







## Additional support for analysis of TID in C above: neg in yes/no Qs has a positive epistemic implicature due to [V+N]-to-C movement

course) the student is doing his homework."

Negation in a yes/no question in TID:



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# An Optimality-Theoretic Syntactic Typology of Negation in Three Sign Languages Kadir Gökgöz and Ronnie B. Wilbur kgokgoz@purdue.edu, wilbur@purdue.edu Syntactic **C-command spread ASL and HZJ**

Input: winne	rs of Tableau 1				
	FORM	FNEG	FOCUS-LAST	NEG-FIRST	*NEG
or 1.	<u>cu+hb</u> nbp SOVN			*	*
<i>≇</i> ≈ 2.	s o V N			*	*
<i>≇</i> 3.	<u>cu+hb</u> nbp SOV			*	*
4.	s o v	*			*



Input: winners of Tableau 3								
	FORM	FNEG	NEGFIRST	FOCUSLAST	*NEG			
<b>@</b> P 1.	S N V O			*	*			
2.	$\frac{hs}{V 0}$		*		*			
3.	SNV O	*		*	*			

### **SUMMARY**

. | S N V O

A: Language grouping based on availability of syntactic movement. DGS has movement due to affixal nature of [+neg]. ASL and HZJ have c-command spreading due to syntactic nature of [+neg]. TID displays a hybrid system with both movement and c-command spreading available.

**B:** Syntactic evaluation of candidates occurs independently. Input to information structure constraints (CMIS) can result from syntax as well as pragmatics and discourse context. C: Since there is V-to-Neg movement in TID, OB-HD dominates STAY. Only one CMIS Tableau is found so far. There might be other CMIS tableaus for this language. **D:** Since there is no V-to-Neg movement in ASL and HZJ, STAY dominates OB-HD. There are two CMIS tableaus. Cases of neg-doubling and SVON order require further research. E: Since movement is available for TID, a positive epistemic implicature arises with the higher position of negation. ASL and HZJ do not have this since movement is not available.

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