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Aspects of the grammar of Pa'anci, a Chadic (Afro-Asiatic) language spoken north of Bauchi, Nigeria, are described verbally, and analyzed using a transformational-generative approach. Included are rules accounting for the major syntactic structures, agreement and segmentalization rules accounting for the surface structure of the verbal piece, limited morphological and mcrphophonemic description, and an extensive lexicon.

Following the Introduction, which includes a description of the methodology employed to obtain and analyze the data, Chapter 1 is a brief description of the Phonology of Pa'anci, including charts (using IPA and typescript symbols) of the consonantal phonemes, and an accompanying verbal description of the more unusual phonemes.

Chapter 2 is a description of the verbal system, including the three aspects (Perfective, Imperfective, and Aorist), and the seven tenses based on them. Chapter 3 outlines the Phrase Structure rules of Pa'anci, including the basic distinction between verbal and nonverbal sentences.

Chapters 4 and 5 present the major syntactic transformations of Pa'anci. Chapter 4 deals with sentence and verb phrase level transformations, and includes rules accounting for datives, complementizer placement, reflexives, emphasis and question formation, subject AUX-tp (Auxiliary tense-pronoun) agreement, imperatives, and locative and associative constructions (including existentials). Chapter 5 deals with noun phrase level transformations, and accounts for two types of attributive adjective constructions (one derived from non-verbal sentences, the other from underlying associative sentences), relative clauses, and focused NP pre-position.

Chapter 6 outlines the morphology of the verbal piece, including a description of causatives, plural (reduplicated, "intensive") and stative verbs, a passive construction, and several irregular verbs. It concludes with the agreement, segmentalization and negative placement rules which account for the surface structure of verbal constructions in Pa'anci.

Chapter 7 outlines two morphological aspects of Pa'anci nominals, gender and number, and contains a brief note on morphophonemics, including two common contractions, and a tone rule.

An extensive Pa'anci-English lexicon follows, which contains nouns, verbs, modifiers, particles, and some formatives, but not pronouns. Those are included in the second, "look-up" lexicon, which follows the English-Pa'anci word list, meant as a guide to the main lexicon. Verbal paradigms of two "typical" verbs, and one decidedly atypical one are next, followed by selections from narrative texts with word-by-word, if not morph-by-morph translation, as well as a freer translation.

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# Aspects of Pa'anci Grammar

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### INTRODUCTION

With more pressing problems of selection of a national language and development of literacy materials in major African languages competing for a linguist's time, what justification can there be for spending several years researching and analyzing an obscure African language, spoken by perhaps only 20,000 Nigerians, that probably would have died a natural death within 50 to 100 years, had outside interest not been shown in it?

This question, which occurred to me not infrequently in the years I have spent working on Pa'anci, has in part governed the form that this thesis has taken. For my answer to the question lies in the usefulness of descriptive grammars to comparative linguists and historians, who may, at some time in the future, try to reconstruct what the parent language, of the more than 150 Chadic languages, was like, how, and perhaps (for the braver linguistic historians) when, the languages diverged and who their neighbors were, from whom they borrowed vocabulary.

The desire to make the linguistic facts of Pa'anci accessible to comparative linguists has governed the
selection of materials used, and the format used to present them. I have concentrated on those aspects of the

grammar of Pa'anci which are of most interest to comparative Chadicists, in particular the syntax, verbal system, and lexicon.

By thus narrowing the focus of the grammar, I have perforce neglected, or at least paid less attention to some areas. One of these is the phonology and tonology of Pa'anci, which I have treated only briefly, with little more than a list of phonemes and tonemes, and explanations of the more unusual among them. This should be, however, sufficient to make the data in the grammar comprehensible, and to provide a basis for the few morphophonemic rules contained in the text.

I am not endeavoring to break any new ground in the field of theoretical linguistics by this thesis. I have elected to present the major syntactic structures of Pa'anci using the vehicle of the transformational—generative approach. It is thereby understood that I regard as fundamental the propositions that there is a difference between deep and surface structure, and that certain sentences are transformationally related to one another. These assumptions underlay my elicitation of Pa'anci data, as will be seen in the later section of this introduction dealing with methodology.

On the other hand, the usual formalism of a transformational-generative approach is not always the

most comprehensible means of presenting data, as for many, algebraic formulae tend to obscure rather than clarify the generalizations being made about the language. Furthermore, I want the Pa'anci data in this grammar to be accessible to comparative Chadic linguists in Europe and Africa, whose training may not have included a transformational-generative component. I have therefore expressed the rules in prose as well as formulae, even to the extent of rejecting some rules which could not readily be expressed in English, albeit linguistic prose.

A further departure which this grammar makes from most grammars written on Chadic languages to date, is the extensive lexicon which it contains. This reflects my own bias that lexicon represents the real substance of any language, but also is an attempt to meet the needs of comparative Chadicists who have often been frustrated, as I myself have been, by the lack of a word list, or even an index to the data scattered throughout the grammar.

Similarly, I have included as appendices specmens of narrative texts which I recorded, transcribed, translated, and analyzed in the field in order to get data unconstrained by my elicitation through Hausa. While this is a small fraction of my entire collection, I believe it represents a fair sample of narrative types, including history, animal stories, feminist narratives, and a recounting of some of the traditions of the Pa'a people.

## Format of the Present Work

Following the sections of this introduction which deal with the position of Pa'anci among world languages, and the methodology employed, the first chapter is a brief description of the phonology of Pa'anci. This includes phonemic charts with both International Phonetic Alphabet and typescript symbols, and explanations of some of the more unusual entries thereon.

A prose description of the verbal system of Pa'anci follows. Though this is accounted for by transformational rules elsewhere in the grammar, I thought a more traditional description, complete with pre-verbal tense-pronoun paradigms might be of use to comparative linguists. In this I am following the example of one previous transformational-generative thesis grammar done on a Chadic language, that of Russell Schuh on Ngizim.

The verbal description is followed by the formal phrase structure and transformational rules which account for the major syntactic structures of Pa'anci.

Russell Schuh, Aspects of Ngizim Syntax, Diss. U.C.-L.A. 1972 (Ann Arbor: University Microfilms, 1972).

To enhance accessibility as a reference grammar, these are grouped by topic, rather than by strict order of application, though the verbal descriptions which accompany them should make the order clear. In addition to the major syntactic structures, a few aspects of verbal and nominal morphology are discussed, and two points of morphophonemic importance outlined.

A Pa'anci-English lexicon is next, which gives not only 600 or more nominals with plurals and gender, more than 300 verbs in the perfective, aorist, and imperfective form (marked for intransitivity and optional extensions, eg. causatives, statives, intensive (plural) forms) but also several hundred particles, modifiers, ideophones, etc. An English-Pa'anci word list, intended as a guide to the Pa'anci-English lexicon, follows it immediately.

The Pa'anci-English lexicon does not include inflected grammatical formatives or individual pronouns, which are contained in a second "look-up" lexicon, which follows the English-Pa'anci Word List. Included are tables of complete pronominal paradigms (independent, direct and indirect object, pre-verbal tense-marking, suffixed possessive, etc.), listed by the features specified by the output of the phrase structure and transformational rules.

Following the pronoun paradigms are two complete paradigms for "typical" verbs, and one that is decidedly atypical, 'to go'. The last appendix consists of narrative texts, with literal translation -- word by word if not morph by morph -- plus a freer translation.

The Position of Pa'anci

Pa'anci is a Chadic (Afro-Asiatic) language spoken by some 20,000 Nigerians living in an area south and west of Ningi in the present Bauchi State of Nigeria. The largest of the Pa'a villages as Tiffi, immediately southwest of Ningi, but the villages of Guda, Ari, Tabela and Rabina are predominantly inhabited by Pa'anci speakers, with others in Kwarangwadi, Kafin Zaki, Kalasu, Zakara, Wushi, Zida, Njaken, Kujera, Kici, Bunga, Gada, and Ningi itself.

Those who speak the language refer to it as fuuceka, but the Hausa name for the language, Pa'anci, (or without the 'language' suffix -ci, Pa'a) has become the standard designation for the language both in Nigerian government and demographic usage, and in reference to

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup>Estimate of number of speakers is based on the educated guess of Ningi local government area officials who asked not to be quoted by name, my chief informant Wakili, and myself, all of whom came up with the same figure independently.

Ningi was in the North East State, since subdivided, when the initial research was undertaken.

the language by linguists abroad. The earliest mention of the language by linguists refers to "Afawa", but this is not now accepted by speakers of the language, government officials, or linguists.

According to the latest Chadic language classifications, Pa'anci belongs to the North Bauchi or Warji group of the Plateau-Sahel or West Chadic branch (Subbranch WST-B) of the Chadic language family, the most south-westerly of the Afro-Asiatic phylum. Greenberg's 1966 classification placed it in Group I(c)i among Chadic languages. Hausa, the most widely spoken Chadic language, was, incidentally, in group I(a) in that classification, and in Subbranch WST-A of Newman's most recent classification.

In addition to Pa'anci, other members of the North Bauchi group are Warji, with the largest number of speakers, some 50,000; Siri, Diri, Kariya, and Tsagu with 3,000 each, Miya with 5,000, Mburku with 4,000 and Jimbin

See, among others, Joseph Greenberg, <u>The Languages</u> of <u>Africa</u> [reprint] (Bloomington: Indiana <u>University</u>, 1966), p. 46.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>5</sup>See Carl Hoffman, "Provisional Check List of Chadic Languages, Chadic Newsletter [Marburg, Germany] (Special Edition), 1971, and Paul Newman, "Chadic Classification and Reconstructions," Afro-Asiatic Linguistics, 5, No. 1 (1977), 5.

with 1,500.<sup>6</sup> All population figures must be regarded as approximate, as the results of the most recent census (1973), during which questions were asked about first and other languages spoken, were never released for political reasons.

According to a comparative North Bauchi word list compiled by Neil Skinner, 7 no one language in the group was significantly closer, on lexical grounds, to Pa'anci than any other, although speakers of Pa'anci claim that it is closer to Siri than others in the cluster. This may be due more to geographical proximity, intermarriage, and back borrowings than genetic linguistic relationship, however.

### Previous Work on Pa'anci

Other than the above and articles by the present author, 8 the only previously published article con-

<sup>6</sup>A. N. Skinner, "A Note on the North Bauchi Language Group (with map)," Africana Marburgensia, 7, No. 1 (1974), 50.

Neil Skinner, "North Bauchi Chadic Languages: Common Roots," Afro-Asiatic Linguistics, 4, No. 1 (1977), 1-49.

<sup>8</sup>Margaret G. Skinner, "The Two Fathers of Seven Children and the Kano Man: An Analysis of a Pa'anci Oral Narrative," Africana Marburgensia, 7, No. 1 (1974) 51-74 and "Gender in Pa'a", in P. Newman and R. M. Newman, Ed., Papers in Chadic Linguistics (Leiden: Afrika-Studiecentrum, 1977), 167-174.

taining Pa'anci data was by Herrmann Jungraithmayr. It included some ethnographic material, limited vocabulary, some numerals, pronouns, and verbal constructions, with a sentence of running text inaccurately translated, taken from an eight page duplicated manuscript written in the 1950s by a Bauchi Native Authority Information Officer. Both Charles Kraft and Paul Newman have collected some data (especially lexicon) on Warji, but their only published work on the language has been occasional references in comparative articles, particularly those dealing with lateral fricatives in Chadic languages. No other North Bauchi Chadic language has been described.

Although there has been a Sudan Interior Mission (now ECWA, Evangelical Church of West Africa) Church in Tiffi for several decades, no evidence could be found of any attempt to translate the scriptures into Pa'anci; the church presently uses Hausa for all its services.

There is some non-linguistic, ethnographic material on the Fa's to be found in Gunn and Temple,  $^{10}$ 

Herrmann Jungraithmayr, "Specimens of the Pa'a ("Afa") and Warja Languages with Notes on the Tribes of Ningi Chiefdom (Bauchi Province, Northern Nigeria)", Afrika und Übersee, Band L (1966-67), 194-205.

<sup>10</sup> Harold D. Gunn, Pagan Peoples of the Central Area of Northern Nigeria, (London: International African Institute, 1956), 22-35, and O. and C.L. Temple, Notes on the Tribes etc. of the Northern Provinces of Nigeria, [2nd ed.], (Lagos, Nigeria: C.M.S. Bookshop, 1922), 3-4.

confined largely to a brief description of initiation and burial rites, marriage practices and the importance of ancestor worship to the "Afawa". Their population estimates are at some variance with my own, indicating a decline from Temple's 1915 estimate of 10,010 to the Native Authority Tribal Census (Bauchi Division) of 1949-50, which showed a Pa'a population of merely 2,236, though Gunn later admits that census to be highly inaccurate, probably limited to tax-paying adult males.

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### Informants

My chief informants for the linguistic data were Mohammed Gambo Aliyu Tiffi (Wakilin Gona), known to most as simply "Wakili", presently Acting Head of Natural Resources and Agriculture of Ningi Local Government Area. and Haruna Sammako Tiffi, a farmer, and farm co-operative representative in Tiffi. Wakili in particular was an excellent informant, never blinking at complicated verbal paradigms, awkward constructions devised to test rules as they were being formulated, or at plugging away at often tedious minutiae. Often our sessions were held after he had put in a hard day's work at the Agricultural Office or at school (for several months of 1977-78, he was on an Agriculture Extension Refresher course at the School of Agriculture, ABU, Zaria), but nonetheless, he could usually produce an appropriate example (or counter-example) for the grammatical point in question. Sammako was employed for the more pedestrian aspects of the work (help in transcribing, etc.) which were too time-consuming to trouble Wakili with.

Long descriptions of Pa'a traditions and some linguistic information were obtained from Umaru Saleh Tiffi, one of the best educated Pa'a speakers, though for that reason, not always the best informant, as all of his education has been in languages other than Pa'anci,

and most away from the Pa'anci speaking community. Excellent oral narratives were obtained from Dogon Malam (Tiffi) and Gwazangi (aunt of chief informant Wakili), with a set of "women's stories" told by my best Pa'a friend Binta, wife of Kura. Binta and her female friends and relations, while illiterate, were often able to identify a puzzling lexical item, or antiquated grammatical structure that the better educated Pa'a men could not. The late Sarkin Tiffi Tsoho, Adamu, recorded a history of the Pa'a, and was helpful in identifying the Pa'a names for large wild animals, as he was one of the leading hunters among the Pa'a. He died in early 1977. His friend Galadima Tiffi introduced me to the music of the bisakwa, the Pa'a five-string harp, which he played for the noted musicologist Willard Rhodes to record in 1974.

The charismatic traditional religious head of the Pa'awa, Balaza, came to inquire my business among his people, but declined to be recorded. As he refuses, on principle, to converse in any language but Pa'anci, it is suspected by many speakers that he speaks a "purer" form of Pa'anci, without loans from Hausa or other neighboring languages. However, Wakili was able to check some points of lexicon with him, out of the range of my recorder (or ear).

While there are no recognized dialects among

Pa'a speakers today, idiolectal differences (tones, voicing of some consonants, palatalization, etc.) have occasionally been observed, and are noted in the text and lexicon where appropriate.

## Methodology

The methodology employed in eliciting data for this grammar involved a combination of a traditional Bloomfield-Pike Structuralist approach in the initial stages, and a transformational-generative approach in the later, analytical stages. I began by eliciting the 734 word "Proposed Bilingual Word List for Chadic Linguistic Research" prepared by H. Jungraithmayr and W. Gunther, which I had translated (with the help of Neil Skinner) into Hausa before going into the field. I had also tested the translation by eliciting all 734 words in Bacama, the first language of University of Wisconsin student Nicholas Pweddon, and devised a means of eliciting verbal paradigms. In the field, I elicited the list twice, with two different sets of informants, the second time expanding it to include plurals and gender in the case of nouns, and Perfective, Aorist and Imperfective verb forms.

