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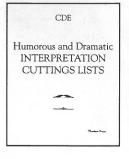
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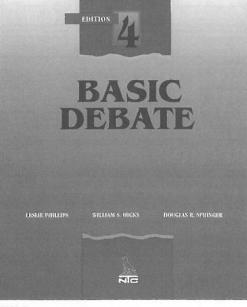
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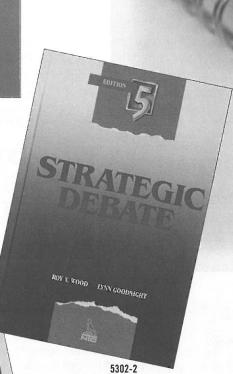
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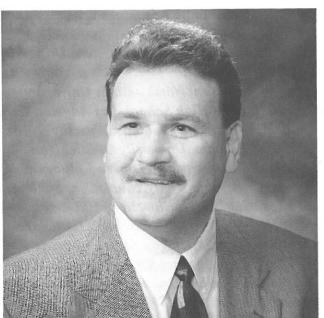
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Dr. Jane Eldridge (cover) and NFL Councilor Don Crabtree (photo below) recently were awarded NFL diamonds: Eldridge's 6th and Crabtree's 5th. The great teaching and coaching careers of these preeminent NFL citizens have much in common. Both

have hosted two Nationals - Jane in 1967 and 1988, Don in 1983 and 1994. Both have coached National Champions - Jane in 1980 (Congress) and 1981 (Mundt Congress Sweepstakes), Don in 1986 (Dramatic Interp). Both direct large and successful programs: Jane's two schools, Madison HS and Hunters Lane HS (TN) have earned three Leading Chapter Awards, won the district plaque and four district trophies; Don's program at Park Hill HS (MO) has garnered three LCA's, three district plaques and three district sweepstakes trophies. Jane has been a member of the NFL Hall of Fame since 1988; Don's first year of eligibility is this year. Both have served as district chairs receiving the Gold Award and have been awarded the NFL distinguished service key and

plaque. Jane was awarded the Ralph E. Carey Trophy for Distinguished Career Service as District Chair in 1992. Don was first elected to the Executive Council in 1988.



Don Crabtree

Once a premier debate coach whose teams won national tournaments like the Barkley Forum and the Bi-Centennial Forum, Jane currently coaches L/D and events but concentrates on Congress. Don coaches all events but is a national expert in

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A NEW PERSPECTIVE ON CROSS EXAMINATION: USING A MODEL OF RELATIONAL CONTROL

by Norah E. Dunbar

The practice of cross examination in debate is certainly not a new idea. In fact, cross examination has been used in debate for quite some time, however, it is evident that the knowledge debaters and coaches have about the process of cross examination is still quite limited. For example, there are few comprehensive theories on the subject and so coaches have a difficult time teaching the art of cross examination and it is rarely used by debaters to its full strategic potential. In addition, little has been written in the field on cross examination. Only four articles have been published on the subject in the CEDA Yearbook. Even after the adoption of cross-examination in the National Forensic League (NFL) and the National Debate Tournament (NDT), little attention was directed toward teaching cross examination properly. Only one book has ever been published exclusively on cross examination in debate--that of James Copeland in 1981--and most debate texts only dedicate a few pages or a chapter to this difficult and crucial process. More indepth study into the nature of cross examination could provide insight we need to understand and use this process more fully.

Cross examination is a structured conversation between two people, and so it provides us with a unique opportunity for a rhetorical analysis of dyadic communication. Conversational analysis is a useful tool for analyzing such dyads and thus seems quite useful for evaluating cross examination. The same types of statements and questions that exist in traditional interpersonal conversations are also present in cross examination and the basic premise of relational control is the same. Debaters wish to control cross examination in order to establish credibility and a strategic advantage over their opponent. This study of cross examination conversations should be well suited to rhetorical analysis since the specialized and public nature of cross examination makes it open for easy scrutiny by others. Transcripts of debates are readily available, and so conducting conversational analysis should not be difficult.

Review of Relevant Literature

My purpose in this paper is to further extend the study of cross examination through a new type of analysis. While the strategic function of cross examination seems to have been lost, relational control has never been used to analyze this process. This is a pilot study to determine whether relational control techniques are in fact appropriate to study cross examination. The literature review will be divided into four main parts. First, I will examine how cross examination in debate became the current debate style. Second, I will discuss lack of strategy that exists within the current use of the process. Third, I will look at the unusual communication situation of cross examination in team debating, and the potential use of relational control as a strategy. Finally, research questions for the application of relational control to cross examination in this pilot study will be discussed.

The History of Cross Examination

Gray (1926) introduced the Oregon Plan of debating in an effort to increase the popularity of academic debate for audiences. He proposed that a ten minute period of cross-questioning after each of the twenty-minute constructive speeches made by affirmative and negative speakers would keep the audience more interested in the debate. Gray found that "the audience is always intensely interested in the periods of cross-questioning and may attend the debates just for this feature."

Even in these early trials of crossquestioning, Gray (1926) recognized its benefits. "It requires thorough preparation, skill in keen and quick thinking, ability to make speech adjustments to unusual and unexpected situations, and the ability to establish and maintain a communicative contact with the audience". His early experimentation with cross-questioning revealed benefits for debate that made it attractive for others to study.

At Montana State University, Parker (1932) agreed with Gray's philosophy re-

garding the benefits of cross-questioning and the cross-examination process used in the legal system. As a result, Parker preferred to use the legal term "cross-examination". Parker shortened the constructive speeches to twelve minutes and included four periods of cross-examination so that all four speakers would have a chance to ask questions:

If the cross-examination affords the valuable training (which it assuredly does), all participants should share in that training. Each speaker should have the opportunity to participate both in the capacity of examiner and examined. More-over, this modification still allows all speakers an opportunity for practice in constructive argument. Each speaker is subjected to cross-examination immediately upon concluding his main speech.

Parker's changes in cross-examination were the true start of "cross-examination" debate and closely resembles modern debate.

Changing from the traditional academic debate format was arduous, but the National Forensic League finally adopted cross-examination in 1952 into standard high-school debate practice. The acceptance of cross-examination at the collegiate level, however, was adopted at a much slower rate (Freshley, 1965). Once guidelines for cross-examination in debate were established, certain members of the college debate community tried to make the practice of cross-examination more widespread. Fuge and Newman (1956), from the University of Pittsburgh, were two such people. They encouraged more colleges who hosted regular tournaments in the Pittsburgh area to include cross-examination tournaments and wrote articles for scholarly journals to "provide thorough and systematic instruction in this difficult technique". They outlined what they believed to be necessary rules for cross-examination including proper delivery, types of appropriate questions and responses, and what should be accomplished through cross-examination. [See page 24]

Freshley (1965) also tried to encourage more schools to teach the cross-exami-

nation type of debate. He summarized the advantages of cross-examination including the need for speakers to think on their feet, learn the use of facts, and articulate clearly their point of view in order to prepare them for future careers (usually in law or politics). He summarized that, "if properly taught, cross-examination is superior to the orthodox system. In the years that followed, more coaches and tournament directors began to agree with Freshley (1965) and Fuge and Newman (1956). During the late 1960's and early 70's, for example, cross-examination flourished in debate in the U.S.

In 1971, under the direction of Howe, a new debate organization was formed -the Cross-Examination Debate Association (CEDA) -- as a reaction against the prevailing form of intercollegiate debate (Schiappa & Keehner, 1990). CEDA had gradually built support for the wider use of cross-examination, but its influence at the time was limited to the southwestern states (Ziegelmueller, 1983). Soon after the creation of CEDA, the NDT realized that the value of cross-examination "because its use is expected to sharpen the contest among arguments in debate... the NDT utilized a cross-examination format for the first time in its history in April, 1976" (Boaz, 1977). At that time, NDT exerted great influence on the practices of other tournaments, and as a result, their use of cross-examination in 1976 meant the rapid acceptance of cross-examination across the country (Ziegelmueller, 1983). With both CEDA, NDT, and virtually all high school tournaments still using cross-examination today in competitive debate, it seems that it is here to stay, but there are still problems with the way cross examination is used today. Specifically, many coaches have agreed that there is a decided lack of strategy in the use of cross examination (Larson, 1987).

The Lack of Strategy With Cross Examination

Many argumentation instructors and debate coaches have difficulty teaching strategic cross examination to students, which might be due to the lack of literature on the subject.

