ensure that attraction will be preferred to movement wherever possible." (124)

Both **I movement** (e.g. auxiliaries move to COMP because an interrogative COMP is strong and a strong head must be to filled) and **V movement** (i.e. movement of V to INFL) are "two different reflexes of a general head movement operation," (124) which is "subject to a strict locality constraint (the **head movement constraint**)." (124) Strong agreement features of finite verbs in EME were checked by movement of the verb (along with its features) from V to INFL ;whereas weak agreement features of finite verbs in MSE are checked by attraction (i.e. percolation) of the relevant agreement features from V to INFL (with the verb itself remaining *in situ* in the head V position of VP)." (124)