Abstract: As a consequence of the predicate typology reorganisation in Romanian language, the present study describes the modal predicate with its two subcategories (the verbal modal predicate and the adverbial modal predicate). This is a new approach proposing a syntactic unification of the structures of modality in terms of semantic and formal similarity. Thus, the arguments with a view to depredicatization of modalising adverbs are reconsidered, which coincides (except for the denominations) with the standing of the actual normative work.

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