

'General' (pub. 21.08.17-09:18). Quote in M. Bergman & S. Paavola (Eds.), *The Commens Dictionary: Peirce's Terms in His Own Words. New Edition*. Retrieved from <http://www.commens.org/dictionary/entry/quote-foundations-mathematics-r-5>.

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**Term:** General

**Quote:** If a sign is apt to represent many things, the option as to what single thing it shall be taken to represent may be reserved by the utterer of it, to whom it naturally belongs; in which case it may be said to be used *vaguely*, or *not definitely*. The utterer may, however, transfer this option to the interpreter; in which case the sign may be said to be used *generally*, or *not individually*.

**Source:** Peirce, C. S. (1904). *Foundations of Mathematics [R]*. MS [R] 9.

**References:** MS [R] 9:2

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