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**To:** Noam Chomsky  
**Subject:** Re: Re:

thought you might be interested in a new version of the percentage agreement between stalin and churchill. Saudi an= Iran doing the same , dividing spheres of influence. . =C2 it seems few people paying attention to palestinians . maybe n=xt generation. - israel going further right it appears. = find that media induced fear is driving world markets. . very odd.=C2 gas prices down nobody shopping, . hotel prices down les= travel. commodity prices way down, little buildin=. luxury market decimated. no russians or chinese players. =A0 . still virtually zero interest rates. . borrow=ng not up, fear and paralysis. , ( I add these top=cs as to these at least, i can speak with a modicum of knowledge )

On Thu, Dec 24, 2015 at 10:51 AM, Noam Chomsky <[REDACTED]> wrote=:

This is the program David Marr initia=ed, developed by Shimon Ullman and others. Makes sense, and there are some interesting results. David was a friend, and we often discussed these topics. In fact, his famous three levels ad=pted a model from generative grammar. But there was always the funda=ental problem I mentioned. Vision is an input system, crafting coher=nt images from lines, points of light, etc. Language is used for that purpose too, but it's not what language is.

That fundamental difference, along wi=h the fact that the principles involved seem quite different, has always b=en a stumbling block to seeking any link.

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Vision rules needed to craft coherent image =A0 . Edges? " Faggehtabowtit." Two edges crafted =A0by software

On Thursday, December 24, 2015, Noam Chomsky <[REDACTED]> wrote:</=>

I presume that the software just guid=s the hardware. Don't see how that changes the consideration=.

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The hardware of vision is an input system, =C2 It's the software that I'm referring to .

On Thursday, December 24, 2015, Noam Chomsky <[REDACTED]> wrote:

We don't teach children langu=ge either, contrary to many beliefs. The visual grammar just grows, and as is known, can develop in various ways depending on early experience= Same with the language grammar, though the period in which experien=e has a shaping effect is much longer.

However, there are fundamental differ=nces between vision and language. Can send you a recent paper about it if you like. Vision is an input system. Language isn=E2 t. It's an internal capacity, a system of knowledge,=which is used to process input and also to produce thoughts (sometimes ext=rnalized). Seems also to be modality independent. And their pr=erties look wholly different, so it's hard to see how one could piggy-bac= on the other.

Noam

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we dont teach children to see. they have=a visual grammar built in . why wouldnt we expect some mutatio= of that system to allow auditory grammar.

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