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ABSTRACT

This report describes current research associated with the computer-based stylistic analysis project. Work directed toward the complete automation of thesaurus construction for the VIA (content analysis) program is reported in some detail; the focus of this work has been upon comparative VIA runs using Webster's Dictionary of Synonyms, Roget's International Thesaurus, and Roget's University Thesaurus. As a result of these runs, conclusions are drawn regarding preferable sources for the computer thesaurus as well as regarding some technical aspects of VIA's operation. The power of MAPTEXT for quickly revealing stylistic patterns to the information analyst or intelligence officer is illustrated.

PREFACE

This is the third annual report on research in stylistic analysis. For these three years, the research has been carried out at the System Development Corporation under a contract with the Office of Naval Research, Information Systems Branch, Contract Nonr-4427(00). I am very grateful to the Office of Naval Research for its generous financial assistance; I wish also to thank the members of the Information Systems Branch for their helpful suggestions and advice during the course of this project. The System Development Corporation has contributed administrative support and financial aid as well as many other kinds of research support; space prevents naming the many people at SDC who have in some way contributed to this project, but this general thanks is intended for each of them. Acknowledgment should also be made to Saint Louis University and, currently, the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill, for teaching loads that provide time for research. In addition, I appreciate the helpful comments and suggestions of friends and colleagues in the wider professional and academic community; I am especially grateful to my husband, Walter A. Sedelow, Jr., who has generously given time to this project.

Once again, very special thanks are due Terry Ruggles of the System Development Corporation for major contributions to this research effort. He has been the sole programmer, as well as the coordinator for many of the day-to-day details associated with the project. In addition, he has helped with project documentation by contributing flow charts and extensive commentary regarding the descriptions of the programs' operations. He has also seen to

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providing program listings, flow charts, etc., in response to a considerable number of requests for these materials from other research workers in the general area of computer-aided language analysis. In short, his supportive efforts for this project deserve generous thanks.

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I. Introduction

The reasons for research on stylistic analysis have been discussed in some detail in a number of earlier publications related to this research project.¹ It seems sufficient to note here, therefore, that the ability to define the style of any verbal artifact, whether written or spoken, implies a definitive knowledge of the choice of words and the choice of arrangement and punctuation of those words within the set of verbal material being examined. Knowledge of word choice is of immediate importance to the information, or content, analyst who is looking for verbal documentation of suspected trends or attitudes or who is searching for new directions of attitude or thought in the verbal expressions of leaders or political groups in other countries. Knowledge of word arrangement and punctuation choices is of real importance to the information analyst who is attempting subtle distinctions among several different writers or speakers in an effort to reveal foci of disagreements or of shifts in view upon, for example, matters of diplomatic or military policy. To make these subtle distinctions, many different stylistic parameters may be required.

¹Sally Y. Sedelow and Walter A. Sedelow, Jr., "A Preface to Computational Stylistics," in J. Leed (Ed.), The Computer and Literary Style: Introductory Essays and Studies, Kent State University Press, 1966, pp. 1-13 (also available as SDC document SP-1534, System Development Corporation, Santa Monica, California, 17 February 1964); S. Y. Sedelow, W. A. Sedelow, Jr., and T. L. Ruggles, "Some Parameters for Computational Stylistics," Proceedings, IBM Literary Data Processing Conference, IBM, Yorktown Heights, September, 1964; S. Y. Sedelow, "Stylistic Analysis: Report on the First Year of Research," SDC Document TM-1908/100/00, System Development Corporation, Santa Monica, California, 1 March 1965; S. Y. Sedelow, "Stylistic Analysis: Report on the Second Year of Research," SDC document TM-1908/200/00, System Development Corporation, Santa Monica, California, 1 March 1966.

The general goal of this research project is to produce a programming system comprising a number of dynamically interactive computer-based procedures for the analysis of style. Several research projects focused upon one or a few aspects of the style of a given author or group of authors have been successfully undertaken. McDonough has worked on metrics in the Iliad,² Miles and Selvin on the vocabulary of poetry in the seventeenth century,³ and Ellegard on the word choices of possible authors of the Junius Letters.⁴ The results of these efforts encourage the belief that aspects of style can be rigorously defined and that highly similar styles can be distinguished one from another. One unattractive aspect of computer-aided stylistic studies undertaken thus far is the heavy reliance upon detailed manual research by the investigator; often the computer is permitted to perform a few statistical tests only after the human investigator has laboriously sorted data into categories of use frequency, syntax, etc. This initially modest use of the computer is a result, in some cases, of insufficient money to purchase computer assistance and, in other cases, of insufficient knowledge about the properties of the aspect of style being investigated. The latter insufficiency means that it was not possible to furnish the computer with the recognition criteria that would enable it to sort data into the categories on which the discrimination of

²Proceedings, IBM Literary Data Processing Conference, pp. 25-36.

³Josephine Miles and Hanan Selvin, "A Factor Analysis of the Vocabulary of Poetry in the Seventeenth Century," in J. Leed (Ed.), op. cit., pp. 116-127.

⁴Alvar Ellegard, A Statistical Method for Determining Authorship: The Junius Letters, 1769-1772, Goteborg, 1962.

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style was to be based. The study of metrics is a case in point. The perceptions of pitch, length, and amplitude are still too imperfectly understood for precise specification to the computer. Thus, the achievement of the ultimate goal for the stylistic analysis project--very fast analysis and discrimination of any style by the computer, without human intervention--will not be realized for some time. Nonetheless, it has been the practice of this project to define tasks so that the high-speed sorting and matching capacities of the computer are heavily utilized and so that the computer, whenever possible, may draw inferences from the work it has already completed. Thus, in VIA, the program that examines word choice in any given set of words, the computer program provides the links among all but the first level of associated words. MAPTEXT, the program that provides abstract representations of a text or texts, takes some of its input from VIA's output. As we enlarge the capacities of these programs and add other programs to the system, our goal will be to make the programs increasingly interactive so that one can "learn" from the efforts of another that has already operated. Only this kind of interdependence will produce the multipurpose, high-speed discrimination of style necessary for the fast study of verbal information and behavior on a real-time basis.

II. Research Procedures and Results

The efforts of the stylistic analysis project thus far have been concentrated upon word choice, with a lesser emphasis upon word arrangement. Last year's report upon this project reviewed in some detail the use of the VIA (Verbally-Indexed Associations) program to reveal content in texts representing a considerable spread in variety of word choice--two translations of Sokolovsky's Soviet Military Strategy, and Shakespeare's Hamlet.⁵ The linked lists of words produced by VIA successfully showed organizing concepts within, for example, chapters from Soviet Military Strategy, as well as more subtle ramifications of those concepts. For instance, although there is emphasis upon both conventional and nuclear warfare in the first chapter, "General Concepts" (RAND translation), word frequencies as well as the number of different words on the linked lists indicate a greater emphasis upon conventional warfare--an emphasis that is confirmed by specific statements in the chapter. When tested upon Hamlet, a play that has been seemingly exhaustively analyzed for content

⁵See "Stylistic Analysis: Report on the Second Year of Research," pp. 14-57. Translations used were Marshal V. D. Sokolovsky (Ed.), Military Strategy: Soviet Doctrine and Concepts, Translation Services Branch, Foreign Technology Division, Wright-Patterson AFB, Ohio (Trans.), Frederick A. Praeger, Inc., New York, 1963. V. D. Sokolovskii (Ed.), Soviet Military Strategy, Dinerstein, Goure, and Wolfe (Trans.), RAND Corporation, Prentice-Hall, Inc., Englewood Cliffs, New Jersey, 1963. (Because reference to the translations by translators' names or affiliation is unwieldy, throughout this report the translation published by Praeger will be called the Praeger translation, and that translated as a RAND Corporation research study [published by Prentice-Hall] will be called the RAND translation.) The edition of Hamlet used for this study was the Kittredge edition, Ginn and Company, 1939.

by scores of people expert in such analysis, VIA not only revealed the themes upon which noncomputer-aided analyses have focused but also picked out other significant concepts that had not been noticed in earlier "manual" investigations.

As it currently operates, VIA is dependent upon human intervention at one stage of its operation. This stage occurs after words appearing in the set of words being examined have been grouped together by root, and a frequency count of word occurrences by root groups has been made. At this point, the human investigator examines the output and, on whatever basis he selects--usually high frequency of occurrence--designates words he would like to investigate further. Next, the human investigator searches thesauri, synonym dictionaries, and contexts of the designated words for other words that, if they occur in the text, should be linked to the designated words. These lists of possible-associated-words are then submitted to the computer, which, after searching for these first-level list words, produces, on its own, sublists down to any desired level. Since the computer produces sublists, and since all suggested associated words are saved by the computer for later searches on other sections of text, human intervention is not preclusively onerous. Nonetheless, a goal of this research is a system of programs that can operate with a minimum of human assistance. Thus, other than a number of VIA runs on remaining chapters of Soviet Military Strategy, the effort connected with VIA this year has concentrated on research directed toward automating the search for first-level associated words.

So far as work with MAPTEXT is concerned, further experiments with representations have been conducted. A discussion of the results of these experiments occupies the second part of this section.

Work on further programs could not be undertaken this year because the Philco 2000, the computer on which the stylistic analysis programs have been running, was phased out at midpoint of the contract year for the stylistic analysis project. VIA and MAPTEXT are in the process of being rewritten for the IBM S/360 series of computers. While rewriting the programs, some features that experience has shown desirable will be added. Description of these plans appears on pages 90-92, Plans for the Future, of this report.

A. VIA

1. Introductory Comments on Frequency Counts. For the purposes of this report, it would be redundant to demonstrate again, on the basis of VIA's operation on chapters other than those discussed in last year's report, that VIA's output is a reliable, often subtle guide to content. Comments already made in this report (as well as in the documents mentioned in footnote 1, page 7, of this report) provide references to extensive appraisals of VIA's output. Since the initial operation of VIA is based upon frequency counts--most often high-frequency counts--it may be useful, however, to provide an anecdote about an exercise involving the high-frequency lists produced by the first subsections (INDEX and SORT) of the VIA program. This anecdote is not intended to serve as commentary upon the output produced by the complete VIA program. It is concerned, rather, with the validity of using high-frequency words as guides to gross content; VIA then expands and refines that content so that any false leads provided by the original frequency counts are immediately apparent. The interesting point here is how safe an initial guide a frequency count can be for the moderately informed reader. Too often such admittedly

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gross guides to content are dismissed, by both the casual reader and the research scientist who are appraising such a list from a work or intellectual discipline they know nothing about, as thoroughly uninformative, therefore profitless to produce. However, in many situations, the individual working with such a list is by no means totally uninformed. He probably has read part of the work rather carefully or, at the least, he probably knows the area with which the work is concerned rather well. An intelligence analyst, for instance, might look at a small subsection of data carefully and then search for some quick guide to the gross content of the rest of the data. This anecdote, which involves an experience of my own with high-frequency word lists, is intended to relate to that kind of situation.

The lists of words with which I dealt were those in root groups that had more than 50 occurrences for each chapter in the RAND translation of Soviet Military Strategy. The task I set myself was to take the list for each chapter and then infer a probable title for the chapter on the basis of the words on the list. I had read the first two chapters in the book and, two years before this anecdotal experience, glanced at the table of contents of the Praeger, but not the RAND, translation. Given my experience with the book, I assumed that the postulated titles for the first two chapters would be a good deal closer to the target than those for the other chapters. Actually, this was not entirely the case. Figure 1 shows the root groups on which my guesses were based. In order to fit the words into the chart, etc. is sometimes used. Whenever "etc." is used, the root group has appeared in an earlier chapter and all the forms used were listed at that point.

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
aim	air	air, etc.	all	all	against	arms, etc.	act
aims	aircraft	area	arms, etc.	arms, etc	aggression	country, etc.	acts
aimed	airfields	areas	capital	combat	aggressive	force, etc.	acted
all	America	arms, etc.	capitalism	combating	aggressor	important	action
arms	American	attack	capitalist	combative	aggressors	importance	actions
armed	Americans	combat	capitalistic	develop, etc.	aggressors'	industry	active
army	American's	conduct	capitalism's	enemy	aggressor's	industries	activities
army's	arms, etc.	defend	capita	enemy's	aim	industrial	actually
armies	Britain	defending	country, etc.	enemies	aims	military	actual
armaments	Britain's	defense	destroy	equip	air, etc.	militarily	agency
country	British	defenses	destroyed	equipment	all	mobilize	agent
country's	country, etc.	defensive	destruction	equipped	America, etc.	mobilizes	all
countries	defense	destroy	destructive	force	arms, etc.	mobilized	arms, etc.
countries'	develop, etc.	develop	develop, etc.	forces	attack	mobilization	central
develop	economic	enemy	force, etc.	forceful	attacks	operate	centralized
develops	equip	enemy's	imperialist	military	attacks	operates	centralization
developed	equipment	enemies	imperialists	militaristic	attacking	operation	centers
developing	equipped	force, etc.	imperialists'	missile	attacker's	operational	chief
development	equipping	formation	imperialism	missiles	base	operations	chiefs
economy	force	formations	imperialistic	new	bases	operators	command
economies	forces	form	important	newest	based	peace	commands
economics	forced	forms	importance	nuclear	begin	peaceful	commanding
economists	force	forming	military	operate	begins	peacetime	commander
economically	general	front	militarily	operation	beginning	peaceable	commanders
force	German	frontal	missile	operational	begun	prepare	committee
forces	Germans	great	missiles	organization	Britain	prepared	committees
forced	Germany	greatly	nuclear	organizational	Britain's	preparing	communist
forceful	Germany's	greatest	other	organize	Britishish	preparatory	communists
forcibly	increase	greater	others	organized	carry	preparation	communism
general	industry	important	people	organizing	carrying	preparations	country
generals	industries	importance	peoples	other	carried	transport	countries
generally	industrial	increase	peoples'	others	carrier	transported	country's
generalized	industrially	increasing	people's	social, etc.	carriers	transporting	
generalizations	large	increased					
	largely						
	largest						

Figure 1. Root Groups with over 50 Occurrences
per Chapter, Soviet Military Strategy, RAND translation

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
military	military	line	politics	state, etc.	combat	war	create
militarily	missile	lines	political	troop	combated	Wars	creative
militarist	more	main	social	troops	combating	warships	creating
militarists	mostly	mainly	socialist	war, etc.	conduct	wartime	creation
militaristic	NATO	military	socialism	weapon	conducting	warfare	created
morale	naval	most	socialism's	weapons	country, etc.		defend
operation	nuclear	nineteen-eightee	Soviet	weapon's	defeat		defending
operations	number	nineteen-forty-f	state, etc.		defeated		defensive
operational	operation, etc.	nineteen-forty-o	unit, etc.		defeating		defense
operating	other	nineteen-forty-t	war, etc.		defend		develop
policy	plan	nineteen-ninete	weapon		defended		develops
politics	planned	nineteen-sixteen	weapons		defenders		developing
political	plans	nineteen-thirty	world		defending		development
politically	prepare	nineteen-twenty	world's		defense		direct
social	prepared	offensive			defenseless		directs
socialist	preparing	offensives			defenses		directly
socialism	preparation	offense			defensive		directing
socialization	preparations	operate			defensives		direction
state	produce	operated			deliver		directions
states	produces	operation			delivery		directives
state's	producing	operating			delivering		directed
states'	production	operation, etc.			delivered		director
stated	product	organize			deliveries		directors
statement	products	organized			deploy		force
stating	produced	organizing			deployed		forces
statesmen	production	organization			deploying		forces'
station	product	organizations			deployment		front
stations	products	organizational			destroy		fronts
strategic	productive	organizationally			destroying		front's
strategically	state, etc.	politics			destroyed		general, etc.
strategy	strategy, etc.	political			destructive		high
strategies	system	politically			develop, etc.		highly
strategists	systems	red					higher
							highest

Figure 1. (Continued)

1	2	3	6 contd.	6 contd.	8 contd.	8 contd.
unit	time	reserve	divide	main	prepare	supreme
units	unit, etc.	reserves	divided	mainly	prepared	troop
unity	war, etc.	Soviet	division	method	preparing	troops
united	weapon	strategy	divisions	methods	preparedness	troops'
unite	west	strategic	enemy	military	preparation	unit
unites	western	strategically	enemy's	militarily	preparations	units
unified	west		enemies	militaristic	social	unity
union	world	time	force	missile	socialism	unity
union's	world's	times	forces	missiles	socialist	united
war	world's	timing	forces'	modern	Soviet	unify
wars		troop	forced	modernizing	state, etc.	unified
warring		troops	forcing	most	strategic	unification
warfare		troops'	form	naval	strategically	union
wartime		unit, etc.	forms	navy	strike	war
		use	formation	navies	strikes	wars
		used	formations	navy's	striking	warfare
		war	front	nuclear	submarine	wartime
		wars	fronts	offense	submarines	
		warfare	frontal	offensive	target	
			German	offensives	targets	
			Germans	operate	targeting	people
			Germans'	operated	theater	people's
			Germany	operations	theaters	plan
			Germany's	operational	troop	plans
			great	other	troops	planned
			greatly	others	troops	planning
			greater	out	unit, etc.	political
			ground	outer	used	Soviet
			imperial	outside	useful	Soviets
			imperialist	plan	useless	Soviet's
			imperialists	plans	use	staff
			imperialism	planned	war, etc.	staffs
			imperialism's	planned	weapon	staffs'
			important		weapons	staffed
			importance		west	state, etc.
					western	strategy
					world	strategic
					world's	
					worldwide	

Figure 1. (Continued)

The relevant totals for Figure 1 are as follows: in chapter one, there are 17 root groups having a total number of occurrences greater than 50 (the total number of content word occurrences within the chapter is 10,009); in chapter two, 37 root groups (13,380 content word occurrences); in chapter three, 33 root groups (12,649 content word occurrences); in chapter four, 22 root groups (9,376 content word occurrences); in chapter five, 19 root groups (7,793 content word occurrences); in chapter six, 61 root groups (17,755 content word occurrences); in chapter seven, 12 root groups (7,283 content word occurrences); and, in chapter eight, 37 root groups (10,458 content word occurrences).

