



Start of Citation[PU]State University of New York Press[/PU][DP]2000[/DP]End of Citation

title :
author :
publisher :
isbn10 | asin :
print isbn13 :
ebook isbn13 :
language :
subject
publication date :
lcc :
ddc :
subject :

The Leaven of the Ancients

Start of Citation[PU]State University of New York Press[/PU][DP]2000[/DP]End of Citation

SUNY series in Islam
Seyyed Hossein Nasr, editor

Start of Citation[PU]State University of New York Press[/PU][DP]2000[/DP]End of Citation

The Leaven of the Ancients

Suhraward[i macron]and the Heritage of the Greeks Suhrawardi * and the Heritage of the Greeks

John Walbridge

State University
of New York
Press

Start of Citation[PU]State University of New York Press[/PU][DP]2000[/DP]End of Citation

Published by
State University of New York Press, Albany

© 2000 State University of New York

All rights reserved

Production by Susan Geraghty
Marketing by Dana Yanulavich

Printed in the United States of America

No part of this book may be used or reproduced in any manner whatsoever without written permission. No part of this book may be stored in a retrieval system or transmitted in any form or by any means including electronic, electrostatic, magnetic tape, mechanical, photocopying, recording, or otherwise without the prior permission in writing of the publisher.

For information, address State University of New York
Press, State University Plaza, Albany, N.Y., 12246

Library of Congress Cataloging-in-Publication Data

Walbridge, John.

The leaven of the ancients : Suhrawardi * and the heritage of the
Greeks / John Walbridge.

p. cm. (SUNY series in Islam)

Includes bibliographical references and index.

ISBN 0-7914-4359-0 (alk. paper). ISBN 0-7914-4360-4 (pbk.:
alk. paper)

1. Suhrawardi, Yahyá* ibn Habash*, 1152 or 3-1191. 2. Philosophy,
IslamicGreek influences. I. Title. II. Series.

B753.S84W35 1999

181'.5dc21

98-54756

CIP

10 9 8 7 6 5 4 3 2 1

Start of Citation[PU]State University of New York Press[/PU][DP]2000[/DP]End of Citation

*To Linda,
with love*

Start of Citation[PU]State University of New York Press[/PU][DP]2000[/DP]End of Citation

CONTENTS

Abbreviations	xi
Preface	xiii
Note on Terminology	xv
References and Translations	xvi
Acknowledgments	xvii
Part 1 Suhrawardi * as a Non-Peripatetic	
Chapter 1 The Problem of Suhrawardi and Illuminationism	3
The Commentators	11
Chapter 2 Suhrawardi's Life and Works	13
From Maragha* to Aleppo	13
Suhrawardi's works	15
Chapter 3 A Summary of the Illuminationist Philosophy	19
The Style of Suhrawardi's Philosophizing	19
Logic	19
First Philosophy: Beings of Reason	21
Physics: The Constituents of Body	22
Knowledge by Presence	23

Metaphysics and Rational Theology	24
The Mystical: Imaginal World, Afterlife, Cycles, Reincarnation	26
Chapter 4 Suhrawardi on the History of the Ancient Philosophy	27
The "Ishraqi*" School	27
The Philosophical Genealogy	29
The Greek Line in Suhrawardi's Philosophical Isnad*	31

Start of Citation[PU]State University of New York Press[/PU][DP]2000[/DP]End of Citation

[< previous page](#)

page_vii

[next page >](#)

Part 2
The Divine Philosophers

Chapter 5 Empedocles: The Philosopher as Mystic and Magus	39
The Empedocles of History	40
Shahrazuri's * Account of Empedocles	44
The Empedoclean Tradition in Islam	45
Empedocles in Suhrawardi's* Works	47
Love and Strife	48
Suhrawardi as Mystic and Magus	51
Chapter 6 Pythagoras: The Brotherhood of the Lovers of Wisdom	55
The Pythagoras of History and Legend	55
The Commentaries on the Golden Verses and the Akousmata	60
Other Information on Pythagoreanism: Lore, Numbers, and Symbols	62
The Pythagoreanizing Neoplatonists and the Illuminationists	65
What the Illuminationists Learned from Pythagoras	67
Conclusion	81
Chapter 7 The Divine Plato	83
The Biography of Plato in Arabic	83

Platonic Materials in Arabic	88
Dialogue, Myth, and Allegory	97
Islamic Writers on Platonism	116
Why Did Suhrawardi Become a Platonist?	124
Chapter 8 Aristotle and the Peripatetics	127
The Historical Aristotle in the Islamic Tradition	127
The Problem of Suhrawardi's "Old Aristotle"	129
Suhrawardi's Critique of the Peripatetics	137
Chapter 9 Plato versus Aristotle (i): The Critique of Peripatetic Logic	143
Division and the Rejection of Essentialist Definition	143
The Simplification of the Syllogism	148
Propositional Logic	154

Start of Citation[PU]State University of New York Press[/PU][DP]2000[/DP]End of Citation

[< previous page](#)

page_viii

[next page >](#)

Chapter 10	157
Plato versus Aristotle (ii): Platonic Epistemology	
The Problem of Vision	157
Alexander of Aphrodisius on Vision	162
Knowledge by Presence	164
Epistemology and the Seventh Epistle of Plato	171
Intuition as a Basis of Philosophy	178
Suhrawardi's * Platonism in Review	181
Chapter 11	187
The Stoics: The Heirs of Plato's Esoteric Teachings	
The Problem: Mulla* Sadra's* Identification of Suhrawardi as a Stoic	187
The Transmission of Stoic Ideas	190
Illuminationism as Stoicism	193
Suhrawardi's System and the History of Philosophy: Recapitulation	196
Part 3	
Aftermath	
Chapter 12	201
Politics, Plato's Seventh Epistle, and the Failure of Suhrawardi's Political Ambitions	
Chapter 13	211
The Philosophical Heritage of Suhrawardi	
The Transmission of his Books and Ideas	211
Maragha* to the School of Isfahan	213

Mysticism and the Decline of Science in Islam	215
The Problem of Consciousness and the Recurrence of Metaphysics	220
Appendix I Henry Corbin and Suhrawardi Studies	223
Appendix II Suhrawardi's Dream of Aristotle	225
Notes	231
Bibliography	273
Index	285

Start of Citation[PU]State University of New York Press[/PU][DP]2000[/DP]End of Citation

[< previous page](#)

page_ix

[next page >](#)

< previous page	page_xi	next page >
< previous page	page_xi	next page >

< previous page	page_xvi	next page >
< previous page	page_xvi	next page >

< previous page	page_xvii	next page >
< previous page	page_xvii	next page >

< previous page	page_1	next page >
< previous page	page_1	next page >

< previous page	page_3	next page >
< previous page	page_3	next page >

< previous page	page_4	next page >
< previous page	page_4	next page >

< previous page

page_5

next page >

< previous page

page_5

next page >

< previous page

page_6

next page >

< previous page

page_6

next page >

< previous page

page_7

next page >

< previous page

page_7

next page >

< previous page	page_8	next page >
< previous page	page_8	next page >

< previous page

page_10

next page >

< previous page

page_10

next page >

< previous page	page_11	next page >
< previous page	page_11	next page >

< previous page	page_13	next page >
< previous page	page_13	next page >

< previous page

page_19

next page >

< previous page

page_19

next page >

< previous page	page_21	next page >
< previous page	page_21	next page >

< previous page	page_22	next page >
< previous page	page_22	next page >

< previous page

page_23

next page >

< previous page

page_23

next page >

< previous page	page_24	next page >
< previous page	page_24	next page >

< previous page

page_25

next page >

< previous page

page_25

next page >

< previous page

page_26

next page >

< previous page

page_26

next page >

< previous page

page_34

next page >

< previous page

page_34

next page >

< previous page

page_35

next page >

< previous page

page_35

next page >

< previous page	page_40	next page >
< previous page	page_40	next page >

< previous page	page_41	next page >
< previous page	page_41	next page >

< previous page

page_44

next page >

< previous page

page_44

next page >

< previous page

page_45

next page >

< previous page

page_45

next page >

< previous page

page_46

next page >

< previous page

page_46

next page >

< previous page

page_47

next page >

< previous page

page_47

next page >

< previous page

page_48

next page >

< previous page

page_48

next page >

< previous page

page_49

next page >

< previous page

page_49

next page >

< previous page

page_55

next page >

< previous page

page_55

next page >

< previous page	page_56	next page >
< previous page	page_56	next page >

< previous page	page_58	next page >
< previous page	page_58	next page >

< previous page

page_60

next page >

< previous page

page_60

next page >

< previous page	page_61	next page >
< previous page	page_61	next page >

< previous page

page_62

next page >

< previous page

page_62

next page >

< previous page

page_66

next page >

< previous page

page_66

next page >

< previous page

page_67

next page >

< previous page

page_67

next page >

< previous page	page_68	next page >
< previous page	page_68	next page >

< previous page

page_69

next page >

< previous page

page_69

next page >

< previous page

page_70

next page >

< previous page

page_70

next page >

[< previous page](#)

page_72

[next page >](#)

[< previous page](#)

page_72

[next page >](#)

< previous page

page_74

next page >

< previous page

page_74

next page >

< previous page

page_75

next page >

< previous page

page_75

next page >

[< previous page](#)

page_76

[next page >](#)

[< previous page](#)

page_76

[next page >](#)

