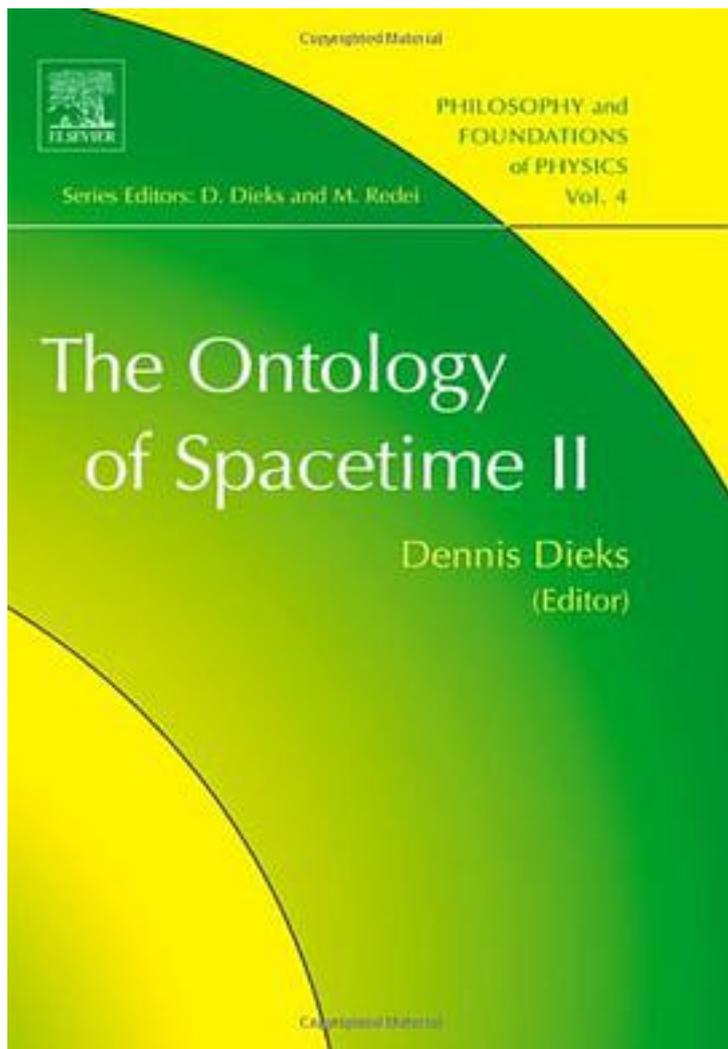


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Most chapters are devoted to subjects directly relating to the ontology of spacetime.

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