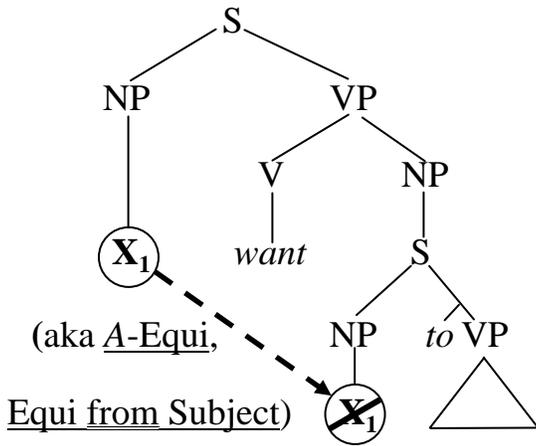


Equi-NP-Deletion vs Subject Raising

(Subject or Object Infinitive Complements only)

2-Place Equi (e.g. *want, try, eager*)

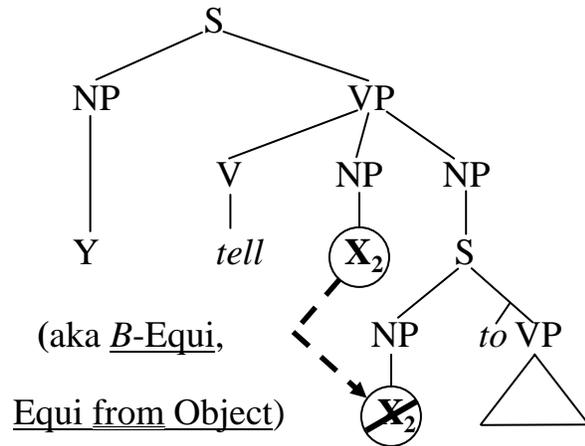
Upstairs **Subject** coreferential to
Downstairs Subject (deleted)



X₁ wants to VP

3-Place Equi (e.g. *tell, order, make*)

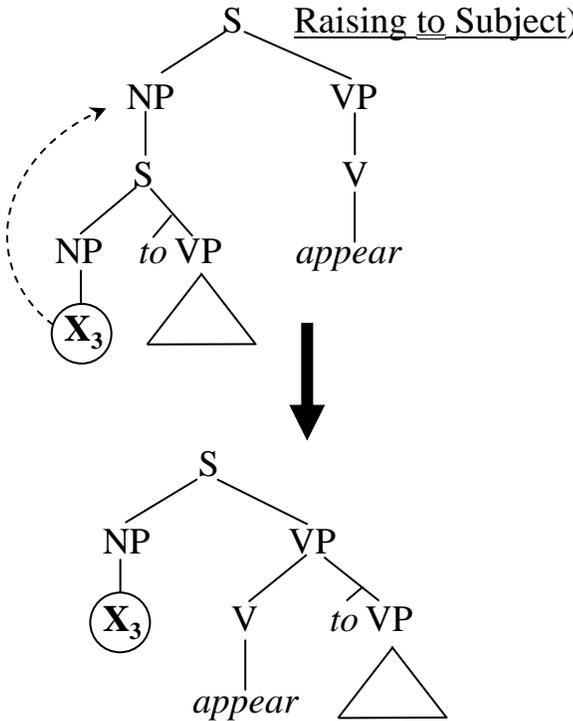
Upstairs (Indirect) **Object** coreferential to
Downstairs Subject (deleted)



Y told X₂ to VP

1-Place Raising (e.g. *seem, appear*)

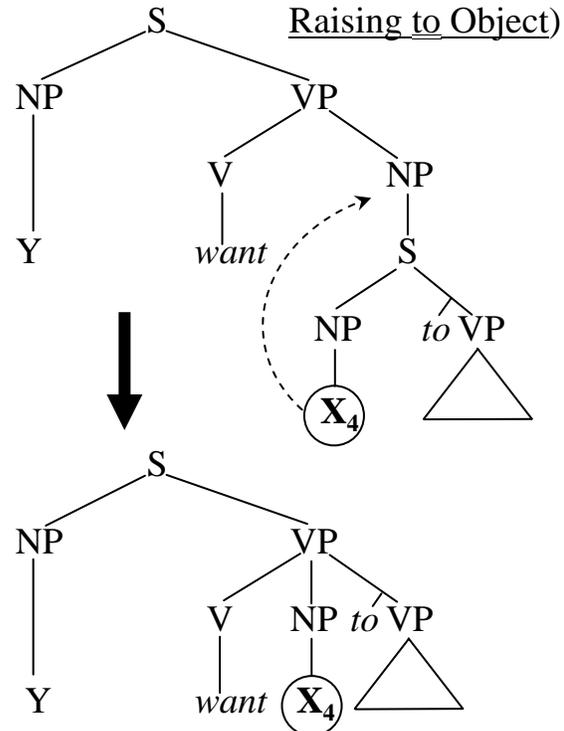
Downstairs Subject Raised to become
Upstairs **Subject** (aka A-Raising,
Raising to Subject)



X₃ appears to VP

2-Place Raising (e.g. *want, believe, consider*)

Downstairs Subject Raised to become
Upstairs **Object** (aka B-Raising,
Raising to Object)



Y wants X₄ to VP

Equi-NP-Deletion vs Subject Raising

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Dummies (*it, there*)

*There seems/*wants to be a party tonight.*

*There is likely/*afraid to be a party tonight.*

*I expect/*advise it to rain tomorrow.*

*I expect/*advise there to be a party.*

*It's likely/*afraid to rain tomorrow.*

*It seems/*wants to be raining out.*

Idiom chunks

*The cat seems/is likely/*wants/*is afraid to be out of the bag.*

*Advantage seems/*wants to have been taken of Mary.*

*The shit is likely/*afraid to hit the fan soon.*

Metonymy

Max is heavy. Max seems to be heavy.

(Max = Max's body)

Max is Jewish. Max seems to be Jewish.

(Max ≠ Max's body)

Chomsky seems to be published in Massachusetts.

(Chomsky = Chomsky's writings)

Chomsky wants to be published in Massachusetts.

(Chomsky ≠ Chomsky's writings)

Canberra contains a large central plaza.

(Canberra = the city of Canberra)

Canberra refuses to compromise.

(Canberra = the capital of Australia)

*Canberra seems/*wants to contain a large central plaza.*

All-detachment

All of the men seem to be running.

All of the men want to get elected.

The men all seem to be running.

The men all want to get elected.

The men seem to all be running.

**The men want to all get elected.*

Passive equivalence

Bill is likely to call Mary. =

Mary is likely to be called by Bill.

Bill is afraid to call Mary. ≠

Mary is afraid to be called by Bill.

I expect Bill to call Mary. =

I expect Mary to be called by Bill.

I advised Bill to call Mary ≠

I advised Mary to be called by Bill.

Assignment:

For each of the following predicates, determine (and give evidence for) how many places it has, and whether it takes Raising or Equi.

afraid, appear, arrange, believe, care, cause,

consider, eager, fail, force, happen, likely,

make, manage, order, refuse, seem, start,

teach, tell, tend, try, turn out, urge, want

NB: Restrict your inquiries to those senses of the verbs that take infinitive complements.