

"On Methods of Inference": Notes For Review And Discussion (Including David Sedley Article: "On Signs")

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So, in outline:

Physics

Canonic

- the faculty of Sensations
- the faculty of Anticipations
- the faculty of Feelings
- the process of Epicurean reasoning

Ethics

Or are you saying this:

Physics

Canonic

- the faculty of Sensations, mediated by Epicurean reasoning
- the faculty of Anticipations, mediated by Epicurean reasoning
- the faculty of Feelings, mediated by Epicurean reasoning

Ethics

These outlines consider the Canon to encompass the entire Epicurean epistemology, which makes sense. I've been thinking of the Canon as restricted to faculties, and that it's a tripod, which doesn't allow for either reasoning or a fourth leg. Is this how DeWitt presents it? I don't remember.

To my understanding, the type of logic that doesn't connect to canonic data is not really a part of Epicurus' philosophy and doesn't belong in the outline.