

A SYNTACTICAL ANALYSIS OF SENTENCE STRUCTURE ON OLIVIA RODRIGO'S SONG LYRICS

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Abstrak:

Penelitian ini adalah tentang analisis sintaksis. Analisis difokuskan pada jenis kalimat dan struktur kalimat dalam lirik dua lagu Olivia Rodrigo yang berjudul "Happier" dan "Hope Ur Ok". Teori Tree Diagram oleh Bas Aarts dan teori Chinese Box oleh William Nelson Francis digunakan dalam penelitian ini. Deskriptif kualitatif digunakan dalam penelitian ini. Peneliti mengumpulkan data dengan cara membaca cermat dengan melihat kalimat-kalimat dalam lirik lagu, melakukan dokumentasi data dan membuat catatan untuk dikembangkan menjadi sebuah penelitian. Data dianalisis dengan memilih kalimat dalam lirik, menemukan struktur sintaksis menggunakan teori Diagram Pohon yang terdiri dari frase nomina dan frase verba yang mencakup beberapa jenis kalimat. Kemudian dianalisis menggunakan teori Chinese Box dengan mengidentifikasi struktur modifikasi, struktur predikasi, struktur komplementasi dan struktur koordinasi. Langkah terakhir dalam menganalisis data adalah menarik kesimpulan. Peneliti menemukan tiga puluh lima kalimat dalam lirik lagu Olivia Rodrigo. Terdapat empat jenis kalimat di dalamnya dengan rincian lima belas kalimat sederhana, delapan belas kalimat majemuk, satu kalimat majemuk, dan satu kalimat majemuk kompleks. Dari data tersebut dapat disimpulkan bahwa jenis kalimat yang sering muncul pada kedua lirik lagu Olivia Rodrigo adalah kalimat majemuk dengan struktur kalimat $S \rightarrow NP+VP+Conj+NP+VP$.

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Abstract:

This research is about a syntactical analysis. The analysis focuses on the types of sentences and sentence structures in the lyrics of two Olivia Rodrigo songs entitled "Happier" and "Hope Ur Ok". The Tree Diagram theory by Bas Aarts and the Chinese Box theory by William Nelson Francis is used in this research. Qualitative descriptive is applied in this research. The researcher collects the data using close reading by looking at the sentences in song lyrics, conducted data

documentation and makes notes to be developed into a research. Data were analyzed by selecting sentences in the lyrics, finding syntactic structure using Tree Diagram theory consists of noun phrases and verb phrases that include several types of sentences. Then analyze using Chinese Box theory by identifying modification structures, predication structures, complementation structures and coordination structures. The last step in analyze data is drawing the conclusion. The researcher found thirty five sentences in Olivia Rodrigo's song lyrics. There are four types of sentences in it with details of fifteen simple sentences, eighteen compound sentences, one complex sentence, and one complex compound sentence. From these data it can be concluded that the types of sentences that often appear in both Olivia Rodrigo song lyrics are compound sentences with the sentence structure $S \rightarrow NP+VP+Conj+NP+VP$.

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One of the most prevalent human behaviors is speaking, along with sleeping, eating, and drinking. We talk almost every day, even if it is just to ourselves. Our interlocutors can process and interpret the stream of sounds we utter when we talk, provided that they are conversing in the same language, of course. O'Grady (2016) claimed that language is the foundation of everything human. It is impossible to imagine much important social, intellectual, or artistic activity taking place without the chances for communication provided by language, given all normal humans are able to speak at least one language.

Language exists in written form in addition to spoken form. Then it is made up of a series of letters that combine to form words, which then combine to form sentences. If you have given language any thought, you have probably realized that it has structure whether it is spoken or written and is not just a mishmash of disparate parts. Instead, a set of rules govern the arrangement of the linguistic components that make a language. Fasold (2015) assumed that using the help of various component subsystems (or modules), people develop and interpret language in a coordinated manner. Some of the modules have long been utilized as linguistics curriculum in school settings. The creation and analysis of speech sounds is known as phonetics. In addition to teaching about individual speech in general, phonology also teaches about phonological organization in general. Morphology, which covers the study of sentence structures as well as grammatical and syntactic structures, is the main field of study in linguistics.

