

SEEKING SOURCE FOR BERTRAND RUSSELL QUOTE

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Subject: seeking quote

Bertrand Russell somewhere quotes a nineteenth century logician saying something like "There is a mathematical sect of thinkers who put out their logical eye, and a logical sect who put out their mathematical eye, each believing they can see more clearly with one eye than with two".

I'd appreciate it if anyone could give me a source for this quote, either in Russell or in the original.

Thanks, Colin McLarty

HOW OLD IS FIRST-ORDER LOGIC?

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Subject: How old is 1st order logic?

When Frege developed modern logic, he did not restrict quantification to "first order entities" but allowed e.g. quantification over concepts.

My question is this: When and by whom was first order logic first explicitly isolated as a logical system? (My guess is Tarski, but I really do not know.)

I would be grateful for bibliographical references. Feel free to post or email.

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