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   Sommario/riassunto   In Modularity in Language, Etsuyo Yuasa investigates exceptions and
                        idiosyncrasies in various complex clauses in Japanese and English
                        within the framework of multi-modular approaches to grammar. She
                        proposes original analyses of various complex clauses in Japanese and
                        English, which deviate from the norms of other complex clauses in the
                        same language or in other languages, and shows how these cases of
                        syntax-semantics mismatch justify the independence (or 'autonomy') of
                        different levels of grammatical structures. Yuasa's significant
                        contribution is the incorporation of the notion of 'construction' from
                        Construction Grammar into multi-modular approaches to grammar.

She claims that the idiosyncratic cases examined in this study are instances of constructional and categorial mismatches where a syntactic representation of a prototypical construction is paired with a semantic representation of another prototypical construction. Modularity in Language is aimed at those interested in grammatical theories in general, the parallel architecture of grammar (including Lexical-Functional Grammar, Autolexical Grammar, Representational Modularity), Constructional Grammar, syntax/semantics interface, and Japanese linguistics.