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Earth Day

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Why Aristotle's Reasoning is Justified.

- He was closer to the PreSocratics than we are — Thales was ~ 250 years before Aristotle, not 2500.
- He likely had access to oral reports, indirect citations, or lost writings (maybe even Eudemus's material).
- His reasoning is coherent and explains why someone would choose water.
- He is trying to make sense of a cryptic statement using philosophical categories.

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Why we must be Cautious

- Aristotle had a systematic metaphysics — substance (ousia), form, matter, teleology, elements — that Thales almost certainly did not.