

Do Pigs Value Katastematic Pleasure? (Summer 2022 K / K Discussion)

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There's a lot of talk about Epicurus "dividing" pleasure into two categories, but from the discussion here so far, it looks like the wrong math term is being used. It seems more accurate to say that he ADDED to the earlier understanding of pleasure. So perhaps it is not that he wanted to separate pleasure into two parts, but that he wanted to take a limited definition of "pleasure" and expand it to include more, or unite the things he found pleasurable

[reneliza](#) to me that sounds exactly right!

"Epicurus thought pleasure to be a unified phenomenon. He claimed that it takes on two *aspects* (i.e. *katastematic* and *kinetic*) nonetheless, he thought both these aspects species of the same genus."

I just got this from [this paper](#) and like... YES this is what I mean!

ETA: related to that paper, I've recently become interested in the ancient Druids, who left no written record so almost all information about them comes through the lens of biased Roman accounts. I'm starting to wonder why this engineer ever even started bothering with trying to learn history lol