Other than for the first two chapters, the best guess as to content might be expected to occur for chapter six, which had by far the largest number of root groups with 50 or more occurrences. This expectation may be a trifle misleading, though, because chapter six also had by far the largest number of content word occurrences. The guesses as to the major concept structuring a chapter compare with the title actually given that chapter in the RAND translation as follows:

Chapter One:	Guess: Introduction; Chapter Title: General Concepts.
Chapter Two:	Guess: Background re Soviet strategy vis-à-vis Western world; Chapter Title: Military Strategy of Imperialist States and their Preparation of New Wars.
Chapter Three:	Guess: Resume of earlier wars, especially World War II, but also World War I; Chapter Title: Development of Soviet Military Strategy, 1917-1945.
Chapter Four:	Guess: Chapter has to do with capitalism, imperialism; Chapter Title: The Nature of Modern War.

- Chapter Five: Guess: Chapter concerned with modern warfare and equipment;
 Chapter Title: The Problem of Organizing and Developing the
 Armed Forces.
- Chapter Six: Guess: Again has to do with modern weapons and warfare
 vis-à-vis Western world;
 Chapter Title: Methods of Conducting Warfare.
- Chapter Seven: Guess: Has to do with developing military preparedness during
 peacetime;
 Chapter Title: Preparation of a Country to Repel Aggression.
- Chapter Eight: Guess: Summation of plans proposed for military organization
 security, including Party organization; calls for certain
 actions and organizational procedures;
 Chapter Title: Command of the Armed Forces.

Of all the estimates as to chapter content, the guess for chapter four appears to be furthest off the mark. But an examination of chapter four shows that it's not so far off after all, because the emphasis of the chapter is upon the economic causes and bases for modern war. The estimates for chapters one, two, and six are quite good, as expected. But so is the estimate for chapter seven, which had only 12 root groups with more than 50 occurrences. The estimate for chapter three probably would not have been so successful had the words associated with dates in the nineteen forties, etc., not been included in the list. The appearance of this range of dates (the words are cut off because the maximum word length in the present program is 16 letters) gave rise to the guess that the chapter is concerned with some sort of survey of earlier military encounters.

What this little exercise shows is that for one reader with partial information about the contents of a book, lists of high-frequency root groups for major divisions in the book provided rather reliable guides to gross

content. For situations in which an intelligence analyst is looking at a very large body of information that has not been neatly done up in book form with chapter headings, close study of a fraction of the information combined with an examination of high-frequency root groups from other segments of the information may be a rather good way of isolating gross areas for closer examination with a full package of stylistic analysis programs. One would suppose, in fact, that many people concerned with the analysis of verbal data, whether in literature, intelligence reports, or some other form, have been, for years, intuitively using an analogous procedure for noncomputer-aided analyses. No matter how casually much of the material may be scanned, however, human effort as well as human inaccuracy is involved. Since the advent of computers, some verbal analysts have tended to derogate the use of frequency counts as guides to content--perhaps in part because such counts do imply an accuracy that some find uncomfortable. Obviously, no one should be satisfied with lists of high-frequency words as the final commentary on the content of a given set of data, but on the other hand such lists can usefully serve as guides and bases for further detailed study with programs such as VIA and MAPTEXT. In fact, the computer-derived frequencies for chapter three, indicating an emphasis upon capitalism and imperialism, indicate more clearly the Marxist view of war than does the actual title for that chapter.

2. Comparison of Thesauri and a Synonym Dictionary. Most of the effort devoted to VIA this year was directed toward completely automating its operation (see pages 11-12 of this report). Since a major component of the human

intervention entails searches of thesauri and synonym dictionaries, it seemed sensible to begin the effort toward complete automation with some thesaurus and synonym dictionary comparisons. The thesauri and dictionary used most heavily for the manual compilation of lists were Roget's International Thesaurus (Third Edition, Thomas Y. Crowell Company, New York, 1962), Roget's University Thesaurus (Thomas Y. Crowell Company, New York, 1963), and Webster's Dictionary of Synonyms (G. & C. Merriam Company, Springfield, Massachusetts, 1951). Although Roget's University Thesaurus is described as "Originally published as Roget's International Thesaurus of English Words and Phrases" (copyright page, Roget's University Thesaurus), the indices for these two thesauri are quite different, thus producing rather disparate results when used with VIA. These three reference works were, then, the subject of the initial experiments.

In passing, it might be worth noting that the work with Roget's seems particularly valuable not only for this project but also for the many efforts focused upon machine translation, automatic abstracting, and associated computer-oriented natural-language research. Although many comments have been made about the need for new thesauri or the revision of existing thesauri for various computer-based research projects, there is a real paucity of specific detailed information about efforts to use thesauri that are currently available. As a result, directions for reform or revision are very vaguely defined or, indeed, lost in the various contemporary attempts to begin afresh the classification of words. Although the theories on which various classifications are based may seem far apart, it is possible that the practical

realizations of such theories are not so far apart. For example, an effort to classify words in terms of concepts basic to man's intellectual structuring of his environment or his responses to that environment may not produce results terribly far removed from the classification of words on the basis of their observed semantic usage. The real problem may be that a great many new words, representing new areas of knowledge, need to be absorbed into or added to existing classification schemes. Such absorption or addition may well change classifications as well as the emphasis of groups of classifications, but, nonetheless, much of the apparatus already existing presumably will be usable. In any event, whatever classification scheme ultimately proves most valuable for any given purpose, it does seem that a closer examination of the schemes currently in use is indicated and that the results of the examination should be made generally available to other research efforts faced with similar problems.

The procedure for initial experiments with thesauri entailed first arbitrarily selecting a set of words appearing in the RAND translation of Soviet Military Strategy.⁶ The words chosen were those in the root groups associated with DEAD, DECLINE, DEFLECT, DELIBERATE, DELUSION, DETONATE, DEVELOP,

⁶ Words appearing in just one of the translations were selected because of a related research interest in the nature of the disparities between the two translations. That is, does a difference in word choice merely reflect minor differences in the translators' taste or major differences of interpretation? A comparison of the linked lists associated with the words appearing in just one translation, with concepts revealed in comparable groups of linked words in the other translation, might help provide an answer.

DEVISE, DOUBLE, and DRILL. These root groups represent all those within the D-alphabetic range that occur in the RAND but not in the Praeger translation. Owing to limitations of computer space, some words within the index of a given reference thesaurus or within the synonym dictionary that might often be considered part of a designated root group, were not included in the list on which the search for associated words was based. For example, in the words taken from Roget's International Thesaurus for the search for words connected with DEAD, DEADEN and DEADENING were included but not DEATH, DEATHLY, etc. No hyphenated forms (such as DEAD-BEAT), or multiword idiomatic expressions (such as DEAD LETTER, DEAD TO THE WORLD, etc.) from the thesauri indices were included. However, hyphenated forms within the entries to which the index words pointed were included on the final list, described below. After the root groups had been selected and defined, the appropriate entries in the thesauri and synonym dictionary were consulted. In the case of the synonym dictionary, words were looked up directly in the dictionary; for the thesauri, the indices were used as guides to the entries. Having reached the proper section or sections in the thesauri and synonym dictionary, all words listed as in any way connected with the word being examined were recorded.⁷ These words were then punched on cards and submitted

⁷Operationally, this means that all words (excluding multiple word idioms) in the appropriate thesauri entries were recorded. In Webster's Dictionary of Synonyms, the information under a given word often includes historical material that is, of course, full of words not synonymous with the word heading the entry; therefore, the synonym dictionary entries were perused "manually" for synonyms and antonyms.

to the computer, which searched the text--in this case chapter one of the RAND translation of Soviet Military Strategy--for word occurrences. A separate computer run was made for each thesaurus as well as for the dictionary. Figure 2 shows the words submitted for each reference word. An examination of these lists shows real disparities among both the number and apparent relevance of the words.

Webster's Dictionary of Synonyms

DEADLY	FATAL LETHAL MORTAL
DEAD	LATE LIFELESS QUICK ALIVE DECEASED DEFUNCT DEPARTED INANIMATE LIVING

Roget's International Thesaurus

DEADENING	NUMBING WEAKENING ANESTHETIC MITIGATING MODERATION RELIEF RELIEVING	DEADLINESS	DEATHLIKENESS FATALITY VIRULENCE
DEADEN	WEAKEN CUSHION MODERATE MUFFLE NUMB RELIEVE	DEADLY	EXTREMELY GREAT DEATHLIKE DEATHLY FATAL VIRULENT
		DEADNESS	DULLNESS INSIPIDNESS LACKLUSTER NUMBNESS

Figure 2. DEAD Root Group

DEAD

ANNIHILATED	BEAT-UP	DUST
ARID	BEAT	ELEPHANTINE
BARREN	BENUMBED	EXANIMATE
BLUE	BLANK	EXPIRED
CALLOUS	BLIND-ALLEY	EXTINCT
CHARACTERLESS	BLIND	FALLEN
CLEAR	BONES	FINISHED
CLOSED	BREATHLESS	FISHY
COLD	BUSHED	FLAT
DEADER	CADAVER	FLAVORLESS
DONE	CAECAL	FOUL
DULLED	CARCASS	GLASSY
EARTH	CARRION	GLAZED
EMPTY	CLAY	GONE-BY
EXHAUSTED	CLEAN	GONE
EXPRESSIONLESS	COLORLESS	HALF-CONSCIOUS
HEAVY	COMATOSE	HEBETUDINOUS
LATE	CORPSE	HUSH
LEADED	CROAKED	INACTIVE
LEADEN	CROWBATT	INAUDIBILITY
LIFELESS	DAMPENED	INDIFFERENT
NUMBED	DEADENED	INERT
OBDURATE	DEAD-ALIVE	INEXPRESSIVE
OBSOLETE	DEAD-BEAT	INSENSATE
OUT	DEAD-END	INSENSIBLE
PASSE	DEAD-TIRED	INSENTIENT
PAST	DEADPAN	INSIPID
PASSIVE	DEATH-STRICKEN	JEJUNE
PEACE	DEATH-STRUCK	LACKLUSTER
POINTLESS	DEATHLIKENESS	LACKLUSTROUS
REGULAR	DECEASED	LANGUID
REMAINS	DECEDENT	LANGUOROUS
REST	DEFUNCT	LATE-LAMENTED
SENSELESS	DEMISED	LATENT
SLOW	DEPARTED	LENTITUDINOUS
SPIRITLESS	DISUSED	LETHARGIC
SUPPRESSED	DOG-TIRED	LISTLESS
TONELESS	DOG-WEARY	LOGY
TOTAL	DOPEY	LULL
UTTER	DORMANT	LUMPISH
WATERY	DRAB	LUSTERLESS
WEAK	DREARISOME	LYMPHATIC
ABEYANT	DREARY	MAT
ABSOLUTE	DROOPY	MILD
ASHES	DRY-AS-DUST	MILK-AND-WATER
ASLEEP	DRY	MUFFLED
BALD	DULL	MUMMIFICATION
BEATEN	DUN	MUMMY

Figure 2. (Continued)

DEAD, contd.

MUM	SHEER	TAME
MUTED	SHUSH	TASTELESS
NAPOO	SHUT	TEDIOUS
NOISELESSNESS	SILENCE	THIN
NONEXISTENT	SILENTNESS	TONELESSNESS
NUMB	SLACK	TORPID
OBLIVIOUS	SLEEPING	UNAWAKENED
OBTUSE	SLEEPY	UNCONSCIOUS
OUT-WORN	SLUGGISH	UNEXPRESSIVE
PEDESTRIAN	SLUMBERING	UNFEELING
PEPLESS	SLUMBER	UNFELT
PERISHED	SMOLDERING	UNFLAVORED
PHLEGMATIC	SMOTHERED	UNINTELLIGENT
PLAIN	SOFTENED	UNLIVELY
PLODDING	SORDINE	UNOPENED
PLUMB	SOUNDLESSNESS	UNOPEN
POKEY	SOURDINE	UNSAVORY
POKY	SPENT	UNVENTED
PONDEROUS	STAGNANT	UNVENTILATED
POOPED	STALE	UNWAKENED
PROSTRATE	STANDING	VACANT
PURE	STATIC	VANISHED
QUIETNESS	STIFF	VAPID
QUIET	STIFLED	VERITABLE
QUIETUDE	STILLBORN	WAKELESS
RELEASED	STILLNESS	WASHED-UP
RELICS	STILL	WASHY
RELIQUIAE	STODGY	WEARY
REPOSING	STUFFY	WHIST
REPRESSED	STUPID	WISHY-WASHY
RUN-OUT	SUBDUED	WOODEN
SAVORLESS	SUPINE	WORN-OUT
SEMICONSCIOUS	SUSPENDED	

Roget's University Thesaurus

DEAD *

ACCESSARY	AIDANCE	ANARCHIC
ACCOUNT	AIDING	ANARCHY
ACTIONABLE	AID	ANCIENT
ADD	ALLY	ANTAGONISM
ADDITION	ALLNESS	ANTAGONIZE
ADVANCE	ALL	ANTAGONISTIC
ADVOCATE	ALTOGETHER	ANTIQUAE
AEGIS	ANALYTIC	ANTIQUITY
AGAINST	ANALYSIS	APPRAISEMENT
AGE	ANARCHICAL	APPRAISE

* Because of the length of the lists, only the entries for DEAD from the University Thesaurus are shown.

Figure 2. (Continued)

DEAD, contd.

ARMET	DEFEND	HELPFUL
ARMOR	DEFENDER	HELP
ARMED	DEFENDING	HINDER
ARM	DEFENSIVELY	HOLD
ASSIST	DEFENSE	HOUSINGS
ASSISTANCE	DEFENSIVE	IDEAL
BALANCE	DEMONSTRATE	INADEQUACY
BARREN	DEPOSE	INADEQUATE
BASTION	DEPOSITION	INDEX
BATTLEMENT	DIFFERENTIATION	INTEGRATION
BENEFIT	DIVIDERS	INTEREST
BLACKNESS	DIVIDE	KEEP
BLACK	DIVISION	KILLINGTIME
BOOKED	EMPTY	LAGGARD
BREAK	ENCOURAGE	LAGGING
CALCULATE	END	LAG
CALCULATOR	ENTERTAIN	LATE
CALCULATION	ENTIRETY	LAWLESS
CALLOUS	ENTIRE	LEADEN
CLASSIC	ENUMERATE	LEAVINGS
COLD	ENUMERATION	LIFELESS
COMMENSURATE	ESTIMATION	LIGHTLESS
COMA	ESTIMATE	LIMIT
COMPETE	EVEN	LINE
COMPETITIVE	EVOLUTION	LINES
COMPETITION	EXHAUSTIVE	LOAD
COMPLETENESS	EXPEDITE	LOSS
COMPLETING	FASTNESS	LOWER
COMPLETION	FAVORABLE	MAINTENANCE
COMPLETELY	FAVOR	MAN
COMPLETE	FOOD	MATHEMATICIAN
CONDUCE	FORCE	MEANS
CONFRONT	FORTIFICATION	MEASURABLE
CONTRADICT	FRAUGHT	MEASUREMENT
CONTRARINESS	FRUITLESS	MEASURING
CONTRARY	FULL	MEASURE
CONTRIBUTE	FULLY	METE
CONTROL	FURTHERANCE	METER
COUNTABLE	FURTHER	METRICAL
COUNT	GAINLESS	METRIC
CUSTOMARY	GOOD	METAGE
CUSTOM	GO	MORION
DEAD	GRADUATION	NARCOSIS
DEADS	GRADUATE	NEGLECT
DEADLY	HARD	NOTATION
DECLINE	HEAVINESS	NUMBERABLE
DEFENDED	HEAVY	NUMBERING

Figure 2. (Continued)

DEAD, contd.

NUMBER	ROOTED	VIOLATION
OBLIGE	RULE	WEAK
OBLIGING	SCALE	WHITEN
OBSOLETE	SCREEN	WHITE
OPPOSED	SECOND	WHOLE
OPPOSE	SELF-PRESERVATIO	WHOLLY
OPPOSING	SENSELESS	WINTERLY
OPPOSITION	SERVE	WINTRY
PAGE	SLOW	WINTER
PASSE	SOLIDARITY	WITHSTAND
PAST	SOUND	ABUNDANT
PASSIVITY	STEM	INSENSIBLE
PASSIVE	STEP	ECLIPSE
PERFECTION	STRIKER	INSERVIENT
PERFECT	SUFFICIENCY	INSIGNIFICANT
PERMANENCE	SUMMATION	HABERGEON
PRACTICE	SUMMARY	BREASTPLATE
PRESERVATION	SUM	INSUBORDINATION
PRIME	SUNLESS	BREAST
PROBE	SUPPLIES	BREASTWORK
PROFITLESS	SUPPORT	INTACTNESS
PROHIBITED	SUSTENANCE	ABACIST
PROOF	SUSTAIN	INTEGRALITY
PROVE	TARGE	INTEGRALNESS
PROPTIOUS	TARGET	HYPSONETRICAL
PROPORTION	TEND	INTEGRITY
PROTECTION	THOUGH	HYPSONETRIC
PROTECTIVE	THROUGHOUT	ECSTASIS
PROTECTOR	TOTALNESS	INTERPOLATION
PUTTER	TOTALITY	INTERREGNUM
QUICKEN	TOTALLY	INTRENCHMENT
RACE	TOTAL	INTRENCH
RADICAL	TRADITIONAL	ANESTHETIZE
RATE	TRADITIONARY	EFFECTUALLY
RECENSION	TRADITIVE	INUTILE
RECKONABLE	TRADITION	INUTILITY
RECKONING	TRUANT	BRIGANDINE
RECKON	UNBRIDLED	BRIMFUL
REDUCTION	UNFAVORABLY	BRIMMER
REFUSE	UNFAVORABLE	BRIMMING
REGULAR	UNITY	INVETERATE
RESISTANT	USELESS	INVOLUTION
RESISTANCE	UTTERLY	IRONCLAD
REST	VALUATION	IRON-PLATED
RIPENESS	VALUELESS	AUTUMNAL
RIVAL	VALUE	IRRESOLUTION
RIVALRY	VIOLATE	IRRESPONSIBILITY

Figure 2. (Continued)

DEAD, contd.

