Review of: "Conceptual oxymoron, oxymetaphor, and oxymetaphtonymy: inclusive border and violent inclusion in close-up"

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This study involves an interesting topic. As a scholar from the background of cognitive linguistics, I would say this topic could add some beneficial ingredient into the study of cognitive semantics. However, it should be improved in the following aspects:

In section 1, examples of "exclusive border" and "violence inclusion" are provided without giving appropriate definitions, and the background knowledge related to exclusive border and violence inclusion should also be added.

In section 2, the author introduces the definition of conceptual oxymoron based on the definition of oxymoron in Merriam-Webster's dictionary. However, this section fails to clarify the connection between these two terms.

In section 3, the author redefines indirect oxymoron as "a structure that involves terms belonging to different grammatical classes, such that the second term is a hyponym of its superordinate, that superordinate being a recategorized antonym to the oxymoron's first term". However, the content of this section should be placed in the first section to facilitate a deeper understanding of the terms-- inclusive border and violent inclusion.

In section 4, the author proposes that violent inclusion and inclusive border should be analyzed not only as oxymora by as figurative conceptualizations that involve metaphor, metonymy, or both and their internal architectures. This section also fails to provide examples in accordance with the interpretations. In addition, the author' s division of violent inclusion as oxymetaphor is somewhat subjective.

In section 5 and section 6, whether violent inclusion and inclusive border is distinct or combined is not supported by concrete examples.

In section 7 Coda, a suggestion is made for further studies to view these oxymora in terms of parallax, a phenomenon that involves mediation between the subject and object of conceptualization. Still, parallax phenomenon is briefly introduced, without giving corresponding examples or providing a specific direction for further studies.

In summary, the nature of inclusive border and violent inclusion, their contextual grounding, internal architectures, and possible relationship between them are discussed in this study. The present study can perhaps serve as the starting point for further analyses and therefore an in-depth analysis should be combined with examples. In addition, there are many

terms that are not familiar to readers and the author needs to supplement the differences and connections of terms.