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- Thesis title: **An investigation into the realisation of “ăn” as a category in Vietnamese idioms in relation to "meokda" in Korean idioms, under the lense of cognitive linguistics**
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New contributions

- This thesis aims to study the category of "ăn" (eat) expressed in idioms containing the element "ăn" in Vietnamese according to the theory of cognitive metaphor and cognitive metonymy. Idioms - as a linguistic unit - play an important role in the expression of human's thoughts. Hence, the process of communication in language becomes more diverse and more effective. Based on the theories of cognitive linguistics, namely cognitive metaphor and cognitive metonymy, this thesis delves into studying and analyzing the structural models of cognitive metaphor and cognitive metonymy related to the category of "ăn" in Vietnamese idioms containing the element "ăn".

- This research also analyzes the category of "meokda" in Korean which is considered the equivalent category of "ăn" in Vietnamese to make comparisons and to clarify the research objects.

- As a result of this research process, the thesis has developed a diagram of the category "ăn" in Vietnamese, in which some conceptual models stand out, such as: ["ăn" represents life], ["ăn" represents behavior] and ["ăn" represents personality]. In each conceptual model, the thesis elucidates metaphorical expressions and metonymic expressions, from which the ideal conceptual models (ICM) of metaphorical and metonymic expressions can be built.

- The research results are hoped to enrich the treasure of language research of Vietnam in general and of the contrastive linguistics and language comparison between Vietnamese and Korean in particular. At the same time, through the research results, this thesis also determines to further affirm the role of cognitive linguistics in language research.

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