

Zoom with a Minimalist View: Mamoru Saito's Work 2017-2020  
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各トーク直後の質疑セッションでは、簡単なやり取りで済む内容に絞りましょう。

Saito (2017): Japanese *wh*-phrases as operators with unspecified quantificational force\*

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主な先行研究

Nishigauchi (1990): 日本語の *wh* expression が indefinite であり、unselective binding を受ける。“the quantificational force of a *wh*-expression” is determined by “a quantificational particle.”と述べる。

Tsai (1999): 中国語の *wh* expression が variable である証拠を出す。

Takahashi (2002): 日本語の *wh* expression が unselective binding を受けることに対する批判を行う。*wh* expression と particle は選択関係があると主張する。

Kuroda (1965): 日本語の *wh* expression は variable であるという点で、Nishigauchi、Tsai、Takahashi の親玉。

	<i>wh</i> expression	<i>wh</i> expression と particle の関係
Nishigauchi	variable	移動+unselective binding
Tsai	variable	unselective binding (中国語)、移動+unselective binding (日本語)
Takahashi	variable	選択+particle の移動
Saito	operator	非顕在的移動+Agree

日本語 *wh* expression の中心的な特徴

(1) *wh* expression の解釈その 1: interrogative

太郎は[[誰がそれを食べた]か]知っている。

(2) *wh* expression の解釈その 2: universal quantification の一部

[[[誰が書いた]本]も]面白い。

☺ここから分かること: *wh* expression の quantificational force は particle に由来する。

(3) 日本語 *wh* の locality

a. [[花子はその時[[太郎が来る]と]言った]か]教えてください。

b. [[花子はその時[[誰が来る]と]言った]か]教えてください。

☺ここから分かること: clause boundary にかかる locality は無い。

c. [[花子はその時[[誰が来る]か]尋ねた]か]教えてください。

解釈 A: 「誰」が最も深く埋め込まれている「か」と関連付けられ、外側の「か」は yes/no 疑問の解釈。

解釈 B: 最も埋め込まれている「か」を yes/no 疑問とし、「誰」を外側の「か」と関連付けた解釈は容認度が下がる。??Please tell me who Hanako asked then if she/he is coming.

☺ここから分かること: *wh* island effect が存在し、日本語の *wh* 疑問文は移動により派生される。

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## 2. Nishigauchi (1990)

- (7) a. [[誰が来る]か]教えてください。  
 b. [誰もが読む]本  
 c. [誰かが捨てた]本  
 d. [誰でも持っている]本  
 e. [誰も読まない]本

- (8) [[[誰が書いた]本]も]面白い。

Kuroda (1965): 日本語の *wh* は indeterminate pronoun であり、variable として機能する。

Nishigauchi (1990): Heim (1982) の unselective binding を用いて分析する。

### Unselective binding

- (9) a. Everyone is smart  
 b. [Every<sub>x</sub>] [x is a person] [x is smart]  
 c. [Every x: x is a person] [x is smart]  
     operator restriction      core sentence (nuclear scope)
- (10) Donkey anaphora  
 a. Everyone who bought a painting was satisfied with it  
 b. [Every<sub>x</sub>] [x is a person and x bought a painting] [x was satisfied with it]  
 c. [Every<sub>x,y</sub>] [x is a person, y is a painting, and x bought y] [x was satisfied with y]
- (11) a. If a man sees a panda, he chases it.  
 b. [Every<sub>x,y</sub>] [x is a man, y is a panda and x sees y] [x chases y]
- (12) a. John saw a cat.  
 b. [Some<sub>x</sub>] [x is a cat] [John saw x]
- (13) Diesing (1992)  
 a. Firemen are available  
 b. [Some<sub>x</sub>] [x is a fireman] [x is available]
- (14) a. Cats are wise.  
 b. [Generic<sub>x</sub>] [x is a cat] [x is wise]

- (15) a. 太郎は[[花子は何を食べた]か]知っている。

- b. [Q<sub>x</sub>] [x is a thing] [Hanako ate x]

→ *wh* expression は variable

- (16) a. [[[誰が書いた]本]も]面白い。

- b. [Every<sub>x</sub>] [x is a book and *dare* wrote x] [x is interesting]  
 c. [Every<sub>x,y</sub>] [x is a book, y is a person, and y wrote x] [x is interesting]

→ 「誰」が unselective binding を受ける

- (17) a. 太郎は[[花子が来ると]聞いて]も行かないだろう  
 b. 太郎は[[誰が来ると]聞いて]も行かないだろう  
 c. 太郎は[[誰が来るか]聞いて]も行かないだろう

解釈 A: 「誰」が「か」と関連付けられて解釈

解釈 B: 「誰」が「も」と関連付けられ、「か」は yes-no 疑問とする解釈はできない。

\*For every x, x a person, Taroo won't go even if he hears if x is coming.

◎ここから分かること: *wh* expression は associated particle の近くに covert に移動する。

→Nishigauchi (1990): unselective binding のために government 関係が必要であり、そのために移動が起こる。

◎疑問点、問題点: unselective binding と covert movement を両方取るとは little puzzling

(18) 移動では、operator と variable は同一の要素 (Chomsky (1993))

- a. Who did John see?  
 b. [[which x: x is a person], x] did John see [[which x: x is a person], x]  
 c. [[which x: x is a person], \*] did John see [~~which x: x is a person~~, x]

対して、unselective binding では、quantifier と variable は違う要素→何故移動の関係が必要なのかが不明。

◎Kuroda の indeterminate pronoun 分析を発展させた Nishigauchi は、*wh* 自体が quantificational force を持つと考え、“the quantificational force of a *wh* expression” is determined by “a quantificational particle”と述べる。

### 3.1 Tsai (1999)

- (19) Shei xian lai, shei jiu keyi xian chi ne  
 who first come who then can first eat  $Q_{wh}$

‘For which x, x a person, if x comes first, then x is allowed to eat first.’

◎ここから分かること: 中国語の *wh* expression は indefinite であり、unselective binding を受ける。

- (20) [CP Op<sub>[Q]</sub> [TP ... shei<sub>x</sub> ..... shei<sub>x</sub> ... ]]

(21) [誰が最初に来たら、誰が最初に食べられるか] (教えてください)

- (22) Shei xian lai, shei jiu keyi xian chi  
 who first come who then can first eat

‘For every x, x a person, if x comes first, then x eats first.’

