Greek syntax

A principles and parameters perspective^{*}

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The last decades have seen a particular growth of syntactic studies in Greek from different aspects within the principles and parameters framework. In this article we present an overview of the main areas of investigation. Reasons of space prevent us from an exhaustive presentation of all the issues examined in the literature. In what follows, we concentrate mainly on topics that have attracted a lot of attention in the more recent literature (see also the presentation in Theophanopoulou-Kontou 1994; Drachman et al. 1997; Alexiadou, Horrocks & Stavrou 1999).

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1. Clause structure

Within the Principles and Parameters framework, numerous proposals have been made concerning the architecture of the inflectional system, in particular the inventory and order of functional projections dominating VP. More recent work, following Pollock (1989) and Ouhalla (1988), suggests that the clause structure is more richly articulated than previously assumed. For instance, on the basis of the relative positions of the verb with respect to the marker of sentential negation in (1a–b), it was argued that IP should be decomposed into the components T (tense) and AGR (agreement) (cf. Chomsky 1995: Ch. 3, Belletti 1990 among others).

- (1) a. Jean ne mangeait pas souvent de chocolat.
 Jean NEG ate not often of chocolate
 ‘Jean did not often eat chocolate.’
 b. Ne pas manger souvent de chocolat...
 NEG not eat.INF often of chocolate

The linear sequence of the inflectional morphemes is standardly taken to correspond to the hierarchical ordering of the functional nodes (cf. Baker 1988) on the verb. Hence INFL was broken down into its functional components AGR, Tense.

It has been claimed that severed functional categories are instantiated in Greek, since they form part of the morphology of the Greek verb (see Rivero 1994; Tsimpli 1990; Philippaki-Warbuton 1989, 1998; Drachman 1991, to mention a few). Consider the paradigm below:

- (2) γράφω
 graf-o
 write-SG
 (3) a. γράψαμε
 grap-s-ame
 write-PERF.PAST.1PL
 b. γράφαμε
 graf-ame
 write-IMP.PAST.1PL
 (4) γράφτηκα
 graf-tik-a
 write-PASS.PAST.1SG
 (5) να γράφω
 na graf-o
 SUBJ write-1SG

As is clear from (2)–(5) verbs in Greek inflect for voice (active vs. non-active), aspect (perfective vs. imperfective), person and number agreement. Though the arguments for splitting tense from agreement are not so straightforward in Greek (see Rivero 1994; Iatridou 1993; Horrocks 1994; Philippaki-Warbuton & Spyropoulos 1999b; Joseph & Smirniotopoulos 1993), given the ordering of morphemes in the paradigm, (6) below is taken to represent the functional categories present in the extended projection of the Greek verb:

- (6) AGR > TP > AspectP > VoiceP > VP

The modal marker *na* precedes all inflectional material. *Na* has been analyzed as a subjunctive mood marker (see Philippaki-Warbuton & Veloudis 1984; Philippaki-Warbuton 1994a; Rivero 1994) or a subjunctive complementizer (see Tsoulas 1993; Agouraki 1991). In any event, it precedes the TP projection.

In addition, Negation has been added to the inventory of functional heads and its properties have been extensively discussed (see Giannakidou 1997; Klidi 1994). Greek has two negation particles: *den* which co-occurs with indicative forms and *min* which co-occurs with subjunctive forms, i.e. those involving *na*:

- (7) a. δεν θέλω
 den θelo
 NEG want-1SG
 'I do not want'
- b. Θέλω να μην έρθεις.
 θelo na min erθis
 want-1SG SUBJ NEG come-2SG
 'I do not want you to come.'

An issue that has attracted a great deal of attention in the literature is whether or not these two negation particles occupy the same slot in the clause structure. Another point of controversy concerns the issue whether Neg^o precedes Mood^o or vice versa, with reference also to the fact that imperatives in Greek cannot be negated (Rivero 1994; Drachman 1991; Philippaki-Warbuton 1998 among others).

2. Topic and Focus: (Discourse) configurationality

It is well-known that Greek is a language with a certain freedom of word order which is reminiscent of the patterns found in non-configurational languages. This has been related to case (Catsimali 1990) or to the presence of object clitics and subject agreement (Alexiadou & Anagnostopoulou 1999c). In fact, Catsimali (1990) has argued that Greek is non-configurational in the sense of Hale (1983) and Kiss (1987), but this view is not generally accepted in the literature on Greek (see Horrocks 1994 for a thorough discussion of the issue).

It has also been noted that the information structure of a given sentence is reflected in the manner in which phrases are structured in the sentence, and moreover that it is crucially related to its intonation structure. Thus Greek has been argued to bear a certain resemblance to discourse configurational languages, as the different word order patterns convey different information (Philippaki-Warbuton 1985; Agouraki 1990, 1993; Tsimpli 1995; Alexiadou &

Anagnostopoulou 1995; Alexiadou 1999a, among others). As these authors point out, a basic fact about Greek is that postverbal subjects are not equivalent to preverbal subjects from the point of view of information structure, i.e. they tend to constitute ‘new’ information. Consider the sentences in (8). Once the DP ‘a letter’ has been introduced in the discourse, i.e. it conveys ‘old’ information, it can no longer occupy a postverbal position:

- (8) a. Η Μαρία μου έστειλε ένα γράμμα. Το γράμμα ήρθε
 i maria mu estile ena grama to grama irthe
 Mary-NOM me sent a letter-ACC the letter-NOM arrived
 σήμερα.
 simera
 today
 ‘Mary sent me a letter. The letter arrived today.’
- b. Η Μαρία μου έστειλε ένα γράμμα. %Ηρθε το γράμμα
 i maria mu estile ena grama %irthe to grama
 Mary-NOM me sent a letter-ACC arrived the letter-NOM
 σήμερα.
 simera
 today
 ‘Mary sent me a letter. The letter arrived today.’

On the other hand, tests diagnosing the ‘new’ information status of a certain DP show that standard answers to the question ‘what happened?’ in Greek involve inverted subject orders:

- what happened?
- (9) a. Έσπασε ο Γιάννης τη λάμπα.
 espase o janis ti lamba
 broke-3SG the John-NOM the lamp-ACC
 ‘John broke the lamp.’
- b. Έφτασε ένα γράμμα από το Παρίσι
 eftase ena grama apo to parisi
 arrived a letter-NOM from the Paris-ACC
 ‘A letter arrived from Paris.’

If one relates notions such as ‘old’ and ‘new information’ to the grammatical notions of topic and focus which are grammatically encoded in sentence grammar, then preverbal subjects behave like topics, while postverbal subjects are part of the focus. In fact, Alexiadou & Anagnostopoulou (1998a) have

argued in detail that preverbal subjects behave like Clitic Left Dislocated (CLLDed) elements directly merged in an $\bar{A}$ -position (see also Tsimpli 1995, and Philippaki-Warbuton 1985; and for a different view according to which the SpecIP position has mixed A/ $\bar{A}$ properties, see Horrocks 1994).

This behavior of subjects correlates with V-movement. Alexiadou & Anagnostopoulou (1998a) proposed that in all pro-drop languages V-raising to I takes place in order to check its EPP feature. On the other hand, Philippaki-Warbuton & Spyropoulos (1999b) argue that SpecTP is occupied by subject clitic associated with pro in VP, checking T's EPP feature.

In Greek focussed material appears either in the left periphery or in situ, as is shown in the examples below, where the subject John is focused.

- (10) Ο Γιάννης αγόρασε το αυτοκίνητο.
 O JANIS agorase to aftokinito
 the John-NOM bought-3SG the car-ACC
 'John bought the car.'
- (11) Αγόρασε το αυτοκίνητο ο Γιάννης.
 agorase to aftokinito O JANIS
 bought the car-ACC the John-NOM
 'John bought the car.'

As Tsimpli (1995) convincingly argues, in (10) the subject is moved overtly to the specifier of a focus projection. According to Tsimpli, (10) behaves unlike a CLLD-ed structure (see Section 4) and shows all the properties of a construction involving operator-movement. For instance, no resumptive pronoun can be present, and the sentence can have only one focused element. As is well known (Cinque 1990), in CLLD structures the presence of a clitic is necessary. Moreover, the sentence can have more than one CLLD-ed elements:

- (12) Το Γιάννη (*τον) συμπαθώ πολύ.
 TO JANI (*ton) simbaθo poli
 the John him like-1SG much
 'It is John that I like a lot.'
- (13) *Στο Γιάννη τα βιβλία δώσαμε.
 STO JANI TA VIVLIA dosame
 to.the John the books-ACC gave-1PL
 'It is John we gave the books to.'

Furthermore, Tsimpli points out that in main clauses, focused constituents interact with wh-phrases in an interesting way. She argues that main clauses

contain only one specifier position in which *wh*- and focused phrases could land. As a result, the two compete for the same position. Sentences containing both a focused phrase and a *wh*-phrase are ungrammatical:

- (14) *Τι αγόρασε η Μαρία;
 ti aɣorase I MARIA
 what bought-3SG the Mary-NOM
 ‘What did Mary buy?’

This does not hold if the *wh*-phrase and the focused element are situated in different clauses (15), so that the scope domain of the two does not coincide. In case the two domains coincide, ungrammaticality arises even if the two are in different clauses (16):

- (15) Το Γιάννη ρώτησαν ποιος έφυγε.
 ton JANI rotisan pjos efije
 the John-ACC asked-3PL who left-3SG
 ‘It was John that they asked who left.’
- (16) *Ποιος είπε ότι την Μαρία συνάντησε
 pjos ipe oti tin MARIA sinandise
 who said that the Mary-ACC met-3SG
 ‘Who said that s/he met Mary?’

In (16) the focused phrase must raise to the matrix clause at LF. This gives rise to a situation where the focused phrase and the *wh*-phrase have identical scope domains.

According to Tsimpli, in (11) the focused DP raises to Focus at LF. On the other hand, Alexiadou (1999b), building on Kiss (1996), points out that preverbal foci are not equivalent to postverbal ones: while in (10) the subject receives a contrastive or narrow-focus reading, ‘it was John and not Paul’, in (11) the subject simply receives ‘new’ information focus. In (11) the subject is situated VP-internally and does not need to raise to FocusP; the Focus projection in the left periphery ‘licenses’ contrastive focus only. That the subject is situated VP-internally and that VOS orders are derived via leftward movement of the object is supported by data such as the ones in (17) below:

- (17) a. ?*Συνάντησε ο πατέρας του το κάθε κορίτσι;
 sinandise o pateras tu_i [to kaθε koritsi]_i
 met-3SG the father-NOM CL-GEN the each girl

- b. Συνάντησε το κάθε παιδί ο πατέρας του;
 sinandise [to kaθe peði]_i o pateras tu_i
 met-3SG the each child the father-NOM CL-GEN
 'Did each father meet his child?'

