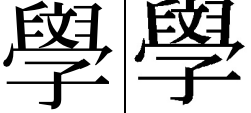


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The Ideograph

Character	Image	IDS	kRSUnicode	kTotalStrokes	kSemanticVariant
學		𠄎白 子	39.13	16	U+5B78

The character is a variant of U+5B78 學/U+5B66 学/U+6588 孝. As such, the meanings and readings are exactly the same.

The aforementioned U+6588 孝 is thought to be a simplified form of the proposed 學.

“爻” was changed to “文” because the two radicals look similar and “文” means “literature”, so it adds to the meaning of the character - “to learn”.

Evidence

This character is listed in the 中華字海 (Zhonghua Zihai), a renowned Chinese character dictionary, as the 13th character on page 712. Unfortunately, I was unable to take a picture of the book, however, an image of the character’s representation in the dictionary is shown below.



At the entrance of an elementary school in Shaoxing, China (浙江省紹興市)

(<http://gattin.world.coocan.jp/kanji/sikeika2.htm>)



In Macao (<http://gattin.world.coocan.jp/kanji/sikeika2.htm>)

Here are various books with this character in the title:



狂詩餘學便覽, 1881 (<https://www.dl.ndl.go.jp/info:ndljp/pid/891733>)



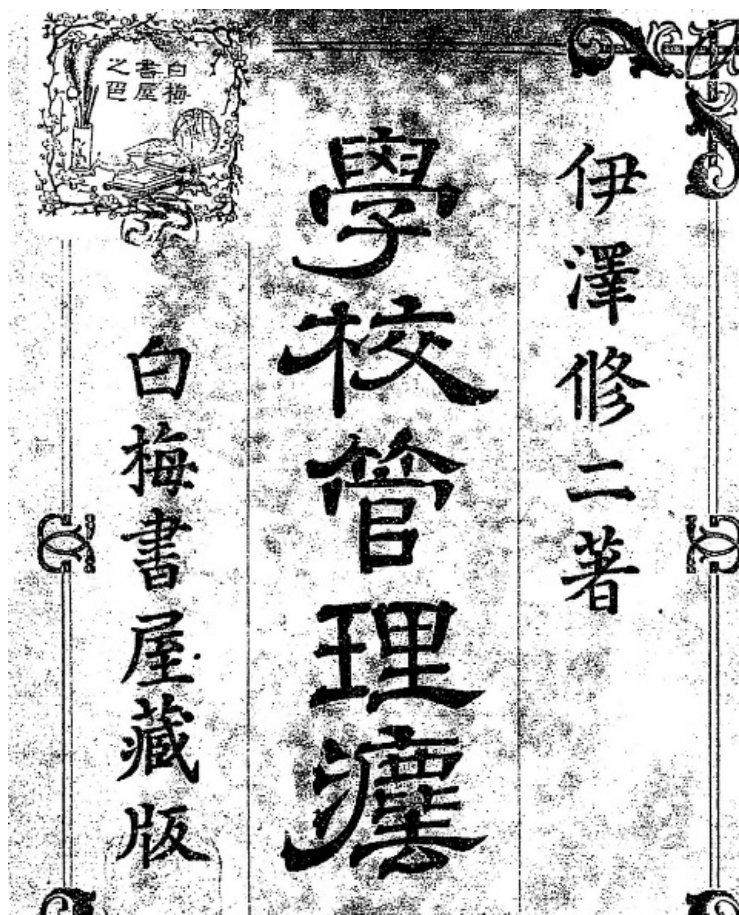
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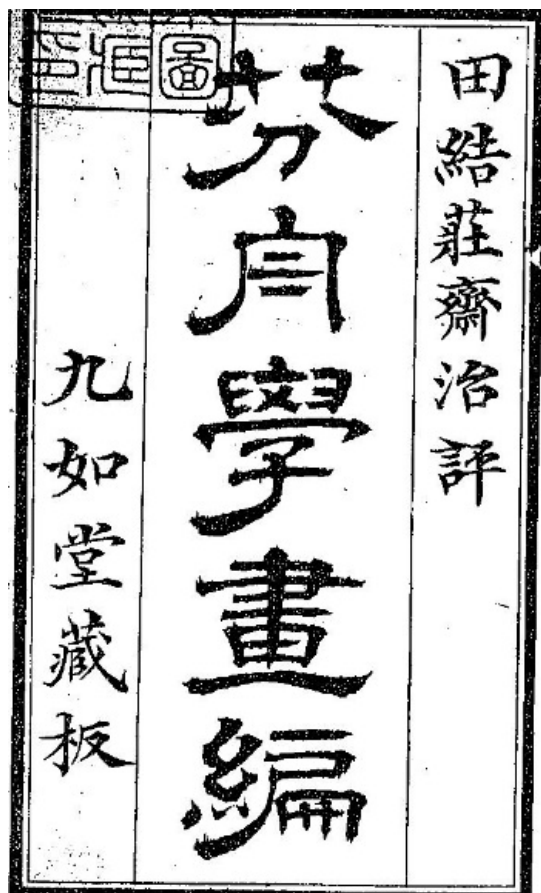
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應用幾何學, 1909 (<https://www.dl.ndl.go.jp/info:ndljp/pid/1082611>)



