

#### LEXICAL SEMANTIC PROCESSES IN MARITIME TERMINOLOGY

The article deals with the process of maritime terminology. Peculiarities of polysemy, homonymy, synonymy and antonymy have been analyzed on the basis of two different language systems: English and Azerbaijani. Moreover, the lexical and grammatical types of polysemy in maritime terminology have been studied. First of all, they are the abstract verbal nouns meaning the process. These lexical terminological units gaining new quality and being converted into nouns develop the semantics of a subject, thus, the process gets the features of objects.

One of the terminological unit characteristics is the expression of the certain notions. A term is determined by the differential feature of the notion defined. The requirement to a term having a single meaning is not often met, so several scientific notions can be expressed by the same term. It activates different semantic process in the terminological system, including the maritime terminology where polysemy, homonymy, synonymy and antonymy arise on such semantic basis creating new meanings.

In general, we can say that various semantic processes peculiar to any language are reflected in the terminology.

Polysemy, homonymy, synonymy and antonymy are phenomena associated with semantic processes of a language. Comparison of semantic meaning boundaries between polysemy, homonymy, synonymy and antonymy on the grounds of the maritime terminology (based on the material of the two different language systems – English and Azerbaijani) and the identification of common and individual features determine the relevance of the given research.