As my Hausa was better than the English of all but perhaps one of my informants, I made an early decision to work through Hausa. But occasionally, for example with the word 'harp', there was no Hausa equivalent,

and so one had to demonstrate, explain, or illustrate. For the latter purpose, I had a book of the large mammals of Africa which I took to the most experience Pa'a hunters. Later, as I began eliciting more complex grammatical structures, I was further limited to constructions possible in Hausa, or rarely, English, and so came to rely increasingly on examples of narrative speech for new structures, those without parallel equivalents in Hausa.

All new material elicited (but not all checking, to save on tape recorder batteries) was recorded and transcribed in numerous exercise books. Depending on the type of material, once I was satisfied that I had a reasonably complete picture of a particular item, the information was then transfered to an "Indecks" punch card. In the case of lexical items, these were noted on 4" by 6" cards, punched for both English and Pa'anci alphabetical order, plus whether the entry was a noun, verb, modifier, or particle/formative.

Information on each card included, in the case of nominals, singular and plural forms, gender, close synonyms, tonal or phonemic minimal pairs, derivatives, etc. In the case of verbs, they were entered in the Perfective, Aorist, and Imperfective (verbal noun) forms, with notations for transitivity, causative and/or reduplicated forms, usual collocations, etc., plus a page

reference to the exercise book in which the complete paradigm for the verb could be found. More than 300 verbal paradigms were recorded, though I soon learned which persons and objects were the most revealing and/or representative, so that only some twenty verbs were elicited with all persons, numbers and genders as subjects and objects.

As I elicited lexicon and verbal paradigms, I began to formulate highly explicit rules for the microphenomena I was encountering. For example, as soon as a pattern began to emerge with regard to plural formation, I devised a set of generative rules to account for the observed phenomena, initially correlating plural formation with gender of the singular. It later became apparent that plurals were formed more strictly on phonological grounds, as I tested the output of my rules against new lexicon for which I had not previously elicited plural forms.

This pattern of rule formulation, testing of output, and re-formulation of rules was repeated again and again with increasingly complex structures, once I had a grasp of a vocabulary of some 1000 items. It was as instructive to discover which structures were not permissible to informants, and why, as those that were.

Simultaneously, I began recording oral narra-

tives, initially of Pa'a traditions, then stories told in evening session, Pa'a history, etc. These were transcribed and translated (with the aid of one of the informants, usually Sammako), and culled for new vocabulary, structures, and tests of rules being formulated. The traditions, in some ways the most interesting by subject matter, were told in a somewhat stilted, pedantic Pa'anci by the best educated of my informants, whose schooling in Hausa and English interfered, I suspect, with his Pa'anci fluency. Not only did many loan words appear, but also, for example, the frequency of relative clauses was much greater than in the running speech of other, less literate speakers.

Once a sufficient corpus of Pa'anci data was accumulated, I began to formulate rules for more major structures, for example, locatives, relative clauses, question formation, etc., having some sense of what the basic sentence order was. It is perhaps worth noting that the procedure thus followed, working from the specific to the general, formulating morphophonemic rules before major syntactic rules, is the reverse order of the grammar as it now appears. This sense of "normal" sentence order was then formulated into what have become the base rules of Pa'anci. Then the transformational rules, to account for optional permutations of the base rules,

were formalized and ordered. The output of these rules was then tested against textual material and elicited structures, and necessary adjustments made.

As material was elicited or culled from textual materials, similar structures were entered together on larger (5" by 8") "Indecks" cards, punched for category (eg. relative clauses with continuous) rather than alphabetical order. Rules formulated to account for the phenomena encountered were entered at the top.

While the data analysis was still in progress, I isolated certain aspects of it to write up and present as papers or publish as articles. Even though the material had not been fully synthesized, the useful feedback from peers, especially on the paper presented at the Chadic Colloquium in Holland, helped in integrating the isolated aspect (eg. of gender) into the larger entity. Similarly, Professor Jungraithmayr's comments on the article prepared for Africana Marburgensia (an analysis of a Pa'a oral narrative) were useful in deciding on the format of the appended texts. 11

Once the rules had been ordered and tested and retested (some of the retesting occurred on the second and third trips to Nigeria), the problem of writing up

<sup>11</sup> See footnote 8, above, for references.

the material had to be tackled. Fortunately, there were several models, previous theses that had been written on Chadic languages using a transformational-generative approach.

None of them was entirely satisfactory for my purposes, however. For example, the particulars of Pa'-anci grammar did not lend themselves to analysis as a Fillmorean Case grammar, as readily as Ga'anda for Roxana Ma Newman. Paul Newman's strictly ordered transformational generative grammar of Tera is largely unintelligible due to excessive formalism, and the data in it virtually inaccessible, though his later grammar of Kanakuru, in press at the time of my initial research, has proved a more useful model, and at least contained a minimal word list.

Russell Schuh's thesis on Ngizim<sup>15</sup> was to me the most logically ordered, with verbal descriptions of

<sup>12</sup>Roxana Ma Newman, A Case Grammar of Ga'anda, Diss. U.C.L.A. 1971 (Ann Arbor: University Microfilms, 1977).

<sup>13</sup> Paul Newman, A Grammar of Tera: Transformational Syntax and Texts. Diss. U.C.L.A. (Berkeley and Los Angeles: Univ. of California Publications in Linguistics 57, 1970).

<sup>14</sup> Paul Newman, The Kanakuru Language (Leeds: Institute of Modern English Language Studies and West African Linguistic Society, 1974).

<sup>15</sup>See footnote 1 for full reference.

the phonological and verbal systems preceding the rules, which were grouped by topic rather than strict ordering procedure. His lexicon, however, was limited to grammatical formatives, and no texts were appended for examples of running speech, though his text was generously sprinkled with examples.

Thus for the reasons cited at the outset, I decided to incorporate Schuh's practice of a verbal description of the phonological and verbal systems, and his presentation of rules by topic rather than strict ordering. As his thesis was almost exclusively syntax, his syntactic rules are perforce more detailed than mine. However, I was determined that my grammar should provide an extensive lexicon, not just of grammatical formatives, and appended texts, to provide examples of running, unelicited speech, the major structures of which are, it is hoped, accounted for by the rules which precede it.

#### CHAPTER 1: PHONOLOGY

The charts on the pages which follow list the consonantal and vocalic phonemes of Pa'anci. The first set lists the consonantal phonemes using the symbols of the International Phonetic Alphabet; the second employs the typescript symbols that are used throughout the text. All are unit phonemes, even if represented on the charts as di- or tri-graphs.

### Stops

Stop consonants in Pa'anci may be either voiced or voiceless, and in addition, there are glottalized and pre-nasalized series. The non-glottalized stops are fairly symmetrical, with a voiceless, voiced and pre-nasal stop at each of the following points of articulation: labial (p, b, and mb), alveolar (t, d, and nd), palatal (c, j, and nj), velar (k, g, and ng), and labialized velar (kw, gw, and ngw). There is, additionally, the voiceless glottal stop (').

Pa'anci does not normally permit consonantal clusters, so both nasal-stop and stop-sonorant clusters must be regarded as unit phonemes, at least initially.

mb, nd, nj, ng, and ngw occur frequently initially, eg.

mbura 'place', nduku 'to feel', njir 'anus', ngarsima

'elder brother', and ngwil 'to look for'. Medially,

Chart 1: Pa'anci Consonants [+cons] IPA Symbols

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	STOPS	Labial	Labio- dental	Alveolar	Palatal	Velar	Labial- ized Velar	Glottal
	[-vd][-gl][-cont]	р		t	С	k	k.W	7
	(ejective) [-vd][+gl][-cont]					k?	kĴW	
	[+vd][-gl][-cont][-nas]	Ъ		đ	ਹੋ	g	gw	
	(laryngealized) [+vd][+gl][-cont]	₹ <sub>b</sub>		? <sub>d</sub>				
	Pre-nasal [+vd][+nas][-cont][-gl]	c mb		nd	n <del>j</del>	ŋg	ŋgw	
OBSTRUENTS [-son]	FRICATIVES [-vd][-gl][+cont]		f	S	5			
	(ejective) [-vd][+gl][+cont]			s?				
	[+vd][-gl][+cont]		v	Z	3			
	Lateral [-vd][-gl][+cont][+lat]			4				
	[-vd][+gl][+cont][+lat]			43				
	[+vd][-gl][+cont][+lat]			В				
	Key: vd = voiced gl =	glotta	lized (	cont = co	ntinuant	nas	= nasal ]	lat=lateral

Chart 1 (Cont'd): Pa'anci Consonants [+cons] IPA Symbols

		Labial	Alveolar	Palatal	Labio- velar	ized	Palatal- ized Glottal	Glottal		
	LIQUIDS [+vd][-gl][+cont][+lat]		1							
	[+vd][-gl][+cont][-lat]		r/c, f							
on]	NASALS [+vd][+nas][+cont]	m	n							
S+]	GLIDES/SEMI <b>VOW</b> ELS [-vd][-gl][+cont]					h₩	ь <sup>у</sup>	h		
SONORANTS	[+vd][-gl][+cont]			j	W	ĥ	ĥ. <sup>y</sup>	ñ <sup>1</sup>		
SO	[+vd][+gl][-cont]			ر. ان						
	Key: vd = voiced gl = glottalized cont = continuant nas = nasal lat = lateral									

 $<sup>^1</sup>$ All three voiced  $\hat{n}$  phonemes ( $\hat{n}^w$ ,  $\hat{n}^y$ , and  $\hat{n}$ ) are decidedly breathy-voiced.

Chart 2: Pa'anci Consonants [+cons] Typescript Symbols

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	Labial	Labio- dental	Alveolar	Palatal	Velar	ized	Glottal
			_	_	1-	!	,
	p		Ե	<u> </u>	К.	KW	
(ejective) [-vd][+gl][-cont]					k	kw	
[+vd][-gl][-cont][-nas]	ъ	. paga mahihan katalah sahari katalah sahari mahasa k	đ	j	g	gw	
(laryngealized) [+vd][+gl][-cont]	Б	· Encirc reservo	ď				Markey a des communica deservi
Pre-nasal [+vd][+nas][-cont][-gl]	mb		nd	nj	ŋg	ŋgw	
FRICATIVES [-vd][-gl][+cont]		f	S	¥ S			
(ejective) [-vd][+gl][+cont]			ts				
[+vd][-gl][+cont]		ν	Z	¥		a and the same and the same and the same and the same and the	
Lateral [-vd][-gl][+cont][+lat]			tl				
[-vd][-gl][+cont][+lat]			tl'				
[+vd][-gl][+cont][+lat]			dl				•
	<pre>[+vd][-gl][-cont][-nas]</pre>	STOPS [-vd][-gl][-cont]	STOPS [-vd][-gl][-cont]	STOPS [-vd][-gl][-cont] p t  (ejective) [-vd][+gl][-cont] b d  (laryngealized) [+vd][+gl][-cont] b d  Pre-nasal [+vd][+nas][-cont][-gl] mb nd  FRICATIVES [-vd][-gl][+cont] ts  (ejective) [-vd][+gl][+cont] v z  Lateral [-vd][-gl][+cont][+lat] tl  [-vd][-gl][+cont][+lat] tl'	STOPS [-vd][-g1][-cont]	STOPS	STOPS

Key: vd = voiced gl = glottalized cont = continuant nas = nasal lat=lateral

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Chart 2 (Cont'd): Pa'anci Consonants [+cons] Typescript Symbols

		Labial	Alveolar	Palatal	Labio- velar	Labial- ized Glottal	Palatal- ized Glottal	Glottal	
	LIQUIDS [+vd][-gl][+cont][+lat]		1						
	[+vd][-gl][+cont][-lat]		r, r						
[+son]	NASALS [+vd][+nas][+cont]	m	n						
SONORANTS [+	GLIDES/SEMIVOWELS [-vd][-gl][+cont]					hw	hy	h	
	[+vd][-gl][+cont]			У	W	'nw	ĥу	ĥ l	
	[+vd][+gl][-cont]			¹y					
	Key: vd = voiced gl = glottalized cont = continuant nas = nasal lat = lateral								

 $<sup>^1</sup>$ All three voiced  $\hat{n}$  phonemes ( $\hat{n}$ w,  $\hat{n}$ y and  $\hat{n}$ ) are decidedly breathy-voiced.

however, they can act as a sequence, with the nasal closing the previous syllable, and the stop beginning the new one. Labialized velars occur both initially (eg. kwali 'lie', gwursaa 'wrestling' and kwati 'now') and medially, for example, tirkwasa 'kidney'. Informant intuition confirms the treatment of prenasal stops (syllable initially) and labialized velars as unit phonemes.

The glottalized stops must be further subdivided between the front (labial and alveolar) voiced consonants <u>b</u> and <u>d</u> which are laryngealized, and the back, (velar and labialized velar) voiceless consonants <u>k</u> and <u>kw</u>, which are ejective. This division is not unique to Pa'anci: many of the other Chadic languages, notably Hausa, have the same.

#### Fricatives

The most notable of Pa'anci's fricatives are the three laterals: voiceless <u>tl</u>, voiced <u>dl</u>, and glottalized <u>tl'</u>. Despite the typescript representation, these are genuine lateral fricatives, not affricates. Until fairly recently, lateral fricatives were seen as a marker of Biu-Mandara, or East Chadic languages, 2 so

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup>Paul Newman and Roxana Ma, "Comparative Chadic: Phonology and Lexicon," <u>Journal of African Linguistics</u>, 5 (1966), 225-6.

it is somewhat unusual to find all three in a Plateau-Sahel, West Chadic language. The glottalized lateral fricative was first noted by Jungraithmayr in his 1966-67 article for the lexeme 'five' vaatl'u.

Otherwise, Pa'anci's fricative inventory has much in common with other Chadic languages, voiceless  $\underline{f}$ ,  $\underline{s}$ , and  $\underline{y}$ , and voiced  $\underline{v}$ ,  $\underline{z}$ , and  $\underline{y}$ , and the glottalized ejective /s'/, typescript ts.

#### Sonorants

Pa'anci sonorants include liquids, nasals, glides and semi-vowels. There is a lateral, <u>l</u>, distinct from the lateral fricatives. There are two <u>r</u> allophones, flapped and trilled, presumed to be in complementary distribution, as I have never found a minimal pair distinguished only by this difference. In typescript, the two allophones are represented by the phonemic (but underspecified) <u>r</u>. There is a syllabic <u>r</u>, which occurs, as far as I can determine, only in two words, both having to

First challenged in print by Charles Kraft, "A Note on Lateral Fricatives in Chadic," Studies in African Linguistics, 2 (1971), 271-81, Paul Newman's second thoughts on the subject are reflected in his paper entitled "Lateral Fricatives ("hlaterals") in Chadic" in Papers in Chadic Linguistics, 107-119.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup>Jungraithmayr, p. 197.

do with the annual circumcision ceremony: rhá and rfama. As the environment is so limited, the phonemic status is doubtful [Were they part of a secret initiation language?], but my informants specifically rejected the acoustic implication of an re transcription, and the tone-bearing segment is apparently the trill, not an epenthetic vowel.

The only two sonorant nasals are  $\underline{m}$  and  $\underline{n}$ . The velar  $\eta$  does not have independent phonemic status, but only occurs as part of an  $\underline{\eta}g$  or  $\underline{\eta}gw$  cluster. Phonetically however,  $\underline{n}$  is often realized as  $\underline{\eta}$  when followed by word juncture or a word-medial velar.

Pa'anci has the two semivowels  $\underline{y}$  and  $\underline{w}$ , plus the glottalized palatal ' $\underline{y}$ , common to many of the western Chadic languages. In addition, there is a full set of sonorant glottals: voiced ( $\underline{\hat{n}}$ ) and voiceless ( $\underline{h}$ ), labialized ( $\underline{\hat{n}}\underline{w}$ ,  $\underline{h}\underline{w}$ ), and palatalized ( $\underline{\hat{n}}\underline{y}$ ,  $\underline{h}\underline{y}$ ). There is a decidedly breathy voiced quality about the production of  $\underline{\hat{n}}$ . Minimal pairs justifying the independent phonemic status of the labialized and palatalized glottals abound, eg.  $\hat{n}$ wân 'to mould, eg. pot' and  $\hat{n}$ an, 'to see'.

