The Discursive Construction of Republicanism through the Quotes of the President of the Autonomous Government of Catalonia after the 2017 Self-Determination Referendum. The Case of President Joaquim Torra I Pla By Patrícia Domínguez

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Abstract

This paper addresses recourse to quotations as a polyphonic resource conveying a particular ideology. We argue that they serve to persuade audiences by eliciting an emotional response (pathos) that affects the transmission of ethos, both of the locutor (Maingueneau 2002b) and the community it claims to represent. By examining the quotes found on the President’s official Twitter account and in his public speeches, we aim to identify the emotions that are semiotized by citations or ”secondary aphorizations” (Maingueneau 2012). We later examine their intended persuasive impact on the target audience. In short, we conclude that ”aphorizations” play a crucial role in the ideological construction of discourse in the political sphere.

Index terms—aphorization, quotation, ideology, political opponent, opinion, represented discourse.

1 Introduction

his work is part of the doctoral thesis in linguistics written by the author at NOVA FCSH, Discourse and Ideology in the UN: Discursive Built-up and Textual Broadcast. It follows the approach of Text and Discourse linguistics proposed by the French line, namely Polyphony (Ducrot 1988), "enunciation scene" (2002a, 2007), and "aphorization" (2012) proposed by Maingueneau; textualization of Points of View (Rabatel 1998(Rabatel , 2007(Rabatel , 2012 ) ) and semiotization of emotions 1 ??Rabatel & Micheli 2013a ?? 2013b). This paper aims to reflect on the use of quotations as a polyphonic phenomenon whose intertextual nature both constructs emotions and conveys ideologically shaped Points of View (hereafter POV) in a sample of political interventions of the President of the Generalitat de Catalunya 2 1 We understand emotions as the program of physical actions triggered by the mind -of an interpretative nature -in reaction to a stimulus, as defined by Damásio (1998). 2 Not to be confused with the sovereign institution of the Principality of Catalonia, founded in 1359. This Generalitat is part of the constitutional monarchy of the Spanish State, established in 1977.

, Joaquim Torra i Pla, since his election on ??ay 16, 2018, after the self-determination referendum won by the supporters of a Catalan Republic. The selected period includes 88 quotes in 16 The proclamation of Torra resulted from the overthrow of the government of President Carles Puigdemont i Casamajó after the referendum of 01.10.2017. After the announcement of Catalonia’s independence from the Spanish state, President Puigdemont adjourned it to initiate a negotiation phase. Nonetheless, the Kingdom of Spain intervened economically, politically, and legally in Catalonia on 28.11.2017, illegally calling elections in Catalonia. 3II.

2 Methodology

The President then won the 20.12.2017 elections government. However, the intervention of state judicial bodies prevented his proclamation and that of the two subsequent candidates, who were remanded in custody while
Puigdemont was in exile in Belgium. The fourth candidate was Joaquim Torra i Pla, who began the legislature with the slogan "From restitution (of the legitimate government) to the Constitution (drafting the Charter of the Catalan Republic)." On 27.01.2020, the President was stripped of his seat in Parliament by court order, but he remained President, albeit without voting rights in the chamber.

In this paper, we examine, from an enunciative perspective, how the locutor, as a speaking subject (Ducrot 1984), discursively constructs the "act of global enunciation" (Lundquist 1980(Lundquist , 1991) ) to convey a particular ideology. To this end, we will examine the embodiment of these acts, the texts. Our analysis will be conducted on a sample of texts in Catalan, including quotations, produced by a single locutor, President Joaquim Torra i Pla. The texts for the study consist of a series of 48 posts published on his official Twitter account between 09.27.2019 and 02. 27.2020, as well as a collection of 13 political speeches delivered between 06.06.2018 and 04.01.2020. In total, the sample contains 88 quotes.

For this study, we adopt the discourse concept developed by Volochinov 4 (2008) and Bakhtine (1984 ?? apud Bronckart 2008)). According to the authors, discourse is both a means to understand and represent the world and a tool for sociocultural change. Thus, discourse has a dynamic character. That is why we can define discourse as a sociological means ??Volochinov 1929-30) resulting from the sum of culturally and historically situated utterances. That is because the discourse is conditioned by and represents the context of a particular epoch.

This feature enables us to identify the ideology present at a specific historical moment. It also allows the subject to act socially through conscious linguistic intervention when shaping the discourse.

