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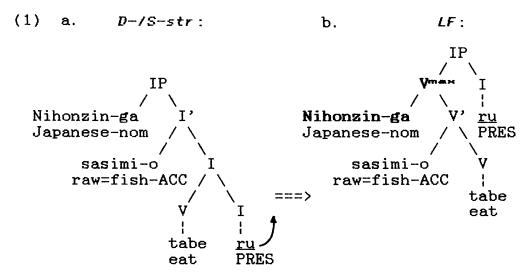
1. Introduction:

This paper consists of two parts. In the first part, I will sketch out what I will call the "Internal Subject Analysis" of Japanese and English phrase structure, which I have argued for in my doctoral dissertation (Kitagawa (1986)). In the second part, I will point out and explore the new insight the Internal Subject Analysis brings into the theory of Binding.

2. Internal Subject Analysis

The major claim in the Internal Subject Analysis is that the subject of a sentence in Japanese and English is located within the projection of a verbal or other type of predicate at the level of Logical Form.

It was proposed in Kitagawa (Ibid.), for example, that a D-structure and S-structure representation of a Japanese sentence as in (1a) is mapped onto an LF-representation in (1b) via application of Move-alpha:



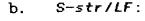
In this analysis, the verbal tense morpheme ru is raised out of the base-generated complex predicate tabe-ru (eat-PRES) at LF in order to satisfy its syntactic c-selection, i.e., in order to take a V^{max} as its complement. After this movement, the categorial feature of the newly-derived verbal head tabe (eat) percolates up, and the subject of a sentence ends up being located within the projection of the newly-derived V^{max} .

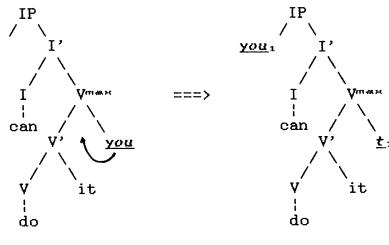
This analysis provides us with at least two desirable consequences. First, subjects and objects can now be uniformly 0-marked under government by a lexical head within its maximal projection. Second, we can now explain, without any stipulation, why Japanese does not exhibit an ECP violation when a subject is extracted at LF out of an island (cf. Huang (1982)). Note that the subject position in (1b) is lexically-governed by the verbal head.

On the other hand, it has been argued independently by Kitagawa (1986), Kuroda (1986), Koopman-Sportiche (1986), and Fukui (1981) that the base-generated Vmmx-internal subject in English as in (2a) is raised and placed under the IP node at S-structure as in (2b), due to the obligatory agreement required by the INFL and/or the Case Filter. Note that this subject raising leaves a trace behind in the Vmmx-internal subject position:

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(2) a. D-str:





you = T-subject

you: = I-subject t: = T-subject

In order to avoid confusion, I will follow and extend Borer's (1986) terminology, and refer to the subject of IP as "Inflectional subject", or "I-subject" for short, and the subject of V** and A** as "Thematic subject", or "T-subject" for short. Thus, the S-structure subject you in (2b) will be called an I-subject and the base-generated subject you in (2a) as well as the trace in (2b) will be called T-subjects.

As is clear from these diagrams, I have also proposed that English has a "VOS" underlying order. A piece of support for this proposal comes from the argument that the so-called extraposed sentential subjects as in (3) are surface realization of the base-generated sentential T-subjects:

- (3) a. It [vmmx turned out that he was a spy]
 - b. It is [Ammx likely that he will arrive late]

Observe first the paradigm in (4), which was pointed out to me by David Pesetsky (personal communication):

- (4) a. [That he knows the truth] is significant.
 - b. ??We consider [that he knows the truth] to be significant.
 - c. *It was considered [that he knew the truth] to be significant.
 - d. *It seems [that he knows the truth] to be significant (to them).

While the example (4b) is less than perfect, it is unmistakably better than examples like (4c) and (4d), which are completely intolerable. We therefore regard (4b) as a basically grammatical sentence, leaving its awkwardness unexplained at this moment.