In limited environments (before a nasal), the voiced  $\hat{\underline{n}}$  can carry tone, as a syllabic consonant. Examples include  $\hat{\underline{n}}\underline{m}\underline{a}$  'to eat' and  $\hat{\underline{n}}\underline{n}\underline{n}\underline{a}$ , the tense-pronoun for the second person, feminine, continuous tense. As in the case of syllabic  $\underline{\underline{r}}$ , my informants rejected the impli-

#### Vowels

Pa'anci's vowel inventory consists of five basic vowels ( $\underline{i},\underline{e},\underline{a},\underline{o},\underline{u}$ ), which can be short or long (indicated by doubling the vowel.) Medially, the three short vowels  $\underline{i}$ ,  $\underline{a}$ , and  $\underline{u}$  are phonetically realized as  $\underline{i}$ ,  $\underline{a}$ , and  $\underline{u}$ , respectively, and have generally been transcribed as such in most texts and examples. All other transcription, including the r/r alternation, is phonemic.

There are two diphthongs, ei and au. I suspect the latter is the origin of the comparatively infrequent Pa'anci vowel o, which appears most often in the verbal noun ending -o, occasionally realized as -au.

#### Tones

Pa'anci has three level tones, high ['], low ['], and mid [unmarked], plus a contour (falling) tone [^]. Isolated examples of a rising tone can be explained historically by a sequence of a low (hereafter lo), followed by a high (hereafter hi) tone.

In addition to lexical tone, there is the phenomenon of downdrift, apparently universal to Chadic, in which a hi following a lo has a lower pitch than the hi which preceded the lo in the same phonological phrase.

Intonation, particularly question intonation, may raise

certain tones above the normal range, and the operation of certain morpho-phonemic rules may alter the lexical tone of a word completely. For example, as will be seen in Chapter 7, the suffixation of the lo-toned pronominal set to verbal nouns raises the final lexical tone of the verbal nouns.

For these and other reasons involving tonal sandhi, the marking of tone is not as straight-forward in Pa'anci as in Hausa or other languages where tones remain fairly constant. While tonal minimal pairs do exist, the functional load of tone is low, except in the tense-pronoun system of the verbal piece. Practically, while in the field, I tone marked all the sentences, lexical items in citation form, and paradigms which I elicited, but only about half of the connected texts. For those I often had to rely on the help of Sammako, who repeated problem segments (those I was unable to tone mark from taped speech) more slowly.

Therefore, in this grammar, I have elected to mark tone only where tone is an issue. This will include marking tone on all tense-pronouns, in the lexicon for all items in citation form (but not, for example, all collocations), and elsewhere where tone is crucial to the phenomenon under discussion. In this I am again following the examples of the three previous transformational-generative thesis grammars of Chadic languages.

### CHAPTER 2: THE VERBAL SYSTEM

This chapter is an attempt to describe, in words rather than rules and formulae, the verbal system of Pa'anci. After an initial section in which terms are defined, the chapter will first outline the lexical verb classes, based on the citation, Perfective form, then describe the derived verb aspects (Imperfective and Aorist) and the correlation of these aspects with the tense-marking auxiliary pre-verbal pronouns. The four basic tenses (completed, continuous, future and subjunctive) are outlined, as well as the three relative tenses (relative completed, continuous, and future), and the imperative.

Since writing about Chadic languages began in earnest more than a decade ago, a variety of terms have been used to describe the different constituent parts of the verbal system. The terms tense and aspect, perfective, imperfective and aorist have been used with overlapping and occasionally conflicting meanings by the leading scholars. To avoid confusion in this presentation, I have elected to use the terminology employed by Herrmann Jungraithmayr in 1974 and Paul Newman in 1977.

lH. Jungraithmayr, "A Tentative Four Stage Model for the Development of the Chadic Languages" (unpublished paper), 2nd Hamito-Semitic Linguistic Conference, Florence, 1974; Paul Newman, "The Formation of the Imperfective Verb Stem in Chadic," Afrika und Übersee, Band LX (1977), 178-192.

According to their usage, tense covers the surface conjugational forms which express "completed", "continuous", "future", etc. Aspect, on the other hand, covers the distinction between Perfective and Imperfective, and, in the case of Pa'anci, Aorist. Each of the tenses involves one or other of the aspects. For example, the completed and subjunctive tenses involve the Perfective Aspect, the continuous, future, relative continuous and relative future involve the Imperfective, and the relative completed the Aorist.

The distinction is clarified by looking at the formal difference between the two in Pa'anci. Tense, and the person, number and gender of the subject, are marked by an auxiliary pre-verbal element. This element will be called the AUX-tp (for Auxiliary Tense Pronoun) in the body of this grammar. Aspect, on the other hand, is marked on the verb itself, by suffixation and tone pattern. Because the tone pattern and shape of the perfective suffix is the least predictable in Pa'anci, the Perfective must be regarded as the citation form, with the Imperfective and Aorist forms in large part predictable from it.

It should be noted that part of the objection of other scholars (among them Russell Schuh) to this terminology is the misleading semantic (temporal) overtones to the terms "tense", "perfective", and "imperfective"

tive". In fact, Pa'anci "tenses" have less to do with time per se, and more with completion or non-completion of the action in question, than the name implies. I have tried to capture some of this implication in the names for the individual tenses, "completed" rather than past, "continuous" rather than present. I have, however, rejected Newman's semantically preferable alternative to Perfective and Imperfective ("Non-durative" and "Durative") because such terminology has not been accepted in standard usage, even by Newman. Similarly, Aorist, as used here, does not carry its usual semantic implications, but rather is used to describe the third verbal aspect used with the relative completed tense.

### Lexical Verb Classes

Because it is of interest to comparative Chadicists, I have included a section on the formal verb classes in Pa'anci. It should be emphasized, however, that the classes are differentiated solely by formal criteria which have no effect on the conjugational tense system. There appear to be no semantic-formal correlations; no neat correspondences between, for example, tone and/or suffix and transitivity.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup>Suggested by Herrmann Jungraithmayr in personal correspondence.

Pa'anci verbs can be divided into lexical classes by tone pattern, number of syllables, and final vowel
of the Perfective Aspect. The Imperfective and Aorist
forms are in large part predictable from the Perfective,
by rules which shall be formulated herein. As there are
numerous exceptions, however, all three forms have been
cited in the lexicon of this grammar.

Most Pa'anci verbs end in <u>a</u> or <u>u</u>, though a few end in a nasal (<u>n</u> or <u>m</u> -- the latter only in monosyllables), <u>i</u>, <u>e</u>, <u>ei</u>, <u>r</u>, <u>l</u>, or in monosyllables only, <u>o</u>. Among two syllable verbs, the most numerous, there is a fairly equal division between those which end in <u>a</u> and those which end in <u>u</u>. Examples of the former include <u>bela</u> 'return'; <u>cina</u> 'send, work'; <u>kufa</u>, 'forge(metal)' and <u>taaka</u> 'wipe'. Examples of <u>u</u> final Perfectives include <u>batlu</u> 'break, snap'; <u>cidu</u> 'push'; <u>kucuu</u> 'go blind' and <u>takuu</u> 'ask'. The ending cannot reliably be predicted by the first vowel, length of the first syllable, consonantal voicing, or other phonological variables.

Most tri-syllable verbs recorded in the language end in u, but vary in tone pattern. For example, bakusu 'envelop (as in palm leaves)'; béékitu 'fan'; dérgudu 'knead, massage' and dlérkáátu 'hollow out'. The only example of an a final three syllable Perfective recorded (other than derived, i.e. reduplicated, intensive forms) was dlébédàà 'cool (i.e. of sun).

Monosyllables, on the other hand, tend to end in a, ei, r, n, i, u, o, m, or l in that order of frequency. Examples include ba 'finish'; cei 'grab, hold, seize'; bar 'begin'; han 'see'; kii 'bite'; kuu 'fail'; hwo 'like'; gwam 'lack', and kwal 'prevent'.

The most common tone pattern for two syllable verbs in the Perfective is mid-lo, though a substantial fraction have the opposite tonal pattern, lo-mid. A still smaller fraction of verbs have hi-lo tones in the Perfective, and there are a few exceptional cases of hi-mid, lo-lo, and lo-hi toned Perfectives.

The tones of tri-syllable verbs show more variation, but hi-mid-lo Perfectives are statistically dominant. The second most common pattern is hi-lo-mid, with a scattered few mid-lo-mid, hi-lo-hi, and mid-lo-hi verbs.

Most mono-syllabic verbs are mid-toned in the Perfective, but a substantial number are low or have a falling tone. There was only one verb recorded with a hi-tone Perfective. This is unusual, in that in many Chadic languages, hi-toned mono-syllabic verbs predominate. It is of course possible that, viewed historically, hi-toned verbs have been re-interpreted as mid-toned mono-syllables, as in other African languages.

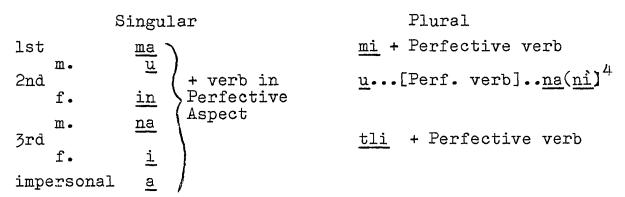
Russell G. Schuh, "West Chadic Verb Classes", in Newman and Newman, ed., <u>Papers in Chadic linguistics</u>, pp. 143-146.

Pa'anci verbs in the Perfective can be summarized as follows: A majority are bi-syllabic, of which most have a mid-lo tonal pattern. The final vowel may be <u>a</u> or <u>u</u>, or much less frequently, another vowel, liquid or nasal. Tri-syllabic verbs usually end in <u>u</u>, with a variety of tone patterns, but most commonly, a hi first syllable. Mono-syllables end in a variety of vowels, nasals and liquids, and carry mid, lo, or falling tones.

### The Perfective Aspect

Two tenses, completed and subjunctive, are based on the Perfective Aspect. The tense-pronoun [AUX-tp] paradigm for the two is virtually identical, except that the completed set uses hi tone, and the subjunctive, mid. The paradigm is as follows:

Completed and Subjunctive AUX-tps



Tones: hi for completed mid for subjunctive

A discontinuous AUX-tp; nì is not used if an object follows. Only the tone of u varies with tense; the mid-lo tones of na(nì) remain constant.

## Completed Tense

The completed tense, as the name implies, is used to indicate completed action, irrespective of time, in the sense of English tenses. The completed action may thus be in the past, present, or even future (in the case of some conditional sentences.) It is commonly used in narratives, often followed by subjunctive or relative past, once the "completedness" has been established. Some performers, as a stylistic variant, tend to use the continuous tense, perhaps to bring a sense of immediacy to the action, stimulating audience involvement.

### Examples:

- (1) ...tli kuɗu, tli dava aki ala yei they+compl. pass (Perf.Asp.), they+subj. come(Perf.Asp) here under rock 'they passed, they came here under the rock'
- (2) <u>i duma hwahwa</u> she+compl. carry(Perf.Asp.) load 'she carried the load'
- (3) kəsaanaa u puda bangwara njala na? why(Q-word) you(m.) +compl. pour(Perf.Asp.) quiver outside it-is 'why is it you poured [the] quiver outside?'
- (4) amati-kiki i vərda dla nju mother-this she+compl.

  gave-birth(Perf.Asp.)[to] son male 'this mother gave birth to a male child'

As can be seen by the example (4) above, the completed AUX-tp is never deleted, even following an exressed nominal subject. Some Chadic languages, eg. Ngizim, do not have third person, completed, AUX-tps with noun subjects. But in Pa'anci, the AUX-tp tone carries vital

tense information in addition to the person-number-gender code.

## Subjunctive Tense

AUX-tp set (given on page 35) followed by the Perfective verb form, is used in a variety of situations. These include commands other than the second person masculine singular; sequential to another tense, usually completed, in narrative and other constructions; as sentential complements of certain verbs, including 'to want' and 'to refuse'; and in purpose and 'before' clauses. The subjunctive AUX-tps are also used to form the three (past, present, future) relative tenses, in collocation with different aspects of the verb, the rel marker ka, and the future formative in the case of the relative future tense.

- (5) <u>anjani: u dama-na hwahwa</u> I+tire(irregular verb): you(pl.)+subj. carry-(pl.) load 'I'm tired: You carry the load'
- (6) asin, u miya, u nan asimbaani-nu lie-down(Imperative) you(m.s.)+subj. die(Perf.Asp.), you see friends-your 'lie down and die and see who your friends are'
- (7) mi zaa? we+subj. go-in(Perf.Asp.) 'should we go in?'
- (8) <u>ná munde in kwan ƙundindiƙi</u> he+compl. said(Perf.Asp.) you(f.s.)+subj. buy(Perf.Asp.) sweet-potatoes 'he said you should buy sweet potatoes'
- (9) <u>i tla hara (ĥamaa) i du kan</u> she+compl. go(Perf.Asp.)
  home (in-order-to[optional; lit. head]) she+subj. cook
  sauce 'she went home to cook stew'

- (10) <u>kafin tli dava</u>, (<u>sei</u>) <u>in ba cin-ta</u> before they+subj. come(Perf.Asp.), (then[Hausa loan?]) you(f.s.)+subj. finish(Perf.Asp.) work-the 'before they come, finish the work.'
- (11) Yinda i mbure-mi God she+subj. help(Perf.Asp.)-us 'may God help us!'

The Imperfective Aspect

Given the lexical form of the Perfective Aspect, the form of the Imperfective Aspect is usually predictable The Imperfective Aspect is used, with the approfrom it. priate AUX-tps, to form the continuous, future, relative continuous and relative future. The Imperfective Aspect is identical in form to the Verbal Noun, and so, for brevity, Verbal Noun (or its abbreviation VN) will often be substituted for Imperfective Aspect when speaking of form. The usual way to form the Imperfective Aspect (or Verbal Noun) is to replace the final vowel of the Perfective by -o, sometimes realized as -au. 5 In the case of consonant final bi- and mono-syllabic verbs, the -o is suffixed to the consonant. Regardless of the tone pattern of the Perfective, the Imperfective tone pattern is most frequently hi-lo (hi-mi-lo in the case of tri-syllables, and falling in the case of monosyllables).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>5</sup>cf. Newman's (1977) conclusion: "Imperfective stems [in Proto-Chadic] were formed by suffixation...and contained the vowel a." Newman, "The Formation of the Imperfective.." p. 189.

### Continuous Tense

The continuous tense is one of four tenses that are based on the Imperfective Aspect. It is used to indicate incompleted action at some time of reference, which can be past, present or future. The AUX-tps used (with the Imperfective Aspect of the verb) to form the continuous tense are as follows:

# Continuous AUX-tps

	۶	Singular	Plural
lst		<u>muna</u>	<u>m<del>i</del>nà</u>
2nd	m •	huna, u	h <del>i</del> nà
<u></u>	f.	<u>finna</u>	
3rd	m.	<u>t<del>i</del>nà</u>	tli <sup>7</sup> (na)
	f.	<u>i</u>	<u>011 (11a)</u>
impersonal		ánà	

These AUX-tps are also used, without a verb, to form locative constructions (with a following locative word), or associative (possessive) constructs, with the preposition <u>i</u> or <u>yaa</u> plus an object. Schuh states unequivocally of Ngizim that "The imperfective [his term for continuous] derives historically from the locative predicate

Gunambiguously future time is expressed by the future tense, q.v.

 $<sup>^{7}\</sup>mathrm{Homophony}$  with the subjunctive AUX-tps is disambiguated by the aspect which follows,  $-\underline{o}$  Imperfective in the case of the continuous.

construction."8 While there may be some support for this argument in Pa'anci as well, for the purposes of this grammar, I have chosen to derive the locatives (and associatives) from the deletion of an unspecified locative verb feature bundle.