Volochinov points out that ideology at the enunciative level can be especially significant when observing syntactic constructions since the utterance is sociologically structured. In this case, the introduction of citations into the enunciative act affects both the syntax at the enunciation level and the content through the symbolism they convey, thus influencing the sense of the utterance and the emotional impact it can trigger. This analysis aims to show how a particular rhetorical resource, the quotation, plays a crucial role in the ideological construction of discourse. We argue that this is where we can find much of the ideologic and symbolic content aimed at building or reinforcing the ethos of a target community while activating pathos. In other words, they arouse empathy in the target audience. That is because ideology is not only a conceptual system but also has a material manifestation (Althusser 1971) that we can grasp through a discursive and, particularly, textual analysis.

According to the above, since ideology is present in discursive practices, it is subject to change for historical, cultural, and social reasons. As it is precisely in discursive practices where there is a constant negotiation over the meaning of symbols, i.e., linguistic signs ??Volochinov 1929-30), we decided to structure our dialogical analysis mainly based on Maingueneau’s theoretical proposals ??2002a, 2007, 2012). The author addresses the topic of discourse and discursive genres by distinguishing between different discourse types depending on the sphere of use, namely political, religious, and others. Within each discursive type, a distinction is also drawn between instituted and authorial discursive genres (Maingueneau 2002a:321).

On one hand, to Maingueneau, established genres depend on context and situation of production, namely the global scene (Maingueneau 1993). On the . In the case under study, the discourse type is political, whereas the discursive genre is "instituted" because there is no direct or immediate interaction (political speech or post). Other hand, each established genre, depending on the institution where the communicative act takes place, features a specific generic scene or a prototypical model. Consequently, the locutor has at its own disposal a series of standardized structures, a script (Maingueneau 2002a), to develop the enunciation according to a specific scene of enunciation. However, the enunciative act is not solely the result of the sociodiscursive constraints established by the scene of enunciation within a given discursive genre. The locutor enjoys a certain degree of creativity we can spot when analyzing certain linguistic elements of the scenography (Maingueneau 1998), namely of the text, such as the quotes.

In light of the above, we shall begin our analysis describing the scene of enunciation and its components (Maingueneau 1998): global scene, generic scene, and scenography. Next, we will outline the quotations featured in the scenography, focusing on two essential aspects. Firstly, we will emphasize the transtextual and polyphonic nature of the quotes. Secondly, we will reflect on the potential impact of their use in the ideological construction of a collective and individual ethos as a means for activating pathos and triggering social action.

As far as the transtextual nature is concerned, we recall that citations are an example of the phenomenon of transtextuality described by Genette (ch. I Palimpsestes, 1982). The author considers it an inherent phenomenon in all texts since every text belongs to a textual tradition from which it retains certain aspects and modifies others. Historicity, hence, plays a decisive role in textual structure. In this regard, Genette defined five types of transtextual relationships, among which we stress the relevance of intertextuality (Kristeva 1969; ??arthes 1973 ??arthes -1974) ). Quotation as a phenomenon of manifest intertextuality stands for dialogical socio-discursive continuity, for when it appears in a current text, it establishes a connection to existing texts from a historical and cultural point of view. Thus, each text is part of a continuum, of a tradition to which it legitimates and to which the text contributes. Due to the nature of or the co-presence of two or more texts. To characterize intertextuality, the authors Authier-Revuz (1982) and Maingueneau (1987) proposed a further distinction that we consider relevant. They distinguish between manifest intertextuality, occurring when the words of a third party get transmitted through quotations or allusions within a specific text, and constitutive intertextuality, involving a text sharing elements with other earlier or later texts.

This research, we will focus on the study of manifest intertextuality, so we will not cover the study of other relations of transtextuality, even if present in the sample.
As mentioned earlier, quotes are not only a transtextual phenomenon but also a polyphonic one. The polyphonic nature of quoting was already the subject of consideration by Volochinov (1929). He addressed the authorial discourses and the discourses of others in literary works, showing the difficulties in delimiting, from a syntactic perspective, the boundaries between direct and indirect discourses (in the grammatical sense). Volochinov realized that the characterization of discourse types between the mode (grammatical) and the modality (stylistic) is unclear, sometimes overlapping. In an attempt to solve the issue of analyzing constructions in indirect discourse, he proposed a distinction between two modalities: thematic-analytical and analytical-discursive.

In the first modality, the author reproduces the other person’s words objectively, using the stylistic resource of quotation. Meanwhile, in the second modality, the author creates a character that includes the author’s assessments from a more subjective perspective. The latter acts as an utterer presenting its point of view. Nevertheless, from our perspective, a quote in the political discursive genre, despite being objectified, would fall under the analytical-discursive modality. The main reason is that this character stands for an utterer other than the locutor that conveys a concrete point of view, generally shared with the locutor.

