**Term:** Association by Contiguity  

**Quote:** The meanings of words ordinarily depend upon our tendencies to weld together qualities and our aptitudes to see resemblances, or, to use the received phrase, upon associations by *similarity*; while experience is bound together, and only recognisable, by forces acting upon us, or, to use an even worse chosen technical term, by means of associations by *contiguity*.

**Source:** Peirce, C. S. (1892). The Critic of Arguments. II. The Reader is Introduced to Relatives. *The Open Court*, 6, 3415-3418.

**References:** CP 3.419  

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