◎ここから分かること: conditional には universal operator が含まれ、unselective binding により *wh* expression は universal の解釈を得る。

- (23) a. 学生が来れば、僕は pro 会う  
 b. \*誰が来れば、僕は pro 会う

- (24) Akiu bu xiang chi shenme  
 Akiu not want eat what

A. ‘Akiu doesn't want to eat anything.’ (= ¬ [Some<sub>x</sub>] [x is a thing] [Akiu wants to eat x])

B. ‘What does Akiu not want to eat?’

- (25) a. Ni xiang-zhidao [Akiu mai-bu-mai shenme] (ne)  
 you wonder Akiu buy-not-buy what Q<sub>wh</sub>  
 'What is the thing x such that you wonder whether Akiu will buy x.'  
 b. Ni xiang-zhidao [shei mai-bu-mai shenme]  
 you wonder who buy-Asp what  
 A. 'What is the thing x such that you wonder who bought x.'  
 B. 'Who is the person x such that you wonder what x bought.'

◎ここから分かること: 中国語では *wh* expression が variable で unselective binding を受ける。

(26) 日本語と中国語の違い

- a. 日本語: [CP Op[Q]<sub>x</sub> [C' [TP ... [DP Op[Q]<sub>x</sub> [wh<sub>x</sub>] ... ] C]]  
 b. 中国語: [CP Op[Q]<sub>x</sub> [C' [TP ... [DP [wh<sub>x</sub>] ... ] C]]

→日本語では operator は *wh* expression と生起し、移動する一方、中国語では scope 位置に生起する。

◎i. 両言語で *wh* expression は variable であり、ii. 日本語では移動により *wh* island effect が生じる。

- (27) Akiu shei dou xiangxin  
 Akiu who all trust  
 'Akiu trusts everyone.'

(28) [[誰が書いた本]も]面白い

◎疑問点、問題点: 1. 何故日本語では DP と PP に null interrogative operator が merge するのか。*wh* expression と operator とが local な関係になければならないというわけではない。2. 日本語の *wh* island の問題。3. 日本語の *wh* expression は variable ではない。

(29) 太郎は[[誰が来るか]聞いて]も行かないだろう

- (30) Shei xian lai, shei jiu keyi xian chi  
 who first come who then can first eat  
 'For every x, x a person, if x comes first, then x eats first.'

(31) \*誰が来れば、僕は誰に会う

- (32) a. 太郎は人に会っていた  
 b. \*太郎は誰に会っていた

- (33) a. 太郎は人に会わなかった  
 b. \*太郎は誰に会わなかった

### 3.2 Takahashi (2002)

- (36) a. 太郎はどの本も読んだ。  
 b. 太郎は本も読んだ。

◎ここから分かること: 「も」 だけでは universal quantifier にはならない。

(37) [[誰が書いた本]も]図書館にある。

(38) [Every x: x is a person] [Some y: y is a book and x wrote y] [y is in the library]

◎ここから分かること: 「本」 は universal の解釈にはならない。

Takahashi (2002) の主張: 「も」は *wh* expression と一緒の場合のみ universal quantifier として解釈される。

(39) [[誰もが書いた本]も]図書館にある

(40) a. Who did John see?

b. [[which x: x is a person], x] did John see [[which x: x is a person], x]

c. [[which x: x is a person], x] did John see [~~[[which x: x is a person], x]~~, x]

(41) a. [[誰-も-が書いた本] ]

b. [[[x: x is a person]-[every x]-が書いた本] ]

c. [[[x: x is a person]-~~[every x]~~-が書いた本] [every x]]

⊗疑問点、問題点: 1. *wh* island。2. *wh* expression を variable としている。3. particle と *wh* expression の関係  
i. particle が *wh* expression を選択するのではなく、*wh* expression の方が particle を必要としているように思われる。ii. 「も」に universal quantifier と *also/even* を表すものの二種類を想定しなければならない。

(42) \*誰が来れば、僕は *pro* 会う

(43) a. 太郎は[[花子は何を食べた]か]知っている (こと)

b. 太郎は[[花子がわにを食べた]か]知っている (こと)

c. \*太郎は[[花子は何を食べた]と]知っている (こと)

(44) a. [[誰が書いた本]も]図書館にある (こと)

b. [[懷疑論者が書いた本]も]図書館にある (こと)

c. \*[[誰が書いた本]が]図書館にある (こと)

(45) 提案

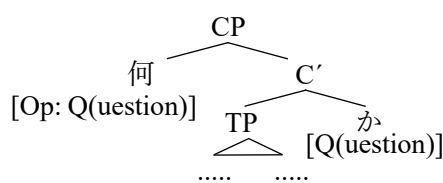
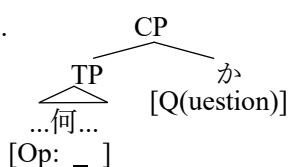
a. [wh + variable [[ ..... wh + variable ..... ] particle]] (covert movement)

b. [wh + variable [[ ..... wh + variable ..... ] particle]] (quantificational force)

#### 4. 提案

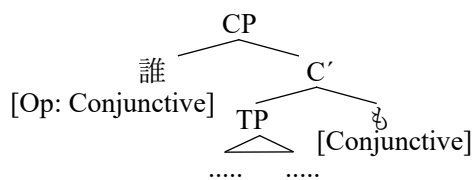
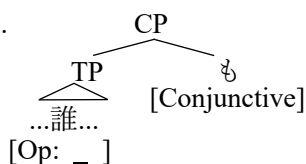
(49) a. 太郎は[[花子は何を食べた]か]知っている

b.



(50) a. 誰が[[書いた本]も]図書館にある

b.



(51) 花子も太郎も次郎もそこにいた

(52) Everyone was there = [a and b and c and ...] were there

(53) a. 誰からか手紙が届いた

b. [花子か太郎か次郎か]がそこにいた

(54) Someone was there = [a or b or c or ...] was there

(55) a. [[太郎が来て]も]僕は会う

b. [[誰が来て]も]僕は会う

→二つの mo があると想定する必要はない

(56) a. [[花子はその時[[誰が来る]か]尋ねた]か]教えてください

b. [CP [TP ... [CP wh [Op: Q] [C' [TP ... wh ... ] か [Q]] ... ] か [Q]] ]  
 feature valuation  
 covert movement

(57) a. 太郎は[[誰が来るか]聞いて]も]行かないだろう

b. [CP [TP ... [CP wh [Op: Q] [C' [TP ... wh ... ] か [Q]] ... ] も [Conj]] ]  
 feature valuation  
 covert movement

## Discussion

- 以下の対比に関して、(32b) は日本語の *wh* expression が *variable* ではない証拠の一つとされるが、(24) の中国語の例から、否定を取り除いても ‘Akiu wants to eat something.’ の読みは出てこない。この場合中国語で *existential closure* が使えないのは何故か。

(32) b. 「\*太郎は誰に会っていた」

(24) Akiu bu xiang chi shenme

Akiu not want eat what

A. ‘Akiu doesn’t want to eat anything.’ (=  $\neg$  [Some<sub>x</sub>] [x is a thing] [Akiu wants to eat x])

B. ‘What does Akiu not want to eat?’

関連して、日本語では *wh* expression が *variable* ではないとする証拠として挙げられている以下の例において、日本語では Tsai (1999) に従い *null operator movement* があると考え、*negative island* や *conditional (universal) operator movement* により疑問の *null operator movement* が *block* されるところで以下の例を排除し、Tsai の分析を擁護することは可能か。

(31) \*誰が来れば、僕は誰に会う

(33) b. \*太郎は誰に会わなかった

- Takahashi (1993) では以下の文に曖昧性があることが述べられている。

(i) ジョンはメアリーが何を食べたか知りたがっているの？

(Takahashi (1993: 657))

‘Does John want to know what Mary ate?’

