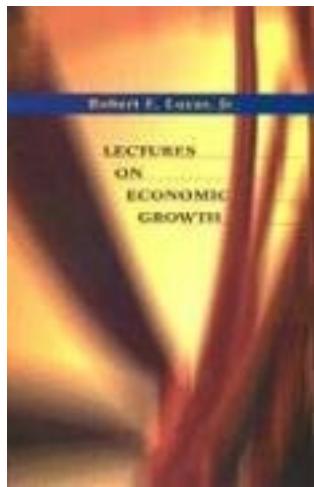


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In this book the Nobel Prize-winning economist Robert Lucas collects his writings on economic growth, from his seminal "On the Mechanics of Economic Development" to his previously unpublished 1997 Kuznets Lectures. The chapters progress from a general theory of how growth could be sustained and why growth rates might differ in different countries, to a model of exceptional growth in certain countries in the twentieth century, to an account of the take-off of growth in the Industrial Revolution, and finally to a prediction about patterns of growth in this new century. The framework in all the chapters is a model with accumulation of both physical and human capital, with emphasis on the external benefits of human capital through diffusion of new knowledge or on-the-job learning, often stimulated by trade. The Kuznets Lectures consider the interaction of human capital growth and the demographic transition in the early stages of industrialization. In the final chapter, Lucas uses a diffusion model to illustrate the possibility that the vast intersociety income inequality created in the course of the Industrial Revolution may have already reached its peak, and that income differences will decline in this century.

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近数百年开始的工业革命还在继续，人口几何增长，人均消费持续增长。本书有江苏某出版社的中译本，如果深入阅读本书，就会对现代宏观经济学有了鸟瞰、抓住了关键、触摸其骨架。本书总结经济增长的基本事实、并给出分析范式paradigm。一般人们认为学数学的转行搞经济学的都是牛人，但是研究历史哲学的转行搞经济学，如果成功则更是超级巨牛、泰山北斗，如本书作者Lucas，不仅仅数学好（可见其著作《经济学中的迭代方法》），更是有深厚人文关怀的感觉——经济学是社会科学。2004年暑假该书作者曾在武汉大学作演讲。经常有人问“Lucas会第二次获得诺贝尔经济学奖么？”

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