

ABOUT SEMANTICAL STRUCTURE OF LINGUISTIC HEDGES:

AN EXPERIMENTAL HYPOTHESIS *

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The hypothesis, inferred from experimental data, about the ordinal structure of the verbal estimate scale of the type "modifier - term" for linguistic variables is proposed:

There is a point $u \in \mathcal{U}$ an a support \mathcal{U} of a variable \mathcal{L} (which we may call zero, neutral, semantical center for $\mathcal{T} = \{t\}$) which divides the set \mathcal{T} on left t^- and right t^+ terms and such that 1) the order P_{t^+} (P_{t^-}) of arrangement of combinations $m_i t^+$ ($m_i t^-$), $i \in I$, for all t^+ (t^-) coincides with high significance level in a sense of suitable statistics almost for all m_i , 2) $P_{t^+} = P_{t^-}^{-1}$ almost for all m_i , where P^{-1} is the inverse order of P .

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