

Chapter 10 - The direction of time

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1. Consider the analogy between asymmetry regarding the DNA molecules and the asymmetry of time. How could one show the asymmetry of time to be a "mere de facto" asymmetry by using this kind of analogy? What are the problems of making such an analogy?
2. What is the aim of the comparison that Boltzmann makes between directions in space and directions of time? What does Sklar's counter-analogy (p. 391-393) show?
3. How does David Lewis explain the temporal asymmetry? How is it related to the causal relation between past and future?