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WSK Online is a new online database of specialized dictionaries covering all the major areas of linguistics and communication science:

• Biannual updates
• 3,000 new articles every year
• Numerous search criteria - for professional and scholarly searches
• Bilingual user interface
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Special fields:

• Cognitive Grammar
• Grammar – Morphology
• Grammar – Syntax
• Graphemics
• Historical Linguistics
• Language Learning: First Language, Second Language, Foreign Language
• Language Technology and Computational Linguistics
• Lexicology and Phraseology
• Linguistic Typology
• Philosophy of Language
• Phonetics and Phonology
• Quantitative and Formal Linguistics
• Text Linguistics and Stylistics
• Theories and Methods in Linguistics
• Word Formation
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Every entry offers:

- A precise definition of the lemma
- Thorough explanations
- Synonyms and/or antonyms where applicable
- Detailed bibliographic information
- German translation of the Lemma and its definition
- Internal cross-referencing functionalities
The Search

Simple Search

The **simple search** scans the full text.

Example:
Search for "Assimilation"
The Search

Results List
103 results

Select the number of results per page

Results sorted by Lemma or Relevance

Clicking on the title opens the document display
The Search

Document display

- Navigate between all search results
- Change to "Reading View"
- Bibliographical information
- DOI
- Author

Assimilation

Process in which one segment becomes more similar to another segment.

For example, the /ʃ/ in the English prefix in- undergoes assimilation to [m] before [p b m] (e.g. impossible, imbalance, immobile). This is an assimilatory process because the input alveolar segment /m/ becomes bilabial before another bilabial. The regular plural suffix /-s/ surfaces as [z] after voiceless (non-sibilant) sounds, e.g. cats, caps, myths (cf. dogs with [z]). The rule converting /z/ to [s] after /p t b/ etc. is an assimilation because the (voiced) input sound becomes voiceless after a voiceless sound.

All assimilations need to specify directionality: From right to left (regressive or anticipatory) or from left to right (progressive or perseverative). The first English example above is regressive and the second is progressive. Some languages are attested in which an assimilatory rule is bidirectional, i.e. the assimilation involves simultaneous assimilation to the right and to the left (bidirectional spreading). A mutual assimilation (often referred to as coalescence) involves two segments assimilating to the other, e.g. when /ʃ/ becomes [e].
The Search

Document display

Definition of the Lemma and German translation

A grey background marks words/phrases from the search
The Search

Cross-reference and further reading

- Synonyms and antonyms with a link to the respective article in WSK Online
- Links to related articles in the same special field
- Detailed bibliographic information
The Search

Searches using the browse function

In the browse menu, all articles are listed in alphabetical order.

Choose an article by clicking on the title.

Jump to any article.
The Search

**Advanced Search** using one search criterion from the drop-down list.

To optimize your search you can search for any word/phrase using the search criteria Full text, Lemma, Author, and Literature.
**The Search**

**Advanced Search:** The search criteria Type of Article, Special Field, and Language of Article offer a number of further options to choose from in a drop-down menu.
The Search

Complex Search: Combining two search criteria

Possible combinations:
- Language of Article
- English
- And
- Special Field
- And
- Grammar
- Or
- Not

Browse:
- Jump to...
- Abbildung
- Abbreviation
- Abbreviations
- Abbreviations
- abgeleitetes Adjektiv
- abgeleitetes Verb

Items per page: 10
Sort by: Lemma
Page: 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10
The Search

General Functionalities

- Add note to personal account
- Saving options for Database entries
- Send feedback to De Gruyter
- Change text size for entry or results list

Allows citations in MLA, APA, and Chicago styles, or export elements in RIS format
Additional Database Features

Figures

Clicking on the figure opens an enlarged view.

Title and Source of the figure

Akrophonie
Trudel Meisenburg


Inhaltsverzeichnis
phonetisch-akrophonisches Prinzip (Schriftlinguistik)
semantisch-akrophonisches Prinzip (Schriftlinguistik)

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[Image of a chart with letters and symbols, possibly related to phonetics or languages.]

Allertabelle (http://www.medienwerkstatt-online.de/wn_wiesenburg/79327-1.png)
Additional Database Features

Find-as-you-type display

Matching articles appear already while typing.

The same applies to the browse menu.
Additional Database Features

Helpful Documents

You can find a number of further PDF documents below the browse menu.
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