

Epicurean Philosophy vs Charvaka / Lokayata

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Hello everyone 😊

a good while ago, I came across the ancient Indian philosophy called Charvaka (Sanskrit: चार्वाक; IAST: Cārvāka), also known as Lokayata (Sanskrit: लोकायत; IAST: Lokāyata). Virtually everything I know about it is found [in this article](#), and it all sounds remarkably Epicurean to me. The academic writer [Ramkrishna Bhattacharya](#) has published two English language books on the subject, called [Studies on the Cārvāka / Lokāyata](#) and [More Studies on the Cārvāka / Lokāyata](#), but I haven't gotten around to reading them yet – and because my book stack and task list are exploding, I probably never will. So, I surrender, and ask y'all:

What do we know about *the differences* between Epicurean Philosophy and Charvaka / Lokayata?

Thank you! 😊