

# **Rhizome and Wikipedia**

## **A humanities based approach towards a structural explanation of the namespace**

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### ABSTRACT

This paper describes similarities between two different rhizomes – the philosophical according to Deleuze and Guattari with their six principles and the botanical, consisting of three principles – and Wikipedia's main namespace and tries to compare them. As a conclusion it can be said that within Wikipedia's main namespace all the principles of both rhizomes can be observed.

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