Sentences are used to express ideas and thoughts as a whole, both orally and in writing. In linguistics there is a branch of science that studies the analysis of the formation of a sentence, the science is usually called syntax. Based on the journal Daulay et al., n.d. (2021), Chomsky states that "Syntax means the study of how a sentence is constructed in a particular language."

Then according to Miller Syntax is how words are combined to form phrases, how phrases are combined to form clauses or longer phrases, and how clauses are combined to form sentences are all aspects of syntax. The order and relationship between the words, phrases, and clauses that make up sentences is known as syntax, and it is mostly dependent on grammatical principles.

Daulay (2021) at the journal said that a person uses a song to convey their feelings. Some people may experience happiness or sadness while singing or listening to music. There are various musical genres in every nation like a Dangdut, Pop, Jazz, and Rock. There are several relationships between music and learning English, especially in the field of linguistics. Botstein (2022) Language's syntactic and prosodic patterns, as well as meter and phrase structure in music, also require many hierarchies. Hendriani et al., (2020) Learning to use music media can increase student's interest and motivation in learning English Foreign Language. Olii (2019) Songs can be used to teach English sounds and rhythms, language structure, vocabulary, and other enjoyable things. Capstones and Chadwick (2022) Songs can be a useful teaching and learning tool for a variety of language skills, including sentence structure, vocabulary, pronunciation, rhythm, adjectives, adverbs, and more. Based on some of these correlations, the researcher chose Olivia Rodrigo's pop song as the object of analysis in this research.

Luke Andaresta (2022) reporting that Olivia Rodrigo won three awards out of the seven nominations she received at the 2022 Grammy Awards, namely Record of the Year, Album of the Year, Song of the Year, Best New Artist, Best Pop Solo Performance, Best Pop Vocal Album and Best Music Video. Prambors writer (2022) reporting that Olivia Rodrigo's album titled "Sour" successfully occupied the Billboard 200 chart for a full year. The achievement makes Olivia the only artist to spend a full year in the top 10 of the Billboard 200 since its release on May 2021 ago. The album "Sour" has a tracklist of 11 songs entitled Brutal, Traitor, Driver License, 1 Step Forward, 3 Steps Back, Déjà vu, Good 4 U, Enough for You, Happy, Jealousy Jealousy, Favorite Crime, Hope Ur Ok. The researchers took Olivia Rodrigo's songs entitled Happier and Hope Ur Ok among the eleven songs on the album.

In this research, the researcher tries to analyze the song lyrics of "Happier" and "Hope Ur Ok" based on the types of sentence and sentence structure. The lyrics of the two Olivia Rodrigo songs are in accordance with the problem to be identified and from the results of the researcher's observations, the two songs have the expected criteria to be studied. The researcher used tree diagram and Chinese box theory because those theories not only explain how linguists and other academic experts typically diagram phrases, but also provides a simple explanation for readers. Therefore, this research analyze the types of sentence and sentence structure in Olivia Rodrigo's song with the title "A Syntactical Analysis of Sentence Structure on Olivia Rodrigo's Song Lyrics".

METHOD

In this research, the researcher employed a qualitative research approach because the data was in the form of text. Another reason the researcher use a qualitative approach was because the data in this research contained more sentences, phrases and words than numbers. This research focuses on analyzing types of sentence and sentence structure in Olivia Rodrigo's song lyrics using the representation of tree diagram and Chinese box. The data that analyzed in this research are type of sentence and sentence structure. The source of data in this research are Olivia Rodrigo's two song lyrics entitled "Happier" and "Hope Ur Ok".

The steps taken by researchers in collecting data are:

1. Close Reading

Reading ability is acquired over time. According to Eppley (2019) a potentially weaker construction of reading is close reading. It involves setting reading goals and being able to modify reading habits to achieve those goals. People read for various purposes both inside and outside of school. The researchers used close reading in this research to collect data by looking at the sentences in Olivia Rodrigo's song lyrics.

2. Documenting Data

Miles claims to have created a documentation form that focuses on analytical operations. The researcher conducted data documentation after analyzing Olivia Rodrigo's song lyrics using the close reading method.

3. Taking Notes

After doing the documentation, the researcher makes notes to be developed into a research.

