Title: 1905: The Philosophical Context

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Abstract: What was happening in Philosophy in 1905? This lecture will seek to answer that question by picking out some of the most influential works of philosophy that were published in or shortly before that year, describing both those works themselves and their intellectual context. The works discussed will include Henri Poincare\'s Science and Hypothesis, Edmund Husserl\'s Logical Investigations, Gottlob Frege\'s Fundamental Laws of Arithmetic and Bertrand Russell\'s \'On Denoting\'. What I hope to bring out is how the seminal works of that period established the tone and content of twentieth century philosophy and drew the battlelines of the great philosophical disputes of the last hundred years: Intuitionism versus Logicism, Phenomenology versus Analytic Philosophy, etc. <kw>Ray Monk, Philosophy, Poincare, science, Bertrand Russell, intuitism, logicism, metaphysics, analytic, phenomenology, mathematics, Gottlob Frege, 20th century, arithmetic </kw>



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