

理論的帰結と分析 (I) シークエンス形成と等位接続構造について

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1. 長年に渡る未説明の問題

Two problems we haven't been able to handle at all:

[1] 無限の非構造的シークエンス (unbounded unstructured sequences)

-E.g., John, Bill, my friends left for the vacation.

-You can get that sequence as long as you want: it's unbounded.

-It has no structure: it is ungenerable by any MERGE based system, by phrase structure rules, by transformational rules.

[2] 主要部移動 (head movement)

-Head movement (or internal pair-Merge) is not only against SMT but also unformulable in any framework.

-It has no semantic consequences but seems to be cyclic (e.g. V-to-T-to-C): apparent contradiction (part of externalization or the narrow syntax?).

What would be the **minimal** assumptions needed to incorporate both of these unformulable matters within the domain of explanatory theory?

2. シークエンス

Every time you see a single XP like in *John ran* [exp. from Chomsky 2021], it's basically the limiting case of a sequence.

- (1) a. John ran.
b. John, Bill, my friends... ran, danced, took a vacation...

(2) Form Sequence: $\langle (\&), X_1, \dots, X_n \rangle$

- (3) a. John lives [near the border] [next to a farm] [with his family]
b. John lives [near the border], [next to a farm], and [with his family]

-The true coordination (3b) { i) imposes a different prosody.
ii) imposes rigid structures (cf. (4): the coordinate structure constraint).

- (4) a. which farm does John live near the border next to __ with his family
b. *which farm does John live near the border next to __ and with his family

The coordinate structure constraint can be reduced to matching conditions on coordinations. We can assume that the coordinate structure constraint is just a special case of strict matching conditions on coordinations (Riny Huybregts). **If you pull out of one element, you've got to pull out all of them otherwise the matching condition is missed.**

There are some semantic properties of the matching condition (classical rhetorical Zeugma):

- (5) a. John arrived early, met Bill, and got a good seat
→ **can be independent events**
b. to arrive early, meet Bill, and get a good seat seems/*seem to be what John wants
→ **a single event (vP&vP)**
c. arriving early, meeting Bill, and getting a good seat seems/*seem to be what John wants
→ **a single event (NP&NP)**
d. to arrive early, to meet Bill, and to get a good seat seems/seem to be what John wants
→ **can be independent events (TP&TP)**
- (6) a. John arrived at the hospital [in an ambulance] and [in a coma]
→ **can be independent events (PP&PP)**
b. *John arrived at the hospital in [an ambulance and a coma]
→ **a single event (NP&NP)**
c. John arrived at the hospital in [an ambulance and his street clothes]
→ **a single event (NP&NP)**

[Chomsky 2021]

- No Democrat had won Arizona and Georgia since Clinton [in 1992 and in an upset] respectively
- *No Democrat had won Arizona and Georgia since Clinton in [1992 and an upset] respectively

3. シークエンスの生成手順

Let's turn to see how these forms are generated with the right interpretations in accord with the strong minimalist thesis.

[Chomsky 2021]

(7) John lived [[on a farm] [with his family]]

1. MERGE: {on a farm}, {with his family}
2. MERGE: {{on a farm}, {with his family}}
3. MERGE: {XP, {{on a farm}, {with his family}}}
4. MERGE: {C,..., {XP, {{on a farm}, {with his family}}}}
5. Form Sequence: {C,..., {XP, <{on a farm}, {with his family}>}}

(8) which farm did John live on __ with his family

(9) John lived [[on a farm] and [with his family]]

1. MERGE: {on a farm}, {with his family}
2. MERGE: {{on a farm}, {with his family}}
3. MERGE: {&, {{on a farm}, {with his family}}}
4. MERGE: {XP, {&, {{on a farm}, {with his family}}}}
5. MERGE: {C,..., {XP, {&, {{on a farm}, {with his family}}}}}
6. Form Sequence: {C,..., {XP, <&, {on a farm}, {with his family}>}}

(10) * which farm did John live on __ and with his family

-厳密な適合条件 (strict matching condition) の特別な場合 (cf. (4))

One of the more complex cases, which pairs an unaccusative and a transitive:

(11) John arrived and met Bill.