IRRESPONSIBLE
 JABBER
 EFFETE
 JAMBE
 LETHARGY
 BULLET-PROOF
 LIBERTY
 LICENSED
 LICENSE
 LICENTIOUSNESS
 ILLEGITIMATE
 LIFT
 LIGHT-COLORED
 LIGHTLESSNESS
 ILLICITNESS
 ILLICIT
 DORMANT
 DORMOUSE
 ADVOCACY
 LISTLESS
 LITTER
 DOUT
 LOAFER
 LOAF
 BULWARK
 LOGISTICS
 LOGLINE
 LOGOMETER
 LOG
 LOTTER
 LOLLOP
 LOLL
 LOOPHOLED
 LOOPHOLE
 LOOSENESS
 LOOSENING
 LOOSE
 LORICA
 ILL-SPENT
 LOUNGER
 LOUNGE
 DOZE
 BARAGOUIN
 BUMMER
 LUBBARD
 LUBBER
 BUMPER

BUM
 EMULOUS
 LULLABY
 ENCOUNTER
 LULL
 LUMBER
 LUMPISH
 LUNETTE
 LURID
 LUSK
 ATHWART
 MACHICOLATED
 MACHICOLATION
 MAIL
 DEPARTURE
 DOZY
 MAKEWEIGHT
 JARGON
 ELDERN
 ELDER
 ELDERSHIP
 ELDEST
 JORDAN
 ELD
 JUNK
 HYPSONOMETRY
 KILA
 BARBICAN
 HYPNOTIZE
 ASLEEP
 KILOWATT
 KNIGHT-ERRANT
 LAAGER
 LACKADAISICAL
 LACKLUSTER
 LADEN
 IDLENESS
 IDLER
 IDLE
 DECAY
 DECEASED
 LAME
 LANDMARK
 BRUMAL
 LANGUID
 LANGUISH
 LANGUOR

LANQUOR
 BRUMOUS
 AUTUMN
 AUXILIARY
 EMBANKMENT
 LATENCY
 LATENT
 ILLEGALITY
 ANAEMIC
 LAWLESSNESS
 ILLEGALLY
 LAXITY
 LAXNESS
 LAX
 BANQUETTE
 LAZY
 LAZZARONE
 ILLEGAL
 DEATHBLOW
 ILLEGITIMACY
 GLOOM
 GONE
 BUCKLER
 BUFFER
 LENTOR
 ADVERSE
 EMULATE
 LETHARGICAL
 LETHARGIC
 EMULATION
 ERGOPHOBIA
 MISRULE
 ESCAPE
 CADASTRATION
 MITIGATE
 CADASTRE
 CADAVEROUS
 MOAT
 MOBOCRACY
 CADGER
 ANTEDILUVIAN
 ESCARP
 DEATHWARRANT
 CALCULABLE
 MOLE
 DESPOTIC
 HOLLOW

Figure 2. (Continued)

DEAD, contd.

HAHA	DECEASE	MINE
GUARDIANSHIP	HOBOLISM	MINISTRANT
BARRACON	HOCK	MINISTRATION
AZRAEL	HOBO	MINISTRY
MONOCHROME	DRAWL	MIRKINESS
MOONSHINE	ENTRENCHMENT	MIRK
MOPUS	MANTELET	MIRKSOME
ETHER	MANTLET	MIRKY
ETIOLATED	MANURE	EQUATIONS
ETIOLATE	BUTTRESS	BELIE
MORIBUND	MARMOT	IMPERCIPIENT
MORIENT	GLOOMY	BELLYFUL
BEDTIME	ENTRENCH	CAPITOL
MORPHEUS	MASK	GLACIS
MORTALITY	HOCUS-POCUS	ACCESSORY
ETIOLATION	HYPNOTISM	ABATTIS
DIE	DESPOTISM	NUMB
MORTIFICATION	MATURENESS	NUMERAL
MORTUARY	MATURITY	NUMERATION
MOTHEATEN	MAUDLIN	NUMERICAL
MOTIONLESS	DEMISED	NURSE
MOUND	MEANINGLESS	NURTURE
MUDDY	DEFENCE	NUTRITION
CALCULUS	GEODAESIA	OBFUSCATE
CALIBRATE	ABDICATION	OBIT
CALIGATION	BEDARKEN	OBITUARY
CALIGINOUSNESS	AFTERNOON	DESPOTICAL
MULTIPLICATION	IMBECILITY	BENIGHTED
MULTIPLY	GEODESIA	EVENTIDE
MUNIMENT	DREAM	OBSCURATION
MUNITION	IMMEMORIAL	OBSURE
MURAL	MEDIEVAL	OBSURITY
BABBLE	MENSURATION	IMPLETION
EUTHANASIA	DEMISE	OBSTINACY
EUTHANASY	MERLON	CARAPACE
MURKINESS	BEDIM	OBTENEBRATE
MURK	IMMUNE	OBTENEBRATION
MURKSOME	DREAMY	EVE
MURKY	IMMUNITY	GLASSY
CALIGINOUS	ABSURDITY	HIEMS
MUSTER	METROLOGY	OBTUND
CALIPER	MIDNIGHT	DIKE
CALIPERS	GEODESIST	OBTUSENESS
DETHRONEMENT	CABASSET	CARTOGRAPHER
HOARY	CADASTER	OBTUSE
DETHRONE	CADASTRAL	OBUMBRATE
ENGARRISON	DIAL	OBUMBRATION

Figure 2. (Continued)

DEAD, contd.

BACKPLATE	NIGHTFULL	OSCITATION
OCHLOCRACY	NIGHT	OTIOSE
OFFSCOURINGS	NIGHTTIDE	OTIOSITY
OFFUSCATE	NIHILISM	OUT-OF-DATE
OFFUSCATION	NIHILISTIC	OUT-OF-FASHION
CARTOGRAPHICAL	EVADE	OUTLAWRY
OLDEN	NOCTIVAGANT	EXANIMATE
OLD-FANGLED	NOCTIVAGOUS	OUTRIGHT
OLD-FASHIONED	NOCTURNAL	OUTWORK
OLD-WORLD	EVASION	OUTWORN
OLDNESS	NODDING	DILATORY
OLD	NOD	OVERCAST
DISSOLUTION	EVENING	OVERHAUL
CARTOGRAPHIC	GONIOMETER	OVER-THWART
OPIATE	CAMAIL	OVERSHADOW
OPITULATION	NONCOOPERATION	OVERSLEEP
CARTOGRAPHY	NONCOOPERATOR	OVERTHWART
OPIUM	NONIUS	PACE
ABET	NONOBSERVANCE	AMICABLE
DRONE	NONPERFORMANCE	PACHYDERMATOUS
IMPOTENT	DONJON	ALGEBRAIST
IMPUGNATION	CANDLELIGHT	ALGEBRA
ANTEMUNDANE	NONSENSE	ALGEBRAIZE
ANTINOMY	NONSENSICAL	IMPUGNMENT
ACCOUIRE	IMPEACHMENT	PAGINATE
NAPPY	NOURISHMENT	PAGINATION
NAP	NOURISH	PAH
ABACUS	CAPARISON	EXCULPATION
GEODESY	NOVOCAIN	EXCUSABLE
BEFRIEND	DISSERVICE	PALADIN
ABATIS	EVENSONG	PALAEOCRISTIC
HELM	NUGACITY	PALAVER
HALF-MOON	CAPITATION	PALE-FACED
EUTROPHY	NUGATORY	PALENESS
NARCOTIZATION	ALGEBRAIC	PALEOANTHROPIC
ABUTMENT	HYPNOSIS	PALEOZOIC
NECKGUARD	BATHOMETER	PALE
NECROLOGY	ADMEASUREMENT	PALING
NEEDLES	OPPUGNANCY	PALISADE
GEODETICAL	OPPUGNANT	CASE-HARDENED
DREGS	OPPUGNATION	CASEMATED
NEIGHBORLY	OPPUGN	PALLIDITY
ANAESTHETIZE	GIBBERISH	PALLID
ANTIQUATED	ORTHOMETRY	PALLOR
GEODETICS	ORTS	CASEMATE
NIAISERIE	OSCITANCY	PALL
NICELY	OSCITANT	CASQUE

Figure 2. (Continued)

DEAD, contd.

PALSIED	HYPSOGRAPHICAL	ALIMENTATION
CASQUETTEL	EXEMPT	ADUMBRATE
CASTELLATED	GAUNTLET	PREADAMITE
PALSY	ADESPOTIC	PREGLACIAL
EXCUSE	DISUSED	CHIAROSCURO
PANDICULATION	BANK	PREHISTORIC
PANOPLIED	EXONERATE	PRE-RAPHAELITE
PANOPLY	CHAMFRAIN	EYESERVER
CASTLE	CHAMFRON	PRESCRIPTION
PARALYSIS	PHOTOMETER	PRESCRIPTIVE
ANAESTHESIA	EXONERATION	HYPSOGRAPHIC
PARALYTIC	CHAMPION	DRONY
HIBERNATE	CHAMPIONSHIP	PRIMEVAL
CATALEPSY	PICKELHAUBE	PRIMIGENIAL
ACCOMMODATE	PICKET	PRIMIGENIOUS
PARALYZE	PIDDLE	PRIMIGENOUS
PARAPET	HORNWORK	PRIMITIVE
DECOLORIZATION	EXPIRE	PRIMOGENITURE
PARRY	EXPLODED	PRIMORDIAL
PA	EXTINCTION	PRIMORDIALATE
DECOLORATION	PITCHY	INANE
CENSUS	DISMANTLE	PROCRASTINATION
DRONISH	EXTINCT	INANIMATE
PASSING-AWAY	EXTINGUISH	BERCEUSE
CESSATION	PLANIMETRY	PROMOTE
INACTIVELY	DISMAST	PROMOTION
INACTION	PLATITUDE	APPRECIATE
BENUMB	PLENARY	CHLORAL
PATRIARCHAL	PLOT	BEREAVEMENT
PATRONAGE	PLUMB	BLACK-LETTER
PATRONIZE	POACHING	ANEMIC
PATTER	POACH	PROP
DECOLORIZE	CHECK	PROPUGNACULUM
ALGORISM	CHEER	PROPUGNATION
ALGORITHM	EXTRA-JUDICIAL	PROPUGNATOR
EXEMAT	POISE	PROPUGNER
EXEMPTION	EYESERVANT	PROPUGNOR
CHAFF	ACQUIT	PROPUGN
PEDDLE	POKE	APPROXIMATION
PEDIEUX	POLL	APRON
PEDOMETER	POPPYCOCK	INAPTITUDE
PEELHOUSE	POPPY-COCK	DISPENSABLE
PEEL	CHERISH	DECOLOR
PENUMBRA	PORTCULLIS	PROTOHISTORIC
INACTIVE	POTHOOKS	INANITY
INACTIVITY	POTTERING	CHLOROFORM
PERISH	POTTER	CHOCK-FULL

Figure 2. (Continued)

DEAD, contd.

CHOKER-FULL	SAFEGUARD	SENILE
BLANCH	SALADE	FATHOM
QUADRANT	SALLET	SENILITY
EYESERVICE	SALLOW	SENIORITY
QUIBBLE	SANGAR	GEOMETRICIAN
QUIBBLING	COADJUVANCY	INDOLENT
ANESTHETIC	DIM	REDOUBT
QUIESCENCE	FAINT	INCOMMENSURATE
CHOROGRAPHER	FAIR	REDUNDANCE
CHOROGRAPHICAL	COADJUVANT	REENFORCEMENTS
FACE	SATIATE	REENFORCE
QUIETUS	SATURATED	CIRCUMVALLATION
QUITCLAIM	SATURATION	REFRIGERATION
QUITE	SATURITY	INCOMMUNICABLE
DROSS	INDIGITATION	CITADEL
BLEACH	SCARP	FATL
RADIOGRAPH	FAKEER	DEATH
RADIOMETER	FAKIR	REINLESS
RAGS	FALL	CLASHING
RAMPART	SCHLUMMERLIED	RELAXATION
FADDLE	SCIAGRAM	RELAXED
RANT	SCIAGRAPH	RELAX
BLOCKHOUSE	SCIAGRAPHY	RELEASED
RATH	COCAINE	RELEASE
CHOROGRAPHIC	SCONE	BARRICADE
RAVELIN	SCORE	RELIEF
CHOROGRAPHY	SCOT-FREE	RELIEVE
CHOROMETRY	SCOURINGS	REMISE
RECAPITULATE	SCRABBLE	CLEAN
RECAPITULATION	DITCH	REMISSION
BLOND	SCRATCH	REMISSNESS
RECITE	SCRAWL	REMISS
CIPHER	INDILIGENCE	CLOUD
DEPARTED	SCRIBBLE	REMIT
INCH	SCUTUM	RENOUNCE
INCOMMENSURABLE	COCKSHUT	RENUNCIATION
RECRUIT	SECONDHAND	REPEL
RECRUITS	ATTEND	REPLETE
REDAN	ARBITRARY	DILLY-DALLY
FADE	SEDATIVE	REPUDIATE
CLOY	SEGNITUDE	REREbrace
RUST	SEGNITY	RESCUE
RUSTY	SELF-DEFENSE	INCOMPETENT
FAILURE	DINGY	DROWSE
FAINEANCE	GUARDIAN	RESTRAINT
FAINEANT	INDOLENCE	DROWSINESS
DILUVIAN	ARCHAIC	RHABDOLOGICAL

Figure 2. (Continued)

DEAD, contd.

RHABDOLORY
 RIGMAROLE
 HYP SOGRAPHY
 CLOUDY
 ABSOLVE
 DROWSY
 RODAMONTADE
 RODOMONTADE
 ROD
 DUGOUT
 DISOBEDIENCE
 RUBBISH
 RUBBISHY
 RUBBLE
 ARBITRARINESS
 RUDERA
 ANEMOMETER
 RUN
 RUSTINESS
 ADUMBRATION
 SLUGGARDIZE
 SLUGGARD
 SLUGGISHNESS
 COMPASS
 SLUGGISH
 SLUG
 SLUMBERER
 SLUMBER
 SMOLDERING
 SMOLDER
 GLOAMING
 FIRSTBORN
 HARDENED
 SMOULDERING
 SMOULDER
 SMUGGLE
 SMUGGLING
 SNOOZE
 SNORE
 BARRIER
 COMPLEMENT
 DECOLOUR
 BARTIZAN
 ANAESTHETIC
 SOLIDITY
 SOLID
 SOLLERETS
 SOMBER

SOMEROUS
 SOMNIFACIENT
 SOMNIFEROUS
 SOMNIFIC
 SOMNOLENCE
 SOMNOLENT
 SOMNUS
 ASTROLABE
 ADJUVANT
 SOOTINESS
 SOOTY
 HYETOMETER
 ACHROMATISM
 COMPUTABLE
 COMPUTATION
 GEOMETRY
 COMPUTE
 SOULLESS
 INEFFECTUAL
 SPAN
 SPARE
 DECOLOURIZE
 SPEED
 SPINES
 ALLSIDED
 ASSESS
 DISMOUNT
 FLAGGING
 FLAG
 CONFLICT
 FAULT
 FAUSSEBRATE
 INEFFABLE
 FAUSSEBRAYE
 SHADE
 SHADING
 SHADOW
 SHADY
 SHAKO
 HYPNOTIC
 HOSTILE
 HAMSTRING
 ARCHAISM
 SHEER
 SHELL
 SHIELDING
 SHIELD
 SHILLY-SHALLY

HIBERNATION
 FENCE
 SHODDY
 FENDER
 FEND
 SHORE
 SHROUD
 COLLISION
 SIESTA
 COLORLESS
 ACHROMATIC
 SIMONY
 ANCESTRAL
 ASSESSMENT
 SIN
 ABORIGINAL
 SKIAGRAM
 SKIAGRAPH
 SKIAGRAPHY
 ARITHMETICAL
 SLACKER
 SLACKNESS
 SLACK
 SLAG
 COMATOSE
 FIDDLEDEEDEE
 FIDDLE-FADDLE
 FIELDWORK
 FILIBUSTERISM
 FILIBUSTEROUS
 FILIBUSTER
 SLEEPFUL
 SLEEPING
 COMMENSURABLE
 SLEEP
 DISPENSATION
 SLEEPY
 SLIGHT
 SLOTHFUL
 SLOTH
 SLOUCH
 FILL
 SUCCORS
 SUCKLE
 INEFFICACY
 DISABLE
 FOLIATE

Figure 2. (Continued)

DEAD, contd.

SUFFOCATION	TALLY	STUFF
FOLKLORE	COORDINATES	ARITHMETIC
FOLLY	TAME	STUN
INEFFICIENCY	TARES	FLY
BOLSTER	BOOTLEGGING	CONTEST
BOMBAST	INERTIA	ACCOMMODATION
SUNDOWNER	TARNISH	CONTINGENTS
SUNDOWN	TAUTOLOGY	STUPEFY
INEFFICIENT	SQUARE	CONTRABAND
SUNSET	SQUIRE	STUPOR
SUNYASI	FLAPDOODLE	HARNESS
HARVEST	STAGNANT	CONTRARIETY
CONTRARIOUSNESS	STAGNATION	SUBMINISTRATION
SUPEREROGATION	STALE	SUBSERVE
SUPERFLUOUS	STANDARDIZE	SUBSERVIENT
CONTRARIWISE	STANDARD	SUBSIDIARY
HASTEN	STARK	SUBSIDY
SUPINE	STATISTICAL	SUBTRACTION
SUPPLEMENTAL	STATISTICIAN	SUBTRACT
SUPPLEMENTARY	STATISTICS	SUBVENTION
SUPPLEMENT	STATUVOLENCE	SUCCOR
BARRACK	STATUVOLUNT	TELLING
INEPTITUDE	STATUVOLIC	TELL
SUPPUTATION	STATUVOLISM	BECLOUD
SUPPUTE	GEOMETER	FOREFEND
SURVEYING	STEELYARD	HEADPIECE
SURVEYOR	BLUNT	COUNTENANCE
SURVEY	INEFFICACIOUS	COUNTERACTION
INEPT	STEREOMETRY	TENAILLE
BOOM	STERILE	TENAIL
SUSTENTATION	STETHOSCOPE	COUNTERACT
CONTRAVALLATION	STIFF	INERTION
CONTRAVENTE	BALDERDASH	TENEBRIOUS
CONTRAVENTION	FLAT	TENEBROSITY
DISQUALIFY	STILLBORN	TENEBOUS
FOMENT	HARNESSED	THEODOLITE
HOUGH	STOCCADO	THERMOMETER
HAUBERK	STOCKADE	COUNTERMINE
SWEEPING	CONSUMMATE	THICK-SKINNED
SWEEPINGS	ADJUNCT	COUNTERPLOT
BEAM	GREAVE	THIMBLE
DOOM	BALISTRARIA	THOROUGHGOING
TACIT	FLUMMERY	THOROUGH
BEAVER	FLUXIONS	BOOTLEG
TALE	BODYGUARD	COUNTERSCARP
TALLIES	STRONGHOLD	FORFEND
TALLOW-FACED	STUBBLE	INERTNESS

Figure 2. (Continued)

DEAD, contd.

