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Representing future conceptualization in Persian utterances in the framework of Default Semantics[1]

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Abstract

This article deals with the representation of time conceptualization in Persian. Discourse Representation Theory and Default Semantics are semantic theories which have recently accounted for discourse representation. In this article, the capability of these frameworks in representing time conceptualization of Persian has been explored. Due to the fact that time conceptualization in Persian is heavily based on pragmatic inferences, it seems that DRT theory which relies on formal factors of utterance to represent time would not be an adequate framework to do this job. While, default semantics in which different sources of information including pragmatic inference are to be considered in merger representation, is proved to be an appropriate framework to represent time conceptualization in Persian.

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