Examples of the use of the continuous AUX-tps follow:

- (12) tina burdo keekee na he+cont. repairing(VN) bicycle it-is(emph.) 'it's that he's repairing a bicycle'
- (13) <u>vura i juuwoo aci</u> girl she+cont. pounding(VN) corn 'the girl is pounding corn'
- (14) <u>nna ndero misina?</u> you(f.s.)+cont. doing(VN) what(Q-word) 'what are you doing?'
- (15) mina hara we+cont. [loc. V deleted] home 'we're home'
- (16) tli a ĥari na they+cont. [loc. V deleted] inside [lit. 'at stomach'] it-is(emph) 'it's that they're inside'
- (17) <u>huni</u> [<u>hunà</u> + <u>i</u>] <u>va fuu</u> you(m.s.)+cont.+with [deleted loc. V] thing (of) world 'you are wealthy'

#### Future Tense

The future tense is formed with the Imperfective Aspect, preceded by the appropriate (in person, number, gender agreement with the subject) subjunctive of the verb 'to go'. The verb 'to go' is highly irregular

<sup>8</sup>Schuh, Aspects of Ngizim Syntax, p. 25.

[see appendix #2], in part because the completed and subjunctive tenses incorporate what Paul Newman calls an "ICP", an "Intransitive Copy Pronoun", a pronominal suffix which copies the person, number and gender of the subject onto the verb. Thus the subjunctive of 'to go', which is used as the future formative, has person, number, and gender features suffixed of each of the conjugational forms. Though further marks of subject agreement within the pre-verbal element would be redundant, occasionally for emphasis, or obligatorily in negative future constructions, either the subjunctive or the continuous set of AUX-tps may be used, preceding the appropriate form of the subjunctive of 'to go'.

Future Formatives

(Subjunctive of the verb 'to go')

Singular Plural

lst tin cin

m. tú

2nd cina

f. tin

m. táá

3rd tlitli

9Newman, The Kanakuru Language, p. 23, et passim.

f.

itlá

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>10</sup>Not only is person, number, and gender information copied, but in this case, the verb totally assimilates to the suffixed pronoun.

The mere fact that Pa'anci forms the future tense using the Imperfective is worth noting, as in some Chadic languages, notably Hausa, the future is formed with the Perfective Aspect. Examples of the future in Pa'anci follow:

- (18) tin jeno ĥamaa katura I+go step(VN) on[lit. head] scorpion. 'I will step on (the) scorpion'
- (19) mi cín hwocu Kano suu we+subj we+go go[suppletive VN]

  Kano tomorrow 'we will go (to)

  Kano tomorrow'

Relative Continuous Tense

Two of Pa'anci's three relative tenses, the relative continuous and the relative future, are based on the Imperfective Aspect.

The relative continuous tense is used to indicate uncompleted action within a relative clause or following a front-shifted emphatic noun or adverb, or, with the verb deleted, in relative locative or associative constructions. The AUX-tps used with the Imperfective are basically the subjunctive ones, followed by the rel marker  $\underline{ka}$ , which is repeated at the end of the verb phrase.

The complete paradigm is listed on the next page:

## Relative Continuous AUX-tps

Examples of relative continuous constructions follow:

- (20) <u>má nduku avi-ta u ka mundo ka</u> I+compl. hear(Perf.Asp.) thing-the you(m.s.) rel saying(VN) rel. 'I hear what you are saying'
- (21) fei-ta ma kà ĥwocu ka, mænà tlô baba day-the I rel going(VN) rel, I+cont. getting-up(VN) early. 'on the day I go, I'll get up early'
- (22) ngaa avi-ta na ka ĥamaa teebor ka give-me thing-the he-is rel on table rel 'give me the thing on the table'
- (23) <u>má ĥan ama-ta i kà a ĥari ka wa</u> I+compl. see(Perf. Asp.) mother-the she+rel.cont. at inside rel neg 'I didn't see the one who was inside'

### Relative Future Tense

Even among those Chadic languages which have relative tenses, a relative future tense is comparatively rare. Pa'anci's is formed by preposing the relative continuous AUX-tps to the future formatives, the ICP subjunctive of the verb 'to go', followed by the Imperfective form of the verb, and the rel marker ka, sometimes deleted

when objects are suffixed to the Verbal Noun. The relative future tense is used in unambiguously future references in relative clauses and in pre-posed emphatic sentences. Some examples follow:

- (24) hwahwa-ta u ka tu dimo ka i ndan-ndan pa load-the you(m.s.) rel will carry(VN) rel with heaviness indeed 'the load you will carry is indeed heavy.'
- (25) har ƙwati, mi han mbarin-ta mi ka cin ngo-su wa until now, we+compl. see(Perf. Asp.) person-the we rel will give(VN)-it not 'up to now, we haven't found the person to give it to'
- (26) mbura-ta ma kà tín sikwo ka, aba anuñwanti na placethe I rel will live(VN) rel, father [of] goodness itis(equalizer/stabilizer) 'the place where I will live is a good one'

## The Aorist Aspect

The last of the seven tenses of Pa'anci is the relative completed, based on the Aorist Aspect of the verb. Given the Perfective form of the verb, the Aorist is in large part predictable from it: the final vowel of poly-syllabic Perfective verbs is replaced by the long, hi suffix -ii. This Aorist suffix usually replaces the back, low vowels of monosyllables, but is suffixed, with an epenthetic y, to high front vowels or diphthongs (i.e.  $\underline{i}$ ,  $\underline{e}$ , and  $\underline{ei}$ ). Mono-syllables which end in a nasal or liquid become bi-syllabic with the addition of the Aorist suffix.

## Relative Completed

The relative completed tense is formed with the subjunctive AUX-tps, followed by the Aorist form of the verb, and a verb phrase final ka.

The relative completed tense is used in two distinct settings: relative clauses wherein completed action is indicated and medial in a sequential list of completed actions, usually in a narrative context. Having scanned several hundred pages of transcribed texts for examples of relative past constructions, I can say that there is considerable variability with regard to frequency of usage among speakers, or even different performances of the same speaker.

Examples using the relative completed follow:

- (27) nda i belii hara ka, sei a nguna na munda ka when she return(Aorist) home rel, then PRAM<sup>11</sup>Spider he said.... 'when she returned home, Spider said....'
- (28) <u>i riga i sinii calo nguna ka</u> she+compl. knew(Aorist) character [of] Spider rel. 'she already knew Spider's character'
- (29) tli nyı́i mujiki, na ciyii ka 'they find(Aorist) river, he bring(Aorist)[water] rel. 'they found the
  river, it was flooded'
- (30) nda tli dava, tli dəɗii ka, tli barii dladlo ka
  when they came, they lined-up(Aorist) rel., they
  began(Aorist) running rel. 'when they came, they
  lined-up and began running.'
- llPRAM = Previous Reference Animate Marker; see next
  chapter for explanation.

## Imperative

There are two ways of expressing commands in with the imperative and the subjunctive. Pa'anci: imperative is used only for commands in the second person, masculine singular. The form is that of the Perfective Aspect, with the AUX-tp deleted. Commands for persons other than second masculine use the subjunctive. second person masculine imperatives sequential to an imperative use the subjunctive, as illustrated by example (6) above, and (32) below. The tones of all commands remain the same as the lexical Perfective tones (and the subjunctive AUX-tps). The only intonational overlay effect of the imperative is occasionally to lower the register of the whole word. While this is by no means a consistent feature, it is mentioned mainly because it is the opposite of the tonal behavior of imperatives in several other Chadic languages.

Isolated examples have been elicited of imperatives using the Aorist form of the verb, but when pressed, informants have usually said it was an error. It is, however, an intriguing one, as several other Chadic languages form imperatives with an -i suffix.

- (31) <u>tú</u> 'go' [imperative, 2nd masculine ICP verb]
- (32) zaa, u šiki, u rema zuwe go-in[imp.], you[m.s.]+
  subj. sit(Perf.Asp), you[m.s.]+subj. eat(Pærf.Asp.)
  groundnuts 'go in, sit down, and have some peanuts'

### CHAPTER 3: PHRASE STRUCTURE RULES

The following rules, which are explained on subsequent pages, account for basic Pa'anci sentence types:

P.S. # 1

$$s \longrightarrow \left[ \begin{cases} Conj \\ \underline{ko} \end{cases} \right]^n, \quad n \ge 2.$$

P.S. # 2

S ---> 
$$\left(\left\{\begin{array}{c}Q\\Imp\end{array}\right\}\right)$$
 (emp)(focus)NP $\left\{\begin{array}{c}aux&VP\\NP&pred\end{array}\right\}$  (adv\*)(neg)

P.S. # 3

P.S. # 4

P.S. # 5

$$NP \longrightarrow \left[\left\{\frac{i/yaa}{ko}\right\} NP\right]^n, n \ge 2.$$

Key to reading symbols: Conj = conjoiner; ko = Pa'anci disjoiner; emp = emphasis; pred = predicator; aux = auxiliary; \* = iterative; loc = locative; assoc = associative; inst = instrumental; man = manner; pur = purpose; i/yaa = Pa'anci nominal conjoiners; png = person, number, gender; Det = determiner.

Key to Reading Symbols cont'd: <u>names</u> = (lit. 'head'), purpose conjunction 'in order to'; AUX-tp = Auxiliary tense pronoun. Tenses will hereafter be abbreviated cont. for continuous, fut. for future, compl. for completed, and subj. for subjunctive.

Rule by Rule Explanation:

P. S. # 1: Sentence Conjoining

Phrase Structure Rule # 1, S ---> [ Conj S]^n, allows for any number of sentences to be generated iteratively and conjoined or disjoined. There is normally no overt marker in the surface structure of conjoined sentences, though often a particle borrowed from Hausa will appear to indicate 'on the other hand' or 'also' or 'and then'. Such particles would be subsumed under Conj in P.S. # 1, though most often the surface conjoiner is Ø. Examples of conjoined sentences follow:

(1) <u>á dava, á di, ná miya</u> one+compl. came(Perf.Asp), one+compl. hit(Perf. Asp.)+him, he+compl. died. '[some]one came [and]hit him,[and]he died.'

(2) na tá mbo, a kà tuma rfama, he will come-out, one+rel. cont. sings rfama [songs] a kà tafo-sin, a kà tuko-sin one+rel.cont. follows-them, one+rel.cont. escorts-them 'he will come out, [then] one sings "rfama" songs, [and] one follows them [and] escorts them'

Neither of the above have surface conjoiners.

The following sentence contains a particle borrowed from Hausa, and follows Hausa [conj] insertion rules:

(3) a Musa ná taa kanti, PRAM¹ Musa he+compl. went store a Mohammadu kuwa, ná taa sina PRAM Mohammed on-the-other-hand, he+compl. went farm

'Musa went to the store, Mohammed, on the other hand, went to the farm'

Disjunction of two sentences usually involves the placement of the disjoiner ko (a probable Hausa loan) in front of each sentence to be disjoined:

(4) ko u tu ko ma tin either you(m.s.)+subj. go or I+subj. go 'either you go, or I go'

P.S. # 2: S Expansion

[S --->(
$$\{Imp\}$$
)(emp)(focus)NP $\{aux VP\}$  (adv\*)(neg)]

To deal with the obligatory parts of the Pa'anci sentence first, NP  $_{
m NP\ pred}^{
m aux\ VP}$  accounts for the two major types of Pa'anci sentences, those with verbal predicates, and those with nominal predicates. The latter involve the equalizer/stabilizer na(m.) or ya(f.).

PRAM = Previous Reference Animate Marker. See explanation under NP Expansion, p. 61-62.

- (5) Musa ná mba [NP aux VP] Musa he+compl. went-out(Perf. Asp.) 'Musa went out'
- (6) <u>suu Gurami na</u> [NP NP pred] tomorrow harvest-festival equalizer/stabilizer(m.) 'tomorrow is [the] harvest festival'

It should be noted that later transformations may delete, in certain circumstances, the NP of a verbal sentence, or alternatively, the VP of a verbal sentence (which, for locative and associative [possessive] constructions, are unspecified locative semantic feature bundles never realized in the surface structure, or even one of the NPs of a non-verbal construction. These deletions would result in surface structures like the following:

- (7) ná mba he+compl. went-out [subject NP deleted after subject-aux agreement, leaving aux VP] 'he went out'
- (8) tinà Tiffi he+cont. [deleted loc. VP] Tiffi 'he's in Tiffi'
- (9) ani aci aĥari pangwa existential[one+cont+prep'with'] guinea corn inside cornbin 'there is corn in the bin' [Ø subject NP followed by contraction of continuous aux and the prepesition 'with', unspecfied loc. V deleted]
- (10) tini tsalliya he+cont.+with money 'he has money'
  [deleted unemphatic subject pronoun; deleted unspecified loc.
  VP]
- (11) <u>suu na</u> tomorrow equalizer/stabilizer 'tomorrow it is' [deleted NP implied]

Yet another deletion is possible, though infrequent: the deletion of the pred equalizer-stabilizer in

an NP NP pred sentence. By this deletion, example 6 would become:

(12) <u>suu Gurami</u> [NP NP (deleted pred)] 'tomorrow (is the) harvest-festival'

Question and imperative nodes are mutually exclusive in Pa'anci. Imperatives can only occur with [aux VP] predicates, aux deletion only occurring when the subject is 2nd person masculine singular. (Subjunctive is used for other genders and numbers.) Questions can be formed by a question word or, less frequently, intonational change, with or without tag or yes/no question formation. Transformational rules governing imperatives and questions are contained in the next chapter.

The Pa'anci negative can co-occur with either question or imperative nodes. The surface form of the negative is usually a sentence final wa. However, when the negation involves an embedded sentence with an aux in the subjunctive, or a negative command, the negative is realized as <a href="mailto:mba...[aux VP]...wa">mba...[aux VP]...wa</a>. These surface structure realizations will be handled by the segmentalization rules of Chapter 6.

- (13) ú tu wa you+compl. went neg. 'you didn't go'
- (14) <u>ná munde mba ma tuku wa</u> he+compl. said neg I+subj. accept neg. 'he said I shouldn't accept'

The options (emp)(focus) account for emphatic and focus constructions in the language. Whole sentences

can be made emphatic as in:

(15) i dava na [aux VP e/s] she+compl. came(Perf.Asp.) itis. (loosely)'it is a fact that she came'

Alternatively, a single item can be assigned the feature
[+emph]. Focus is usually realized by a front shifted
clause, and the implication of this optional node in P.S.

# 2 is that such front shifting would be obligatory if the
focus node were selected. Both sentence and word level
[emph] constructions involve na (m.) or ya (f.), formally
identical to the equalizing/stabilizing pred.

True Pa'anci adverbs, other than ideophones, are rare: Most of what translate into English as adverbs are in fact NPs or PPs, and as such are dealt with in P.S. # 3, the expansion of VP. In addition to ideophones, there are a few noun-derived adverbs, differentiated from the noun by tone and/or vowel length. [eg. <u>nari</u> 'inside' from <u>nari</u> 'belly' (c.f. <u>ánari</u> 'in' prep)].

When adverbs co-occur, they are generally in the order place-purpose-manner-time, though time adverbs are often front shifted, when used with pred or other adverbs.

(16) <u>daami a Aliyu malvi na</u> last-year PRAM Aliyu king e/s 'last year Aliyu (was) king'

Time adverbs are virtually the only way of establishing temporal perspective with pred, whereas aux + verb give some indication, at least of completed, on-going or future action, in the case of verbal predicates.

# P.S. # 3: VP Expansion

$$[VP--->V(NP)(NP)(NP)(PP_{loc})(PP_{assoc})(PP_{inst})({Man \atop PP})(pur)]$$

Phrase Structure rule # 3, the re-write of VP, accounts for objectival and adverbial structures, the latter realized in Pa'anci by prepositional phrases or embedded sentences.

When more than one of the optional NPs is present, the last NP is always the direct object, whether it is a noun or pronoun. Some verbs, eg. 'ask', 'give', etc., can take up to three following NPs:

- (17) <u>ná takwaandi dalili</u> he+compl. asked-for-me-him reason 'he asked him the reason for me'
- (18) muna terdo Binta aci I+cont. grinding(VN) Binta guinea-corn 'I am grinding guinea-corn for Binta'
- (19) tina nwano-su kan he+cont. building-her hut 'he is building her a hut'

Motion verbs, or unspecified locative semantic feature bundles (later deleted) take locative goal complements as the following NPs.