‘What does John want to know whether Mary ate?’

*wh* island と *covert movement* を考えた場合にこの例をどのように分析するのか。更に、*overt movement* を考えると、Takahashi (1993) は (ii) に曖昧性は無いと述べる。

(ii) 何を <sub>i</sub>ジョンはメアリーが <sub>t<sub>i</sub></sub>食べたか知りたがっているの？

(*ibid.*)

しかし、Ishihara (2002) や Kitagawa (2005) で述べられているように、ここで *wh* island 違反となるような解釈（内側の「か」を yes/no 疑問として、「何」は「の」と関連付けられた解釈）も適切な prosody の下では得られるように思われる。これをどのように捉えるのか。また、適切な prosody を与えても、以下の例において、「誰」を「も」と関連付ける解釈は依然として容認されないように思われるが、これは何故なのか。

(17) c. 太郎は[[誰が来るか]聞いて]も行かないだろう

3. 他言語にどこまで応用可能か。英語の *wh* expression も、疑問文の他に関係節、感嘆文等にも使われるため、例えば Chomsky (2015) で言われているように、*wh* expression が unvalued question feature を持つと考えるのは事実には即していないように思われる。しかし、英語の *wh* expression は日本語の *wh* expression と異なり、quantifier によっては普通は解釈を与えられない<sup>1</sup>。従って、英語の *wh* expression も [*uF*]を持つ operator だとすると、その[*uF*]とは何なのか。

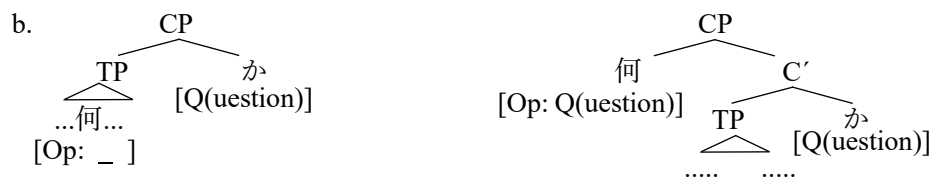
4. 中国語の (19)、(20) において、二つの独立した *wh* expression が一つの operator に bind されることは Bijection Principle の違反にならないのか。その場合、Chomsky (2020) が ATB に適用した方策を取り、二つの *wh* expression に同一の解釈を与えるとその違反を避けられる可能性があるか。

(19) Shei xian lai, shei jiu keyi xian chi ne  
 who first come who then can first eat *Q<sub>wh</sub>*  
 ‘For which x, x a person, if x comes first, then x is allowed to eat first.’

(20) [CP Op[Q]<sub>x</sub> [TP ... shei<sub>x</sub> ..... shei<sub>x</sub> ... ]]

5. Case がラベルにならない枠組みにおいて、「何か」の「か」はラベルになれるのか。また、それが C として機能した場合はラベルになれるのか。

(49) a. 太郎は[[花子は何を食べた]か]知っている



6. Chomsky (2000) 等に反し、[*uF*]は uninterpretable ではない。

<sup>1</sup> 英語でも自由関係節に用いられる *whatever* のような *wh* expression では、*every* に由来する接辞により解釈が与えられる。



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## 2020/11/14 Zoom with a Minimalist View #3

### Saito (2017a) “Notes on the Locality of Anaphor Binding and A-Movement”

#### Section 2: Anaphor Binding and Derivational Phase

(Saito (2017b) “A Note on Transfer Domains”の補足)

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#### 2.1. Quicoli’s (2008) Proposals

##### Chomsky (2008): Phase by phase derivation

(3a) Embedded **vP** built → complement  $\boxed{\text{VP}}$  transferred

(3b) Embedded **CP** phase built → complement  $\boxed{\text{TP}}$  transferred

##### Quicoli (2008): Phase-based analysis of anaphor binding

(4) Information on the reference of an anaphor is sent to the C-I interface along with a transfer domain that includes the anaphor.

(5) a. John recommended himself.

(6) a.  $[_{\text{VP}} \text{John} [_{\text{v}} [_{\text{VP}} \text{recommended himself}]]]$

- When **VP** is transferred, *John* has already been introduced.

→ The information “himself = John” is sent to the C-I interfaces.

(7) a. \*John thinks that Mary recommended himself.

b.  $[_{\text{VP}} \text{Mary} [_{\text{v}} [_{\text{VP}} \text{recommended himself}]]]$

- When **VP** is transferred, *John* is **not** in the structure.

→ No information on the antecedent of *himself*.

##### • Reconstruction effects

(8) a. Which picture of himself did John buy?

b.  $[_{\text{VP}} [_{\text{which picture of himself}}] [_{\text{John}} [_{\text{v}} [_{\text{VP}} \text{buy} [_{\text{which picture of himself}}]]]]]$

- Copy of [which picture of himself] in the object position

- “Himself = John” can be determined.

(9) Bill wonders which picture of himself John bought.

(10) a.  $[_{\text{VP}} [_{\text{which picture of himself}}] [_{\text{John}} [_{\text{v}} [_{\text{VP}} \text{buy} [_{\text{which picture of himself}}]]]]]$

- Transferred with the information “himself = **John**” **OR** pending

The option available because of the “Bypass Principle”.

(i) **Bypass Principle** (Quicoli 2008: 314)

In a phase containing chain-related anaphors, condition A may target either an anaphor inside the local domain or an anaphor outside the local domain.

- (10) b.  $[_{CP} [_{\text{which picture of himself}}] [_C [_{TP} \text{John} [_T [_{VP} [_{\text{which picture of himself}}] [_{\text{John}} [_{VP} \dots]]]]]]]]]$   
c.  $[_{VP} [_{\text{which picture of himself}}] \text{Bill} [_V [_{VP} \text{wonders} [_{CP} [_{\text{which picture of himself}}] [_C [_{TP} \dots]]]]]]]$   
- Transferred with the information “himself = **Bill**”

• **Japanese Scrambling** (cf. Dejima 1999)

Scrambling of the anaphor makes coreference with an upper subject possible.