Despite the existence of an organization which calls itself the Cross Examination Debate Association, cross examination is still one of the most difficult arts for the debate student to learn. . . A comprehensive examination of current debate and argumentation texts clearly

reveals that cross examination remains a largely underdeveloped area of forensics instruction. (Miller & Caminker, 1982)

Henderson (1978) was one of the first to seriously address the subject when he suggested the idea of cross-examination be extended to argumentation theory in general: "Few college instructors of argumentation courses recognize cross examination as more than rhetorical embellishment. Yet cross examination should be a basic goal of teaching argument". He articulated one of the first systems of teaching cross-examination to argumentation students. Ziegelmueller (1983) expanded on Henderson's idea by suggesting that crossexamination be taught as it was practiced in debate by making implicit norms and rules explicit:

Most works on cross examination advise students to ask only factual questions to which they know the answer and to avoid openended questions and undirected "fishing" inquiries. While this advice is generally sound, scrutiny of both the NDT cross-examination and sample cross-examinations offered as models in legal articles and textbooks reveals that, in practice, this advice is often ignored.

Based on his observations of actual debates, Ziegelmueller created a format for teaching cross-examination which focused on how likely the answer to cross examination questions will be what the questioner expects. Ziegelmueller divided the questions into "High Safety Questions", "Medium Safety Questions" and "Low Safety Questions" based on the predictability or "safety" of the responses so that debaters could learn some of the tricks of cross examination which were practiced in tournaments but rarely taught in the argumentation classroom (Ziegelmueller, 1983).

In order to help us better understand the function of cross examination, Simerly and Crenshaw (1991) did an empirical study of several cross examination periods and determined that there were three different types of questions. The first type is the "X or wh-questions" which generally ask where, when, who, whose, which, what, how. The second type is the "yes/no questions" which are questions asked that expect a yes or no answer, and the third type is "tag questions" which also expect a yes or no answer

but are generally declarative statements that are followed by a tag such as "isn't it"? Debaters are taught that cross-examination is a time to ask questions, not make speeches, so often try to get their point across by making statements disguised as questions.

While effective and strategic ways of using cross examination are not easy to teach to novices, many coaches of advanced debaters are trying to make it more useful. "The greatest challenge to critics of crossexamination has been 'how to teach it' without being there" in the debate round (Berube, 1994). Alan Cirlin (1988) feels that any teaching of cross examination is too comprehensive because debaters are unable to employ more than a couple of ideas in any given session. He says, "very little has been written about the fundamental strategic problem which is created by the three minute time limit -- specifically, how to use that limited period of time to its best advantage" (Cirlin, 1988). Cirlin believes that

cross-examination is generally acknowledged to be an extremely important and yet an extremely weak element in the average debate. There is a general agreement concerning the theoretical importance of cross-examination, while at the same time coaches tend also to agree that the average quality of cross-examination sessions is quite poor. (Cirlin, 1988)

Simerly and Crenshaw (1991) agree:

The extent to which students effectively utilize cross-examination, no matter what its purpose, is arguable. After more than a few years of participation in the activity as debater, coach, and critic, we feel that the vast majority of participants do *not* use the cross-examination periods for any strategic advantage. In fact, debaters hardly seem to consider cross-examination as a valuable argumentation tool.

While strides toward teaching cross examination are a positive step, there is another difficulty with cross examination today -- it is rarely used for strategic purpose. It would be more beneficial to the students and the activity in general, if we look for a more strategic way of using cross examination.

One of the reasons for the poor quality of cross examination sessions is the fact that cross examination rarely becomes relevant to the outcome of the round. The

weaknesses in the opponent's case exposed in cross examination are often not used as arguments in later speeches because the person who speaks next is rarely involved in the cross examination. Norton (1983) says the major problem with cross-examination is that it has become "prep time in drag" because debaters simply use the time to ask meaningless questions while their partners prepare for the next speech. "Even though a strong theoretical case can be built in favor of questioning prior to one's own speech, debaters insist that the practicalities of modern debate -- spread debating, briefs, hundreds of pieces of evidence, and primary source checks -- make it more convenient to have one's colleague do the questioning" (Copeland, 1981). While it is not practical for judges to expect debaters to question immediately before they speak, cross examination should not be a waste of time.

In a survey conducted in 1985 by Suzanne Larson using a Likert-type scale, debate coaches made it apparent that they were dissatisfied with the use of cross examination:

Responses to the question "Overall in CEDA debate, how would you rate the effectiveness of cross examination" revealed that cross examination as currently practiced, is not very effective. . . .Respondents were overwhelmingly in disagreement that "Debaters know how to use cross-question effectively" while only 5% of the respondents agreed. . . .

Clearly, there is a need for some improved strategy in cross examination beyond the simple use of it as extra preparation time. The twelve minutes of cross examination in every round are a way for each team to take control and win extra time for themselves. "Each side is guaranteed twenty-four minutes to speak, and an additional twelve minutes, the cross-exam periods, are 'up for grabs'. The team which is able to 'capture' these minutes for the advancement of its position or the destruction of the opponent's position has won a significant advantage over its opponents" (Copeland, 1981).

Even though cross-examination has become the norm for contemporary debate style, there is still much more to learn. The complications of strategy and technique for cross examination are definitely appreciated by most coaches but sadly under-utilized

by debaters. While certain people have tried to develop a way to teach the art of cross examination to debaters, little has actually been done to further the strategic use of cross examination. The use of relational control analysis in these interactions could be a way to help us to further understand the problems.

Relational Control in Cross Examination

Every communication event takes place in a context that Bitzer (1992) refers to as a rhetorical situation: "It seems clear that rhetoric is situational. . . Virtually no utterance is fully intelligible unless meaning-context and utterance are understood". Each situation is very different and may be either simple or complex. Some situations, like the courtroom or a debate round, are highly structured and often repeated. "From day to day, year to year, comparable situations occur, prompting comparable responses; hence rhetorical forms are born and a special vocabulary, grammar, and style are established" (Bitzer, 1992). Cross examination is a rhetorical situation that occurs frequently (four times every debate round) and has highly specialized rules such as controlled time limits, and generally agreed-upon norms about who asks and answers the questions.

The rhetorical situation of cross examination is much more structured than an interpersonal conversation. Most critics of debate would agree that the questioner may only ask questions and the respondent may only answer questions -- neither side may make arguments except as part of questions and answers (Cirlin, 1986). It is very frustrating to watch a cross examination session in which the respondent does not answer any questions or responds with more questions, or the questioner makes long statements with no questions. Interpersonal situations on which relational control methods are based are not governed by such rules, but we should be able to study control issues in cross examination through discourse analysis, much like we study interpersonal conversations. There are similarities between cross examination and conversation which support the notion that relational control analysis is appropriate in both circumstances. Debaters are trying to direct, delimit, and define the progress of the cross examination session despite the fact that they need to operate within certain norms and rules for behavior.

In conversational analysis, we can specifically study interactants in a conversation in a variety of ways in order to understand message exchange (Poole, Folger, & Hewes, 1987). Message exchange is the key to discovering the systematic and orderly properties which are meaningful to the conversants and researchers. Conversation analysts generally focus on understanding the content, function, structure, and effects of conversation (Frey, O'Hair, & Kreps, 1990). Hopper, Koch, and Mandelbaum (1986) describe five subjects that are generally discussed in conversational analysis research:

- (1) How do participants in conversation achieve turn-taking?
- (2) How do partners accomplish utterance sequences across turns?
- (3) How do speakers coordinate talk with gaze, movement, and other action?
- (4) How do partners identify and repair problems in interaction?
- (5) How does conversation function in particular settings, such as interviews, court hearings, or card games?

Even though cross examination is a very different rhetorical situation than interpersonal conversation, some of the same elements exist in both. Cross examination participants are also concerned with turntaking, sequences of utterances, and other aspects of communication that exist in interpersonal interaction. If the cross examination is not productive, they identify and repair the problems in the interaction. Debaters change their behavior in cross examination for various judges by deciding to sit or stand, and by their choice of questions and so also change their conversation in particular settings. It seems obvious through the application of Hopper, Koch, and Mandelbaum's five subjects (above) that both conversation and cross examination have similar goals and so we may be able to use a similar method for evaluating both.

One way to use conversational analysis to study cross examination is to consider relational control. Control is a part of every interpersonal interaction: "relational communication refers to the control aspects of message exchange by which interactors reciprocally define the nature of their relative "position" or dominance in their interaction" (Rogers & Farace, 1975). In interpersonal conversation and in cross examination, establishing control is an integral part of the interaction. While trying to get

information out, cross examination participants also want to convey their position of dominance in the debate, and establish credibility with the critic by using the "command" aspects of their communication which are directions for action, usually a demand for an answer to a question.