In this way, we approach the study of quotations as manifestations of a common point of view. As for the relationship between locutor and enunciators, we base our analysis on the theoretical approach of Rabatel (1998; Rabatel, 2007; Rabatel, 2012). The author theorized about the textualization of POV, distinguishing a set of enunciators who appear in texts. Those enunciators may or may not share the author-locutor’s POV.

The enunciators that the locutor activates along the enunciative act represent a textual manifestation of his creativity. These enunciators inscribe various POVs (Rabatel 1998; Rabatel, 2007; Rabatel, 2012) in the texts through which the locutor enriches the scenography (Maingueneau 1998). Moreover, the set formed by the present POVs reveals the POV of the locutor and is part of the constitution of the discursive ethos (Maingueneau 2002b; Charaudeau 2008; Charaudeau, 2009).

The importance of this analysis rests on the author-locutor’s ability to create a text capable of gaining audience support through an identification process with the discursive ethos the locutor can shape. The more POVs the author considers, the more opportunities there are to reach a broader and more diverse audience. The locutor accomplishes it by choosing a variety of enunciators. For this reason, we seek to identify the nature of the relationship between the enunciators (quotes from the authors) and the author-locutor.

As a polyphonic phenomenon, the quotation not only introduces into the enunciative act the POV and symbolic charge of the new enunciator, the author of the quote but also adds the symbolic value of the sociocultural context of its earlier production. The POV expressed by this enunciator often represents a projection of the enunciator-locutor’s own POV, which seizes on the symbolic charge of both the quote and its original author and sociocultural context to adopt their attributes and create a discursive ethos that benefits the locutor’s political and social interests. The strategy used in practice is to compare two situations and apply the previously proposed solution or POV to the current situation.

As for ethos, defined in the Aristotelian sense of character, Maingueneau (2002b) considers that persuasiveness results from the audience identifying the speaker as a member of the same ethos. Thus, to be successful, the locutor must adapt his discourse to the audience’s ethos. In this way, the author proposes to distinguish between the discursive ethos that develops during the enunciative act and the prediscursive ethos that results from the effect that a pre-existing ethos of the locutor at the beginning of the enunciative act can have on the creation of expectations on the part of the audience. For this reason, Maingueneau (2012) highlights that, especially in aphorization, the locutor adopts the ethos of the author of the citation. As a result, the locutor benefits from the public projection of the author’s image, the discursive ethos. In other words, he assumes a particular moral or legal height that is universal in nature. Therefore, the POV conveyed by the quotation has a sententious character.

In the recently developed theory by Maingueneau (2012) on “textless sentences” or “detachable utterance,” based on the concept of aphorization, the author explains that this is a polyphonic phenomenon involving the existence of an enunciator acting as a Subject. The result of this aphorization can be either an “aphorizing utterance or a textualizing utterance”.

3 «[?] L’énonciation aphorisante est inévitablement intégrée à une énonciation textualisante. L’aphoriseur prend de la hauteur, il libère l’éthos d’un homme autorisé, au contact d’une Source transcendantale, de valeurs au-delà des interactions et des argumentations. L’aphorisation implique un énonciateur qui se pose en Sujet ; réciproquement, un Sujet se manifeste comme tel par sa possibilité d’aphoriser.» Maingueneau (2012) In this article, we will focus on citations known as secondary aphorizations or textual sequences detached from a source text. That is the case for quotes used in public speeches marked with quotation marks or introduced by a dicendi verb, but also for fragments of literary, narrative or poetic texts. Usually, secondary aphorizations, inserted in a new context, require from the recipient an interpretive effort ??Maingueneau (2013:110). In other words, interpretation will
depend on the ability of the recipient to mobilize sociocultural knowledge in order to frame the uttered citations in a particular pragmatic category.

Therefore, it is crucial for us to identify the author. Ultimately, it is the one responsible for the moralizing or hermeneutic sentence. So, if we aim to fully comprehend the symbolic power conveyed by both the author and the quote by means of the aphorization, we must be able to frame it in a specific pragmatic category. That is the key to understanding the conveyed ethos and ideology.

In this regard, Maingueneau (2013:113) points out that the use of a citation implies the introduction into the text of a phrase with an indisputable character whose symbolic force we will understand when we pragmatically categorize it into one of the three groups the author proposes: interpretative, informative and testimonial. Given the nature of our sample, the quotes fall into the last two categories: informative and testimonial. In addition, the author makes a further distinction between these two categories, drawing a line between the current regime and the memorial regime (historical or wise), both of which are related to the encyclopedic knowledge required for their correct interpretation; the former being dependent on present-day sociodiscursive conditions and the latter on a more or less distant collective memory. Thus, after identifying the authors and placing them in one of the three categories: existent, character, or sage, we will group the secondary aphorizations according to the characteristics previously identified while studying the biographies and the quotations. That will allow us to highlight the traces of ideology drawn and transmitted in the interventions delivered by the locutor.

