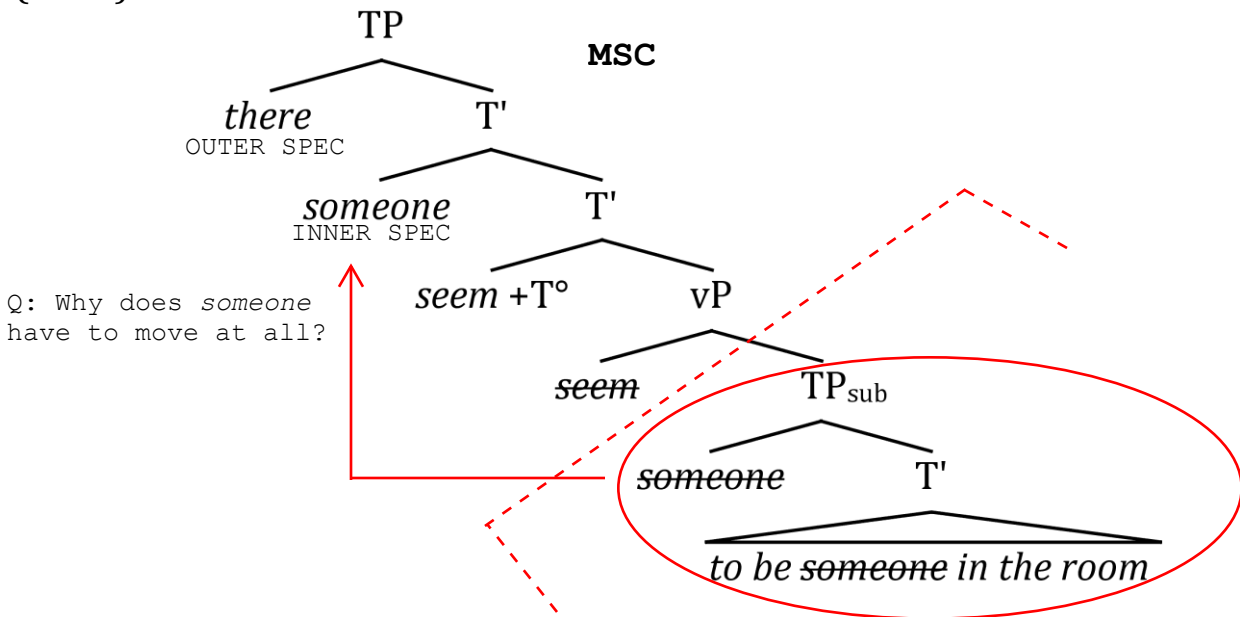


Chomsky (1995:366): Derivation of ex. (202a+b) (= ex. (168a+b))

NB: This is 'English Icelandic', not English! Icelandic has v-to-T movement and V2!

(202a)



Chomsky assumes that the V2-constraint operates on the PF-string, i.e. is some kind of PF-movement putting the main verb at 2nd position:

PF: there seems someone seems to be in the room

A syntactic analysis of V2 could accommodate the facts as well: Recent works assume that expletives are merged high in SpecCP (e.g. Chomsky 2008, Rizzi & Shlonsky 2006), so that: [CP *there seems*+C° [*someone* T° [_{vP}...]]].

(202b)