According to a number of native speakers, (17a) is ungrammatical since it fails to meet the c-command requirement on the pronominal binding of the possessive (or, alternatively, as a WCO violation due to the bijection principle).¹ On the other hand, in (17b) the object has been scrambled to the left and thus c-commands the subject possessive pronoun (or, the WCO effect is obviated because this is a case of A-scrambling which feeds variable binding).

According to Tsimpli, preverbal focussed constituents need to be adjacent to the verb. However, this constitutes an issue of controversy. Giannakidou (1997) points out that examples such as the following are completely grammatical:

- (18) Στον Παύλο χθες έδωσε η Μαρία τα λεφτά.
 STON PAVLO xθes edose i maria ta lefta
 to.the Paul yesterday gave-3SG the Mary-NOM the money-ACC
 'It was to Paul that Mary gave the money yesterday.'

3. Adverbs

In the recent literature, the research on the type and content of functional projections which constitute the clausal architecture runs in parallel with certain hypotheses concerning adverb placement. According to these views, the presence of certain types of adverbs within the verbal clause constitutes evidence for the presence of certain functional projections. Hence recent work on the syntax of adverbs has put forth the hypothesis that adverbial phrases are the unique specifiers of distinct functional projections (see Alexiadou 1997; Cinque 1999). This hypothesis is partly embedded within the framework of *Anti-symmetry* (Kayne 1994), and crucially builds on the transparent semantic relation that can be observed cross-linguistically, and is moreover suggestive of a specifier-head relation between adverbs and functional heads. For Greek this has been extensively discussed in Alexiadou (1997). The strings below show that the different adverbs and the different functional heads have a systematic one-to-one relation:

- (19) [CP [MoodP [AgrSP [TP [(NegP) [AspP [(Asp2P?) [VoiceP [VP]]]]]]]]]]]

- (20) CP^{eftixos}-MoodP^{piθanos}-TP^{xθes}-(NegP^{ppja})-AspP^{psiniθos}-(Asp2P^{pendelos})-VoiceP^{kala}
fortunately probably yesterday anymore usually completely well

Xydopoulos (1996), on the other hand, building on Chomsky (1995) and concentrating on the semantic and syntactic properties of temporal and aspectual adverbs, proposes that such adverbs are ‘second’ specifiers of the respective functional projections.

4. Clitics

The syntax of clitics is an area that has received much attention in the literature on Greek and has given rise to interesting theoretical results (see the overview in Drachman 1997).

Greek does not have clitics equivalent to Romance *ne, y, en*. Greek clitics are the weak/short/non-emphatic forms of the personal pronouns of the first, second and third person singular and plural, encoding features of direct and indirect object and the possessor (with nouns — see Section 5.3 for possessive clitics), the first manifesting accusative case and the latter two genitive case (see 21), at least in Standard Greek:

(21)	SG GEN	mu ‘to me’/‘my’
su ‘to you’/‘your’
tu/tis/tu ‘to him/her/it’ ‘his/hers/its’
	SG ACC	me ‘me’
se ‘you’
ton/tin/ton ‘him/her/it’
	PL GEN	mas ‘to us’/‘ours’ sas ‘to you’/‘yours’ tus ‘to them’ ‘theirs’
	PL ACC	mas ‘us’ sas ‘you’ tus/tis/ta ‘them’

Some linguists assume that the person and number indication of the verbal ending identifying *pro* ‘corresponds’ to a nominative clitic (Philippaki-Warburton 1987 who follows Safir 1985; Alexiadou & Anagnostopoulou 1998a following Sportiche 1992). True nominative clitics have been also argued to be present in the language (see Joseph 1994).

- (22) Νά τος.
na tos
here CL-NOM
‘Here he is.’

Clitics precede the finite verb forms but are enclitic on (non-finite) gerunds and the imperative (similarly to Spanish, Italian, French and Catalan) although there is dialect variation (Rivero & Terzi 1995; Terzi 1999a), allowing for enclitics with both finite and non-finite verbs.

- (23) a. το βλέπω
to vlepō
it see-1SG
'I see it.'
- b. διάβασέ το
ðjavasē to
read-2SG it
'Read it!'
- c. διαβάζοντάς το
ðjavazondas to
reading CL-ACC
'reading it'

The relative order of the preverbal clitics is strictly indirect object-direct object but there is no strict order between enclitics:

- (24) a. Μου το έδωσε.
mu to edose
CL-GEN CL-ACC gave-3SG
'He/she gave it to me.'
- b. Δώσε μου το.
dose mu to
give-2SG CL-GEN CL-ACC
'Give it to me.'
- c. Δώσε τό μου.
dose to mu
give-2SG CL-ACC CL-GEN
'Give it to me.'

Clitic placement has been investigated by a number of linguists including Rivero (1994), Drachman (1991), Philippaki-Warburton (1994b), Terzi (1992), Hegarty (1999), Terzi (1996, 1999b), Anagnostopoulou (1999b), Philippaki-Warburton & Spyropoulos (1999a).

Rivero (1994), Drachman (1991), Terzi (1992), Philippaki-Warburton (1994b) and Hegarty (1999) offer alternative explanations to account for the position of clitics as well as the environments in which proclisis and enclisis occur.

Terzi (1992) and Rivero (1994) argue that in finite clauses clitics left adjoin to the inflectional head to which the verb raises (Kayne 1989, 1991). Rivero (1994) develops an interesting analysis for the distribution of clitics in Imperatives which is based on the view that the verb undergoes head movement to C of the $\bar{A}$ type which is triggered by illocutionary features in C (see also Rivero & Terzi 1995). It is proposed that this movement is blocked by Negation, which is assumed to be an operator head under a version of Relativized Minimality (Rizzi 1990) on head movement which is relativized to the A vs. $\bar{A}$ status of intervening heads (see also Terzi 1992 for an approach according to which the Head Movement Constraint is relativized to the A/ $\bar{A}$ status of intervening heads). This analysis captures the correlation between enclisis and absence of negation in imperatives; for an alternative analysis see Philippaki-Warbuton (1998). For gerunds, Rivero (1994) argues that they move to Mood in order to pick up the gerundive affix resulting in enclisis, but they can co-occur with negation which is higher than Mood (Rivero 1994; Terzi 1992 but see Zanuttini 1991 for Romance). Philippaki-Warbuton (1994b) argues that when the clitics are proclitic, they deprive the category that follows them of its specifier. If they are enclitic, they are themselves generated in the head of a projection which lacks its specifier. Drachman (1994), on the other hand, capitalizes on the availability of projecting two Agreement projections (Cardinaletti & Roberts 1991) in the clause structure. Clitics are situated in AGR1. In proclisis, the verb moves to AGR2, while in enclisis the clitic is situated in AGR2 and the verbal element moves to Mood.

Terzi (1996) investigates the properties of the functional head to which clitics adjoin from the point of view of Kayne's (1994) antisymmetry framework; she argues that clitics adjoin to a functional head F, which is a featureless functional head in finite clauses—contra Kayne (1989, 1991) — while it is T in gerunds and imperatives. Terzi (1999b) explores an LCA line of analysis to account for the puzzle concerning the rigid vs. free ordering of clitics in proclisis and enclisis respectively. She proposes that the LCA makes two options available for the manner in which more than one clitic adjoins in the clausal structure: either (i) each clitic adjoins to a different functional head (25), or (ii) one clitic adjoins to the other (26):

In (25) FP1 is an empty functional head, a placeholder for clitics, while FP2 is T. In (26), on the other hand, FP2 is T. Terzi proposes that Greek double object clitics instantiate both the first and the second option, while in Romance only the second option is possible, i.e. clitics cluster under the same head T. In contexts of enclisis, the accusative > dative order results from a derivation in which the verb incorporates into the accusative clitic in (25), and the two move as a complex higher up, while the dative > accusative order results from a configuration in which the verb adjoins to Cl2 in (26) and the whole complex moves higher up. Assuming that in Romance only the second option is possible, the order of clitics is not altered in contexts of enclisis.

Hegarty (1999) addresses the problem of different clitic placement in proclitic and enclitic clauses as well as clitic ordering within the Minimalist framework, more specifically the version of checking theory assumed in Chomsky (1993). He argues that the alternation between proclisis and enclisis in Greek (similarly to Italian and Spanish) arises from the possibility of dissociating the checking of N-features on nominals against a functional head from the checking of V-features by the verb; this is tied to the null subject property of the language.

Anagnostopoulou (1999b) also looks at clitic placement from the perspective of checking theory, but the general framework assumed is the one outlined in Chomsky (1995) and the focus of interest is shifted from the enclisis vs. proclisis issue to the problem of clitic ordering in connection with a constraint known in the literature as *me-lui* or *Person-Case* constraint (Perlmutter 1971; Kayne 1975; Bonet 1991; Ormazabal & Romero 1998). This constraint is found

in a number of languages with clitics, weak pronouns and agreement markers including Spanish, Italian, Catalan, French, Greek, Arabic, Swiss German, Basque and Georgian (Bonet 1994 claims that it is universal) and it is formulated in (27) and illustrated in (28) for Greek:

(27) *Person Case Constraint*

Context: Ditransitives with phonologically weak direct and indirect objects

Observation: If a direct and an indirect object co-occur, the direct object has to be 3rd person.

- (28) a. Θα μου το στείλουνε.
 θα mu to stilune
 FUT CL-GEN.1SG CL-ACC.3SG.NEUT send-3PL
 ‘They will send it to me.’
- b. Θα σου τον στείλουνε
 θα su ton stilune
 FUT CL-GEN.2SG CL-ACC.3SG.MASC send-3PL
 ‘They will send him to you.’
- c. *θα του με στείλουνε
 θα tu me stilune
 FUT CL-GEN.3SG.NEUT/MASC CL-ACC.1SG send-3PL
 ‘They will send me to him.’
- d. *θα του σε στείλουνε
 θα tu se stilune
 FUT CL-GEN.3SG.MASC CL-ACC.2SG send-3PL
 ‘They will send you to him.’

