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Term: Object

Quote: A Sign is a Cognizable that, on the one hand, is so determined (i.e., specialized,

bestimmt) by something other than itself, called its Object (or, in some cases, as if the Sign be the sentence "Cain killled Abel," in which Cain and Abel are equally Partial Objects, it may be more convenient to say that that which determines the Sign is the Complexus, or Totality, of Partial Objects. And in every case the Object is accurately the Universe of which the Special Object is member, or part), while, on the other hand, it so determines some actual or potential Mind, the determination whereof I term the Interpretant created by the Sign, that that Interpreting Mind is therein determined mediately by

the Object.

Source: Peirce, C. S. (1897-1909). Letters to William James. L [R] 224.

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