

# Explanation, Causation, and Change

- In order to understand **causal explanations**, we need an understanding of **causal relations** in general.

Question 1: What kinds of things are suited to enter into causal relations with one another?

## Project 1: Ontology

How to determine the constraints on the ontology of causal relations. A pluralist approach: recognizing the faulty assumptions of event ontologies.

Question 2: How does causation relate to change?

## Project 2: Genuine and spurious change.

How to determine the logical features distinguishing real from spurious kinds of change. A historical approach: how to draw the distinction using Aristotelian categories.