**Term:** Multitude  

**Quote:** Multitude (in mathematics) [Lat. *multitudo*]: Ger. *Mächtigkeit*, *Cardinalzahl*; Fr. *puissance*; Ital. *moltitudine*. That relative character of a collection which makes it greater than some collections and less than others. A collection, say that of the A’s, is greater than another, say that of the B’s, if, and only if, it is impossible that there should be any relation *r*, such that every A stands in the relation *r* to a B to which no other A is in the relation *r*.


**References:** DPP 2:117; CP 3.626

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