

Episode One Hundred Twenty-Three: Letter to Herodotus 12 - Events and Time

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OK I recognize that the circles in the diagram above don't intersect, so maybe it's not really a Venn diagram. That's where we need an improved version, because one of the points is that the word "properties" appears to be used in Epicurean texts as referring in some contexts to both (1) the unchanging aspects of atoms (weight, shape, and size) and in other contexts to (2) the essential aspects of some bodies which, if lost, lead to what we consider to be the destruction of the body, like loss of weight to a stone, or loss of moisture to the sea, or loss of heat to fire, which events would destroy that object at least in our perception of it.