Regarding the language activity, the one aspect we would like to emphasize is the emotional factor. Emotions are a crucial aspect of the construction and transmission of knowledge. Individuals construct their knowledge through interaction with the environment. In other words, the mind consciously or unconsciously acquires knowledge through experimentation and experience. According to Ulioli (1986:163), «Il n’y a pas de cognition sans représentation et pas d’activité symbolique sans opérations,» since the cognitive is inseparable from the symbolic. The experiential nature of knowledge, and thus its affective or emotional nature, plays a crucial role in the appropriation of the text by the recipient. The activation of pathos through linguistic means, such as quotations, triggers complex emotions in the target audience, as these are related to the community’s value system (ethos). Hence, the locutor, aware of its importance, will put them into play to emotionally involve the audience. In this sense, we argue that aphorizations present in political utterances may serve to achieve such an effect.

The outcome of such activation can affect collective and individual identity, in the shaping of which linguistic ideology plays a central role, according to the thesis put forward by anthropologist and linguist Roskrity (2005:501). According to him, the choice of linguistic means is an expression of ways of thinking about the world based on the ideals of a society that are achievable through social action. Because of this, we also want to consider whether the enunciators of the quotations are symbolic transmitters of determined emotions, either through the relevance of their historical figure or through their words.

To take into account the above aspects, we will put into practice the three-part analytical model of the way emotions can be semiotized developed by Micheli (2010, 2013a, 2013b), namely:
"émotion dite, émotion montrée, émotion étayée." According to the author, the last one is the one that involves an argumentative dimension, derived from social and cultural conventions or the knowledge shared by a community.

In the words of the author: In short, the author proposes a tripartite process to evoke emotion. We can translate it as "asserted emotion," "shown emotion," and "argued emotion." In the first process, the evoked emotion results from an expression that denotes it. In the second process, the elicited emotion results from a derived interpretation of a range of features that lend themselves to indexical interpretation. In the third procedure, the evoked emotion results from an inferred interpretation of a conventional situation according to a set of sociocultural norms. However, we will keep the terms in French.

6 III.

7 Analysis

First, we will outline the scene of the enunciation under study. Our sample is homogeneous. All the texts share the global scene, namely the political type of discourse. Because of its political nature, it is a public address intended to persuade or affirm an ideology within the target community. At the same time, it aims to constitute a concrete ethos within it. Furthermore, the texts are classified in the "instituted genre of discourse," as there is no direct or immediate interaction between the interlocutors. However, they differ in the outcome, namely in the generic scene, because the texts result from acts of enunciation delivered in two different institutions.

On the one hand, there is a group of public political speeches delivered at formal meetings where the President has limited time to intervene, so he recurs to a previously planned monologue. On the other hand, the second group consists of posts on a digital service, Twitter, which allows other users of the same social network to intervene in the topic line, the hashtag, through comments that can eventually be answered by the locutor or by other users. Therefore, we are referring to two generic scenes that we will describe.

The political interventions were delivered in the exercise of political office in an official public setting and by oral transmission, with the official version posted on the government website in PDF format. The length of the speeches is not uniform, ranging from ten minutes to an hour. The place where the locutor spoke is also heterogeneous: in parliament, at an official event (award ceremony), in a televised institutional message or statement, at a conference (at university, at a business meeting, and so on). However, these diverse texts have some essential features in common. Therefore, we will consider them as a single unit. They were all created in advance. That is, they are not spontaneous. In most of them, there is no possibility of direct interaction. The roles played by the participants are determined by social and institutional hierarchy and by the nature of the communicative event. Moreover, they are also subject to protocol constraints.

The generic scene for Twitter posts, a digital social network, has characteristics that differ from those established for official political statements. The President’s posts on his official Twitter account allow registered users to send short texts (280 characters maximum since 2017), photos, videos, links, and other content. The publication is instantaneous, thus offering all followers of a specific account the opportunity to receive a notification and interact with it on a thread, usually marked with a hashtag. Such posts may be replies to a hashtag created by other users, edits to other posts, or sharing content that is not the author’s own (distribution of posts from other accounts) but also the author’s content. The role of the participants in this social network is quite democratic because all users are on the same level. It allows a certain level of interaction, even if mediated digitally. In this way, the President can interact with citizens virtually in an almost “direct” way, without protocol or hierarchical restrictions beyond the 280-character limit and compliance with ethical standards (it forbids promoting hatred or violence). We retrieved messages from 27.09.2019. until 27.02.2020.

