According to one traditional scheme, there are two "ways," or a "twofold way" (= <u>duplex via</u>) along which scientific activity proceeds:

1. There is the <u>via inventionis</u> (= way of invention or discovery), which proceeds from how things seem to be, from the <u>prius quoad nos</u> to the <u>prius quaod se</u>.

2. There is the <u>via disciplinae</u> = way of the discipline or exposition and confession), which proceeds from how things are in themselves, from the <u>prius</u> <u>quoad se</u>, to the <u>prius quoad nos</u>.

(cf. The Irish Theological Quarterly, 43, 1 [1976]).