

“Structure in physical matter begins with atoms. All atoms consist of ingredients drawn from the same larder of sub-atomic particles. All atoms share a distinct type of framework, an atomic structure. All atoms have movement of their component parts within this structure. The thing that makes an atom of one element distinct from atoms of other elements is the function that emerges from the structural parts in motion.”

“Consider it from an operational perspective, an atom of one element has the distinct set of ingredients for that element, which means its structure is slightly different from the structure of the atoms of other elements. Because each element has a distinct composition and framework, all the atoms of a distinct element share a pattern of inner movement that is distinct from atoms of other elements. From each elements distinct framework and inner movement a distinct elemental function emerges. Function, the crucial feature of every atom, emerges from movement within the individual atom’s physical being. Each atom is an ongoing operation of moving parts, with function emerging from the atoms operation.”

From the Logic of Limitless, by Anaxagoras Pen

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