Perhaps the one idea that debaters grasp immediately is that their credibility is on the line with cross examination. No one wants to look like a fool when they are speaking directly to their opponent, and debaters usually want to impress the critic in order to improve their speaker points, or in very close rounds, win the decision on their ethos (Miller & Caminker, 1982). Many texts speak to the crucial role of cross examination to make the opponent's logic look flawed, a debater can simultaneously boost her or his own credibility.

Therefore, one of the key components of establishing credibility is maintaining control of the cross examination period. Questioners want to have their questions answered, respondents want to use as much time as possible to re-state their position, and even partners not officially involved in the cross examination tend to jump in and make sure their partners are answering questions correctly. These days, cross examination can turn into a four-way conversation with all four debaters fighting for control of the interaction, although most debaters still stick to the traditional format with one questioner and one respondent.

In referring to control in interpersonal relationships, Millar and Rogers (1976) say: "The control dimension is concerned with who has the right to direct, delimit, and define, the action of the interpersonal system in the presently experienced spatial-temporal situation". The key aspect of any relational communication is the control aspects of message exchange. Interactants continually define the nature of the interaction by their dominance. Communicators do not necessarily simply state the content of the message when they speak, but also convey information about the relationship itself. "This is another way of saying that communication not only conveys information, but at the same time it imposes behavior. . . . These two operations have been known as the 'report' and the 'command' aspects, respectively, of any communication" (Watzlawick, Beavin, & Jackson, 1967).

The Relational Communication Control Coding Scheme (RCCCS) was developed

by Ericson and Rogers (1973) and Rogers and Farace (1975) to study the use of relational control by people in dyadic interactions. Wiemann and Widenmann call this coding scheme "the most well-developed system for the structural analysis of transactions" (1981). This method uses a relational communication approach that focuses directly on interaction and is outlined in a number of articles (Ericson & Rogers, 1973; Millar & Rogers, 1976; Millar & Rogers, 1987; Rogers & Farace, 1975). The analysis used in the RCCCS "focuses on message sequences, rather than on individual message units; on indexing relational control, rather than the content of messages; and on mapping transactional patterns as they unfold over time" (Rogers & Farace, 1975).

The emphasis in the RCCCS is on the "command" rather than the "report" aspect of communication, meaning the interactants are not only trying to convey information, but are using commands to impose action. Commands are usually a controlling maneuver. This same type of analysis used in the RCCCS to study conversation can also be used in the study of cross examination since the interactants are both trying to assert their dominance in either a reciprocal or symmetrical way. In interpersonal communication, "there is a similarity of conduct between the two individuals; there is a symmetry of relational control" (Ericson & Rogers, 1973, p.247). This relational control is also present in cross examination and often has little to do the content of the messages and much to do with the transactional pattern of relational control. For example, due to the increase in the practice of preround disclosure where opponents disclose their strategy before the round starts, most debaters are already familiar with their opponents' arguments. In cross examination, they are not always asking questions to find out what their opponents' arguments are, but to enhance their credibility with the judge, trap their opponents, and establish control of the interaction.

The same types of conversational situations in interpersonal discussions that Rogers and Ericson (1973) and Rogers and Farace (1975) examined also exist in cross examination. They delineate 50 different category combinations using the five grammatical forms of questions and nine response modes that are possible in the model (Ericson & Rogers, 1973). Verbalizations are classified as one-up, which assert defini-

tional rights, one-down, which are requests or acceptance of the other's definitional rights, and one-across, which is a leveling maneuver. One-up moves are control maneuvers such as questions demanding an answer, nonsupport responses, answers with substance, complete statements that initiate an interaction, and all talk-overs except supportive talk-overs. One-down moves include support responses, noncomplete phrases that seek others to take control, and supportive talk-overs. One-across are control-leveling maneuvers such as assertions of extension and noncomplete phrases (Rogers & Farace, 1975). Only one-up moves are associated with control. The interactant with the most one-up moves is generally considered to be the one with the most control in the interaction (Millar & Rogers, 1987). Questions are almost always one-up moves such as those that demand an answer, but questions that seek supportive responses or that continue the dialogue (extension) are coded as one-down (Ericson & Rogers, 1973).

The relational control model, however, extends beyond simply coding individual messages as one-up, one-down, or one across, but also allows for transactional analysis. We can look at pairings of messages or even long sequences to determine if patterns exist in the interactions (Rogers & Farace, 1975). Looking at the transaction rather than individual messages is important to relational analysis since the entire interaction can have different control elements than the individual messages. "Sometimes communicators choose to perform speech acts indirectly rather than directly" (McLaughlin, 1984). The individual messages may appear to be relinquishing control, but looking at the entire transaction clearly shows the opposite. The two main types of control-defining categories are symmetrical, both parties using one-up or one-down or one-across moves, and complimentary, both using opposite moves. The addition of a third direction, one-across, is an attempt to sensitize the control measure because it allows some messages to simply continue the conversation and be coded as neither one-up nor one-down. For example, any statement that is coded as a "noncomplete extension" of conversation is neither one-up nor one-down because it is an extension of a previous statement that isn't completed. To code it one-up or onedown would be inaccurate, so it is oneacross. The one-across direction produces an additional type of symmetry and a third type of transactional exchange -- the transitory category (Ericson & Rogers, 1973). Symmetry and complementariness help us to understand how the participants each try to control the transactional pattern.

In cross examination, it can be often effective to hide the real goal of the question, since the goal of some questions is to open up the opponent to a future question or argument. These are indirect speech acts in which the speaker does not mean literally what s/he says, are used to set up a strategy (Bierwisch, 1980). Therefore, it is only by examining the overall transaction instead of the individual messages, can we see who, if anyone, has the control in a cross examination interaction. Once it is determined which participant has control and how that control is established, we can more fully understand the situation of cross examination and move towards answering questions about the strategy involved.

Summary and Research Questions

Using the relational control model to further study this process can help us teach students to use cross examination because the same types of assertions and questions that exist in interpersonal conversations also exist in cross examination and the basic premise of relational control is the same. For coding control messages, the context of cross examination seems to be close enough to the interpersonal communication context that this model will be useful.

In both cross examination and interpersonal contexts, messages that allow someone else to take control are one-down and messages that attempt to acquire control are one-up. Even though most cross examination periods are attempts to gain control and achieve higher credibility, there must be some relinquishment of control if the time is to be productive at all. At some point, a question must be asked and answered. This context, though it is bound by more rules and norms, is similar to an interpersonal argument -- both members want control and to have their point heard.

The relational control model creates the possibility for further study of cross examination. If we can use conversational analysis to understand how control is established in this special rhetorical situation, then perhaps we are on the way to making cross examination a valuable strategic tool for debaters. Once we understand the relationship between control and strategy, cross examination can be used more effectively in academic debate and could prove to make the activity easier to teach, more useful, and more educational. This leads us to the research question in this study:

RQ: Can relational control be used to evaluate cross examination in academic debate?

Methods

Sample

In order to test the theory of conversational analysis uses for studying cross examination, I examined the four cross examination periods in the 1994 Cross Examination Debate Association Nationals final round transcript, between Johnson and Genco from the University of Missouri at Kansas City and the hybrid team of Repko and Devereaux from Michigan State and Kansas State Universities. The resolution for Spring 1994 was, Resolved: that US military intervention to foster democratic government is appropriate in the post-cold war world. The affirmative in this particular debate argued that the US should intervene militarily in Haiti, and the negative argued intervention is inappropriate because it threatens our relationship with China.

The final round can probably be assumed to have high caliber debaters, and its cross examination might likely be representative of most cross examination that occurs among experienced debaters in the United States.

The debate round is recorded, transcribed, and verified by Patrick M. Jablonski of the University of Alabama.

Procedures

Since this was designed as a pilot study, only the researcher coded the interactions according to the RCCCS. The transcript was first compared to the video for accuracy, and then coded according to the utterances on the transcript. "The category decisions involve very little inference on the part of the coder" (Ericson & Rogers, 1973). Wiemann and Widenmann (1981) found both the inter-coder reliability and intra-coder reliability for this coding scheme to be estimated at .81.

Coding Scheme

The Relational Communication Control Coding Scheme describes messages in the cross examination periods of debate in terms of control direction. The coding sys-

tem involves three steps (see table 1). In the first step,

each utterance of an interaction is assigned a three digit code. The first digit denotes the speaker. The second digit describes the form of speech. The third digit describes the response mode of the speech. Second-digit category decisions are based only on the message being coded. Third-digit category decisions are based on consideration of the preceding message, as well as the message being coded. In this manner, any two-person communication exchange can be represented by a series of sequentially ordered three-digit codes (Ericson & Rogers, 1973).

