

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

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The author conducts an in-depth analysis of the expressions inclusive border and violent inclusion. It shows the complicated relations between oxymoron, metonymy and metaphor - how these three ways of conceptualization interpenetrate and create complex conceptual structures. He proposes to consider the analyzed expressions inclusive border and violent inclusion as distinct oxymora but combined into a coherent conceptualization. The author's analysis is convincing and captivating. In my opinion, it took away one essential element from his considerations - what is the difference between an oxymoron and a metaphor, in fact? The author seems to assume that the distinction is obvious - but it seems to me that it is not quite so. Both ways of conceptualizing have many points in common - they connect two different domains, in the case of an oxymoron, one speaks of a contradiction, but the metaphor also connects two distant and different cognitive domains. The difference may lie in the similarity of domains in the case of a metaphor, but many researchers (including Lakoff) note that often the creator of the metaphor simply creates this similarity. It seems to me that apart from the undoubtedly correct thesis that the oxymoron does not appear only on its own, but is often accompanied by a metaphor and metonymy, it is worth considering where the boundary between these ways of conceptualizing actually lies.