Modal Encoding and Situational Dependency

Megan Backer

Overview

- Limited-Capacity Info Processing
- Associative Network Model
- Future study?
- Possible results

Limited-Capacity Information Processing

- Can process a limited amount of surroundings.
 - Encoding
 - Storage
 - Retrieval

Encoding

- Automatic
 - Relevant to needs or goals
 - Presents change or unexpected, novel stimulus
- Controlled
 - Reflects goals, but is conscious

Storage

 Process of linking the information encoded to past memories.

Retrieval

The activation of links in memory

Associative Network Model

- Supports the concept of storage as linking of information.
- Suggests that increased links to an item will ensure better storage of the item.
- Suggests that increased links to an item will increase the ease in which that item is retrieved.
 - Better storage, better retrieval.

Bilingual advantage

- Having two languages equates a better encoding, and storage of language
- The advantage of bilingualism suggests that not only is language better stored, but creates other links more easily (abstract thought).

Modal Encoding

- Visual Encoding trumps Auditory Encoding
- Defining Audio/Video Redundancy...
 Annie Lang

Research question?

 Do bilinguals show an encoding advantage in both visual and auditory compared to monolinguals.

Measures in Recognition task

- Visual only
- Audio only
- Visual and Audio (control)

Possible Results

- There is no bilingual advantage when encoding media. The advantage is not generalizable.
- Bilinguals show advantage in auditory only.
 Advantage specific to language links.
- Bilinguals show advantage overall. Advantage is generalizable.