The code categories under the second digit refer to the form of speech and there are five possible types of utterances. A "talk-over" is any distinguishable interruptive manner of coming into a conversation. Whether a talk-over is successful or not, both messages indicate attempts to control. An "assertion" is any completed referential statement that is not a talk-over. A "question" is any speech, that is not a talk over, which takes interrogative grammatical form. "Noncomplete" utterances are those initiated but not expressed in a complete format such as "Well, I . . . " or "What I thought was . . . ". The category "other" refers to verbal utterances that are unclassifiable (Ericson & Rogers, 1973).

In the third-digit categories, which refer to how the speech responds to the previous message, there are ten categories. The "support" category refers to the giving and seeking of agreement, assistance, acceptance, and approval. The "nonsupport" code is used for disagreement, rejection, demands, and challenges. An "extension" is a message that continues the flow or theme of the preceding message, while an "answer" is a response to a question that has substance and/or commitment. To clarify these two categories which have different control-defining natures, a noncommittal response such as "It was July 4th" is coded as an answer (Ericson & Rogers, 1973).

Like extension and answer, some categories are similar but are coded differently. The fifth category, "instruction" is a suggestive statement often accompanied by qualification and clarification such as "I think you should go to bed now because

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CONTACT: Dr. J. W. Patterson, Intercollegiate Debate, 205 Franzee Hall, University of Kentucky, Lexington, Kentucky 40506 - Phone: (606) 257-6523 ou have to get up early for school." An 'order", however, is a more intense, unqualified demand such as "Go to bed." The 'disconfirmation" category denotes as message that ignores the request made of the other individual. The response, "Look! It's snowing!" to the question "Where are we going to eat lunch today?" is a disconfirmation. A "topic change" is similar to disconfirmation, but is a response that has no continuity with the previous messages when no response continuity is requested (Ericson & Rogers, 1973). Farace and Rogers (1975) give this example of a topic change: "Where is tonight's paper?" in response to "The baby is learning to walk."

The last two third-digit codes are simpler. The "initiation-termination" code is a message that begins or attempts to end an interaction. "Other" is a category for any response that is indistinguishable or unclear. It is clear that the third-digit categories are more complex than the second-digit categories. "These classifications involve more inference than the previous categories. However, careful delineation of the meaning of each of these categories lowers the subjectivity of the coding". The average reliability for the coding procedures was measured at .86 (Ericson & Rogers, 1973).

In the second step of the coding process, once the initial coding is completed, the transformation of the data into relational categories is completely determined by the rule system developed by Ericson and Rogers (1973) and Rogers and Farace (1975). One of the three control messages (one-up, one-down, one-across) are assigned to these categories based on whether they are controlling moves, relinquish control, or are leveling maneuvers. The first digit is irrelevant to this step because the code translations are the same for both speakers.

In the third step of the coding process, the control direction of individual messages are combined into transaction codes. Symmetrical transaction are paired messages with similar control directions (up, up; down, down; and across, across) complementary transactions have a pair of messages with dissimilar control direction (up, down and down, up), and transitory transactions are paired messages in which one of the messages are one-across (up, across; down, across; across, up; and across, down).

Analysis

The purpose in this study was to test the theory that the RCCCS could be applied to cross examination. I assigned message codes to the individual utterances of each person in the four cross examination periods using the video and transcript. There seemed to be the same type of topics in the model as in the debate and so finding the appropriate codes was relatively easy and I did not find it necessary to create new codes. Next, I assigned the control codes to the message codes (one-up, one-down, etc.) and again, the control possibilities seemed to be the same as the RCCCS.

Code Categories

1st Digit:

1 = Speaker A

2 = Speaker B

2nd Digit:

1 = Assertion

2 = Question

3 = Talk-over

4 = Noncomplete

5 = Other

3rd Digit:

1 = Support

2 = Nonsupport

3 = Extension

4 = Answer

5 = Instruction

6 = Order

7 = Disconfirmation

8 = Topic change

9 = Initiation-termination

0 = Other

The transactional directions of the RCCCS (symmetry and complementariness) are also present in cross examination, since the goal of some questions is to open up the opponent to a future question or argument. These are indirect speech acts in which the speaker does not mean literally what he or she says, are used to set up a strategy (Bierwisch, 1980). For example, in the following dialogue from the 1994 CEDA final round, Devereaux asks Genco a simple question in order to open up a future question:

Devereaux: What's a surgical strike?

Genco: It's a strike that uses troops and some air support in order to remove. . .

Devereaux: How many troops...

Genco: A specified power. Our solvency...

Devereaux: . . and where do they come from? (Jablonski, 1994)

While all conversational analysis requires some level of interpretation, it can be reasonably assumed that Devereaux knew what a surgical strike was -- one does not debate a topic for four months and become one of the best debaters in the country without this rudimentary knowledge -- but he wanted Genco to say that the affirmative's plan was indeed to use troops. He did not literally want the definition of a surgical strike, but was more interested in finding out how many troops the US would need to use for a successful intervention into Haiti. His initial question may not have seemed like it was a controlling question, but the entire interaction sequence displays that he is trying to get Genco to commit to a specified number of troops -- a definite one-up move. The RCCCS codes question demanding answers such as this one, one-up moves, and so the model seems to produce the same control dimension as does a reflection of Devereaux's purpose.

In a Rogers-style relational analysis of an interaction, patterns of control similarity or dissimilarity between the dyadic members can indicate more about the control in the interaction than looking at isolated messages. In symmetrical transactions, both members of the interaction are trying to exert the same type of control. In one instance of this, Devereaux is asking Genco about where the troops necessary for the affirmative's proposed intervention into Haiti will come from:

Devereaux: Would they come from elsewhere?

Genco: I think some of our solvency evidence indicates that they would come from Guantanomo Bay.

Devereaux: Guantanomo Bay. Are they ready? Are they prepared? How quickly could they be there?

Genco: Ah, yes they are. Yes they're prepared and they could be there as quick as we read solvency evidence as soon as you read solvency answers for. . .

Devereaux: Sure, what about public support before. . .

Genco: . . . we're reading cards in the 1AC that says we could do it in a couple of hours.

Devereaux: I hear ya! What about public support? (Jablonski, 1994)

A series of talk-overs (verbal intervention made while another is talking) occur in this sequence because both men are trying to control the exchange. Genco is determined to finish his statement about the readiness of the American military despite the fact that Devereaux has already asked a new question. Devereaux sees Genco is confident about the fact that the military can complete the Haiti mission swiftly so he tries to move Genco to another topic that he may be more vulnerable on -- the American support for a Haitian intervention. In this interaction, both men want control of the exchange and so they are competing for control symmetrically. The model codes both of their messages as one-up because Devereaux is asking questions that demand answers and Genco is providing responses with substance.

In complementary transactions, the two interactants are not competing for control, rather, one person relinquishes control and allows the other to define the interaction. In cross examination, this type of dialogue also tends to occur:

Repko: The study was done by the Canadians, right?

Johnston: You're correct.

Repko: And they decided that you could use their force to go in and you'd take 7,000 of them and you could storm into Haiti, right?

Johnston: No, there's 7,500 members of the Haitian army. They do not have heavy weaponry. They are not trained, and they do not have support. Their conclusion is any intervention force would be effective. They have no way of defend -- standing up against it. The evidence is not specific to Canada, it says any invasion force.

Repko: All right. Now, isn't -- there is a dis -- a different historical relationship between the United States and Haiti as there is between Canada. . .

> Johnston: You're correct. Repko: ... and Haiti, right? Johnston: You're right. . . Repko: The United States...

Johnston: . . . the study does not answer the nationalism debate, but my evidence I read down below does.

Repko: All right. So so OK so it doesn't. All right. (Jablonski, 1994)

Repko automatically has control with the initiation of the interaction and Johnston does not try to take that away. The goal is

to clarify Johnston's position and Johnston agrees with much of what she says, since most of Johnston's answers are support responses such as "you're right" and "you're correct". Repko is making one-up moves and Johnston is answering with one-down moves. In the second question in this example, however, Johnston does disagree with and offers a nonsupport answer (a oneup move) to which Repko agrees (onedown). Near the end of the series, Johnston qualifies his answer about the nationalism debate (another one-up) and again Repko accepts his statement (one-down).

Throughout this exchange, one interactant is offering one up-moves and the other is responding with one-down moves. One person makes a statement that the other person agrees to. Even though each person makes the one-up move at some point in the sequence, it is constant complementary transaction since neither person seems to completely take the control away from the other.

