

English Language 1 - Theoretical Part
Structural Grammar
Course Materials: Examples of Box Diagrams
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Since she wanted to go home early, she finished her work very quickly.

S - Complex Sentence															
Sec. cl : Fin. cl								Main cl : Fin. cl							
Link : Subord	Su : NP	P : VP		DO : Nfin. cl				Su : NP	P : VP		DO : NP		A : Adv.P		
Since	H : Pers. pro	LV		P : VP	PC : NP	A : Adv.P		H : Pers. pro	LV		Det : Poss. pro	H : N	Prem : Adv	H : Adv	
				LV	H : N	H : Adv									
	she	wanted	to	go	home	early		she	finished	her	work	very	quickly		
FM	FM	R	IS	FM	FM	FM	FM	FM	R	IS	FM	FM	FM	R	DS
		want	{-ed ₁ }						finish	{-ed ₁ }				quick	{-ly}

While I was waiting for Mary, it started to rain heavily.

S - Complex Sentence													
Sec. cl : Fin. cl								Main cl : Fin. cl					
Link : Subord	Su : NP	P : VP				A : PP		Su : NP	P : VP		PC : Nfin. cl		
While	H : Pers. pro	Prim. aux	LV		Prepos : P	Prepos. C : NP	H : Pers. pro	LV		P : VP	A : Adv.P		
						H : N				LV	H : Adv		
	I	was	waiting		for	Mary	it	started	to rain	heavily			
FM	FM	R	IS	R	IS	FM	FM	FM	R	IS	FM	R	DS
		be	{-ed ₁ }	wait	{-ing ₁ }				start	{-ed ₁ }		heavy	{-ly}

The tall woman in the dark coat opened her umbrella and walked out of the building into the rain.

S - Compound Sentence (1 st part)										
Main cl : Fin. cl										
Su : NP							P : VP		DO : NP	
Det : Def. art	Prem : Adj	H : N	Pom : PP				LV		Det : Poss. pro	H : N
The	tall	woman	Prepos : P in	Prepos. C : NP			opened	her	umbrella	
				Det : Def. art the	Prem : Adj dark	H : N coat				
FM	FM	FM	FM	FM	FM	FM	R	IS	FM	FM
							open	{- ed ₁ }		

S - Compound Sentence (2 nd part)											
Link : Coord	Main cl : Fin. cl										
and	P : VP		A : PP				A : PP				
	LV		Prepos : P		Prepos. C : NP		Prepos : P		Prepos. C : NP		
	walked		out	of	Det : Def. art	H : N	into	Det : Def. art	H : N		
	walk				the	building		the	rain		
FM	R	IS	FM	FM	FM	R	DS	FM	H	FM	FM
	walk	{- ed ₁ }				build	{- ing ₂ }	in	to		

Villona returned quietly to his piano and played sonatas for the younger guests, while the ladies who were sitting round the table talked loudly.

S - Complex Sentence (1 st part)									
Main cl : Fin. cl									
Su : NP		P : VP		A : Adv.P		A : PP			
H : N		LV		H : Adv		Prepos : P	Prepos. C : NP		
Villona		returned		quietly		to	Det : Pos. pro	H : N	
							his	piano	
FM		R	IS	R	DS	FM	FM		FM
		return	{-ed ₁ }	quiet	{-ly}				

S - Complex Sentence (2 nd part)									
Link : Coord	Main cl : Fin. cl								
		P : VP		DO : NP		BO : PP			
		LV		H : N		Prepos : P	Prepos. C : NP		
							Det : Def. art	Prem : Adj	H : N
and		played		sonatas		for	the	younger	guests
FM		R	IS	R	IS	FM	FM	R	IS
		play	{-ed ₁ }	sonata	{-s ₁ }			young	{-er}
				guest	{-s ₁ }				

