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TWO VIEWS OF MATHEMATICS

“Thus mathematics may be defined as the subject in which we never know what we are talking about, nor whether what we are saying is true.”

—Bertrand Russell, *Mathematicians and the Metaphysicians*.

“Mathematics, rightly viewed, possess not only truth but supreme beauty—a beauty cold and austere, like that of sculpture.”

—Bertrand Russell, *Mysticism and Logic*.