

ABSTRACT:

In a lecture called "The inference-making machine," Harvey Sacks offered one of his best-known transcript analyses. His analysis was elaborated 30 years later by Derek Edwards, in *_Discourse and cognition_* (1997). Using an approach developed out of both taxonomic and membership categorization analysis, I reanalyze Sacks' transcript. I have chosen to do a reanalysis of a transcript that two prominent scholars have already analyzed in order to allow the audience to judge whether the method I use truly generates new insight.