COUNTERVALLATION	ARMOUR	HEAUME
BALL-PROOF	CRIPPLE	UNCONSTITUTIONAL
FORSWEAR	CROSS	UNDEFINABLE
FORTALICE	TRANSGRESSION	HYPNOLOGY
HUELESS	TRANSGRESS	UNDERCURRENT
COUNTERWORK	TRASH	ALTIMETRY
FORTRESS	TRASHY	CUT-THROAT
THWART	TRENCH	UNDESPOTIC
TIME-HONORED	CRUMBLING	HUMOR
TIME-WORN	TRIGONOMETRICIAN	UNDIVIDEDNESS
TIMEKILLER	TRIVIALITY	UNDIVIDED
BASINET	TRIVIAL	FREEDOM
T-SQUARE	INFORMALITY	UNENCUMBERED
TOLERATE	FOSSIL	FREE
TOLERATION	TRUISM	DABBLE
TOFULL	TRUMPERY	DACTYLOLOGY
TOPOGRAPHER	TRUNCHEON	UNEXERTED
TOPOGRAPHICAL	TWADDLE	UNEXPRESSIVE
TOPOGRAPHIC	TWADDLING	INFRINGE
TOPOGRAPHY	TWATTLE	INFRACTION
DEATHWATCH	TWILIGHT	ACCOUTERED
TORPESCENCE	TYRANNY	DALLY
TORPESCENT	UMBRAGEOUSNESS	UNFEELING
COWCATCHER	UMBRAGEOUS	DAMMERSCHLAF
TORPIDITY	UMBRA	UNFITNESS
CRADLE	ACCOUTER	ANESTHESIA
TORPID	UNACCOUNTABLE	FREEZE
CRAMMED	FOSTER	FRIBBLE
GAUGE	ASYLUM	FRIENDLY
ACCOUTRED	CUBITIERE	UNFRIENDLY
TORPOR	CUIRASS	UNFRUITFULNESS
INERT	UNANSWERABLE	BALMY
INEXCITABILITY	CULTIVATE	HEMIPLEGIA
BOOTLESS	BAROMETER	DEFUNCT
INEXPRESSIBLE	UNAUTHORIZED	ACROSS
TOW-HAIRED	UNAVAILING	BAVARDAGE
TOW-HEADED	UNAWAKENED	UNILLUMINATED
FORT	CURFEW	FUDGE
FORWARD	UNBOUND	FULL-CHARGED
FOSSE	INFORMAL	FULL-FRAUGHT
INEXPRESSIVE	UNCHARTERED	ASCITIOUS
ABDICATE	UNCOLORED	UNINFLUENTIAL
AUDIT	FRANCHISE	ASHEN
DULLNESS	CURTAIN	UNINTELLIGIBLE
TRAMP	UNCONDITIONAL	DARKENED
DORMANCY	UNCONFORMITY	INIMICAL
TRANCE	GAUGING	UNIVERSALITY

Figure 2. (Continued)

DEAD, contd.

UNLAWFULNESS	UPHOLD	ACHROMATIZATION
UNLAWFUL	USELESSLY	DUN
FULL-LADEN	USELESSNESS	DUSK
DARKEN	INJUDICIAL	VIOLENCE
UNMEANINGNESS	USUPRATION	GALVANOMETER
UNMEANING	DULL	GARRISON
UNMEANT	FUSTIAN	VISOR
UNMITIGATED	VACANT	VIZOR
DARKLING	VAGUENESS	WALL
DARKLINGS	VAGUE	ACHROMATIZE
UNNECESSARY	VAIN	WAN
UNNEEDED	VALLATION	WARD
DARKNESS	VALLUM	DISCOLORED
DARK	AUSPICES	ASPHYXIA
HINDRANCE	DUMMY	WASH
UNOCCUPIED	DUNNESS	WASHY
UNOFFICIAL	VAMBRACE	WASTE
UNPRODUCTIVE	VANFOSS	BEARSKIN
HIPPOCRATIC	VANITY	GHASTLY
UNPROFITABLE	FUSTY	BOSH
UNPROFITIOUS	VAUNTMORE	AMBIGUITY
DARKSOMENESS	VEDIC	WEEDS
UNQUALIFIED	ASH-BLOND	WELL-DISPOSED
UNRIG	VEGETATE	BASSINET
DARKSOME	DEADEN	DEATHBED
UNSATURABLE	ASHY	INOOPERATIVE
HELMET	VELO	DUSKY
UNSERVICEABLE	VENERABLE	DYING
DATELESS	FUTILE	DYKE
DAWDLER	FUTILITY	DISCORD
UNSKILLFULNESS	VERBIAGE	BOUNTY
DAWDLE	VERNIER	DYNAMOMETER
DAWDLING	VERSUS	INSENSIBILITY
ANCILLARY	VESPER	WISH-WASH
ABORTIVE	VESPER	WISHY-WASHY
ABSOLUTE	VESPERTINE	EARTHWORK
DO-LITTLE	VETUST	DEMILUNE
ABSOLUTION	VIAGRAPH	WORTHLESSNESS
UNUTTERABLE	GAGE	WORTHLESS
UNWAKENED	ACTUARY	ASSIZE
UNWARRANTABLE	DISCOLORATION	DEMBASTION
UNWARRANTED	DEBRIS	YAWN
DISCHARGE	GUARD	DISFAVOR
UNWRITTEN		

Figure 2. (Continued)

Notice that for the entries from Webster's Dictionary of Synonyms and from Roget's International Thesaurus there are two sequences of words in alphabetical order, e.g., the entries under DEAD for Webster's Dictionary of Synonyms begin with LATE, LIFELESS, QUICK, all in alphabetical order, then revert to ALIVE, ..., LIVING, also all in alphabetical order. These lists are taken directly from the computer printouts, which list first in alphabetical order all the thesaurus words that in fact do appear in the RAND text, followed by the words from the thesaurus, again in alphabetical order, which were also submitted to the computer for the search but which did not occur in the RAND text. The nonoccurring list from Roget's University Thesaurus is not in alphabetical order but it does follow the alphabetically ordered list of words that does appear in the text.

The difference in number between the words gleaned from the two entries in Webster's Dictionary of Synonyms (DEADLY and DEAD) and those from the entries from the thesauri is obviously considerable. In fact, the total number of words in the lists under the Dictionary of Synonyms is 12; the total for Roget's International Thesaurus is 268, and, for Roget's University Thesaurus, 2452. As one might expect from these inputs, the outputs also vary considerably. They are alike only in that there are not elaborate networks of sublists. Sublists are lacking for the Synonym Dictionary and Roget's International Thesaurus runs simply because so few primary root groups are being investigated.⁸

⁸ VIA operates so that when a primary root group occurs on a list associated with or linked to another primary root group, a search is made for all words associated with the second primary root group; should one of the words on that sublist also be a member of a primary root group, a search is made for all the words associated with the latter group, etc. A glance at any of the VIA output shown in last year's report shows that VIA produces rather elaborate groupings of sublists. For this experiment, however, the number of root groups in any one run (sometimes just one root group) was not sufficient to produce sublists.

For Roget's University Thesaurus, primary root groups for any given computer run were even more stringently reduced, owing to the enormous size of the word list accompanying words in the primary root group; for one computer run, for example, only words associated with the DEAD root group could be submitted. Words associated with DECLINE, etc., had to be saved for another run. The output from the DEAD root group for each of the three reference works is shown in Figure 3.

Webster's Dictionary of Synonyms

DEADLY

DEADLY

DEAD

-----LATE

-----LIFELESS

(Different Form Appears in the Text)

-----QUICK

Roget's International Thesaurus

DEADLY

DEADLINESS

DEADLY

-----EXTREMELY

-----GREAT

DEADNESS

DEAD

-----ANNIHILATED

(Different Form Appears in the Text)

-----ARID

(Different Form Appears in the Text)

-----BARREN

-----BLUE

-----BODY

-----CALLOUS

(Different Form Appears in the Text)

-----CHARACTERLESS

(Different Form Appears in the Text)

-----CLEAR

-----CLOSED

-----COLD

-----DEADER

(Different Form Appears in the Text)

-----DONE

-----DULLED

(Different Form Appears in the Text)

-----EARTH

Figure 3. Results of Thesaurus
Run for DEAD Root Group

-----EMPTY	
-----EXHAUSTED	
-----EXPRESSIONLESS	(Different Form Appears in the Text)
-----HEAVY	
-----LATE	
-----LEADED	(Different Form Appears in the Text)
-----LEADEN	(Different Form Appears in the Text)
-----LIFELESS	(Different Form Appears in the Text)
-----NUMBED	(Different Form Appears in the Text)
-----OBDURATE	
-----OUT	
-----PASSE	(Different Form Appears in the Text)
-----PAST	
-----PASSIVE	
-----PEACE	
-----POINTLESS	(Different Form Appears in the Text)
-----REGULAR	
-----REMAINS	
-----REST	
-----SENSELESS	(Different Form Appears in the Text)
-----SLOW	
-----SPIRITLESS	(Different Form Appears in the Text)
-----SUPPRESSED	(Different Form Appears in the Text)
-----TONELESS	(Different Form Appears in the Text)
-----TOTAL	
-----UTTER	
-----WATERY	(Different Form Appears in the Text)
-----WEAK	

Roget's University Thesaurus

DEADLY

DEADLY	
-----BASE	
-----BATTLE	
-----BLOODY	
-----BLOOD	
-----CALAMITY	
-----COURSING	(Different Form Appears in the Text)
-----DEADLY	
-----DESTROY	
-----DESTRUCTIVE	
-----DETRIMENTAL	(Different Form Appears in the Text)
-----DISASTER	
-----DISASTROUS	
-----EXECUTIONER	(Different Form Appears in the Text)
-----EXECUTE	

Figure 3. (Continued)

-----EXECUTION	
-----GUNMAN	(Different Form Appears in the Text)
-----HARM	(Different Form Appears in the Text)
-----HARMFUL	
-----KILLING	
-----KILL	
-----MEAN	
-----NARCOTIC	
-----OPPRESSIVE	(Different Form Appears in the Text)
-----OPPRESS	(Different Form Appears in the Text)
-----OPPRESSION	
-----POISONOUS	(Different Form Appears in the Text)
-----ROTTEN	
-----TAKING	
-----UNHEALTHINESS	(Different Form Appears in the Text)
-----UNHEALTHY	
-----WARFARE	
-----WAR	
-----WRONG	(Different Form Appears in the Text)
DEAD	
-----ACCESSARY	(Different Form Appears in the Text)
-----ACCOUNT	
-----ACTIONABLE	(Different Form Appears in the Text)
-----ADD	(Different Form Appears in the Text)
-----ADDITION	
-----ADVANCE	
-----ADVOCATE	(Different Form Appears in the Text)
-----AEGIS	
-----AGAINST	
-----AGE	
-----AIDANCE	(Different Form Appears in the Text)
-----AIDING	(Different Form Appears in the Text)
-----AID	
-----ALLY	
-----ALLNESS	(Different Form Appears in the Text)
-----ALL	
-----ALTOGETHER	
-----ANALYTIC	(Different Form Appears in the Text)
-----ANALYSIS	
-----ANARCHICAL	(Different Form Appears in the Text)
-----ANARCHIC	(Different Form Appears in the Text)
-----ANARCHY	
-----ANCIENT	
-----ANTAGONISM	(Different Form Appears in the Text)
-----ANTAGONIZE	(Different Form Appears in the Text)
-----ANTAGONISTIC	
-----ANTIQUE	(Different Form Appears in the Text)

Figure 3. (Continued)

-----ANTIQUITY	
-----APPRAISEMENT	(Different Form Appears in the Text)
-----APPRAISE	
-----ARMET	(Different Form Appears in the Text)
-----ARMOR	(Different Form Appears in the Text)
-----ARMED	
-----ARM	
-----ASSIST	(Different Form Appears in the Text)
-----ASSISTANCE	
-----BALANCE	
-----BARREN	
-----BASTION	(Different Form Appears in the Text)
-----BATTLEMENT	(Different Form Appears in the Text)
-----BENEFIT	
-----BLACKNESS	(Different Form Appears in the Text)
-----BLACK	
-----BOOKED	(Different Form Appears in the Text)
-----BREAK	
-----CALCULATE	(Different Form Appears in the Text)
-----CALCULATOR	(Different Form Appears in the Text)
-----CALCULATION	
-----CALLOUS	(Different Form Appears in the Text)
-----CLASSIC	(Different Form Appears in the Text)
-----COLD	
-----COMMENSURATE	
-----COMA	(Different Form Appears in the Text)
-----COMPETE	(Different Form Appears in the Text)
-----COMPETITIVE	(Different Form Appears in the Text)
-----COMPETITION	
-----COMPLETENESS	(Different Form Appears in the Text)
-----COMPLETING	(Different Form Appears in the Text)
-----COMPLETION	(Different Form Appears in the Text)
-----COMPLETELY	
-----COMPLETE	
-----CONDUCE	(Different Form Appears in the Text)
-----CONFRONT	(Different Form Appears in the Text)
-----CONTRADICT	(Different Form Appears in the Text)
-----CONTRARIENESS	(Different Form Appears in the Text)
-----CONTRARY	
-----CONTRIBUTE	
-----CONTROL	
-----COUNTABLE	(Different Form Appears in the Text)
-----COUNT	
-----CUSTOMARY	(Different Form Appears in the Text)
-----CUSTOM	
-----DEAD	(Different Form Appears in the Text)

Figure 3. (Continued)

-----DEADS	(Different Form Appears in the Text)
-----DEADLY	
-----BASE	
-----BATTLE	
-----BLOODY	(Different Form Appears in the Text)
-----BLOOD	
-----CALAMITY	
-----COURSING	(Different Form Appears in the Text)
-----DEADLY	
-----DESTROY	
-----DESTRUCTIVE	
-----DETRIMENTAL	(Different Form Appears in the Text)
-----DISASTER	
-----DISASTROUS	
-----EXECUTIONER	(Different Form Appears in the Text)
-----EXECUTE	
-----EXECUTION	
-----GUNMAN	(Different Form Appears in the Text)
-----HARM	(Different Form Appears in the Text)
-----HARMFUL	
-----KILLING	
-----KILL	
-----MEAN	
-----NARCOTIC	
-----OPPRESSIVE	(Different Form Appears in the Text)
-----OPPRESS	(Different Form Appears in the Text)
-----OPPRESSION	
-----POISONOUS	(Different Form Appears in the Text)
-----ROTTEN	
-----TAKING	
-----UNHEALTHINESS	(Different Form Appears in the Text)
-----UNHEALTHY	
-----WARFARE	
-----WAR	
-----WRONG	(Different Form Appears in the Text)
-----DECLINE	
-----DEFENDED	(Different Form Appears in the Text)
-----DEFEND	(Different Form Appears in the Text)
-----DEFENDER	(Different Form Appears in the Text)
-----DEFENDING	
-----DEFENSIVELY	(Different Form Appears in the Text)
-----DEFENSE	
-----DEFENSIVE	
-----DEMONSTRATE	(Different Form Appears in the Text)
-----DEPOSE	(Different Form Appears in the Text)
-----DEPOSITION	(Different Form Appears in the Text)
-----DIFFERENTIATION	

Figure 3. (Continued)

-----DIVIDERS	(Different Form Appears in the Text)
-----DIVIDE	(Different Form Appears in the Text)
-----DIVISION	
-----EMPTY	
-----ENCOURAGE	(Different Form Appears in the Text)
-----END	
-----ENTERTAIN	(Different Form Appears in the Text)
-----ENTIRETY	(Different Form Appears in the Text)
-----ENTIRE	
-----ENUMERATE	(Different Form Appears in the Text)
-----ENUMERATION	(Different Form Appears in the Text)
-----ESTIMATION	(Different Form Appears in the Text)
-----ESTIMATE	
-----EVEN	(Different Form Appears in the Text)
-----EVOLUTION	(Different Form Appears in the Text)
-----EXHAUSTIVE	(Different Form Appears in the Text)
-----EXPEDITE	(Different Form Appears in the Text)
-----FASTNESS	(Different Form Appears in the Text)
-----FAVORABLE	
-----FAVOR	
-----FOOD	
-----FORCE	
-----FORTIFICATION	
-----FRAUGHT	
-----FRUITLESS	(Different Form Appears in the Text)
-----FULL	(Different Form Appears in the Text)
-----FULLY	
-----FURTHERANCE	(Different Form Appears in the Text)
-----FURTHER	
-----GAINLESS	(Different Form Appears in the Text)
-----GOOD	
-----GO	
-----GRADUATION	(Different Form Appears in the Text)
-----GRADUATE	(Different Form Appears in the Text)
-----HARD	(Different Form Appears in the Text)
-----HEAVINESS	(Different Form Appears in the Text)
-----HEAVY	
-----HELPFUL	(Different Form Appears in the Text)
-----HELP	
-----HINDER	
-----HOLD	
-----HOUSINGS	(Different Form Appears in the Text)
-----IDEAL	(Different Form Appears in the Text)
-----INADEQUACY	(Different Form Appears in the Text)
-----INADEQUATE	
-----INDEX	
-----INTEGRATION	

Figure 3. (Continued)

-----INTEREST	
-----KEEP	
-----KILLINGTIME	(Different Form Appears in the Text)
-----LAGGARD	(Different Form Appears in the Text)
-----LAGGING	(Different Form Appears in the Text)
-----LAG	
-----LATE	
-----LAWLESS	(Different Form Appears in the Text)
-----LEADEN	(Different Form Appears in the Text)
-----LEAVINGS	
-----LIFELESS	(Different Form Appears in the Text)
-----LIGHTLESS	(Different Form Appears in the Text)
-----LIMIT	
-----LINE	
-----LINES	
-----LOAD	
-----LOSS	
-----LOWER	
-----MAINTENANCE	
-----MAN	
-----MATHEMATICIAN	(Different Form Appears in the Text)
-----MEANS	
-----MEASURABLE	(Different Form Appears in the Text)
-----MEASUREMENT	(Different Form Appears in the Text)
-----MEASURING	(Different Form Appears in the Text)
-----MEASURE	
-----METE	(Different Form Appears in the Text)
-----METER	(Different Form Appears in the Text)
-----METRICAL	(Different Form Appears in the Text)
-----METRIC	
-----METAGE	(Different Form Appears in the Text)
-----MORION	(Different Form Appears in the Text)
-----NARCOSIS	(Different Form Appears in the Text)
-----NEGLECT	
-----NOTATION	(Different Form Appears in the Text)
-----NUMBERABLE	(Different Form Appears in the Text)
-----NUMBERING	(Different Form Appears in the Text)
-----NUMBER	
-----OBLIGE	(Different Form Appears in the Text)
-----OBLIGING	(Different Form Appears in the Text)
-----OBSOLETE	
-----OPPOSED	
-----OPPOSE	
-----OPPOSING	
-----OPPOSITION	
-----PAGE	
-----PASSE	(Different Form Appears in the Text)