Both of the generic scenes mentioned above, despite the differences described earlier, have one feature in common that we consider crucial: the resulting acts have a media impact. News reports nowadays include references to the official statements of political representatives but also frequently quote and comment on their posts on social media, especially on Twitter. In addition to the influence that audiences experience during the political speeches in person or digitally, these statements amplify their impact by becoming the subject of a transtextualization. The consequences are ultimately a prominent presence of political statements in society and the profiling of the politician himself, both through his communicative acts and through the transmission made by the media. As for Twitter, in addition to the posts themselves, journalists also value the impact these comments have had on the social network, prioritizing the controversial reactions over the original content of the post, namely the one that triggered the chain. That is why we included both in the same type of discourse.

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The importance of its social impact determined the inclusion of the two generic scenes in our sample.

IV.
9 Scenography: The Study of Quotations

Since the object of our analysis is the study of the aphorization, the question of the generic scene remains in the background. Scenography takes relevance in the enunciative act as it is in the text where creativity will reflect. The texts in the sample are different, but they all contain secondary aphorizations. Moreover, due to their nature, the quotes, in this case, are usually short and fit well with the format of the Twitter social platform, where posts are often limited to brief comments, aphorisms, or catchy phrases.

Quotations also respond to the strategy often used in political speeches to using aphorisms or slogans. These types of phrases aim to have an impact on the audience, as they tend to stick in the memory. Moreover, they are usually reproduced in the media and repeated by other politicians, so they become part of the encyclopedic knowledge of the community. Regarding citations, the locutor frequently picks them because of the author’s prestige or hierarchical position in a political, historical, ethical, or moral perspective. The community perceives them as referents, sages, or leaders.

In summary, aphorizations are a polyphonic and transtextual device in which the locutor introduces a third enunciator who brings in a concrete POV that usually coincides with the locutor’s POV, as is the case with the quotations studied in this paper. Therefore, the locutor capitalizes on the social image and symbolic charge of the author-enunciator of the quote to enhance his position and create a particular discursive ethos.

V.

10 Results

Next, we will reflect on the relationship between aphorizations, ideology, and emotions. As might be expected, the remaining quotations come from different authors. After consulting their biographies, we have decided to classify them into three groups based on authorship. Nevertheless, some authors can belong to more than one group (Pau Casals and Eugeni Xammar, among others). Note that we have used the following code to ease interpretation: 11 The functions of the Electoral Board (JEC) are to monitor the electoral process, under no circumstances can it intervene in the course of parliamentary action after the electoral process has been concluded to alter the results. Parliament members can only be dismissed by a ruling of a competent legal court and by firm resolution. In the case of the President of Parliament, only parliamentarians can decide or terminate their President. This selection of personalities and quotations arouses certain emotions in the target community. In particular, the complex emotions brought to the fore, the pathos meant to be triggered, can be summarized in three main themes: Freedom, Dignity, and Identity, as we will see throughout the analysis. In most cases, these are "émoctions étayées" that require an Locutor privileges historical figures from the late 19th to the late 20th century, both locally and internationally, focusing on those who belong to the group of representatives of Catalan institutions, with 34 citations from 25 authors considered "existents, characters or sages" distributed in 18 tweets and 16 quotes in public speeches.

Understanding of the historical meaning of the authors to be understood and comprehended.

Of all the enunciators, 16 were in exile (underlined), 10 took part in the government of the Second Republic of Catalonia 13 (3) «No es tracta que els governants de Madrid ens governin millor o pitjor, sinó que deixin de governar-nos.

(in blue), and 13 participated in the declaration of the Third Republic of Catalonia on 27.10.2017 (in green). However, the most quoted are the politicians and intellectuals of the Second Republic, first and foremost Antoni Rovira i Virgili, author of a quote that was repeated twice: Through it (3) a complex emotion, namely Freedom, is constructed by recourse to an "émotion étayée." The desire for Freedom, historically present in the Catalan
...is a shared knowledge of the community that helps to interpret these words, in which the use of the verbal periphrase "deixa de + infinitive" (stop doing something) and the negative construction "no... sinó que..." (not?) stand out, implying two opposing forces aimed at semiotizing this emotion. The locutor also quotes in a tweet the message inscribed on Rovira i Virgili’s epitaph:

