

The Equivalence of NPs Containing *Of*-Constructions with Reference to Samsung Smartphone Manual

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Abstrak

Paper ini berjudul The Equivalence of NPs Containing of-Constructions with Reference to Samsung Smartphone Manual, adalah sebuah paper mengenai frasa benda dan padanannya.

Data yang berupa frasa benda dianalisis menggunakan teori of-construction yang diajukan oleh Keizer (2007). Kemudian, struktur frasa benda dideskripsikan menggunakan teori X-bar yang diajukan oleh Haegeman (1994). Selanjutnya, struktur dari frasa-frasa benda tersebut dalam bahasa Inggris diperbandingkan dengan padanannya dalam bahasa Indonesia. Perbandingan dilakukan untuk mengetahui jenis shift (perubahan) yang terjadi dalam menerjemahkan frasa benda tersebut dengan menggunakan teori translation shift yang diajukan oleh Catford (dalam Venuti, 2000).

Hasil dari analisis menunjukkan bahwa frasa benda dengan of-construction dibagi menjadi dua, yaitu frasa benda dengan of-modifier dan frasa benda dengan of-complement. Seluruh frasa benda yang ditemukan dalam sumber data merupakan frasa benda dengan of-complement. Structure shift dan unit shift merupakan shift yang terjadi ketika kedua frasa benda (dalam bahasa Inggris dan Indonesia) dibandingkan.

Kata Kunci: Frasa benda, Teori X-bar, Translation Shift.

1) Background

Translation has played a role with the widespread of technology, particularly smartphones, when a country wants to utilize the product of another country meanwhile they have different languages. In this situation, translation can be used to solve this problem. For example, a Samsung smartphone that is originally from South Korea can be utilized by Indonesian people even though South Korea and Indonesia have different languages. South Korea can provide the manual of its product in the English language version and then it can be translated into Bahasa Indonesia so that the product of South Korea can be utilized by Indonesian people. In translation, what is being translated is a text whether the spoken or the written one. A text is constructed by a sentence or several sentences. There is one element that always exists in a sentence, that is noun, phrases. Because of that, this study is concerned with the equivalence of noun phrases.

2) Problems of the Study

There are two problems in this study, those are:

1. What are the types of NPs containing *of*-constructions found in Samsung smartphone manual?
2. What are the types of shift that occurs in translating the NPs containing *of*-constructions in Samsung smartphone manual?

3) Aims of the Study

There are two aims in this study, those are:

1. To find out and identify the types of NPs containing *of*-constructions and their translations in Samsung smartphone manual.
2. To find out and identify the theories of translation shift used in translating the NPs containing *of*-constructions in Samsung smartphone manual.

4) Research method

The data source of this study was a manual of Samsung Galaxy Mega smartphone. The method and technique of collecting data was note taking and observation by reading the data source both in English and Bahasa Indonesia versions in line with identifying the NPs containing *of*-constructions and their translations. Then, the NPs are classified based on the theory proposed by Keizer (2007) as collected data. After classifying the NPs containing *of*-constructions and their translations, the data were analyzed to see the constituencies of the NPs both in the English and Bahasa Indonesia by using the X-bar theory proposed by Haegeman (1994). After that, the NPs of the English and Bahasa Indonesia were compared to each other to find out which translation theory applied in particular noun phrases and their translations. In analyzing the translation theory, the theory of translation shift proposed by Catford (in Venuti, 2000) was used as the reference.

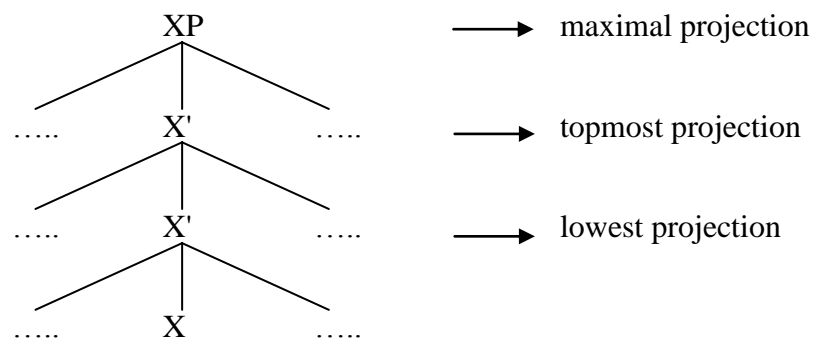
- 5) The analysis of the equivalence of NPs containing *of*-construction with reference to Samsung smartphone manual

The translation shift theory is proposed by Catford (in Venuti, 2000) in which he divides the translation shift into two big classes, those are level and

category shifts. Level shift occurs when the level of the product at one linguistic level of a translation has a translation equivalent with the source item. Category shift is divided into four, the structure, class, unit, and intra system shifts. Structure shift occurs at all ranks, class shift occurs to the word class, unit shift occurs when there is a change of the rank, and intra system shift occurs within the system.

