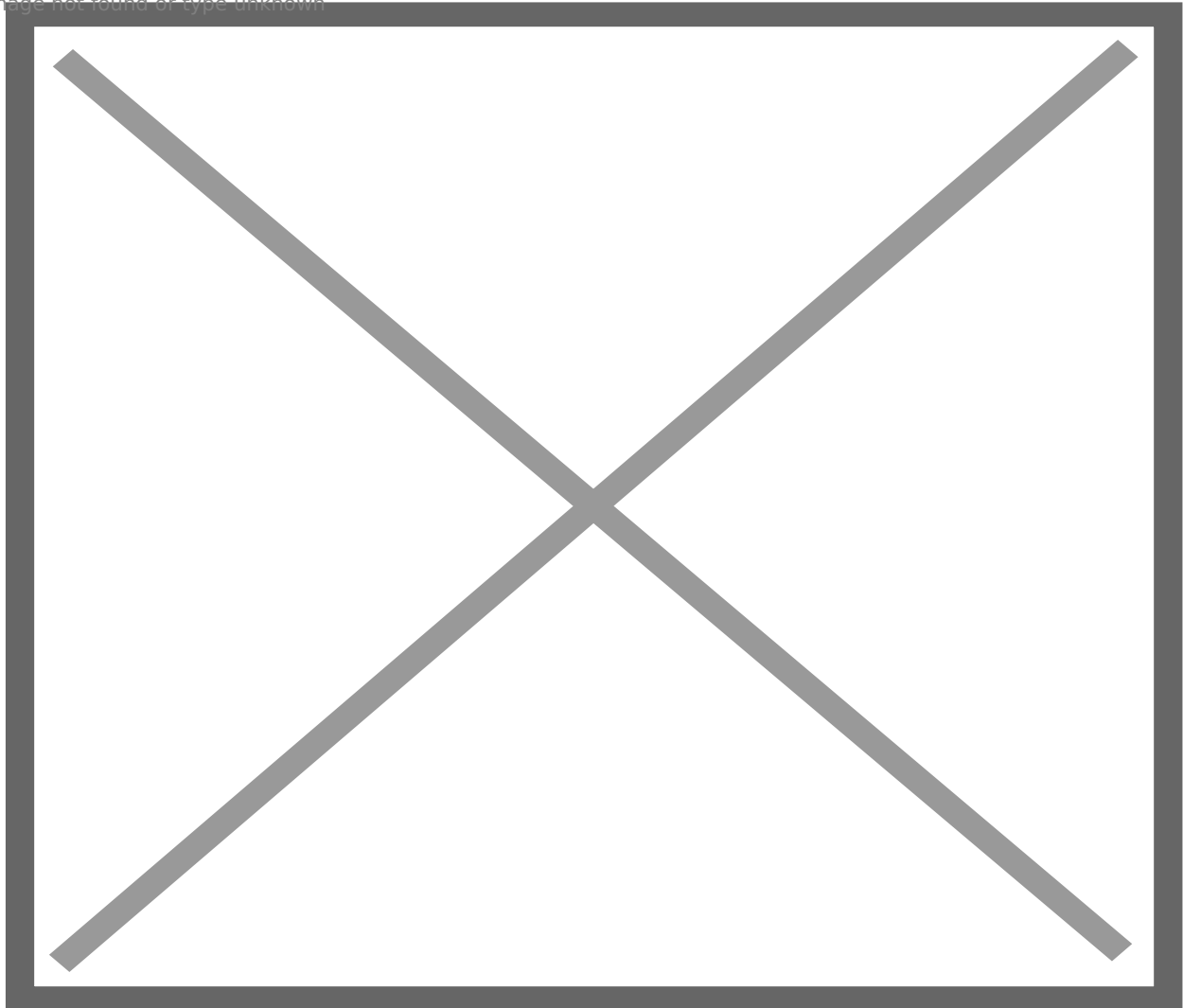


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I'm posting this not so much for Hossenfelder's essay against panpsychism (although I believe I can understand her negative impression of that), but for one of the comments (do a "Find in page" for swerve) bringing up Lucretius and the swerve as an example of ancient panpsychism. Correct me if I'm wrong, but Epicurus/Lucretius never said the atom "decided" to swerve, did

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they? I was always under the impression that it was a random, undetermined event. That randomness was what injected variety into a deterministic universe.

Although I understand where she's coming from I believe, this quote from her gave me pause vis a vis us:

Quote

Summary: If a philosopher starts speaking about elementary particles, run.