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Epistemic and pragmatic features of Russian Ja ne znaju

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This paper presents the structural and functional features of the Russian construction ja ne znaju 'I don't know'. This construction seems to have interesting epistemic and pragmatic functions when it occurs in specific syntactic contexts in contemporary Russian speech. Specifically, the different structural contexts in which ja ne znaju occurs will be classified with the aim of attributing a precise functional value to each of them. The analysis will focus on the pragmatic and functional aspects, starting from the relationship that seems to exist between formal characteristics and the information side.

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