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Salty flavorless ideas pray unconsciously: An alternative to Prayer/"Prayer" Duality

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Abstract
The purpose of this article is to show an alternative path to Prayer/"Prayer" Duality line of research, by modifying the original sample whose further analysis is the foundation of the whole line. It was found that deep down within the metaphysical realm, syntactic processing is pretty likely to move back and forth through time, like a time machine would do. Further analyses are still to be done on these quite intricate and interesting phenomena.

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I. INTRODUCTION

Prayer/"Prayer" Duality line of research, has had a rather constant development through the years, starting with a lexical sample showing that linguistic and scientific research do not merely fall within the realm of the rational. Rather, they involve a metaphysical or spiritual component, allowing for deeper insights and understanding of linguistic and scientific phenomena (Alvarez, 2018, 2019).

The purpose of this article is showing another way to treat the dynamics of prayer and its connection to language, by proposing an alternative path to Prayer/"Prayer" Duality line of research. We will begin by showing the theoretical foundations of a research like the one being carried out, to then going through the discussion itself. Finally some conclusions will be shown, derived from this research.

II. THEORETICAL FRAMEWORK

2.1. Prayer/"Prayer" Duality

Prayer/"Prayer" Duality, for the purpose of this research, can be defined as that particular system in the mind/brain, in charge of prayer and other metaphysical activities. This construct has proven successful in accounting for the mysterious dynamics of prayer and its integration to the neurological system and the mind/brain (Alvarez, 2018, 2019; Chomsky, 1995). In the case of this research, it is a key concept, since it provides with the conceptual foundation of the subtle but important alternative path we want to open, based on the concepts we have worked on so far.

2.2. Language

Language, for the purpose of this research, can be conceived of as a system beyond mere rationality (Alvarez, 2020), to be instead understood a system of communication that can be partially accounted for, by the concept and phenomenon of prayer (Alvarez, 2018, 2019).

III. DISCUSSION

To begin with, we can show the following grammatical and non-semantic sentence, in Chomskian terms (Chomsky, 1957):

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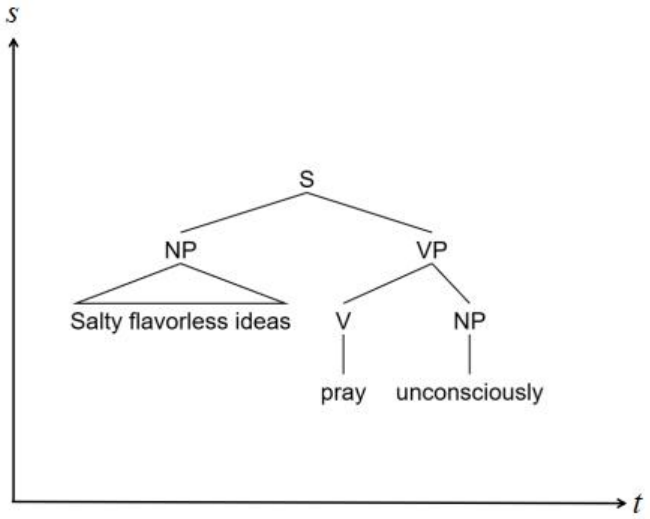
, which is an alternative to the sample we have been working on so far, namely "flavorless salty ideas pray unconsciously" (Alvarez, 2018, 2019). We have just made a small modification to the position of both words

"salty" and "flavorless" basically interchanging them. This may have consequences for the metaphysical insights that may come from this sentence, thus opening a new path of inquiry; it is clearly not a trivial syntactic change for that matter.

Therefore, next step is figuring out what this small change means and what consequences it can have for linguistic, cognitive and scientific analysis from now on. For this, we need to base our analysis on the modified sentence "salty flavorless ideas pray unconsciously", as we have said. This sentence can be understood both as a whole and as composed of its parts as well, each of them forming and constructing the whole of the sentence itself.

What makes this sentence special though, is not its linguistic structure in itself but something else, in this case the presence of the word "pray". There is a whole line of research based on this concept, which has had varied applications to different fields, including the very field of linguistics (through Prayer/"Prayer" Duality construct), astronomy and medicine (Alvarez, 2018, 2019, 2020, 2021). The presence of the word "pray" is, as we have said, what makes this sentence unique, only from a syntactic perspective for the time being.

A modification as small in the aforementioned sentence as we have said, may have consequences beyond our intuitive comprehension of the connection between space and time, with a special attention on the latter. Maybe the presence of the word "pray" within a sentence like the one being analyzed, sheds some light into the nature of syntactic processing on-the-fly and its special connection with time, something that may be generalized to the infinite set of phrases and sentences that we can generate (Chomsky, 1957), whether they are interconnected or isolated. We can go even further on this idea, and propose that the sentence "salty flavorless ideas pray unconsciously", shows us syntactic processing behaves in weird ways, moving back and forth through time, depending on the syntactic processes that are being carried out while a speaker is uttering a phrase or sentence. However, the connection between syntactic processing and space does not seem to provide with any special insight. We can show what we have discussed so far through the following graph:



Here we can see x-axis showing the line of time through which a sentence like the one presented can be uttered. As syntactic processing includes dynamics that can go in more than one single linear direction, we can say or at least speculate, that this syntactic processing involves moving through time, both forward and backward, depending on the dynamics that is being carried out at the moment. As we have said, what allows us to propose this idea, is the presence of the word "pray" in the sentence. However, this may be generalized to the syntactic phenomenon in general, in a weaker way perhaps but there is no hint this generalization being "weak" may be the only logical path to follow. Therefore, our conclusions will not be conditioned by that possibility.

Time moving back and forth in syntactic processing for that matter, has radical consequences for our understanding of speakers and linguistic-cognitive processing within the mind-brain, in the line of Alvarez (2018, 2019) and Chomsky (1957,1995). Does the speaker uttering a sentence like the one shown, move back and forth in time as well? Does something similar or related happen to the listener as well? What happens with the linguistic-cognitive processes within the mind-brain for that matter? Do they move back and forth through

time as well? These are questions that we can ask now. However, there is no hint that tells us we can actually work on them to begin with. After all they may fall within the realm of the mysterious.

At the same time, the continuous execution of an utterance like the one shown, takes place within space. However and as we have said, the connection between space and a sentence like the one shown, does not yield anything special theoretically speaking. As we have said, the special connection takes place between syntactic processing and time. Whether these insights can be worked on in the future is something that only time, in the common sense of the word, will tell.

IV. CONCLUSION

Through this article, we have explored a new possibility regarding Prayer/“Prayer” Duality, namely an alternative idea consisting of changing the order of the original sample sentence, in order to find new insights related to this line of research. It was found some weird dynamics takes place within the syntactic processing of a sentence like the one presented in this article, with the potential to generalize to the sentential phenomenon as a whole. The unusual dynamics we mention, has to do with the syntactic processing of a sentence moving back and forth in time, like a time machine would do. However, further analyses need to be carried out, in order to understand this phenomenon more deeply.

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