Figure 3. (Continued)

-----PAST	
-----PASSIVITY	(Different Form Appears in the Text)
-----PASSIVE	
-----PERFECTION	
-----PERFECT	
-----PERMANENCE	(Different Form Appears in the Text)
-----PRACTICE	
-----PRESERVATION	(Different Form Appears in the Text)
-----PRIME	(Different Form Appears in the Text)
-----PROBE	
-----PROFITLESS	(Different Form Appears in the Text)
-----PROHIBITED	(Different Form Appears in the Text)
-----PROOF	
-----PROVE	
-----PROFITIOUS	
-----PROPORTION	
-----PROTECTION	(Different Form Appears in the Text)
-----PROTECTIVE	(Different Form Appears in the Text)
-----PROTECTOR	(Different Form Appears in the Text)
-----PUTTER	(Different Form Appears in the Text)
-----QUICKEN	(Different Form Appears in the Text)
-----RACE	
-----RADICAL	
-----RATE	
-----RECENSION	(Different Form Appears in the Text)
-----RECKONABLE	(Different Form Appears in the Text)
-----RECKONING	(Different Form Appears in the Text)
-----RECKON	
-----REDUCTION	(Different Form Appears in the Text)
-----REFUSE	(Different Form Appears in the Text)
-----REGULAR	
-----RESISTANT	(Different Form Appears in the Text)
-----RESISTANCE	
-----REST	
-----RIPENESS	(Different Form Appears in the Text)
-----RIVAL	(Different Form Appears in the Text)
-----RIVALRY	
-----ROOTED	
-----RULE	
-----SCALE	
-----SCREEN	
-----SECOND	
-----SELF-PRESERVATIO	
-----SENSELESS	(Different Form Appears in the Text)
-----SERVE	
-----SLOW	
-----SOLIDARITY	

Figure 3. (Continued)

-----SOUND	
-----STEM	
-----STEP	
-----STRIKER	(Different Form Appears in the Text)
-----SUFFICIENCY	(Different Form Appears in the Text)
-----SUMMATION	(Different Form Appears in the Text)
-----SUMMARY	
-----SUM	
-----SUNLESS	(Different Form Appears in the Text)
-----SUPPLIES	(Different Form Appears in the Text)
-----SUPPORT	
-----SUSTENANCE	(Different Form Appears in the Text)
-----SUSTAIN	
-----TARGET	(Different Form Appears in the Text)
-----TARGET	
-----TEND	(Different Form Appears in the Text)
-----THOUGH	(Different Form Appears in the Text)
-----THROUGHOUT	
-----TOTALNESS	(Different Form Appears in the Text)
-----TOTALITY	
-----TOTALLY	
-----TOTAL	
-----TRADITIONAL	(Different Form Appears in the Text)
-----TRADITIONARY	(Different Form Appears in the Text)
-----TRADITIVE	(Different Form Appears in the Text)
-----TRADITION	
-----TRUANT	(Different Form Appears in the Text)
-----UNBRIDLED	
-----UNFAVORABLY	(Different Form Appears in the Text)
-----UNFAVORABLE	
-----UNITY	
-----USELESS	(Different Form Appears in the Text)
-----UTTERLY	(Different Form Appears in the Text)
-----VALUATION	(Different Form Appears in the Text)
-----VALUELESS	(Different Form Appears in the Text)
-----VALUE	
-----VIOLATE	
-----VIOLATION	
-----WEAK	
-----WHITTEN	(Different Form Appears in the Text)
-----WHITE	
-----WHOLE	
-----WHOLLY	
-----WINTERLY	(Different Form Appears in the Text)
-----WINTRY	(Different Form Appears in the Text)
-----WINTER	
-----WITHSTAND	

Figure 3. (Continued)

DEALING
DEAL
DEALS
DEALT
DEAN
DECEMBER
DECISIONS
DECISIVELY
DECISIVENESS
DECISIVE
DECLARATION
DECLARATIONS
DECLARED
DECLARES
DECLARING
DECLINE
DECREE
DEEMS
DEEP
DEFEAT
DEFEATS
DEFENDING
DEFENSE-INDUSTRI
DEFENSE
DEFENSIVE
DEFINED
DEFINES
DEFINING
DEFINITE
DEFINITION
DEFINITIVE
DEFLECT
DEGREE
DELAYED
DELAYING

Figure 3. (Continued)

Notice that the output is formatted so that, in each case, the word DEADLY appears initially at the far left. This location means that DEADLY is the one word in the root group associated with DEAD that actually occurs in the text. The other words, including DEAD, located in the column just to the right of the initial DEADLY, are simply words within the root group upon which searches

for associated words will be based. DEADLY appears in this column as well because it "initiates" a search. For a discussion of the reason behind this aspect of the program, see pages 69-70 in this report.

The number of words in the output clearly reflects the disparate numbers in the input. Other than the words in the root group, the total number of words in the output from the computer run using Webster's Dictionary of Synonyms, is 3; for Roget's International Thesaurus, the total is 44; for Roget's University Thesaurus, the total is 310 (the repeated 32 words associated with DEADLY are not counted in this total).

Before examining the outputs in more detail, the reason for the enormous discrepancy between the numbers of words produced by the two Roget's thesauri--one of which is said to be a version of the other--is worth pointing out. The reason lies in the methods used for indexing the two thesauri. In some cases the indices are concerned with comparable concepts. For example, in Roget's University Thesaurus, some of the entries under DEAD are as follows:

lifeless 360
inert 172
obsolete 124

In Roget's International Thesaurus, the analogous entries under DEAD are:

lifeless 407.24
inert 267.12
passé 123.15

The reference to "lifeless 360" in the University Thesaurus sends the investigator to a general heading, 360, entitled DEATH, which contains approximately two columns of synonyms and antonyms. The reference for "lifeless" in Roget's International Thesaurus is to a subsection of the general entry DEATH. This

subsection contains just 24 words suitable for inclusion in the suggested-word list (remember that multiple word idioms, such as "gone to a better land," are excluded) as opposed to some 65 words in the University Thesaurus. An examination of the other entries would show a similar pattern. Thus, although the entry under DEATH in the International Thesaurus is actually fuller than that in the University Thesaurus, the practice of indexing by subsection in the International Thesaurus considerably reduces the number of words referenced by any one index entry.

In addition to the differences between the suggested word lists caused by reference to subsection in one index and not in the other, the major headings referenced in the two thesauri under any given word are not identical. For example, the headings under DEAD from the University Thesaurus that were used for this comparison are shown in Figure 4.

dead	complete 52	(Completeness)
	obsolete 124	(Oldness)
	inert 172	(Inertness)
	colorless 429	(Achromatism)
	lifeless 360	(Death)
	insensible 376	(Physical Insensibility)
	oppose 708	(Opposition)
	sponger 886	(Servility)
	unmeaning 517	(Unmeaningness)
	useless 645	(Inutility)
	laxity 738	(Laxity)
	exempt 927	(Exemption)
	illegal 964	(Illegality)
	difficulty 707	(Aid--a thesaurus error--should be 706 Hindrance)
	midnight 126	(Evening)
	dark 421	(Darkness)
	numeration 85	(Numeration)
	measurement 466	(Measurement)
	defense 717	(Defense)
	against 14	(Contrariety)

Figure 4. Headings under DEAD, University Thesaurus

The index headings from the International Thesaurus were as follows (Figure 5):

dead		
nouns	450.1	(Silence)
adjs.	nonexistent 2.10	(Nonexistence)
	utter 56.11	(Completeness)
	passé 123.15	(Oldness)
	dead-end 265.9	(Closure)
	inert 267.12	(Quiescence)
	lackluster 336.19	(Darkness)
	lifeless 407.24	(Death)
	numb 422.5	(Insensibility)
	unconscious 422.7	(Insensibility)
	insipid 429.2	(Insipidness)
	muffled 451.17	(Faintness)
	expressionless 545.11	(Meaninglessness)
	listless 706.18	(Inactivity)
	asleep 710.20	(Sleep)
	tired out 715.8	(Fatigue)
	dull 881.6	(Dullness)
advs.	absolutely 34.21	(Greatness)
	directly 289.25	(Direction)
	exactly 515.19	(Truth)

Figure 5. Headings under DEAD, International Thesaurus

The words in parentheses in Figures 4 and 5 are the names of the main thesaurus headings to which the index entries refer. Of these main headings, only four are common to both lists; the four common headings are Completeness, Oldness, Death, and Darkness. A number of other headings are similar. Inertness in the University Thesaurus is not unlike Quiescence in the International Thesaurus; other somewhat parallel headings include Physical Insensibility in the University Thesaurus (U.T.), and Insensibility in the International Thesaurus (I.T.), as well as Unmeaningness and Meaninglessness, and perhaps Laxity and Inactivity. Other headings are not so easily matched up. Achromatism (U.T.) may have something to do with Darkness (both thesauri) or Insipidness (I.T.), and Evening (U.T.) is probably related to Darkness (both thesauri); nonexistence

(I.T.) is also connected with Death (both thesauri). There do not seem to be any very good matches, though, for Opposition, Servility, Inutility, Exemption, Illegality, Hindrance, Numeration, Measurement, and Defense, all in the University Thesaurus, or, on the other hand, for Silence, Closure, Faintness, Sleep, Dullness, Fatigue, Greatness, Direction, and Truth in the International Thesaurus. A relaxation of our selection rule to permit the use of words preceded by dashes in the University Thesaurus index (dashes indicate compounds or multiple word entries) would have produced an entry for -Dead Silence (Silence occurs in the International Thesaurus) and for -Dead Asleep (Asleep occurs in the International Thesaurus). Still, there are a number of emphases that distinguish one index from the other. For instance, the stress on conflict verging over into militancy in the University Thesaurus (Opposition, Hindrance, and Defense) is not found in the International Thesaurus, nor is the emphasis upon precise enumeration (Numeration, Measurement). In fact, these headings, in addition to others such as Illegality and Servility, all suggest connections with human manipulateness--an emphasis lacking in the more abstract entries (Greatness, Direction, Truth, Dullness) used in the International Thesaurus.

Having in mind the general distinctions between the indices used for DEAD in the two thesauri, the next step is to turn to the computer outputs showing the results of the textual searches. Which reference works produced the most meaningful and relevant lists of associated words? A glance at the outputs in Figure 3 shows that two classes of words appear in the lists--those that occur in the text in exactly the form appearing in the list, and those that

occur in a different form.⁹ For assessment of the relevance of the outputs, the words on the lists were separated into these two groups and each group was judged separately.

The output from the run using input from Webster's Dictionary of Synonyms is so modest as to require little attention. Of the three words linked to DEAD, LATE and QUICK occur in the text as shown. LATE is clearly a synonym and QUICK an antonym for DEAD. Although LIFELESS appears in the list, the warning "Different Form Appears in the Text" sends us to an index for chapter one of Soviet Military Strategy where we discover that the form actually occurring in the text is an antonym for DEAD--LIFE. Since one of the principles of the VIA research has been to include antonyms as well as synonyms on suggested word lists, the three words linked to DEAD may all be considered relevant. The reasons for including antonyms on such lists have been formally justified by linguists interested in "contrast" methods. The reasons for including them in our lists are: (1) When a given concept has structural importance in a portion of text, the importance is often more clearly understood if the relative strength of its opposite concept is also revealed--for example, the emphasis upon nuclear war vis-à-vis conventional war. (2) The presence of one concept in the mind of a writer or speaker often seems to imply the presence of the concept's opposite as well--for example, when Hamlet speculates as to whether it would be better to live or die, "to be or not to be." For more subtle analyses of motive, word choices revealing opposite moods can lead to further

⁹For a complete discussion of this search procedure, see pages 69-70 of this report.

exploration of the verbal interaction between these moods and thus to more informed estimates of a preference for one mode of action as opposed to another. The above list from Webster's Dictionary of Synonyms is too modest to afford any basis for more than a casual impression that it could be interesting to submit a much more extensive list of words that might be associated with DEAD as well as a list that might be associated with LIFE. Varying emphases upon these concepts from one section of Soviet Military Strategy to another might well be revelatory of shifting attitudes toward particular military strategies.

The outputs from the computer runs using the thesauri are considerably more complex. To reduce this discussion to manageable proportions, only those words linked to DEAD (as opposed to DEADLY, DEADEN, etc.) will be discussed. For Roget's International Thesaurus, 25 words from the suggested word list occur in a form identical to that in the text. These words are (Figure 6):

Barren	(Dullness)
Blue	(Completeness)
Body	(Death)
Clear	(Completeness)
Closed	(Closure)
Cold	(Darkness--Insensibility--Dullness)
Done	(Fatigue)
Earth	(Death)
Empty	(Meaninglessness)
Exhausted	(Fatigue)
Heavy	(Inactivity--Quiescence--Dullness)
Late	(Death)
Obdurate	(Insensibility)
Obsolete	(Oldness)
Out	(Insensibility)
Past	(Oldness)
Passive	(Quiescence)
Peace	(Silence)
Regular	(Completeness)

Figure 6. Words Identical in Form in Text and Suggested Word List, International Thesaurus

Remains	(Death)
Rest	(Silence)
Slow	(Dullness)
Total	(Completeness)
Utter	(Completeness)
Weak	(Insipidness)

Figure 6. (Continued)

The words within parentheses are the headings in the thesaurus under which the words occur. In the judgment of this investigator, the words on the list seeming to have the most questionable relevance are Clear and Regular.

Obdurate also seems somewhat tangential. Therefore, on the above list, 22 or 23 words seem relevant, meaningful output. Clear and Regular are both introduced through the heading, Completeness. But if that entry were removed from the index, other words that seem relevant (Blue, Total, and Utter) would be lost. Obdurate is selected through Insensibility, but so, too, is Out.

Eighteen words bearing the "Different Form Occurs in Text" message are linked to DEAD in the output from the International Thesaurus. Of these 18 words, only 14 should be considered here. The other four--a very atypically high number--were mislinked by SUFFIX and should not have appeared in the list. One of the four, DULLED, appears because the SUFFIX program took it to be of the same root as DULLES, which does appear; the other three (ARID with Arise, CALLOUS with Call, and NUMBED with Number) are genuine mislinks and have since been entered in the appropriate exception list for SUFFIX's operation. The 14 words properly appearing on the list were (Figure 7):

<u>Word</u>	<u>Form Actually Occurring in Text</u>	<u>Thesaurus Heading</u>
ANNIHILATED	Annihilate, Annihilation	(Nonexistence)
CHARACTERLESS	Character, Characteristic, Characteristics, Characterized	(Dullness)
DEADER	Deadly	(Death)
EXPRESSIONLESS	Expression, Expressing, Expressed, Expresses	(Meaninglessness)
LEADED	Lead, Leads, Leading, Leader, Leaders, Leadership	(Quiescence)
LEADEN	(same as above)	(Quiescence)
LIFELESS	Life	(Death, Quiescence, Darkness, Inactivity)
PASSE	Passed, Past	(Oldness)
POINTLESS	Point, Pointed, Pointing	(Dullness)
SENSELESS	Sense	(Insensibility)
SPIRITLESS	Spirit, Spiritually, Spiritual	(Dullness)
SUPPRESSED	Suppress	(Faintness)
TONELESS	Tone	(Faintness)
WATERY	Water, Waters	(Insipidness)

Figure 7. Words of the Same Root but not
Identical Form, International Thesaurus

Of the two words on this list, those that are most suspect when compared with the forms actually occurring in the text are LEADED and LEADEN.¹⁰ LEADER, LEADERS, and LEADERSHIP are neither synonyms nor antonyms for the LEADED and LEADEN associated with DEAD and, given this usage context, one might suppose that LEAD, LEADS, and LEADING are not associated with DEAD either. A glance at the use of the latter words in the text shows that they are used in the sense of guide or direct; they are not describing a condition associated with death. The other words on the list seem acceptable either as antonyms or

¹⁰ The current VIA program does not print out the form or forms actually occurring in the text, but the rewritten program will include those forms. For a more complete discussion of the philosophy underlying this procedure, see pages 90-91 of this report.

synonyms for words actually occurring in the text. WATERY may seem more dubious than the other words, but water is often metaphorically associated with death. WATERY is introduced through Insipidness, to which the acceptable WEAK on the first list is also owing.

For both lists from the computer run using the International Thesaurus, the score for relevance seems rather high. Of the 39 words considered, only 4 seem definitely out of place or misleading and 2 others seem marginally relevant.

