his theory of relativity.

In turn, Leibniz and Einstein's own ideas had a profound impact on the development of Chinese thought. Leibniz's ideas about monads and the Tao helped to shape the development of Chinese philosophy in the 18th and 19th centuries. Einstein's ideas about space and time helped to shape the development of Chinese physics in the 20th century.

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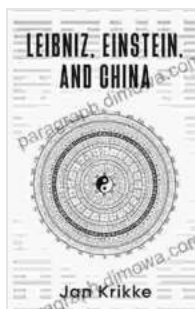
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