S - Complex Sentence (3 rd part)																
Sec. cl : Fin. cl																
Link : Subord		Su : NP										P : VP		A : Adv.P		
		Det : Def. art	H : N		Pom : Fin. cl						LV		H : Adv			
				Su : NP	P : VP				A : PP							
				H : Rel. pro	Prim. aux		LV		Prepos : P	Prepos. C : NP						
										Det : Def. art	H : N					
while		the	ladies		who	were		sitting		round	the	table	talked		loudly	
FM		FM	R	IS	FM	R	IS	R	IS	FM	FM	FM	R	IS	R	DS
			lady	{-s ₁ }		be	{-ed ₁ }	sit	{-ing ₁ }				talk	{-ed ₁ }	loud	{-ly}

Peter was extremely anxious that Friday morning, as could be seen from the fact that he had cut himself twice while shaving.

S - Complex Sentence (1 st part)								
Main cl : Fin. cl								
Su : NP		P : VP		Su. Attr : AP		A : NP		
H : N	LV (Cop)	Prem : Adv		H : Adj	Det : Dem. pro	Prem : N	H : N	
Peter	was	extremely		anxious	that	Friday	morning	
FM	R	IS	R	DS	FM	FM	FM	FM
	be	{-ed ₁ }	extreme	{-ly}				

S - Complex Sentence (2 nd part)																																
Sec. cl : Fin. cl																																
Su : Subord		P : VP				PC : PP																										
as	Mod. aux		Prim. aux	LV		Prepos : P	Prepos. C : NP																									
	FM	R	IS	FM	R	IS	FM	FM	FM	FM	FM	FM	FM	FM	FM																	
																can	{-ed ₁ }	see	{-ed ₂ }	the	fact	that	he	Link : Subord		Main cl : Fin. cl				Sec. cl : Nfin. cl		
																								had	P : VP		DO : NP		A : Adv.P	Link : Subord	P : VP	
																									have	{-ed ₁ }	cut	{-ed ₂ }	himself	twice	while	LV
shave	{-ing ₁ }	shave	{-ing ₁ }	him	self	while	shaving																									

She tried to persuade me that she hadn't done it, but I described the event with great accuracy so that she thought I had actually observed them.

S - Complex Sentence (1 st part)														
Main cl : Fin. cl														
Su : NP		P : VP			PC : Nfin. cl									
H : Pers. pro		LV		P : VP		DO : NP	PC : Fin. cl							
		LV		H : Pers. pro	Link : Subord	Su : NP	P : VP (1 st half)		A : Adv.P	P : VP (2 nd half)		DO : NP		
						H : Pers. pro	Prim. aux		H. Adv	LV		H : Pers. pro		
She		tried		to	persuade		me	that	she	had		not	done it	
FM		R	IS	FM	FM		FM	FM	R	IS	FM	R	IS	FM
		try	{-ed ₁ }						have	{-ed ₁ }		do	{-ed ₂ }	

S - Complex Sentence (2 nd part)										
Link : Coord		Main cl : Fin. cl								
		Su : NP		P : VP		DO : NP		A : PP		
		H : Pers. pro	LV		Det : Def. art	H : N	Prepos : P	Prepos. C : NP		
								Prem : Adj	H : N	
but		I	described		the	event	with	great	accuracy	
FM		FM	R	IS	FM	FM	FM	FM	FM	
			describe	{-ed ₁ }						

S - Complex Sentence (3 rd part)													
Sec. cl : Fin. cl													
Link : Complex Subord		Su : NP	P : VP		DO : Fin. cl								
		H : Pers. pro	LV		Su : NP	P : VP (1 st half)		A : Adv.P		P : VP (2 nd half)		DO : NP	
					H : Pers. pro	Prim. aux		H. Adv		LV		H : Pers. pro	
so	that	she	thought		I	had		actually		observed		them	
FM	FM	FM	R	IS	FM	R	IS	R	DS	R	IS	FM	
			think	{-ed ₁ }		have	{-ed ₁ }	actual	{-ly}	observe	{-ed ₂ }		

While the young man was sitting with her on the side of the bed, the maid came to the door and said the boss wanted to see him immediately.