< previous page

page_78

next page >

< previous page

page_78

next page >

< previous page

page_79

next page >

< previous page

page_79

next page >

< previous page

page_80

next page >

< previous page

page_80

next page >

< previous page	page_82	next page >
< previous page	page_82	next page >

< previous page

page_83

next page >

< previous page

page_83

next page >

< previous page

page_87

next page >

< previous page

page_87

next page >

< previous page	page_88	next page >
< previous page	page_88	next page >

< previous page

page_89

next page >

< previous page

page_89

next page >

< previous page

page_90

next page >

< previous page

page_90

next page >

< previous page

page_91

next page >

< previous page

page_91

next page >

< previous page

page_92

next page >

< previous page

page_92

next page >

< previous page

page_93

next page >

< previous page

page_93

next page >

< previous page

page_94

next page >

< previous page

page_94

next page >

< previous page

page_96

next page >

< previous page

page_96

next page >

< previous page

page_97

next page >

< previous page

page_97

next page >

< previous page

page_99

next page >

< previous page

page_99

next page >

< previous page	page_100	next page >
< previous page	page_100	next page >

< previous page	page_101	next page >
< previous page	page_101	next page >

< previous page	page_102	next page >
< previous page	page_102	next page >

< previous page	page_104	next page >
< previous page	page_104	next page >

< previous page	page_105	next page >
< previous page	page_105	next page >

< previous page	page_107	next page >
< previous page	page_107	next page >

< previous page	page_110	next page >
< previous page	page_110	next page >

< previous page	page_111	next page >
< previous page	page_111	next page >

< previous page	page_112	next page >
< previous page	page_112	next page >

< previous page	page_113	next page >
< previous page	page_113	next page >

< previous page	page_114	next page >
< previous page	page_114	next page >

< previous page	page_115	next page >
< previous page	page_115	next page >

< previous page	page_116	next page >
< previous page	page_116	next page >

< previous page	page_117	next page >
< previous page	page_117	next page >

< previous page	page_118	next page >
< previous page	page_118	next page >

< previous page	page_120	next page >
< previous page	page_120	next page >

< previous page	page_121	next page >
< previous page	page_121	next page >

< previous page

page_122

next page >

< previous page

page_122

next page >

< previous page	page_123	next page >
< previous page	page_123	next page >

< previous page	page_124	next page >
< previous page	page_124	next page >

< previous page

page_125

next page >

< previous page

page_125

next page >

< previous page	page_127	next page >
< previous page	page_127	next page >

< previous page	page_128	next page >
< previous page	page_128	next page >

< previous page	page_129	next page >
< previous page	page_129	next page >

< previous page	page_130	next page >
< previous page	page_130	next page >

< previous page	page_131	next page >
< previous page	page_131	next page >

< previous page	page_132	next page >
< previous page	page_132	next page >

< previous page	page_133	next page >
< previous page	page_133	next page >

< previous page	page_134	next page >
< previous page	page_134	next page >

< previous page	page_135	next page >
< previous page	page_135	next page >

< previous page	page_136	next page >
< previous page	page_136	next page >

< previous page	page_137	next page >
< previous page	page_137	next page >

< previous page	page_138	next page >
< previous page	page_138	next page >

< previous page	page_140	next page >
< previous page	page_140	next page >

< previous page	page_141	next page >
< previous page	page_141	next page >

< previous page	page_143	next page >
< previous page	page_143	next page >

< previous page	page_144	next page >
< previous page	page_144	next page >

< previous page	page_145	next page >
< previous page	page_145	next page >

< previous page	page_147	next page >
< previous page	page_147	next page >

< previous page

page_148

next page >

< previous page

page_148

next page >

< previous page	page_149	next page >
< previous page	page_149	next page >

< previous page	page_151	next page >
< previous page	page_151	next page >

< previous page	page_152	next page >
< previous page	page_152	next page >

< previous page	page_153	next page >
< previous page	page_153	next page >

< previous page	page_154	next page >
< previous page	page_154	next page >

< previous page	page_155	next page >
< previous page	page_155	next page >

< previous page	page_156	next page >
< previous page	page_156	next page >

< previous page	page_158	next page >
< previous page	page_158	next page >

< previous page	page_159	next page >
< previous page	page_159	next page >

< previous page	page_160	next page >
< previous page	page_160	next page >

< previous page	page_161	next page >
< previous page	page_161	next page >

< previous page

page_162

next page >

< previous page

page_162

next page >

< previous page	page_163	next page >
< previous page	page_163	next page >

< previous page	page_164	next page >
< previous page	page_164	next page >

< previous page

page_166

next page >

< previous page

page_166

next page >

< previous page

page_167

next page >

< previous page

page_167

next page >

< previous page	page_168	next page >
< previous page	page_168	next page >

< previous page

page_169

next page >

< previous page

page_169

next page >

< previous page	page_170	next page >
< previous page	page_170	next page >

< previous page	page_171	next page >
< previous page	page_171	next page >

< previous page	page_178	next page >
< previous page	page_178	next page >

< previous page	page_179	next page >
< previous page	page_179	next page >

< previous page	page_181	next page >
< previous page	page_181	next page >

< previous page	page_183	next page >
< previous page	page_183	next page >

< previous page	page_188	next page >
< previous page	page_188	next page >

< previous page	page_189	next page >
< previous page	page_189	next page >

< previous page	page_190	next page >
< previous page	page_190	next page >

< previous page	page_191	next page >
< previous page	page_191	next page >

< previous page	page_194	next page >
< previous page	page_194	next page >

< previous page	page_195	next page >
< previous page	page_195	next page >

< previous page	page_196	next page >
< previous page	page_196	next page >

< previous page	page_197	next page >
< previous page	page_197	next page >

< previous page	page_199	next page >
< previous page	page_199	next page >

< previous page	page_201	next page >
< previous page	page_201	next page >

< previous page	page_202	next page >
< previous page	page_202	next page >

< previous page	page_203	next page >
< previous page	page_203	next page >

< previous page	page_206	next page >
< previous page	page_206	next page >

[< previous page](#)

page_207

[next page >](#)

[< previous page](#)

page_207

[next page >](#)

< previous page	page_210	next page >
< previous page	page_210	next page >

< previous page	page_211	next page >
< previous page	page_211	next page >

< previous page	page_212	next page >
< previous page	page_212	next page >

< previous page	page_213	next page >
< previous page	page_213	next page >

< previous page	page_214	next page >
< previous page	page_214	next page >

< previous page	page_215	next page >
< previous page	page_215	next page >

< previous page	page_216	next page >
< previous page	page_216	next page >

< previous page

page_217

next page >

< previous page

page_217

next page >

< previous page

page_219

next page >

< previous page

page_219

next page >

< previous page	page_220	next page >
< previous page	page_220	next page >

< previous page	page_221	next page >
< previous page	page_221	next page >

< previous page	page_222	next page >
< previous page	page_222	next page >

< previous page	page_223	next page >
< previous page	page_223	next page >

< previous page	page_224	next page >
< previous page	page_224	next page >

< previous page	page_226	next page >
< previous page	page_226	next page >

< previous page	page_229	next page >
< previous page	page_229	next page >

< previous page	page_231	next page >
< previous page	page_231	next page >

< previous page	page_232	next page >
< previous page	page_232	next page >

< previous page	page_233	next page >
< previous page	page_233	next page >

< previous page

page_234

next page >

< previous page

page_234

next page >

< previous page	page_236	next page >
< previous page	page_236	next page >

< previous page

page_239

next page >

< previous page

page_239

next page >

< previous page	page_240	next page >
< previous page	page_240	next page >

< previous page	page_241	next page >
< previous page	page_241	next page >

< previous page	page_242	next page >
< previous page	page_242	next page >

< previous page	page_246	next page >
< previous page	page_246	next page >

[< previous page](#)

page_247

[next page >](#)

[< previous page](#)

page_247

[next page >](#)

< previous page	page_248	next page >
< previous page	page_248	next page >

< previous page	page_249	next page >
< previous page	page_249	next page >

< previous page	page_250	next page >
< previous page	page_250	next page >

< previous page	page_251	next page >
< previous page	page_251	next page >

< previous page

page_252

next page >

< previous page

page_252

next page >

< previous page	page_256	next page >
< previous page	page_256	next page >

< previous page

page_257

next page >

< previous page

page_257

next page >

< previous page

page_259

next page >

< previous page

page_259

next page >

< previous page	page_260	next page >
< previous page	page_260	next page >

< previous page	page_262	next page >
< previous page	page_262	next page >

[< previous page](#)

page_263

[next page >](#)

[< previous page](#)

page_263

[next page >](#)

< previous page	page_264	next page >
< previous page	page_264	next page >

< previous page	page_265	next page >
< previous page	page_265	next page >

[< previous page](#)

page_266

[next page >](#)

[< previous page](#)

page_266

[next page >](#)

< previous page

page_267

next page >

< previous page

page_267

next page >

[< previous page](#)

page_268

[next page >](#)

[< previous page](#)

page_268

[next page >](#)

[< previous page](#)

page_269

[next page >](#)

[< previous page](#)

page_269

[next page >](#)

< previous page

page_273

next page >

< previous page

page_273

next page >

[< previous page](#)

page_275

[next page >](#)

[< previous page](#)

page_275

[next page >](#)

[< previous page](#)

page_276

[next page >](#)

[< previous page](#)

page_276

[next page >](#)

< previous page

page_278

next page >

< previous page

page_278

next page >

[< previous page](#)

page_279

[next page >](#)

[< previous page](#)

page_279

[next page >](#)

< previous page	page_280	next page >
< previous page	page_280	next page >

< previous page	page_281	next page >
< previous page	page_281	next page >

< previous page	page_282	next page >
< previous page	page_282	next page >

< previous page	page_283	next page >
< previous page	page_283	next page >

INDEX

A

Abelard, as author of dialogues, 98

Abenama. *See* Ibn Na'ima *

Abraham ben Chasdai, Rabbi, 130

abstraction, 165;

 brethren of, 228

Abu'l-Futuh Rasul* Allah, title of Suhrawardi*, 203

Abu Rayyan*, Muhammad-'Ali*, 205

Abu Sa'id Abi'l-Khayr*, 100, 176

Abu Yazid*. *See* Bastami*

Academy, 32, 84, 128

accidents, 20, 22, 88, 113, 145;

 dark and luminous, 24

Acragas (Agrigento), 41

act, and will, 96

adab, 100

Adam, 104, 108

Aeolus, 42

Aeschines, 96, 249

aether, 46

Aetius. *See* Plutarch, pseudo-

afterlife, 26, 34, 80, 165

Agathadaemon, 28, 30, 37

*ahl al-mizall**, 193

Ahmad ibn al-Mu'tasim bi'llah*, 133

Aidoneus, 46

air, 46, 63, 70, 80

'aja'ib*, 201

akhirun*, 135

'alam*, 93

'alam al-ashbah al-mujarrada*, 80

'alam al-mithal*. *See* image, world of

alchemy, 14, 40, 47, 62, 87-88, 122, 268

Alcibiades, 208

Alcinous, definition of philosophy, 120

Aleppo, 14, 52-53, 55, 201-202, 205, 208, 209, 211

Alexander of Aphrodisius, 69, 133, 162-164, 191, 243

Alexander the Great, 34, 128

Alexander Romance, 128, 256

Alexandria, 44, 104

Alexandrian curriculum, 140

alhan*, 71

'Ali b. Abi Talib*, 31, 45

al-aliha*, 61

allegorical interpretation, 100

allegories, of Suhrawardi, 17, 62, 95, 105-112, 114, 116, 253;
 and *Book of the Apple*, 132;
 commentaries on, 212;
 Sufi, 251

allegory, 4, 102, 136;
 Islamic philosophical genre, 103-105, 112;
 and Platonic myth, 100

Allah*, 62

alphabet, magical, 107

Alwdh-i 'Imadiya*. *See* 'Imadi* Tablets

Amidi, Shaykh Sayf al-Din al-*, 205

Amin Razavi, Mehdi, 225

'Amiri, Abu'l-Hasan*, 33, 44, 59, 66, 67, 194

Ammonius, pseudo-, 96, 121;

on Empedocles, 47, 49;

on Pythagoreans, 63, 68, 69, 73;

on Stoics, 191, 194

analogy, 132

Anatolia, 13

anatomy, Pythagorean, 62

Anaxagoras, 81, 82, 96

Anaximander, 32, 57, 81

Anaximenes, 81

Ancients, xiii, 3, 5, 17, 55, 64, 87, 135, 194, 212;

"old Aristotle, " 122, 123, 129;

called 'divine sages', 204;

Start of Citation[PU]State University of New York Press[/PU][DP]2000[/DP]End of Citation

[< previous page](#)

page_285

[next page >](#)

(continued)

Ancients

formal logic, 156;

Greek and Arabic terms, 34-35, 83, 244;

in philosophical mythology, 181;

intuitive philosophy, 27-28, 48, 189;

music of the spheres, 71;

three worlds, 68, 80;

political aspects, 206;

Sufis, 225;

Suhrawardi *, 29, 125, 139, 175;

Theology of Aristotle, 137;

use of symbolic language, 56, 63, 112;

vision, 160

angels, 24, 26, 62, 71, 108, 150;

as Platonic Forms, 169, 183

*anniyat** 79

anthropomorphism, 203

ants, allegory of, 108

*al-anwar al-qahira**, 251

Apollo, 57, 76, 80

Apollonius of Tyana, pseudo-, 86, 193-194

apprehension, 20, 166, 167, 178, 225

*aqdamun**, 5

Aqliqulas* the Divine, 104.