學校管理瀆, 1885 (<https://www.dl.ndl.go.jp/info:ndljp/pid/809651>)



芥舟學畫編 (<https://www.dl.ndl.go.jp/info:ndljp/pid/850139/2>)



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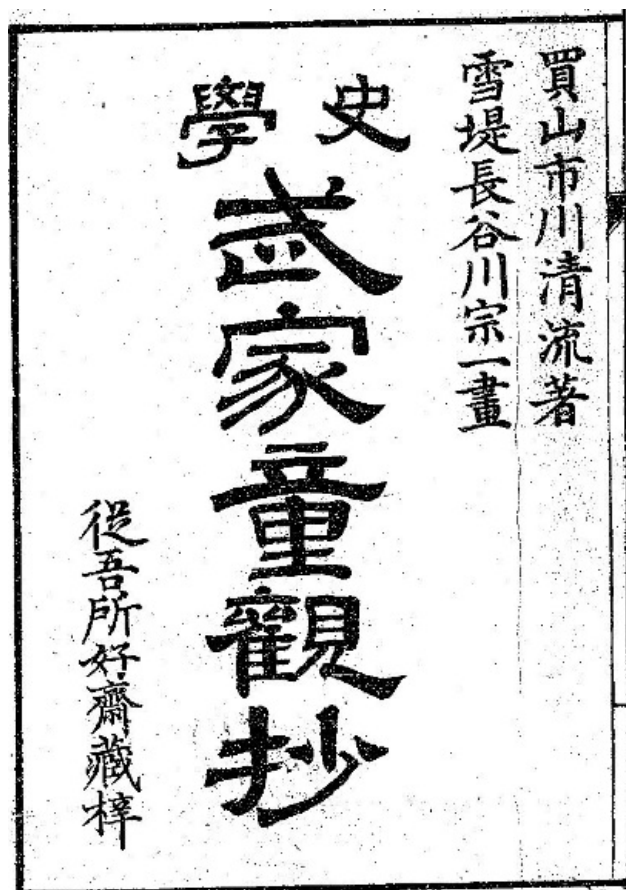
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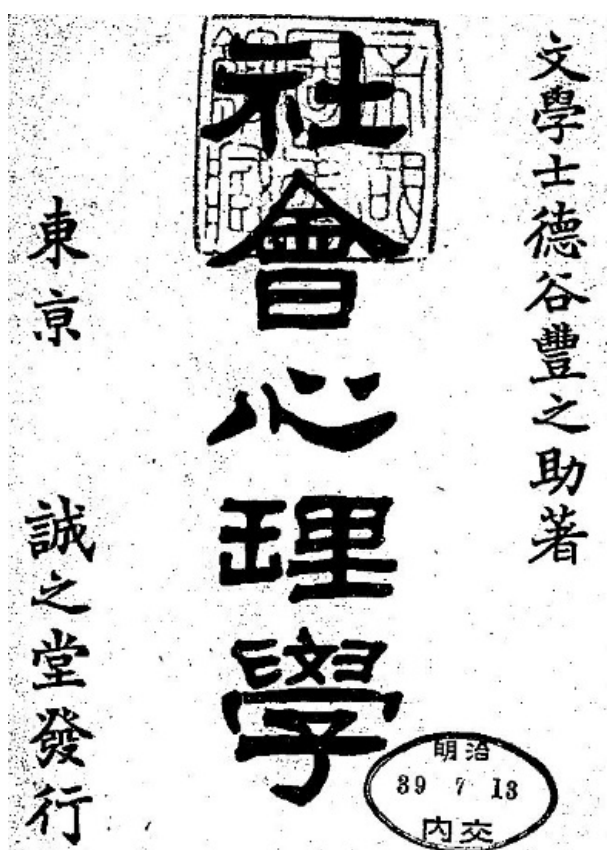
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