The output from the University Thesaurus run is considerably more extensive and complicated than that from the International Thesaurus. The words among those on the suggested list that occurred in identical form in the text were as follows (Figure 8):

ACCOUNT	(Numeration)	BREAK	(Exempt)
ADDITION	(Numeration)	CALCULATION	(Numeration)
ADVANCE	(Aid)	COLD	(Achromatism)
AEGIS	(Defense)	COMMENSURATE	(Numeration)
AGAINST	(Opposition)	COMPETITION	(Opposition)
AGE	(Oldness)	COMPLETELY	(Completeness)
AID	(Aid)	COMPLETE	(Completeness)
ALLY	(Aid)	CONTRARY	(Contrariety)
ALL	(Completeness)	CONTRIBUTE	(Aid)
ALTOGETHER	(Completeness)	CONTROL	(Opposition)
ANALYSIS	(Numeration)	COUNT	(Numeration)
ANARCHY	(Laxity)	CUSTOM	(Oldness)
ANCIENT	(Oldness)	DECLINE	(Oldness)
ANTAGONISTIC	(Contrariety)	DEFENDING	(Defense)
ANTIQUITY	(Oldness)	DEFENSE	(Defense)
APPRAISE	(Numeration)	DEFENSIVE	(Defense)
ARMED	(Defense)	DIFFERENTIATION	(Numeration)
ARM	(Defense)	DIVISION	(Numeration)
ASSISTANCE	(Aid)	EMPTY	(Inutility)
BALANCE	(Numeration)	END	(Death)
BARREN	(Inutility)	ENTIRE	(Completeness)
BENEFIT	(Aid)	ESTIMATE	(Measurement)
BLACK	(Darkness)	FAVORABLE	(Aid)

Figure 8. Words Identical in Form in Text and Suggested Word List, University Thesaurus

FAVOR	(Aid)	PASSIVE	(Inertness)
FOOD	(Aid)	PERFECTION	(Completeness)
FORCE	(Aid)	PERFECT	(Completeness)
FORTIFICATION	(Defense)	PRACTICE	(Numeration)
FRAUGHT	(Completeness)	PROBE	(Measurement)
FULLY	(Completeness)	PROOF	(Physical Insensibility)
FURTHER	(Aid)	PROVE	(Numeration)
GOOD	(Completeness)	PROFITIOUS	(Aid)
GO	(Achromatism)	PROPORTION	(Numeration)
HEAVY	(Inertness)	RACE	(Opposition)
HELP	(Aid)	RADICAL	(Completeness)
HINDER	(Defense)	RATE	(Measurement)
HOLD	(Defense)	RECKON	(Numeration)
INADEQUATE	(Inutility)	REGULAR	(Completeness)
INDEX	(Measurement)	RESISTANCE	(Defense)
INTEGRATION	(Completeness)	REST	(Death)
INTEREST	(Aid)	RIVALRY	(Opposition)
KEEP	(Defense)	ROOTED	(Oldness)
LAG	(Inactivity)	RULE	(Measurement)
LATE	(Death)	SCALE	(Measurement)
LEAVING	(Inutility)	SCREEN	(Defense)
LIMIT	(Completeness)	SECOND	(Aid)
LINE	(Measurement)	SELF-	(Defense)
LINES	(Measurement-- Defense)	PRESERVATION	
LOAD	(Completeness)	SERVE	(Servility)
LOSS	(Death)	SLOW	(Inertness)
LOWER	(Darkness)	SOLIDARITY	(Completeness)
MAINTENANCE	(Aid)	SOUND	(Measurement)
MAN	(Defense)	STEM	(Opposition)
MEANS	(Aid)	STEP	(Measurement)
MEASURE	(Numeration-- Measurement)	SUMMARY	(Numeration)
METRIC	(Measurement)	SUM	(Numeration)
NEGLECT	(Exempt)	SUPPORT	(Aid)
NUMBER	(Numeration)	SUSTAIN	(Aid)
OBSOLETE	(Inutility)	TARGET	(Defense)
OPPOSED	(Contrariety-- Opposition)	THROUGHOUT	(Completeness)
OPPOSE	(Contrariety-- Opposition)	TOTALITY	(Completeness)
OPPOSING	(Contrariety-- Opposition)	TOTALLY	(Completeness)
OPPOSITION	(Contrariety-- Opposition)	TOTAL	(Completeness-- Numeration)
PAGE	(Numeration)	TRADITION	(Oldness)
PAST	(Oldness)	UNBRIDLED	(Laxity)
		UNFAVORABLE	(Opposition)
		UNITY	(Completeness)
		VALUE	(Measurement)
		VIOLATE	(Exempt)
		VIOLATION	(Exempt)

Figure 8. (Continued)

WEAK	(Laxity)	WHOLLY	(Completeness)
WHITE	(Achromatism)	WINTER	(Evening)
WHOLE	(Completeness)	WITTHSTAND	(Opposition)

Figure 8. (Continued)

Of the 138 words on this list, 19 were introduced through the thesaurus heading Aid, and therefore should be ignored.¹¹ Of the remaining 19 words, a great many seem either partially or totally irrelevant to the concept DEAD. Among those seeming totally irrelevant are such words as GO, METRIC, PAGE, ANALYSIS, and so on up to the approximate total of 38. The word "approximate" is used because judgments of relevance are, of course, subjective as to both person and time. My own selection of words on this list that seemed totally irrelevant varied by a total of two or three words on each occasion that I searched the list; 38 represents the average for the searches.¹² Thesaurus headings most productive of words judged irrelevant were Numeration and Measurement. Through Numeration, the words ADDITION, ANALYSIS, APPRAISE, CALCULATION, COMMENSURATE, COUNT, DIFFERENTIATION, PAGE, PRACTICE, PROVE, and PROPORTION were selected. Measurement accounted for ESTIMATE, INDEX, LINE, LINES, METRIC, PROBE, SOUND, STEP, and VALUE. Thus, these two headings accounted for more than half the words that seem not to contribute meaningfully

¹¹ See comment in Figure 4 re this error in the thesaurus.

¹² Although it would be enormously useful to have precise measures of relevance, such measures are not yet forthcoming. All that any investigator does, finally, is sort words on the basis of a collection of a number of different judgments as to how the words are used. In recent years, some judgments have been collected in a controlled experimental situation involving a number of people working with the same words at the same moments in time. Whether, for many purposes, this mode of collecting judgments is more useful than are observations of usage collected over a period of time from more widely varied sources is open to question. A combination of the two approaches may prove most fruitful.

to the list. The heading Completeness accounted for the next largest number of words--ALTOGETHER, PERFECTION, PERFECT, REGULAR, SOLIDARITY, and UNITY.

In addition to the words seeming totally irrelevant, approximately 20 others seem somewhat questionable. Among these words, the headings Numeration and Measurement account for the following: DIVISION, MEASURE, NUMBER, RATE, RECKON, RULE, and SCALE. The heading Defense is responsible for HINDER, HOLD, SCREEN, and TARGET; Completeness accounts for INTEGRATION, LIMIT, RADICAL, and THROUGHOUT; Opposition introduces COMPETITION, CONTROL, and RACE. The two other words in this group were BREAK, from Exempt, and TRADITION, from Oldness.

Among the words remaining on the list, many of those introduced through the heading Completeness--such as WHOLE, WHOLLY, TOTALITY, TOTAL, etc.--seem appropriate as synonyms for the aspect of finality associated with deadness. Another group of words, those selected through DEFENSE and, in some cases, OPPOSITION, are acceptable only because they imply reaction to death or to forces associated with death. In a complete VIA run for chapter one of Soviet Military Strategy, the words ARMED and ARM would link words associated with DEAD to concepts associated with WAR and MILITARY--a desirable linkage for that text.

Among the words left on the list that seem acceptable, only four were selected through the heading Numeration; no words judged thoroughly acceptable were selected through the heading Measurement. Of the four--ACCOUNT, BALANCE, SUMMARY, and SUM--from Numeration, the sense of SUMMARY and SUM is implied by other words, such as TOTAL and TOTALITY, which are on the list; since ACCOUNT,

as associated with DEAD, implies some sort of final accounting, its sense, too, may be represented by a word such as TOTAL. BALANCE, in the sense of a balancing out of accounts, can obviously also be gleaned from other words, but the sense of a balance between death and life is not so easily inferred from other words. Nonetheless, by any accounting, the headings Numeration and Measurement would seem expendable. Their absence from the index for Roget's International Thesaurus helps account for the much higher ratio of relevance in its output.

Before considering further the desirability of deletions from or additions to index headings for either of the thesauri, it might be well to look at the second portion of the output from the run using Roget's University Thesaurus-- the portion showing words for which a different form appears in the text:

<u>Word</u>	<u>Form Actually Occurring in Text</u>	<u>Thesaurus Headings</u>
ACCESSARY	Access	(Aid)
ACTIONABLE	Act, Action, Actions, Acted	(Illegality)
ADD	Addition	(Numeration)
ADVOCATE	Advocating	(Aid)
AIDANCE	Aid	(Aid)
AIDING	Aid	(Aid)
ALLNESS	All	(Completeness)
ANALYTIC	Analysis	(Numeration)
ANARCHICAL	Anarchy	(Laxity)
ANARCHIC	Anarchy	(Laxity)
ANTAGONISM	Antagonistic	(Contrariety)
ANTAGONIZE	Antagonistic	(Contrariety)
ANTIQUUE	Antiquity	(Oldness)
APPRAISEMENT	Appraise	(Numeration)
ARMET	Armed, Arm	(Defense)
ARMOR	Armed, Arm	(Defense)
ASSIST	Assistance	(Aid)
BASTION	Base	(Defense)
BATTLEMENT	Battle, Battles, Battlefield(s)	(Defense)
BLACKNESS	Black	(Darkness)
BOOKED	Book	(Death)
CALCULATE	Calculation	(Numeration)
CALCULATOR	Calculation	(Numeration)

Figure 9. Words of the Same Root but not Identical Form, University Thesaurus

<u>Word</u>	<u>Form Actually Occurring in Text</u>	<u>Thesaurus Headings</u>
CLASSIC	Classification	(Oldness)
COMPETE	Competition	(Opposition)
COMPETITIVE	Competition	(Opposition)
COMPLETENESS	Completely	(Completeness)
COMPLETING	Completely	(Completeness)
COMPLETION	Completely	(Completeness)
CONDUCE	Conduct	(Aid)
CONFRONT	Confronted	(Opposition)
CONTRADICT	Contradictions	(Opposition)
CONTRARINESS	Contrary	(Contrariety)
COUNTABLE	Count	(Numeration)
CUSTOMARY	Custom	(Oldness)
DEAD	Deadly	(Death)
DEFENDED	Defending	(Defense)
DEFENDER	Defending	(Defense)
DEFENSIVELY	Defense, Defensive	(Defense)
DEMONSTRATE	Demonstrated, Demonstration	(Numeration)
DEPOSE	Deposits	(Laxity)
DEPOSITION	Deposits	(Laxity)
DIVIDERS	Division	(Numeration)
DIVIDE	Division	(Numeration)
ENCOURAGE	Encouraged, Encouraging	(Aid)
ENTERTAIN	Entertained	(Aid)
ENTIRETY	Entire	(Completeness)
ENUMERATE	Enumeration	(Numeration)
ENUMERATION	Enumerated	(Numeration)
EVOLUTION	Evolutionary	(Numeration)
EXHAUSTIVE	Exhausted, Exhaustion	(Completeness)
EXPEDITE	Expeditions	(Aid)
FASTNESS	Fast	(Defense)
FRUITLESS	Fruit(s)	(Inutility)
FULL	Fully	(Completeness)
FURTHERANCE	Further	(Aid)
GAINLESS	Gains, Gaining	(Inutility)
GRADUATION	Graduated	(Measurement)
GRADUATE	Graduated	(Measurement)
HARD	Hardly	(Physical Insensibility)
HEAVINESS	Heavy	(Inertness)
HELPFUL	Help	(Aid)
HOUSINGS	House	(Defense)
IDEAL	Idealistic	(Completeness)
INADEQUACY	Inadequate	(Inutility)
KILLINGTIME	Killing	(Evening)
LAGGARD	Lag	(Inactivity)
LAGGING	Lag	(Inactivity)
LAWLESS	Law(s)	(Illegality)

Figure 9. (Continued)

<u>Word</u>	<u>Form Actually Occurring in Text</u>	<u>Thesaurus Headings</u>
LEADEN	Lead(s), Leader(s), Leading, Leadership	(Achromatism)
LIFELESS	Life	(Inertness)
LIGHTLESS	Light	(Darkness)
MATHEMATICIAN	Mathematics	(Numeration)
MEASURABLE	Measure	(Numeration--Measurement)
MEASUREMENT	Measure	(Numeration--Measurement)
MEASURING	Measure	(Numeration--Measurement)
METER	Metric	(Measurement)
METRICAL	Metric	(Measurement)
METAGE	Metric	(Measurement)
NARCOSIS	Narcotic	(Physical Insensibility)
NOTATION	Noted	(Numeration)
NUMBERABLE	Number	(Numeration)
NUMBERING	Number	(Numeration)
OBLIGE	Obligation	(Aid)
OBLIGING	Obligation	(Aid)
PASSE	Past	(Oldness)
PASSIVITY	Passive	(Inertness)
PERMANENCE	Permanently	(Inertness)
PRIME	Primary, Primarily	(Oldness)
PROFITLESS	Profits, Profitable	(Inutility)
PROHIBITED	Prohibit	(Illegality)
PROTECTION	Protect	(Defense)
PROTECTIVE	Protect	(Defense)
PROTECTOR	Protect	(Defense)
QUICKEN	Quick	(Aid)
RECENSION	Recent, Recently	(Numeration)
RECKONABLE	Reckon	(Numeration)
RECKONING	Reckon	(Numeration)
REFUSE	Refused, Refusing	(Inutility)
RESISTANT	Resistance	(Defense)
RIPENESS	Ripe	(Completeness)
RIVAL	Rivalry	(Opposition)
SENSELESS	Sense	(Physical Insensibility)
STRIKER	Strike(s), Striking	(Exemption)
SUFFICIENCY	Sufficient	(Completeness)
SUMMATION	Summary	(Numeration)
SUNLESS	Sun	(Darkness)
SUPPLIES	Suppliers, Supply	(Aid)
SUSTENANCE	Sustain	(Aid)
TARGE	Target	(Defense)
TEND	Tendency, Tendencies	(Aid)
TOTALNESS	Total	(Completeness)
TRADITIONAL	Tradition	(Oldness)

Figure 9. (Continued)

<u>Word</u>	<u>Form Actually Occurring in Text</u>	<u>Thesaurus Headings</u>
TRADITIONARY	Tradition	(Oldness)
TRADITIVE	Tradition	(Oldness)
UNFAVORABLY	Unfavorable	(Opposition)
USELESS	Use(s), Used, Using	(Inutility)
UTTERLY	Utter	(Completeness)
VALUATION	Value	(Measurement)
VALUELESS	Value	(Measurement)
WHITEN	White	(Achromatism)
WINTERLY	Winter	(Evening)
WINTRY	Winter	(Evening)

Figure 9. (Continued)

Of the 123 words on this list, 17 can again be disregarded because they occurred under the thesaurus heading, Aid. Among the 110 remaining words, it is quite clear that the thesaurus headings, Measurement and Numeration, are again responsible for a number of irrelevant entries. In fact, in some cases, the irrelevance from the earlier list has been considerably amplified because of the repetition of a number of words in the same root group.¹³ Thus METER, METRICAL, and METAGE all appear on this list, whereas METRIC was the only word in this root group actually appearing in the text. If Measurement and Numeration were removed from the index, a total of 30 words would disappear from this list. Of the other 21 words on the list that seem irrelevant in some degree, the 3 owing to the thesaurus heading ILlegality--ACTIONABLE, LAWLESS, and PROHIBITED--are all dubious entries. The thesaurus entry, Defense, again accounts for some unacceptable words: ARMET, BASTION, HOUSINGS, and TARGE; Inutility contributes two: INADEQUACY and PROFITLESS; Oldness is

¹³See discussion on pages 64-65.

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responsible for four: CLASSIC, TRADITIONAL, TRADITIONARY, and TRADITIVE--the latter three are again an amplification of the one word, TRADITION, which does occur in the text.

The relevance score for the words retrieved on the computer run using Roget's International Thesaurus is clearly much higher than that for the University Thesaurus. To recapitulate, the total for the International Thesaurus (counting both lists) was 39; of this number, 4 words definitely seemed out of place and 2 seemed marginally relevant. The total for the University Thesaurus was 229 (excluding those words introduced through AID. Had the index correctly referred to Hindrance, the total would have been larger). Of the total number, 110 words seemed irrelevant to some degree. For the University Thesaurus, just under half of the total number of entries are questionable. For the International Thesaurus, 6 of 39, or two-thirteenths, are questionable. If the words accounted for by the headings Measurement and Numeration in the University Thesaurus were removed, the total number of words would be reduced to 168, while the total of questionable words would be cut to 51. The resulting unacceptability ratio of less than one-third would be a considerable improvement upon the earlier ratio of approximately one-half. The ratio could be improved a slight degree by removing the index entry Illegality, which introduced three words, all of which seemed inappropriate. The resulting ratio would then be 48 to 165. Further improvement of the ratio for the University Thesaurus would be difficult, but a reduction in false amplification in the output can be achieved by a change in the program, which will be implemented during its rewriting. The change will be made in the operation of

SUFFIX for words appearing in thesaurus or synonym dictionary entries. If one word, such as TRADITION, occurs in both a thesaurus and the text, that word will be printed in the output; then, if other words in that root group, such as TRADITIONAL, TRADITIONARY, and TRADITIVE, occur in the thesaurus but not in the text, they will not be included in the output. SUFFIX will continue to operate so as to reveal continuity of root group when no exact match is found; for example, KILLINGTIME is included in the output although the thesaurus entry is Killing. Implementation of this change would remove 36 more words from the University Thesaurus computer run output, resulting in a total of 129. Of the 36 words removed, 11 are on the unacceptable list. Thus the new ratio of unacceptable to acceptable words would be 37 to 129--a ratio about midway between the one-quarter and one-third mark.

Oddly, considering the shortness of the output from the run using the International Thesaurus relative to that from the University Thesaurus, 15 of the 39 words or root groups in the output using the former do not appear in the output for which the University Thesaurus was employed. Those words are: BLUE, BODY, CLEAR, CLOSED, DONE, EARTH, OB DURATE, OUT, PEACE, REMAINS, ANNIHILATED, CHARACTERLESS, EXPRESSIONLESS, SUPPRESSED, TONELESS. Bearing in mind these words, it is worth noticing once more that the thesaurus headings Defense and Opposition in the University Thesaurus were responsible for a number of irrelevant words as well as for words that seemed appropriate. The words that seemed appropriate from these headings, in addition to those introduced by a third heading, Contrariety, were those implying opposing forces, often involving violent action. Although the list under DEAD from the

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International Thesaurus does not contain a heavy representation of such words, PEACE, ANNIHILATED, and possibly OBDURATE, which seemed irrelevant in the earlier assessment in this report, do carry such connotations. Furthermore, in a complete VIA run, PEACE would very probably be linked, antonymously, to WAR, which in turn would supply, in sublists under DEAD, the militant concepts supplied by DEFENSE and in some measure by OPPOSITION in the output for the University Thesaurus run. Notions associated with Oldness--OBSOLETE, PAST, and PASSE--do appear in the International Thesaurus, as do those associated with Completeness (e.g., TOTAL, UTTER).

On the whole, then, this survey of words associated with DEAD in the outputs from the three reference works would suggest that Roget's International Thesaurus would be preferable to the other two, if each were being consulted in a literal, exhaustive search by a computer. The output using Webster's Dictionary of Synonyms is clearly too slight to be very informative. The output using Roget's University Thesaurus contains too much semantic "noise"; alterations in the index and SUFFIX program operation would reduce that noise somewhat but not to an acceptable level for many purposes. The output using Roget's International Thesaurus is perhaps a little spare, but relatively free of irrelevant terms. Because of the way VIA operates, sparseness in any given entry is not serious if that entry is part of a larger conceptual structure in the text being examined; VIA's system of cross-linking lists of words will provide the enrichment that a wider indexing net such as that in the University Thesaurus furnishes while, at the same time, showing clearly the provenance of the enrichment.