Conclusion

To answer the research question in this study, the relational control model can be quite useful for evaluating cross examination. The same types of assertions and questions that exist in interpersonal conversations also exist in cross examination and the basic premise of relational control is the same. As far as the coding of control messages was concerned, the context of cross examination seemed to be close enough to the interpersonal communication context that this model was useful. There was no need to create new codes or a new translation of the message codes to a control dimension.

In both cross examination and interpersonal contexts, messages that allow someone else to take control are one-down and messages that attempt to acquire control are one-up. Even though most cross examination periods are attempts to gain control and achieve higher credibility, there must be some relinquishment of control if the time is to be productive at all. At some point, a question must be asked and answered. This context, though it is bound by more rules and norms, is similar to an interpersonal argument -- both members want control and to have their point heard.

I hope that this examination of the relational control model will create the possibility for further study of cross examination. If we can use conversational analysis

to understand how control is established in this special rhetorical situation, then perhaps we are on the way to making cross examination a valuable strategic tool for

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CROSS EXAMINATION IN EXTEMP

by James M. Copeland

Twice each year -- and only twice -- does CX enter the world of extemp: the final round of the NFL district tournament and the final round of the NFL national tournament.

Occasionally, as with Rufus T. Wright in the 1967 NFL national final, the questioner stuns an answerer with a brilliant dilemma. Once in a while, as with Adam Schwartz in the 1984 NFL national final, the answerer skewers the questioner with a great retort. More often though both questioners and answerers in final rounds prove what trial attorney Emory Bruckner opined at the turn of the century: "More Cross Examinations are suicidal than homicidal"!

Rules of Cross Examination

In NFL extemp the rules governing the cross examination period are simple:

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(NFL District Tournament Manual, Section 10: 10)

Goal in CX

An extemper who makes the final round must decide what his/her goal is in the CX period. If s/he had a good solid speech in the final round and good speeches earlier, and probably will win, a conservative approach -- brief sensible question, solidly evidenced answer -- will probably suffice. But if s/he is quite unsure of winning then perhaps a "home run" is needed in CX: an unanswerable dilemma question and a brilliant "turn" (retort) as an answer!

Common Errors in Questioning

Two kinds of contestants enter the extemp contest -- debaters and non debaters -- and each makes distinct errors in questioning.

Debaters' questions are always too long and too complicated, full of clauses and phrases, qualifiers and modifiers. A clever answerer may ridicule the question (Is that a question or a sermon?; How many questions is that?, etc.), reinterpret the question to his/her advantage (the question probably confused the judge enough to accept the answerer's reinterpretation) or to answer the question only selectively ("since I don't have time to answer everything you ask, I will answer [my choice of] what is critical).

Non-debaters usually ask the wrong kinds of questions: open ended puff balls which allow the answerer to filibuster (Why ...? and Can you explain ...?); and meaningless minor quibbles ("Wasn't the date of the report you quoted really 1994, not 1996?...").

Construction of Questions

Unlike debate, where a contestant has three minutes to build a series of questions into an inextricable dilemma, extemp offers the questioner only one bite at the apple. According to NFL rules the questioner has one minute to pose one question. There are no follow up questions to expose superficial, misleading or untruthful answers. Hence the question, if it is to have impact on the judges, must preempt evasive answers and force the answerer to take a position of weakness. Easier said than done!

Questions come in a number of forms: direct, leading and suggestive, according to British barrister John H. Munkman. A direct question simply asks for information (Is violent crime rising in the U.S.?, Why

did Asian stock markets fall?, Can Gore be elected President?) Such questions have little use in extemp CX, as they make the questioner look uninformed and the answerer erudite.

A suggestive question implies an answer (Even after Tiananmen Square, you assert we should trust the Chinese government to recognize human rights?)

A leading question presents facts in evidence and then demands a yes or no answer. (The economy has little inflation, productivity is rising, the dollar is strong, do you still envision the recession your speech predicted?)

Both suggestive and leading questions are good for extemp CX. The former selects a major example contrary to the answerer's speech and asks how s/he could hold such a view in light of the powerful contrary example. The later marshals many known facts and presents the answerer with the dilemma of either admitting the facts (and contradicting his/her speech) or denying known facts and looking foolish!

Common Errors in Answering

Most answerers are truly on their own. At least some books, legal texts, and articles have been written about asking questions. Virtually none coach the answerer. Common faults in extemp final round answers include verbosity (many words hiding a simple point), diversion (canned stories or quotes instead of specific content), irrelevance (straying from the point of the question), and quibbling (centering on a minor point rather than the heart of the question).

Construction of Answers

The most effective answer is what debaters call a "turn" or logicians call a retort. In the one minute available the answerer responds to the question by 1) presenting new evidence that leads to a contrary conclusion ("Yes, the economy appears strong, but because of massive currency deflation in Asia and billions in bad bank loans in Asia and South America, these areas will 'export' a recession to America as cheap imports rise and American exports fall!") 2) reinterpreting evidence that leads to a contrary conclusion ("Since China lost 'face' and prestige due to the Tiananmen

(Copeland to Page 29)

The Michigan Classic July 12 - August 8

Founded in 1989, the Michigan Classic is a four-week policy debate workshop designed for students who desire a challenging summer workshop experience and who wish to engage in competition at an advanced level the following year. The Classic offers separate divisions for rising Seniors, Juniors and Sophomores. Students who are admitted to the Classic and The Preparatory Institute are able to participate in cohesive, continuous Seven-Week Lab Groups.

The Classic curriculum is an intensive and innovative format implemented through lectures, small group discussions and lab groups. The curriculum focuses on topic-specific argumentation, applications of debate theory, and effective debating and communication skills. The faculty is comprised of highly accomplished college and high school coaches and outstanding college debaters. The student to faculty ratio is 8 to 1.

The cost of the Classic is \$2600 which includes tuition, room, meals and class fees. Financial aid is available. Admission is selective. A \$50 application fee must accompany all applications.

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The Michigan Lincoln-Douglas Institute is a two week workshop designed for LD debaters of all experience levels. Its format is designed by its Director, Kandi King of San Antonio Clark HS, and Senior Lecturer Marilee Dukes of Vestavia Hills HS in Alabama. Bryce Pashler of Valley High School will serve on the Faculty once again.

The Lincoln-Douglas Institute curriculum stresses three components: an extensive lecture series, lab groups which analyze and research topic-specific arguments, and cultivation of an effective speaking style. Last year students representing 18 states and 33 schools attended this Institute.

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The MNDI curriculum emphasis is on the teaching of effective debating and communication skills. MNDI participants begin debating on the fourth day of the workshop, after a comprehensive speaker position lecture series and introductory instruction about the national topic. Students participate in 15 fully critiqued debates, including individualized rebuttal rework sessions. Student to faculty ratio is 12 to 1.

The cost of the MNDI is \$1275 which includes tuition, room, meals and class fees. Financial aid is available.

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The Michigan Preparatory Debate Institute June 21-July 11

The Preparatory represents a new institute concept formatted exclusively for students who are attending a second workshop later in the summer. It is a three-week policy debate workshop for students of any grade level. Only students who also attend the Michigan Classic, IRUM, Dartmouth, Northwestern, Wake Forest, or similar workshops will be offered admission to The Preparatory.

Students who are admitted to The Preparatory and The Classic will be placed in special <u>Seven-Week Labs</u> with a cohesive, non-duplicative curriculum; and featuring continuity in Lab Leader instruction.

The cost of The Preparatory is \$1800 which includes tuition, room, meals and class fees. Students who attend Michigan Institutes for seven weeks will receive a \$400 package discount.

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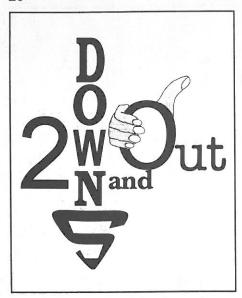
The IRUM curriculum emphasis is on dialogue-based instruction by Harvard University debate coach Dallas Perkins. The IRUM student to faculty ratio is 5 to 1 or better. The IRUM Teaching Staff is comprised of accomplished college debate coaches and debaters. The curriculum also emphasizes electronic evidence collection and processing techniques.

The cost of the IRUM is \$2600 which includes tuition, room, meals and class fees. Financial aid is available.

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OF STRATEGY, TACTICS, AND O. J.

Every once in a while, it's worthwhile for a debater to read the works of famous attorneys. Last year, Gerry Spence's *How to Argue and Win Every Time* was required reading. His major arguments, such as supporting the truth, "the story", would, if applied faithfully, lead to better debating.

But last weekend, I picked up *Outrage*, the harsh indictment of the prosecutors in the O. J. Simpson case. I have to admit I have been a fan of the author, Vincent Bugliosi, ever since the appearance of *Helter Skelter*, his account of his prosecution of Charles Manson. Bugliosi makes two points that got me excited. One relates to strategy, the other to tactics.