Certain verbs in the language take, in place of noun or pronoun objects, verbal noun complements, which may in turn have objects. The verbs which take such complements would be called in English "auxiliary verbs", as semantically they modify the meaning of the "main" verbal action expressed in the verbal noun. But from the surface structure, it is impossible in Pa'anci to differentiate

them from other "main" verbs, as the aux-verb agreement is with the verb, not the verbal noun. Most of the verbs which take verbal noun complements can also occur without them, or with noun or pronoun objects.

- (20) <u>i tukwe ndero-su godiya</u> she+compl. kept-on (Perf. Asp.) giving(VN)-him thanks 'she kept giving him thanks'
- (21) <u>i nderi godiya</u> she+compl. gave+him thanks 'she gave him thanks'

Verbs which can take verbal noun complements include gwam 'lack', tukwe 'keep on' and two verbs which only take verbal noun complements, ri and gaje, whose semantic content is hard to pinpoint. Such verbs are noted as [+VN compl.] in the lexicon. Two verbs take sentential complements only, allowed for by P.S. # 5, (NP ---> S). The first is probably borrowed from Hausa, riga 'already', as in:

(22) atle kuwa, i riga i sine hali ngwina, sare! she on the other hand, she+compl. already she+subj knew character [of] Spider, completely 'she, on the other hand, she already knew the character of Spider, completely.'

The second is an irregular verb, haraa 'be necessary to, ought to', [H. kamata] as in:

complements will often be in the subjunctive.

In the post-objectival position, P.S. # 3's expansion of VP accounts for a number of specific adverbial phrases, including locative, associative, instrumental, and manner prepositional phrases, and purpose embedded sentences.

In addition to locative goal complements, verbs of motion and unspecified locative verb semantic feature bundles commonly take following locative prepositional phrases. In fact, it may well be that locative goal complements represent underlying objects of deleted locative prepositions. Two examples of sentences with locative prepositional phrases follow:

- (24) mbarmbi-ta tli tlu daga mbura barau-ta people-the they+compl. took-off from place [of] wedding-the [In answer to my question 'Where is everybody?' on arriving three minutes late for informant's wedding] 'the people scattered from the wedding place'
- (25) Fooni tli flari ritl'a Ningu(sic) Pa'awa they+cont. [loc. verb deleted] in land [of] Ningi. 'the Pa'a are in the Ningi region'

In order to give an indication of the range of lexical options to fill some of the post-verbal slots, I have compiled the lists which appear on the following pages. The first of these is a list of the most common locative prepositions, with a notation, where appropriate, of their nominal derivation:

(26) (á) hamaa 'on, on top of' < hama 'head'

(á) hari 'in, inside' < hari 'belly, stomach'

ála(la) 'after, behind, beneath, at back or base'

áhwân 'in front'

(á) vìngi '(at) edge of' < vìngi 'mouth'

tsitsiku(ti) 'in the middle of' < tsitsiku 'middle'

dlibiya 'next to' [rare]

At least the first of the following locative adverbs can be used prepositionally:

(27) njàláa 'outside' < njàlaa 'outside, outdoors'

ritl'u 'on the ground' < ritl'á 'earth, land'

(ko) wajè wácì 'at the side, beside' < 'side one'

kəman magu 'left' < kéman mágù 'hand left'

bìšicékà 'right' < cf. kéman biši 'hand right'

ñwasu 'up' < ñwásu 'sky'

Two of the most common Pa'anci prepositions are identical, except for tone, to common Hausa prepositions. Because of the productive use of the morpheme  $\underline{\acute{a}}$  as in (26) above, my suspicion is that it is more likely common Chadic stock, while  $\underline{\mathtt{daga}}$  may be a more recent loan:

(28) <u>á</u> 'at' cf. H. <u>à</u> 'at, in, on' dagà 'from' ?< H. dàgà 'from'

The origin of the locative adverbs meaning 'near' and 'far' is unknown, though reduplication suggests it may be ideophonic:

(29) ngir-ngir 'near, close' [can be made prepositional by addition of lexeme yaa 'with' eg. 'close or near to']

kwun-kwun 'near, close'

Yisu 'far' [can be made prepositional by addition of lexeme daga 'from' or yaa 'with']

Compass points, when used, are borrowed from Hausa: arewa 'north', kudu 'south', gabas 'east', and yamma, 'west', often followed by [the Hausa loan] daga 'from', or i, 'with'. Most commonly, directions are given with respect to fixed places, then made more explicit by use of one or more of the above locatives, or if in respect to the speaker, 'here' áki(ki) [repetition of ki implies 'right here'], 'there' (á)ka [ká implies 'way over there'] or fa 'here/there' [not far].

The prepositions used in associative and instrumental phrases are i and yaa 'with'. The fact that the prepositions are the same for both usages may lead one eventually to collapse the two categories, but as they can co-occur, I have elected to separate them for the present. An illustration of their co-occurence follows:

(30) <u>á geduu ĥwassu yaa tin, yaa ziiki, á dikəni</u> 'one+ compl. climbed up with(assoc.) him, with(instrument-al) rope, one+compl. tied-him 'one climbed up with him, with a rope one tied him'

The lexemes  $\underline{i}$  and  $\underline{yaa}$  are used for NP conjoining, as will be seen in the explication of P.S. # 5. The lexeme  $\underline{i}$  can also occur with nominals, including verbal

nouns, to form manner adverbials.

The difficulty of categorizing adverbials is made even more apparent with manner words. Some are clearly ideophonic, others are formed with prepositions. Most modify the action of the verb, but some intensify (or soften) the impact of another modifier. The range may be indicated by the following selection from running texts:

(31) bazau [Hausa loan?] ideophone for falling

ca intensifies meaning of another modifier, as in dlibu-su ca 'all (of) them ca' or ca dluwi-su (all) alone-his'

cibu-cibu 'little-little, small-small'

cuwan(-cuwan) 'quietly, carefully'

dlibu, dlip 'all' (can also be used as nominal modifier)

gabu(-gabu) 'small-(small)'

giji-giji, guju-guju sound of running footsteps

karapa da gungume (Hausa?) sound of dodo's approaching footsteps

<u>kutu-kutu</u> 'greatly'

ngam 'tightly closed'

i Saasaa 'with haste'

<u>i dladlo</u> 'with running' (other VNs possible as object of preposition <u>i</u>)

vanginga (ca) 'a lot'

vilung [ideophone, meaning difficult to pin down, eg. u dei ĥama-su vilung 'you cut-off headhis ...]

zuutu 'completely'

ZeZe 'a little, small-small'

Purpose adverbials, as will be seen by the expansion of (pur) in P.S. #7, usually involve a conjoiner (<u>namaa</u>, 'in order to, because') followed by a sentence, though the conjoiner is sometimes deleted.

P.S. # 4: PP Expansion
[PP ---> prep NP]

Prepositional phrases in Pa'anci are formed by a preposition followed by a noun phrase. As can be seen by the list of locative preposition on page 56, many Pa'anci prepositions are of nominal origin, or have been borrowed from Hausa. Other than the locative and associative prepositions previously mentioned, only one additional prepositional use should be mentioned here.

The verbal noun of the verb 'to lack' can be used to form dissociative constructions, as in:

(32) gara ma Siki gwamo meka it-is-better [Hausa loan]

I+subj. live(Perf. Asp.)

lacking(VN) woman 'it is

better that I live without
a wife'

P.S. # 5: NP 
$$\binom{\text{Con}}{\text{Dis}}$$
 joining

NP --->  $\left\{\frac{i/yaa}{ko}\right\}$  NP]<sup>n</sup>

Noun Phrases will be dealt with in more detail in Chapter 5, but the expansion of NP in P.S. # 5 and 6 gives the most basic options. I will deal with each of the options in turn.

Conjoined NPs are accounted for by NP --->  $\begin{bmatrix} \frac{i}{yaa} \end{bmatrix} \text{ NP}]^n, \ n \geq 2.$  Formally identical with the associative and instrumental prepositions (see page 57),  $\underline{i}$  and  $\underline{yaa}$  are comitative conjoiners, with semantic implications of simultaneity. It is therefore not the case that conjoined NPs result from sentence conjunction reduction, as is argued for English and other languages. Subject verb agreement with conjoined subjects is often clarified by an independent subject pronoun, as in:

atlin fadu tli hwa mbura tli Siki mbura waci with Lion, with Leopard, with Puff Adder, with Hyena, they four they+compl. looked-for place they+subj. live place one 'Lion, Leopard, Puff Adder and Hyena, the four of them looked for a place they could live together'

It is admittedly more difficult to argue that nominal <u>disjunction</u> is not a result of sentence disjunction reduction, as the sentential and nominal disjoiners are identical in form (the probable Hausa loan  $\underline{ko}$ ), and the semantic restraints are not as constricting for dis-

junction as for conjunction.

The first optional re-write of NP accounts for a noun (or pronoun or verbal noun, all subsumed under N) with person, number and gender features specified, with or without one or more determiners. Det is used here as a cover term for a limited range of nominal modifiers -- nominal markers, indefinites, deictics, demonstrative pronouns, and quantifiers. As will be seen by subsequent chapters, attributive adjectives (and nominal) will be derived from relative clause reduction, and so are not included at this stage.

It is imperative that person, number and gender features be specified for nouns as part of the deep structure, as these features will govern later agreement rules, eg. subject-AUX tp, noun-adjective, etc.

Not all determiners are post-nominal, so the placing of (Det\*) in the rule is somewhat arbitrary. Two determiners, in particular, are always pre-nominal: the PRAM [Previous Reference Animate Marker] a (plural <u>n̂ya</u>), and the indefinites <u>waci</u> (m.) and <u>wace</u> (f.), 'a, a certain', and <u>wuxi</u> (indef. interrogative). PRAM is in complementary distribution with all other modifiers,

perhaps because semantically no other modifier is needed if speaker and listener are both aware to whom reference is made. PRAM can modify animate and in fact humanoid (eg. animal characters in stories) subjects, which may be nouns, independent pronouns, titles or proper names, providing previous reference has been made to the subject.

The demonstratives <u>amati</u> (f.), <u>abiti</u> (m.) 'this' [< <u>ama</u> 'mother', <u>aba</u> 'father'] and <u>amata</u> (f.), <u>abita</u> (m.) 'that' can also precede the noun, follow it, or even appear independently ('this/that (other) one'), plural hanti/hanta, 'these, those'.

However, perhaps the most common deictics are post nominal: -ti and/or kiki 'this' [cf. aki, ki 'here'], and -ta and/or kaki/a 'that' [cf. ka 'there'], kááki for 'that one way over there'). For emphasis, however, even kiki may appear pre-nominally, in addition to a post nominal -ti kiki.

Numerals tend to follow the nouns they quantify, but can precede. Unlike the indefinites and demonstratives, numerals are not inflected for gender, or number.

Numerals include:

- (34) l <u>waci</u>
  - 2 cir(u)
  - 3 <u>kədu</u>

- 4 fadu
- 5 vaatl'u
- 6 maha
- 7 tsirkwun, cirkwun (idiolectical variants)
- 8 fafadiki
- 9 kemanamma
- 10 daabu
- ll da'mbo waci
- 12 etc. " ciru etc.
- 20 daabu ciru
- 21 daabu ciru mbo waci etc.
- 30 daabu kadu etc.
- 100 <u>daabu har daabu</u>
- 200 daabu har daabu ciru etc.

Det would also include such words as <u>dlibu</u> 'all', <u>baku</u> 'many', and other similar quantifiers.

In short, an expansion of determiner would result in the following options:

More on nominal modifiers, including attributive adjectives, statives, possessives, etc. will appear in Chapter 5.

(35) amata harcaka kaka ayu ya that cow that yours it-is 'that cow over there is yours'

Semantically, at the discourse level, the indefinites and the demonstrative pronouns (abiti etc.) will
have different connotations depending on whether they
are initial or follow another: The initial indefinite,
'a', subsequent indefinites, 'another'; the initial demonstrative 'this', subsequent demonstratives 'this other'.
As example 37 below will show, a reference to the subject
of a previous demonstrative would require a qualifying
phrase, or switch from 'this' to 'that'.

- (36) waci vasuwa na dava, na kəsa, na rɨma a wildcat he+
   compl. came, he+subj. cut, he+subj. ate

  waci vasuwa-ta na dava, na kəsa, na rɨma another
   wildcat etc.
  - waci vasuwa-ta na davi ka, sei na kəsi, dlibu-su ca!

    another wildcat-ref. he+rel.compl. came(Aorist)
    rel, then he+subj. cut-up+him, all(of)him ca!
  - 'One wildcat came, tore into him, and ate. Another wildcat came, tore into him, and ate. Still another wildcat came and then tore him all up -- completely!'
- (37) [beginning of a story after two co-wives have been mentioned. Both have just given birth...]

  amati kiki i verda dla njuu this-one this she+compledelivered son male

  amati kiki i verda meka this-other this she+compledelivered female

  ama vura meka-ti kiki, sei i miya mother(of)child

  female-this, then she+comple
  - amata kiki, ama dla nju-ti that-one-this, mother(of) son male-this

died

'this one delivered a son; the other one delivered a daughter. The mother of the daughter died, the other mother, the mother of the boy....'

Because the indefinite waci and the quantifier waci are homophonous and share certain semantic characteristics, it may be worth clarifying the distinctions between them. As modifiers of a noun, the surface ordering of the NP should make clear which is which: The indefinite precedes the noun, the quantifier follows it. The difficulty comes when the quantifier becomes the head noun, as in:

(38) a waci ya caaka i njumho-su PRAM one she-is with male love(VN)-her 'the one is with her lover'

In this case, both the presence of the PRAM (which can not co-occur with an indefinite), and the gender agreement with the pred equalizer/stabilizer ya give this away as 'one' rather than the indefinite. [It would be wace if indefinite.] The following two, using the indefinite (with head noun deleted in 40) were also acceptable to my informant:

- (39) wace meka ya caaka i njuwho-su 'a certain woman is with her lover'
- (40) wace ya caaka i njuwho-su 'a certain(female) is with her lover'

Ambiguity will arise with the masculine indefinite, however, as the <u>waci</u> of (41) can mean either 'a certain' (head noun deleted) or 'one':

(41) waci na caaka i meka ho-su'..... and his lover' Here gender agreement (quantifiers do not inflect for gender) does not help to disambiguate them.

The NP ---> S option accounts for surface structures such as examples 14 and 22, wherein a sentence is object of a verb. Sentence may also be subject, though most often in such cases, the verb would be realized (through complementizer placement and extra-position) as a front-shifted Verbal Noun phrase. Within sentential complements, the verb is often the Perfective, the AUX-tp subjunctive.

Verbs which most commonly take sentential complements include aju 'leave, let(in imperative)', cina 'send', dadil, til 'remember', gale 'tell', hwo 'want', kwal 'prevent', loo 'request', munda, mune 'say, tell', mbamber 'forget', nau 'try', nduku 'hear', rii 'refuse', sine 'know', takuu 'ask', and the two previously mentioned, haraa 'ought to' and the probable Hausa loan riga, 'already', both of which only take sentential complements.

- (42) mena hwo tli tl'ar diiki I+cont. want(VN) they+subj. split wood 'I want them to split firewood'
- (43) <u>i kwal mi zaa kan</u> she+compl. prevented(Perf.Asp.) we+ subj. enter room 'she prevented us from entering the room'
- one on-the-other-hand, he+cont. wants(VN) one+subj. see+him neg with eye two neg 'this one, on the other hand, didn't want anyone to see him with their two eyes'

## NP ---> NP S\*

NP S\*, the final optional re-write of NP, is the underlying structure of relative clauses in Pa'anci. The AUX-tps of unreduced verbal sentences of this derivation will have the feature [+rel] added later (as a result of the Relative Tense Assignment Rule.) Relative clauses are also marked by a phrase final ka, and usually by a Relativized Category (RC, comparable to a WH-word in English) word, or by a suffixed -ta on the head NP. Attributive adjectival and associative (including possessive) constructions in Pa'anci are accounted for by rules which reduced NP S\*underlying structures.

