

The artificial, the natural and the necessary in Aristotle's Physics II

A Talk by

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Abstract:

What explains the curious mixture of the natural and the teleological in Aristotle's Physics II? The answer, that this talk attempts to outline, lies in his conception of the relationships between the natural and the artificial. Focusing on these "natural-artificial linkages" will help us understand how unique Aristotle's naturalistic enquires were: how he could locate the causality in what exists, without solely relying on the necessities.