The Strategy - The Final Summation

Strategy, of course, is the grand scheme by which a debate round is won by the negative. Most strategy in high school rounds is crushingly orthodox -- run disads, make multiple responses, and force an error by the 1AR. You force the error, you win. If the 1AR covers everything, you lose. Both Mr. Spence and Mr. Bugliosi would be appalled; after all, what the negative chooses to argue is the reasonable doubt that finally sinks the affirmative case. You've no doubt encountered the judge for whom, in the absence of T, a critique, or a D/A, writes that he/she/it cannot vote negative.

For the moment, consider the disadvantage as the reasonable doubt that demonstrates that the status quo is acting intelligently and good faith. Consider the inherent barrier as the mechanism that pre-

vents the disadvantage from occurring in the status quo - that is, the status quo anticipates the disadvantage and does not allow it to occur.

Examples on the renewable energy topic:

A nuclear accident that turns a breeder reactor into an environmental catastrophe is avoided by the status quo's demand for reasonable safety of breeder reactors. Perhaps reasonable is not enough - we would condemn the FDA for approving a drug that was "reasonably safe".

But you say, fossil fuels reactors blow up, and yet they continue to be built in the status quo. Precisely. It is the agony that these explosions have caused that leads to our determination that a BIGGER release of energy does not occur.

Here then comes the disadvantage - the techno-fix. The affirmative says all of our environmental problems are based on a "reasonably safe" breeder reactor. The judge should beware - after the breeders are built is too late to determine their safety. And recall, the affirmative never said that these were itty bitty babies that wouldn't be missed if they blew up or shut down. It's Chernobyl all over again, except worse.

Because we succumbed to the cheap techno-fix, we do not adequately consider the FIRST consideration of an electricity generator, SAFETY. The heavy price we pay results from too much haste.

Consider wind power. Advocates of wind power tell us that this simple, proven energy can provide a huge chunk of our energy market.

Assume this is true. Grant the inherency whatever it may be and claim that this barrier is all that stands between a gold rush into wind energy. What would be wrong with that?

A. the development of other energies ceases. Why would any one invest?

B. the study of the macro-impacts of wind could be determined. Even the "giant" wind farm in Altamont Pass in California cannot show you what a forest of these generators will produce in a giant park in Kansas. But most importantly,

C. the energy needs of the United States continue to grow apace. These needs are for peak power, times when the major "base load" plants cannot churn out enough power because of air conditioners, appliances, etc. The consequences of not providing peak power are brown outs and blackouts, which already cause billions of dollars in damages to computer systems.

Thereby, consider Kansas City in June, 1997. Three weeks of stifling heat, with no wind. Under the affirmative, no peak power, not only in K.C. but in the rest of the United States, waiting for that peak load supply. The results "rolling brownouts" that cross the country at the speed of light. No generator could possibly respond in time. No one can tell people to turn off their computers in time.

The affirmative leads the United States at the mercy of the wind.

Status quo is smarter than that. Its researching all the alternatives, and the mix of research guarantees that we do not become dependent on a narrow technology.

I told you that so I can tell you what Bugliosi wrote on page 148.

"Usually, the very first thing I think about when I get on a case and begin to learn the facts is: What am I going to argue, and how can I best make the argument to obtain a favorable verdict? In other words, I work backwards from my summation, the exact reverse of what is normally recommended."

I was intrigued, and here are my thoughts.

- 1. Any tactic that does not lead to a part of the summation is a flaw.
- 2. Any argument that cannot play a part of the summation if it is not dropped by the 1AC is A REVERSE TIME SUCK.
- 3. A critique, since it is developed as a "dead end" argument, is an aberration that eventually will hurt the negative.
- 4. "Ballooning a disad" by running it in the 1NC and blowing it up in the 2NC would hurt any negative if the affirmative only presents "reasonable doubt" about it. If the negative lives by risk, it can die by risk. What Bugliosi would teach keeps the argument simple, even when the other side throws ink at it, and then set everything all right in the last rebuttal.

The Tactic - Why Ask Why?

All the books of advice for cross-examination preach that the advocate should never ask an open ended question. In particular, the sages tell us never to ask "why". Louis Nizer, the famous trial attorney, wrote that he could always tell a bad attorney when he asked "why?"

Bugliosi disagrees. He says the question "why?" is the most common question (Davis to Page 29)

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MOCK TRIAL PART VI - CROSS EXAMINATION

by M. Donna Ross

Mock Trial Law of the Positive Spin For every vision there is an equal and opposite revision.

Cross examination is the part of trials most like debate. The purpose of C-X is to bring out evidence from hostile witnesses that will help your side or to impeach the witness by showing that he should not be believed. You must be in total control. Start by taking center stage. Place your notes on a table or podium (do not hold them) that is directly in front of the jury and 8 feet from the witness. You want the jury to look at you, not the witness. While it is best not to use any notes at all, here are a couple of things that may help if you think you have to. First, write out all anticipated questions word-forword. Then, use the inside of one manila folder for each witness and write one word for each question which will jog your memory if you forget what comes next. Leave it down and open where you can refer to it if you need to.

Do's and Don'ts

- 1. Ask only questions you absolutely know the answers to or questions that will help you no matter how the witness answers.
- 2. Ask yes-or-no questions. Ask them in a coherent series that will end up accomplishing a main purpose. Lead the witness to give the answers you want. Never ask open-ended questions, i.e., how, why, describe, etc. These will waste your time. Ask a series of "Did you--" questions, then point up the key thing you want people to remember by starting the "killer" question with "Isn't it true that--"
- 3. Don't be too pushy when asking questions. It makes you look really bad if you don't let the witness answer. The key is to ask the question so that he has to answer it briefly and in a way that helps you or look sneaky.
- 4. Always listen to the answers to the questions and follow up with another question based on the answer if possible. Always be ready to cite the testimony page and placement for every question. Have a highlighted and notated copy of the witness testimony ready.
 - 5. If the witness is being unrespon-

sive to a question, then:

a. Let him babble on, then

b. Complete the answer for him.

For example, "So the answer to {restate the question} is yes (or no), correct?"

- c. If he still goes off, ask the judge to direct the witness to reply.
- d. If the witness persists in stalling on the next question, condescend to him by pointing out his lack of forthrightness. For example, say, "I know you are not used to testifying and that you must be very nervous, so I will try to ask questions that can be answered simply. Most of my questions can be answered with a 'yes' or 'no.' Would you please answer my questions that way? The prosecution/defense will have a chance to ask you to explain more later on redirect/recross." Then, ask the question again. If there is no improvement, ask the judge to instruct the witness to answer.
- 6. Talk slowly and make sure your questions are understandable.
 - 7. Ask short questions.
- 8. Watch your time. Don't be afraid to request more time if there have been delays.
- 9. On witness character, never ask a guy to admit he's a scumbag or to admit anything directly that would really hurt his side. Don't ask that "one question too

many" which will allow the witness to weasel out. Save your conclusion for the closing. Of course, you want the jury to see it from your questioning. Create a picture for the jury of bad things that the witness cannot deny. Then the jury will see that he's not to be trusted. You bring up the facts. The jury will do the interpreting.

Cross examination is crucial in establishing a strong case. Know what you want your witness to say, then get him to say it.

The Lawbster's CX

In Neptune's court, a high-profile legal lawbster named Crabowitz was cross-examining Mr. Monkfish, a stand-up comic who imitated crustaceans for a living.

Lawb: Mr. Monkfish, do you or do you know who poisoned the Seaweed King, Senor Conch?

Monk: Yes.

Lawb: Is that, "Yes, you do know," or "Yes. You don't know?"

Monk: Yes.

Lawb: Please tell us clearly. Do you

know or not?

Monk: Yes.

Lawb: You're making me crabby, Monk. Will you answer me or will you not?

Monk: I <u>am</u> answering you. But your questions are full abalone, and I must say I don't much like your tuna.

(Mary Donna Ross, co-host of the 1998 Gateway Nationals, is currently working on a book on Mock Trial.)

'98 - TNT '98 TOURNAMENT NEWS TIME by M. Donna Ross

Did you name the celebrity commentator from Cape Girardeau? Preen yourself on your trivia if you came up with the famous name of that antitheses of liberalism — Rush Limbaugh. Yes, we have room for everyone in NFL.