- (11) a. 太郎が<sub>i</sub> [<sub>CP</sub> 花子が<sub>j</sub> [<sub>CP</sub> 次郎が<sub>k</sub> 自分自身を<sub>i\*,j\*,k</sub> 批判したと] 言ったと] 思っている (こと)  
b. 太郎が<sub>i</sub> [<sub>CP</sub> 花子が<sub>j</sub> [<sub>CP</sub> 自分自身を<sub>i\*,j,k</sub> 次郎が<sub>k</sub> 批判したと] 言ったと] 思っている (こと)  
c. 太郎が<sub>i</sub> [<sub>CP</sub> 自分自身を<sub>i,j,k</sub> 花子が<sub>j</sub> [<sub>CP</sub> 次郎が<sub>k</sub> 批判したと] 言ったと] 思っている (こと)  
(12)  $[_{VP} \text{次郎が} [_{VP} \text{自分自身を批判} s] v]$   
- No scrambling → “自分自身 = 次郎” only  
(13)  $[_{VP} \text{花子が} [_{VP} [_{CP} [\text{自分自身を}]] [_{TP} \text{次郎が自分自身を批判した}]] \text{と}]] \text{言} w]v]$   
- Scrambling → “pending” option available

2.2. The Absence of NIC Effects in Languages without  $\phi$ -feature Agreement

**Chomsky’s (1981) Binding Theory:**

Based on **Specified Subject Condition (SSC)** and **Nominative Island Condition (NIC)**

( $\alpha$  = anaphor,  $\delta$  = the binding domain for  $\alpha$ )

- (14) a.  $[_{\delta} \text{subject} [ \dots \alpha \dots ]] \text{ (SSC)}$   
b.  $[_{\delta} \alpha [ \text{T}_{[+AGR]} [ \dots ]]] \text{ (NIC)}$

(15) *SSC violating examples*

- a. \*John expects  $[_{TP} \text{the guests to be introduced himself}]$ .  
b. \*Mary believes  $[_{TP} \text{the speakers to have been introduced to herself}]$ .

→ problematic under the phase-based approach, if passive v is **not** a phase

- (16)  $[_{VP} \text{John} [_V [_{VP} \text{expect} [_{TP} [\text{the guests}] \text{to be introduced} [\text{the guests}] \text{to himself}]]]]]$   
- “himself = John” should be possible

(17) *NIC violating example*

\*John thinks [<sub>CP</sub> that [<sub>TP</sub> himself will be nominated]]

### No NIC effect when T lacks $\phi$ -features

(languages without  $\phi$ -feature agreement (e.g. Japanese (18)) (cf. Yang 1983);  
nonfinite clause (19))

(18) a. 太郎は [<sub>CP</sub> [<sub>TP</sub> 自分自身が 推薦される] と] 思っている

b. 花子は [<sub>CP</sub> [<sub>TP</sub> 自分自身が それを見た] と] 主張した

(19) John believes [<sub>TP</sub> himself to be the best candidate]

→ problematic under the phase-based approach, if TP is **always** transferred upon completion of CP

(20) [<sub>CP</sub> [[<sub>TP</sub> 自分自身が [[<sub>vP</sub> 自分自身が [[<sub>vP</sub> それを 見] v]] T<sub>[+Past]</sub>] と]]

(“自分自身 = 花子” is not available.)

**Proposal:** If T lacks  $\phi$ -features, vP (instead of TP) is transferred when CP is completed.

(21) a. [<sub>CP</sub> [C [<sub>TP</sub> subject [T<sub>[+AGR]</sub> [<sub>vP</sub> ... ]]]]]

b. [<sub>CP</sub> [C [<sub>TP</sub> subject [T<sub>[-AGR]</sub> [<sub>vP</sub> ... ]]]]] (order irrelevant)

(22) [<sub>vP</sub> 花子が [[<sub>vP</sub> [<sub>CP</sub> [[<sub>TP</sub> 自分自身が [[<sub>vP</sub> ...] T<sub>[+Past]</sub>]] C]] 主張 s] v]]

- “自分自身 = 花子” available upon completion of the matrix vP

Why are the transfer domains different?

(23) a. T with  $\phi$ -features → independently merged

b. T without  $\phi$ -features → C+T merged first, followed by excorporation

(24)  $\alpha$  excludes  $\beta$  =<sub>def</sub>  $\alpha$  does not dominate any instance of  $\beta$ .

If the transfer domain is the “maximal phrase that excludes the phase head,”

it is **TP** in (23a) and **vP** in (23b).

### Implication on ECM

(25) a. John believes [<sub>TP</sub> Mary to be a genius]. (ECM complement as TP)

b. Mary is believed [<sub>TP</sub> Mary to be a genius].

↑


If ECM complements are CP: movement to the edge causes improper movement (A-A'-A)

(26) b. [<sub>CP</sub> Mary [C [<sub>TP</sub> Mary to be a genius]

↑

Under the phase-based analysis: No need for movement to the edge; only vP is transferred

(28) Mary ... [CP [TP Mary [to [vP be a genius]]]]



**Merit:** Allows clausal complements to uniformly be CPs.

Explanations for (15) (= (29))

(30) [CP C [TP the guests [to [vP be introduced the guests to himself]]]]

- only vP is transferred → “himself = the guests” unavailable, as desired.

**Remaining problem:** how to avoid movement out of control complements

(31) a. Mary decided [CP [TP PRO to go to college]].

b. \*Mary was decided [CP [TP Mary to go to college]].



- Movement should be possible if only vP is transferred

### 2.3. Phases and the Movement Theory of Control

#### (32) $\theta$ -criterion (Chomsky 1981)

Each  $\theta$ -role is assigned to exactly one argument and  
each argument is assigned exactly one  $\theta$ -role.