The next step taken by the researcher is to analyze the data. As stated by Miles (2014), there are three several stages to analyze the data as follows:

1. Data Condensation

The researcher analyzed sentence structure and types of sentences in two Olivia Rodrigo song lyrics.

2. Data Display

By using this process, the researcher drew sentences structure portrayed in tree diagram and Chinese box.

3. Conclusion Drawing

In order to better our ability to learn, qualitative analysis as a process needs to be thoroughly documented. To reflect, improve, and spread our approaches more widely, we need a clearer understanding of what happens when we examine data.

RESULT

Based on the results of an analysis of thirty-five lyrics to Olivia Rodrigo's songs entitled "Hope Ur ok" and "Happy" using a tree diagram and a Chinese box, the researcher will discuss the analysis to clarify the interpretation of the findings. The discussion of the analysis is presented as follows:

1. Tree Diagram

Based on the song lyrics "Hope Ur Ok", the researcher divided into sentence types as in the table below:

Table 1 Types of Sentence "Hope Ur Ok"

		Sentence Types			
Data	Lyric	SS	CDS	CXS	CCS
1	I knew a boy, once when I was small		√		
2	He played the drum in the marching band	√			
3	His parents cared more about the Bible than being good to their own child		√		
4	He wore long sleeves 'cause of his dad and somehow, we fell out of touch		√		
5	Hope he took his bad deal and made a royal flush		√		

6	Don't know if I'll see you again someday but if you're out there	√
7	I hope that you're okay	√
8	My middle school friend grew up alone	√
9	She raised her brothers on her own	√
10	Her parents hated who she loved	√
11	She couldn't wait to go to collage	√
12	She was tired 'cause she was brought into a world where family was merely blood	√
13	Does she know how proud I am?	√
14	She was created with the courage to unlearn all of their hatred	√
15	We don't talk much, but I just gotta say I miss you and I hope that you're okay	√
16	Address the letters to the holes in my butterfly wings	√
17	Nothing's forever, nothing's as good as it seems and when the clouds won't iron out and the monster creep into your house and every door is hard to close	√
18	I hope you know how proud I am	√
19	You were created with the courage to unlearn all of their hatred but, God, I hope that you're happier today 'cause I love you and I hope that you're okay	√

Note:

SS : Simple Sentence

CDS : Compound Sentence

CXS : Complex Sentence

CCS : Compound Complex Sentence

Based on the analysis above, the researcher find three types of sentence, there are seven simple sentences, eleven compound sentences and one complex sentence.

The second song lyrics is "Happier". The researcher devided into sentence types as in the table below:

Table 2. Types of Sentence "Happier"

Sentence Types		SS	CDS	CXS	CCS
Data	Lyric				
1	We broke up a month ago	√			
2	Your friends are mine	√			
3	You know I know you've moved on found someone new	√			
4	One more girl who brings out the better in you and I thought my heart was detached from all the sunlight of our past but she's so sweet, she's so pretty				√
5	Does she mean you forgot about me?	√			
6	I hope you're happy but not like how you were with me		√		
7	I'm selfish, I know	√			
8	I can't let you go so find someone great but don't find no one better		√		
9	I hope you're happy but don't be happier and do you tell her she's the most beautiful you've ever seen?		√		
10	An eternal love bullshit you know you'll never mean	√			
11	You meant it when you said it first to me		√		

12	Remember when I believed and now I'm pickin' her apart like cuttin' her down will make you miss my wretched heart but she's beautiful, she looks kind	√
13	She probably gives you butterflies	√
14	I hope you're happy I wish you all the best really	√
15	Say you love her baby, just not like you love me and think of me fondly when your hands around her	√
16	I hope you're happy just not like how you were with me	√

Based on the analysis above, the researcher find three types of sentence, there are eight simple sentences, seven compound sentences and one compound complex sentence.

From the data analysis, it can be seen that there are various types of sentences in the lyrics of the songs "happier" and "hope ur ok". The types of sentences are simple sentences, compound sentences, complex sentences and compound complex sentences. The structure of the four types of sentences will be analyzed using the theory of tree diagrams and Chinese boxes.

