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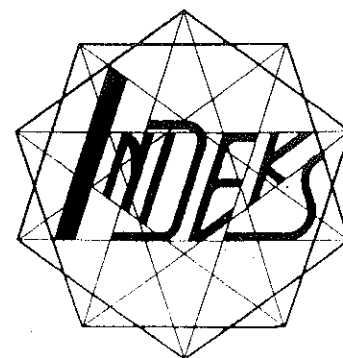
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Araj, H.: **Integration of an analogical reasoning model in a model of case resolution.**

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The resolution of cases in law depends on the generation of metaphors by analogy. It progresses by association, affinity and juxtaposition of two divergent ideas in an integrative approach. To argue a case, a legal expert cannot limit himself to the perception of isolated facts, but instead must find affinities between fields expressing more cohesion in law. In this paper, it is argued that the legal specialist relies on abstract categorization to discover a precedent and thereby create a metaphorical link that serves in the argumentation stage, and also later on in the resolution of the case. On this basis, a model of case reasoning is charted that integrates a model of analogical reasoning. In the same manner, a model of analogical reasoning is designed that combines quality induction and deduction. Furthermore, it is advocated that a rich representation of a law category is required to make a good induction. Similarly, it is specified that quality induction should be constrained by abstract rules in order to preserve legal principles and compute profound similarity between cases to discover the precedent. A better grasp of analogy can help us to improve legal information retrieval as well as legal case-based reasoning. (Author)

Heinrichs, J.: **Language theory for the computer: Mono-dimensional semantics or multi-dimensional semiotics?**

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Computer linguistics continues to be in need of an integrative language-theory model. Maria Theresia Rolland proposes such a model in her book „Sprachverarbeitung durch Logotechnik“ (1994). Relying upon the language theory of Leo Weisgerber, she pursues a pure „content oriented“ approach, by which she understands an approach in terms of the semantics of words. Starting from the „implications“ of word-contents, she attempts to construct a complete grammar of the German language. The reviewer begins his comments with an immanent critique, calling attention to a number of serious contradictions in Rolland's concept, among them, her refusal to take syntax into account despite its undeniably real presence. In the second part of his comments, the reviewer then takes up his own semiotic language theory published in 1981, showing that semantics is but one of four semiotic dimensions of language, the other dimensions being the signmatic, the pragmatic and the syntactic. Without taking all four dimensions into account, no theory can offer an adequate integrative language model. Indeed, without all four dimensions, one cannot even develop an adequate grammar of German sentence construction. The fourfold semiotic model discloses as well the universally valid structures of language as the intersubjective expression of human self-awareness. Only on the basis of these universal structures, it is argued, is it possible to identify the specific structures of a native-language, and that on all four levels. This position has important consequences for the problems of computer translation and the comparative study and use of languages. (Author)

Riggs, F.W.: **Onomantics and Terminology. Pt.II: Core Concepts**

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In both Onomantics and Terminology there are about a half-dozen core concepts which overlap but do not coincide with each other. They include what is called representation, description, cue, tag and notation in Onomantics and, in Terminology, definition, designation, term, symbol and name. A lexicographer writing a synonymy for such words might compare their meanings to show how they resemble or differ from each other, using a Semantic (words-to-meanings) point of view. To compare concepts (not words) in an Onomantic (Ana-Semantic, or concept-to-tag) context, one needs to compare the descriptions (definitions) of each concept to see whether they, indeed, have the same or different essential characteristics. One also needs to compare the notations that situate each concept in a system — even if the definitions of two concepts are almost the same, one might discover that because two concepts are positioned differently in their respective classification schemes, they are conceptualized differently. Finally, the concept tags (terms) used to represent each concept can also be compared semantically, i.e. to see whether their connotations and additional meanings support or hamper the unambiguous recognition of each intended concept. After an introductory display of the two sets of concepts, each of those used in Terminology is compared systematically, using all three sets of comparisons, with the nearest equivalent concepts used in Onomantics. (Author)

Nissan, E., Shimony, S.E.: **Tambalocoque: for a formal account of the gist of a scholarly argument.**

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Argumentation as reflected in a short communication from the published literature of botany and zoology is discussed. Trying to capture the logic structure of the argument, however imperfectly, is of interest to information science depending on a particular goal: namely, to potentially benefit the task of sketching the relation between bibliographic entries somewhat better than present-day bibliometric or scientometric practice does. This imposes tight limits on the depth of the analysis of the text. Even that way, the project of formalizing the analyzed paper's argument is ambitious. (Authors)

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