- (45) dla-ta mi hanii ka, na miya boy-the (who) we+rel. we+rel.compl. saw(Aorist) rel, he+compl. died(Perf. Asp.) 'the boy who we saw, died' [NP subject]
- (46) sei a tane-tli cama, mbura-ta aka ta saro-sin ka
  then one+subj. takes-them grove, place-the one+rel.
  fut. circumcize(VN)-them rel 'then one takes them
  to the sacred grove, where one will circumcize them'
  [NP locative goal complement]
- (47) <u>namaa mbuku, u nan dlibu-sin tli miya akan avita tli gwamii hwo ka</u> because(of)thus, you+compl. see all(of)them they+subj. died on(H. loan) thing-that they+rel.compl. lacked(Aorist) wanting(VN) rel 'because of this, you see all of them died because of what they didn't want' [NP object of prep]
- (48) ná ĥan waci mbarim abita na ta kasuwa ka I+compl.
  saw(Perf.Asp.) a man who he+rel.compl. went market
  rel 'I saw a man who went to the market' [NP object,
  RC has indefinite antecedent]

# P.S. # 7: Purpose Clauses [pur ---> ĥamaa S]

Phrase Structure rule # 7 is a somewhat ad hoc solution to account for purpose clauses, which are formed with the lexeme <u>namaa</u> [lit. head], here used as a conjunction meaning, roughly, 'in order to'. The AUX-tp of the embedded sentence, which is adverbial, takes the subjunctive:

- (49) <u>ná ta hara ĥamaa na huta</u> he+compl. went home in-or-der-to he+subj. rest 'he went home to rest'
- (50) <u>i da pana, ĥamaa i du kan</u> she+compl. struck fire, in-order-to she+subj. cook sauce 'she lit the fire in order to cook the stew'

The conjunction can be deleted in either of the above sentences, or in the following, where the deletion was the preferred alternative:

- (51) tli tli kasuwa tli kwan tlu they+compl. went market they+subj. buy meat 'they went to the market ket to buy meat'
- (52) [acceptable, but 51 preferred] thi thi kasuwa, fiamaa thi kwan the they went to the market in order to buy meat'

P.S. # 8: aux Expansion

aux ---> AUX-tp[+ continuous]

AUX-tp[+ continuous] --->AUX-tp[+ future]

AUX-tp[- continuous] --->AUX-tp[+ completed]

AUX-tp[- continuous] ---> AUX-tp[subjunctive]

Note: While spelled out in the rule and the explanation which follows, continuous will often hereafter be abbreviated cont., future fut., completed compl., and subjunctive subj.

While later agreement rules will account for the person, number and gender features of aux, tense, or at least one of the four basic (non-relative) tenses, must be specified in the deep structure. Phrase Structure rule # 8 assigns tense to the aux by means of a series of binary cuts.

The cut between + and - continuous is felt to be fundamental, as a later aux-verb agreement rule will select the form of the verb (Imperfective, verbal noun in the case of the continuous) on the basis of this division. Electing [+ continuous] gives one the choice of + or - future: [+ continuous] accounts for the continuous tense, while [+ continuous] accounts for the future tense. In either case, the feature [+rel] may be added by the Relative Tense Assignment Rule.

However, if the feature [+rel] is added to a [-continuous] aux by the Relative Tense Assignment Rule,

this will trigger selection of the Aorist form of the verb (specified by a later aux-verb agreement rule), and the appropriate AUX-tps, to form the relative completed tense.

If an aux were re-written [-continuous], a further choice would be necessitated between + or - completed. The former would account for the completed tense in Pa'anci, while the latter would be defined, in an ad hoc way, as [subjunctive].

### CHAPTER 4: SENTENCE LEVEL TRANSFORMATIONS

This chapter of transformational rules will deal primarily with sentence level and verb phrase-related transformations. These include dative, complementizer placement and pre-position, reflexives, questions, emphasis, subject-aux agreement, gapping, imperatives, locative and associative sentences. A second chapter of transformations will deal explicitly with the noun phrase, and include relative clauses and their reduction to account for attributive adjectival constructions, two types of associative NP constructions, and word level focus.

Subsequent chapters will deal with verbal moraphology, including causatives, plural (reduplicated, "intensive") verbs, statives, aux-verb segmentalization rules, and negative placement; and with noun morphology, including gender and plural formation, and two morphophonemic phenomena.

#### Dative

As should be apparent from the Phrase Structure rules, Pa'anci is an SVO language. In sentences with multiple place predicates, there is a fairly rigid ordering of complements, such that, as stated previously, the direct object is always last, the indirect object first. Such a sentence, with a multiple-place complement, will meet the structural description of the Dative transforma-

tional rule, if the AUX-tp is [-cont] and the Indirect Object is not a pronoun:

This rule states that the benefactive marker  $-\underline{e}$  is obligatorily right-sister adjoined to the verbal stem which follows a non-continuous AUX-tp, before a noun indirect object.

If the indirect object is a pronoun, the rule does not apply, for the set of indirect object pronouns is suffixed directly to the verbal stem which follows a non-continuous AUX-tp. Neither will the rule apply in the case of a continuous AUX-tp, because a later aux-verb agreement rule will suffix the verbal noun ending -o to the verbal stem, followed by the possessive pronoun set in the case of a pronoun indirect object, or the unmarked noun, in the case of a noun indirect object.

The benefactive marker is not moved when the indirect object is front-shifted either for relative clause formation, or for focus constructions, but rather remains suffixed to the verbal stem. Therefore, the Dative rule must precede rules which account for such

<sup>1</sup>Stem = verb minus the aspectual suffix.

movement. Sometimes, an indirect object pronoun agreeing in person, number and gender with the front-shifted
NP may be substituted for the benefactive marker as the
suffix to a non-continuous verb.

To clarify the examples given below, the pronominal indirect object paradigms, which can also be found in the second ("look-up") lexicon, are given here:

			Indirect Object	Pronouns	
	Su	ffixed	to Verb Stem	Suffixed to	Imperfective
	[-cont.] AUX-tp			[+cont. AUX-tp	
	Sir	ngular	Plural	Singular	Plural
lst		<u>-aa</u>	<u>-in</u>	- <u>na</u>	- <u>ni-n</u>
2nd	m.	<u>-uu</u>	inoni	<u>-nu</u>	
	f.	<u>-in</u>	- <u>inani</u>	- <u>n÷n</u>	- <u>n±ye</u> ÷n
3rd	m.	· - <u>i</u>		-su	
	-etli		- <u>etli</u>		- <u>sin</u>
	I.	-etla		<b>−</b> su	

Examples follow, of indirect objects with Perfective and Imperfective verbal aspects, then of front-shifted (for emphasis/focus) indirect objects. It should be noted that all examples of front-shifted indirect objects were elicited; I found none in the running texts. Even if these examples are felt to be "artificial" or "unnatural", this would not affect the validity of the rule, only the ordering with respect to front-shifting, etc.

- (1) má kere Binta tin I+compl. stole+benefactive Binta it 'I stole it for Binta'
- (3) Binta ya ma kəreyii va ĥmo ka Binta (front-shifted in-direct object) it-was(emph) I+rel.

  compl. stole+benefactive+Aorist thing(of)eating rel 'It was for Binta that I stole food'

Or, with a pronominal indirect object substituting for the front-shifted dative:

(4) Binta ya ma kərii-tla va ĥmo ka Binta(focused IO) itwas(emph) I+rel.compl. stole+Aorist(for)-her(IO pn) thing(of)
eating rel 'Binta it was I stole
food for her'

Complementizer Placement

The output of Phrase Structure rules #2, 3, 6, and 8 can be a sentence in which the verb takes a sentential complement, with the AUX-tp of the complement in the subjunctive. Such a sentence would meet the structural description of T. # 2, Complementizer Placement, if the subject of the sentential complement were a pronoun, and no object followed the verb of the sentence complement:

Condition: Does not apply to relative clauses.

In this rule, the verb of a sentence complement is transformed into a verbal noun, and a possessive pronoun agreeing in person, number and gender with the subject of the embedded sentence is suffixed to it. By this rule, example (5) would become example (6):

(5) \*atin tina hwo ami mi siki he he+cont. want(VN) we we+subj sit(Perf. Asp.) 'he wants us to sit'

[If T. # 2, an optional rule, does not apply, unemphatic pronoun subject deletion would eliminate atin and ami (independent subject pronouns) from the above sentence, yielding the plausible, therefore unstarred string tina hwo mi yiki.] Application of T # 2 to example (5) as it stands, would yield:

(6) \*atin tina hwo sikwo-nin he he+cont. want(VN) sitting (VN)-our 'he wants our sitting'

Most commonly, the output of T. # 2 would be transformed further by application of another optional rule:

$$X - AUX - tp - V - S[V + NP]_S - Y$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} +-o \\ +VN \end{bmatrix} + pn \\ +png \end{bmatrix} S - Y$$

$$= \underbrace{opt}_{+} > 0$$

$$4 + 5 + \underline{na} + 2 + 3 + 6$$

$$[+rel]$$

Transformational rule # 3 pre-poses the verbal noun, with suffixed possessive pronoun, to sentence initial position, adds the masculine emphatic particle na to the pre-posed complement, and adds the feature [+rel] to the features of the AUX-tp of the main verb. The procedure described by this rule is identical to that employed in front-shifting focused NPs, so it might be possible to collapse the two rules. The difficulty with such a combination would be in determining the point at which [+emph] and [+focus] would be assigned to the complement [Part of the deep structure, or following application of T. # 2?]. Therefore I have chosen to maintain separate rules, optional for complement preposition, obligatory for NPs marked [+emph] and [+focus] in the deep structure.

Following application of lexical insertion, unemphatic subject pronoun deletion, and segmentalization rules, the output of T. # 3's application to example (6) would be:

- (7) Sikwo-nin na na ka hwo ka sitting(VN)-our emph he+ rel.cont. want(VN) rel 'our sitting he is wanting'
- (8) <u>nwocu-nu na i ka kwalo ka</u> going(suppletive VN of 'to go')-your emph. she+rel. cont. prevent(VN) rel 'our going she is pre-venting'

Because of the irregular nature of the verb 'to go', the antecedent structure from which (8) is derived might be less readily identifiable:

(9) i kwalo u tu she+cont. prevent(VN) you+subj. go(Perf. Asp.) 'she is preventing you (from) going'

And after complementizer placement:

(10) i kwalo ĥwocu-nu she+cont. prevent(VN) going-your 'she is preventing your going'

Reflexives and Reciprocals

Moving to more explicitly sentence level phenomenona, two reflexive constructions and one reciprocal, must be accounted for in Pa'anci. The most basic, the reflexive involving animate subjects, is captured by T. # 4, as follows:

T. # 4: Reflexive I (Animates)

Conditions: 2 = 4 and are in the same simplex verbal sentence.

This basic reflexive rule, for animate subjects, states that when two co-referential NPs are in the same simplex sentence, the second is replaced by a noun phrase composed of the lexeme 'head' with a suffixed possessive pronoun which agrees in person, number and gender with the NP it replaces. While the first NP must be the subject of the sentence, the second may be object, or object of a prepositional phrase. By this rule, the deep structure \*a Musa ná da Musa [PRAM Musa he+compl. hit(Perf. Asp.) Musa] would become:

(11) a Musa ná da ĥama-su PRAM Musa he+compl. hit headhis 'Musa killed himself' (lit. 'hit himself')

Example (12) illustrates the reflexive as object of a preposition:

(12) Binta i ndərii hama-su Binta she+compl. did+it(D.O.)
+with head-her 'Binta did it
by herself' [the long ii suffixed to the Perfective ndər
is a combination of 'it+with'

From:

\*Binta i nderi i Binta Binta she+compl. did-it with Binta

Inanimate subjects, endowed (in fictional narratives etc.) with powers of action, form reflexives

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup>Use of 'head' to form reflexives is a pattern common to many other Chadic languages, including Hausa and Kana-kuru, and even to Afro-Asiatic languages, e.g. Berber.

without the lexeme 'head':3

T. # 5: Reflexive II (Inanimate)

Conditions: 2 = 5 and are in the same simplex sentence.

This second reflexive rule [T. # 5), states that when two co-referential inanimate noun phrases are in the same simplex sentence, a long, high <u>áa</u> suffix is added to the verbal stem, with a suffixed possessive pronoun which agrees in person, number and gender with the NP it replaces. Practically, all my textual examples of inanimate subjects involved the third person, and I failed to elicit any in other persons (eg. a personified object in stories), but it is possible that further restrictions might be necessary on the person of the NP.

(13) vingi-gaduwa i jabaa-su mouth(of)doorway she+comploshut+aa-her 'door shut it-self'

From:

\*vingi-gaduwa i jabu vingi-gaduwa mouth(of)doorway she+
compl. shut(Perf.Asp.)
mouth(of)doorway

Formal (though not strictly semantic) identity with what I have later described as "passive potential" structures in Pa'anci raises some doubt as to the validity of the separate treatment of inanimate reflexives and passive potentials. While there is some semantic overlap, I have elected to suggest both possible analyses at this stage.

It would probably be possible to collapse the two reflexive rules into one, by means of further use of the alpha convention, but until all constraints on the inanimate reflexives are known, the two will remain separate.

## Reciprocals

Though semantically antithetical, reciprocal constructions, involving plural subjects, are formally very similar to reflexives in Pa'anci. In place of the lexeme 'head', the lexeme <a href="kwur">kwur</a>, 'body', with suffixed possessive pronoun agreeing in person, number, and gender with the subject, is used to denote 'each other'. As <a href="kwur">kwur</a> is masculine, the suffixed possessive pronoun set is slightly different from that used with <a href="maintenance">hama</a>, which is feminine, though the difference is neutralized in the third person. The possessive pronoun sets, which can also be found in the second, look-up lexicon, follow:

Suffixed Possessive Pronouns

	Suffixe (eg.	d to [-masc] <u>ĥama</u> )	Suffixed to [+masc] (eg. <u>kwur</u> , or VN)		
S	ingular	Plural	Singular	Plural	
lst	<u>-ya(yi</u> )	- <u>yin</u> ,-yimi	<u>-na(ni</u> )	- <u>nin, nimi</u>	
2nd f.	-yu	- <u>yiye</u>	<u>-nu</u>	- <u>niani</u>	
	- <u>yin</u>		- <u>n÷n</u>		
m. 3rd	<u>-su</u>	<del>-</del> s∔n	<u>-su</u>	-s÷n	
f.	-su	DIII	-su	-SIII	

A fairly typical reciprocal construction follows:

(14) tli mbure kwur-sin they+compl. help(Perf.Asp.) body-their 'they helped each other'

I have not formulated a rule accounting for reciprocals, because I believe the semantic constraints involved are beyond the limited scope of the present work. One solution would be to derive reciprocals from sentence conjunction reduction (as is argued by some for English, eg. 'John and Mary helped each other' from 'John helped Mary and Mary helped John') But the nature of Pa'anci sentence conjunction, and the formal parallelism with the reflexives, would, I think, argue for a more direct derivation.

Emphasis and Question Formation

Many aspects of emphasis and question formation are parallel, and the two are interdependent to a certain extent, so this section will combine a discussion of the two.

Both (Q) and (emp), and, for that matter, (focus) are deep structure options of Pa'anci sentences. A whole sentence may be emphasized (by a sentence final na), most often the response to a question, and/or an element of the sentence, usually an NP or an ad-

verb. 4 may be marked, at the deep structure level, [+emph]. Similarly, while the whole sentence may be made a question (involving tag formation or Q intonation). the most common type of question involves deep structure level assignment of [+Q] to the features of one or more of the elements (NP or adv) of the sentence. Formally, too, there are parallels, in that all question word sentences involve a na element which usually occurs sentence finally, as part of the Q-word itself (in the case of [-focus] objectival or adverbial Q-words) and or as a separate morpheme (in the case of subject and/or [+focus] Q-words). For obviously feminine [+emph] and [+Q] words, (eg. 'who gave birth'), the feminine ya may be used in place of na. The emphatic and question-forming na and ya are formally identical to the predicating equalizerstabilizers, but for the purposes of this analysis, their functions have been differentiated.

