

## **A Survey on the Status of Softwares for Managing and Providing Persian Thesaurus**

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### **Abstract**

The current study is devoted to investigate softwares for managing and providing Persian thesaurus. Therefore, using survey-descriptive method, we have analyzed five thesaurus management softwares, including the softwares “Islamic Sciences Thesaurus”, “Thesaurus Builder”, “Pars Azarakhsh”, “Ghamoos” and “published version of Ebrahimpoor Thesaurus”, along with four softwares for providing thesaurus, including all the above mentioned softwares except “Azarakhsh”, regarding the general and functional criteria existing in the survey list. The results obtained from this study indicate that with regard to observing functional criteria, the softwares “Thesaurus Builder” and “Pars Azarakhsh” gained the highest rank among thesaurus management softwares while the softwares “Islamic Sciences Thesaurus” and “Thesaurus Builder” ranked the highest among the softwares for providing thesaurus. On the other hand, the highest scores for observing general criteria were assigned to the softwares “Thesaurus Builder” and “Islamic Sciences Thesaurus”. In general, “Thesaurus Builder” software possesses the most facilities among the above mentioned softwares.

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