The theory of NPs containing *of*-constructions is proposed by Keizer (2007) in which she divides the NPs containing *of*-constructions into two, the NPs with *of-modifiers* and the NPs with *of-complements*. The NPs with *of-modifiers*, the head noun of this construction is typically a basic non relational noun, that is a noun which does not need a complement. The noun is already meaningful without a complement. On the other hand, the NPs with *of-complements*, the head noun is a basic or derived relational noun, that is a noun which needs a complement to make the noun meaningful.

The noun phrases of the source language and their equivalents in the target language were compared to each other. To ease the comparison, the noun phrases were described by using the X-bar theory proposed by Haegeman (1994). Haegeman (1994) states that a phrasal constituent is projected from the head noun of the phrase. The phrase must be an endocentric. Consider an XP is a phrase with X as the head, then the XP has a schema as a layered structure as follows:



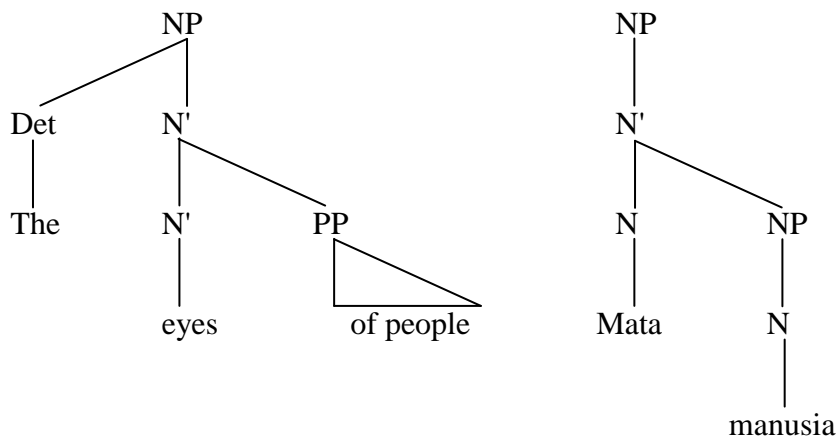
The X combines with an adjunct or complement to form the lowest X', the lowest X' combines with an adjunct to form the topmost X', and the topmost X' combines with the specifier to form the maximal projection, an XP. Adjuncts are optional constituents so that they can be repeated, that means the X' is recursive.

In the data source, it was found that there was thirty nine data that represent the NPs containing *of*-complements. All of the data serve as the NPs with *of*-complements. Since the head nouns of the NPs with *of*-complements can be the basic and derived relational noun, there would be three data being analyzed in this chapter that represent structure and unit shifts since it was found that only structure and unit shifts occur in translating the NPs. One NP with basic head noun that experiences structure shift, one NP with derived head noun that experiences structure shift, and one NP with derived head noun that experiences unit shift.

1. Data 1 (page 22)

SL : The eyes of people

TL : Mata manusia



The eyes of people in the form of an NP in the SL has the translation equivalent *mata manusia* in the form of an NP in the TL. In this data, an NP is translated into an NP. However, both of the NP of the SL and TL have different elements that construct them as well as the arrangement of the elements. In the SL, the NP is headed by an N *eyes* experiencing pre and post modifications. *Eye* the organs on the face that somebody see with. It can be said that *eye* is part of the body since it is an organ that is used to see. Because of that, *eyes* is considered to be a basic relational noun because it is a body part which denotes an entity which is obligatory or possessed by some other entities (Fillmore, in Keizer 2007). Therefore, the PP that follows the head noun is a complement since the head noun denotes a possession. The PP *of the people* combines with the N *eyes* to form an N'. The N' combines with the specifier *the* to form the maximal projection NP.