The following two rules, which account for word and sentence level emphasis respectively, could doubtless be collapsed, but have been differentiated here for clarity:

See discussion of complement pre-position for an illustration of verbal element emphasis.

emp - 
$$S[X - Y - Z]_S$$
  
[+emph]  $oblig > \emptyset 2 3+\{\frac{na}{ya}\}$  4

Condition: elimination of 1 blocked if S = [+emph]

Transformational rule # 6 places the emphatic particle  $\underline{na}$  (m.) or  $\underline{ya}$  (f.) post-positional to any sentential element marked [+emph] in the deep structure. Emp is only eliminated if S = [-emph]. Sentences in which emp is not eliminated, or those which do not contain a [+emph] word as a result of deep structure assignment, fit the structural description of the following rule:

T. # 7: Sentence Level Emphasis

emp - 
$$S[X - Y - Z]_S$$
 oblig=>  $\emptyset$  2 3 4 +  $\underline{na}$ 

Condition: na is not post-posed if 4 = na.

Transformational rule # 7 eliminates the emp node by placing the emphatic particle na in sentence final position. An ad hoc co-occurence restriction would not add na if na were already sentence final, for example because of previous addition of na to a [+emph] object or adverb.

It should be noted that probably most [+emph] words are also [+focus], and as such, will be pre-posed, with the word level emphasizing particle, by a later

movement rule to sentence initial position, and the feature [+rel] will be added to the features of the AUX-tp of a verbal sentence.

The following sentences illustrate word and sentence level emphasis, with and without the subsequent application of focus rules:

- (15) <u>ná dava mbun na</u> he+compl. came yesterday emph. 'he came <u>yesterday</u>' ([+emph of adv) adv)
- (16) mbun na na davii ka yesterday emph he+rel.compl.

  came+Aorist rel 'it was yesterday that he came' ([+emph] adv
  preposed).
- (17) ná munde na dava wa na he+compl. said he+subj. come neg emph. [probably in answer to a question] 'he said he hadn't come' Note that the sentence level emphasizer na is in sentence final position, a position normally (in un-emphatic sentences) occupied by the negative marker wa.

Note that even after the application of T. # 6, the feature [+emph] is retained as a feature of the word in question. This is particularly important with respect to subject NPs which are [+pn], for the [+emph] feature will block deletion of the pronoun after subject-AUX-tp agreement has applied.

Paul Newman has argued for Kanakuru that all question words are inherently [+emph]. The surface realization of emphasis in Kanakuru is closer to what I re-

gard as focus in Pa'anci, that is, movement of focused element (post-posed, rather than pre-posed as in Pa'anci) and addition of an extra feature to the aux of the verb. And question words are not automatically focused in Pa-'anci. Nevertheless, an analysis which makes all Q-words inherently [+emph] is a tempting one, as it might account for the <u>na</u> (or <u>ya</u>) element which appears in all question word sentences. But since the <u>na</u> element does not always immediately follow the question word, as, by my previous rule, it should for [+emph] words, I have elected to regard the two phenomena as separate but parallel. It may be that sentences involving Q-words are, as sentences, [+emph].

In general, normal sentence order is maintained for questions involving Q-words, except that <u>na</u> is always sentence final -- either as part of an objectival or adverbial Q-word in normal order, or by itself, when the Q-word is either subject of the sentence, or a pre-posed, focused objectival or adverbial Q-word. The following rule, which assumes the deep structure assignment of the features [+ emph], [+ Q], and [+ focus] to sentential elements, accounts for the elimination of the Q-node, which would otherwise trigger tag formation, yes/no question formation, and/or Q intenation, and the post-position of <u>na</u>.

T. #8: Q-Word Question Formation

$$Q - S[NP - X - (\begin{cases} NP \\ adv \end{cases}) - (\begin{cases} NP \\ adv \end{pmatrix})]_{S}$$

$$= = = = > \emptyset \ 2 \ 3 \ 4 \ 5 + \underline{na}$$

Conditions: 2, 4, or 5 or any 2 have [+Q] feature

<u>na</u> is not post-posed if 5 = -focus
+emph
+Q

Pa'anci's question words, which appear in the deep structure lexicon marked with the feature [+Q], are listed here for convenience in interpreting the examples which follow. The parenthetical <u>na/ya</u> are optional variants, obligatory if the [+Q] word is also [+emph].

Question Words

kaacina 'when' [idiolectal variant kaacine]

kesaanaa, kesa-kesa(na) no exact English equivalent, but
depending on context can mean
'why', 'what', or 'how'

mana(na) 'how much, many'

mišii (na) 'what' [idiolectal variant mišiine] <u>namaa</u> mišiina [because(of) what] 'why'

munaa 'what'

soona 'where' [idiolectal variant soone]
wu\u00edi(na) 'which (of several)'

The following examples of Q-word questions are grouped according to the function of the Q-word in the sentence:

[Q-word as subject, or part thereof].

- (18) asa ná miya na? who(Q-word) he+compl. died Q-marker who died?'
- (19) <u>yæ asa tli tli mburo-nin na</u>? with who(Q-word) they+

  fut. help(VN)-us Q-marker 'who all will help
  us?'
- (21) munæ ná kiiyaa na? what(Q-word) he+compl. bit+me Q-marker 'what bit me?'
- (22) mana na? how-much(Q-word) pred 'how much is it?'
- (23) wusi iri vingi na kiki na? which(Q-word) kind(of) language this Q-marker 'what kind of language is this?'

[Q-word as predicate nominative in non-verbal S]

(24) <u>ann aseya?</u> you(f.s.) who(f.) 'you are who?' (ad-dressing a female)

[Q-word as object or part thereof]

- (25) <u>ná ĥan asa na</u> he+compl. saw who(Q-word) Q-marker 'he saw whom?' or 'whom did he see?'
- (26) tin mundo mišiine I+fut say(VN) what(Q-word) 'I will say what?' or 'what will I say?'
- (27) <u>tá ngo asa-na muna</u> he+fut. give(VN) who(Q-word)-emph what(Q-word) 'he will give what to whom?' [+emph indirect object]
- (28) <u>u tu dapaa, u ndər misii na</u> you+subj went bush, you+ Q-marker '(when)you went to bush, what did you do?'

(29) wusi vani na tli mumii ka na? which(Q-word) things emph they+rel.compl. lost(Aorist) rel Q-marker 'which things did they lose?' [Q-word in object preposed by focusing]

[Q-word as object of preposition]

(30) <u>u tú zeyo-su aĥari munaa?</u> you+future will(lit.go) put(VN)-it inside what (Q-word) 'you will put it inside what?'

Compare the focused transform of (30):

- (32) Binta ii misiina? Binta she+with what? 'what does Binta have?' [Associative con-: struction formed with deleted locative verbal feature bundle]

[Q-word as adverb]

- (33) <u>u ndukwi cin-ta kasaanaa?</u> you+compl. feel work-the how(Q-word) 'how's the work treating you?'
- (34) mina cin soona we+cont. go where (Q-word) 'where are we going?'
- (35) <u>ú dava kaacina</u>? you+compl. came when? 'when did you come?'
- (36) kaacina u ka tu ɗangu ka na when(focused Q-word) will you rel.fut. go somewhere 'when will you go where?' [Note that in this question, elicited with 2 Q-words, the indefinite dangu (? Hausa loan) has been substituted for the Q-word soona in this sentence where two adverbials are questioned, one focused]

In addition to question word sentences, there are several other means of forming questions in Pa'anci. All involve question intonation, and two optional types (tag and yes/no questions) involve the use of the negative, wa.

Unless the Q node has been eliminated through previous application of T. # 8 (involving Q-words), a deep structure sentence containing Q might meet the structural description of either rule # 9 or # 10.

T. # 9: Tag Question Formation

$$Q - S[X - NP - AUX - tp V - Y]_S = \underbrace{pt}_{==>}$$

1 (ko)+2 3 4 5+ko 3 4+wa

Condition: 5 ≠ neg

T. # 9, Tag Formation, forms an 'or...not' construction out of the basic subject - aux - verb elements in question in the sentence. A [-emph] subject, 3, may later be eliminated in the tag, once subject-aux agreement has taken place. Note that the Q node is maintained in order to meet the structural description of the sentence intonation rule.

By this rule, the simple underlying sentence

\*Q ahu(NP) u(aux) tu(V) [you(m.s.) you+subj. go ---->

\*Q(ko) ahu u tu ko ahu u tu wa, which, after Q intonation
and un-emphatic subject deletion rules have applied,

would yield the unstarred string:

(37) (ko) u tu ko u tu wa? 'are you going or not?'

Perhaps a more general type of question formation involves the negation of the entire sentence, and question intonation:

T. # 10: Yes/No Question Formation  $Q - S[X - Y]_S = 2 + wa$ 

Condition: 3 ≠ neg

By this rule, the deep structure \*Q ahu u ndukwi njamaa Q you(m.s.) you+compl feel tiredness would become, after Rules # 10 and un-emphatic subject deletion had applied:

- (38) <u>u ndukwi njamaa wa</u>? 'don't you feel tiredness?'

  Interestingly enough, the anticipated short answer to such a question is the affirmative <u>aaa</u>. This contrasts with languages such as English, for which the anticipated reply would be: "No, I don't feel tired," instead of the anticipated Pa'anci response,
- (39) <u>aaa</u>, <u>ma ndukwi njamaa wa</u> 'yes, I don't feel tired'

  It should be noted parenthetically, that in
  eliciting questions through Hausa from bi-lingual speakers, I have obtained sentences which would be accounted
  for by making the ubiquitous <u>na</u> an alternative to <u>wa</u> in
  the above rule. But as I have no examples in running
  speech, my suspicion is that use of wa in yes/no ques-

tions is basic to Pa'anci, and elicited examples of <u>na</u> are a result of informants' analogy with Hausa <u>ne</u>:

(40) <u>ná ta na</u>? he+compl. went e/s 'did he go?' was elicited through the Hausa <u>ya tafi ne</u>? which is parallel in all respects.

All sentences involving a sentence-level Q node, including the output of T. rules # 9 and 10, meet the structural description of T. # 11:

T. # 11: Question Intonation

$$Q - S[X - Y - Z]S = \frac{\text{oblig}}{2} > \emptyset - Q-inton[2 3 4]Q-inton$$

Q-inton will be defined, in an <u>ad hoc</u> way, as pitch of whole sentence in upper register of voice range, raising of final lexical high tone even higher (indicated by double hi-tone marks) and absence of downdrift. As an illustration, as an emphatic statement, (40) above, lexically hi-hi-mid, would be realized tonally but as a question, the whole sentence would be in an upper register, and the realization would be approximately:

To summarize question formation in Pa'anci:
Most questions are formed with question words. All
those questions which do not contain question words are
marked by question intonation, and may or may not involve tag or yes/no question formation.

# Subject AUX-tp Agreement

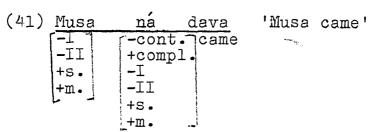
As derived in the Phrase Structure rules, a simple verbal sentence consists of a subject NP, marked for person, number and gender, followed by an AUX-tp, marked for tense, and a relatively unspecified verbal semantic feature bundle. Previous application of the dative or complementizer placement T. rules may have added suffixal features to the verb by this point. But subject agreement is marked in Pa'anci not on the verb, but on the AUX-tp, as can be seen by the following rule:

T. # 12: Subject AUX-tp Agreement

Note: Though the longer abbreviation is used in the rule, singular will often be further abbreviated s., and masculine, m.

A later convention will specify the following:

Subject AUX-tp agreement obviously must precede the various segmentalization rules which give form to the AUX-tp, as well as un-emphatic subject pronoun deletion and imperative formation rules.



Assuming the subject of (42) is [-emph], it would meet the structural description of transformational rule # 13, in which un-emphatic subject pronouns are deleted, once Subject AUX-tp agreement has taken place:

T. # 13: Un-emphatic Subject Pronoun Deletion

Condition: 2 = [-emph].

Application of T. # 13 to (42) would result in the surface string:

(43) tli mba they+subj. go-out '(that) they go out'

Examples 1-4, 7-10, and 14-17 in this chapter give further illustration of surface sentences for which it is assumed subject AUX-tp agreement and unemphatic subject pronoun deletion have applied.

Another deletion rule, used as a stylistic variant in narratives, involves the "gapping" of AUX-tp and verb in conjoined sentences (after the first), when the deleted material is identical to that in the first of the conjoined sentences. It is possible that "gapping" is a wider phenomenon in Pa'anci, involving, for example, deletion of identical nouns with different modifiers, or identical objects of differing verbs. However, since I failed to elicite these forms, and the only textual examples are limited to AUX-tp verb deletion, I have, for the present, confined the rule's application to this limited sphere. The presence of a "gapping" phenomena in the language, incidentally, enhances the argument for sentence conjunction, even when there is no surface conjoiner.

T. # 14: Gapping

Conj S[W NP AUX-tp V X]S conj S[Y NP AUX-tp V Z]S 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12  $= \stackrel{\circ}{=} \stackrel{\circ}{=} \stackrel{\circ}{=} > 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 \emptyset \emptyset 12$ 

Condition: 4,5 = 10, 11

Can be repeated for any number of conjoined sentences as long as condition (above) is satisfied.

Although always optional, gapping is most commonly used when more than two sentences are conjoined:

(44) <u>hya-wi tli tsikər harcəka</u> pl.PRAM-certain they+subj.

slaughter cow,

<u>hya-wi tli tsikər tori</u> pl.PRAM-certain they+subj.

slaughter goats

<u>hya-wi [...] gam pl.PRAM-certain [delet. aux V] ram,</u>

<u>hya-wi [...] tumacəka " " sheep,</u>

<u>hya-wi [...] dlurki " " fowl,</u>

<u>hya-wi [...] dlurki " " fowl,</u>

'certain ones slaughter [a] cow, some slaughter goats, some [a] ram, some sheep, some fowl, all one slaughters'

# Imperatives

T. # 15: Negative Commands

Negative imperatives are formed by left sister adjoining the prohibitive particle <u>mba</u> to the subjunctive second person AUX-tp. A later morpho-phonemic contraction rule may reduce the particle and AUX-tp combination, as in example (45):

(45) mbu tlifaa wa prohib.+you(m.s.+subj) shoot neg 'don't shoot'

The second imperative rule, for non-negative commands to masculine, singular subjects, most closely parallels the usual treatment of imperative formation in English, except that the intonational change involved lowers the sentence intonation:

T. # 16: Imperative Formation

Condition: if 3 = 'to go', png features of AUX-tp must be copied on 3.

Two <u>ad hoc</u> conventions are used here: The first, the addition of the feature [+Perf.] to the verb, will result in selection of the Perfective aspect of the verb at the time of lexical insertion. Normally, this would be handled by agreement with the AUX-tp, but since this rule eliminates the AUX-tp node, this convention is necessary. Secondly, Imp. Inton. (for Imperative Intonation),

will trigger interpretation in the phonological component. The realization is generally a lowering of register, such that lexical hi tones are at or below the normal range of lexical lo, and mid and lo are lowered accordingly. Lowering of pitch for commands is the opposite of the intonational pattern in some other Chadic languages. 5

Since the surface structure of these masculine singular imperatives is much reduced from what I am assuming the deep structure to be, I would like to illustrate by taking one example through the various applicable rules. Starting with a basic Imp NP aux VP structure, and assuming for simplicity the intransitive verb 'come', the deep structure would be:

the AUX-tp, and the un-emphatic subject pronoun would be eliminated by T. # 13, leaving a structure like the following:

Not including Hausa, in which the sentence intonation is often lowered, though the imperative tone pattern is lo\*hi. It should be noted that I have not subjected my data to instrumental (eg. Oscillomink) testing. Therefore, while I am confident (because of repeated questioning of informants) of my analysis of the general pattern, I am unable to provide exact gradients of the range of Q or Imp intonational change.

This would meet the structural description of T. # 15,

the output of which would be

a Ø Ø V structure:

Imp.Int. Inton.