The paradigm in (4), then, seems to provide us with a rather clear generalization. That is, the sentential I-subject is permitted only in the position where Case is available. Compare the distribution of the non-empty NPs in (5) and that of sentential I-subjects in (4) to confirm this generalization:

- (5) a. [The difference] is significant.
 - b. We consider [the difference] to be singnificant.
 - c. *It was considered [the difference] to be significant.
 - d. *It seems [the difference] to be significant.

Then, in the Subject Raising Analysis, the paradigm in (4) can be accounted for in terms of the Case Filter and the Last Resort Principle when we follow the well-accepted observation made by Rosenbaum (1967) and Emonds (1976) that some instances of sentential subjects are nominal while others are not. The essence of the Case Filter and the Last Resort Principle is stated in (6) and (7), respectively:

(6) The Case Filter (cf. Chomsky (1981)):

Phonetically non-empty nominals must have Case.

(7) The Last Resort Principle (cf. Chomsky (1986)):

Move-alpha applies if and only if it is required by the Case Filter.

The explication here proceeds as follows. Since the Last Resort Principle permits the movement of sentential subjects only when it is required by the Case Filter, all the sentential subjects which have undergone Subject Raising, therefore all the sentential I-subjects in (4), must be nominal. From this, it follows that (4a) and (4b) are well-formed whereas (4c) and (4d) are not, since sentential I-subjects appear in a Case position in the former but not in the latter examples. The Subject Raising Approach thus can offer a quite

simple account for the paradigm in (4), which would otherwise be puzzling.

The Subject Raising Analysis for English can be further supported when the existence of the Vmax internal trace at LF is motivated. Observe first the example in (8):

(8) Someone must love her.

This sentence is ambiguous with respect to the scope of the subject NP someone relative to the auxiliary must, as illustrated in (9):

(9) a. Higher Scope:

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There exists at least one person s.t. the speaker believes him/her to love her. (E > MUST)

b. Lower Scope:

The speaker believes that there exists at least one person who loves her. (MUST > E)

However, the ambiguity here, especially the possibility of the lower scope reading in (9b), is quite unexpected, given the traditional phrase structure of English.

A similar but slightly different puzzle arises in the example like (10):

(10) John and Mary reluctantly moved to the same city.

(Carlson (1985))

In this sentence, the quantifier-like element same exhibits what Carlson (1985) refers to as the "sentence-internal" comparison within the scope of the VP-adverb reluctantly. The sentence may exhibit a reading, therefore, in which John and Mary's reluctance to move was based upon the fact that they do not wish to live in any city the other lives in. The possibility of this reading, however, implies the presence of the licensor of same within the scope of the VP-adverb reluctantly, just as the scope of different narrower than want in (11) and (12) is made possible by the existence of PRO and the trace, respectively, within the scope of want:

(11) John and Bill, want [PRO: to live in different cities]

(12) Which kids, does the hurried baby sitter want [to send to different rooms]

Both these problems are reminiscent of the problem discussed by May (1977, 1985) concerning the scope ambiguity of quantifiers as in (14) in the raising construction like (13):

- (13) Someone is likely to love her.
- (14) a. Higher Scope:

There is at least one person who is likely to love her. (E > LIKELY)

b. Lower Scope:

It is likely that there is at least one person who loves her. (LIKELY > E)

May ascribes the possibility of the lower scope reading in (14b) to the presence of the trace functioning as a variable within the scope of the raising predicate <u>likely</u>, as illustrated in (15):

(15) Someone, is <u>likely</u> [t₁ to love her]

(May (1977, 1985))

In the Subject Raising Approach, we can assimilate our problems to the cases involving raising predictates, postulating V^{max} -internal subject traces in the S-structure and LF-representations as in (16) and (17), which are comparable to (15):

- (16) someone, must [vmax love her ta]
- (17) John and Mary: [vmmx reluctantly moved to the same city t:]

Thus, the postulation of the Vmax-internal trace at LF can be motivated. This again supports the Subject Raising Analysis of English phrase structure.

