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Eudaimonism and Greek Ethical Theory

I am skeptical of the claim, famously defended by Gregory Vlastos, that there is a robust, unified "eudaimonist framework" introduced by Socrates that all (or almost all) Greek ethical theories share and that distinguishes them from modern ethical theories. In this paper I critically examine what I claim to be a key element of the eudaimonist framework as traditionally understood; namely, that eudaimonia functions as what I call a "Comprehensive Practical Principle." I then consider how well this fits textual evidence in Plato and Aristotle

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