In my translation: "I don’t get discouraged, I don’t give up, I don’t desert. And I dream of the greatest Catalonia, the greatest for the territory, the greatest for Freedom, the greatest for civilization." 13 The First Catalan Republic was declared on 15.01.1641, by Pau Claris i Casademunt, 94th President of the Generalitat de Catalunya, at the beginning of the Segadors War. According to new research (see Sapiens magazine n° 45), he died of poisoning and was the victim of a conspiracy. The Second Catalan Republic was proclaimed on 14.04.1931, by Francesc Macià i Llusà, the 122nd President of the Generalitat de Catalunya. He died on 25.12.1933. His successor was Lluís Companys i Jover (??31.12.1933). The latter was assassinated by Franco’s genocidal forces on 10.14.1940. 14 Plantem-nos i avancem: és a les nostres mans. On 04.01.2020, the President addresses Parliament in response to the threat of suppression by the Electoral Board (JEC). 15 Despite Archduke Charles’ victory, after the Treaty of Utrecht (1713-15), he gave Catalonia to the Bourbon Philip V of Castile. With the Decrees of Nueva Planta (1707, 1715, and 1716), Philip V dissolved the sovereign political structures, the kingdoms of Aragon, Valencia, Majorca, and the Principality of Catalonia. For general information, the Principality of Catalonia dates its foundation back to the 9th century. It is the first medieval European state with a parliamentary system of government. The first constitutions' compilation dates from 1283, with the 1705 edition being the last one never derogated. The first secondary aphorization presents a common POV of the locutor and the author-enunciator on form of government in Catalonia, which in turn includes the negation of the POV of those who agree with the established power, thus questioning the basis of a political and social conviction according to which the government is in the hands of Madrid politicians and not of the Catalan people. The second one conveys the POV of Rovira i Virgili, the locutor and the republican society. Moreover, the words of the epitaph build up a series of emotions, the desire for Freedom and the recognition of national and cultural Dignity. Those intended emotions are semiotized using a negative syntactic phrase "no... no... no..." in contrast to the four superlative structures "la més..." which aim to encourage the audience.

The President as locutor-enunciator also quotes three times Pompeu Fabra, a member of the Republican General Government in exile and author of the modern normative of the Catalan language:

(5) «Només tindrem el que nosaltres sapiguem guanyar.» (repeated twice 16 In this sense, the second quote focuses on a concrete emotion, Dignity, semiotized by means of a conditional syntactic structure and the lexical choice of the verb to fail (fallar). This is identified with the defense of a concrete aspect of Catalan cultural identity, its language. Next, we find two quotes (7) from Lluís Companys which also build up the emotions of Dignity, Freedom and love for the homeland; semiotized through a poetic text with a syntactic negative structure to which the locutor adds the historical context of his execution by Spanish fascism: ) and ( ??) "si la llengua falla, fallarà tot." (13.12.2019). Through these aphorizations, the locutor expresses the shared POV with Fabra about the difficulties of the Catalan struggle, among which he emphasizes the protection of the Catalan language. (7) If we examine the question of emotions conveyed by the secondary aphorizations of this group, we find that they have to do with Freedom and Dignity in the context of defending sociocultural identity. We can classify such emotions as "émotions étayées," for which it is necessary to know the historical significance of both the authors and their time, which is why they are considered "characters" and "sages" according to the historical and sapiential interpretative frameworks ??Maingoneau 2013:114).

About the Third Republic, the President primarily quotes Jordi Turull with three aphorizations (11.12) that also construct complex emotions through the current POV: Dignity and Freedom, semiotized by the lexical choice and the syntactic construction of the future, which has the appearance of a prophecy. They are thus "émotions étayées." But we also find "émotions montrées" (underlined) as hope and determination, conveyed through the lexical choice: (11) «Es el sentit que vull trobar a la presó, amb l’esperança i el convenciment #persistim que si ens en sorteirem i el temps demostrà que res haurà estat en va i tot haurà valgut la pena.» (12) «Benvinguda la proposta de fer un altre referèndum.» «Confonen discrepància i crítica amb atac i falta de respecte. Aquesta confusió només es dóna en mentalitats insegures o en mentalitats autoritàries.»

The group of representatives of Catalan culture includes 21 authors and is the second largest regarding the number of aphorizations with 28 (20 tweets and nine quotes in speeches). One of the quotes belongs to the Catalan community since the 13th century, not to a specific author. It is a fragment of a liturgical drama and medieval ecclesiastical Gregorian chant, declared World Heritage in 2010, the song of the "Sibyl." However, most of the quotes, 20 in total (in red), correspond to fragments of literary texts that the locutor copies on his Twitter feed, 18 poems or excerpts, and one narrative fragment, for example: (13) The remaining aphorizations are the opinions of the authors. In this case, the author highlights the POVs of Manuel de Pedrolo, a writer also known for his journalistic activity and political struggle against Franco’s regime, quoted three times: and Armand Obiols' quote, used twice:

(16) “D’illusions en tenen els febles; els forts tenen program a.”

