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Where do you put the * ?

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I. Ellipsis and island violation repair

- I believe that he bit someone, but they don't know who
 (I believe that he bit)
- (2)a *I believe the claim that he bit someone, but they don't know who I believe the claim that he bit
 - b (??)I believe the claim that he bit someone, but they don't know who
- (3)a *Irv and someone were dancing together, but I don't know who Irv and were dancing together [Coordinate Structure Constraint]
 - b (??)Irv and someone were dancing together, but I don't know who
- (4)a *She kissed a man who bit one of my friends, but Tom doesn't realize which one of my friends she kissed a man who bit [Complex NP Constraint]
- (5)a *That he'll hire someone is possible, but I won't divulge who that he'll hire is possible [Sentential Subject Constraint]
- b (??)That he'll hire someone is possible, but I won't divulge who All above from Ross (1969)
- b He has plans to send some of his children to college, but I don't know which ones Chomsky (1972)
- (7) I don't know CP



- (8) Chomsky's suggestion [see also Lakoff (1970), Baker and Brame (1972), Lakoff (1972)] is that * (# in Chomsky's presentation) is assigned to an island when it is crossed by a movement operation (the complex NP in (7)). If a later operation (Sluicing in this case) deletes a category containing the *-marked item, the derivation is salvaged.
- (9) For Chomsky (1972), the condition banning * applies at surface structure. The results are the same if, instead, it is a PF condition, as suggested by Lasnik (1995b), Lasnik (In press).
- (10) I know that he must be proud of it, but I don't know how proud (he must be of it)
- (12) The Left Branch Condition is a requirement of a different sort. Ross (1969), Merchant (1999).
- (13) Another possibility is that LBC is not, in itself, different, but that in (11), we have not a mere Subjacency violation, but an ECP violation (since the moving item is not an argument). And the ECP is known to hold at LF.
- (14) Johnny stole someone's wallet, but I forget whose (wallet)
- (15)whose (pro) Ross (1969)
- (16) ?The speaker discussed some linguist and some philosopher's theory, but I can't remember which linguist (*the speaker discussed and some philosopher's theory)
- (17) *They want to hire someone who speaks a Balkan language, but I don't know which they do {vr want to hire someone who speaks} Merchant (1999)
- (19) They want to hear a lecture about a Balkan language, but I don't know which (Balkan language) they want to hear a lecture about
- (20) *They want the students to attend a lecture about a Balkan language, but I don't know which they do
- II. Trace deletion: Subjacency vs. ECP Chomsky (1991), Chomsky and Lasnik (1993)
- (21) ??Who do you wonder [$_{\rm CP}$ whether [$_{\rm IP}$ John said [$_{\rm CP}$ $\underline{t}' \underline{e}$ [$_{\rm IP}$ \underline{t} solved the problem]]]] (*)
- (22) Deletion is possible only to turn an illegitimate LF object into a legitimate one, where the legitimate LF objects are:

- - b Operator-variable pairs.
- (24) Deletion in the chain (<u>Who</u>, <u>t'</u>, <u>t</u>) is permissible since the chain is neither uniform (<u>Who</u> and <u>t</u>' are in A'positions, <u>t</u> in an A-position) nor is it an operatorvariable <u>pair</u>.
- (25) More generally, in the case of successive-cyclic A'movement of an argument, an intermediate trace (starred or otherwise) can (in fact must) be deleted in LF, voiding an ECP violation when the trace to be deleted is starred.
- (26) On the other hand, long movement as in (27) will be an ECP violation, since the movement chain in this instance is uniformly A', so economy prevents the deletion of \underline{t}' :
- (27) *How do you wonder [$_{CP}$ whether [$_{IP}$ John said [$_{CP}$ $\underline{t}' \underline{e}$ [$_{IP}$ Mary solved the problem \underline{t}]]]
- (28) Not a great analysis, perhaps, but it has one advantage over virtually all existing alternatives: It works.
- (29) Similarly, ultra-long A-movement will also be properly excluded, even when the first step is 'short', as in (30), with its uniform A-chain:
- (30) *John seems [that [it is likely [\underline{t} ' to be arrested \underline{t}]]] (*)
- (31) There is a potential problem with this account of long Amovement. Chomsky (1995) and Lasnik (1999a) point out several circumstances where A-movement fails to display reconstruction effects. Based on this, and on the fact that the trace of A-movement has little, if any, semantic work to do, Lasnik (1999a) proposes that A-movement doesn't leave a trace.
- (33) "Negation can have wide scope over the Q in [(32)a], ... but not in [(32)c],... reconstruction in the A-chain does not take place, so it appears." Chomsky (1995, p.327)
- (34) Possible answer, based on a conjecture of Lasnik (1994): If a bad movement must put a * on a chain, and if the chain has no trace, then the * goes on the moving item itself.
- III. Strong features, defective PF objects, and ellipsis
 A. Pseudogapping

- (35)a If you don't believe me, you will o the weatherman
 - b I rolled up a newspaper, and Lynn did Ø a magazine c Kathy likes astronomy, but she doesn't Ø meteorology Levin (1978)
- (36)a The DA proved Jones guilty and the Assistant DA will prove Smith guilty
 - b ?John gave Bill a lot of money, and Mary will give Susan a lot of money
- (37) You might not believe me but you will Bob
- (38) NP-raising to Spec of Agr_o ('Object Shift') is overt in English. [Koizumi (1993); Koizumi (1995), developing ideas of Johnson (1991)]
- (39) Pseudogapping as overt raising to Spec of Agr_0 followed by deletion of VP. [Lasnik (1995a)]





- (50) *Who Mary will see?
- (51) Who will Mary see?
- (52) Assume that matrix interrogative C contains the strong feature, with the matching feature of Infl raising overtly to check it. This leaves behind a phonologically defective Infl, which will cause a PF crash unless either pied-piping or deletion of a category containing that Infl (Sluicing) takes place.

IV. A consequence for the EPP

- (53) Certain heads have a strong feature, demanding overt movement for checking. Chomsky (1995)
- (54) Certain heads require Spec's. Chomsky (In press); Chomsky (1981)



(56) Mary said she won't sleep, although she will sleep



- (58) *Mary said she won't sleep, although will she sleep
- (59) Agr (or T) requires a Spec. It does not suffice to check its 'EPP feature'.

V. A problem for 'Inclusiveness'?

(60) "...any structure formed by the computation ... is constituted of elements already present in lexical items selected for N; no new objects are added in the course of computation apart from rearrangements of lexical properties..." Chomsky (1995, p.228)

- (61) "... a *-feature, which is not a lexical feature since it appears nowhere in the lexicon - ... enters into a derivation as the output of certain movements. It is this assumption that violates the Inclusiveness Condition." Kitahara (1999, p.79)
- (62)a An expression is marginally deviant if its derivation employs an MLC-violating application of Attract.
 - b An expression is severely deviant if its derivation employs an MLC-violating application of Attract that forms a legitimate LF object as its output. Kitahara (1999)
- (63) "The marginal deviance of [long argument movement] follows from [(62)a]. Notice that ... there is no need to mark anything in the course of a derivation." Kitahara (1999, p.80)
- (64) "The severe deviance of [long adjunct movement] follows from [(62)b]. Here again, there is no need to mark anything in the course of a derivation." Kitahara (1999, p.81)

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