#### Case

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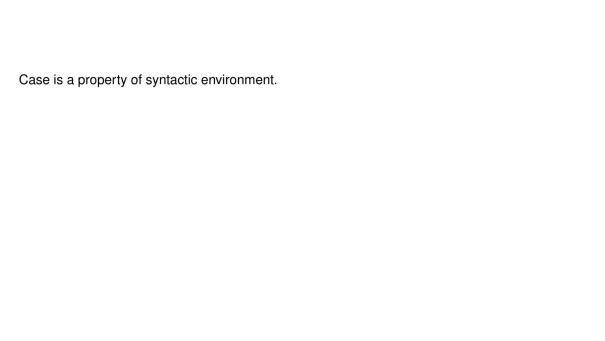
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- (3) She is loved.
- (4) I caused him to quit his job.



### Case assignment: Accusative

Verbs and Prepositions assign accusative case.

(5) a. The book about her.

b. The anger in him.

(6) Julia's love of him.

## Accusative and adjacency

- (7) a. John very often believes him.
  - b. \*John believes very often him.
  - c. John believes him very often.
- (8) a. John very often believes in him.
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  - c. John believes in him very often.
  - d. \*John believes in very often him.