Record Nr. UNINA9910303448503321 Autore Lovejoy Knight Karen Titolo A.C. Pigou and the 'Marshallian' Thought Style: A Study in the Philosophy and Mathematics Underlying Cambridge Economics / / by Karen Lovejoy Knight Cham:,: Springer International Publishing:,: Imprint: Palgrave Pubbl/distr/stampa Macmillan, , 2018 3-030-01018-X **ISBN** Edizione [1st ed. 2018.] Descrizione fisica 1 online resource (323 pages) Collana Palgrave Studies in the History of Economic Thought, , 2662-6578 Disciplina 330.01 Soggetti Economic history Philosophy **Economic theory** Welfare economics History of Economic Thought/Methodology History of Philosophy Economic Theory/Quantitative Economics/Mathematical Methods Social Choice/Welfare Economics/Public Choice/Political Economy **Economic History** Lingua di pubblicazione Inglese Materiale a stampa **Formato** Livello bibliografico Monografia Chapter 1: A.C. Pigou and the Cambridge Tradition -- Chapter 2: The Nota di contenuto Elusive A.C. Pigou -- Chapter 3: The "Prof" and Marshallian Economics -- Chapter 4: The 'Marshallian' Thought Collective and Thought Style -- Chapter 5: Balancing the Material and the Ideal -- Chapter 6: Mathematics and Formalism in Economic Theory -- Chapter 7: Conclusion. Sommario/riassunto This book provides a study of the forces underlying the development of economic thought at Cambridge University during the late nineteenth century and the first half of the twentieth century. The primary lens it uses to do so is an examination of how Arthur Cecil Pigou's thinking, heavily influenced by his predecessor, Alfred Marshall, evolved. Aspects of Pigou's context, biography and philosophical grounding are reconstructed and then situated within the framework of Ludwik Fleck's

philosophy of scientific knowledge, most notably by drawing on the notions of 'thought styles' and 'thought collectives'. In this way, Knight provides a novel contribution to the history of Pigou's economic thought. Karen Lovejoy Knight is Economics Tutor and Sessional Lecturer at the University of Notre Dame, Western Australia and Edith Cowan University, Western Australia. She is also a business consultant and independent researcher. Her research interests lie in the history of economic thought, economic history, political economy, the sociology of scientific knowledge and philosophy.