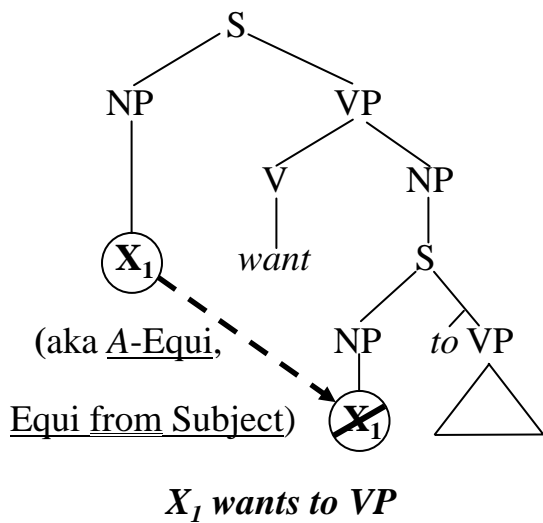


# Equi-NP-Deletion vs Subject Raising

(Subject or Object Infinitive Complements only)

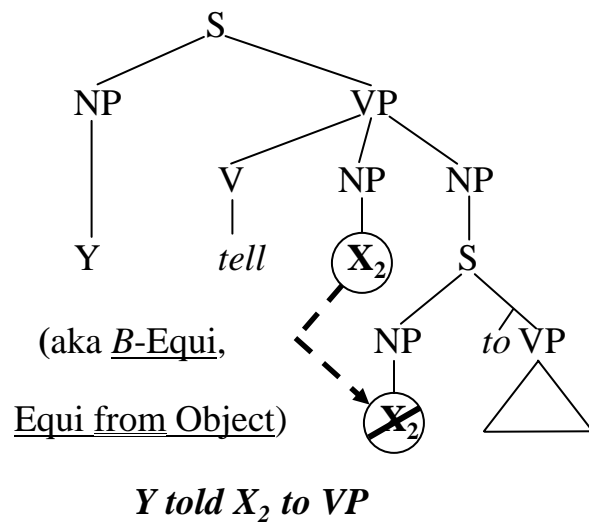
2-Place Equi (e.g. *want, try, eager*)

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



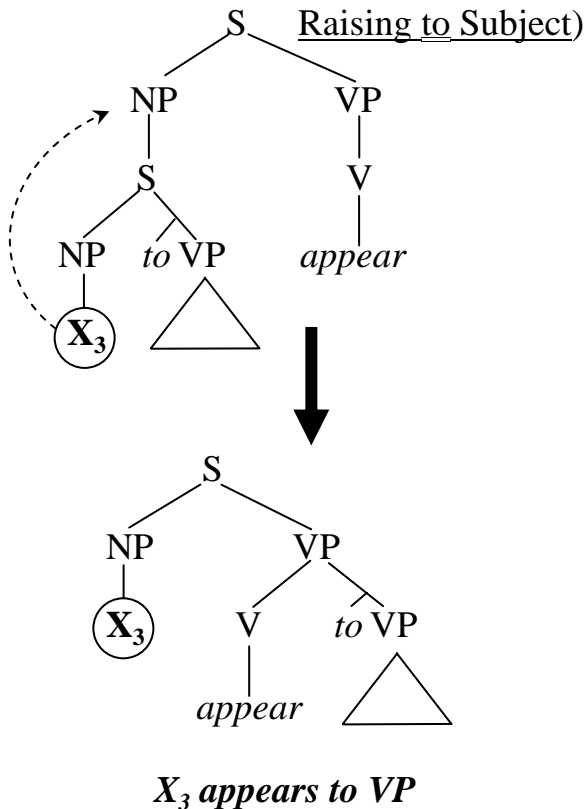
3-Place Equi (e.g. *tell, order, make*)

Upstairs (Indirect) **Object** coreferential to  
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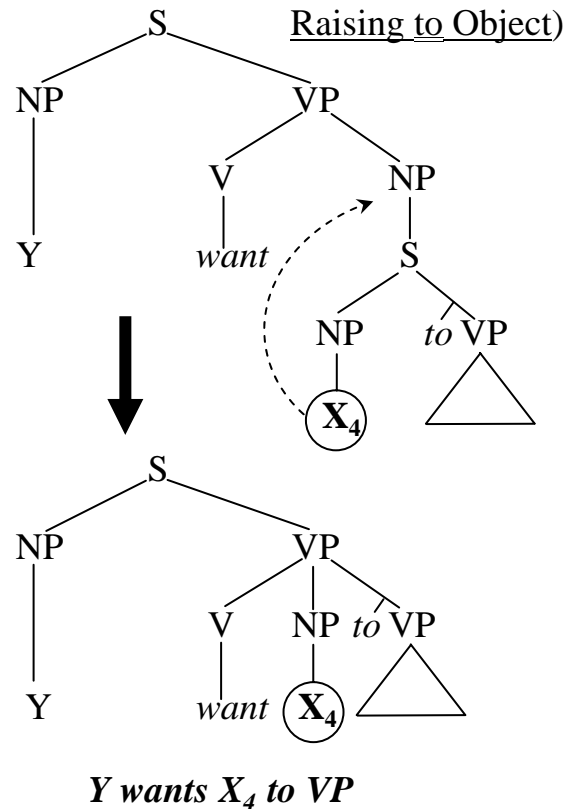
1-Place Raising (e.g. *seem, appear*)

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



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

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



# 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.