A similar study of words associated with DECLINE, in outputs using the three references, supports the conclusions above. The run using Webster's Dictionary of Synonyms produced a list of eight words; six of the eight were antonyms. The computer run using the International Thesaurus resulted in a total of 28 words, one of which seemed questionable. Again, the University Thesaurus produced a much more extensive list of words, 96, as well as a higher number that seemed irrelevant, 21. The outputs for DECLINE are shown in the Appendix.

3. Relevance of Context. The preceding comparison of reference works has ignored the question of the context in which the words appearing in the output occurred in the text. Discussions of context were avoided, first, because they would have obscured the basic purpose of the foregoing discussion--to compare the three reference works; and, second, because the analysis of style is concerned with subtle cues as to emphasis and tone in any set of words. Modern psychology and personality studies as well as contemporary techniques of literary criticism have amply demonstrated that word choice in any given context may be governed by more overriding considerations than those supplied by the immediate context. Words such as UTTER and EMPTY, which are clearly ambiguous, may indeed carry meaningful connotations of a number of different denotations even though context might seem to confine them to one denotation. Such ambiguities are of particular significance and, very probably, of higher frequency in words associated with common human experiences, such as death and birth, which have been generalized to describe many perceptions and

responses in addition to the literal events known as death and birth. As it happens, the context for the word UTTER in chapter one of Soviet Military Strategy is concerned with literal death; the phrase is "utter mutual annihilation." But whenever UTTER is used, even as a verb, there may well be connotations of the completeness and finality associated with death; as a verb, UTTER refers to spending, using up, completing utterances, and, as an adjective, the sense of completeness, of being finished, is always there. Words such as MILITARY or AMERICA or RUSSIA tend to have more specific connotations, as do many of the words clustered around them. One of the interesting aspects of VIA's output is that the investigator can often see the relationship between specifically focused content and more emotionally focused content; for example, the word ARMED associated with MILITARY, might, through a series of cross-links, bring lower levels of sublists associated with DEAD into a cluster of words heavily concerned with the details of military organization. Given this lead, the investigator might then use a MAPTEXT representation to explore spatial relationships between the two concepts.

It is in the areas having to do with specific denotation of aspects of contemporary events or areas of knowledge that thesauri and synonym dictionaries are known to be weak, and for which, therefore, context may be more valuable. It is possible that, while reference works are being expanded to provide a more adequate verbal key to new medicines, new weapons, etc., computer search programs can be designed to turn to context when reference works fail. For example, if the investigator wished to run a search keyed on ICBM, and no such

entry appeared in the reference work, the search would immediately explore any contexts in which ICBM occurred and then return to the reference work with more information. In the meantime, the human being could intervene in such situations by asking for a concordance output for ICBM and submitting words from that context for further computer search, as well as using such words, when possible, as alternate entries to the reference work.

4. Suffix Root Retrieval Feature. More than a year ago, the THESAUR portion of the VIA program was altered to incorporate the operation of SUFFIX during searches of verbal text. This change was introduced because theme continuities were being lost. If the word on the search list were WARFARE and the word in the text were WAR, the earlier search program would not have matched WAR and WARFARE; thus, neither WAR nor the many words associated with it would have appeared in the output. The solutions to this difficulty were either to try to put all possible forms of a given root group in the search list or to let the computer check for common roots. The former solution seemed both tedious and full of the risk of omission; therefore, SUFFIX, the root-matching program used in an earlier stage of VIA, was reintroduced during the program stage actually concerned with constructing the linked output lists.

Although the use of SUFFIX still results in some mislinks, the incidence of those mislinks is not high and will decrease as the mislinks are detected and the appropriate words added to the SUFFIX exception list. Of the four mislinks occurring during the computer run using Roget's International Thesaurus, only one, the linking of DULLED with the proper name DULLES, might possibly

occur again. The others will be entered in the exception list. Of the 7 mislinks (in a total of 123 links) occurring during the computer run using Roget's University Thesaurus, all can be prevented from happening in the future. In any event, mislinks that do occur will be immediately apparent in the rewritten version of VIA because the form(s) actually occurring in the text will be output along with the form(s) occurring in the search list. We initially considered the option of simply printing out the words appearing in the text, but decided that the form on the search list often shows the conceptual link with the main word, e.g., DEAD, more clearly. On the other hand, the addition in the output of forms actually occurring will guard against misleading indications of putative or supposed relevance.

The other problem posed by the use of SUFFIX at this stage of VIA was made apparent by the run using Roget's University Thesaurus, which often provides multiple forms for any given root group. This problem, already discussed on pages 64-65 of this report, was the amplification of either relevant or irrelevant root groups because of the multiplicity of forms within root groups. Although the University Thesaurus indexing procedure does not seem the most promising for VIA runs, and the problem of amplification is not serious with the other reference works used, the program change described on pages 64-65 will be implemented so as to reduce possibilities of misleading amplification.

B. MAPTEXT as a Delineator of Style

MAPTEXT is a program that provides abstract, i.e., nonverbal, representations of a text. For analysis of a given set of data, the researcher may specify

particular words, types of words, punctuation marks, etc., that he would like to have displayed, in terms of relative position within the data. The representation is nonverbal in order to prevent semantic distractions.

MAPTEXT can serve a number of different functions. For example, using VIA output as its input, MAPTEXT can reveal gross distribution patterns that are much less obvious in index entries for individual words than when they are graphically displayed on the page. Thus, MAPTEXT can quickly direct the information analyst to the section or sections of the data that might warrant more extensive, detailed analysis. The condensed outputs produced by MAPTEXT may be used for quick comparisons of one distribution pattern with others in order to reveal variations or continuities of style.

As noted in last year's annual report, VIA revealed ambivalent attitudes toward nuclear and conventional warfare in the first chapter of Soviet Military Strategy. Although both methods of warfare were, of course, discussed, an emphasis of favor seemed to fall upon nonnuclear warfare. Subsequent to last year's report, in an effort to see how words describing nuclear and conventional warfare were distributed throughout the text as a whole, a MAPTEXT representation of terms associated with the two forms of warfare was obtained for all chapters of both translations of Soviet Military Strategy. Words appearing in the MAPTEXT output associated with nuclear warfare were represented by an A. The words represented by A were:

AIR-TO-AIR
AIR-TO-GROUND
AIR-TO-SURFACE
ANTIATOMIC
ANTIMISSILE

ANTINUCLEAR
ANTIROCKET
ATLAS
ATOMIC
ATOM

BRINKSMANSHIP
DECONTAMINATION
EARLY-WARNING
FALLOUT
FISSIONABLE
FISSION
FUSION
HYDROGEN
ICBM
ICBMS
IRBM
IRBMS
LAUNCH
LAUNCHED
LAUNCHING
LAUNCHINGS

MEGATON
MISSILE-CARRYING
MISSILE-LAUNCHING
MISSILE
MISSILES '
MISSILES
NUCLEAR-MISSILE
NUCLEAR-ROCKET
PLUTONIUM
POLARIS
POLARIS-CARRYING
RADIATION
ROCKET
ROCKETS
THERMONUCLEAR
WARHEAD

Words appearing in the MAPTEXT output associated with conventional, or non-nuclear, warfare were represented by a C. These words included:

ADMIRAL
ADMIRALS
ADMIRALTY
ANNUMITION
AMPHIBIOUS
ANTI-AIRCRAFT
ANTI-AIRCRAFT
ANTISUBMARINE
ANTITANK
ARM
ARMAMENT
ARMAMENTS
ARMED
ARMIES '
ARMIES
ARMING
ARMORED
ARMOR
ARMS
ARMY 'S
ARMY
ARTILLERY
ASSAULT-LANDING
BATTLESHIPS
BATTALION
BATTLEFIELD

BATTLEFIELDS
BATTLESHIP
B-FIFTY-EIGHT
B-FIFTY-EIGHTS
B-FIFTY-TWO
B-FIFTY-TWOS
B-FIFTY-SEVEN
B-FIFTY-SEVENS
B-FIFTY-NINE
B-FIFTY-NINES
BRIDGEHEAD
BRIDGEHEADS
BRIGADE
BRIGADES
BROWNING
CANNON
CARBINES
CARRIER-BASED
CARRIER
COLUMN
COMPANY
CONSCRIPTION
CONVOY
CONVOYS
CORPS
COUNTEROFFENSIVE

CRUISER
DEMOBILIZATION
DEMOBILIZED
DEPOT
DESTROYER
DISARMED
DIVISION
DYNA-SOAR
ECHELONED
ECHELON
ECHELONS
ENCIRCLED
ENCIRCLEMENT
ENCIRCLE
ENCIRCLING
FIGHTER
FIREARM
FLAGSHIP
FLEET
FLOTILLAS
FORTIFICATION
FORTIFICATIONS
GARRISON
GENERAL
GROUND-SUPPORT
GUN

GUNS	PRISONER	SUBMARINES
HOWITZER	PROPULSION	SWORD
HOWITZERS	RANK	TANKER
LANDED	REGIMENT	TNT
LANDINGS	REMILITARIZATION	TORPEDOES
LIMITED-WAR	REPEATER	TORPEDO
MAGAZINE-LOADING	RIFLE	TROOP
MARINE	SHIP	TROOPS
MINE	SHIPS	TROOPS'
MORTAR	SOLDIER	UNIT
MUNITIONS	SOLDIERS	WARSHIP
NAVAL	SQUADRON	WEAPONRY
NAVIES	SUBDIVISION	WEAPON
NAVY	SUBMARINE	WEAPONS
NAVY'S		

A number of words that might be associated with either nuclear or conventional warfare were included in the output. This group included words such as BOMB, JET, PILOT, MILITARY, ATTACK, ARSENAL, etc. The 67 words in this group were represented in the output by the characters H, G, F, E, D, and B.¹⁴ A few words associated with peace were also included in the MAPTEXT representation. These words--ACCORD, DISARMAMENT, PEACE, PEACEFUL, PEACEFULNESS, PEACETIME, PEACE-LOVING, PEACELOVING--were represented by the letter K.

Some of the words on the lists associated with nuclear and conventional warfare may themselves seem ambiguous to the present-day reader. AIR-TO-AIR, for example, does not in many contexts imply nuclear warfare. In Soviet Military Strategy, however, words describing missiles, rockets, etc., are, in the main, associated with nuclear war. Thus, for the purposes of this

¹⁴ Different characters were used for these ambiguous words because subsets of these words seemed to fall into groups that might be analyzed separately; e.g., BOMBARDMENT, BOMBED, BOMBER, BOMBERS, BOMBING, BOMBINGS, BOMB, BOMBS, and BOMBARDING were all represented by the letter B.

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representation, such words were grouped under the nuclear heading and represented by an A.

An example of the 46-page MAPTEXT representation of the complete RAND translation is shown in Figure 10.


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1174  --C--C-----C-A-----C-A-----CC-AC-----
1175  -C-----C-----A-----C-C..
1176  --C-----C-----A-----C-C-----C-C..
1177  --C--C-----C-----A-----C-----A-----C-----C..
1178  --C-A-----E-----E..
1179  --C-----C-----E-----C-----C-----C-----C..
1180  --C-----C-----C-----E-----C-----C-----C-----C..
1181  --C-B-----C-----F-----DB-----C-----C..
1182  --C-----C-----C-----E-----C-----C-----C-----C..
1183  ..
1184  --C-----C-----C-----C-----C-----C-----C-----C..
1185  --C-----C-----C-----C-----C-----C-----C-----C..
1186  -E-----C-----C-----C-----C-----C-----C-----E-----E-----
E-----
1187  --F-----C-----C-----CG-----E-----E-----E-----E-----
--C-----
1188  --CG-----E-----C-----CG-----C-----C-----C-----C-----
1189  -D-C-----C-----C-----C-----C-----C-----C-----C-----
1190  ..
1191  --A-----A-----C-----C-----C-----C-----C-----C-----E-----..
CG-----A-----A-----C-----C-----C-----C-----C-----C-----E-----..
1192  --C-----C-----AC-----
1193  --F-----G-----F-----F-----F-----F-----F-----F-----AF..
1194  --C-----A-----C-----C-----C-----C-----C-----C-----C-----A-----A-----
1195  --C-----C-----A-----C-----C-----C-----C-----C-----C-----C-----C-----A-----A-----
1196  --C-----C-----A-----C-----C-----C-----C-----C-----C-----C-----C-----A-----A-----
1197  --F-----B-----A-----F-----A-D..
1198  -A-C-----CA-----G-A-D-----C-----C-----C-----C-----C-----C-----
1199  --F-----F-----F-----F-----F-----F-----F-----F-----F-----F-----
1200  --F-----C-----C-----G-----C-----C-----C-----C-----C-----C-----C-----C-----D-----
DF-----C-----C-----D-----G-----C-----GD-----F-----F-----F-----F-----
1201  --C-----C-----E-----E-----E-----E-----E-----E-----E-----E-----G-----C-----
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1202  ..
1203  --A-----K-----C-----C-----C-----C-----C-----C-----C-----C-----A-----A-----
1204  ..
1205  --C-----C-----A-----A-----A-----A-----A-----A-----A-----A-----F-----F-----
1206  --C-----C-----A-----A-----A-----A-----A-----A-----A-----A-----A-----A-----
1207  ..

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Figure 10. Page from Chapter Four, RAND
Translation, Beginning with Paragraph 1174

1208 -----
1209 -----E-----
1210 -----E-----
1211 -----C-----C-----C-----
1212 -----A-----E-----C-----
1213 -----AC-E-----C-----G-----C-----C-----F-----
1214 -----E-----E-----C-----C-----
1215 -----C-----C-----C-----
1216 -----C-----C-----C-----E-----C-----
1217 -----C-----C-----C-----E-----C-----F-----C-----
1218 -----C-----C-----C-----E-----C-----FC-----C-----K-----
1219 -----C-----C-----C-----E-----C-----FC-----C-----K-----
1220 -----C-K-----C-----
1221 -----C-----
1222 -----C-----A-G-----

Each dash stands for a word that does not fall within the categories represented by A, C, etc. The numbers (e.g., 1174, 1175) at the left sequence paragraphs. The double period indicates the end of a paragraph.

Figure 10. (Continued)

An inspection of the entire output reveals some rather interesting patterns. The first chapter, "General Concepts," looks as the VIA output had lead us to expect: there is a heavy, quantitative emphasis upon words associated with conventional warfare. Of the 291 paragraphs in this chapter, only a few groups of paragraphs have noticeable collections of words associated with nuclear warfare. In paragraphs 56-78, 14 of the 82 words represented by special characters are in the A (nuclear) category; in paragraphs 266-268, 8 of the 20 words specially designated are represented with an A; and in paragraphs 287-289, the ratio is 8 to 20. These are the instances of high concentration of words associated with nuclear warfare in chapter one. There are long stretches in this chapter that have no A words at all: paragraphs 1-55, 79-129, 131-259. Of course a number of the non-A words are also non-C (conventional warfare) words; but, because of the much higher incidence of C words, one might guess that the ambiguous words in this chapter would most often resolve on the side of conventional warfare. The work with VIA, described in last year's annual report, indicated that this is, in fact, the case.

The first chapter, "General Concepts," is a general description of the techniques of war, with some slight emphasis upon Soviet methods of warfare. The second chapter is concerned with the "Military Strategy of Imperialist States and Their Preparation of New Wars." In this chapter, the incidence of words associated with nuclear warfare greatly increases. For example, in paragraphs 413-460, which look to have about a normal density (for this chapter) of words represented with special characters, 75 of the 221 words thus represented are nuclear warfare words. Notice that the number of paragraphs

used for this sample is considerably greater than the longest sample that could be obtained for chapter one and that, even within this large sample, the ratio of nuclear to other words is more than one-third. In fact, other than the first 55 paragraphs in this chapter, which concentrate upon the military policies of "imperialist states" during World War I, it is difficult to find any section of this chapter that has no words associated with nuclear warfare. The next longest such section, about 20 paragraphs, is a passage concerned with economic preparation for war.

In contrast to chapter two, chapter three, "Development of Soviet Military Strategy (1917-1945)," has an extremely low incidence of words associated with nuclear warfare. In fact, in a chapter consisting of 331 paragraphs, there are only five A words in the entire chapter. Naturally, the time span covered by this chapter is largely responsible for the tremendous decline in words associated with nuclear warfare. The interesting thing about the book thus far, though, is that it has been structured so that nuclear warfare has definitely been associated with countries antagonistic to Soviet Russia. Bearing this fact in mind, it is well to notice that in chapter four, "The Nature of Modern War," the first heavy clustering of words associated with peace (represented by K) occurs. There are two such clusterings early in the chapter. The first, covering 16 paragraphs, has 9 such words in a total of 44 words; the second, covering 12 paragraphs, has a ratio of 18 to 37, or nearly half. A glance at the text will show that these emphases on peace, occurring early in a chapter on modern war, appear in passages describing the Marxist-Leninist approach to the problem of war and peace, with an emphasis upon peace.

The pattern that has been established--imperialist nations and nuclear warfare vs. the Soviet Union, conventional warfare and peace--is one that recurs in the rest of the book. For example, in chapter six, "Methods of Conducting Warfare," two sections with a high incidence of nuclear warfare words turn out to be descriptions of American atomic strikes in Japan, at the close of World War II, and of "imperialists'" methods of waging war. Chapter seven, "Preparation of a Country to Repel Aggression," has a very high incidence of words associated with peace, which are in turn associated with preparations the Soviet Union might make during peacetime to maintain peace and repel aggression, including nuclear aggression, from nations in the West. There are, of course, passages in these later chapters in which nuclear weapons are associated with the Soviet Union, because the authors feel the need to declare the supremacy of the Soviet Union so far as nuclear potential is concerned. But the main rhetorical structure of the book mirrors many of the individual statements within the book which describe the Soviet Union as devoted to peace or, at the least, a more humane war than the imperialist, war-loving, nuclearly-destructive aggressors. The first nuclear "attack" in the book is associated with the Western nations; the first emphasis upon peace in the book is associated with the Soviet Union, and the initial and continued emphasis upon conventional war is associated with the Soviet Union.