Arabia, wisdom of, 102

Arabian philosophy, xv

Arabic, 99

'*arad**, 113

Archangels, 132

Archedemus, 249

Archelaus of Athens, 81

Archimedes, 34

Archytas, 55, 249,

on categories, 57, 62, 66

*arif**[assistant market supervisor], 52

Ariston, father of Plato, 83

Aristotelianism, 184, 216

Aristotle, 5, 6, 19, 27, 29, 30, 31, 34, 40, 44, 53, 256;

Arabic sources, 128;

commentators, 66, 95, 117, 158, 163, 183, 192;

on Empedocles, 49;

on eternity of world, 121;

Farabi* on, 116;

as Italian, 81-82;

first of the 'Moderns', 83;

and Peripatetics, 191;

philosophical genres, 93, 97;

as pillar of philosophy, 195;

and Plato, 66, 84, 93, 94, 117-122, 182-183;

failure to understand Presocratics, 40-41, 43;

on Pythagoreans, 57, 62-63, 73-74;

on senses of sphere, 243;

soul, 96;

speculation, 29, 181;

and Stoics, 191;

on symbolic expression, 50-51, 120;

taught while walking, 193;

vision, 157-160;

will, 96;

possessor of wisdom, 34

works:

Arabic translations, 99, 256-257;

Categories, 46, 57, 132, 163, 188;

Corpus Aristotelicum, 117, 129;

De Anima, 165, 169;

De Caelo, 68, 70, 163;

De Interpretatione, 132;

dialogues, 98;

Ethics, 132, 256;

Metaphysics, 41, 45, 46, 73, 74, 96, 118, 122, 137, 163, 256;

Meteorology, 163;

On Generation and Corruption, 163;

Organon, 19, 156, 256;

physical works, 256;

Physics, 46, 132, 163;

Politics, 127, 132, 178;

Posterior Analytics, 132;

Prior Analytics, 132, 163;

Sophistical Refutations, 143-144, 163;

Topics, 163

Aristotle, pseudo-:

"the old Aristotle," 128, 129, 183;

alchemy, 87;

discovers story of Salaman* and Absal*, 104;

Suhrawardi's dream of, 129, 165-167, 170-171, 205, 221;

translation, 225-229

works:

Book of the Apple, 128-133, 183, 257;

Letter to the Mother of Alexander, 118, 122;

Mystery of Mysteries (Sirr al-Asrar)*, 128, 256;

Theology of Aristotle, 32, 45, 97, 118, 121-122, 128, 129, 130, 133-137, 171, 183, 256

Aristoxenus, 243

arithmetic, 75-77

Start of Citation[PU]State University of New York Press[/PU][DP]2000[/DP]End of Citation

[< previous page](#)

page_286

[next page >](#)

arrogance, charge against Suhrawardi *, 202, 205

*asalat al-mahiya**, 19

*asatin**, 194, 195

asceticism, 14, 44, 52, 53, 68, 120

Asclepius, 1, 30, 83, 245

*ashab al-mazalla**, 195

*ashab al-riwaq**, 193

*ashab al-ustuwan**, 195

*Asrar al-Qirana**, cites Plato, 87

Assassins, 208. *See also* Isma'ilis*

assent, 94, 144, 165, 177

astrology, 40, 50, 59, 106

astronomers, as Islamic philosophers, 78, 220

astronomy, 46, 62, 75, 78, 106, 110, 144

atheism, 112;

 charge against Suhrawardi, 202

Athena, 76

Athenian stranger, 89

Athens, 34, 61, 91, 93, 190, 207, 208

Atlantis, 91, 93, 100, 115, 209

atomism, 124, 184, 189

atoms, 145

attributes, accidental and essential, 20, 152;

 God's, 44, 203;

 of self, 226

Augustine, 98

authority, of intuitive philosopher, 204

Averroes, 5, 6, 8, 130;

Commentary on the Republic, 88, 178;

Great Commentary on the Metaphysics, 10;

Ibn 'Arabi*, 99, 100;

intuition, 181;

Pythagoras, 74

Avicenna, 4, 5, 6, 8, 13, 19, 25, 29, 31, 33, 129;

Abu Sa'id Abi'l-Khayr*, 100, 176;

Alexander of Aphrodisius, 163;

works supplanted Aristotle, 32, 127;

beings of reason, 21, 170;

eastern wisdom, 179;

Illuminationist interpretation, 214;

intellection, 165, 166, 169;

mysticism, 179;

as Islamic Neoplatonist, 215;

criticism of optics, 160;

as Peripatetic, 124, 137, 138, 194;

propositional logic, 154;

providence, 189;

Suhrawardi, 25, 183;

Themistius, 163

works:

allegories, 103-105, 108;

Epistle of the Birds, 103;

Hints and Admonitions (Kitab al-lsharat wa'l-Tanbihat*)*, 103, 138, 143;

*Hayy b. Yaqzan**, 103, 105;

*Kitab al-Insaf**, 138, 163;

Logic of the Easterners, 138;

Salaman and Absal**, 103;

The Treatise of the Birds, 107

Avicennans, 6

*awwalun**, 5, 135

B

Babylon, Pythagoras in, 58, 59, 66, 68

Baghdad, 33, 138;

philosophical school of, 163

Baghdadi, 'Abd al-Latif*, 14, 212

*bahth**, 119, 176, 264

Baha'i*, Shaykh, 190

bakht, 46

Balarak*, sword, 107

Balkhi, Abu* Zayd al-, 33

Barbara, 20, 143, 149;

modalized, 148, 151

barbarian sages, 32, 86

Barnes, Jonathan, 72, 80

barriers, dark and luminous, 167

Bastami, Abu Yazid* al-, 1, 30-31, 54, 228

Batiniya*, 34, 44, 45. *See also* Isma'ilis

bean taboo, Pythagorean, 58, 64

beard, Plato's, 83

beauty, 50;

allegory of, 108;

Plato on, 88

being and becoming, 92, 93, 173, 176, 180, 209

being, principles of, 63;

as being, 119

beings of reason, 21-22, 63, 111, 140, 170-171;

as Stoic doctrine 188;

numbers as 79

Bible, 132

Start of Citation[PU]State University of New York Press[/PU][DP]2000[/DP]End of Citation

biology, 46, 62, 92

birds, 107-109

Biruni *, 33

black, 145, 146, 161

blind, man born, Ibn Tufayl's* allegory of, 180

bodies, 22, 24, 48, 68, 77, 80, 93, 167, 183, 190, 226

Boethius, on esotericism, 113

Bolus of Mendes, 122

Book, he who arises with, 115, 178, 211

brain, 62, 167, 169, 220;

 and sound, 70

Branchidae, 80

brethren, of Suhrawardi*, 211

Brethren of Purity, cite *Book of the Apple*, 130, 257;

 Pythagoreanism, 71-72, 77-78, 208

brightness, different from white, 161

Bruno, G., 13, 54, 184

Buddha and Buddhism, 30, 80

Bunyan, John, 101-102, 132

bureaucratic class, 103

Burzburgmehr, 30, 206

C

Calanus, 193, 194

Calcidius, *Commentary on Plato's Timaeus*, 91

caliphate, 206

Cambyses, 58

categories, 19, 69;

 Archytas, 57;

 Kant, 170

cause, 24, 174;
 errant, 92;
 first, 25;
 four, 41, 46, 73-74

cauterization, 86

Cave, Myth of the, 100, 171, 178

Cebes of Thebes, 193-194;
 Tabula, 100-103, 105, 132,

Chaldea. *See* Babylon

Chaldaean Oracles, 66, 182

Champollion, J. F., 192

chance, 46

China, 30-31, 181

Christianity, 208

Christians, 31, 78

Chrysippus, 190, 192

Cicero, 98, 250

circle, *Seventh Epistle*, 173

city, in Plato's *Republic*, 94

classes, 171

clime, eighth, 80

cognitive faculty, 226

color, 159, 161, 180-181;
 of planets, 70

columns, 195

combination, 121;
 in essential definition, 146

commandments, Pythagorean, 59

commentary, as philosophical genre, 97

concealment, lack of, 228

conception, 20, 144, 165, 177;

in religion, 94;

and beings of reason, 170

Condemnations of 1277, 118, 215

conditionals, 155

conditions, 69

cone, visual, 158, 161

conjunction, in definition, 147

consciousness, 220-222;

and vision, 160

Constanbulus. *See* Qusta b. Luqa*

contact, 167, 228;

Sufi knowledge by, 229

contingency, 22, 63;

in Aristotle's logic, 149;

Avicenna's theory of, 153, 216;

as being of reason, 79, 150, 170;

principle of the most noble, 24, 155, 162

contingent, 151-152, 165, 189

contradiction, Islamic tolerance of, 217-218

contradictory, 121

control, soul's relation of, 227

conversion, 151

copula, 151

Corbin, Henry, 7, 29;

on Suhrawardi, 223-224, 231;

on Avicenna, 138;

on *Salaman** and *Absal**, 103-104

corpses, 59

correspondences, pseudo-Plato's work on, 88

Start of Citation[PU]State University of New York Press[/PU][DP]2000[/DP]End of Citation

cosmology, 59, 78;

in Plato's *Timaeus*, 91;

in Suhrawardi's * allegories, 109-110

Costa ben Luca. *See* Qusta b. Luqa*

cow that grazes at night, 108

Cratylus, influence on Plato, 83

creation and creator, 44, 77, 91, 96, 118, 130, 189

Creophylus, 57

Crimson Intellect, 107, 109, 110

Crito, 131

Cronus, 101, 102

Croton, 58, 207

Crusaders, 201, 208

cycles, 26, 208

Cylon of Croton, 58

Cynics, 32, 39, 101, 190

Cyrenaics, 190

D

Dahriya*, 112, 203

daimons, 39, 61-62, 209

Damad, Mir*, 7, 214

Damascus, 202, 204, 211, 235

Dari, Muhammad b. Mahmud al-*, 111

dark substance, 24

darkness, 24, 48;

different than black, 161;