Anagnostopoulou proposes that, in the constructions where a 3rd person restriction arises, person features are checked separately from number features (Taraldsen 1995; Chomsky 1998 for Icelandic nominative objects) on v. The proposed derivation is given in (29):

Crucial for this analysis is a syntax for double object constructions according to which (i) indirect objects and direct objects check ϕ -features against the same head *v*, (ii) the indirect object is generated higher than the direct object (contra Catsimali 1990; see Section 10) and (iii) the indirect object moves to *v* before the dative in a derivation that conforms with featural cyclicity (Richards 1997). Anagnostopoulou (1999b) argues that the rigid genitive-accusative order found in Greek directly reflects the order of movements in (29). Although this order is similar to orders found in Italian and Spanish, clitic ordering in Greek is the direct output of the syntactic derivation, unlike Romance where clitics are organized according to person features in the morphological component, as convincingly argued by Bonet (1991) (see also Joseph 1988 who points out that clitics can be thought of as morphological units).

The various approaches to clitic placement illustrated above attempt to highlight different aspects of the complex problem of clitics, their hosts and combinations and, therefore, they reach slightly different conclusions, in part also because they start from different theoretical considerations. For example, the LCA hypothesis (Kayne 1994) imposes certain restrictions that lead to the position that clitics adjoin to different functional heads, while the hypothesis that the core functional heads against which arguments check formal features are *v* and *T* (Chomsky 1995, 1998, 1999) leads one to the opposite position, at least under the assumption that formal feature checking is a trigger for clitic movement.² Nevertheless, there is a growing consensus that the view that clitic placement is

syntactic rather than morphological leads to interesting solutions to puzzles and captures non-trivial co-relations that would otherwise remain un-addressed. For a different view see Joseph & Smirniotopoulos (1993); for evidence that the movement is syntactic see Philippaki-Warbuton & Spyropoulos (1999a).

Object clitics form a number of dependencies with full DPs, namely in (Clitic) Left Dislocation, Clitic Doubling:

- (30) a. Του Πέτρου το βιβλίο του το έδωσα. CLLD
 tu petru to vivlio tu to edosa
 the Peter-GEN the book-ACC CL-GEN CL-ACC gave-1SG
 'I gave Peter the book.'
- b. Του το έδωσε του Πέτρου το βιβλίο Clitic Doubling
 tu to edose tu petru to vivlio
 CL-GEN CL-ACC gave-3SG the Peter-GEN the book-ACC
 η Μαρία.
 i maria
 the Mary-NOM
 'Mary gave Peter the book.'

In addition, clitics may occur in *wh*-questions under certain conditions, i.e. when the *wh*-phrase is partitive or D(iscourse)-Linked (Theophanopoulou Kontou 1986–1987; Iatridou 1991):

- (31) a. Ποιον από τους φίλους σου τον αγαπάς περισσότερο;
 pjon apo tus filus su ton agapas perisotero
 which-ACC of the friends yours CL-ACC love-2SG more?
 'Which one of your friends do you love most?'
- b. *Ποιον τον είδες;
 pjon ton ides
 whom-ACC CL-ACC saw-2SG

CLLD has been discussed extensively in Philippaki Warbuton (1987), Iatridou (1991), Agouraki (1993), Tsimpli (1990, 1995), Anagnostopoulou (1994, 1997), Schneider-Zioga (1993). Various aspects of the syntax of Clitic Doubling have been discussed in Drachman (1983), Fykias (1988), Philippaki-Warbuton (1987), Agouraki (1993), Anagnostopoulou (1994, 1999b), Schneider-Zioga (1993), Alexiadou & Anagnostopoulou (1997, 1999c) and Dimitriadis (1999). Clitics in interrogatives have been discussed in Theophanopoulou-Kontou (1986–1987), Iatridou (1991) and Anagnostopoulou (1994).

At a factual level, the discussion of CLLD and Clitic Doubling has been obscured by the fact that some further distinctions between closely related

constructions are not always recognized. For example Alexiadou (1997) and Anagnostopoulou (1997) argue that CLLD differs from Hanging Topic Left Dislocation (HTLD) in Greek with respect to Case Connectedness which is present in the former but absent in the latter construction. On the other hand, Tsimpli (1990, 1995) does not distinguish between CLLD and HTLD and assumes that in Greek Left Dislocation, LDED DPs may always have default nominative Case, unlike focused DPs in Focus-fronting constructions. A related issue arises with respect to Clitic Doubling and Right Dislocation. Given that Greek is a language in which clitic doubling is not subject to Kayne's Generalization (1975) (Drachman 1983; Fykias 1988; Joseph 1988; Dimitriadis 1999; see Iatridou's 1991 point below), it is hard to distinguish between Clitic Doubling and Right Dislocation, unlike languages like, e.g. Spanish (see Anagnostopoulou 1994 for some arguments based on Jaeggli 1986, and Anagnostopoulou 1999b who argues basing herself on Zubizarreta 1998 and Alexiadou 1999a that Greek has genuine clitic doubling and not just right dislocation because it permits a doubled object DP to occur preceding a postverbal subject carrying the main stress of the sentence).

One line of approaches takes all or some of these constructions to have a uniform syntax. For example, Philippaki-Warbuton (1987) proposes that CLLD and Clitic Doubling both involve a relationship between a clitic in argument position and a DP-adjunct in a left- or right-peripheral position (see also Aoun 1981; Hurtado 1984 for Romance and Baker 1996 for polysynthetic languages). A similar position is taken in Schneider-Zioga (1993) who argues following Iatridou (1991) for CLLD (see below) that CLLD and Clitic Doubling should be accounted for in terms of predication (see also Aoun 1999 for Lebanese Arabic). The "doubled DP" is not in a thematic position and is interpreted with respect to a complex predicate. In this analysis, the doubled element has the role of subject of predication, the phrase it is attached to is a complex predicate and the clitic-pro complex provides the open position, or the predicate variable. An analysis along these lines does not recognize the distinction between Clitic Doubling and Right Dislocation. A uniform account of Clitic Doubling and CLLD is also put forth in Agouraki (1993), but the specifics of the overall analysis are crucially different. In the spirit of Sportiche (1992), Agouraki (1993) proposes that clitics are functional heads heading their own projection and they may co-occur with full DPs in argument positions (Clitic Doubling). The doubled DPs may raise overtly to the specifier of the clitic head and from there they can move further on (CLLD). Agouraki points out that CLLD has mixed A/ $\bar{A}$ properties, similarly to scrambling. She proposes to

account for this similarity by postulating that the movement step of the DP to the clitic position has A properties (akin to an agreement process) while movement beyond this domain has $\bar{A}$ properties (cf. Mahajan 1990 for short-, medium- and long-distance scrambling, Sportiche 1992 who proposes to unify the syntax of clitic constructions and scrambling, and Alexiadou & Anagnostopoulou 1997 who argue that the counterpart of short scrambling is clitic doubling substantiating Sportiche's claim with evidence from binding).

A different line is pursued in Iatridou (1991) and Anagnostopoulou (1994, 1997) who provide a number of arguments to show that Clitic Doubling and CLLD cannot be analysed on a par. Iatridou points out that the conditions under which Clitic Doubling and CLLD are licensed are not identical; for example there are languages that have CLLD but no Clitic Doubling (French, Italian), and there are languages in which Kayne's Generalization holds for Clitic Doubling but not for CLLD (Spanish). Anagnostopoulou (1994) further points out that while Clitic Doubling in Greek is only possible with discourse prominent DPs, CLLD is much more free: it may take place with DPs that are novel in discourse and can be used as topics in the sense of Reinhart (1982) (cf. Alexopoulou 1999 for extensive argumentation that CLLDed phrases, unlike clitic doubled DPs, express the information packaging notion of *linkhood* (Vallduvi 1992) understood in terms of *non-monotone anaphora*). Iatridou (1991) concludes that CLLD does not originate from a Clitic Doubling configuration and proposes that CLLD is a predication structure: the LDed DP is the subject of predication and it is base-generated in a position adjoined to the clause which forms the complex predicate; the open position necessary for the clause to function as a variable is provided by the cl-pro chain. According to Iatridou (1991) CLLD takes place with D(iscourse)-linked DPs (Pesetsky 1987), a fact which explains why clitics are possible with D-linked interrogatives: these do not have the syntax of questions but rather they involve CLLD of a D-linked wh-phrase. She further develops a derivational account of the selective island sensitivity property of CLLD which dispenses with the notion of referential chains argued for in Cinque (1990) (who modifies Rizzi 1990). Anagnostopoulou (1994, 1997) adopts Iatridou's analysis for CLLD and proposes further to unify CLLD with *Contrastive Left Dislocation*, a construction found in Germanic (German, Dutch, Icelandic, see the various contributions to Anagnostopoulou, van Riemsdijk & Zwarts 1997). For Clitic Doubling, she maintains an analysis along the lines of Sportiche (1992) according to which clitics are markers for specificity (Spanish) or Prominence (Greek) on their associated DPs which are in argument position (see Anagnostopoulou & Giannakidou

1995 for a generalized treatment of doubling clitics cross-linguistically as markers for *referentiality*). Finally, Anagnostopoulou argues that *wh*-questions with clitics do not involve CLLD (contra Iatridou 1991) but rather the clitics “spell-out” a pronominal variable (Cinque 1990) licensed under referentiality.

It is striking, though by no means unexpected, that the literature which focuses on simple cliticization constructions for the most part adopts a movement approach to cliticization (cf. Kayne 1975, 1989, 1991) while the literature that is concerned with clitic dependencies and especially Clitic Doubling generally assumes that clitics are base-generated as inflections (cf. Rivas 1977; Stotzer 1976; Jaeggli 1982, 1986; Borer 1984; and more recently Sportiche 1992 who reconciles the movement vs. base-generation approach to clitic constructions but maintains that clitics do not move to their surface position but rather they are base-generated there). As already mentioned, syntactic approaches offer interesting solutions to issues such as clitic placement and clitic ordering. On the other hand, once it is recognized that clitics may co-occur with full DPs in argument position it is natural to opt for a base generation analysis of clitics in the functional domain. In the Minimalist Framework, and in particular Chomsky’s (1995) *Move F* proposal, clitics can be naturally viewed as formal features of DPs undergoing movement to functional heads without phrasal pied piping. Anagnostopoulou (1999b) extensively argues for this view on the basis of the distribution of indirect object clitics in passive, raising and unaccusative constructions. In such an analysis, doubling clitics move to their host from argument positions and, thus, the existence of clitic doubling constructions does not challenge a movement approach to cliticization.