The importance of the perception of such a structure is that it may suggest something about the authorship of the book. Although it is true that many potential or actual authors in the Soviet Union doubtless have the biases expressed in this book and would thus be perfectly capable of making many of the statements

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in the book, it is another matter to say that a work thrown together by many different authors will have the rather coherent rhetorical structure which MAPTEXT has revealed in Soviet Military Strategy. Such a structure would seem to suggest, at the least, a rather close supervision of the content and arrangement of the book by one, or, at the most, a very few individuals. Taken in conjunction with the evaluation of the first chapter produced by VIA, which indicated an author preference for conventional, especially ground, warfare, this rhetorical structure would also seem to suggest that if the book is in part a propaganda effort, the propaganda effort in this case is intended not only to persuade the reader of the moral rectitude of the Soviet Union but to couple moral rectitude with the conventional warfare in which the author of the first chapter, at any rate, has more confidence. Thus, it would seem in part not only an attempt to evoke revulsion for the West and its nuclear warfare in order to ensure moral condemnation of the West, but also in order to ensure condemnation of a military technique that has not been accepted as thoroughly practical by the person who controlled the rhetorical structure of Soviet Military Strategy.

Because the Philco 2000, the computer for which our programs were written, was dismantled, we have had to defer some other MAPTEXT runs--which might prove additionally illuminating--until the program is rewritten. For example, we would like to produce a MAPTEXT representation that combines words implying emotional attitude with the words already used for nuclear-conventional warfare. Any additional evidence of bias, or lack of bias, supplied by such a combined run, would help establish the validity or lack of validity of the hypothesis

outlined in the above paragraph. Separate, condensed MAPTEXT representations of the nuclear and conventional warfare distribution patterns would also help display the rhetorical structure more clearly.

To exemplify the use of the condensed output, a question posed in last year's report might be considered. The question concerned the use of the word GENERAL, and words that are in some senses synonymous with it-- "natural," "total," "typical," "universal," "whole," and "common." An investigation of the use of GENERAL in chapter one of the Praeger translation of Soviet Military Strategy showed it to be used in an abstract, "in general" fashion. The suggestion made in the report was that, if words synonymous with GENERAL were also used in such fashion, a comparison of the distribution patterns of GENERAL and its synonyms might tell us something about the style of the translator, if not about the style of the original work underlying the translation. Figure 11 shows the condensed MAPTEXT outputs for, first, GENERAL and, second, GENERAL plus its synonyms. Each asterisk stands for one occurrence. The characters above some of the asterisks have been added after "manual" consultation of the noncondensed MAPTEXT output, to indicate which of the synonyms the asterisk represents. T represents TYPICAL; W, WHOLE; U, UNIVERSAL; Y, TOTAL; C, COMMON; and N, NATURAL. Paragraphs are condensed into groups of four, so that the first row in Figure 11 represents occurrences in paragraphs 1-4, the second row in paragraphs 5-8, etc.

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<u>Paragraph</u>	<u>General</u>	<u>General and Synonyms</u>
4	*	*
8	***	T ****
12		
16		
20		
24	*****	W N *****
28	**	W ***
32	*	U **
36	**	**
40	*	WW ***
44		W *
48		
52		W *
56	**	** WW
60		**
64		
68	*	*
72		
76	*	U W ***
80	***	***
84	***	***
88	**	T ***
92		

Figure 11. Condensed MAPTEXT Outputs

<u>Paragraph</u>	<u>General</u>	<u>General and Synonyms</u>
96		
100		
104		
108		W *
112		
116		
120		
124		
128	**	** T *
132		W W *****
136	***	
140	*	*
144		
148		C * T *
152		
156		
160	***	*** W *
164		
168		
172		W *
176		
180		
184	*	W **

Figure 11. (Continued)

<u>Paragraph</u>	<u>General</u>	<u>General and Synonyms</u>
188		
192	*	*
196	**	**
200		
204		T *
208		W *
212		
216		
220		W *
224	*	*
228	*	*
232		

Figure 11. (Continued)

The thought was that if GENERAL and its synonyms tended to cluster in the same locations, one might conclude that the translator was striving for some variety even though he, or the original text, had fallen into a habit, of a few paragraphs' duration, of using vague descriptors such as "in general." As Figure 11 shows, the results of the combined comparison are not clear-cut, but there is a tendency toward clustering in the same location. The only synonyms at a distance of more than four paragraphs from a paragraph group containing the word GENERAL are WHOLE, in paragraph row 108; COMMON, in paragraph row 148; TOTAL, in paragraph row 152; WHOLE, in 172; TOTAL, in 204; and WHOLE, in 208. Of the synonyms used, WHOLE occurs almost twice as often (17 occurrences) as

all the others combined (9 occurrences). Eleven occurrences of WHOLE appear in the phrase "as a whole," and two in the phrase "on the whole"; both phrases are roughly synonymous to the use of GENERAL in the phrase "in general." WHOLE is used adjectivally four times ("whole depths," "whole territory," "whole continents," "whole world"). One of these uses is in paragraph row 208, and the other three are in paragraph rows 52 and 60; thus, in no case are the adjectival uses of WHOLE part of a paragraph row "string" that also includes uses of GENERAL. When WHOLE does appear in such a string it does, then, tend to provide a varied locution for the rather vague collocation implied by GENERAL. Thus, the translator, at least, can be given some credit for an effort to vary his style somewhat. When MAPTEXT is running again, we'll compare the RAND translation with the Praeger translation; if the same sort of pattern appears in RAND, we might reasonably conclude that the modest push for stylistic variety may exist in the original.

MAPTEXT, in its current version, obviously can provide a quick guide to some of the structural and distributional aspects of style in verbal material. In its future version, options for the condensed output feature will be enlarged so that the researcher can obtain, on one run, composite and individual graphs for the words represented by special characters within that run. Then we could request, for example, individual graphs for each of the synonyms for GENERAL, in addition to that for GENERAL, as well as the composite graph shown in the right-hand column of Figure 11.

C. Some Stylistic Implications of a Comparison of Content Words in the Two Translations of SOVIET MILITARY STRATEGY.

This comparison was initially suggested by a survey of the VIA outputs for chapter one in both the RAND and Praeger translations of Soviet Military Strategy. It was clear from that output that there were some important word choice distinctions between the two translations. The most striking difference was the use of the word CONFLICT, 24 times in the Praeger translation and not at all in the RAND translation; the word COMBAT appeared a compensatory number of times in the latter. We had planned to do extensive numerical comparisons of the remaining chapters in both translations but were unable to complete the task before the Philco 2000 was dismantled. We did, however, succeed in getting an output that simply lists words occurring in the Praeger translation and not in RAND, and vice versa. The output is a surprisingly long 52 pages. Within those pages a few stylistic patterns are clearly apparent, even without the statistical summaries we had planned to have.

In an effort to determine whether either of the translations showed syntactic preferences, the lists were perused for instances in which one or more forms of a word appeared in one list and different forms of the same word in the other list. For example, the Praeger translation used the words ADAPTABILITY and ADAPTION, whereas RAND ignored those forms but did use the word ADAPTABLE. The latter form did not, of course, occur in the Praeger translation. In all, there were 127 of these instances of disparate forms of the same word. Within these 127 instances, many of the forms chosen do not consistently appear in either one list or the other. There are two exceptions,

though, to the generally random character of the use of disparate forms. In 11 cases, the Praeger translation uses an -ing form whereas the RAND translation uses simply a present, active verb form. For example, Praeger uses ENLISTING, which does not occur in RAND, and RAND uses ENLIST, which does not occur in Praeger. The reverse of this pattern--that is, the present active form in Praeger and the -ing form in RAND--occurs just twice. The other discernible syntactic preference pattern is for the -ion nominative form in the Praeger translation. For example, Praeger has COMPILATION, RAND has COMPILED and COMPILE; Praeger has COMPLICATIONS, RAND has COMPLICATE and COMPLICATES; Praeger has CONCEPTIONS, RAND has CONCEPTUAL, etc. In total, there are 13 such instances; the reverse situation (the -ion ending in RAND and not in Praeger) occurs 4 times. Although these usage patterns may not seem, on the surface, striking, it was just such seemingly trivial "subconscious" patterns of stylistic choice that enabled Mosteller and Wallace to produce such satisfactory statistical estimates as to the authorship of the disputed Federalist Papers.¹⁵

It would be interesting to pursue further the syntactic distinctions cited above by getting condensed MAPTEXT distribution patterns for the -ion, -ing forms and their counterparts. If they cluster, they might well represent the stylistic preference of one of the several translators associated with the project.

¹⁵F. Mosteller and D. L. Wallace, Inference and Disputed Authorship: The Federalist, Addison-Wesley Publishing Co., Inc., Reading, Massachusetts, 1964.

Other than the patterns of syntactic preference, one other much more general but nonetheless interesting pattern emerges from a study of the Praeger and RAND lists. That is, that once an author or, in our case, translator, begins to use a particular word he is likely to use several forms of that word. For example, Praeger has CULMINATED, CULMINATES, CULMINATING, CULMINATION, whereas no form of the word appears in RAND. On the other hand, RAND has DECIMATE and DECIMATED, but no form of this word occurs in Praeger. There are 120 such instances in the two lists: 90, or three-fourths of the instances, occur in the RAND translation. This fact might seem to indicate that the RAND translators were less inventive than the Praeger translators, but, on the other hand, of the approximately 2930 words occurring in the total output, 1599 appear in the RAND translation and not in the Praeger, whereas only 1331 words appear in Praeger and not in RAND. The multiform use of a particular word or words might indeed indicate the hand of a particular translator, however. Again, some condensed MAPTEXT outputs might prove informative.

When our programs are again operative, we will pursue this kind of comparison in more detail. The significance of the results obtained thus far lies not only in the techniques indicated for similar and further research, but also in the fact that the choice of content words is so demonstrably an aspect of stylistic choice. The almost 3000 content words appearing in the lists of words occurring in the RAND translation but not in Praeger, and vice versa, clearly show that one writer will describe the same situation (in this case, the "situation" is a verbal text) with one set of words, while a

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second writer will use a variant set of words. The use of two translations of one word for analysis probably provides the strongest evidence obtainable that content word choice is an aspect of style. This point certainly should no longer be a matter for the dispute implicitly contained in all discussions of style that entail distinctions between style and content, or form and content. So long as such distinctions are made, the problem of the analysis of style will be obscured.

III. Plans for the Future

The future directions of research on the stylistic analysis project will be based on the accomplishments already achieved. Since VIA works well as a content analysis program, its operation and output will be refined to make it increasingly useful. The MAPTEXT representations have already been shown to provide very quick leads for the perception of spatial clustering of concepts as well as for the spatial relationships among concepts which reveal rhetorical, or structural, aspects of style; to improve the ease with which MAPTEXT can be used, programming modifications to increase its output flexibility and clarity will be introduced. In addition, more basic research on thesauri and on statistical measures to be used in the stylistic analysis systems will be carried out.

The introduction of computer program modifications will take place concomitantly with the rewriting of programs for the IBM S/360 computers. The higher order language being used for much of the reprogramming is PL/I, a language much better adapted to verbal data processing than is FORTRAN, but which should have the wide availability for which FORTRAN was chosen for the original programs.

The new VIA program will incorporate a number of changes. For example, the INDEX phase of VIA will be made more general so that it can index oral as well as written verbal material. The THESAUR portion of VIA will be given the power to retrieve word pairs and triplets, as well as single words. THESAUR will also be altered so that the printout will show the text form as well as the thesaurus form for associated words of the same root; the printout will not,

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however, "balloon" output by including many different thesaurus forms with a given root when only one or two of those forms appear in the text--in these circumstances, only the form or forms appearing in the text will appear in the printout. Some additions to THESAUR, incorporated since VIA was last described, will be retained. For example, the output now subdivides associated word lists so that the appropriate words are associated with DEADLY, another group of appropriate words is associated with DEAD, etc. This change was necessitated by the thesaurus experiments, which subdivided root groups in this manner and listed thesaurus entries for each of the subdivisions, or root forms. A concordance feature has been added to the VIA package so that the researcher can automatically have a concordance for primary words, if he chooses. This feature will be retained with an improved output format.

Work toward the complete automation of VIA will continue. The emphasis here will be upon further work on thesauri. Additional comparisons of reference thesauri and synonym dictionaries will be made so that, for example, more general deductions as to the indexing bias in a given thesaurus can be drawn. Efforts directed toward experimenting with various combinations of thesauri and context will begin in an attempt to see whether context can indeed supplement weak areas in a thesaurus.

The output potential of MAPTEXT will be increased so that in addition to the MAPTEXT of the complete text (see the sample in Figure 10), condensed output graphs for each of the words represented by a special character in the complete text representation will be produced (see sample in Figure 11). The readability of the complete text representation will be improved by providing larger spatial demarcations between major data units such as chapters.

Efforts directed toward the introduction of statistical tests to specific sections of the programming system will also be initiated. For example, when our programs are again operative, we would like to obtain more precise quantitative data regarding the differences in word choice between the two translations of Soviet Military Strategy than was possible during the current year. We would also like to begin exploration of word sequencing choices, both as to type and individual word, by using Markov procedures where applicable. When we begin to have a number of different operating procedures for the determination of style, some of the implications of the output from those procedures (such as those implications already seen in the MAPTEXT representations of Soviet Military Strategy) should begin to coalesce toward an extensive, coherent picture of the style of any given body of verbal data.

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Appendix:

VIA Output for Word DECLINE, RAND Chapter One, Showing Comparative Retrieval Capacities for Webster's Dictionary of Synonyms, Roget's International Thesaurus, and Roget's University Thesaurus.

Webster's Dictionary of Synonyms

DECLINE

DECLINE

-----ACCEPT
-----ADVANCE
-----PROGRESS
-----RECEIVE
-----REFUSE
-----RISE
-----SPURN
-----STICK
-----TAKE

Roget's International Thesaurus

DECLINE

DECLINED

-----DECLINING (Different Form Appears in the Text)

DECLINE

-----AGE
-----BACKWARDATION (Different Form Appears in the Text)
-----BACKWARDIZATION (Different Form Appears in the Text)
-----BREAK
-----CLOSE
-----CLOSING (Different Form Appears in the Text)
-----DECLINATION (Different Form Appears in the Text)
-----DENY
-----EVEN (Different Form Appears in the Text)
-----FOUNDER
-----GO
-----IMPERFECTION (Different Form Appears in the Text)
-----INCLINE (Different Form Appears in the Text)
-----INSUFFICIENCY (Different Form Appears in the Text)
-----LACK
-----LESSEN (Different Form Appears in the Text)
-----LOWERING (Different Form Appears in the Text)
-----LOWER
-----PARE (Different Form Appears in the Text)
-----REDUCE (Different Form Appears in the Text)
-----REDUCTION (Different Form Appears in the Text)
-----REFUSE (Different Form Appears in the Text)
-----RISE
-----SET
-----SHORTAGE
-----SHORTEN (Different Form Appears in the Text)
-----SHORTFALL (Different Form Appears in the Text)
-----WEAKEN (Different Form Appears in the Text)
-----WINTER
-----WITHDRAW

Roget's University Thesaurus

DECLINE

DECLINE

-----ACCIDENT	(Different Form Appears in the Text)
-----AGE	
-----AIDLESS	(Different Form Appears in the Text)
-----ANALYSIS	
-----ANCIENT	
-----ANTIQUE	(Different Form Appears in the Text)
-----ANTIQUITY	
-----ATTACK	
-----BLOW	
-----CALAMITOUS	(Different Form Appears in the Text)
-----CALAMITY	
-----CARE	(Different Form Appears in the Text)
-----CASE	
-----CATASTROPHE	
-----CLASSIC	(Different Form Appears in the Text)
-----COLD	
-----CONFINED	
-----CONSUMPTION	(Different Form Appears in the Text)
-----CUSTOMARY	(Different Form Appears in the Text)
-----CUSTOM	
-----DEAD	(Different Form Appears in the Text)
-----DECLINATION	(Different Form Appears in the Text)
-----DECLINING	(Different Form Appears in the Text)
-----DECLINE	
-----DECREMENT	(Different Form Appears in the Text)
-----DEFENSELESS	(Different Form Appears in the Text)
-----DENIAL	(Different Form Appears in the Text)
-----DENY	
-----DEVOTED	
-----DISASTER	
-----DISASTROUS	
-----DOWNWARD	(Different Form Appears in the Text)
-----DOWNWARDS	(Different Form Appears in the Text)
-----DOWNFALL	
-----DOWN	
-----ERODE	(Different Form Appears in the Text)
-----EROSION	(Different Form Appears in the Text)
-----EXCLUSION	(Different Form Appears in the Text)
-----EXCLUDE	
-----EXTREMITY	(Different Form Appears in the Text)
-----FIT	
-----GATHERING	(Different Form Appears in the Text)
-----HALTING	(Different Form Appears in the Text)

-----HALT	
-----HOSPITAL	
-----IMPOSSIBLE	
-----INCLINATION	(Different Form Appears in the Text)
-----INFLAMMATION	(Different Form Appears in the Text)
-----ISSUE	
-----LESSEN	(Different Form Appears in the Text)
-----LIGHT	
-----LOAD	
-----LOWER	
-----MINIMIZE	
-----NEITHER	
-----NO	
-----OBSOLETE	
-----PAPERY	(Different Form Appears in the Text)
-----PASSE	(Different Form Appears in the Text)
-----PASS	(Different Form Appears in the Text)
-----PAST	
-----POISONED	(Different Form Appears in the Text)
-----POORLY	(Different Form Appears in the Text)
-----POOR	
-----POWERLESS	(Different Form Appears in the Text)
-----PRESSURE	
-----PRIME	(Different Form Appears in the Text)
-----REDUCE	(Different Form Appears in the Text)
-----REDUCTION	(Different Form Appears in the Text)
-----REFUSAL	(Different Form Appears in the Text)
-----REFUSE	(Different Form Appears in the Text)
-----REFUSED	
-----REFUSING	
-----REPULSE	(Different Form Appears in the Text)
-----RESIST	(Different Form Appears in the Text)
-----RESTIVE	(Different Form Appears in the Text)
-----RIPENESS	(Different Form Appears in the Text)
-----ROT	(Different Form Appears in the Text)
-----ROTTEN	
-----SEIZURE	
-----SET	
-----SHORTEN	(Different Form Appears in the Text)
-----SPURN	(Different Form Appears in the Text)
-----STRENGTHLESS	(Different Form Appears in the Text)
-----SUFFER	(Different Form Appears in the Text)
-----TRADITIONAL	(Different Form Appears in the Text)
-----TRADITIONARY	(Different Form Appears in the Text)
-----TRADITIVE	(Different Form Appears in the Text)
-----TRADITION	
-----TRIAL	

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-----UNFAVORABLE

-----UNHEALTHY

-----WEAKEN

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-----WEAKLY

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-----WEAKNESS

(Different Form Appears in the Text)

-----WEAKENED

-----WEAK

-----WITHDRAWAL

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