3. Binding Theory

Let us now turn to our main topic and see how the Internal Subject Hypothesis interacts with the theory of binding.

Chomsky (1980) proposed that the binding facts observed in (18) and (19) can be accounted for in terms

of the two binding conditions known as the Nominative Island Condition (NIC), and the Specified Subject Condition (SSC):

(18) "NIC" Paradigm:

- *each other

 a. They, believe [(that) { | will win | they, | [+NOM]
- b. They, believe [{ } to have won] *them;

(19) "SSC" Paradigm:

- a. They, expected [Mary to like { }]

 SS them,
- b. They expected [PRO to like { }] *them;

This approach, however, is somewhat unsatisfactory, in that the binding theory must refer to the totally independent and (in principle) unrelated notions "Nominative Case" and "subject".

The first serious attempt to eliminate this unattractive feature from the binding theory was made by Chomsky (1981) with what is known as the "SUBJECT" Approach. In this approach, the NIC was reduced to the SSC, with the claim that AGR functions as a type of subject with respect to binding of anaphors and pronominals.

In the rest of this paper, I will follow exactly the opposite direction, and propose that it is the SSC that is reduced to the extended version of the NIC. As we will see, the two lines of research, namely, the extended NIC Approach and the Internal Subject Hypothesis will rather nicely coincide.

We will first deal with the "SUBJECT" approach. Chomsky (1986) discards the idea that AGR as a potential binder creates opacity, calling it "somewhat artificial assumption". While this conclusion is reasonable, it is desirable to provide it with an empirical basis by showing that AGR must not be considered to create opacity. Here, I will attempt to supply this "missing argument".

Obviously, one important task to be fulfilled in the "SUBJECT" Approach is to demonstrate that there indeed exists a clear correlation between AGR and referential opacity independent of Tense. One of the strongest cases comes from Portuguese. For example, as illustrated by (20a), inflected infinitivals in Portuguese exhibit overt subject-verb agreement without any tense morpheme, and as illustrated in (20b), a lexical anaphor in general may not appear in the subject position of an inflected infinitival (Rouveret (1980), Zubizarreta (1982)):4

(20) Inflected Infinitivals in Portuguese:

a. O João disse para [tu não <u>saires</u> the João told for you=NOM not <u>to=leave=2=SG</u>

de casa] of house

'João told you not to leave home.'

b. *Eles lamentam [um ac outro terem gasto they regret each other to=have=3=PL spent

esse dinheiro] that money

'They regret that each other have spend that money.'

A closer examination of inflected infinitivals in (20), however, immediately suggests a different possibility. That is, it might be significant that the subject in the inflected infinitival is marked with Nominative Case. There still is a possibility, in other words, that neither AGR nor Tense creates opacity, but that opacity is created by the Nominative Case assigning property of INFL ([+Nom(inative)]). With this claim, we will naturally predict, contra Rouveret and Zubizarreta, that when AGR is present independently of [+Nominative], the embedded subject will be accessible from the matrix with respect to binding.

In European Portuguese, there in fact exists a construction in which AGR can be dissociated from both Tense and [+Nominative], and this construction will permit us to evaluate our prediction. Based upon the fact that this construction can be used as a colloquial free variation of a gerund, I will call it a "gerundive infinitival". As illustrated in (21) below, gerundive

infinitivals show subject-verb agreement without either tense or Nominative Case marking of a subject. Notice that the subject of a gerundive infinitival is marked with Accusative rather than Nominative Case:

(21) Gerundive Infinitivals:

- a. Eu sonhei contigo a roubares galinhas I dream with=you=ACC at stealing=2=SG chickens
 - 'I saw you stealing chickens in my dream.'
- b. Eu deparei contigo a beijares
 I found with=you=ACC at kissing=2=SG
 - a professora the teacher=F
 - 'I found you kissing the teacher.'

