

The Experimental Study of Interpersonal Intimacy in Conversation.

ABSTRACT

In this study we investigated the intimacy in interpersonal relationships by conversation analysis. The purpose of this study is to investigate the relationship between the real similarity of behavioral tendency and interpersonal intimacy. Behavioral tendency was measured by Tuzuki's TestDELB (B form) and intimacy was observed in experimental conversation. The main finding was that the real similarity of behavioral tendency was only partially related to intimacy as observed by verbal communication and nonverbal communication in conversation.

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