

432018 PHILOSOPHY OF PHYSICS (Spring 2002)

Instructions for the seminar in Week 10

Reading: For the seminar, as well as the preliminary reading for the lecture, please read the following:

Space, Time and Spacetime by L. Sklar (University of California Press, 1977), Chapter III Sections D (part 2), E (parts 1-3), F and Chapter IV Section D.

Please don't take this book out of the library since other people will need to refer to it.

Instructions: In the seminar, I would like to concentrate on what the General Theory of Relativity brings to the debate between the substantialist and the relationist. Also, what does this theory imply for our understanding of 'causation'?

As such, I would like you to prepare a few questions for the class. In the seminar these questions will be discussed and so you should, if possible, prepare answers to your own questions or questions which other people may raise.