The examples in (22) and (23) below demonstrate that a gerundive infinitival is indeed a construction appropriate to our argument, namely, a complement clause. First, as illustrated by (22), it may be focused in a pseudocleft construction. A gerundive infinitival, in other words, makes up a single constituent:

(22) Ele não deparou contigo a roubares he not found with=you=ACC at stealing=2=SG

galinhas, o que ele deparou foi chickens the that he found was

[er contigo a comeres galinhas] with=you=ACC at eating=2=SG chickens

'He didn't find you stealing chickens. What he found was you eating chickens.'

The cognitive synonymy of the active-passive pair in (23) in turn argues for the clausal status of a gerundive infinitival:

(23) a. Eu sonhei com os alunos a roubarem I dreamed with the students at stealing=3=PL

galinhas chickens

'I saw the students stealing chickens in my dream.'

b. Eu sonhei com galinhas a serem roubadas I dreamed with chickens at being=3=PL stolen

pelos alunos by=the students

'I saw chickens being stolen by the students in my dream.'

Let us now present the crucial data in (24), which clearly show that AGR independent of [+Nominative] does not create opaque domain with respect to binding:

um com outro:

(24) a. Eles, sonharam [e, { } a they dreamed consign, at with=themselves

roubarem galinhas] stealing=3=PL chickens

'They saw each other stealing chickens in their dreams.'

um com outro: each other

b. Eles, deram [e, { } a beijarem they found consigo, at kissing=3=PL with=themselves

as professoras] the teachers

'They found each other kissing the teachers.'

In these examples, lexical anaphors as the subject of a gerundive infinitival may be bound by the matrix subject despite the clear presence of agreement in the gerundive infinitival. Compare the gerundive infinitivals in (24) with the tensed clause in (25a) and the inflected infinitival in (25b), where the complement subject is marked with Nominative Case (cf. (20a)):

si
themselves
(25) a. *Eles sonharam [que { }
they dreamed that um ao outro
each other

tinham roubado galinhas] had stolen chickens

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b. *Eles lamentam [{ } }
themselves

b. they regret um ao outro
each other

terem gasto esse dinheiro] to=have=3=PL spent that money

Moreover, if we replace a lexical anaphor in the subject position of a gerundive infinitival with a pronoun, as in (26), it is disjoint in reference from the matrix subject. This is exactly what we predict given the complementarity of the Principles A and B of the Binding Theory:

(26) Eles, sonharam [ex com <u>eles</u> a roubarem they dreamed with them at stealing=3=PL

galinhas] chickens

'They saw them stealing chickens in their dream.'

Summarizing our analyses of Portuguese, we can come up with the chart in (27), which suggests the direct correlation between the referential opacity of an embedded clause and the Nominative Case assigning property of INFL rather than AGR:

(27)	Tns	AGR	NOM		Pronominal Binding
Finite Clause	+	+	; +	-	+
Inflected Inf.	_	+	+	_	+
Gerundive Inf.	_	+	 <u> </u>	+	-

The Portuguese facts we have examined certainly provide us with a good motivation to re-examine the possibility of accounting for the contrast in (28) below in terms of the NIC. As has already been pointed out, however, if we adopt the NIC in its present form, we will be forced to give up the unification of the two binding conditions. The contrast in (29) will require us to retain the SSC, since Nominative Case marking has nothing to do with the contrast there.

(28) NIC Paradigm: (=(18))*each other } will win] They believe (that) [re { they1 [+NOM] each other 1 b. They, [vm believe { } to have won] *them: (29) SSC Paradiqm: (=(19)) *****each other They, expected [Mary to like { }] them, each other 1 b. They, expected [PRO, to like { }]

This dilemma can be solved, however, if we extend the NIC in the following way. First, we hypothesize that opacity in binding is created by lexical Case marking in general rather than just Nominative Case marking. Second, we define "binding category" as in (30):

*them,

(30) Binding Category = Lexical Case Island:

The binding category for @ is the maximal projection of @'s lexical Case marker.

