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**“No Anxiety of Influence” – The Significance of Variation Theory in Mutual Learning of Civilizations**

Throughout the development of comparative literature theory of pre – Chinese school, it is obvious that there is anxiety about "influence," so that the sound of "stagnant water" constantly appears in the crisis. By differentiating influence, accepting influence, absorbing influence and then transforming it, the Variation Theory innovates theoretical development from the perspective of inter – civilization. The significance of "mutual learning among civilizations" is revealed in the context of focusing on "differences," studying "differences" and constructing "differences."