5. DP-syntax³

5.1 Functional projections and adjective placement

A more recent issue in the investigation of noun phrases cross-linguistically concerns the functional structure they contain. More specifically, the extension of the X-bar schema to the sentential functional elements (Chomsky 1986) and the increasing work on head-movement (Baker 1988) have led researchers to elaborate a more articulated syntactic representation for the noun phrase. Arguing that the functional nominal material should fit into the X-bar schema, Horrocks & Stavrou (1987) (and see Szabolcsi 1983; Abney 1987; Fukui & Speas 1986 among others), hypothesized that noun phrases, like clauses, are headed

by a functional element. This functional head was labeled Art by Horrocks and Stavrou and D by Abney. Horrocks and Stavrou (1987) further argued that a crucial difference between English and Greek is that in English DP corresponds to IP, while in Greek DP corresponds to CP. SpecDP is not an argument position in Greek and thus *wh*-movement naturally takes place within this domain. The example below illustrates the interaction between *wh*-movement at the clausal level and DP-internal *wh*-movement (but see Philippaki-Warbuton & Papaphili 1988; and Theophonopoulou-Kontou 1988).

- (32) a. Μου είπες ότι διάβασες το βιβλίο τίνος;
 mu ipes oti δjavases [to vivlio tinos]
 me told-2SG that read-2SG the book whose
 'You told me you read whose book?'
 b. Μου είπες ότι διάβασες τίνος το βιβλίο;
 mu ipes oti δjavases [tinos_i [to vivlio t_i]
 'You told me you read whose book?'
 c. Τίνος μου είπες ότι διάβασες το βιβλίο;
 tinos_i mu ipes oti diavases to vivlio t_i
 'You told me you read whose book?'
 d. Τίνος το βιβλίο μου είπες ότι διάβασες;
 [tinos_i [[to vivlio t_i]]_i mu ipes oti diavases t_i
 'You told me you read whose book?'

Further research on the syntax of the Greek DP has shown that no more than one functional projection between D and the lexical N is needed (see Stavrou 1999; and Karanassios 1992; Alexiadou & Stavrou 1997 for the same conclusion based on different kind of evidence). While Picallo (1991) proposes that Catalan nouns contain in their extended projection the functional categories of Gender and Number, this does not hold for Greek. As has been shown convincingly by Ralli (1994, 1997), Gender as opposed to Number, is not a feature of the inflectional affix but it is an inherent feature of the noun stem. This in turn means that gender specification will show up under the terminal node N° (see Ritter 1995) and hence no independent functional projection need be present within the nominal extended projection.

A further characteristic of Greek is that it does not show any effects of noun displacement within DP, at least with respect to the criteria that have been cross-linguistically established, i.e. affixal articles and adjective placement. Cinque (1993) and related literature have suggested that the relative order between adjectives and nouns is a criterion for assuming noun-movement in a

language or not, under the assumption that adjectives attach to the same sites cross-linguistically. On this view, languages in which nouns precede adjectives are languages with noun movement. In Greek, all adjectives always precede the noun, as is illustrated in the examples in (33) and (34) (see Alexiadou & Stavrou 1998b for detailed discussion). Hence Greek contrasts with languages such as Italian where the head-noun precedes the adjective:

- (33) *το σπίτι μεγάλο
to spiti megalο
the house big
'the big house'
- (34) *η καταστροφή ιταλική
i katastrofi italiki
the destruction Italian
'the Italian destruction'
- (35) a. La distruzione romana di Cartagine
the destruction roman of Carthago
'the Roman destruction of Carthago'
b. * La romana distruzione di Cartagine
the roman destruction of Carthago
'the Roman destruction of Carthago'

Moreover, given that the definite article is not an affix in Greek, no argument in favor of N-to-D movement can be formulated for this language.

The distribution of the definite determiner and certain related aspects of adjectival modification in Greek DPs have received some attention within the Greek generative literature. One surprising characteristic of Greek definite DPs is that multiple occurrences of the same definite determiner in the same noun phrase are possible. This is illustrated in (36), where each adjective is accompanied by its own determiner. The phenomenon exemplified in (36) has been labelled by Androutsopoulou (1994) *Determiner Spreading* (DS).

- (36) a. το βιβλίο το κόκκινο το μεγάλο
to vivlio to kokino to megalο
the book the red the big
'the big red book'
b. το μεγάλο το κόκκινο το βιβλίο
to megalο to kokino to vivlio
the big the red the book
'the big red book'

The order of constituents in Greek noun phrases is rigid in the absence of DS. On the other hand, in the presence of DS a number of different orders become available. (37) illustrates the additional possible permutations for (36). All orderings receive one and the same interpretation:

- (37) a. το μεγάλο το βιβλίο το κόκκινο
to mevalo to vivlio to kokino
b. το κόκκινο το βιβλίο το μεγάλο
to kokino to vivlio to mevalo
c. το βιβλίο το μεγάλο το κόκκινο
to vivlio to mevalo to kokino

Androutsopoulou adopts the proposal that pre-nominal adjectives are heads in extended N-D projection.

The multiple determiners that appear in DS are analyzed as instances of a new functional head within the DP projection, which she calls Def^{P} (for definiteness). Def^{P} is optionally projected above NP and AP. Def^{P} heads host formal agreement features (phi-features, Case and definiteness), which get spelled out by the relevant form of *to*.

On the other hand, Alexiadou & Wilder (1998) recognize that adjectives need (or: can need) determiners of their own when they modify DPs. In their view, a closer understanding of the DS phenomenon within a theory in which multiple determiners are required anyway by the syntax of adjectival modification. Such a theory has been put forth by Kayne (1994), quite independently of the Greek facts. Thus Alexiadou & Wilder argue that instead of being base-generated on left branches, pre-nominal APs in DPs with DS stand in derived positions. Each AP undergoes obligatory raising to the specifier of its CP. This is predicate raising assumed by Kayne (1994) for prenominal APs in English. Example (36b) then has the surface structure (39):⁴

5.2 Nominalization

Another topic of investigation concerns nominalization. In particular, Markantonatou (1992), Kolliakou (1995), Alexiadou & Stavrou (1998a), and Alexiadou (1999c) investigate the formation of argument taking nominals in Greek. Markantonatou's analysis is cast in terms of LFG, while Kolliakou's in terms of HPSG. Alexiadou & Stavrou, within the Principles and Parameters approach, argue that nominals of the type in (40), so called process nominals (Grimshaw 1990) show verbal properties in that they (a) take complements and (b) can be modified by adverbs.

- (40) η καταστροφή της πόλης τελειωτικά
 i katastrofi tis polis teliotika
 the destruction the city-GEN completely
 'the destruction of the city completely'

In order to account for these verbal properties of nouns they assume that the nominal affix *-i* embeds a VP, hence the presence of adverbial modification and of an internal argument.

A different proposal is made in Alexiadou (1999c) who, following Marantz (1997) and others, proposes that there is no categorial difference between verbs and nouns. Rather nominals of the type in (40) have the properties they have as they include a set of functional projections which are standardly associated with

verbal clauses in addition to the nominal ones they possess. Specifically, process nominals include Voice/v and Aspect, projections linked to Events and Viewpoint Aspect. On the other hand, result nominals e.g. *δjayonisma* ‘exam’ lack such verbal projections.

Finally, Roussou (1991) investigates a special case of nominalization in Greek, namely nominalized clauses of the type in (41):

- (41) Το ότι ήρθε με ενόχλησε.
 to oti irthe me enoxlise
 the that came-3sg me bothered
 ‘The fact that s/he came bothered me.’

Roussou proposes that the structural analysis of (41) involves a CP which appears as the complement of the Determiner. This is possible given that C is nominal, as its only function is to turn a proposition into an argument. In fact, Roussou argues, the presence of D is necessary for reasons that have to do with case assignment. Nominalized clauses in Greek appear only in positions where other NPs receive case, i.e. in the subject or in the object position. The only way for a CP to receive case then is when it is preceded by the determiner.

While the presence of a determiner is licit with the complementizer ‘oti’, its presence with *pu*, the factive complementizer leads, according to Roussou, to ungrammaticality:

- (42) *το που έφυγε
 to pu efije
 the that left-3sg

Roussou attributes this to the fact that *pu* is already specified [+def] and hence need not be preceded by the definite determiner.

5.3 Clitics in DPs

Possessive clitics in the DP have not received as much attention as clitics in the verbal domain have. In Greek possessive clitics attach either on the nominal head or appear in post-adjectival position:

- (43) a. το καινούριο ποδήλατό του
 to kenurjo poðilato tu
 the new bike his
 ‘his new bike’

- b. το καινούριο του ποδήλατο
 to kenurjo tu podilato
 the new his bike
 'his new bike'

The few existing accounts of cliticization are either phonological (Nespor & Vogel 1986) or primarily morphological (Kolliakou 1997) or morphosyntactic (Horrocks & Stavrou 1987, 1989; Karanassios 1992). Recently, Alexiadou & Stavrou (1999) showed that facts such as (43) above provide evidence for the existence of two possessor positions, each encoding possession in a different and 'special' way. The authors demonstrated that there are semantic/interpretational differences between the two cliticization sites. One such difference is illustrated below. In (44a) the possessor can be both [$\pm$ animate]. In (44b), where the clitic surfaces in the post-adjectival position, it can only receive an animate interpretation and hence the example is ungrammatical under the 'possessor = shop' interpretation:

- (44) a. ο όμορφος ιδιοκτήτης του
 o omorfos idioktitis-tu
 the handsome owner-its
 'its handsome owner'
- b. *ο όμορφός του ιδιοκτήτης (vs. το όμορφό μου σπίτι)
 o omorfos-tu idioktitis to omorfo mu spiti
 the handsome-its owner the beautiful my house
 'its handsome owner/the handsome owner of the shop'

To account for this, the authors propose that the clitics are not situated in the same structural position in the above examples. In (44b) the clitic occupies a higher position in the structural representation, while in (44a) it occupies a lower one.

