

PHYSIS Lectures in *Analytic Metaphysics* Spring 2024

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March 7, 2024

13:30-15:00 (CET)

Joaquim Giannotti (Universidad de Chile)

Title

Powerful Qualities for a Scientifically Responsible Metaphysics

Abstract

What is the best metaphysics for the fundamental physical properties of our world? Advocates of powers claim the superiority of an ontology of irreducibly modal and completely powerful properties over a view of non-modal and inert qualities. However, the powers view faces the challenge of harmonising the powerful nature of properties with the manifestly non-powerful mathematical, structural, and geometrical features of physical properties. To overcome this challenge, I defend adopting an essentialist non-identity conception of powerful qualities: the dual aspect account. I argue that the dual aspect account can claim two major advantages. First, it offers a perspicuous ontological framework for the properties described by physical theory. Second, it escapes significant problems affecting the canonical identity theory of powerful qualities and other aspects views available in the literature. To showcase its merits, I outline how the dual aspect account improves a vogueish powers-based regularity view of laws of nature.

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