(@ = anaphor or pronominal)

This definition plays a role in the familiar principles of the binding theory as in (31):

- (31) The Binding Theory:
 - A: An anaphor is bound in its binding category.
 - B: A pronominal is free in its binding category.
- (30) combined with (31) thus requires anaphors to be bound and pronominals to be free within the maximal projection of their lexical Case assigner.

We have, in a sense, extended Rouveret-Vergnaud's (1980) and Cole-Hermon's (1981) proposal as in (32) based upon the dichotomy of lexical and non-lexical Case proposed by Chomsky (1981) and Saito (1983, 1985) as summarized in (33):

(32) Case Island Hypothesis:

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Case marking in general is responsible for referential opacity.

(33) Lexical vs. Non-lexical Case:

1		Nominative	1	Accusative	1	Genitive
English	a!	lexical	1	lexical	¦n	on-lexical
Japane	se	non-lexical	1	lexical		on-lexical

This dichotomy of Case is empirically well-motivated, as summarized in (34) through (38). First, genitive Case in English does not exhibit the kind of head-dependency Nominative Case marking exhibits, as illustrated by the contrast between (34a-c) and (35a-c):

- (34) genitive marking ≠ head-dependent:
 - a. John's brother (concrete noun)
 - b. John's sincerity (abstract noun)
 - c. the enemy's destruction of the city (deverbal noun)
- (35) Nominative marking = head-dependent:
 - a. We believe (that) he is honest (Finite)
 - b. We believe him to be honest (Infinitival with ECM)
 - c. I tried PRO to be nice (Infinitival)

Second, Case conversion in Japanese is possible with nominative but not with Accusative Case (Saito (1983, 1985)). This is illustrated by the contrast between (36) and (37).

(36) **ga/no-conversion:

Taroo ga/no okane o otosita toori nom/gen money ACC dropped street

'the street on which Taro dropped money'

(37) *o/no-conversion:

Taroo ga okane <u>o/*no</u> otosita toori ACC/gen

Finally, nominative marking in Japanese, in principle, is indefinitely stackable (Kuno (1973)), as illustrated by (38). This will perhaps count as the sufficient (though not necessary) condition for the non-lexical status of nominative Case in Japanese.

(38) bunmeikoku <u>ga</u> tosibu <u>ga</u> civilized=nation nom urban=areas nom

dansei <u>qa</u> heikinzyumyoo <u>qa</u> mizikai male nom average=life=span nom short

'It is in the urban areas of civilized nations that men are such that their average life-span is short.'

Making an appeal to the dichotomy between lexical and non-lexical Case, we thus extend the notion "Nominative island" into a more general notion "lexical Case island".

The effect of this "lexical Case Island" Approach to binding theory is straightforward in (28a) --- the binding category for alpha is the complement IP, since @ (in (30)) receives Nominative Case from the embedded INFL. Therefore, a pronominal but not an anaphor may appear as @, lacking any legitimate binder within the binding category.

Given the traditional phrase structure analysis of English, on the other hand, this theory immediately runs into trouble. In (28b), for example, it seems plausible to assume that @ receives Accusative Case from the matrix verb believe. @'s binding category, therefore, is the maximal projection of the matrix verb, according to the definition of "binding category" in (30). It seems impossible, therefore, to subsume the SSC under the NIC as long as we assume that subjects are base-generated immediately under the IP node and stays there throughout the derivation.

Notice, however, that this problem is immediately solved if we have a phrase structure analysis of English that permits us to locate the subject of a sentence under the V^{mmx} node. In other words, the moment we combine the proposed binding theory with the Internal Subject Hypothesis we have argued for, the problem will disappear. As illustrated in (39) below, in this analysis, the matrix V^{mmx} contains a trace bound by the subject they. Let us continue to label such a subject as "T-subject":

each other 1

(39) They₁ [\vee_{max} believe [{ } to win] \underline{t}_1] *them₁

The embedded subject position in (39), therefore, is accessible from the matrix subject, via its T-subject trace within the matrix V^{max} , permitting an anaphor but not a pronominal.