6. Relative clauses⁵

A first investigation of relative clauses in Greek is found in Stavrou (1984), who follows a GPSG approach, and in Joseph (1983). Standardly, relative clauses are analyzed as adjuncts to either D or NP. Alexiadou (1998), assuming an approach to relative clauses which treats them as complements of D^o and revives the 'Vergnaud' (1974) raising analysis, (Kayne 1994) revisits their syntax. Building on Bianchi (1995), she describes the distribution of the relative

complementizer and the relative pronoun in Greek by comparing it to English and Italian and proposes certain modifications to the raising analysis, as these are required in order to capture the syntactic properties of Greek relative clauses. It is shown that the differences in distribution among these languages are actually related to some properties of the functional structure of the sentence, especially the Comp 'area', which in recent years has been argued to consist of a number of functional projections.

An asymmetry in the distribution of clitics in Greek (restrictive) relative clauses has been discussed in Stavrou (1984) and Alexiadou & Anagnostopoulou (2000). Stavrou notes that the presence of a clitic is obligatory in appositive relatives, but is unacceptable in the restrictives. This is indicated in (45) below:

- (45) a. το ρολόι του που το αγόρασε στην Ελβετία
 to roloi tu pu to agorase stin elvetia
 the watch his that CL-ACC bought-3SG in-the Switzerland
 'his watch that he bought in Switzerland'
- b. το ρολόι του, που (*το) αγόρασε στην Ελβετία,
 to roloi tu pu to agorase stin elvetia
 the watch his that CL-ACC bought-3SG in.the Switzerland
 'his watch that he bought in Switzerland'

Stavrou (1984) distinguishes between types of clitics that are present in appositive relative clauses and clitics which are present in restrictive relatives. With respect to the former she proposes that the presence of a clitic can be explained by the notion of topicalization. Crucially, for Stavrou the clitic topicalizes the head of the relative clause. Thus, the presence of a clitic is dependent on whether the head of the relative can be seen as a topic or not and the clitic is not involved in the process of relativization.

However, as also noted by Stavrou, clitics can be licensed when the 'head' of the relative clause is a QP or an indefinite, while they cannot be licensed when the 'head' of the relative is a definite. This point is investigated further in Alexiadou & Anagnostopoulou (2000) and Tsimpli (1999).

- (46) a. Διάβασα ένα βιβλίο που (το) πήρα από τη βιβλιοθήκη.
 δjavasa ena vivlio pu (to) pira apo ti vivlioθiki
 read-1SG a book-ACC that CL-ACC got from the library-ACC
 'I read a book that I got from the library.'

- b. Διάβασα το βιβλίο που (*το) πήρα από τη βιβλιοθήκη.
 δjavasa to vivlio pu (*to) pira apo ti vivlioθiki
 read-1s the book that CL-ACC got from the library-ACC
 'I read the book that I got from the library.'

Alexiadou & Anagnostopoulou argue that the clitic can be analysed as forming a constituent with the raised NP. In other words, the clitic 'doubles' the raised NP. As they show, the clitic construction is sensitive to strong islands, a fact which supports a movement analysis from a clitic doubling input. In this view, the restrictions on the distribution of clitics reduce to restrictions on clitic doubling. There are a number of constraints on the morphological and semantic nature of doubled NPs across languages.⁶ One such constraint is that DO doubling clitics can never be associated with bare NPs. The Greek sentence in (47) illustrates this:

- (47) *Τα είδα παιδιά να έρχονται.
 ta ida peδja na erxonde
 CL-ACC saw-1SG children SUBJ come-3PL

Given this analysis, a RRC headed by a definite determiner results from an input of the type illustrated in (46), i.e. it involves a bare phrase doubled by an accusative clitic. Since this is an impossible structure to begin with, the resulting relative is also impossible. Hence, the distribution of clitics in Greek constitutes a language-specific argument in favor of a head raising analysis for relative clauses.

A different approach is taken in Tsimpli (1999). Tsimpli provides an interesting theoretical and empirical link between clitic-containing and operator-variable structures, examining clauses involving null and overt operators in English and in Greek, alongside the distribution of clitics in Deleted Object Constructions (of the 'tough'-type), purposive clauses, matrix interrogatives, restrictive and appositive relative clauses. All of these involve the presence of an operator, realized or null. Tsimpli shows that an object clitic is obligatory whenever an operator can bind the clitic (or the empty subject, in the constructions where there is one), as when it is non-quantificational; coreferentiality in these cases between the clitic and its antecedent in an argument position in the matrix clause is further due to the predication relationship between the antecedent and the CP clause. In the related English sentences there is a null epithet with a fixed reference rather than an overt pronoun, because feature identifiers are not available. The clitic is excluded, however, when the relevant operator is quantificational (thus lacking a referential index), since the clitic is

a specificity marker. In relative clauses with indefinite heads, a clitic is optionally present, and this is due to the fact that the indefinite head of the RC in these cases gets a specific reading (Enç 1991); given further the predication relationship between the RC and the head of which this is predicated, it is assumed that the clitic enters a predication relationship with the indefinite NP head. This relationship is mediated through the (null) operator in the CP which $\bar{A}$ -binds the clitic. In the case of appositive relatives, the operator is assumed to be non-quantificational, so that it does not contribute to the recoverability of the reference and Case feature; thus, the clitic acquires a referential index with the head NP in A-position via $\bar{A}$ -binding plus predication indexing. Similarly, in embedded interrogatives the clitic can be present because there is a non-quantificational operator in the local CP which can $\bar{A}$ -bind the clitic.

7. Subjects in subjunctive clauses

Greek has no infinitives. All its moods (indicative, subjunctive, imperative) are expressed by finite forms throughout; specifically, the ‘subjunctive’ mood consists of the particle *na* plus fully inflected forms of the verb, being the common translational equivalent of the English infinitive:

- (48) Θέλω να φύγεις.
 θelo na fɨjs
 want-1SG SUBJ go-2SG
 ‘I want you to go.’

This characteristic is shared to some degree by the languages of the Balkan Peninsula, Greek, Albanian, Macedonian, Bulgarian, Serbo-Croatian, and Romanian which are said to form a *Sprachbund* (see Joseph 1983 for discussion).

An issue of controversy among linguists is whether or not *na*-clauses involve Control. That *na*-clauses do not always involve Control can be illustrated with cases where the embedded subject need not be interpreted as coreferential with the matrix subject and where lexical NPs can be licensed in the embedded subject position.

- (49) Ο Γιάννης ελπίζει να φύγει η Μαρία/ να φύγουνε.
 o janis elpizi na fɨj i maria/ na fɨɣune
 the John-NOM hopes SUBJ go-3SG the Mary-NOM SUBJ go-3PL
 ‘John hopes that Mary goes/John hopes that they go.’

According to one view (Philippaki-Warbuton 1987; Philippaki-Warbuton & Catsimali 1999), *na* clauses never display Control because the empty category PRO cannot occur in a finite clause understood as a clause in which the verb inflects for person. Another view holds (Iatridou 1993; Terzi 1992; Varlokosta 1994 and others) that despite the lack of infinitives, the subject of the embedded clause must still be PRO in some cases. Since both sides present interesting arguments, we choose to focus here on the arguments rather than the analyses.

Iatridou (1993) gives a number of reasons for the existence of Control. She points out that in many cases, the embedded verb, similarly to the matrix verb, shows agreement in number and person with the matrix subject obligatorily. When the lower verb does not agree in person (51a) and number (51b) with the matrix subject ungrammaticality arises:

- (50) a. Ο Πέτρος ξέρει να κολυμπάει.
 o petros kseri na kolimbai
 the Peter-NOM.SG knows SUBJ swim-3SG
 ‘Peter knows how to swim.’
 b. Ο Πέτρος χαίρεται να γράφει.
 o petros xerete na grafi
 the Peter-NOM.SG is.glad-3SG SUBJ write-3SG
 ‘Peter is happy to write.’
- (51) a. *Ο Πέτρος ξέρει να κολυμπάω.
 o petros kseri na kolimbao
 the Peter-NOM knows SUBJ swim-1SG
 b. *Ο Πέτρος ξέρει να κολυμπάνε.
 o petros kseri na kolimbane
 the Peter-NOM knows SUBJ swim-3PL

She further notes that exactly in those contexts where agreement between the lower verb and the higher subject is obligatory, overt subjects in the embedded clause are ungrammatical and, moreover, that the reference of the embedded subject is obligatorily determined by the higher subject (53a) or object (53b), depending on the matrix predicate:

- (52) *Ο Πέτρος ξέρει να κολυμπάει η Μαρία.
 o petros kseri na kolimbai i maria
 the Peter-NOM knows SUBJ swim-3SG the Mary-NOM

- (53) a. Ο Πέτρος ξέρει να κολυμπάει.
 o petros kseri na kolimbai
 the Peter-NOM know-3SG SUBJ swim-3SG
 'Peter knows how to swim.'
- b. Η Μαρία βλέπει τον Πέτρο να τηγανίζ-ει ψάρια.
 i maria vlepi ton petro na tiyaniz-i psaria
 the Mary-NOM see-3SG the Peter-ACC SUBJ fry-3SG fish
 'Mary sees Peter frying fish.'

Iatridou (1993) concludes that the fact that (i) overt subjects are impossible and (ii) the reference of the understood subject is obligatorily linked to the arguments of the matrix verb is evidence for Control because only in structures with PRO and not in structures with pro do such facts obtain.