#### Hornstein (1999): Movement theory of control

(33) a. John tried [CP [TP PRO to win the race]].

b. John tried [CP [TP John to win the race]]. (movement into another  $\theta$ -position)



cf. (34) Mary is believed [TP Mary to be a genius]. (movement into a non  $\theta$ -position)



- Eliminates D-structure as a “pure representation of thematic relations”

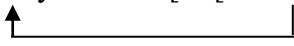
- Eliminates PRO

If only vP is transferred:

(35) b. [CP C [TP John [to [vP win the race]]]]

- *John* is free to move after the completion of CP

The ungrammaticality of (31b) (= (36))?: **Tense interpretation** (cf. Stowell 1982)

- (37) a. John believes [CP [TP Mary to be a genius]]. (ECM complement **lacks Tense**)  
 b. Mary decided [CP [TP Mary to go to college]].  
 (Control complement: **possible future tense**)

**Suggestion:** DP receives one  $\theta$ -role per Tense domain

- (38) [TP ... tense ... [CP [TP ... tense ... ]]  
           **domain 2**            **domain 1**

- Control: movement into another domain → second  $\theta$ -role required

**Locality of A-scrambling** (Mahajan 1990, Tada 1993, Saito 1992, Miyagawa 2001)

Clause internal scrambling = A-movement

- (39) a. [彼らが [VP [お互いの先生]を 批判した]] (こと)  
 b. ?\*[お互いの先生]が [VP 彼らを 批判した]] (こと)  
 c. [彼らを [[お互いの 先生]が [VP 批判した]]] (こと)  
 (The scrambled phrase can be the binder)

Long-distance scrambling = A'-movement

- (40) a. \*[[お互いの 先生]が [VP [CP [田中が 彼らを 批判した] と] 言った]] (こと)  
 b. \*[彼らを [[お互いの先生]が [VP [CP [田中が批判した] と] 言った]] (こと)  
 (The scrambled phrase cannot be the binder)

- Long distance A-scrambling is excluded because of improper movement, if the movement is via [Spec, CP] (41)

- If only vP is transferred, it can move out directly.

- (42) [ ... DP ... [CP [TP DP [TP subject [VP ... ]]]]]  


**Problem of this derivation:** movement across two tense domains, but only one  $\theta$ -role

For further discussion:

Treatment of long-distance anaphora

- (i) 太郎<sub>i</sub>は[自分<sub>i</sub>が推薦されると]思っている。  
 (ii) 太郎<sub>i</sub>は[花子<sub>j</sub>が自分<sub>ij</sub>を推薦すると]思っている。

- no need to find an antecedent inside a phase?
- LF(covert) movement analysis? (cf. Pica (1987), Katada (1991), a.o.)
- difference from non-subject-oriented anaphors (e.g. 彼自身)

**2020/11/14 Zoom with a Minimalist View #3**  
**Saito (2017) A Note on Transfer Domain**  
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**Two main proposals in Saito (2017):**

- [i] Transfer applies to phases, not phase complements, upon the completion of the next phase up.
- [ii] When T inherits unvalued  $\phi$ -features from C, it inherits phasehood as well.

**Transfer Domain**

Saito (2016): NIC effects are not observed in the absence of  $\emptyset$ -feature agreement.

(1) a. \*Mary insisted [that herself saw it]

b. 花子は<sub>CP</sub>[TP 自分自身がそれを見た]と主張した

(11) a. [<sub>CP</sub> [C [<sub>TP</sub> SUBJ [T<sub>[+AGR]</sub> [<sub>v\*P/vP</sub> ... ]]]]] (→ 1a)

The referent of *herself* cannot be specified when it is sent to the CI interface.

→ Condition A violation

b. [<sub>CP</sub> [C [<sub>TP</sub> SUBJ [T<sub>[-AGR]</sub> [<sub>v\*P/vP</sub> ... ]]]]] (→ 1b)

*v\*P/vP* is transferred when  $\emptyset$ -feature agreement is absent in CP.

The information that *zibunzisin* corefers with *Hanako* can be sent to the CI interface.:

Question:

Why is it that *v\*P/vP* is the transfer domain when the CP phase lacks  $\emptyset$ -feature agreement?

(On the other hand, TP is transferred when T carries  $\emptyset$ -features.)

(12) A **phase** is transferred upon completion of the next phase up.  
 (Transfer applies to a phase, not a phase head complement.)

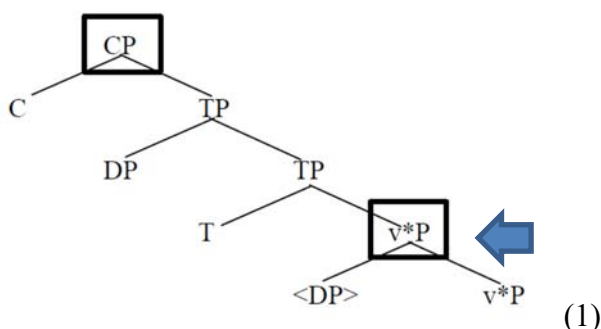
Under (12), (11b) is the core case. Why is TP transferred in (11a)?

(12) raises two questions:

a. Q1: Is *vP* indeed transferred as in (11b)? (discussed later)

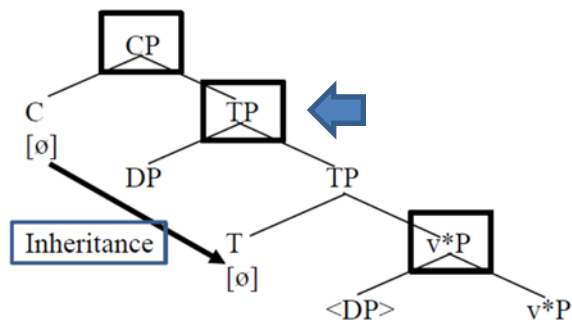
b. Q2: Why is TP transferred in (11a) when T carries  $\emptyset$ -features?

JPN (for (11b))



No phi-feature agreement in the CP phase

ENG (for (11a)) (= (13) in Saito (2017))



**JPN in (11b)**

CP and *v\*P* are phases. Hence, when there is no feature inheritance, *v\*P* is transferred upon the completion of the CP phase. [core case]

### ENG in (11a)/(13)

When T inherits  $\emptyset$ -features from C, it also inherits phasehood from C and TP becomes a phase. Under (12), when the CP phase is completed, TP is transferred. If this is correct, the pattern in (11a) is a special case that obtains because of  $\emptyset$ -feature agreement.

### **v as a Phase Head**

vP constitutes a phase just like v\*P, following Legate (2003) and Bošković (2007).

### **[Argument against vP as a phase]**

(14) Mary says that **there arrived a man** (on horseback).

(15) a. [CP [TP there [T [vP v [VP arrive a man ...]]]]]

b. [vP v [VP arrive a man ...]]

*Transfer*

Under the assumption that vP is a phase, VP, the shaded part in (15b), undergoes Transfer.

→ Case of the internal argument *a man* is not valued yet, which causes a clash at the SM interface.

If vP is not a phase, this problem can be avoided.

**However**, this problem does not arise to begin with if (12) is correct:

Under (12), VP is not transferred until the CP phase is completed, which means the internal argument *a man* can be valued by T before Transfer. → No obstacle for the assumption that vP is a phase.

