

## **Analyse logique naturelle du discours sur le pluralisme ethnique au Québec**

### **Natural Logic Analysis of the Discourse Regarding the Ethnic Pluralism in Quebec**

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**Abstract:** Ethnic pluralism is a reality that is very much studied by researchers, also by the government, who develop integration policies; as well as specialized professionals who are dedicated to welcoming and integrating immigrants. This work also concerns the "ordinary citizen" belonging to the general population, which is outside the high levels of knowledge, and who, however, lives in a polyethnic system. How does this ordinary citizen relate to the knowledge of specialists? How, according to his common sense, does he participate in the discourse of ethnic pluralism? In short, how do representations of the "ordinary world" produce its discourse on ethnic pluralism? This article reports on this research using an argumentative analysis based on natural logic as a tool for discourse analysis. The natural logic according to Jean-Blaise Grize is indeed a relevant tool for discourse analysis. The results showed that ordinary citizens surveyed declared themselves open to ethnic pluralism by emphasizing the importance for immigrants to learn French.

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