S - Complex Sentence (1 st part)														
Sec. cl : Fin. cl														
Link : Subord	Su : NP			P : VP				A : PP		A : PP				
	Det : Def. art	Prem : Adj	H : N	Prim. aux	LV		Prepos : P	Prepos. C : NP	Prepos : P	Prepos. C : NP				
								H : Pers. pro		Det : Def. art	H : N	Pom : PP		
												Prepos : P	Prepos. C : NP	
													Det : Def. art	H : N
While	the	young	man	was	sitting		with	her	on	the	side	of	the	bed
FM	FM	FM	FM	R	IS	R	IS	FM	FM	FM	FM	FM	FM	FM
				be	{-ed ₁ }	sit	{-ing ₁ }							

S - Complex Sentence (2 nd part)							
Main cl : Fin. cl							
Su : NP		P : VP		A : PP			
Det : Def. art	H : N	LV		Prepos : P	Prepos. C : NP		
					Det : Def. art	H : N	
the	maid	came		to	the	door	
FM	FM	R	IS	FM	FM	FM	
		come	{-ed ₁ }				

S - Complex Sentence (3 rd part)											
Link : Coord	Main cl : Fin. cl										
	P : VP		DO : S								
	LV		Main cl : Fin. cl				PC : Nfin. cl				
			Su : NP		P : VP		P : VP		DO : NP		A : Adv.P
			Det : Def. art	H : N	LV		LV		H : Pers. pro		H : Adv
and	said		the	boss	wanted		to	see	him		immediately
FM	R	IS	FM		FM	R	IS	FM	FM	FM	
	say	{-ed ₁ }				want	{-ed ₁ }			R	DS
										immediate	{-ly}

If I am not mistaken this is Brighton, so we will reach London in an hour, if there are no further delays, like the one we had yesterday.

S - Complex Sentence (1 st part)										
Sec. cl : Fin. cl					Main cl : Fin. cl					
Link : Subord	Su : NP	P : VP	A : Adv.P		Su. Attr : AP		Su : NP	P : VP		Su. Attr : NP
If	H : Pers. pro	LV (Cop)	H : Adv		H : Adj		H : Dem. pro	LV (Cop)		H : N
	I	am	not		mistaken		this	is		Brighton
FM	FM	FM	FM	R	IS	FM	R	IS	FM	
				mistake	{-ed ₂ }		be	{-s ₃ }		

S - Complex Sentence (2 nd part)							
Sec. cl : Fin. cl							
Link : Subord	Su : NP	P : VP	DO : NP		A : PP		
so	H : Pers. pro	Mod. aux	LV	H : N	Prepos : P	Prepos. C : NP	
	we	will	reach	London	in	Det : Indef. art	H : N
FM	FM	FM	FM	FM	FM	FM	FM

S - Complex Sentence (3 rd part)											
Sec. cl : Fin. cl											
Link : Subord	Su : Ex. there	P : VP	Notional Su : NP								
if	there	LV	Det : Quant	Prem : Adj		H : N		Pom : PP			
			are	no	further	delays	like	the	one	Prepos. C : NP	
		we								had	yesterday
		FM	FM	FM	FM	R	IS	R	IS	FM	FM
far	{-er}					delay	{-s ₁ }	have	{-ed ₁ }		

It was my mother who was responsible for all this (Cleft Sentence)

S - Simple Sentence									
Main cl : Fin. cl									
Su. : NP	P : VP		SA : NP						
H : Pers. pro	LV (Cop)	Det : Pos. pro	H : N	Pom : Fin. cl					
It	was	my	mother	Su. : NP	P : VP	SA : AP			
				H : Rel. pro	LV (Cop)	H : A	Pom : PP		
				who	was	responsible	Prepos : P	Prepos. C : NP	
							Det : Quant	H : Dem. pro	
for	all	this							
FM	R	IS	FM	FM	FM	FM	FM	FM	FM
	be	{-ed ₁ }							
					R	IS			
					be	{-ed ₁ }			