Concerning the factor licensing PRO in Greek subjunctives, Iatridou (1993) points out that in cases showing properties of Control the embedded clause lacks Tense, in the sense that it does not show [$\pm$ Past] specifications:

- (54) Ο Πέτρος ξέρει να κολύμπησε
 *o petros kseri na kolimbise
 the Peter-NOM know-3SG SUBJ swim-PAST.3SG

On the basis of this, Iatridou (1993) proposes that in Greek, lack of Tense results in lack of nominative Case and that [$-$ Tense] assigns Null Case to PRO. This proposal is further supported by the observation that with certain predicates like *fandazome* ('imagine'), when object control takes place the [$\pm$ Past] distinction in the lower clause is impossible, while when the embedded subject surfaces with nominative Case, the lower clause can show [$\pm$ Past] distinctions:

- (55) a. Φαντάζομαι τον Πέτρο να τηγανίζει/ *τηγάνισε
 fandazome ton petro na tiyanizi/ *tiyanise
 imagine-1SG the Peter-ACC SUBJ fry-3SG.PRES *fry-3SG.PAST
 ψάρια.
 psaria
 fish
 'I imagine Peter frying/ *fried fish'

- b. Φαντάζομαι ο Πέτρος να τηγανίζει/ τηγάνισε
 fandazome o petros na tiyanizi/ tiyanise
 imagine-1SG the Peter-NOM SUBJ fry-3SG.PRES/ fry-3SG.PAST
 ψάρια.
 psaria
 fish
 'I imagine Peter frying/fried fish'

An additional argument comparative in nature can be found in Terzi (1992). Terzi (1992) points out that Greek subjunctives, unlike Romance subjunctives, do not show subject-obviation. While embedded and matrix subjects must be obligatorily disjoint in reference in Romance subjunctives (56), this is not the case in Greek (57):

- (56) Juan_i quiere que EC_{j/*i} venga *Spanish*
 John wants that comes-SUBJ
 'John_i wants that he_{j/*i} comes.'
- (57) Ο Γιάννης θέλει να έρθει. *Greek*
 o janis_i theli na EC_{i/j} erθi
 the John-NOM want-3SG SUBJ come-3SG
 'John_i wants that he_{i/j} comes.'

Terzi argues that Greek subjunctives behave like infinitives and not like Romance subjunctive clauses, and that the similarity between Greek subjunctives and infinitives can be straightforwardly captured in terms of an analysis involving control.

Terzi differs from Iatridou in that she does not consider the [$\pm$ Tense] property as being responsible for Control, as there are contexts in which the [$\pm$ Past] opposition is impossible and yet nominative Case is possible:

- (58) Ο Γιάννης θέλει να έρθει/ έρθω/
 o janis theli na erθi erθo
 the John-NOM wants SUBJ come-3SG.PRES come-1SG.PRES
 *ήρθε/ *ήρθα
 *irθe *irθa
 come-3SG.PAST come-1SG.PAST

Instead she proposes that *na* assigns Null Case to PRO in its Specifier position while subjunctive complements with a *pro* or lexical subject involve Verb Movement to the embedded C resulting in a VS order.

A final set of arguments based on the properties of the null subject with respect to binding can be found in Varlokosta (1994). Varlokosta (1994) notes that the subject of certain subjunctive complements in Greek displays a number of properties characterizing anaphoric rather than pronominal elements, namely, it forbids split antecedents (59a), permits only sloppy readings under ellipsis (59b) and requires a *de se* interpretation (59c):

- (59) a. *Ο Γιάννης ξέρει να βοηθήσουν ο ένας τον άλλο.
 o janis kseri na voithisun o enas ton alo
 the John-NOM knows SUBJ help-3PL the each the other
- b. Ο Γιάννης ξέρει να κολυπάει, το ίδιο και ο Βασίλης.
 o janis kseri na kolimbai to idio ke o Vasilis
 the John-NOM knows SUBJ swim-3SG the same and the Bill
 ‘John knows how to swim and so does Bill.’
- c. Ο Ατυχής ξέρει να εκτιμήσει το μετάλλιο.
 o atixis kseri na ektimisi to metalio
 the Unfortunate knows SUBJ appreciate-3SG the medal-ACC
 ‘The Unfortunate knows how to appreciate the medal.’

Varlokosta argues that the above properties can be explained if the subject of the embedded clause is PRO and not if it is pro because PRO is a pronominal anaphor [+p, +a] while pro is [+p, -a], i.e. it does not have anaphoric properties (Chomsky 1981).

Concerning the licensing Conditions for PRO, Varlokosta (1994) refines Iatridou’s correlation between Tense and Case and introduces a distinction between morphological and independent/semantic Tense. Varlokosta argues that while obligatory and Optional Control take place in clauses which lack morphological Tense, obligatory Control is further conditioned by the absence of independent temporal reference in the embedded clause (Stowell 1983). Thus complements of optional Control verbs such as *thelo* ‘want’ lack morphological Tense, but they show evidence for the presence of independent Tense, as is evident from the fact that they can be modified by adverbs with temporal reference different from the reference of the matrix predicate:

- (60) (Σήμερα) ο Γιάννης θέλει να φύγει (αύριο).
 (simera) o janis theli na fiji (avrio)
 today the John-NOM want-3SG SUBJ leave-3SG tomorrow
 ‘John wants (today) to leave tomorrow.’

Such complements also show evidence for the presence of Case as they may license NP subjects with nominative Case:

- (61) Ο Γιάννης θέλει να φύγει η Μάρια.
 o janis theli na fiji i maria
 the John-NOM want-3SG SUBJ leave-3SG the Mary-NOM
 'John wants Mary to leave.'

On the other hand, complements of obligatory Control verbs such as *ksero* 'know how' lack morphological Tense, and they also lack independent Tense:

- (62) *Τώρα ο Γιάννης ξέρει να κολυμπήσει αύριο.
 tora o janis kseri na kolimbisi avrio
 now the John-NOM know-3SG SUBJ swim-3SG tomorrow

The fact that an embedded subject cannot be licensed in such cases (63) further shows that the absence of nominative Case depends on the absence of independent Tense:

- (63) *Ο Γιάννης ξέρει να κολυμπάει η Μάρια.
 o janis kseri na kolimbai i maria
 the John-NOM know-3SG SUBJ swim-3SG the Mary-NOM

The Tense properties of subjunctive complements are examined also in Roussou (1999) from a different perspective. The basic claim there is that embedded subjunctives in Greek are licensed by matrix sentential operators such as negative, Q, conditional, necessity and possibility, and that they therefore have much in common with indefinite expressions (i.e. by functioning as a kind of polarity item). This is expressed by means of a local head dependency between the relevant matrix and the embedded (subjunctive) T. An important distinction is drawn, however between epistemic ('think' etc.) and volitional predicates in that the former are not normally inherently modal and so may take subjunctive complements only in the context of an appropriate matrix modality (neg, Q, etc.). Furthermore, they alone permit independent time reference in their complements, thus permitting the appearance of past tense forms in combination with the subjunctive-marking particle *na*. This difference is explained as follows. Like true epistemic modals expressing possibility and necessity, epistemic predicates like 'think' necessarily display a 'pleonastic' present tense (the verb form regularly used for temporally 'neutral' situations, reflecting here the fact that the expression of epistemic modality is time-independent). This means that the normal time-anchoring of an embedded verb to the time reference of the matrix fails; instead, the T-dependency is headed here by an expletive T in the matrix, and the temporal evaluation of the chain that it heads must then be derived from the time reference of the embedded T.

The temporal independence of the subjunctive complements of epistemic verbs is thus a natural consequence of the analysis.

Having presented a number of different arguments in the literature for a Control structure, let us now turn to the arguments against it.

Philippaki & Catsimali (1999) argue that a major problem for Control is posed by the fact that there is evidence that the missing subject is not uncased but rather it has nominative case. This evidence comes from a number of observations. First of all, predicate adjectives in the embedded clause have morphologically distinct nominative case, a fact which can be explained if the subject of the embedded clause is *pro* with nominative Case:

- (64) Ο Γιάννης ξέρει να είναι πάντα ευγενικός.
 o janis kseri na ine panda **evjenikos**
 the John-NOM know-3SG SUBJ be-3SG always polite-NOM.SG
 'John knows how to be always polite.'

The nominative Case on the predicate in the embedded clause cannot be argued to derive from a long-distance agreement process with the overt DP in the main clause because in constructions that have been analysed as object control in Iatridou (1993) the controller has accusative Case while the predicate has nominative:

- (65) Ο Γιάννης είδε τον Νίκο να είναι στενοχωρημένος.
 o janis ide **ton niko** na ine **stenoxorimenos**
 the John-NOM saw-3SG the Nikos-ACC SUBJ be-3SG sad-NOM.SG
 'John saw Nikos being sad.'

Furthermore, NP-modifiers and intensifiers in the embedded clause are specified for nominative case morphology:

- (66) a. Ο Γιάννης ξέρει να κολυμπάει μόνος του.
 o janis kseri na kolimbai **monos tu**
 the John-NOM know-3SG SUBJ swim-3SG alone-NOM
 'John knows how to swim by himself.'
- b. Άρχισε ο Γιάννης να κάνει κι ο ίδιος
 arxise o janis na kani ki o **idios**
 started the John-NOM SUBJ do-3SG and the same-NOM
 σαχλαμάρες.
 saxlamares
 stupidities
 'John himself started to do stupid things too.'

Another piece of evidence against the control analysis comes from the observation that in environments that are agreed upon by the proponents of the control analysis to display obligatory control, overt subjects are under certain conditions possible. This is the case, for instance, in coordination structures of the type illustrated in (67) as well as cases like (68) where it is difficult to argue that the subject NP, which appears in a position to the right of the embedded verb, is dislocated to the right of the matrix clause because the PP that follows belongs to the embedded clause:

- (67) Ο Γιάννης ξέρει να κάθεται αυτός και οι άλλοι
 o janis kseri [na kaθete (aftos)] ke [i ali
 the John-NOM knows-3SG SUBJ sit-3SG he and the others-NOM
 να δουλεύουν.
 na dulevun]
 SUBJ work-3PL
 'John knows how to sit while others do the work.'
- (68) Ξέρει τώρα να κολυμπάει ο Γιάννης και χωρίς σωσίβιο.
 kseri tora na kolimbai o janis ke xoris sosivio
 know-3SG now SUBJ swim-3SG the John-NOM and without life-jacket
 'John knows now how to swim even without a life-jacket.'

The final argument comes from the observation that Greek lacks PROarb constructions, which are always possible in languages that have Control.

On the basis of this evidence, Philippaki-Warbuton & Catsimali (1999) conclude that the empty category in Greek subjunctives is always pro, and that in cases when obligatory coreference is found, this is satisfied at a semantic and not a syntactic level.