With the notion T-subject, the Case Island Approach not only accounts for the NIC effects but also the SSC effects.

In (40) below, @ receives Accusative Case from the complement verb like. The binding category, therefore, is the complement V^{max} . Although this V^{max} contains a T-subject trace (t_z) , it is not a legitimate binder for either them or each other, since it is bound by a singular NP Mary. As a result, them but not each other becomes possible in the embedded object position:

(40) They expected Mary to

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them:
[
\[
\text{them} \]

\text{teach other}

\]

If the T-subject trace in the complement V^{max} is bound by a plural antecedent as in (41) or (42), on the other hand, the binding category for @ will contain a legitimate antecedent. The complementarity of an anaphor and a pronominal, therefore, will be reversed to that in (40).

(41) They, expected PRO, to

each other:

[\(\sim_{max} \) like { \quad \text{*them}_1 \]

(42) Sam expected Mary and Sue, to

each other: $[\lor_{m**}]$ like $\{ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \} \ \underline{t}_1 \]$

Thus, the Lexical Case Island Approach to binding permits us to unify the NIC and SSC without recourse to the assumption that AGR functions as a SUBJECT --- an assumption whose validity has been questioned. It seems to me that this is a significant improvement of the theory of binding, which can be brought about only when we incorporate the Internal Subject Hypothesis into the theory.

The Lexical Case Island Approach, especially, the use of the dichotomy between lexical and non-lexical Case in the Binding Theory can be further motivated in the following ways.

First, it permits us to account for certain distinction between Japanese and English with respect to binding. As illustrated by the contrast between the examples in (43) and those in (44), Japanese anaphors, unlike English anaphors, observe the SSC but are immune to the NIC (cf. Huang (1982)). Compare especially the Japanese examples in (44) with their English translations:

(43) a. Taroo; ga [vmax Hanakoz ga mizukaraz/*1 O nom nom self ACC

seme]-ru to wa omottemominakatta (koto) blame-PRES COMP top never=thought (fact)

'Taro never thought that Hanako would blame self.'

b. karera: ga [vmax hutariz ga sorezorez/*1 0 they nom two nom each ACC

seme]-ru to wa omottemominakatta (koto) blame-PRES COMP top never=thought (fact)

'They never thought that the two would blame each.'

(44) a. Taroo: ga [vmax mizukara: ga syoo o nom self nom award ACC

to]-ru to wa omottemominakatta (koto) get-PRES COMP TOP never=thought (fact)

'Taro never thought that self would win the award.'

b. karera: ga [vmmx sorezore: ga yakusoku o they nom each nom promise ACC

mamo]-ru to sinziteiru (koto) keep-PRES COMP believe (fact)

'They believe that each will keep a promise.'

As a result, a familiar complementarity between anaphors and pronominals breaks down in the subject position of

a Japanese sentence, as illustrated by the contrast between (44a) and (45):

(45) Taroo₁ ga [\vee_{max} { he } ga kanarazu kat]-u nom pro_1 nom surely win-PRES

to omoikondeiru (koto) COMP believe (fact)

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'Taro1 is convinced that he1 will surely win.'

In the Lexical Case Island Approach, these facts follow quite straightforwardly. We can ascribe the contrast between Japanese and English concerning the NIC effect to the different ways Nominative Case is assigned in the two languages. That is, nominative ga-marking in Japanese is non-lexical, while the Nominative marking in English is lexical. Since the anaphors in (43a) and (43b) are lexically Case marked by the embedded verb, the embedded Vmax there becomes a binding category for them. Therefore, the anaphors must be bound within the embedded Vmax in (43a-b). The ga-marked anaphors in (44a-b), on the other hand, lack a binding category since they lack a lexical Case marker. As a result, they can be bound from outside the embedded Vmax.

