Term: Mathematics
Quote: …if we conceive a science, not as a body of ascertained truth, but, as the living business which a group of investigators are engaged upon, which I think is the only sense which gives a natural classification of sciences, then we must include under mathematics everything that is an indispensible part of the mathematician’s business; and therefore must include the formulation of his hypotheses as well as the tracing out of their consequences.

References: MS [R] 459:1-2
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