Before concluding the discussion in this section, we would like to point out that Anagnostopoulou (1999b) and Alexiadou & Anagnostopoulou (1999a) have recently argued that Greek has (feature)-Raising out of subjunctive complements of the aspectual verbs *arxizo* 'start' and *stamatao* 'stop' (which have been analysed in terms of either PRO or pro) because the subject is obligatorily interpreted in the lower clause and yet it agrees with both the matrix and the embedded verb obligatorily. This can be shown, for example, on the basis of the distribution of nominative anaphors bound by object experiencers in (69) (more evidence comes from subject idioms and WCO effects, see Anagnostopoulou 1999b and Alexiadou & Anagnostopoulou 1999a for details):

- (69) a. Ο εαυτός του αρχίζει να του αρέσει (ο
 (o eaftos tu) arxizi na tu aresi (o
 the self his-NOM start-3SG SUBJ CL-GEN appeal-3SG the
 εαυτός του).
 eaftos tu)
 self his
 'He starts liking/accepting himself.'
- b. * Ο εαυτός του αρχίζει να τον αντιπαθεί (ο
 (o eaftos tu) arxizi na ton andipaθi (o
 the self his-NOM start-3SG SUBJ CL-ACC dislike-3SG the
 εαυτός του).
 eaftos tu)
 self his
 'He starts disliking himself'

If the Raising analysis is correct, and if Raising depends on absence of Case in the embedded clause as is standardly assumed, then this provides evidence for a dissociation of abstract Case as a syntactic feature and agreement as a surface morphological effect (Marantz 1991; Schütze 1997). Thus, the overall picture is more complicated than assumed so far.

8. Anaphors

The Greek anaphor 'ο eaftos tu' (the self his) has the form and the structural properties of a definite description, consisting of the definite determiner *ο*, the head noun *eaftos* and the possessive clitic *tu*, which varies in ϕ -features according to its antecedent:

- (70) a. Ο Πέτρος αγαπάει τον εαυτό του.
 o petros agapai ton eafto tu
 the Peter-NOM.SG.MASC loves the self-ACC.SG.MASC his
 'Peter loves himself.'
- b. Η Ηλέκτρα αγαπάει τον εαυτό της.
 i ilektra agapai ton eafto tis
 the Ilektra-NOM.SG.FEM loves the self-ACC.SG her
 'Ilektra loves herself.'

Based on evidence from clitic doubling, Iatridou (1988) argues that the Greek anaphor is not subject to Principle A as we know it from Government and

Binding Theory. According to Iatridou, this is due to the fact that only the possessive clitic is coindexed with its antecedent and not the anaphor as a whole, a property she attributes to the DP structure of *o eaftos tu*. Building on Iatridou's analysis, Anagnostopoulou & Everaert (1996, 1999) and Everaert & Anagnostopoulou (1997) analyse the Greek anaphor within Reinhart & Reuland's (1993) "Reflexivity" theory of anaphora. They argue that because of its structural properties and its feature specification, *o eaftos tu* qualifies as a [+R, +SELF] anaphor. Being [+R] (i.e. fully specified for ϕ -features), the Greek anaphor is not allowed to form an A Chain with its antecedent because R&R's Chain Condition does not permit formation of an A Chain consisting of two [+R] links. For this reason, the Greek anaphor is not subject to the usual configurational effects showing up with [-R, +SELF] anaphors like English *himself*, for example nominative anaphors are permitted in certain contexts (experiencer-object constructions, cf. Anagnostopoulou 1999a), unlike English *himself*.

Another interesting anaphoric element in Greek is the element *o idios* ('the same'). As has been observed by Iatridou (1986), this element behaves like an anaphor in requiring a sentence internal antecedent, but unlike an anaphor in requiring its antecedent to be outside of its Governing Category:

- (71) a. *H Μαρία θα βοηθήσει τον ίδιο.
 i maria θα νοιθισι τον ιδιο
 the Mary-NOM.FEM will help the same-ACC.MASC
- b. Ο Γιάννης πιστεύει ότι ο Βασίλης θα βοηθήσει τον
 o janis_i pistevi oti o vasilis_j θα νοιθισι τον
 the John-NOM believes that the Bill-NOM will help the
 ίδιο.
 ιδιο_{i/*j/*k}
 same-ACC.MASC
 'John believes that Bill will help him'

Varlokosta & Hornstein (1993) and Varlokosta (1994) argue that the domain in which *ton idio* must be free is not exactly its governing category, but rather the first CP containing it. In the spirit of Enç (1989) and Koopman & Sportiche (1989) they propose that *ton idio* is a bound pronoun, which is $\bar{A}$ -bound by a 0 operator in SpecCP.

9. Factive complements

Greek has two distinct complementizers: *oti* and *pu*. The former introduces mainly complements of epistemic verbs, the latter introduces complements of factive, psychological and perception predicates (Christidis 1981; Roussou 1992, 1993; Varlokosta 1994; Ginzburg & Kolliakou 1997):

- (72) Νομίζω ότι/*που ο Γιάννης έφυγε.
 nomizo oti/*pu o janis efije
 think-1SG that/that the John-NOM left
 'I think that John left.'

- (73) Λυπάμαι *ότι/που ο Γιάννης έφυγε.
 lipame *oti/pu o janis efije
 regret-1SG that/that the John left
 'I regret that John left.'

It has been assumed that *pu*-complements encode factivity, in the sense that they overtly express the semantic property [+factive], which in English is not encoded morphologically through the presence of a special category (Christidis 1981, 1986; Roussou 1992, 1993; and partially also Varlokosta 1994; see Ginzburg & Kolliakou 1997 who argue for an analysis in terms of lexically specified restrictions on the verb). Assuming that they are factive, the interesting property of *pu*-complements is that they constitute islands not only for adjunct extraction but also for argument extraction:

- (74) a. *Πότε λυπάσαι που αγόρασες το βιβλίο;
 pote lipase pu agorases to vivlio t
 when regret-2SG that bought-2SG the book
 b. ??Ποιον λυπάσαι που συνάντησε ο Γιάννης;
 ??pjon lipase pu sinandise o janis t
 whom regret-2SG that met-3SG the John-NOM
 'Who do you regret that John met?'

In this respect, they differ from their counterparts in English, which only block adjunct extraction and they do not interfere with argument extraction, as indicated in the translations of the Greek examples in (74) (Cinque 1990; Hegarty 1992; Kiparsky & Kiparsky 1971).

To account for these facts, Roussou (1992, 1993) argues that (i) the complementizer *pu* is a factive complementizer that possesses the feature [+definite] (cf. Roussou's treatment of lack of nominalizations with *pu*-complements

mentioned above) and (ii) factive complements have an empty operator in SpecCP which binds the event position of the verb. The difference between English and Greek follows from the assumption that in Greek the complementizer agrees with the factive operator because it is specified as [+definite], while in English no such agreement obtains.

On the other hand, Varlokosta argues on the basis of the distribution of the bound pronoun *o idios* in factive complements that there is no operator in SpecCP in *pu*-complements. She further argues that *pu* does not always denote factivity but it can also denote direct perception and that syntactically, there is a distinction between the *pu*-complements of psych verbs and the *pu*-complements of factive verbs with respect to the status of extractions. Varlokosta proposes an analysis in terms of parataxis which builds on an idea discussed in Davidson (1969) and is extended in Torrego & Uriagereka (1993) on the nature of indicative embedded clauses.

10. Argument structure

10.1 Unaccusatives

The structure of intransitive predicates in Greek and their status with respect to the unaccusativity hypothesis has been the focus of a number of studies (Markantonatou 1992; Kakouriotis 1993; Alexiadou & Anagnostopoulou 1998b, 1999b; Sioupi 1997; Embick 1998; Theophanopoulou-Kontou 1999 among others).

Markantonatou (1992), and Alexiadou & Anagnostopoulou (1998b) are concerned with the establishment of criteria which distinguish intransitive verbs into unergatives and unaccusatives in Greek, a language where most of the standard tests used to distinguish between the two verb classes fail to apply. All intransitive verbs select auxiliary *exo* 'have'. Greek also lacks *ne*-cliticization, resultatives (cf. 75), and impersonal passives (cf. 76):

- (75) *Το μπουκάλι έσπασε ανοιχτό.
 to bukali espase anixto
 the bottle broke open

- (76) *Εδώ χορεύτηκε τη νύχτα.
 edo xoreftike ti nixta
 here was.danced the night

Markantonatou (1992) has pointed out two diagnostics that can be used in Greek to distinguish unaccusative from unergative predicates. For instance, a test that can be used is *the availability of adjectival participles* with the former but not with the latter (cf. 77a vs. 77b):

- (77) a. pesmeno filo
 fallen leaf
 b. *treymenos anθropos
 run man

Alexiadou & Anagnostopoulou (1997b) add certain criteria to the ones proposed in Markantonatou and address the question whether all criteria diagnose the same properties or not. The authors, following the proposal in Levin & Rappaport (1995), conclude that one needs to distinguish between criteria of ‘deep’ unaccusativity and criteria of surface unaccusativity, which cannot be considered real unaccusativity diagnostics.

Another topic that figures prominently in the discussion on unaccusativity relates to the morphological marking on the intransitive predicate. In many languages, Greek being one of them, intransitive verbs participating in the causative alternation show morphology associated with *intransitivization*. This morphology is sometimes but not always present, as is shown in (78) and (79):

- (78) a. Ο Γιάννης έκαψε τη σούπα.
 o janis ekapse ti supa
 the John-NOM burnt-ACT the soup-ACC
 ‘John burned the soup.’
 b. Η σούπα καίγεται.
 i supa kejete
 the soup-NOM burns-NONACT
 ‘The soup is burning.’
- (79) a. Ο Γιάννης άδειασε τη σακούλα.
 o janis aδjase ti sakula
 the John-NOM emptied-ACT the bag-ACC
 ‘John emptied the bag.’
 b. Η σακούλα άδειασε.
 i sakula aδjase
 the bag-NOM emptied-ACT
 ‘The bag emptied.’