Gabriel's left wing, 107;

of unenlightened age, 205

Dasatiris*, 213

David, King, 33, 34, 44-45, 59-60;

chainmail, 107

Davison, Daniel, xvii

A Day with a Group of Sufis, 106, 109, 111

Daylami, Qutb al-Din al-*, 190

De Causis, 134

death, lesser, 48

decree, 107

deductive reasoning, Aristotle, 144

definition, 20, 111, 155, 183, 197;

Plato and Aristotle, 144-148, 173, 177;

essential, 121, 138, 145, 149;

lexical, 147-148

deification, 171, 204, 264

Delos, 57;

altar, 34

demiurge, 92, 123

Democritus, 32, 34, 81, 87, 122, 184, 189

demons. *See* daimons

demonstration, 19, 29, 94, 132, 135, 264;

assertoric and causal, 71, 243;

Aristotle, 146;

Farabi*, 119

dependent, 24

dervish, Suhrawardi dresses as, 52

Descartes, Rene, on consciousness, 220

description, 177

dew, 108

dhawq, xvi, 4, 23, 44, 176, 189

*dhawqi**, 28

Dhu'l-Nun al-Misri*, 1, 30, 31, 44

Dhu'l-Qarnayn, 128

*dhat**, 270-271

dialectic, 19, 66, 98, 113, 143-144, 155, 174, 178, 264;

Farabi*, 119

dialogue, as philosophical genre, 97-100

didactic literature, 101

difference, Empedocles, 50

differentia, 20, 22, 145

Dihkhuda*, A. A., 187

Diogenes 'the Cynic', 34, 132

Diogenes Laertius, 31-33, 35, 56-57, 81, 83, 98, 172

Dion, 172, 175, 206, 207, 208

Dionysius I, 206

Dionysius II, the Younger, 84, 172, 206, 209, 210, 249

directions, six, 108

disciples, of Suhrawardi, 211

discursive philosophy, 119

disjunction, 154

distinctions, mental and real, 170, 183

divination, 40

Divine, title of Plato, 83

divine discourse, 256

divine men, 62, 209

divine philosophers, 82, 138, 225

divine philosophy, 35;

in *Theology of Aristotle*, 134, 137

divinity, 42, 44

Start of Citation[PU]State University of New York Press[/PU][DP]2000[/DP]End of Citation

divinization, 61, 119, 204

division, and definition, 46, 121, 146-148, 177

Diyarbakr *, 13

dogmatists, school of Greek medicine, 32, 86

dominance, in lights, 49-51

drama, and dialogue, 97

dreams, 26

dress, Suhrawardi*, 52-53

Druids, 67

dualism, 78, 123, 220

duality, 49

dusky, 167

dyad, 74;

 and strife, 47

E

earth, 46, 63

eastern philosophers, 138-139, 163

ecstasy, 110

ecthesis, 151

education, Platonic, 88, 90, 208;

 Pythagorean, 64-65;

 use of symbolic language, 112

effect, 70

ego, 167, 168

Egypt, xiv, 30-31, 33, 104, 181;

 Empedocleanism in, 44, 47;

 Fatimid, 207;

 Neoplatonists, 67;

 Plato, 83, 86, 209;

priests, 91;

Pythagoras in, 34, 57, 66, 68;

religious rites, 61;

Salaman and Absal**, 104;

use of symbols, 64

Eleatic stranger, 89

elements, 68;

Brethren of Purity, 78;

Empedocles, 46-47, 49;

Plato, 97

elitism, Platonic philosophical, 175-176

emanation, 137

Empedocles, 5, 27, 28, 30-34, 37, 39, 43-54, 61, 191;

On Nature, 42;

Purifications, 41, 42;

as divine philosopher, 81, 181, 194-195;

on God in pseudo-Ammonius, 96;

intuition, 138;

Isma'ilis as followers of, 208;

Luqman*, 60;

poetry and symbols, 56, 97, 112-113;

reincarnation, 80;

science and religion, 92, 237;

supernatural powers, 39, 88;

in *Theology of Aristotle*, 135-136, 137;

vision, 158;

world of image, 80

Empedocles, pseudo-, 32, 44, 46-47;

Book of Five Substances, 46

empiricism, 169

empiricists, school of Greek medicine, 86

encyclopedias, Islamic, 103

enlightened age, 205

entia rationis, 22

epic, Persian, 103

Epicureans, 190

Epicurus, 32, 184;
 as Italian, 81-82;
 and Abu Bakr al-Razi*, 122

epigrams, 97

epistemology, 5, 220;
 Illuminationist, 23, 183;
 Peripatetic, 125, 183;
 Platonic, 170-171

Epistle on the Creed of the Sages, 112

eschatology, 80

esotericism, 100, 112-113, 114

essay, as philosophical genre, 97

essence, 20, 169, 270;
 and existence, 22;
 and knowledge by presence, 150;
 and necessity, 151;
 and science, 145;
 self-knowledge, 225-226

Eternals, Five, 122-123

eternity of world, 121, 203, 216-217

ethics, 58-59, 75-76, 118, 188

Euclid, *Elements*, 76;
 on vision, 160

Euphorbus, 80

exercise, mystical, 225

existence, 19, 22, 63, 111, 113;

and essence, 22;

as being of reason, 79, 170;

and light, 24;

primacy of, 6, 188, 214

extramission theory of vision, 162-164

eye, and vision, 157-160

Start of Citation[PU]State University of New York Press[/PU][DP]2000[/DP]End of Citation

[< previous page](#)

page_290

[next page >](#)

F

fa'al *, 79

faculties, 179, 226;

 mental, 166

Fakhr al-Din al-Mardini*, 13, 201, 234

falcon, 107

fallacies, 20

falsafa, xv

*al-falsafa al-ula**, 21

al-Farabi*, 6, 33, 113, 169, 194, 215;

 on definition, 146-147;

 vision, 158-159, 164;

 Plato, 116-122, 172

 works:

Attainment of Happiness, 94, 116;

Commentary on Aristotle's Metaphysics, 124;

Philosophy of Aristotle, 94, 116, 118;

Philosophy of Plato, 94-95, 97, 116-118;

Reconciliation of the Opinions of Plato and Aristotle, 213;

Summary of the Laws, 88-89.

Farmadi, Abu 'Ali*, 106

Farshawastar*. *See* Frashostar

fasting, 59

fate, 107

Father of Philosophers, title of Hermes, 60

Fatimids, 207-208. *See also* Isma'ilis*

*faylasuf**, xv

female numbers, 63

Feridun, 1

fictions, intellectual, 22. *See also* beings of reason

figures of syllogism, 151;

 first, 260;

 fourth, 151

al-Fihrist. *See* al-Nadim*

finitude, Pythagoreans on, 74

fire, 46;

 and vision, 158;

 number, 63

first, unlimited, 73

first philosophy, 21-22, 132

Fitzgerald, Edward, 251

form, imaginal, 227;

 intellectual, 76, 165;

 material, 22-23, 165, 168, 171;

 and self-knowledge, 167;

 of will, 96

formalism, Neoplatonic logic, 171

Forms, Platonic. *See* Platonic Forms

Forty Idrisian Names*, commentaries on, 212

Fountain of Life, 107

four, 63, 77, 79

Frashostar, 30, 206

friendship, 47, 59

G

Gabriel's wing, 106

Galen, 34, 40, 46, 87, 154;

Epitome of the Timaeus, 84, 86, 88, 90-91, 93-94, 123, 248;

 on Stoics, 188, 191

Gayomarth, Kayomarth, 1, 30

Geber, 87. *See also* Jabir b. Hayyan*

gems, Suhrawardi* produces, 52-53

gender in philosophical allegories, 251-252

generation and corruption, 25

Genesis, 91

genus, 22, 121;

 in essential definition, 20, 145

geometricals, 73

geometry, 75;

 Plato on, 87, 88, 207;

 Pythagoras, 34, 59

ghalaba, 46, 50

Ghazali*, 4, 208;

Incoherence of the Philosophers, 140, 203;

 mysticism and philosophy, 78, 179;

 on immortality and resurrection, 165;

 on logic, 146, 155-156

ghosts, 26, 168

*ghayat**, 46

Giver of Knowledge, 175

glory, 50

gnosticism, 44, 113, 213

God, 19, 24, 61, 73, 77, 91, 96, 97, 123, 167, 215;

 knowledge of contingents, 165, 189, 228;

 proof of, 152, 170, 222

gods, 61, 76, 209

government, 81, 205

grammar, and logic, 99, 146, 156

Great-Year, 26

Greece, 34, 55, 59;

 wisdom of in Miskawayh, 102

Greek, 35, 99;

names, in Arabic, 11, 32, 188, 193

Greek philosophy, history, 31-32;