What the children need is discipline (Pseudo Cleft Sentence)

S - Complex Sentence							
Main cl : Fin. cl							
Su : Fin. cl					P : VP		SA : NP
DO : NP	Su : NP			P : VP	LV (Cop)		H : N
H : Int. pro	Det : Def. art	H : N		LV	is		discipline
What	the	children		need			
FM	FM	R	IS	FM	R	IS	FM
		child	{-s ₁ }		be	{-s ₃ }	

I do water the ground in knots, as I go, like a great garden-pot, you may follow me by the S's I make
(Ben Jonson, *Bartholomew Fair* II, 2, 48-49).

S - Complex Sentence (1 st half)															
S - Complex Sentence															
Main cl : Fin. cl (1 st half)							Sec. cl : Fin. cl			Main cl : Fin. cl (2 nd half)					
Su : NP		P : VP		DO : NP			A : PP		Link : Subord	Su : NP	P : VP	A : PP			
H : Pers. pro	Prim. aux	LV	Det : Def. art	H : N	Prepos : P	Prepos. C : NP	H : N	Link	H : Pers. pro	LV	Prepos : P	Prepos. C : NP			
													Det : Indef. art	Prem : Adj	H : N
I	do	water	the	ground	in	knots		as	I	go	like	a	great	garden-pot	
FM	FM	FM	FM	FM	FM	R IS		FM	FM	FM	FM	FM	FM	FM	FM
						knot {-s ₁ }								garden	pot

S - Complex Sentence (2 nd half)									
S - Simple Sentence									
Main cl : Fin. cl									
Su : NP		P : VP		DO : NP		A : PP			
H : Pers. pro	Mod. aux	LV	H : Pers. pro	Prepos : P	Prepos. C : NP				
					Det : Def. art	H : N	Postm : Fin. cl		
							Su : NP	P : VP	
							H : Pers. pro	LV	
							I	make	
you	may	follow	me	by	the	S's			
FM	FM	FM	FM	FM	FM	R IS	FM	FM	FM
						S {-s ₁ }			

List of Abbreviations in Structural Grammar

(adapted from F. Aarts and J. Aarts, 1982, *English Syntactic Structures: Functions and Categories in Sentence Analysis*, Pergamon, Oxford)

Functions

A	Adverbial
BO	Benefactive Object
Det	Determiner
Dim	Discontinuous Modifier
DO	Direct Object
H	Head
IO	Indirect Object
Link	Linker
Main cl	Main Clause
OA	Object Attribute
P	Predicator
PC	Predicator Complement
Pom	Postmodifier
Prem	Premodifier
Prepos	Prepositional
Prepos. C	Prepositional Complement
SA	Subject Attribute
Sec. cl	Secondary Clause
Su	Subject

Categories

Adj	Adjective
AP	Adjective Phrase
Adv	Adverb
Adv. P	Adverb Phrase
C. num	Cardinal Numeral
Coord	Coordinator
Cop	Copula
Def. art	Definite Article
Dem. pro	Demonstrative Pronoun
Ex. There	Existential <i>There</i>
Fin. cl	Finite Clause
Indef. art	Indefinite Article
Int. pro	Interrogative Pronoun
LV	Lexical Verb
Mod. aux	Modal Auxiliary
N	Noun
Nfin. cl	Non-Finite Clause
NP	Noun Phrase
O. num	Ordinal Numeral
Pers. pro	Personal Pronoun
Poss. pro	Possessive Pronoun
P	Preposition
PP	Prepositional Phrase
Pri. aux	Primary Auxiliary
Quant	Quantifier
Rec. pro	Reciprocal Pronoun
Rel. pro	Relative Pronoun
S	Sentence
Self-pro	Self-Pronoun
Subord	Subordinator
Vless cl	Verbless Clause
VP	Verb Phrase