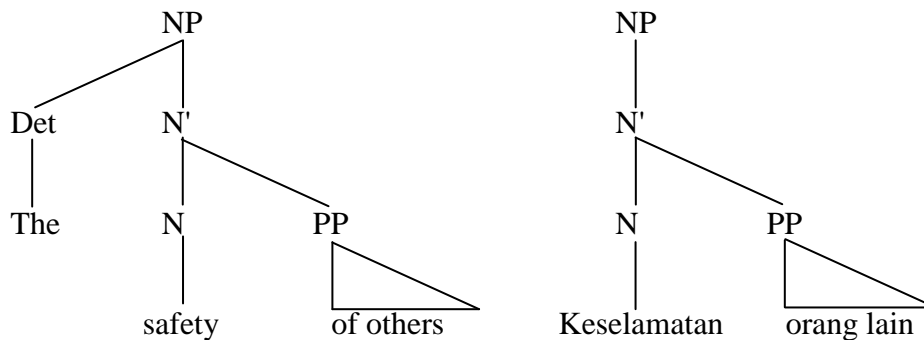
The translation equivalent is in the form of an NP headed by a noun *mata* and postmodified by an NP *manusia*. Alwi (1998) argues that a noun can be pre or post modified by other nouns. Then in the NP *mata manusia*, the *manusia* is a complement explaining the head noun *mata* that makes *manusia* is inalienable to *mata* (Keizer, 2007). The complement NP *manusia* combines with the N' to form the topmost N'. The topmost N' goes upward directly to form an NP as maximal projection since the specifier is absent (Haegeman, 2007).

Structure shift is the shift taking place in the translation process since SL and TL have different elements and the way those elements arranged are different. The NP of the SL consists of Det + HN + PP that experiences pre and post modifications meanwhile the NP of the TL consists of HN + N experiences postmodification only. Besides, the specifier *the* in the SL is not translated in the TL. This fits to the idea of structure shift proposed by Catford (in Venuti 2000) in which structure shift occurs when there is a change of the elements and/or the occurrence of the elements contained in the TL text which are different from the SL.

2. Data 2 (page 20)

SL : The safety of others

TL : Keselamatan orang lain



In the data 4, the SL text is in the form of an NP and the translation equivalent, the TL text, is in the form of an NP as well. The NP of the SL is headed by a noun *safety* derived from an adjective *safe*. *Safe* means protected from any danger or harm and *safety* describes the state of being safe and protected from any danger. Since the head noun is a derived noun from an adjective *safe*, the head noun *safety* inherits the argument from the adjective (Keizer 2007). Then, the argument gained from the adjective changes into a complement in the NP. Therefore, the PP *of others* is a complement that combines with the head

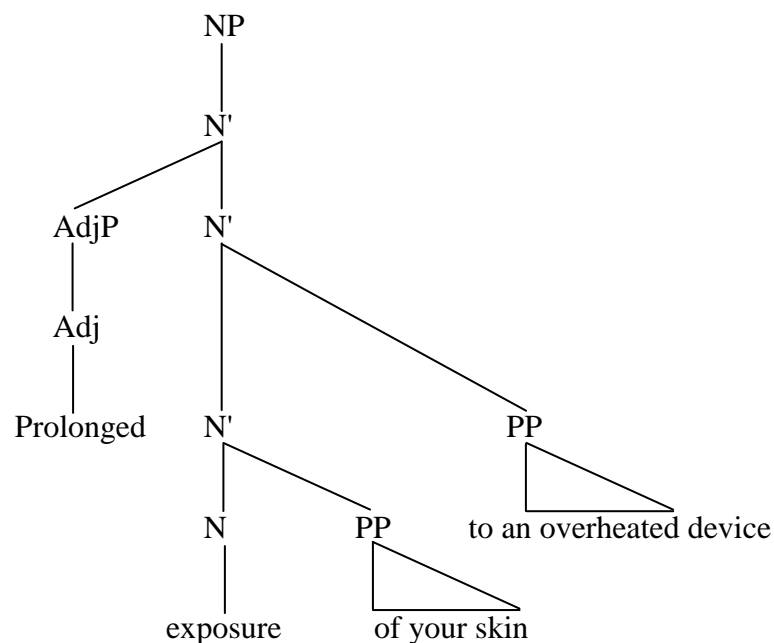
noun N to form the topmost N'. The topmost N' combines with the specifier in the form of a definite article *the* to form the maximal projection NP (Haegeman, 1994).

The translation equivalent, the TL text is in the form of an NP headed by a noun *keselamatan* that is modified to the right by an NP *orang lain*. The NP *orang lain* acts as a complement so that it combines with the N *keselamatan* to form the topmost N'. The topmost N' is specified by nothing so that it goes upward to form the maximal projection NP.