2. Chinese Box

From the types of syntactic structures above, the researcher found the application of each sentence structure to the lyrics of the songs Happier and Hope Ur Ok. The theory of Francis (four syntactic structures) and the Chinese Box system (as a medium of analysis) were used to analyze the data. The following are the various syntactic structures found based on the data:

First, the researcher found a modified structure. The modified structure consists of the main noun (with modifier pronouns, nouns, nouns, adjectives, adverbs, noun determiners, prepositional phrases, modified structures, predicate structures, and complementary structures). Coordination structures, main verbs (with modifier adjectives, nouns, object prepositions, and complementary structures), main adjectives (with modifier nouns, prepositional phrases, and complementary structures), predicate head structure (with modifier nouns), modified head structure (with modifier predicate structure), predicated head structure (with modifier conjunction, complement structure), and complementation head structure (with complementation structure modifier).

Second, the researcher finds the predictive structure. The predicate structure consists of subject pronouns (with predicate modals or auxiliary structures), subject noun determinants (with predicate adjective phrases, verbal verbs, complementary structures, connecting verbs, subjective complements), subject adverbs (with complementary predicate structures), subject nouns (with predicate linking verbs, subjective complements, transitive verbs. complementary structures), subject-name nouns (with complementary predicate structures), and modified subject structures (with complementary predicate structures).

Third, the complementation structure which consists of verb elements (with complementary nouns, modified structures, complements, linking verbs), connecting verbal elements (with subjective complements), modified verbal elemental structures (with complementation structures), predicated verbal elemental structures (with predicate complementary structure), complementary verbal elemental structure (with complementary predicate structure). The complementation structure is dominated by the verbal elements of transitive verbs, and direct object complements to directly detect the subject of action. Lastly, the coordinating structure tends to be a predication structure and a complementation structure which is connected with the coordinators 'and', 'but', and conjunctions.

CONCLUSION AND SUGGESTION

Conclusion

The researcher used syntax analysis to extract information from the lyrics of the songs "Happier" and "Hope Ur Ok" by Olivia Rodrigo in order to answer the research questions. From

the chosen sentence, the researcher draws a tree diagram and a Chinese box, as well as identifying the sentence's type and structure.

Based on the discussion in chapter IV, the researcher found thirty-five sentences in the two lyrics of Olivia Rodrigo's songs. There are four types of sentences in it. There are fifteen simple sentences, eighteen compound sentences, one complex sentence, and one compound complex sentence.

From the data above it can be concluded that the types of sentences that often appear in both Olivia Rodrigo song lyrics are compound sentences. The various structures of compound sentences in both song lyrics will be presented by the researcher in the following table:

NO	Sentence Structure	Data	
		Hope Ur Ok	Happier
1	S→ NP+VP+Conj+NP+VP	1, 3, 4,5,7	6, 8, 11, 16
2	S→ NP+VP+Conj+NP+VP+Conj+NP+VP	6, 12, 15, 17	
3	S→ NP+VP+Conj+NP+VP+Conj+NP+VP+Conj+N P+VP+Conj+NP+VP+Conj+NP+VP	19	
4	S→ NP+VP+Conj+NP+VP+Conj+VP+NP S→		9
5	NP+VP+Conj+NP+VP+Conj+NP+VP+Conj+N P+VP+Conj+NP+VP		12
6	S→ NP+VP+Conj+NP+VP		15

Based on the table above, it can be concluded that the compound sentence structure that appears most frequently in the two Olivia Rodrigo song lyrics is S→ NP+VP+Conj+NP+VP.

Suggestion

Following this research, the researcher discovered various syntactical sentence forms in the lyrics of the two Olivia Rodrigo songs, “Hope Ur Ok” and “Happier” The researcher realizes that this research is still far from flawless because accurately evaluating and identifying sentence structure is necessary for understanding syntax.

The researcher believes that other researchers who are interested in working in the same field could conduct studies in other parts of syntax that are more focused than previous research in expanding our understanding of syntax. Additionally, future researchers may use sources other than the lyrics to Olivia Rodrigo's songs “Hope Ur Ok” and “Happier” as research materials. The next researcher can examine in the form of mass media, speeches, books and other sources which can be analyzed through syntactic analysis.

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