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Language and Reality

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Abstract:

My object in this paper is to clarify the character of philosophical inferences from grammar. By "grammar" I shall understand a classification of meaningful objects of speech (i.e., "morphology"), together with rules for the correct arrangement of touch units in sentences (i.e., "syntax"). The essential grammatical features, if there are any, must be present in all actual or possible languages that have the same face-stating powers. But my conclusion was that is little reason to suppose that the universal grammar, if there is such a thing, will closely resemble any conventional grammar. This conclusion is enforced by the examining of the relation between language (symbols of language) and the "state of affairs" (like L. Wittgenstein defined it in his Tractatus).