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講 座	言語情報論
専門科目 1	英語学

1. Certain dialects of English allow the appearance of more than one modal in the same sentence. The following data are from Hawick in Scotland:

- (1) He will can go.
- (2) He might could go.

In this dialect, *can/could* is always the second of the two modals.

- (3) *He can will go.
- (4) *He could might go.
- (5) *He can can go.

Can/could can appear after *to* in an infinitival clause.

- (6) I would like to could swim.
- (7) I want to can do it.

In forming a Yes-No question, the first of the two modals inverts with the subject.

- (8) He will can do it.
- (9) Will he can do it?
- (10) *Can he will do it?
- (11) *Will can he do it?

The negation marker in this dialect is *no*, which appears between the two modals.

- (12) He might no could have done it.

Tag questions can be formed based on either of the two modals.

- (13) He'll no can do it, will he?
(14) He'll no can do it, can he?

QUESTION 1: To the best that you can determine, draw a tree diagram for the sentence in (1).

QUESTION 2: Explain in Japanese why (10) is ungrammatical.

QUESTION 3: Explain in Japanese why (11) is ungrammatical.

The quantifier *all* for the subject *the boys* do not have to immediately precede the subject DP.

(15) All the boys should could go.

(16) The boys all should could go.

QUESTION 4: Where else in the sentence do you expect *all* to appear? Mark the spot with x.

All the boys should could go