(12) C, {John₃, {INFL, <&, {₁ v, {arrive John₁}}, {₂ John₂, {v*, {meet Bill}}}} >}}

[Chomsky 2021]

EM: {₁ v, {arrive John₁}}, {₂ John₂, {v*, {meet Bill}}} (satisfying theta theory)

EM: {{₁ v, {arrive John₁}}, {₂ John₂, {v*, {meet Bill}}}}

EM: {&, {{₁ v, {arrive John₁}}, {₂ John₂, {v*, {meet Bill}}}}} (optional)

EM: {INFL, {&, {{₁ v, {arrive John₁}}, {₂ John₂, {v*, {meet Bill}}}}}}

IM: {John₃, {INFL, {&, {{₁ v, {arrive John₁}}, {₂ John₂, {v*, {meet Bill}}}}}}}

EM: {C, {John₃, {INFL, {&, {{₁ v, {arrive John₁}}, {₂ John₂, {v*, {meet Bill}}}}}}}}

FSQ: {C, {John₃, {INFL, <&, {₁ v, {arrive John₁}}, {₂ John₂, {v*, {meet Bill}}}} >}}

Two Types of Sets Targeted by Form Sequence:



In (12), *arrive* and *meet* are both roots. they are interpreted verbal because the categorizer, actually the v/v* distinction, which may or may not create a phase. That's eliminable. It's actually determined by the lexical content of the roots. So, we don't really have any need to postulate different categorizers, depending on the lexical content. It will be v or v*. And it's v*, it's a phase. We use the distinction only for convenience (Chomsky 2021).

[Chomsky 2019a, b]

Pair-merge probably forms <v, R> (and <n, R>) in the lexicon. R: lexical root
→ Form Sequence may form <v, R> (or <R, v>) in the lexicon. See also Epstein, Kitahara & Seely 2016.

-We're still assuming derivation to be strictly Markovian, no memory. That means the interpretative system doesn't know which one raised. It can't look back and see.

-The Minimal Search operation says, “don’t delete.” That can find John₃, it can’t find John₁ and John₂.

4. ATB削除と更なる帰結

Across-the-board (ATB) deletion falls out as a special case.

(13) what did John buy __ and Bill hand __ to Tom:

what₁ [John bought what₂ and Bill handed what₃ to Tom].

注) Chomsky は(13)の派生を具体的には示していないため、以下の派生は Omune による誤解が含まれているかもしれない。

MERGE: {what₁, {C, {&, {{John, {INFL, {John, {v*, {buy, what₂}}}}}}, {Bill, {INFL, {Bill, {v*, {hand, {what₃, {to, Tom}}}}}}}}}}}

FSQ: {what₁, {C, < &, {John, {INFL, {John, {v*, {buy, what₂}}}}}}, {Bill, {INFL, {Bill, {v*, {hand, {what₃, {to, Tom}}}}}}}} > }}}

[Chomsky 2019a, b, Kitahara]

主要部移動 (INFL-to-C movement):

(14) WS = [C, {EA, {INFL, vP}}]

FSQ: [< INFL, C >, {EA, {INFL, vP}}]

EM: [{ < INFL, C >, {EA, {INFL, vP}}]

See also Omune et al. 2020

(13) の派生で主要部移動を示すと、

MERGE: [C, {&, {{John, {INFL, {John, {v*, {buy, what₂}}}}}}, {Bill, {INFL, {Bill, {v*, {hand, {what₃, {to, Tom}}}}}}}}}}]

FSQ: [< INFL, C >, {&, {{John, {INFL, {John, {v*, {buy, what₂}}}}}}, {Bill, {INFL, {Bill, {v*, {hand, {what₃, {to, Tom}}}}}}}} }]

MERGE: {what₁, { < INFL, C >, {&, {{John, {INFL, {John, {v*, {buy, what₂}}}}}}, {Bill, {INFL, {Bill, {v*, {hand, {what₃, {to, Tom}}}}}}}}}} }

FSQ: {what₁, { < INFL, C >, &, {John, {INFL, {John, {v*, {buy, what₂}}}}}, {Bill, {INFL, {Bill, {v*, {hand, {what₃, {to, Tom}}}}}}}} > }}}

The conjuncts share tense, but that's not necessary.

(15) John [arrives every day at noon and met Bill yesterday].

It follows from that tense is a feature of small v (or that region (Chomsky 2021)), not of INFL. Tense is the feature of small v because it can vary in the two cases. It's not a feature of INFL; this thing is not T. It's phi-features, but not T. Phi-features have to be the same, but tense doesn't. Therefore, INFL is what used to be called AGR-S (Chomsky 2021).

[Chomsky 2021: Q&A Section]

The same analysis also applies to distinct aspectual and modal structures.

(16) John [arrived yesterday and will leave tomorrow].

The sequence shows that tense (modality, aspect) is within the paired items, while phi-features are outside.

5. まとめ

シークエンス形成 (Form Sequence) は非構造的等位接続と主要部移動を捉える最小限の仮説。

シークエンス形成 (とそれに伴う厳密な適合条件) の帰結:

1. (真の) 等位構造からの抜き出し
2. くびき語法 (Zeugma) の再解釈
3. レキシコンでの語彙範疇化
4. ATB 削除
5. 主要部移動
6. 時制素性 (tense) の場所

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* 特に記載がない限り、本ハンドアウトの英文は Chomsky 2020 を基にしている。