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**Abstract:** A close reading of Descartes' works, particularly his *Regulæ ad Directionem Ingenii*, calls into question the common interpretation of Peirce's 'Questions Concerning Certain Faculties Claimed for Man' and 'Some Consequences of Four Incapacities' as being anti-Cartesian. In particular, Descartes' conception of intuition differs from Peirce's, and on one plausible reading of Descartes his intuitionism actually mirrors Peirce's inferentialism in key respects. Given these similarities between Descartes and Peirce, the dogmatic status of the anti-Cartesian interpretation of Peirce becomes evident.

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