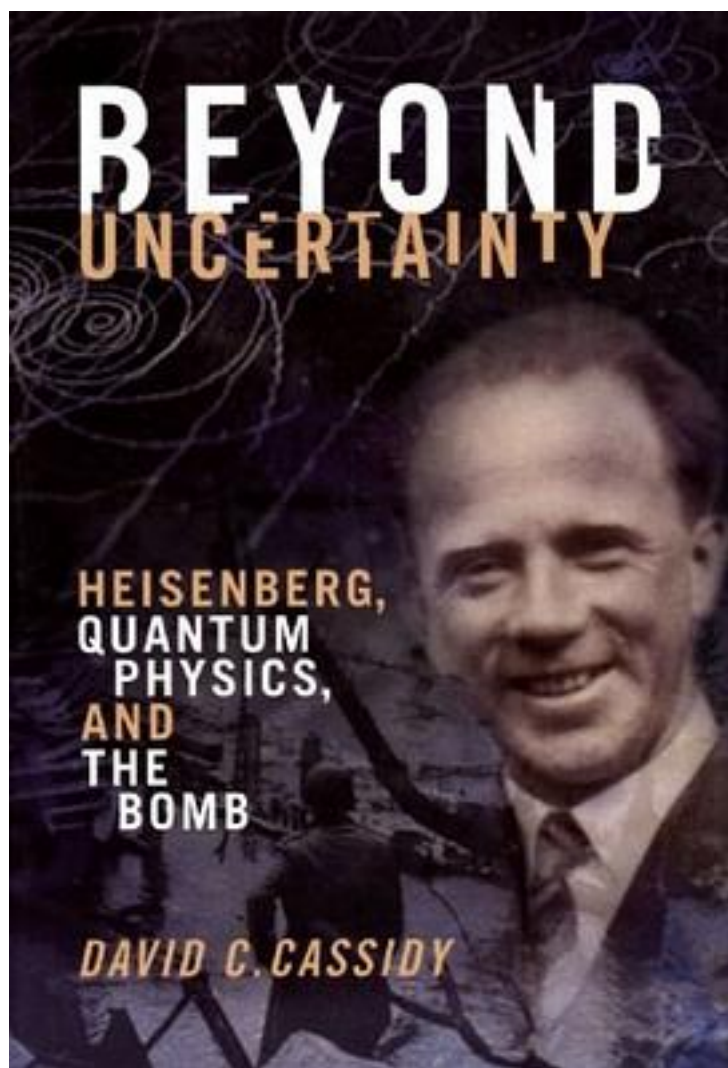


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靠上班摸鱼终于看完了。20世纪上半叶的科学史比小说还要精彩。“知识就是力量”就是在这个时期真正成为了现实。纯粹由好奇心驱动的、高度理论化的对物质结构的探究，在短短30年里，竟然催生出在政治、军事和社会方面都有极大影响的“实用技术”。而这个过程，又和两次世界大战、现代极权主义的产生同步。这段历史的全部戏剧性、英雄主义和人性幽微，可能就集中体现在两个人身上：海森堡和奥本海默。海森堡的这本传记，我觉得可以说是科学家传记的典范，社会环境、智识传统和科学发现都梳理得很清楚，争议话题上落笔审慎。看完之后最粗浅的印象是，海森堡在纳粹时期的作为或许不应苛责，但C.F.魏茨泽克可实在是太不要脸了。

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