

# Review of: "Charles Sanders Peirce and the Place of Chaos in the New World Order"

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I found the article interesting in offering the critical position of the American philosopher Pierce well established within the encounter of philosophy and science. The question of 'chance' against historical determinism is relevant, and the different sections of the paper go in this direction. However, I personally found the number of labels that the paper uses – fallibilism, tychism, synechism, scholasticism, pragmatism, panpsychism, and many others – quite confusing. Also, the article references the different phases of Pierce's intellectual life and academic engagement, using such a vast and varied array of terms (subjective/objective evaluations; ontological anthropomorphism; rationalist/ pragmatic logician; philosophy of science, scientific philosophy, metaphysics...) that somehow make the point of Pierce's original contribution difficult to follow. The question of 'evolutionism' is too complex to be analyzed among so many other themes. The final connection with contemporary cosmology is mainly given in terms of the emphasis that Pierce put on 'randomness', which, in my view, is rather unconvincing, or at least it needs to be explored in more consistent linkage. Overall, this is a good effort, but it remains to be further articulated.