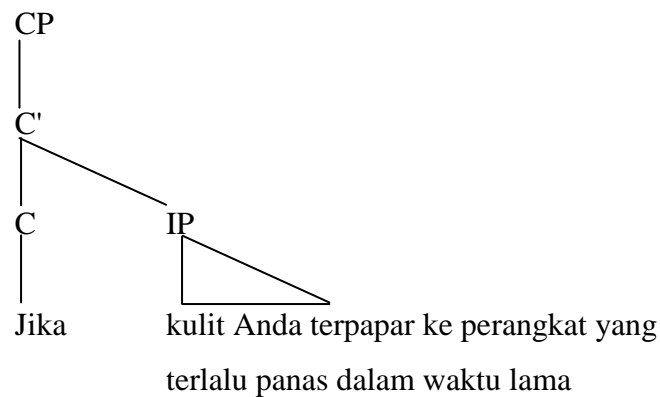
From the description of both NPs of the SL and TL above, it can be concluded that the shift that takes place toward the translation process is structure shift. It can be seen since the NP of the SL and TL have different elements as well as the structures. The NP of the SL experiences pre and post modifications with the arrangement of Det + HN + PP, on the other hand, the TL experiences the postmodification only with the arrangement of HN + NP. Besides, the NP of the SL has a determiner and a PP as modifiers meanwhile the NP of the TL has only an NP as the modifier.

3. Data 3 (page 22)

SL : Prolonged exposure of your skin to an overheated device



TL : Jika kulit Anda terpapar ke perangkat yang terlalu panas dalam waktu lama



In this data, it is seen from the schema that the NP of the SL *prolonged exposure of your skin* is translated into a sentence with a complementizer abbreviated into CP of the TL *jika kulit Anda terpapar ke perangkat yang terlalu panas dalam waktu lama*.

In the SL, the NP is headed by a derived noun *exposure* from a verb *expose*. *Expose* means to put somebody or something in a place or situation where they are not protected from something harmful or unpleasant. It is considered to be a monotransitive verb so that the deverbal noun derived from the verb inherits the argument from the verb. Therefore, the PP followed the head noun is considered to be a complement since the head noun is a derived relational noun (Keizer, 2007). The PP *of your skin* is a complement and the PP *to an overheated device* is an adjunct. The PP *of your skin* is said to be a complement because a complement will always be closer to the head than the modifier (adjunct) (Radford, in Keizer 2007). Thus, the lowest N' dominates the N *exposure* and the PP *of your skin* and then the lowest N' combines with an adjunct PP *to an overheated device* to form another N'. The N' *exposure of your skin to an overheated device* combines with a premodifier *prolonged* to form the topmost N'. The topmost N' does not combine with any specifiers so that it goes upward directly to form the maximal projection NP (Keizer, 2007).

The translation equivalent of the NP is a sentence with a complementizer CP. The complementizer is the element that determines the type of clause so that the complementizer is treated as the head of the CP symbolized as a C (Haegeman, 1994). In English, there are four complementizers that introduce a

sentence (IP), those are *that, if, whether, and for* (Haegeman, 1994). In Bahasa Indonesia, *jika* is also known as a subordinating conjunction to show a condition (Alwi, 1998). Therefore, the head of the CP is a C *jika*. Since a complementizer determines the type of clause, then it selects an IP-complement (Haegeman, 1994). From that suggestion, a clause that follows a complementizer is considered as the complement. Then, in the CP *jika kulit Anda terpapar ke perangkat yang terlalu panas dalam waktu lama, jika* is the complementizer and *kulit Anda terpapar ke perangkat yang terlalu panas dalam waktu lama* is the complement. Therefore, the IP combines with the C to form the topmost C' and the topmost C' goes upward to form the maximal projection CP.

In the discussion above, in which an NP of the SL has a CP as the translation equivalent, experiences a unit shift. Unit shift is a shift that occurs in the change of rank in which the translation equivalent of the SL is different rank in the TL (Catford, in Venuti 2000). In this case, the SL text is in the form of a phrase while the translation equivalent the TL text is in the form of a sentence with a complementizer.

6) Conclusion

From the analysis, it is found that all of the noun phrases in the data source serve as the noun phrases with *of-complements*. The shifts that take place in translating the noun phrases are structure and unit shifts. There are fifteen structure shifts occur in the NPs of the SL when it is translated into NPs in the TL. The shift occurs in the elements contained in each NP and the structure of the elements. There is one unit shift occurs in the NP of the SL when it is translated into a CP in the TL. When a noun phrase is translated into a sentence with a complementizer, it means that there is a change in a unit at different rank.

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