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Editor's foreword

As far as semiotics can be considered as development of linguistics, so linguistics is central part of semiotics. As far as linguistics is central part of semiotics so branches of semiotics can actually use methodology that is used in linguistics.

It means that, for instance, two cultures can be compared almost the same way as two languages. Any language can be represented as ordered pair of the following view: <A; Ω> where A is set of grammatical meanings and Ω is set of their positional distributions.

Degree of proximity index of two randomly selected languages is superposition of two indexes: degree of correlation of sets of grammatical meanings and degree of correlation of positional distributions of meanings belonging to intersection (common meanings).

Culture also is <A; Ω> structure where A is set of concepts/memes and Ω is set of their contextual distributions. Context is certain condition that determines combination of certain concepts.

And thus, degree of proximity of two randomly selected cultures is superposition of two indexes: degree of correlation of sets of concepts and degree of correlation of contextual distributions of concepts belonging to intersection (common meanings).