In these examples, we see how the semiotized emotions are "émotions étayées," namely the determination and fatality of life.
11 "[?] "mémorial", où l’aphorisation est portée par une mémoire collective à plus ou moins long terme. Les aphorisations qui en relèvent sont référées à un auteur identifié, inscrits dans un Thésaurus de paroles vouées à la transmission. Ce régime mémorial peut 

Interpretive framework that circulates in the media, as described by ??aingueneau (2013:112): «tend à réduire, voire à annuler, la dimension informationnelle, au profit de l’expression d’une conviction à la face du monde.»

Especially in the context of the memorial, historical, and sapiential regime, in which the enunciator is considered a character or sage with historical relevance, in this case, 44 of them.
When interpreting secondary aphorizations set in a historical framework, the audience must have an
encyclopedic knowledge of the event where the quote is situated. In the sapiential framework, however, the
aphorization manifests as a moralistic or hermeneutic frame conceived as the POV of a privileged Subject.

Linguistically, we recover memory through the context in which we found the quotation. That is usually done through the use of an indirect style introduced by a dicendi verb (say, defend, write, and others) or the paraphrase of the author-enunciator, but also through the enunciative situation.

Next, there are the aphorizations that belong to the testimonial interpretative framework of the current regime
and consequently are either historical or contemporary. In the historical framework, the audience must have
an encyclopedic knowledge of the event. In the contemporary framework, the audience must be aware of the
context. Aphorizing, however, has a certain implicit historical content and a symbolic charge (historical, cultural,
and so on) that allows it to get reevaluated since it creates continuity, from a historical-cultural perspective, in
the community who receives it. Thus, aphorization is a polyphonic transtextual phenomenon capable of evoking
a great deal of shared knowledge in a particular audience. This knowledge is rooted in a set of shared values
and opinions. At the same time, it aims to evoke complex emotions resulting from the collective or subjective
interpretation of it. The awareness of a shared background within a community leads the locutor to resort to

12 Conclusion
To sum up, quotations understood as textless sentences are used by the locutor as a linguistic means to express
and convey a particular point of view on a given situation. To that end, the locutor activates an enunciator who
is in some sense considered superior to the purpose pursued by the enunciative act. Consequently, the locutor
represents one enunciator, whereas the author of the quoted text represents a second one. The POV conveyed by
the citation becomes part of both enunciators. Occasionally, as mentioned, when using negative utterances,
the locutor builds a complex emotion, an identity composed of love, Dignity, and a sense of belonging. Emotions are triggered
when interpreting aphorizations, most of them (19 quotations) literary excerpts. These literary pieces, seen as a
trigger of emotions, can also be interpreted as "émotions étayées" if we consider the symbolic charge they bestow
when inserted into a contemporary context, for instance: (26) Josep Carner (26), a poet and diplomat of the
Republic, uses an "émotion montrée," determination, to semiotize a complex emotion, Dignity, through "a straight
posture and a wrinkled brow." Historically, however, Carner gives the quote a symbolic charge. Carner remained
loyal to the Republic's government and died in exile, defending his beliefs. Thus, the poem's determination is
strengthened by what the author demonstrated in his life.

Similarly, in the case of the quotation ( ??) from a poem by Montserrat Abelló, she presents an "émotion
montrée," sadness, with expressions such as "bitter voice, weeping or lamenting," while at the same time resorting
to an "émotion étayée" through the construction "learning to say no." The author, as a historical character, has
more symbolic weight. She fled with her parents after 1939, where she worked as a poet, translator, and
teacher (Chile). She carried out humanitarian aid activities for refugees (France and Great Britain) and returned
to Catalonia in 1960, where she devoted herself to teaching in the Catalan language, facing the repression
experienced by the Catalan language at the time. So, the locutor constructs a complex emotion: identity, using
other emotions, Dignity, and perseverance; this being an "émotion étayée" because only those who know about
the character quoted and her biography can perceive it.

In short, we argue that ideology is contained either in the quotes themselves (reflections, opinions, or political
doctrine) or in how the locutor uses them. President Joaquim Torra i Pla uses secondary aphorizations not only
to convey a certain ethos and trigger a particular pathos but also for ideological purposes, namely to:
? defend human rights from a Europeanist and universalist perspective; ? demonstrate his commitment to
achieving political objectives by resorting to nonviolence; ? underline his belief that a Republic is the ideal form
of government for Catalonia; ? defend and protect the Catalan cultural and linguistic uniqueness as part of the
community's identity.

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aphorizations to trigger a specific set of thoughts and emotions that can move subjects to social action. Such a symbolic charge aims to reinforce the collective and individual ethos of the audience.