Get ready to celebrate with us at the 1998 Nationals. Not only is St. Louis hosting for the first time since 1947, we are also celebrating our district's 20th birthday. The NFL Executive Council made East Missouri the fourth NFL district in our state as we split what had been the Ozark district. Approval came during the 1978 Nationals at Northwestern University. Hall of Fame coach Ron Shafer chaired the first district committee composed of Randy Pierce and Donna Ross. Say hello to all three who will meet you in St. Louis next June, and don't forget to wish a happy birthday to East Missouri.

Gateway Nationals
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CROSS-EXAMINATION DEBATING

by Lloyd H. Fuge and Robert P. Newman

Cross-examination is more than the art of debate. All the essential elements of good debater are necessary: A strong case, good adaptation to the audience, adequate evidence, and skillful delivery. Good cross-examination demands, in addition, a quick wit and a facile tongue.

General

A. Purpose of Cross-examination

To clarify an obscure point in an opponent's case, to expose factual error or unsupported assertion, or to obtain damaging admissions. It should not be used (as it is in law) to attack the witness' personal integrity.

B. Attitudes of Questioner and Witness

Both should appear to be reasonable, co-operative and eager to please. Either one should be "marked down" for unpalatable sarcasm, obvious "stalling" or appearing to browbeat.

C. Relation to Case

The value of any cross-examination decreases unless the results are tied in to later speeches. The cross-examination should be an integral part of the debate, not a sideshow.

D. Delivery

Both speakers must talk to the audience. Cross-examination takes the form of an exchange between two debaters, but basically it is for the benefit of the listeners. In public debates it is vital that both speakers face the audience while questioning or responding.

The Questioner

- A. Controls the time, and may interrupt the witness to request shorter or more direct answers or to indicate that the answer he has given is insufficient.
- B. Must ask fair and relevant questions. He should neither comment on the answers, argue with the witness nor make speeches. He should use his time for questioning alone, not for either constructive argument or summary. In fact, a conclusion is all the more effective if the audience reaches it without the questioner's help.
- C. Should have considerable scope in the questions he asks. Since the time is his, he may waste time if he wants to. The witness should answer even if the significance or relevance of the question is not immediately apparent to him.
- D. Should begin with common ground on which agreement may be expected, and proceed to areas in which disagreement develops or the witness makes significant admissions. The questioner may well begin with questions which reveal his purpose: "Do you maintain that the Nationalist Chinese Army stand as a bulwark against Communism in Asia?" "Yes." "And do you further maintain that recognition of Red China would weaken or destroy this bulwark?" "Yes." Agreement on such questions is almost certain, and the questioner clearly indicates the direction of his inquiry.
- E. Should develop his attack along the lines of his basic case. He should limit the number of objectives he tries to reach; a series of at least five questions, probing a single issue of the debate thoroughly and following up the leads which the witness' answers provide, is preferable to miscellaneous questions lacking interrelation and adaptation to the witness' answers.

- F. May not insist on a simple "Yes" or "No" answer unless his question is simple, direct and factual. Questions about why something is true are necessarily complicated and the questioner cannot expect the witness to answer them briefly. Factual questions are best, and the questioner can ask them in enough different ways to lend variety to the cross-examination.
- G. Should phrase questions with the verb first, then the subject, and finally the object or modifying phrase: e.f. "Do you admit that Joseph R. McCarthy is the junior senator from Wisconsin?" He should avoid negative questions, or any phrasing with "not"; "Do you not know that there have been thirty-seven violations of the Korean truce by the Red Chinese?" The answer to this can only be confusing.
- H. May remind the audience and the witness of a relevant fact by beginning the question: "Are you aware that ..." or "Are you familiar with ...". However, the questioner's motive in putting such questions should be to put the witness on record, concerning the statement involved, and not to present materials of his own.
- I. Should summarize a series of questions on an issue by repeating an opening question: "Do you still consider, in light of these facts, that the Chinese Nationalist Army stands as a bulwark against Communism in Asia?" This calls for a "Yes" or "No" answer, clearly indicates that the Questioner has concluded that particular approach and allows the members of the audience to draw their own conclusions.

The Witness

- A. Must answer directly and briefly any legitimate question susceptible to a simple answer. He should not question the questioner (except in using a rhetorical question as an answer, nor should he engage in "stalling" tactics.
- B. May refuse to answer a tricky or unfair question -- "When did you stop beating your wife?" -- if he states a good reason.
- C. May ask questions to clarify a question, possibly giving his reasons for considering the question obscure, or may ask the questioner to stop making speeches and continue questioning.
- D. May clarify a question, if to do so is appropriate. He should state the qualification before his answer: "Do you believe in the desirability of democratic elections?" "For people educated in the tradition and practice of democracy, yes."
- E. Can exercise some control over the question period by controlling the timing of his answers. If he feels that the questioner is dragging out the question period, he can answer rapidly, exposing the questioner's ineptitude.
- F. Should not be afraid to admit ignorance if the question demands knowledge of an obscure fact.
- G. Must answer without consulting his colleague or receiving help from him.

(Adapted from Cross Examination Debating by Dr. Robert Newman and Lloyd Fuge, University of Pittsburgh.) NATIONAL CENTER FOR POLICY ANALYSIS



HS Debate

ENERGIZE YOUR RENEWABLE ENERGY RESEARCH!

The National Center for Policy Analysis has assembled valuable information for high school debaters on the renewable energy topic. Highlights include:

- Explanations of various sources of renewable and nonrenewable energy.
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- UNIQUE MATERIAL FOR THE NEGATIVE SIDE: Rebuttal to Specific Affirmative Arguments, including: why we're never going to run out of energy, why energy independence is a mistaken goal and why we shouldn't do anything in the near future about global warming.
- Links to many other useful sites.

The www.ncpa.org site is well organized. It allows you to go in, get your needs met and get out quickly. It's ideal for people just beginning research. It covers all the main renewable technologies, and has superb glossaries for people who don't know the meaning of key terms. It's also a quick way to learn the legislative environment of the energy market to get a firm grip on its nature.

As many will remember from the health care topic a few years back and the crime topic last year, NCPA's powerful market-oriented analysis proved useful both in preparing market-based affirmatives and in attacking new government programs. NCPA's pro-market approach to public policy comes through, but our webmaster is unstinting in providing links to a wide variety of different kinds of sources.

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THE CASE FOR ECONOMIC THEORY STATISTICS ARE NOT ENOUGH

By Gary M. Walton

One of the great assets forensics teaches is the need for fortifying an argument with reliable evidence. Without strong empirical or at least testimonial proof, one cannot maintain a viable case.

However, while empirical evidence certainly cannot be discounted, understanding the theory behind the evidence is equally as important.

How can one effectively judge a piece of evidence without understanding from where the evidence was derived?

Forensics is a field where one need not only learn the specific process required of the field (formation of persuasive arguments, specific terminology, etc.,) but must also have a thorough, liberal understanding of numerous related areas of study.

The best orators command a knowledge of not only the technique of public speaking, but also of history, philosophy, the natural and social sciences, that is: whatever field the subject on which they are addressing requires.

One area of study, economics, is particularly useful in analyzing an immense variety of current issues. Economics is essentially a study of human nature. It is the study of how individuals make decisions in an impersonal context and how to manipulate those decisions for the greatest benefit to general society.

Therefore, one would not be exaggerating were one to claim that all socio-political events are fundamentally economic issues.

Students of forensics would do well to acquire a basic comprehension of the economic theories which guide public choice.

How much stronger would your arguments be were you not only able to quote statistics, but also able to expound on the underlying theory behind those statistics?

Because far too few individuals understand the basics of economics, the Foundation for Teaching Economics (FTE) has created Economics for Leaders, a one-week, residential, summer program for high school juniors to improve their command of economic theory.

During the week, thirty high school students gain a knowledge of economics as a decision-making theory. They are taught by nationally-acclaimed professors, who not only lecture, but also elicit student discussion and use active simulations to prove the efficacy of basic economic theories.

Students will learn about the relationship between supply and demand, the effect of incentives, and scarcity's role in decision-making. Moreover, they will participate in simulations which illustrate the reasons why cartels are formed and participate in a mock election which shows the effect of money on politics.

To augment the classroom economics sessions, students also partake in highly interactive leadership simulations, which challenge them to resolve group conflicts in an effective manner.

Students will learn how to develop different leadership styles and how to deal with various group dynamics. They will discover the importance of maintaining the proper balance between completing a group task and ensuring that the members of the group are satisfied with the outcome and process.

Both the economics discussions and leadership simulations help students heighten their communication skills.

In 1998, the FTE will run fourteen programs at universities across the country. Each program accommodates thirty students and is free to those who are accepted. Students only need pay travel costs.

"I learned so much about myself, my role as a leader, and economics, that it is inconceivable that I got all of this out of a one-week program. If only school could be this great," remarks Brian Barnes, a past student participant.

