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Homework #5  22 points
Due Tuesday, 12/3

5 points (3+1+1)
(1)a. Within the "classic" theory of Subjacency (Chomsky (1973,1977), present an argument that IP (= S) is a bounding node for Subjacency in English.
b. Suppose CP (= S), instead of IP, were a bounding node. What would be the difference in the language?
c. Suppose both IP and CP were bounding nodes. What would be the difference in the language?

3 points
(2)a. Present an argument for WH-Movement in an 'in situ' language like Chinese or Japanese or Korean. Be explicit!
b. If your argument has any limitations in its force, discuss that fact as well.

5 points (3+2)
(3)a. The leading (and very elegant) idea of Chomsky's Barriers is that every maximal projection is potentially a barrier for movement (thus eliminating the stipulated list in "Conditions on Transformations"). Given this, illustrate and discuss all the "exemptions" that must be granted to permit acceptable instances of WH-Movement.
b. One of the exemptions concerns escape from an XP via adjunction to it. Discuss and illustrate how this exemption must be withdrawn under certain circumstances.

9 points
(4) Discuss each of the following examples, explaining as explicitly as possible their status in terms of rules, principles, constraints, etc., that we have discussed. Show the relevant portions of the structures, and compute the relevant barriers.
(a) *Who did a picture of fall on the floor
(b) *Where2 did you see [NP the book [CP which1 [IP John put t1 t2 ]]]
(c) Who do you think (*that) won the race
(d) Who do you think (that) John said won the race [i.e., this one, unlike (a), is good with or without that]
(e) ??Which car do you wonder who fixed
(f) *How do you wonder who fixed the car [i.e., extraction of the adjunct is much worse than extraction of the object]