Apart from inchoatives, there are four other syntactic environments in which Non-active morphology appears in Greek. These are illustrated in (80). The first

three examples in (80) are cases in which Non-active morphology occurs in an alternation. The fourth case involving the Non-active form, namely *deponent verbs* (Mackridge 1985; Embick 1998), is not part of an alternation. Deponents are transitive verbs which lack active forms altogether. Syntactically, deponent verbs behave exactly like all other transitive verbs. This is illustrated in (80d), where the deponent verb takes a nominative subject and an accusative object. Coming to the syntactic alternations, passive verbs constitute the first environment (80a). Passive verbs always show the Non-active (see also Smirniotopoulos 1992). Furthermore, Non-active morphology appears with two distinct types of reflexives. The first of these, illustrated in (80b), shows a verb without a direct object in the Non-active with an inherent reflexive interpretation. The second type, illustrated in (80c), shows a transitive verb ‘destroy’ prefixed with the element *afto* ‘self’. In this case, it is the combination of the element *afto* and the Non-active morphology which is associated with the reflexive interpretation; without *afto* the result is simply a passive. This type is arguably derived by *self-incorporation* (cf. Rivero 1992; Smirniotopoulos & Joseph 1998).

- (80) a. To βιβλίο διαβάστηκε χθες. *Passives*
 to vivlio δjavastike xthes
 the book-NOM read-NONACT yesterday
 ‘The book was read yesterday.’
- b. Η Μαρία χτενίζεται. *Reflexives*
 i maria xtenizete
 the Mary-NOM combs-NONACT
 ‘Mary combs herself.’
- c. Η Μαρία αυτοκαταστρέφεται. *Self-Reflexives*
 i maria aftokatastrefete
 the Mary-NOM self-destroys-NONACT
 ‘Mary destroys herself.’
- d. Μεταχειρίζομαι το λεξικό. *Deponents*
 metaxirizome to leksiko
 use-NONACT.1SG the dictionary-ACC
 ‘I use the dictionary.’

Such marking appears also on certain middle predicates (see the extensive discussion in Condoravdi 1989):

- (81) Το βιβλίο διαβάζεται εύκολα.
 to vivlio δjavazete efkola
 the book-NOM reads-NONACT easily
 ‘The book is easily read.’

With respect to the presence of the non-active morphology in the above constructions, Tsimpili (1989) has argued that in passives the non-active affix is generated under Infl and is assigned the external theta-role of the verb. A similar derivation is proposed for the middle construction in (81). The difference between passives and middles in Tsimpili's account is that the aspectual modification on the affix differs. In the case of middles the affix is marked [+imp] hence the generic interpretation middles receive. On the other hand, reflexives of the type in (80b) involve attachment of the affix in the lexicon.

Condoravdi (1989), and Sioupi (1997) discuss the Greek middle construction in some detail. While Condoravdi proposes that Greek verbs split into two groups, one that forms middles with active morphology, and one that makes use of the non-active pattern, Sioupi argues that the middle construction in Greek surfaces only with non-active morphology. For Sioupi strings involving active morphology are best analyzed as unaccusative predicates (see also Kakouriotis 1993 for a comparison of middles in Greek and English).

According to Embick (1998), voice morphology does not correspond to any syntactically active element. Non-active is a morphological feature which is assigned in specific syntactic configurations, and reflects properties of the syntactic environment rather than itself effecting an alternation. The feature [nonact] is assigned postsyntactically to the verb when it (or the v-V complex) is not in a local relationship with an external argument. On this view, voice features are properties of Morphology, and thus all occurrences of [nonact] belong to the Morphology component. The difference between deponent verbs and passives, reflexives and inchoatives, is that the former are specified for this feature inherently, while the latter are assigned this feature in a particular syntactic configuration. Embick's proposal for the syntactic alternations is illustrated in (82):

- (82) $V \rightarrow V\text{-VOC}[\text{NonAct}]/___\text{No external DP argument}$

As the data in (79) show, in certain cases, the intransitive member of the causative-inchoative alternation bears no such morphology, while passives always display this morphology, as stressed especially by Theophanopoulou-Kontou 1999. To account for this, Alexiadou & Anagnostopoulou (1999b) propose that predicates such as (79) above are basic intransitives, while predicates such as the ones in (78) are transitives which become intransitive (see also Embick 1998).

There are also cases where active morphology appears on the transitive and the intransitive when the argument is [−animate], while Non-active morphology appears on the intransitive when the argument is [animate]:

- (83) a. Ο Γιάννης λέρωσε το τραπεζομάντηλο.
 o janis leroσε to trapezomandilo
 the John-NOM dirtied-ACT the tablecloth-ACC
 ‘John dirtied the tablecloth.’
- b. Το τραπεζομάντηλο λέρωσε / λερώθηκε.
 to trapezomandilo leroσε / leroθήκε
 the tablecloth-NOM dirtied-ACT / -NONACT
 ‘The tablecloth got dirty.’

While for Theophanopoulou-Kontou (1999) this fact suggests a double classification of the respective verbs, Alexiadou & Anagnostopoulou argue that Non-active morphology is sensitive to the presence of the feature [+animate / +volitional]. This correlates with the fact that verbs that are standardly classified as inherent reflexive verbs in Greek, necessarily have Non-active morphology and take animate arguments.

10.2 Experiencer predicates and ditransitive predicates

Different aspects of the syntax of experiencer predicates have been discussed in Kakouriotis (1993), and Anagnostopoulou (1999a). Kakouriotis (1993) is specifically interested in alternations of the type in (84) which he analyses as special instances of the causative-inchoative alternation (see Levin & Rapaport 1995 for discussion and references):

- (84) a. Η Μαρία τρόμαξε το παιδί.
 i maria tromakse to pedi
 the Mary-NOM scared the child-ACC
 ‘Mary scared the child.’
- b. Το παιδί τρόμαξε.
 to pedi tromakse
 the child got-scared
 ‘The child got scared.’

On the other hand, Anagnostopoulou (1999a) considers the properties of experiencer-object predicates (Belletti & Rizzi 1988; Grimshaw 1990; Pesetsky 1995) and argues for an analysis along the lines of Grimshaw (1990) according to which both aspectual and thematic factors govern the syntactic mapping of arguments.

The lexical and syntactic properties of ditransitive predicates have been discussed in Catsimali (1990), Markantonatou (1994), Dimitriadis (1999) and

Anagnostopoulou (1999b). Catsimali is specifically interested in constructions in which both arguments surface as DPs with morphological genitive and accusative case:

- (85) Ο Γιάννης έδωσε της Μαρίας το βιβλίο.
 o janis edose tis marias to vivlio
 the John-NOM gave-3SG the Mary-GEN the book-ACC
 'John gave Mary the book.'

She compares this construction to the double object construction in English and argues that the Genitive construction does not show the asymmetries the English double object construction shows with respect to (i) binding (Barss & Lasnik 1986) and (ii) Case (Larson 1988). She argues that the Greek facts can be best accommodated under a non-configurational approach. Anagnostopoulou (1999b) reaches the opposite conclusion, namely that the Greek Genitive construction in (85) structurally corresponds exactly to the English double object construction, up to the difference in the morphological case of the indirect object.⁷ Markantonatou (1994) investigates the lexical properties of the genitive construction in Greek and argues that many of the conditions characterizing the double object construction in English are found in the Greek genitive construction as well. However, there are also some differences. Finally, Dimitriadis (1999) investigates the dative alternation in Northern Greek and the syntactic role of indirect object clitics in Northern and Southern Greek dialects.

11. The structure of PPs

The structure of prepositional phrases, their type and their case assigning properties have been examined in Theophanopoulou-Kontou (1997) and Fykias (1997). Theophanopoulou-Kontou discusses at length the alternation between ADV + PP vs. ADV + GEN.clitic illustrated below:

- (86) a. μακριά από το Γιάννη
 makria apo to jani
 away from the John-ACC
 'away from John'
 b. μακριά του
 makria tu
 away him
 'away from him'

Theophanopoulou-Kontou, building on Cardinaletti & Starke (1995), argues that clitics are impoverished DPs. She then proposes that PPs and clitic gen. are structurally related, both representing DPs and expressing a locative. Such constructions constitute evidence for the existence of a deeper abstract case system, a view also defended in Fykias (1997). P is not analysed as merely a case marker, but it bears inherent meaning.

12. Conclusion

In this article we concentrated on topics that have attracted a lot of attention in the more recent literature in the study of Greek Syntax. We believe that this overview reflects the fact that the study of Greek has become important for the development of generative theory, as many of the issues discussed here are currently highly relevant for the development of a satisfactory theory of comparative syntax.

Notes

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1. It has been pointed out to us that the judgements on the sentences in (17) are not shared by all native speakers. Moreover, Philippaki-Warbuton (forthcoming) develops an alternative account to the one outlined in Alexiadou (1999a).
2. One could imagine ways in which the two could become compatible, for example by proposing that the step in which multiple checking takes place is not spelled out at PF, which is where the LCA applies.
3. In our discussion on the DP we leave out the syntax of Possessors. The syntax of Possessors is discussed in Mouma (1993), Alexiadou & Stavrou (1997), Alexiadou (1999c) among others.
4. Stavrou (1995) also proposes that the lower adjective *kokino* is within the NP. Her analysis differs from Alexiadou & Wilder's (1998) in that she argues that *to mevalo* is found in the specifier of the projection that has as its head the definite determiner, thus manifesting agreement in definiteness.
5. In our discussion we do not include free relatives. For a recent overview of the Greek literature on this topic see Alexiadou & Varlokosta (1996), and Philippaki-Warbuton & Spyropoulos (1996).
6. Cf. Jaeggli (1982), Anagnostopoulou (1994), Dobrovie-Sorin (1990) among many others.

7. It should be noted that the conclusions reached in the two works are partially influenced by the fact that there are differences in judgements concerning quantifier variable binding data, an area where linguists working on Greek appear to disagree a lot. It would be very useful if Greek linguists tried to clarify this domain, as well as issues pertaining to Quantifier Scope and Superiority, as these are crucial tests for phrase-structure. We would like to point out that our experience with informants has led us to conclude that there is genuine variation among speakers with respect to WCO, Scope and Superiority judgements.

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Περίληψη

Με το άρθρο αυτό στοχεύουμε να δώσουμε μια λεπτομερή, αν και όχι εξαντλητική, παρουσίαση των πρόσφατων εξελίξεων στο χώρο της Ελληνικής σύνταξης υπό το πρίσμα της θεωρίας των Αρχών και Παραμέτρων. Συγκεντρώνοντας την προσοχή μας σε επίμαχα θέματα, προσπαθούμε επίσης να υπογραμμίσουμε τη σημασία της μελέτης των συντακτικών φαινομένων της Ελληνικής για την εξέλιξη της συντακτικής θεωρίας.