**moriré estimant-te.** A 2/4 de 7 del matí, just abans de disparar-lo, va cridar: ”Per Catalunya!”

A quote from Francesc Macià used twice:
(8) “El seny si no va acompanyat d’una ferma voluntat de combat només serveix per tapar covardies.” (20.08.2019)

and two more quotes from Heribert Barrera:
(9) “Jo proclamo des d’aquesta tribuna que CAT té dret a l’autodeterminació.”
(10) “No vaig votar la Constitució, i com em va dir un dia Tarradellas, és l’honor més gran de la meva carrera política.”

16 Conference El nostre moment at the National Theater of Catalonia (04.09.2018); and the 51st edition of the Catalan Summer University (UCE) in Prada de Conflent. Closing ceremony to commemorate the 50th anniversary of the UCE (20.08.2019).

Figure 1:

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| The most quoted of this group is Jordi Cuixart (twice):
| (22) “Aquesta ha de ser la nostra actitud durant el judici oral al qual serem sotmesos: no pas defensar-nos sinó acusar l’Estat de vulneració flagrant dels nostres drets fonamentals i, alhora, interpel·lar el conjunt de l’opinió pública davant el retrocés democràtic que vivim. Els presos polítics i exiliats som una palanca democràtica: cal aconseguir que la comunitat internacional denunciï el nostre empresonament. No cedir a l’intent de silenciar la barbaritat jurídica de la justícia espanyola, amb acusacions desproporcionades i sense fonament.” (04.09.2018)
| (23) “Si la violència policial no va poder amb milers de persones el Primer d’Octubre, algú creu que una sentència farà que els catalans deixin de lluitar pel dret d’autodeterminació?” (12.06.2019)
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Figure 2:
The President of the Catalan Parliament is the only person legally authorized to call elections for the Parliament in Catalonia.

In the words of Bronckart (2008:863), referring to Volochinov’s interactionist approach: «Pour cet auteur, les phénomènes langagiers se présentent concrètement sous la forme d’énoncés et/ou de discours, qui constituent des révélateurs ou des matérialisations de la psychologie du corps social.»

As part of the "instituted genres," the author includes authorial and routine genres (Maingueneau 1999), formerly two separate groups, the latter being monologue-based.

Kristeva (1986:36) also distinguishes between two dimensions of intertextuality: one horizontal, existing between the text and other previous or subsequent texts with which it forms a chain; the other vertical, between a specific text and other texts, more or less contemporary or distant in time susceptible of being interpreted as contexts for a particular text.

Expert = Expert; Existant = Existent; Personnage = Character; Sage = Sage., au cadrage testimonial ce qu’on pourrait appeler un «Existant», au cadrage historique le «Personnage», au cadrage sapiential le «Sage».» (Maingueneau 2013:114)

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Despite the obvious interest that the study of this further process of transtextualization can arouse, in this study we will not deal with it due to reasons of time and space.© 2023 Global Journals

President of the Mancomunitat of Catalonia (1914-1917). He suffered political repression for an opinion piece and was imprisoned.
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.2 Abbreviations

| Representatives of the Catalan culture | Representations de la culture catalane |
| Peace and human rights activists | Paix et droits de l'homme |
| Maingueneau | Citation et surassertion. Polifonia. REAMEC-Rede Amazônica de Educação em Ciências e. |
| Maingueneau | Matemática de Cuiabá (Brasil) 2004. 8 p. |
| Eugeni Xammar | Eugeni Xammar (1t). Ferran Soldevila i Zubiburu (1a) ] Eugeni Xammar (1t), Ferran Soldevila i Zubiburu (1a), Armand Obiols (1t). Ferran Soldevila i Zubiburu (1a), Carles Muntaner (2t). Pompeu Fabra i Poch (2a1t). Ramon Muntaner. Herbert Barrera i Costa (2t), Carles Puigdemont (1t), Jordi Carbonell i de Ballester (1t), Mertixell Borràs (1a), Carles Mundó (1a), Joaquim Torra i Pla (2t) |
| Muntaner | Françoise Macia i Lluïsa (1a1t), Rafael Campalans (1t), Antoni Rivirà i Virgili (1a2t), Lluís Nicolau i d’Olwer (1a), Carles Puigdemont (1t), Jordi Carbonell i de Ballester (1t), Mertixell Borràs (1a), Carles Mundó (1a), Joaquim Torra i Pla (2t) |
| José and Guevara | ‘Jordi Cuixart (2a), Jordi Sánchez (1a), George Steiner (1a), Nelson Mandela (1a1t), Václav Havel (2a), Howard Zinn (1a), Paulo Freire (1a). Antonio José Guevara. Ramin Jahanbegloo (1a). Paul Engler (1t). Kennedy (ed.) (Pau Casals i Defiló (1a), Rosa Luxemburg (1a), Sócrates (1a). References Références Referencias) |