Incidentally, I am assuming here, following Kurata (1986) and other works, that it is those items in (46) which behave as pure anaphors in Japanese, rather than a more familar reflexive item zibun:

(46) Lexical Anaphors in Japanese:

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zibun-zisin
                  'self'
a.
                               (Kurata (1986))
b.
   mizukara
                  'self'
                               (Kitagawa (1986))
                  'each'
c.
   sore-zore
                                             )
d.
    ono-ono
                  'each'
    otagai
                  'each other' (Yang (1983), Ueda (1984))
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(zibun ≠ pure anaphor: (Ueda (Ibid.), Fukui (1984))

The Lexical Case Island Approach can be further motivated when it provides a simple account for the phenomenon known as the "long-distance binding" as in (47):

(47) They, thought that [[N= > each other, 's pictures] were on sale]

When we compare (47) with the example involving an NIC violation in (48), we notice that the binding of an

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anaphor is permitted in (47) but not in (48), despite the fact that the anaphor is located in a more deeply embedded position in the former. This fact is rather surprising when we consider that the binding of anaphors usually requires a certain locality.

(48) *They believe (that) [re each other will win]

In the Lexical Case Island Approach, however, this "inversed" locality of anaphor binding can be handled in a straightforward way. In (48), each other is lexically Case marked by the INFL of the complement clause. It therefore must be bound within the lexical Case island created by the INFL, namely, the lower IP. In (47), on the other hand, each other is not lexically Case marked by the nominal head. It therefore is free of a lexical Case island and is accessible from the matrix subject. The binding of the genitive-marked anaphor in the Japanese example (49) is permitted in exactly the same way.

(49) Taroo; ga [[NP#BC <u>mizukara</u>, <u>no</u> sakuhin ga] nom self gen work nom

nyuusensuru] to sinziteiru (koto) selected COMP believe (fact)

'Taro believe that self's work will be selected for exhibition.'

In the Lexical Case Island Approach, in other words, the possibility of "long-distance binding" in both English and Japanese is predicted, since genitive marking is non-lexical in both languages.

To sum up, I have first sketched out the Internal Subject Hypothesis of phrase structure in Japanese and English.

Then, I turned to the topic of binding. First, I questioned the validity of the "SUBJECT" Approach, providing some new observations concerning gerundive infinitivals in Portuguese. Second, I proposed the Lexical Case Island Approach to binding and argued that its interaction with the Internal Subject Hypothesis provides us with a new insight into various problems of the Binding Theory.

NOTES:

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- 1. Kuroda (1986) and Fukui (1986) both propose a different version of the Internal Subject Analysis in which a structure like (1b) is base-generated. See also Kratzer (1984) for a D-structure analysis of a finite sentence in German similar to (1a).
- 2. Note that "V" $\stackrel{\text{\tiny MRN}}{=}$ " here does not correspond to the traditional "VP".
- 3. Kitagawa (1986) suggests that the Last Resort Principle may be made more general as in (i) below:

(i) The Isomorphy Constraint:

Representations at distinct syntactic levels are isomorphic unless principles of grammar require otherwise.

- 4. See George-Kornfilt (1978) for similar facts involving gerunds in Turkish.
- 5. Recall the classical argument for assigning different structures to the complement of expect and persuade provided by Chomsky (1965, 22).
- 6. Enc (1985) arrives at a similar conclusion to ours concerning Turkish, while Kornfilt (1984) further argues for the relevance of AGR.
- 7. Saito (1985) further claims that this dichotomy of Case creates a subject-object asymmetry in Case marker drop and scrambling in Japanese.
- 8. Notice that I am assuming here that the Principles A and B of the Binding Theory apply in the LF component.
- 9. The proposed binding theory has some non-trivial implications to the PRO Theorem and the Control Theory. Its comparison with Chomsky's (1986) ECP Approach to the NIC and the notion BT-compatibility is also an important task to be fulfilled. The reader is referred to Kitagawa (1986) for discussions on these matters.

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