Suhrawardi's * knowledge of, 35;

translations to Arabic, 8

Green Sea, 108

Guthrie, Kenneth Sylvan, 56

H

*hadd**, 20, 138, 145

*haads**, 174

Ha'iri, Mehdi, 225

hadith, 30;

as dialogues, 89, 99, 100

*hakim**, xv

*hakim ilaha**, 204

Halawiya*, Madrasat al-, 52, 201

*Hallaj**, 30, 31, 54

Hanafis*, 201

happiness, 53, 104, 116

harmony, 68-69, 73

Harran, Sabian assembly hall, 171

al-Hasan al-Bapri*, 31, 45

*al-hayat al-ilahiya**, 61

*hayula**, 97

*Hayakil al-Nur**. *See Temples of Light*

hearing, 70, 159-160, 162;

of the spheres, 70-71

heart, 62, 167

Hebrew, 130

Hegel, G. W. F., 29

Hera, 46

Heracleitus, 32, 55, 81-82;

and Plato, 83, 89-90, 136

heresy, charge against Suhrawardi, 202

Hermanus, son of Herachus, 104

Hermes Trismegistus, xiv, 1, 5, 28, 29, 30, 33, 35, 37, 44, 61-62, 181, 192, 194-195;

and intuitive philosophy, 48;

and Plato, 87;

and Pythagoras, 60, 70, 80;

in *Book of the Apple*, 130, 132, 133

Hermetica, 32, 99, 104

Hermetism, 40, 215

Hermias, *Commentary on the Phaedrus*, 209

Hermodamas. 57

heroes, 61-62

Hiero, tyrant of Sicily, 206

Hierocles, *Commentary on the Golden Verses*, 61, 209

hieroglyphics, 192

*hikma**, xv

*al-hikma al-muta 'aliya**, 6

*al-hikma al-nazari**, 264

*hikmat al-ishraq**, 6

Hilli, 'Allama* al-, *Commentary on the Intimations*, 212

Hindus, concern with nine, 78

Hippasus of Metapontum, 81-82

Hippocrates, 34, 86

Hippolytus, *Refutatio Omnium Haeresium*, 96

history, 219

Hodgson, Marshall, xv

Homer, 34, 42, 66, 102, 114, 191

hoopoe, 109

*hudud**, 146

*hudur**, 168

Hulwan*, 86

humanism, Renaissance, 3

humanity, rank of, 48

humors, 132

Hunayn b. Ishaq*, 33, 88-90, 103-104

Hirqalya*, 71, 80

hylomorphism, 111, 119, 183

hypostases, numbers, 76

I

I, notion of, 226

*i'jaz**, 59

*i'tibar**, 170

*i'tibarat 'aqliya**, 22, 63, 79, 111, 170, 188

*i'tilaf**, 49

*I'tiqad al-Hukama'**, 112

Iamblichus, xiii, 7, 10, 54-55, 66, 115;

Commentary on the Golden Verses, 62;

on Pythagoreanism, 56-57, 64, 65-66, 75-76;

foreign wisdom, 67, 114;

and Suhrawardi, 184, 196

Start of Citation[PU]State University of New York Press[/PU][DP]2000[/DP]End of Citation

[< previous page](#)

page_292

[next page >](#)

Ibn 'Arabi *, 4, 5, 217-218;

and Averroes, 99, 100

Ibn Abi Usaybi'a*, 83, 86, 163, 201-202

Ibn al-Haytham, 164

Ibn al-Nadim*, *al-Fihrist*. See al-Nadim

Ibn al-Tayyib*, 80, 103;

Commentary on the Golden Verses, 61, 76-77

Ibn Bajja*, 179

Ibn Juljul, 191

Ibn Kammuna*, 212

Ibn Khaldun*, 191

Ibn Khallikan*, 202, 205

Ibn Masarra, 44-45, 238

Ibn Na'ima, 'Abd al-Masih* (Abenama), 133

Ibn Raqiqa*, 202, 211, 234

Ibn Sahlan al-Sawi*, 13

Ibn Shaddad*, 14, 202, 233, 234

Ibn Taymiya*, 122, 128;

criticism of logic, 146, 150, 156

Ibn Tufayl*, 103, 179, 181

Ibn Wahshiya*, 192

Ibrahim b. Abi'l-Fadl b. Sadaqa*, Hakim*, 211

*ibsar**, 163

idealism, Platonic, political implications, 209

identities, 79

idol, and Plato, 174

Idris*, 60. See also Hermes

*idrak**, 166

*idafa mabda 'iya tasallutiya**, 167

Iftikhar al-Din al-Hashimi*, 52-53, 201-202

*ighlaq**, 136, 175

*ijma'**, 119

*ijtima'**, 147

Ikhmin*, 1

*ikhtilaf**, 50

*ilah al-ilahiya (al-aliha)**, 192

*al-ilahi**, 83, 176

*ilahiyun**, 62

*ilhad**, 202

illumination, 28, 29;

and knowledge, Plato, 143, 172, 174, 177

Illuminationists, 5-6, 27, 28, 138, 187, 190, 192, 236;

term, 5, 27-29, 138, 195, 236;

principles, 27, 53, 71, 78-79;

and history of philosophy, 122, 139, 181, 187, 192, 213-215;

and Pythagoras, 58, 60, 65, 190;

Suhrawardi's* allegories, 111

*al-'ilm al-huduri**, 157

*al-'ilm al-ilahi**, 21

'Imad al-Din al-Isfahani*, 203

'Imadi Tablets*, 111, 212

image, 71;

in the Cave, 173-174, 179;

visual, 157-158, 160, 168;

world of, 26, 68, 80-81, 111, 113, 168, 214

imagination, 160, 166, 227

*al-imkan al-ashraf**, 155

immortality, 72, 121, 130-131, 165

implication, strict, 154

imposition, first and second, 171

impossible, 151

imprinting, 165, 169;

and vision, 160, 16, 168

In the State of Childhood, 107, 109, 110

incorporeal figures, world of, 80

incorporeality, of soul, 227, 228;

supernatural powers possessed by, 53

independent, 24

India, xiv, 5, 30-31, 67, 78, 102, 181, 213;

Salaman and Absal**, 104

individualizing word, 143

individuals, 19, 165-166, 180

induction, 70, 121, 144

infinity, 24, 74

inspired utterances, 113

intellect, intellects, 24, 50, 73, 108, 165, 169;

active 104, 166, 167, 169, 228, 264;

Plato and Aristotle, 88, 91, 118;

Platonic Forms as, 169, 183;

of spheres, 22, 25, 51, 112, 181, 190;

world of, 68, 80

intellection, 165, 169, 227

Start of Citation[PU]State University of New York Press[/PU][DP]2000[/DP]End of Citation

[< previous page](#)

page_293

[next page >](#)

intelligibles, 166, 176-177;

Platonism, 120, 174, 179, 184;

Pythagoreanism, 60, 81;

secondary, 22

intensity, 24, 155, 227

*Intimations (al-Talwihat *)*, 15-16, 136, 165, 212, 225

intuition, xvi, 4, 23, 28, 53, 136, 140, 162, 174, 176;

and philosophy, 1, 67-68, 178-181;

Ancients, 1, 44, 47, 48, 81, 90, 119, 137, 138, 189, 195;

Illuminationism, 27, 140, 174-175, 178

*intiba'**, 162

Ionian physicists, 30, 32, 46, 57, 63, 74, 81, 113;

concern with fours, 78

Iqritun*, 88

Iran, xiv, 6-7, 31, 138, 206, 213;

wisdom of, 5, 28-30, 40, 83, 102, 189;

and Greek philosophers, 66, 181, 208;

sages of

irony, Socratic, 98

irrational, and Greek philosophy, 43

Isfahan, 55;

School of, 130, 213-215

'ishq, 50

*ishraqi, ishraqiyun**. See Illuminationists

Islam, 102, 118, 175, 206

Islamic philosophers, term, xv

Isma'ilis, 78, 203, 208;

political aspects, 206-207, 209;

as Empedocleans, 34, 44-45

Israelites, 57

Istanbul, 223

*istidlal**, 106

*istithmar**, 61, 241

Italian school, 32, 46-47, 67, 81-82, 194

Italy, 44, 58

*ittifaq**, 46

*ittihad**, 166

Iyashi*, as Dhu'l-Qarnayn, 256

Izutsu, Toshihiko, 7

J

Jabir b. Hayyan, *Musahhahat Aflatun**, 87

Jaeger, Werner, 129

Jamasaf*, Jamaspa, 30

jawhar, 74

jaww, 46

Jerusalem, Kingdom of, 208

Jews, philosophers, 6;

and Pythagoras, 59

jinn, 80

joints, natural, 147, 148

Joseph, 108

judges, 175

judgment from the present on the absent, 132

Julian the Apostate, 208

Jupiter, 50

Jurjani, al-Sharif* al-, 120

juvenalia, Suhrawardi's*, 15, 109, 111

K

Kabus*, 193

Ka'is*, 193, 194

Kalam, 124, 145, 189;

and science, 217.

See also theologians

Kalis, Kalus*, 193, 194-195

Kamal al-Din b. Yunus*, 14, 212

Kant, Immanuel, 170

kashf, 28, 44

Kashfi, Ja'far*, 191

Katibi al-Qazwini, Najm al-Din* Dabiran* al-, 144

kawn, 93

Kaykhursaw, 1, 30

*khanqah**, 106, 107

Kharraqani, Abu'l-Hasan*, 1, 30, 31

*khassa**, 113

Khidr*, as Aristotle, 128

Khorasan, 33

Khurramiya*, 78

Khusraw Anushirwan*, 208

Khusrawani*, 30

Khusrawanis*, 31;

leaven of, 1

al-Khanshalil*, 268

Kindi*, 33, 95, 130, 133, 214, 257

kinematics, 106

kingship, Iranian, 40, 206

knowledge, 19, 29, 107, 166, 169, 175;

and consciousness, 221, 225-228;

Start of Citation[PU]State University of New York Press[/PU][DP]2000[/DP]End of Citation

discursive, 53, 165, 174, 177;

God's, 169, 189;

mystical, 103, 229;

Plato, 116, 121, 172-174;

relation between the knower and the known, 167, 177

knowledge by presence, 23, 125, 136, 145, 157, 164-169, 176-177, 180, 189, 197, 214, 229

kufr, 202

L

lahuti *, 79

*Lamahat**, 15, 212

Landolt, Hermann, 252

language, 83, 178

Language of the Ants, 108

law, Plato's work on, 88;

Islamic, 52, 217, 219

lawgiver, Solon as, 83

leaven, 1

letter magic, 87, 107

life, 46, 61

light, lights, 17, 28, 53, 172;

accidental and physical, 24, 158, 161;

and darkness, 95, 115, 193, 213, 220;

Illuminationist metaphysics of, 24-25;

incorporeal, 23-24, 95, 136, 167, 221;

mystical experience of, 134-135, 164;

Platonic Forms as, 25, 169, 179;

proximate, 152;

science of, 22, 28, 181, 197, 218-219;

soul, 48, 132;

vision, 160-161

Light of Lights, 24-25, 48, 70, 107, 123, 150, 152, 175, 222

Light Verse, 236

likely stories, Platonic, 92, 94-95, 100, 209, 221

Linley, Neil, 61

Lisan al-Din b. al-Khatib*, 212

liver, 167

locus, 168

logic, 3-4, 13, 19-21, 62, 99, 121, 177, 218;

 Buddhist, 164;

 in medieval universities, 215-216;

 modal and temporal, 149, 151-154;

