

The bachelor thesis Han Fei's Strategy in Interpreting the Laozi deals with the first known commentary of the *Laozi*, one of the fundamental works of the so-called philosophical taoism, found in the work of Han Fei, the leading proponent of legalism. The work summarizes the current state of knowledge concerning the dating and authorship of the *Laozi*. It also outlines the broader context of the Warring States period thinking and draws attention to the problem of traditional categorization into schools of thought. The focus of the work is a philosophical analysis of the *Jie Lao* 解老 and *Yu Lao* 喻老 chapters, as well as some other relevant chapters of the *Hanfeizi*. Han Fei's interpreting strategy is demonstrated on the examples taken from the two texts, accompanied by original translations for that purpose.