### **[Empirical support 1: anaphor binding in unaccusative vP]**

(20) 太郎が[花子が自分自身の鞆につまづいたと]言った。(自分自身=花子・自分自身≠太郎)

The embedded verb is unaccusative. → vP, not v\*P

**If vP is a phase**, the anaphor *zibunzisin* is transferred when the embedded CP phase is completed.

→ The information that *zibunzisin* corefers with *Hanako*, but not with *Taro*, can be sent to the CI interface, which makes a right prediction.

**If vP is not a phase**, the anaphor *zibunzisin* is transferred when the matrix v\*P phase is completed.

→ The information that *zibunzisin* corefers with *Taro* as well as with *Hanako*, can be sent to the CI interface, which causes overgeneration.

### **[Empirical support 2: ECM]**

(21) John expects [CP [TP her [to [v\*P <her> [v [VP win the election]]]]]]]

Under (12), when the embedded CP phase is completed, embedded v\*P, not TP, undergoes Transfer, so that the matrix verb can value Case of *her*.

→ It can be assumed that clausal complements with T are uniformly CPs.

Consider (22) with this background.

(22) a. \*John expects [the guests to be introduced to himself]

b. \*Mary believes [the speakers to have been introduced to herself]

How can SSC effects in (22) be explained?

The embedded clause in (22) contains passive vP, not v\*P. **If vP is not a phase**, the first phase in (22) is matrix v\*P, which wrongly predicts that *John* and *Mary* can bind *himself* and *herself*, respectively. **If vP is a phase**, embedded vP, undergoes Transfer when the embedded CP phase is completed:



(23) [<sub>CP</sub> C [<sub>TP</sub> the guests [<sub>to</sub> [<sub>vP</sub> be introduced the guests to himself]]]]

The reference of the anaphor *himself* cannot be specified in (23), which explains why (22) is ungrammatical.

### Summary

- (i) A phase, not a phase complement, is transferred upon the completion of the next phase up.
- (ii) When T inherits  $\phi$ -features from C, it inherits phasehood as well.
- (iii) vP is also a phase.

### Discussion Topics

#### ① フェイズの定義について

Saito (2017)では、phi-feature が T へ継承された場合、phasehood も T へ継承されるとされているが、C はそのまま phase としてのステイタスを維持している。

### 2つの可能性

(1) C に unvalued feature は残らないがフェイズのままである。

⇒フェイズの定義は特定のカテゴリーを指定する必要がある。

(2) C に unvalued feature のコピーが残るので、フェイズのままである。

⇒フェイズの定義は unvalued feature の有無によって可能で、カテゴリーを指定する必要はない (かもしれない)。

ただし、Cに残った unvalued phi-feature のコピーがどう value されるかを考える必要あり。

#### ② C による phi-agreement の可能性

例えば、Miyagawa (2017)では、日本語の場合は、unvalued phi-feature は T に継承されず、C に残って C-Agreement をすると主張している。T に継承されないのであれば、Saito (2017)の主張と両立する可能性がある？

Saito, Mamoru (2017)  
“Labeling and Argument Doubling in Japanese”  
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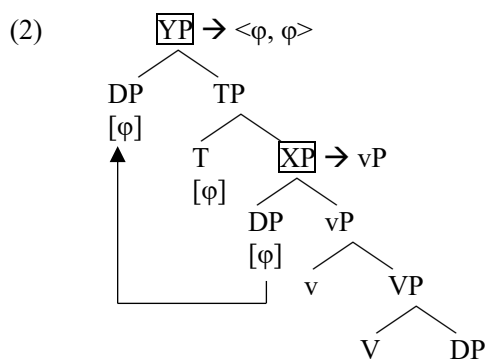
## 1. Introduction

- This paper suggests that the labeling algorithm by Chomsky (2013) explains the effects of the theta-criterion.
  - If the suggestion is correct, the theta-criterion should be dispensed with.

## 2. Labeling in Japanese

- Merge applies to two objects  $\alpha$  and  $\beta$ , and forms a new object  $\gamma = \{\alpha, \beta\}$ .
  - It must accompany an algorithm to determine the label of the newly formed object (Chomsky (2013)).

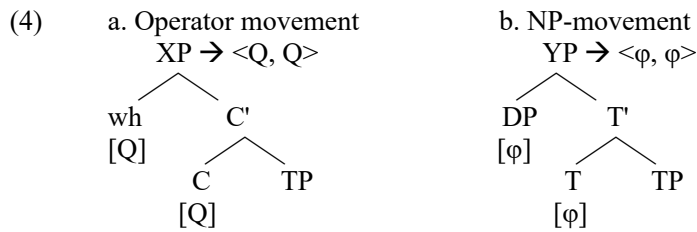
- (1)
- a.  $\gamma = \{H, \alpha P\}$
  - b.  $\gamma = \{\alpha P, \beta P\}$
  - c.  $\gamma = \{H_1, H_2\}$



- This analysis extends to structures created by wh-movement.

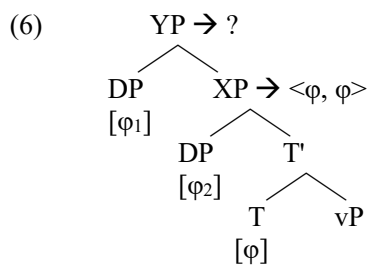
(3) [<sub>YP</sub> Which book [<sub>CP</sub> do [<sub>TP</sub> you think [<sub>XP</sub> \_ [<sub>CP</sub> that [<sub>TP</sub> John bought \_ ]]]]]]

- This analysis predicts that internal merge always terminates in a configuration of feature sharing.



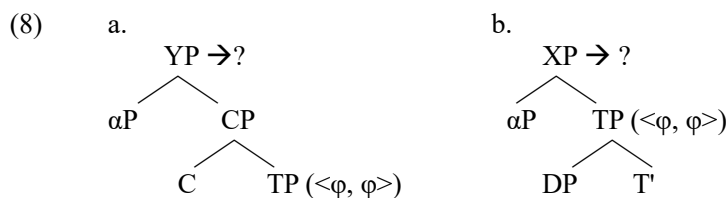
- Chomsky's (2013) proposals on labeling raise interesting research questions with languages like Japanese.
- ① How sentences are labeled in Japanese, a language that lacks phi-feature agreement?
- ② Why the multiple nominative subjects are grammatical in Japanese?
  - They are straightforwardly ruled out in English.

(5)  $[_{TP} \text{ 文明国が } [_{TP} \text{ 男性が } [_{TP} \text{ 平均寿命が短い}]]]$



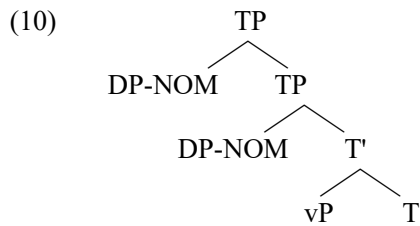
- ③ How do we generate sentences with scrambling, which is argued to be neither operator movement nor A-movement (Saito (1989, 2003), Webelhuth (1989))?
  - Scrambling is ruled out in English by the labeling requirement.