 Peripatetic, 34, 118, 132, 138, 143-156, 165, 183, 214, 259;

 propositional, 127, 143, 154-155;

 term, 149-150, 154

lord of idol, 174

lordship, 80, 91

love, 48-51, 108;

 and strife, 42, 46-47, 49-51

luck, 46

lughā, 83

lughz, 102

Luqman*, 33-35, 44-45, 60, 191

Lyceum, 84, 428,

Lynceus, 173

lyric, Plato, 83

M

*al-ma 'ad**, 26

*Ma 'arij al-Quds**, 212

*al-mabadi'**, 45

*mabda 'iya**, 227

Magi, 58-59, 67, 220

magic, 14, 52-54, 80, 168, 212;
 and ancient philosophy, 39-44, 47, 51-52, 58, 193

magnitude, and body, 22, 49, 190

magus, 43

*mahabba**, 46, 49, 50

*mahall**, 168

*mahsusat**, 136

Maimonides, 6, 130

Majd al-Din al-Jili*, 13

Majriti*, pseudo-, *Picatrix*, 87

*malakut**, 79

male, numbers, 63

al-Malik al-'Adil*, 202

al-Malik al-Zahir*, 14, 52, 81, 174, 201-202, 204-205, 208, 234-235

Malti-Douglas, Fedwa, 252

al-Ma'mun*, 87

Manfred of Sicily, King, 130

Mani and Manicheans, 78, 123

manifestation, 24

al-Mansur*, 206

*ma'qulat thaniya**, 22

Maragha*, 13

Mardin*, 13

Start of Citation[PU]State University of New York Press[/PU][DP]2000[/DP]End of Citation

Margoliouth, D. S., 130

Mars, and strife, 50

al-Mashari' wa'l-Mutarahat *. *See Paths and Havens*

Masha' Allah*, 87

*mashriqiya**, 138

*mashriqiyun**, 138

*mashsha'i**, 125, 127, 137, 190, 192

Massignon, Louis, 223

master, spiritual, 30

masters of arts, 215, 219

Mas'udi*, 80, 191

materialists, on providence, 189

mathematics, 3, 76

mathematicians, 78;

 vision, 157-158, 160, 164

mathematics, 3, 62, 72, 165, 183;

 Lamblichus, 75;

 Plato, 83, 85, 92, 93, 117, 182;

 Pythagorean, 56, 59, 62, 71, 72, 74, 81, 92, 113

Matta b. Yunus*, debate with Sirafi*, 99, 146

matter, 19, 22, 77, 97, 123, 145, 165

Mayafariqin*, 13

maymar, 134

Meander, 55

meanings, 45

medicine, 13, 46, 83, 86, 91, 122

melodies, Pythagoras, 34, 59

memory, 171, 174

Menelaus, 80

metaphysical entities, 113

metaphysics, 3, 5, 119, 122, 146, 218;
 Illuminationist, 23, 95, 181, 222;
 Platonic, 83, 127, 182

Metapontum, 58

metempsychosis. *See* transmigration

meteorology, 62

methodists, school of Greek medicine, 86

Miletus, 55

Mind, nickname of Aristotle, 128

mind/body problem, 220

miracles, 59, 201, 203-204, 211

mirrors, images in, 26, 80, 160, 162, 168

Miskawayh, *al-Hikma al-Khalida**, 102

*mithal**, *muthul*, 61, 71, 76, 97

modality, 148-149

model, in Plato's *Timaeus*, 123

moderns, 129, 135, 166,
 Greek and Arabic terms, 245

modus ponens, modus tollens, 143

monad, 74

monotheism, Plato, 91, 96

moon, 68, 80, 106, 108

Morrow, Glenn, 209

Moschus, descendants of, 57

Moses, 57, 128

Mosul, 14

motion, of God, 96

*mu'attila**, 203

Mu'awiya*, 206

mudarris, 52

Muhammad, 31, 48, 203, 206

*muhaqqiqan**, 106

*muhil**, 14, 54

*mujarradan**, 106

multiplicity, 45

mumkin, 152

*munajat**, 212

*Muqawama**, 16

*murids**, 109, 112, 114-115

*mushriqiya**, 138

music, 34, 56, 59-60, 71, 75, 78;

of the spheres, 67, 68-72, 162

Muslims, term, xv

muta'allih, 209

mutajaddid, 165

Mu'tasim*, 133

Mu'tazila, 45, 203

muthul, 61, 76

mystery religions, use of symbols, 113

mysticism, 3-5, 53, 71, 112, 220, 231;

term xvi;

Empedocles, 40, 43, 47-48, 51;

and philosophy, 178-181, 218-220;

Platonism, 182-184, 196;

genealogical transmission of, 30;

Pythagorean, 58, 60, 64;

and scientific revolution, 216-220

myth, Platonic, 92, 95, 182, 196

Start of Citation[PU]State University of New York Press[PU][DP]2000[DP]End of Citation

N

al-Nadim *, *al-Fihrist*, 33, 86, 88, 89, 95, 102, 130, 163, 172

nafs, 270-271

Nakuja'abad*, 106

name, names, 11, 32, 173, 177

Nasir-i* Khusraw, 130, 257

natural philosophy, 3, 215, 217, 219

natural things, 77

nature, 50, 77, 80, 90

natures, 59, 108

*naza'ir**, 45

*nazar**, 129

necessary, 151-152

Necessary Existent, 25, 167, 227;

relations of, 228

necessity, 22, 63, 151-154;

as being of reason, 79, 170;

in Plato, 92, 123

Neoplatonism, Neoplatonists, 44, 47, 98, 115, 127, 137, 183, 184;

term, 124-125, 215;

Book of the Apple, 132-133;

harmonization of Plato and Aristotle, 117-118;

logic, 146, 148;

Plato, 66, 91, 182;

politics, 196-197, 208;

Pythagoreanism, 65, 65, 74-77

Neopythagoreanism, 32, 56, 196. *See also* Pythagoreanism

Nestis, 46

New Age, 54, 196

Newton, Isaac, 54, 220

Nicomachus of Gerasa, 34, 127

Nile, 55, 59

nominalism, 3, 78-79, 148, 169, 171, 196

nouns, 173

Nowheresville, 106

numbers, 62-63, 67;

as Platonic Forms, 72-79, 96;

Pythagorean views, 58-59, 61, 81

numerology, 63, 87

O

observations, astronomical and mystical, 48, 181

occasionalism, 216-217

occident, 108

Occidental Exile, 110

occult, 55, 80, 104;

and ancient philosophy, 47, 54, 196

Odysseus, 102

Old Man of the Mountain, 207-208

olfaction, 70, 162

Olympiodorus, 88, 156, 243

On the Reality of Love, or the Companion of Lovers, 108

one, 47, 63, 76, 137

ontology, 112, 216-217

opinion, 118, 173

opposite, 160

optics, 62, 157, 160

oracles, 59, 65

organs, 166, 167; 169

oriental, 10;

term, xv-xvi

oriental philosophy. *See* eastern philosophers

oriental sages and wisdom, 31, 80, 181-184

orientalism, Platonic, xiv

Origen, 113

origination, 167, 227

Orpheus, 43

Orphism, 41, 43, 66, 182

orthopraxy, Islamic, 218

P

Pahlavi, language, 30, 104

Pahlavis, 1

Paradise, 104

Parens, Joshua, 89

Parmenides, 32, 86, 89, 97, 101

*Partaw-Nama**, 111, 114

particularity, 165

particulars, 77, 165, 167, 169, 203

passion, 49-50

Path, mystical, 110

pathology, 93

Paths and Havens (al-Mashari' wa'l-Mutarahat*)*, 1, 16, 27, 48, 70, 140, 155

patronage, 138, 204

Pearl, Night-Brightening, 107, 108

perception, 173

Start of Citation[PU]State University of New York Press[/PU][DP]2000[/DP]End of Citation

[< previous page](#)

page_297

[next page >](#)

Peripatetic works, Suhrawardi's *, 1, 5-17, 95, 114-115, 174, 181, 183, 213, 223

Peripatetics, 5, 21, 31, 32, 39, 127, 129, 163, 189;

name, 33, 190-191, 193, 245;

and Ancients, 135, 165, 191-192, 194;

Islamic, 6, 125, 215;

logic, 20, 143;

Suhrawardi's critique of, 71, 119, 124, 133, 137-141, 174, 176, 181, 183, 213, 214;

in Suhrawardi's allegories, 109, 111;

vision, 160-161

Persia. *See* Iran

Persian, 105, 109, 130

Pherecydes the Syrian, 32, 57

Philip Augustus of France, 208

Philolaus, 55, 72

Philoponus, John, 86, 96, 163

Philosopher, the, title of Aristotle, 137

philosopher-kings, 17, 205-206, 208

philosophers, xv;

biographies of, 33, 37

philosophical systems, integrity of, 183-185

philosophy, 19, 33;

definition, xv, 34-35, 118-120;

discursive, 176-177, 228, 264;

divine, 176, 181, 187, 194;

historiography, 183-185;

Illuminationist history, 5, 29-35, 181, 183, 190;

intuitive, 1, 30, 204, 210, 264;

life of, 17, 39, 51-54, 131;

modern, 39;

and religion, 35, 66-67, 94, 118, 219;

teaching of, 59, 132, 172-174, 177;

writing of, 97, 120, 172, 177

Philosophy of Illumination, xiii-xiv, xvi, 6, 7, 15-16, 27, 28, 48, 109, 110, 140, 165, 178, 181, 211, 225;

cosmology as likely story, 221;

lights, 28, 115, 167;

logic, 20, 143, 147, 155, 177;

criticism of Peripatetics, 194;

and Plato, 95, 174;

political aspects, 204, 206;

popularity, 212-213;

sophismata, 19, 21, 120, 197;

textual history, 202, 212, 223, 269

Phoenicia, Pythagoras in, 57

phoenix, 108

physicians, Greek, 33, 51;

Islamic, 62, 78, 220

physicists, 78

physics, 34, 62, 75;

Illuminationist views, 22-23, 181

physiology, in *Timaeus*, 93

piety, Suhrawardi, 53

pillars of philosophy, 37, 194, 195

planets, 50, 70, 92, 108, 110, 159, 161, 192

Plato, xiii, 1, 3, 5, 7, 9, 17, 27, 28, 29, 30, 31, 32, 33, 34, 37, 44, 55, 59, 68, 80, 162, 181, 191;

appeal to Suhrawardi, 124-125, 184, 217;

Arabic accounts, 83-84, 86-87, 116-122, 190, 196;

and "old Aristotle," 128, 129, 132, 135-137, 171, 228;

as divine philosopher, 34, 176, 187, 194-195, 204;

and intuitive philosophy, 48, 134-136, 138;

logic, 144, 156, 169;

Galen on his medical views, 86;
role in Neoplatonism, 66, 183-184, 196;
in occult tradition, 87-88;
as source of name Peripatetic, 137, 193;
political adventures, 201, 206-208, 210;
Pythagoreanism, 57, 66, 68, 70, 72, 81-82, 182;
and Abu* Bakr al-Razi*, 122-123;
on reincarnation, 26, 45, 80;
schools of his followers, 101, 190, 191, 194;
use of symbolic language, 56, 112, 175;
vision, 158, 161, 164, 171;
unwritten doctrines, 98, 112, 182, 195, 249
works:
 dialogues, 84, 85, 89-90, 97-100, 102, 112-114, 140, 175;
 myths, 100;
 Arabic texts, 88-89, 95-97;
 Alcibiades I, 117, 182;
 Apology, 88, 182;
 Charmides, 209;
 Cratylus, 182;
 Critias, 91;

