

Optionality as an indicator of language development

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Abstract

© 2018, Universidad del Zulia. All rights reserved. In the paper by optionality we mean a speech modification functioning in the language, manifested in a peculiar deviation within the norm, which exists alongside with the codified literary obligatory variant in certain linguistic and extralinguistic conditions. The functional-dynamic method is one of the main methods we used in here. For the analysis of faculty, an attempt is made to use the studied parameters of such a linguistic phenomenon as variance. Thus, we suppose that the phenomenon of optionality is basically associated with the processes of changes in linguistic systems and is a factor in the dynamics of linguistic development.

Keywords

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