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**THE PROBLEM OF ETHNIC CULTURE AND LANGUAGE IN THE CONTEXT OF
DISPUTES BETWEEN SLAVOPHILES AND WESTERNIZERS**

The article touches upon some aspects of the dispute between slavophiles and westernizers referring to ethnoculture and language. The formation of spiritual culture and national self-consciousness depends upon the solution of the problem of correlation between the national and the universal. Slavophiles prove that all universal cultural achievements grow on a native soil; and universal science is the fruit of concrete national communities.

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