Start of Citation[PU]State University of New York Press[/PU][DP]2000[/DP]End of Citation

[< previous page](#)

page_298

[next page >](#)

Crito, 88, 101, 182, 247;

Epistles, 90, 171-172;

Seventh Epistle, 157, 172-174, 176-178, 208, 209;

Gorgias, 182;

Hermocrates, 91;

Ion, 182;

Laws, 88-89, 90, 209, 248;

Meno, 182;

On the Good, 182;

Parmenides, 182;

Phaedo, 33, 84, 88, 90, 101, 103, 130, 132, 182, 249, 257;

Phaedrus, 182, 209;

Philebus, 182;

Republic, 56, 57, 68, 85, 88, 90-91, 94, 102, 115, 117, 122, 178-179, 182, 209;

Sophist, 88-89, 209;

Statesman, 89;

Symposium, 182;

Theaetetus, 182;

Timaeus, 9, 56-57, 75, 82, 84, 88, 90-95, 98, 115, 123, 162, 182, 193, 196, 209, 217, 248

Plato the Copt, 86

Plato the Physician, 86

Plato, pseudo-, works, 87-88

Platonic Forms, xiv, 5, 8, 19, 23, 25, 26, 33, 48, 67, 97, 112, 140, 147, 148, 153, 169, 171, 176, 181, 221-222;

Aristotle, 121, 137, 149;

in Islamic sources, 117, 190, 193;

knowledge of, 171, 178;

as lords of idols, 174;

and numbers, 61, 72-79;

Plato, 173, 181;

Suhrawardi *, 111, 125, 139, 183, 197

Platonism, Platonists, 31, 55, 120, 171, 174, 185, 192, 196;

as Illuminationists, 6, 28;

political aspects, 184, 201, 208-210;

Suhrawardi's, 63, 181-185

Pleasure, 88, 104, 131, 225,

plenitude, principle of, 153

Plotinus, 39, 86, 134;

Enneads, 32, 128, 133-135, 136, 182

Plutarch, in pseudo-Ammonius, 96

Plutarch, pseudo-, 33, 45, 63, 73, 84, 238;

Ionian and Italian schools, 49, 81-82;

Pythagoreans, 62, 73-74;

Stoics, 191, 194

poetics, 20

poetry, 50, 83;

Empedocles, 43, 51, 97;

Persian, 197;

Suhrawardi's, 212

Pole, 54, 205

politics, 51;

Aristotle, 118, 120, 129;

Plato, 87, 116;

Socrates, 83;

Illuminationist, 54, 201-206, 207-210, 217

political power, 205

Polycrates, the tyrant of Samos, 57

polytheism, Abu Bakr al-Razi* accused of, 123

Porphyry, xiii, 7, 10, 66, 67, 115, 148, 166, 171, 196;

commentaries on Aristotle, 163, 183;

Exposition of Aristotle's Categories by Question and Answer, 98;

History of the Philosophers, 10, 57;

Life of Pythagoras, 57-59;

On the Cave of the Nymphs, 114;

On the School of Plato and Aristotle Being One, 118;

Theology of Aristotle, 133;

as Pythagorean, 65, 75

Poseidon, 83

possible, 151-152

possible worlds, 150-151, 153

poverty, Suhrawardi's, 202

powers, supernatural, 59

practical wisdom, 53

prayers, Suhrawardi's, 212

predestination, 107

predicables, predicates, predication, 19, 21, 149

premise, negative minor, 121

presence, 23, 157

Presocratics, 40, 56, 97

prestidigitation, 14, 54

principles of being, first, 20, 45, 46, 72, 96, 171, 181

Proclus, xiii, 10, 63, 65-66, 96, 155, 171;

on symbolic expression, 113, 115-116;

parallels to Suhrawardi, 184, 196

works:

commentaries on Plato, 98-99, 182;

Commentary on the

Start of Citation[PU]State University of New York Press[/PU][DP]2000[/DP]End of Citation

(continued)

Proclus

Chadaean Oracles, 182;

Commentary on the Enneads, 182;

Commentary on Euclid's Elements, 76, 182;

Commentary on the Golden Verses, 45, 58-62, 103;

Commentary on the Timaeus, 85;

Elements of Theology, 133;

Platonic Theology, 115

Proclus Procleius of Laodiceas, 61

prohibited matters, Cratylus on, 83

proof, Illuminationist theory, 20-21

property, logic, 113

property, communal, 59

prophecy, 34, 112;

 niche of, 59, 236

prophets, prophethood, 83, 128, 201, 203, 208

propositions, 19, 143, 155

Protagoras, 32

proverbs, Pythagorean, 60

providence, 26, 189

prudence, Suhrawardi's * lack of, 201, 205, 210

Psellus, Michael, 65;

 summarizing Iamblichus, 75-76

pseudepigrapha, 32;

 attributed to barbarian sages, 67

Ptolemy, 40;

Almagest, 144

Ptolemy al-Gharib*, biography of Aristotle, 256

purification, Pythagorean, 61

Pyrrho, 32

Pythagoras, Pythagoreans, Pythagoreanism, xiii, 1, 3, 5, 9-10, 27-35, 37, 43-45, 48, 55-82, 87, 101, 122, 138, 157, 162, 183-184, 190, 193-194, 208;

See also Neopythagoreanism,

Golden Verses, 45, 60-62;

as magus, 39, 54, 88;

central to Neoplatonism, xiii, 10, 182-184, 196;

in philosophical mythology, 181;

as "pillar of wisdom, " 194-195, 209;

as influence on Plato, 43, 83, 86, 89, 91-92, 182, 206;

political activities, 41, 201, 206-207, 208;

use of symbolic language, 90, 112-113, 115-116;

in *Theology of Aristotle*, 135, 136, 137

Q

Qabis*, 193

Qaf*, Mount, 107, 108, 110

qahr, 49, 50

*qa 'idat al-imkan al-ashraf**, 24

*al-qawl al-ilahl**, 256

Qayrawan*, 109, 110

Qifti*, 85-86, 89-90

qisma, 146

qualities, moral, 121

quality, of syllogism, 148

quantification, 148-149

questions, in learning philosophy, 173

quiddity, 79, 146, 170;

primacy of, 6, 19, 27, 187, 188, 197, 214

Qur'an*, 35, 128;

interpretation, 114, 191

Qusta b. Luqa*, 87, 238

Qutb al-Din al-Shirazi*, 11, 70, 78, 11, 160, 165, 195, 204, 212, 214, 217, 255;

Commentary on The Philosophy of Illumination, 11, 117, 212-213, 223, 242;

Pearly Crown, 11, 95, 217;

science of lights, 22, 28, 181;

on symbolic expression, 112, 115;

on the four worlds, 67-68, 80

R

*rabb al-sanam**, 174

*rabu'**, 84, 90

ramz, 63, 136, 175

*ramuz**, 96

*rasa 'il**, 111

rasm, 177

ratios, in music, 59

rays, 24, 161, 163, 190;

vision, 164

Rayy, 33

Razi, Abu* Bakr al-, 6, 87, 122-124

Razi, Abu Hatim* al-, 254

Start of Citation[PU]State University of New York Press[/PU][DP]2000[/DP]End of Citation

[< previous page](#)

page_300

[next page >](#)

Razi, Fakhr al-Din * al-, 13, 104, 217, 254-255

reading, esoteric, 113-114

realism, Avicenna, 170

reason, 92, 123, 129, 140, 173, 195, 216

Receptacle, in Plato's *Timaeus*, 92, 123

reductio ad absurdum, and syllogism, 151

reincarnation, 26, 42, 48, 67, 80, 129, 208

relations, 79, 228

religion;

 and philosophy, 59, 61, 83, 92, 94, 112;

 Suhrawardi* charged with corrupting, 203, 204

Renaissance philosophy, 55-56, 98, 182, 196

renewal, 166

resurrection, 203

retina, 162

retrograde motion, 110

revelation, 28, 66-67, 132;

 Suhrawardi charged with denying, 203

reward and punishment, 118, 122, 165

rhetoric, 20, 37, 79, 94, 119, 131-132, 219

Richard Lion-Heart, 208

riddles, 90, 112

*riwaqiyun**. See Stoics, 187, 190

Romans, use of dialogue form, 98

Rosenthal, Franz, 124

Rouse, W. H. D., 182

*rububiya**, 133

*ruhani**, 128

*ruhaniyat**, 49

*ruhaniyun**, 191, 195

rulership, belongs to intuitive philosopher, 204

*rumuz**, 61, 76

Russell, Bertrand 222

S

S5, 149

Sabians, 130, 171

Sabziwari*, 7

al-Sadr, Muhammad-Baqir* al-, 222, 270

Sadra, Mulla*, 4, 5, 6, 7, 125, 139, 187, 214-215;

on Stoics, 187-190, 192-193, 196;

Supercommentary on The Philosophy of Illumination, 213

sages, xv, 32, 34, 37, 59, 66, 128, 131-132, 181, 201, 228

Sahl al-Tustari*, 1, 30-31

Said, Edward, xv

Sa'id al-Andalusi*, 90, 163, 208

saints, 175, 205

Saladin, 13-14, 201, 203, 207, 209, 210

Salaman and Absal**, 103-105

salvation, of Aristotle, 130

*sama'**, 14, 93, 108

Samos, 58

Saturn, and strife, 50

scales, musical, 71

sceptics, 32, 190

scholasticism, 5

school, Suhrawardi's allegory of, 107

School of Isfahan, 4, 34, 216;

See Isfahan, School of science, sciences,

deduction and, 144-145;

Peripatetic interest in, 127, 138, 149;

Plato, 83, 94;

Islamic, 62, 216-220, 269;

Pythagorean, 58, 62, 81

science of lights, 48, 95

Scientific Revolution, 216, 269

Sea, Great, 108

second, unlimited, 73

secrecy, Pythagorean, 56, 58, 97, 113

self, 168, 225-226, 270-271

self-consciousness, 164, 166, 167, 171, 220

self-knowledge, 171

Selinus, 41

semantics, 20, 218

sensation, 59, 159, 165, 166, 168-169, 183

sensible qualities, 83, 136, 145, 146

Serapeion, Alexandria, 104

seven, 76

sex, 108, 110, 138

Start of Citation[PU]State University of New York Press[/PU][DP]2000[/DP]End of Citation

[< previous page](#)

page_301

[next page >](#)

