

Directionality and Typology: Evidence from WH- and DP-internal Movement

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This research involves looking at the following in detail:

(A) DP research

- *Language consists of Grammar Components*

To investigate the possibility that languages treat the *sentence grammar* and the *phrase grammar* as a unified whole which would lay strong foundational claims vis-à-vis the basis of linguistics as a science whereby the parts make up the whole although each part reflects the general architecture of the whole.

- *Directionality and Language Typology*

To show that head-final languages show phrasal movement inside the noun phrase whereas head-initial languages show head movement.

- *Later Phrases Target Inner Specifiers (Tuck-in)*

To show that the movement of phrases inside the noun phrase is predictable from the principle of *Tuck-in* which dictates the movement of Wh expressions in multiple Wh-languages at the clausal level.

- All and NAQ
- 'Focus Marker' *to*
- Double-definiteness in Scandinavian
- Gerunds in Bangla
- Unaccusatives gerunds with adverbial Neg
- Language Typology

(B) WH Research

- *Directionality*

To show that Bangla is SVO underlyingly and involves regular Wh-CP movement as pied piping.

- *Landing site of WH*

To show that post-COMP position is the natural position for Wh-CP to land as in Hungarian and Basque. (And Burmese, Japanese).

- *Left Dislocated Topic Structures*

As in English *That man, which book did he buy?*

(C) Bridge between (A) and (B)

- Directionality
- Scrambling of objects as a property of H-final languages
- Predictions for Mixed systems (Dutch and German)