For a student of forensics, a program like this one is invaluable. Never again will economic statistics appear as numbers derived from some mysterious and ethereal force of economic principle. Rather, students will gain insight into public policy options by understanding economic concepts and justifications.

Further, students will gain an invaluable understanding of human interactions and become more effective leaders and better communicators.

"EFL (Economics for Leaders) was the most incredible experience of my life. It has changed me, and in doing so, changed the person I would have been. I have more to offer. I'm stronger, more confident, more motivated," writes Meghan Blake, a 1997 student participant.

Economics for Leaders gives students a chance to not only benefit academically, but also to grow as individuals. Students of forensics will gain a great ability to understand and use economic theory in competitions. They will further their leadership skills by gaining an understanding of group dynamics and individual communication styles. Plus, they will have an opportunity to spend time with other high school students who are not interested in maintaining the status quo, but hope to effect real change in society.

(Dr. Gary M. Walton is author of Beyond Winning: The Timeless Wisdom of Great Philosopher Coaches, as well as several economics texts. He was founding dean of the School of Management at the University of California Davis and is President of the Foundation for Teaching Economics.)

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attack, and since the Chinese leader 'admitted error' to American audiences in his recent trip, China will improve her human rights record.") or 3) Slipping between the horns of a dilemma with a third alternative ("You predict a Republican presidential loss by asserting the GOP will nominate an unelectable far right winger or a GOP centerist who can't hold the right wing faithful in the general election, but haven't you failed to consider social conservatives with mainstream appeal, like Elizabeth Dole?").

The Best

The two best CX performances at NFL nationals in extemp, alluded to earlier, are reproduced below. In 1967 an extemper from New York chose the topic "Is NATO obsolete". He began his speech with the riddle of the Sphinx: What animal walks on all fours when young, two legs when mature, and three legs (two legs and a staff) when old. The answer for the Sphinx was "man". For the New York extemper it was "Europe", who needed NATO in the rebirth after WWII but now, rebuilt and powerful, Europe no longer needed NATO's aid. Rufus Wright from Louisiana posed this question: "Once NATO is gone and Europe reaches old age, as did the man in your introduction, what nation or organization will serve as the cane to which Europe looks for support?" The New York contestant was stunned to have his analogy shattered.

In 1984 the brilliant Bill Thompson of Texas was seeking his second extemp national championship in three years (the other year he tied for first but dropped to second after a tie break). He posed an unwisely phrased question to Adam Schwartz of Wisconsin: "Adam, before I retire from extemp and become a normal person again, I want to ask you one question ..." Schwartz deftly retorted "Well Bill, nobody more than I would like you to become a normal person again..." and received widespread laughter and a huge ovation from the crowd!

Dilemma and retort are the keys to cross-examination success -- especially in CX extemp!

(James Copeland was the 1957 Michigan State Champion in Extemp. He coached NFL National Champions in Boys' Extemp in 1966, 1972, and 1977. His book Cross Examination in Debate is published by the National Textbook Company. Copeland has been NFL Secretary since 1987.)

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in reality to determine truth. Examples: Parent to son: Q: You're late. The library closed at 9PM, which is where you claimed to be; why weren't you home then? Q: If using marijuana and other drugs is bad, and assuming these users are rational, why do they do it?

Yes, asking the question "why?" allows the respondent to "take off" and waste your cross ex. But the questions before the "why" question demonstrate the reasonable alternatives that the respondent cannot take.

Example (on wind energy)

Q: you say that wind energy is an economical, highly valuable source.

A: Yo.

Q: And wind energy was developed in the status quo?

A: Yo. But not being used enough.

Q: Are utilities' executives rational?

A: I dunno. Maybe.

Q: Do they know wind power is great? Do the read the sources you do?

A: I dunno if they can read or not.

Q: Why do they act irrationally?

Example (Business Confidence D/A)

Q: Are business people rational? Do they make intelligent decisions?

A: Well, they kinda follow the herd.

Q: Even if they know better?

A: They panic.

Q: Then why have investors been putting their money into fossil fuels, if one little rumor can topple an economy?

Example (Global Warming)

Q: Is global warming happening?

A: Yes.

Q: And it's a disaster?

A: Yep.

Q: And we must act NOW to stop it?

A: Uh-huh.

Q: Are the scientists that claim this rational?

A: Of course.

Q: And do world politicians respond to the pleas of scientists?

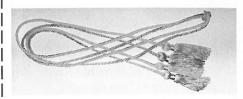
A: Not always.

Q: So why do you think it will be different this time?

If you want to increase your enjoyment of debate by transfusing more of your intelligence into the round, consider the strategy and the tactic.

(Bill Davis coaches at Blue Valley North, (KS) and is the Rostrum's permanent columnist. His book, A Fool for Forensics, is a collection of his columns.)

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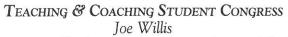
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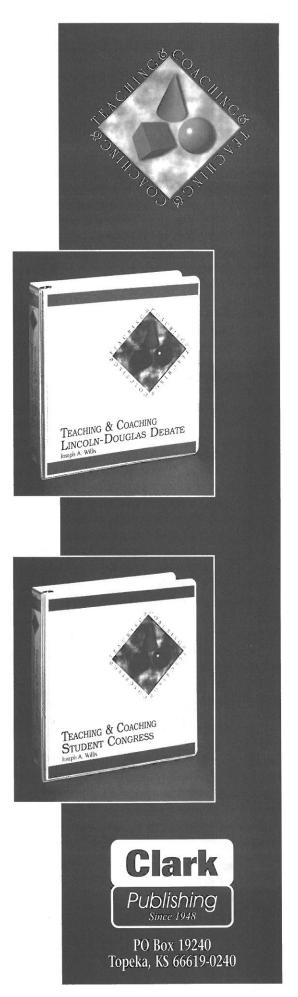
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Bates ensures that <u>all instructional groups are led by professional forensic coaches</u> with years of teaching experience, assisted by outstanding college debaters. All lab groups are led by senior staff, and each student works with each faculty member. The 1998 faculty includes: John Blanchette, Jennifer Harris, Bob Hoy, Jane McClarie Laughlin, Joan Macri, Mike Matos, Dick Merz, Les Phillips, Jon Sharp and Chris Wheatley.

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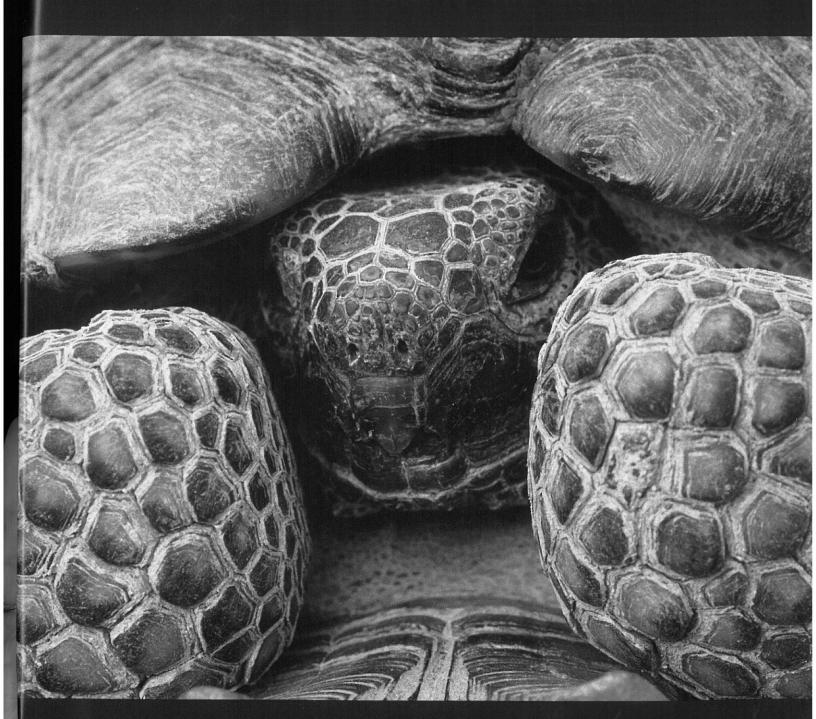
Comprehensive fees include tuition, handbook & copies of the institute briefs (policy debaters), videotaped critiques (speech participants), room and board. All meals, including a lobster feast on the Fourth of July, are included in the comprehensive fee. No hidden costs. Policy Debate Institute \$1,111; Lincoln Douglas Debate Workshop, \$720; Speech \$420. Need-based financial aid and payment plans available to qualified applicants.

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