(7) a. みんなが  $[_{CP} \text{ 花子がどの本を選んだか}]$  知りたがっている  
 b. どの本を みんなが  $[_{CP} \text{ 花子が } \_ \text{ 選んだか}]$  知りたがっている

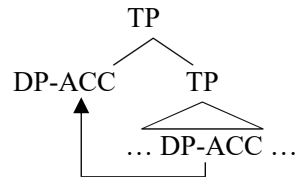


- Saito (2014): Suffixal Case markers make phrases invisible for search and as a result, serving as anti-labeling devices.

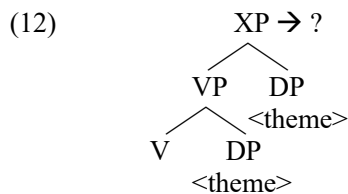
(9)  $\gamma = \{\alpha P\text{-Case}, \beta P\}$



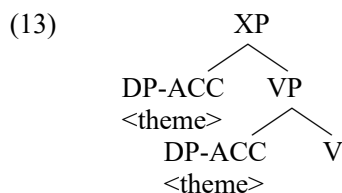
- (11) a. その本を 太郎が \_ 買った  
 b.



- This analysis makes it possible to examine the theta-criterion in an interesting way.
  - (12) has been ruled out by the theta-criterion as the verb assigns the theme role to two distinct DPs.
  - Labeling fails in this structure as well: When the VP and the higher DP merge, the formed object XP fails to receive a label.



- The situation is different in the Japanese counterpart in (13).
  - By hypothesis, VP provides the label for XP, and there should be no problem with labeling.
  - If the structure is illicit in Japanese, it suggests that the the-criterion is indeed operative. On the other hand, if the structure is allowed, it raises doubts on the theta-criterion.



### 3. Argument Doubling as a General Phenomenon

- Multiple nominative subjects like (14) are consistent with the theta-criterion.

(14) [TP 文明国が [TP 男性が [TP 平均寿命が短い]]] (=5)

- The same point holds for multiple accusative sentences like (15).
  - This example is marginal because there is a somewhat mysterious surface constraint in Japanese against multiple accusative phrases in a single clause.
  - The example becomes perfect when one of the accusative phrases is dislocated (Harada (1973)).
  - (15) is consistent with the theta-criterion: *gakusei-o* ‘student-ACC’ is the causee argument whereas *hamabe-o* ‘beach-ACC’ expresses a location or a path.

(15) ??花子が学生を三人浜辺を走らせた

- (16) a. [CP 花子が学生を三人走らせたの]は浜辺をだ  
b. [CP 花子が浜辺を走らせたの]は学生を三人だ

- (17) receive the same theta-role from the verb (Kuroda (1988)).
  - Kuroda confirms this with the ungrammaticality of (18): This example is ungrammatical because one can break fingers but not a person. Cf. (19)

- (17) a. ?? 正雄が花子を頬をぶった  
b. [CP 正雄が花子をぶったの]は頬をだ

- (18) a. \*正雄が花子を指を二本折った  
b. \*[CP 正雄が花子を折ったの]は指を二本だ

- (19) a. 正雄が花子の指を二本折った  
b. \*正雄が花子を折った

- Dative argument doubling is observed in Japanese (Kuroda (1988)).
  - *Hanako* and *hoho* ‘cheek’ are both thematic arguments of *kisus* ‘kiss’.
  - This is confirmed with (21): (21b, c) make sense only if kissing Taroo’s daughter automatically means kissing Taroo, which is not true.

- (20) a. ?? 正雄が花子に頬にキスした  
b. [CP 正雄が花子にキスしたの]は頬にだ

- (21) a. [TP 太郎が [TP 娘がとても賢い]]  
b. \*正雄が太郎に娘にキスした  
c. \*[CP 正雄が太郎にキスしたの]は娘にだ

- The PPs expressing the source/goal can also be doubled in Japanese.

- (22) a. ?? 日本から広島から(だけ)参加者があった  
b. [CP 日本から参加者があったの]は広島から(だけ)だ

- (23) a. ?? 花子がヨーロッパへドイツへ三回だけ行った  
b. [CP 花子がヨーロッパへ行ったの]はドイツへ三回(だけ)だ

- Can external arguments be doubled in Japanese?
- Major subject constructions like (24a)
  - The major subject construction is most natural with an individual-level predicate as the inner TP describes a property attributed to the major subject (Kuno (1973)).
  - A lower subject cannot be dislocated to a position above a higher subject.

- (24) a. [TP 太郎が [TP 娘が一人(だけ)とても賢い]]  
b. ?? [TP 太郎が [TP 娘が一人(だけ)その会議で発言した]]

- (25) \*[CP 太郎がとても賢いの]は娘が一人(だけ)だ

- Consider (26) with this background.
  - (26a) is not a regular major subject sentence but an instance of thematic subject doubling: (24a) does not say that Taroo is smart. On the other hand, (26a) implies that students spoke up in the meeting.
  - The surface effect is avoided when one of the nominative arguments is displaced as in (26b)
  - An agentive subject can also be doubled in Japanese.

- (26) a. ?\* 学生が一年生が三人(だけ)その会議で発言した  
b. [CP 学生がその会議で発言したの]は一年生が三人(だけ)だ

- This demonstrates that the theta-criterion should be eliminated as a verb can assign the same theta-role to more than one argument quite generally.
- One question that remains is why (24a) cannot be construed as an example of thematic subject doubling.
  - If it could be, (25) should be grammatical.
  - The fact indicates that there is a restriction on argument doubling that forces the major subject interpretation of (24a).

