

'Habit' (pub. 20.10.15-17:27). 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-design-and-chance-w>.

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**Term:** Habit

**Quote:** The main element of habit is the tendency to repeat any action which has been performed before. It is a phenomenon at least coëxtensive with life, and it may cover a still wider real realm.

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May not the laws of physics be habits gradually acquired by systems[?]

**Source:** Peirce, C. S. (1883-4). *Design and Chance [W]*. MS [R] 875; MS [W] 494.

**References:** W 4:553

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