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## APOCALYPTICA

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Reference: Heidegger, Martin. 1967. *Sein und Zeit*. 11th ed. Tübingen: Max Niemeyer.

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Should be ordered from oldest to most recent. Different references with the same year and author should be distinguished by using a, b, c etc. directly after the year.

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