#### 4. Argument Doubling as a Focus Construction

- Argument doubling is not quite free.
    - What makes the grammatical examples of argument doubling possible?
- (27) a. \*花子が太郎を学生を三人叱った  
 b. \*[<sub>CP</sub> 花子が太郎を叱ったの]は学生を三人だ
- (28) suggests that the doubled arguments should have a whole-part relation with body parts.
    - The requirement is not so specific. (29) and (30) have nothing to do with body parts.
- (28) a. [<sub>CP</sub> 正雄が花子をぶったの]は頬をだ (= (17b))  
 b. [<sub>CP</sub> 正雄が花子にキスしたの]は頬にだ (= (20b))
- (29) [<sub>CP</sub> 日本から参加者があったの]は広島から(だけ)だ (= (22b))
- (30) a. ?\* 花子が果物をりんごを一つ食べた  
 b. [<sub>CP</sub> 花子が果物を食べた]のはりんごを一つ(だけ)だ
- (30) clearly implies that (i) Hanako ate a fruit and that Hanako ate an apple, and that (ii) Hanako eating a fruit and her eating an apple is the same event.
    - For (31a) to be legitimate, (31b) must hold.
    - In (27), Hanako scolding Taroo and her scolding three students cannot be considered the same event even if Taroo is one of the three students.
- (31) a. [<sub>TP</sub> ... DP-ACC<sub>1</sub> DP-ACC<sub>2</sub> ...]  
 b. [<sub>TP</sub> ... DP-ACC<sub>1</sub> ...] and [<sub>TP</sub> ... DP-ACC<sub>2</sub> ...] depict the same event/state.

- (30a) improves as focus is placed on the second accusative argument.

(32) ?花子が果物をりんごを一つだけ食べた

- A similar effect can be achieved by making the first argument a topic.

(33) a. ?\* 花子がヨーロッパへドイツへ三回行った  
b. ?ヨーロッパへは花子がドイツへ三回行った

- Argument doubling requires that the second argument be a focus.

➤ The first argument cannot be placed in focus.

(34) a. \*[<sub>CP</sub> 花子がドイツへ三回(だけ)行ったの]はヨーロッパへだ  
b. [<sub>CP</sub> 花子がヨーロッパへ行ったの]はドイツへ三回(だけ)だ

- The first argument in argument doubling must serve to specify the set of alternatives for the focus, in the sense of Rooth (1992).

➤ (35a) asserts that ‘John saw Mary’ is the true sentence among those in the set (35c).

(35) a. John saw MARY.  
b. {Bill, Susan, Mary, ...}  
c. {John saw Bill, John saw Susan, John saw Mary}

- This analysis of focus provides an insight into the interpretation of (36a).

➤ (36a) does not mean that an apple is the only thing that Hanako ate. She could have eaten some vegetables and meat in addition (Cf. (36b)).

➤ The accusative argument *kudamono-o* ‘fruit-ACC’ serves to restrict the set of alternatives to fruits as in (37).

➤ *kudamono-o* ‘fruit-ACC’ in (36a) is interpreted as a theme. So, the sentence implies (38).

(36) a. [<sub>CP</sub> 花子が果物を食べたの]はりんごを一つ(だけ)だ (= (30b))  
b. [<sub>CP</sub> 花子が食べたの]はりんごを一つ(だけ)だ

(37) {one orange, two bananas, five peaches, one banana, one apple, ...}

(38) 花子が果物を食べた



- This analysis extends to sentences like (39).
  - *Hanako* here can be construed as ‘Hanako’s body part’. Then, it specifies the set of alternatives in (40).

(39) [CP 正雄が花子にキスしたの]は頬にだ (= (28b))

(40) {Hanako’s hand, Hanako’s head, Hanako’s cheek, ...}

- The ungrammaticality of (41) is also expected under the analysis.
  - Taroo-o ‘Taroo-ACC’ simply fails to specify the set of alternatives for *gakusei-o sann-nin* ‘three students’.

(41) \*[CP 花子が太郎を叱ったの]は学生を三人だ (= (27b))

- In argument doubling, the second argument must be a focus and the first must serve to specify its set of alternatives.
- The informal analysis in this section suggests that each argument must have a unique role in the wider semantic interpretation.
  - In (39), *hoho-ni* ‘cheek-DAT’ shares the theta-role with *Hanako-ni*, but is unique as a focus. *Hanako-ni*, on the other hand, has the unique role of specifying the set of alternatives for the focus.
  - It is speculated that a version of the theta-criterion that is generalized beyond thematic roles may be at work as part of Full Interpretation.

## 5. Conclusion

- Theta-criterion violations in English receive an independent account as cases of failure in labeling.
- Labeling mechanism for Japanese proposed in Saito (2014) allows argument doubling in the language.
  - It constitutes evidence that the theta-criterion should be dispensed with.
- Argument doubling requires one of the arguments to be a focus and the other to specify the set of alternatives for the focus.
  - Although the theta-criterion seems untenable, there may be a more general requirement that each argument play a unique role in semantic interpretation.

## Comments and Discussion

- (i) [..... DP<sub>1</sub>-Case DP<sub>2</sub>-Case .....]  
Alt. Set Focus

### ■ Can DP<sub>2</sub> be an indefinite pronoun?

- (ii) a. 太郎は誰か(\*だけ)を批判した  
b. [CP 太郎が批判したの]は誰か(\*だけ)だ  
c. A: 太郎は誰を批判したの?  
B:#太郎は誰かを批判した。
- (iii) a. ?\* 花子が果物を何かを一つ食べた  
b. ?果物を花子が何かを一つ食べた  
c. ?花子が果物を一時間かけて何かを一つ食べた
- (iv) a. ?\* 花子がヨーロッパへどこかへ三回行った  
b. ?? ヨーロッパへ花子がどこかへ三回行った  
c. ?花子がヨーロッパへこの一年以内にどこかへ三回行った

### ■ How does DP<sub>1</sub> specify the set of alternatives for focus?

- (30) a. ?\* 花子が果物をりんごを一つ食べた  
b. [CP 花子が果物を食べた]のはりんごを一つ(だけ)だ
- (v) a. 正雄はリンゴだけを食べた  
b. {リンゴ, ミカン, バナナ, ...} = a set of fruits = DP<sub>1</sub>  
c. {正雄はリンゴを食べた, 正雄はミカンを食べた, 正雄はバナナを食べた, ...}
- (17) a. ??正雄が花子を頬をぶった  
b. [CP 正雄が花子をぶったの]は頬をだ
- (vi) a. 正雄は頬にだけキスした  
b. {頬, 額, 指, ...} = a set of body parts ≠ DP<sub>1</sub>  
c. {正雄は頬にキスした, 正雄は額にキスした, 正雄は指にキスした}

(vii) [..... 果物 [リンゴ/ミカン/バナナ] .....]  
           Alt. Set                      Focus

(viii) [..... 花子<sub>i</sub> [pro<sub>i</sub>'s 頬/額/指] .....]  
                           |                  ↑

(ix) a. [..... 花子 [頬/額/指] .....]

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b. [..... 花子's body part [頬/額/指] .....]

                  Alt. Set                      Focus

(cf. “*Hanako* here can be construed as ‘Hanako’s body part’.” (p. 15))

## ■ Argument Tripling

(x) a. ?? 正雄が花子に頬に右側にキスした

b. ?[<sub>CP</sub> 正雄が花子にそっと頬にキスしたの]は右側にだ