















Fig. 5: Differentiating seniority in reciprocal terms of affinity within

Not surprisingly, ego's own level 0 presents the most terms and, apparently, the least clarity. These unclear limits are expressed in a minority of terminologies by equations of a junior member of level 0, e.g., 'younger brother's wife,' with a member of level -1, i.e., 'son's wife,' and of 'child' and 'junior sibling.'

While it is easy to conceive that ego separates 'elder' from 'younger sister' (or 'brother') terminologically, the many different 'in-law' relationships demand the utmost of the readers' patience. I will initially deal with them in sum, i.e., with their combined expression of seniority and affinity according to Fig. 5 in which I employ the usual