Sezgin, Fuat, 86

Shafi'is *, favored by Saladin, 201

Shahrastani*, 191, 237;

 Empedocles, 47, 49-50;

 on Plato, 83, 89, 96-97;

 on Stoics, 192-193, 194

Shahrazuri*, 9, 11, 14, 35, 46, 73, 122, 130;

 Suhrawardi*, 174, 201, 203, 205, 211-212, 214, 234;

 Plato, 83-85, 89-90;

 on Pythagoras, 56, 59-60, 70-73;

 other Greek philosophers, 47, 82, 90, 102-103, 131, 163-164, 195;

 on use of symbolic language, 112, 115;

 views on Illuminationism, 27, 29

 works:

Commentary on the Philosophy of Illumination, 11, 212;

*Nuzhat al-Arwah**, 11, 29, 60, 63

shaman, 43

shape, 168, 173

*shara'i**, 203

*shari**, 83

shekina, 1

Shi'ism*, political aspects, 206

shi'r, 83

*shu'a'at**, 163

Sicily, 44, 58, 206;

 Plato in, 84, 172, 206-207

Sidon, birthplace of Pythagoras, 57

sight. *See* vision

silence, Pythagorean, 59

silsila, 14

similitudes, 94-95

*simiya**, 14, 54

simplicity, Empedocles, 49

Simplicius, 183, 234

Sinai, 109

sky, 46, 93

smell, 159

Socrates, 5, 13, 27, 28, 30, 31, 32, 33, 34, 41, 44, 80, 84, 178;

as Italian, 66, 81-82;

interest in definitions, 146, 169;

political failure, 89, 201, 207, 208;

death, 88, 96, 130, 257;

Plato, 83, 87-89, 97-98;

influence, 34, 39, 122, 182, 191, 194-195

Solomon, 33, 109;

Empedocles and Pythagoras, 34, 44, 59, 60

Solon, 32, 83, 91

soothsaying, Egypt, 59

sophisms, in critique of Peripatetics, 21

Sophists, 39

Sorabji, Richard, 118

sorrow, allegory of, 108

soul, souls, 22, 24, 71, 80, 96, 104, 108, 131, 166, 181, 227;

fall of, 42, 44-45, 48, 135, 137;

Platonic, 84, 88, 91, 97, 118, 171, 190;

Islamic views, 77, 105, 123;

universal, 50-51, 134;

world of, 68, 80

Sound of Gabriel's Wing, 106, 109, 110, 111, 223

sounds, mystical, 70, 71

sovereignty, 53, 133, 167, 208

space, Abu Bakr al-Razi*, 123

Spade, Paul Vincent, xvii-xviii

species, 78, 169, 171

speculative philosophy, 137

speech, with strangers, 59

sperm, 62

spheres, 68, 70-71, 78, 80, 92, 104, 106, 110, 221;
 motions and cycles, 25-26;
 senses of, 162, 243

spirit, 46, 49, 104, 201

Spiritual, title of Aristotle, 128

spiritualists, Stoics, 195

splendor, 134

square of opposition, 121

Sirafi, Abu Sa'id*, 99, 146

stars, 25, 68, 106, 161

state, 24, 167

statistical interpretation of modality, 153

Stern, S. M., 45

Stoics, 9, 32-33, 39, 101, 184, 190;
 Illuminationists, as 6, 28, 81, 139, 187-190, 193-196;
 propositional logic, 127, 154

Story of the Occidental Exile, 108, 110

Start of Citation[PU]State University of New York Press[/PU][DP]2000[/DP]End of Citation

strangers, avoidance of by Pythagoreans, 59

strife. *See* love

student, of philosophy, 37

subjects, logical, 149

substance, 22, 24, 74, 113, 169;

 Plato, 88, 120

substances, dusky, 24

successions, of Greek philosophers, 32

sufficient reason, principle of, 24, 152

Sufis, Sufism, 5, 13;

 as heirs of Ancients, 60, 78, 165, 176, 225, 229;

 and philosophy, 128, 156, 179-180, 218;

 and Suhrawardi *, 13-14, 30, 62, 106, 109, 114, 175, 197;

 supernatural powers, 40, 54

Suhraward, 13

Suhrawardi, Shihab al-Din*, place in Islamic philosophy, 3-5, 29, 139;

 life, 13-15, 52-54

 works: 15-17. Works and specific subjects are indexed separately

summas, 97

sun, 68

Sunni* Islam, 208

*sura**, 96

*suwar**, 76

*al-suwar al-ma'qula**, 76

Sybaris, 41

syllogism, 19-21, 135, 144, 146, 174;

 categorical and hypothetical, 154-155, 188;

 modal, 121, 138;

 Suhrawardi's simplification of, 148-151

symbols, symbolic interpretation, 3, 27, 82, 113, 214, 223;

Ancients' use of, 5, 28, 63, 112, 116, 195;

Empedocles, 34, 48, 50-51;

Pythagorean, 56, 59-60, 63-65, 71, 97, 183;

Platonism, 84, 87, 90, 94, 136, 184;

in closed allegories, 104-105

Syracuse, 172, 206, 207, 208, 210

Syria, 13, 34, 59, 66

Syriac, 133

Syrianus, 47, 49, 65;

Commentary on the Metaphysics, 47, 66, 264

Syros, 57

T

ta'alluh, xvi, 44, 61-62, 119, 171, 176, 204, 264

*tabi'iyun**, 78

Tabriz*, 13

Tahtani, Qutb al-Din al-Razi* al-, 255

tajaddud, 166

*al-Talwihat**. *See Intimations*

*tariqa**, 60

*tarkib**, 121, 146

*tasallutiya**, 227

taste, 159

*ta'til**, 202, 203, 208

*tawhid**, 88, 96

al-Tawhidi*, 99

*ta'wil**, 105

taxonomy, 147

Taylor, A. E., 92

Taylor, Thomas, the Platonist, 184

teacher, role in philosophy instruction, 178

Teacher, First, title of Aristotle, 225

Temples of Light, 111, 114, 212

ten, 74, 76

term, middle, 174, 227

tetraktys, 74

tetralogies, of Plato's dialogues, 84, 90

textbooks, philosophical, 132

Thales 32, 81, 96;

and Pythagoras, 57, 59

Themistius, 163, 191

theocracy, Islamic, 206

theology, Christian, 219;

Islamic, *see* Kalam;

philosophical, 21, 34, 44, 64, 75, 132

Theology of Aristotle. *See* Aristotle, pseudo-

Theon of Alexandria, 85

Theon of Smyrna, 85, 89, 117

Theophrastus, 97

theosophy, as rendering of *hikmat* al-ishraq**, 224

Start of Citation[PU]State University of New York Press[/PU][DP]2000[/DP]End of Citation

[< previous page](#)

page_303

[next page >](#)

Thesallus of Tralles, 86

theurgy, 40, 54, 265

three, 63, 76

thunderbolt, mystical state of, 225

Thurii, 41

Tigris, 55

Timaeus of Locri, 55, 57, 66;

 historicity, 91-92;

 and Plato, 75, 83, 87, 89, 91, 93, 95, 97

 time, 123, 150

Tisus *, 86

touch, 159-160

tragedy, Plato's study of, 83

translations, from Greek into Arabic, 32-33

transmigration, 72, 80, 83

transmutation, Empedocles, 49

Transoxania, 108

treatise, as philosophical genre, 97

Treatise of the Birds, 107, 110

triangles, 75, 92, 165

truth, obligation to reveal, 175

Tuba* Tree, 107

Turba Philosophorum, 47, 87

Turkish, Illuminationist works in, 212

*turuqi**, 268

Tusi, Nasir al-Din* al-, 6, 103-105, 255

Tyre, 57

U

'ulama*', 175, 220;

Aleppo, 52, 201-202

unbelief, charge against Suhrawardi*, 202

union with active intellect, 166-167, 228

unity, 22, 44, 46, 49, 63, 79, 88

universal meaning, 143

universals, 77, 113, 149, 166, 169-171

universe, 62

universities, medieval, 215

Unmoved Mover, 25

'*unsur**, 49, 97

*ustuwana**, 195

*Uthulujiya**, 128. *See also* Aristotle, pseudo-, *Theology of Aristotle*

utopianism, autocratic, 209

V

veil, absence of in vision, 160

Venus, 104;

and love, 50

verbs, 173;

vernacular, use in Islamic philosophy, 109;

vibration, and sound, 70

vice, 173

vicegerent of God, 204, 210

virgin birth, Pythagoras, 59

virtue, and learning philosophy, 173-174;

square of opposition, 121

vision, 70-71, 121, 140, 157-164;

and knowledge, 168-169, 171, 177, 179;

Suhrawardi, 23, 62, 78, 183

visions, intuitive philosophy Empedocles, 48, 53, 174, 175

viziers, 206

W

*wahdaniyat**, 45

*wahib al-'ilm**, 264

*wajib al-wujud**, 25

Walzer, Richard, 61

water, 46, 63

wealth, 59

Western philosophers, 138

white, 161

will, God's, 96, 217

wine, 138

wisdom, xv, 34, 35, 128, 176, 231;

ancient, 183, 213;

Book of the Apple, 131-132;

Platonism, 83, 86, 96, 120;

political, 205-206;

of Pythagoras, 59-60

wise, 35

witnessing, Sufi knowledge by, 229

words, Plato, 173

Words of Sufism, 6, 28

Workshops, Twelve, 107

world, 92-93, 137;

fourth, 67-68, 80

world of image. *See* image, world of

world-soul, in *Timaeus*, 92, 123

writing, of philosophy, 17

X

Xenocrates, 84

xvarenah, 40

Yahya b. 'Adi *, 88-89

*Yazdan-Shinakht**, 111

Yunaniyun*, 81

Yaqut*, 202

Z

Zahir al-Qari*, 13

Zalmoxis, 209

zandaqa, 202

Zangids, 201

Zeno, 32, 81

Zeus, 46, 62, 76

Ziai, Hossein, xiii, 7, 143, 147

Zimmermann, F. W., 133-136

Zoroaster, 7, 30, 86, 224

Zoroastrianism, 30, 78, 197, 213

Zulaykha*, 108

Greek Terms

αληθεις*, 173

γνωστον*, 173

δαμων*, 39

διαιρεσις*, 147

δογματικοι*, 32

δοξα*, 173

ειδωλον*, 173-174

ο εξηγητης*, 163

επιστημη*, 173

εφεκτικοι*, 32

θεωρια*, 264

λογος*, 173

νεικος*, 49, 50

νικη*, 50

νους*, 173

ορος*, 20, 145

ουσια*, 271

περιπατητικος*, 137

φιλια*, 49, 50

ψυχη*, 173, 271

Start of Citation[PU]State University of New York Press[/PU][DP]2000[/DP]End of Citation

[< previous page](#)

page_305