- (46) <u>dava</u> (lowered intonation) 'come'
  Other examples include:
- (47) zei-tli (lowered intonation) 'put them in'
- (48) belaa (lowered intonation) 'return'

As the structural description of T. # 16 implies, deletion of the masculine, singular AUX-tp occurs only when it is sentence initial. Subsequent conjoined AUX-tps, even involving the same masculine, singular subject, are not deleted. This is also true of commands involving all other number and gender subjects:

As obligatory T. # 15 should have already eliminated those commends involving negatives, it is not necessary to exclude [+m.] AUX-tps from the description, as T. # 16 must have been applied previously. The main effect of this rule is to eliminate the Imp node; other-

wise AUX-tp Verb agreement, etc. will apply as for any other subjunctive construction. This rule will pick up non-initial masculine-singular subjects as well, as illustrated by the following conjoined sentences, already cited in Chapter 2:

(49) asin, u miya, u han asimbani-nu lie-down(Imp., m.s. subject implied), you(m.s.+subj.) die, you(m.s.+subj.) see friends-your 'lie down and die and see who your friends are'

Locative and Associative Constructions

The following section deals with a sub-set of locative and associative constructions, which are formed, I would argue, in essentially the same way.

Many sentences involving locative and associative prepositional phrases, and locative goal complements and locative adverbs, are a direct output of the phrase structure rules described in Chapter 3. Such sentences might involve such active or motion verbs as 'go', 'come', 'live', etc., used with AUX-tps of any tense, and be of the structure:

The locative and associative sentences that I am dealing with here are similar, but with two differences: The AUX-tp must be [+cont], and the features of

the verb are never specified, but rather, at the deep structure level, comprise a vague locative semantic feature bundle, never realized in the surface structure. The deletion of such a verbal feature bundle is handled by T. # 18, which follows:

Although it is possible to imply past time with the use of an adverb ('yesterday', 'formerly', etc.), locative and associative constructions of this type are limited to AUX-tps of the specific feature combination [+cont.]. Future locative and associative constructions never involve the deletion of the verb, but rather locative verbs, or verbs such as 'get', or 'obtain', occur with noun complements, or associative prepositional phrases.

Locative verb deletion through  $T_{\bullet}$  # 18 would result in such locative sentences as the following:

- (50) zimii tli aĥamaa kan birds they+cont. on[lit.head] hut 'birds are on the hut'
- (51) mina Guda we+cont. Guda(loc. NP, name of Pa'a town) 'we're (in) Guda'
- (52) tli ĥan Binta, i fa wa they+compl. saw Binta; she+cont. here(loc. adv.) neg. 'they saw Binta; she's not here'

- (53) tli soona? they+cont. where(loc.adv.Q-word)? 'where are they?'
- (54) fooni tli ĥari ritl'a Ningu Pa'awa (the Pa'a people they+cont. inside area (lit. earth, country) (of) Ningi(sic.final vowel change) 'the Pa'a are in the Ningi area'
- (55) tina hara na he+cont. house(loc. goal complement)
  emph. [emphatic answer to a question]
  'he's at home'

- (56) u(w) i zakumba? you+cont.(epenthetic w)+with donkey [+ Q inton.] 'have you a donkey?'
- (57) muni jiki wa I+cont.+with (contraction) horse neg 'I don't have a horse'
- (58) tini va fuu he+cont.+with (contraction) things (of) world 'he has things of the world' (i.e. 'he is rich')

It is possible to have locative and associative constructions in relative or front-shifted focus clauses. Subsequent application of rules accounting for relatives and focus constructions would result in surface sentences like the following:

- (59) <u>vura-ta i ka i tsalliya ka</u> girl-the she+cont. rel
  who is with money' (i.e. 'the girl who is rich')
- (60) dla-ta na ka makaranta ka boy-the he+cont. rel school(loc.NP) rel 'the boy who is at school'

## Existential Sentences

A variant of the deleted locative verb associative sentence is the existential sentence. Such sentences have as their underlying structure  $\emptyset$  in place of the subject NP. After application of subject AUX-tp agreement, (T. # 12), the result would be an AUX-tp with the features  $\begin{bmatrix} +cont & \\ +I & \\ +II \end{bmatrix}$  followed by a locative verb feature bundle, which is then deleted by T. # 18, followed by an associative prepositional phrase. The obligatory contraction rule summarized on the previous page would result in the following phonological change  $\frac{\acute{a}n\grave{a}}{\acute{a}} + \frac{\acute{a}}{\acute{a}} = ---> \frac{\acute{a}ni}{\acute{a}}$ . This would account for surface sentences like the following:

- (61) ani tsalliya one+cont.+with money 'there is money'
- (62) ani ambi wa one+cont.+with neg 'there is no water'

Existential sentences can also be relativized or the NP focused (through subsequent application of the appropriate T. rules), resulting in structures like (63), which is a transform of (61):

(63) tsalliya-ta aka i tle ka money-the one+rel.cont. with it(f.) rel 'the money that there is'

Existential statements can also occur with locative prepositional phrases, for example:

(64) ani aci aĥari pangwa one+cont.+with guinea-corn inside corn-bin. 'there is guinea corn in the bin' When existential sentences are conjoined, the "Gapping" rule (T. # 14) may apply to delete the impersonal AUX-tp from the second and subsequent conjoined existential sentences. As this rule would apply before the morphophonemic rule which contracts the AUX-tp plus the preposition <u>i</u>, the associative preposition will remain unaffected by the deletion of the AUX-tp. For example, the conjoining of (65) and (66) would result in (67) by this rule:

- (65) ani gishira ya one+cont.+with salt[Hausa loan] emph.
- (66) <u>ani dlidlu wa</u> one+cont.+with oil neg 'there is no oil'
- (67) ani gishira ya, amma i dlidlu wa one+cont.+with salt emph., but [Hausa loan](gapped AUX-tp) with oil neg. 'there is salt, but no oil.'

# CHAPTER 5: NOUN PHRASE LEVEL TRANSFORMATIONS

This chapter deals with Noun Phrase level transformations. These include those structures which I claim are derived from the optional re-write of NP (in P.S. # 6) as NP S\*, and also focused NPs.

By limiting the expansion of NP to conjoined NPs, and those of the shape NP S\* and N<sub>[png]</sub> (Det\*), I am implicitly rejecting, for Pa'anci, direct adnominal derivation. This solution, based on Chomsky, <sup>1</sup> and used by Russell Schuh (for Ngizim) and Paul Newman (for Kanakuru), <sup>2</sup> might well have been a simpler one to account for complex NP constructions. But as I see them, the facts of Pa'anci, as opposed to those of English, Ngizim, and Kanakuru, suggest to me relationships which I believe can best be captured by embedded sentences and relative clauses and their reduction, rather than direct adnominal derivation. For instance, there is no formal distinction in Pa'anci between alienable and inalienable possession (as there is in Kanakuru), no variable forms of the linker (as in Ngizim). True, there are nominals

Noam Chomsky, "Remarks on Nominalization", in Readings in English Transformational Grammar, ed. Roderick A. Jacobs and Peter S. Rosenbaum (Waltham, Mass.: Ginn, 1970), pp. 184-221.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup>Schuh, <u>Aspects of Ngizim Syntax</u>, pp. 96-106, and Newman, <u>Kanakuru Language</u>, pp. 88-93.

derived from verbs (eg. <u>aba-kuco</u> 'blind man'[owner(of) going-blind(VN)]), part of the justification used by Chomsky, but I would argue that a transformationally pre-posed agent (eg. <u>aba</u>, lit.'father') would more correctly reflect the probable derivation.

Attributive Adjectival Constructions

I would like to begin the discussion of Noun Phrase level transformations with an analysis of attributive adjectival constructions. My contention is that attributive adjectival constructions are of two types. One is derived from an underlying [NP NP pred] sentence, in which the first NP is identical to the NP of the higher sentence, and the second is a [+qual] noun. cond type is derived from an underlying associative sentence, in which the subject NP is identical to the NP of the higher sentence, and the object of the associative preposition is a [+qual.] word. Reduction of the associative sentence for attributive adjective formation involves the obligatory prefixation of an agent, agreeing in number and gender with the higher NP, to the [+qual] word, which is then post-posed to the higher NP. duction of the first type of embedded sentence [NP NP pred], involves the copying of number and gender features on the [+qual] word, and its pre-position to the higher NP.

T. # 19: Attributive Adjectival Formation I:

Quality Words

Conditions: 2 = 3
-ta is not suffixed if 2 is modified by a post-posed Det

rule, presume two sentences: \*na cei ziiki [he+compl. grabbed rope] and \*ziiki bəl-- pred [rope big-one it-is]. By this rule, the number and gender features of ziiki (masculine, singular) would be copied onto bəl--, a [+qual] word, which would then be pre-posed to ziiki. The reference marker -ta would be suffixed to ziiki, an indication of the embedded sentence derivation of the construction. [-ta is also suffixed to the head NP of unreduced relative clauses]. The resulting sentence would be:

(1) <u>ná cei bəlan ziiki-ta</u> he+compl. grabbed big(m.s.) rope-the 'he grabbed the big rope'

More than one [+qual] word may be pre-posed to the NP of the higher sentence, allowed for, at the deep structure level, by NP ---> NP S\*. I have been able to discern no semantic constraints on the ordering of pre-

posed modifiers (i.e. color before or after size terms, etc.) with respect to one another.

The list below includes most of the [+qual] words I have noted in the language. I have included masculine, feminine and plural forms where known, as well as a few intensive forms, which are not marked for gender or number, but are otherwise used in the same way as the inflected forms. The question marks indicate isolated examples from texts, unconfirmed by direct elicitation.

# Quality Words

bihan (m.), bihei (f.) bihanaani (pl.) 'red' bi 'very
red'

butsahan (m.), butsahei?(f.), butsahanaani (pl.)'short'
belan (m.), belei (f.), belanaani (pl.) 'big' babela
'very big'
cilhan (m.), cilhei (f.), cilhanaani (pl.) 'white' cilili 'very white'
dahan (m.), dahei?(f.) 'long, deep' dadar 'very long,
deep'

durhan (m.), durhei?(f.), durhanaani (pl.) 'black' duroduro 'very black'

datsi (s.), datsaani (pl.) 'worthless' [usually post-

kacan (s.), kacanaani (pl.) 'good, beautiful'
kanjam(s.) kanjaani or kanji (pl.) 'big'
lallan (no gender or plural form obtained) 'tasteless'
litsitsa (no gender or plural form obtained) 'sweet'

makanja (s.), makanji (pl.) [< kanja (?) 'big] 'old'
marhwan (m.), marhwi (f.), marhwanaani (pl.) 'new'
mbasi (m.), mbasa (f.), mbasanaani (pl.) 'bad, ugly'
njuu (s.), njoni (pl.) 'male'
siyen (m.), siyei? (f.), siyenaani (pl.) 'small'
terter (no gender or plural form obtained) 'thin' (can be postposed)</pre>

tl'am(u)maa (no gender or plural form obtained) 'bitter' tl'an-tl'an 'very bitter'

Zirtan (no gender or plural form obtained) 'green, not ripe'

Although the pre-position of [+qual] words is felt to be basic, isolated examples of post-posed quality words have been found in texts, and directly elicited. Accordingly, it may be necessary to formulate an optional post-position rule, once more is known about the environment which triggers such post-position. The quality word, marked for gender and number of the head noun, would replace the suffixed -ta when post-posed. It is even possible that such post-position carries some subtle semantic connotation (eg. more emphatic), though my informants could give no consistent explanation for the rare examples of post-position of quality words, which were usually pre-posed.

However, words marked in the lexicon [+qual] are always post-posed to the head noun, with a pre-fixed agent, and a suffixed relationship -ti. The pre-

fixed agent (aba (m.), ama (f.), masu (pl.) 'owner of'] betrays the derivation of abstract, quality nouns from underlying associative sentences:

T. # 20: Attributive Adjectival Formation II:

Abstract Quality Nouns

Condition: 2 = 3 the reference marker -ta (suffixed to the head noun) and the relationship suffix -ti are both optional, although the latter is more regularly used than the former.

To illustrate the operation of T. # 20, presume the same basic sentence, \*na cei ziiki 'he pulled rope', plus the embedded associative \*ziiki tina yaa tl'in [rope he+cont. with(assoc. prep) strength[+qual.]].

This rule would prefix an agent, agreeing in number (s.) and gender (m.) with the head noun to the [+qual.] object of the associative preposition, and add the relationship suffix -ti. This whole modifying element (agent+[+qual.] noun+-ti) is then post-posed to the head noun, which may or may not have the suffix -ta, resulting in:

(2) <u>ná cei ziiki-ta aba-tl'in-ti</u> 'he grabbed the strong rope'

The following is a list of [+qual.] nouns which appear in attributive adjectival constructions with a prefixed agent (aba (m.), ama (f.) or masu[Hausa loan] (pl.)], and the suffixed relationship suffix -ti. Except where noted, the abstract quality noun is not itself marked for number and gender agreement with the head noun to which it is post-posed; number and gender agreement is with the prefixed agent.

Abstract Quality Nouns

an'uwan 'goodness' [can also be used as a post-posed quality word (without agent prefix) in which case the plural form is an'uwanaani 'good']

arsa 'cunning'

arso, arsu 'hardness'

bootaa 'difficulty'

bubau, bubo 'heat (as in fire or pepper)'

dar 'length, depth' gwamo dar 'shallow' [lit.'lacking (VN) depth']

dau, do 'length, height'

gətlu 'hardness'

hwaapana 'greed'

kəvu 'weakness'

libu-libu 'softness, tenderness (eg. meat)'

ndan-ndan 'heaviness'

pooti 'toughness'

ringi 'fatness'

tau 'sharpness' gwamo tau 'dullness' [lit.'lacking(VN) sharpness']

tl'in 'strength'

tsimumu, tsemumu 'sourness'

An alternative means of forming attributive adjectival constructions from abstract, quality words is by using the nominal suffixes -ciki (m.), ceka (f.) and plurals -cikaani and ceki. While this means may once have been more productive, the only two examples in common usage today are the following:

gajerciki (m.), gajercəka?(f.), gajercikaani, gajercəki (pl.)'short' [Probable Hausa loan gajeri]

kevuciki (m.) kevuceka (f.) kevunaani (pl.) 'weak'

"Comparatives"

Unreduced associative prepositional phrases with [+qual.] nouns as objects, are used with the verb 'to exceed' to form constructions comparable to English comparatives. The verb can be in the completed, continuous, or future tense, and no major "movement" rule is involved. For example:

(3) Binta i biyo Kura i arsa

Binta she+cont. exceeds(VN)

Kura with(respect to) cun
ning 'Binta is more cun
ning than Kura'

This means of forming "comparatives", with the verb 'to exceed' plus associative prepositional phrase, is common to many Chadic languages, including Hausa and Kanakuru.

### Statives

Rarely, statives are used as nominal modifiers.

Statives in Pa'anci are formed by reduplicating the verbal noun of a [+cont] verbal sentence, for example:

(4) <u>muna tsiro-tsiro</u> I+cont. standing-standing(redupli-cated VN) 'I am (in a) standing (position)'

cf.

- (5) <u>muna tsiroo</u> I+cont. standing(VN) 'I'm standing'

  If the verb is transitive, then the subject of the stative is the semantic object of the verb, for example:
- (6) masu kəra tli ceyo-ceyo na thieves [lit. owners(of) theft] they+cont. grab-bed grabbed it-is 'the thieves are captured'

Statives can be used as modifiers, post-posed to the element they modify. Such constructions are presumably derived from underlying sentences involving stative verbs for which the subject is identical to that element of the higher sentence modified by the embedded sentence. The reduction would parallel that of attributive adjectives, except that statives are always post-posed. For example:

(7) they saw hyena tied-up' is presumably derived from two sentences \*thi han bitan-gwil [they+compl. saw hyena] and \*bitangwil tina thino-thino [hyena he+cont. tied-up(reduplicated VN)).

In line with their verbal derivation, statives (but not attributive adjectives derived from quality nouns) can also be post-posed to adverbs, as in:

(8) <u>ná ĥan nguna fa tsiro-tsiro</u> he+compl. saw Spider there standing(redup.VN) 'he saw Spider standing there'

If my assumptions are correct, this would be derived from a reduction of two sentences, \*ná han nguna fa and \*nguna tinà tsiro-tsiro fa ['he saw Spider there' and 'Spider was standing there'].

The following are among those statives which I have noted in use as modifiers:

 $\underline{a ext{Sin-aSin}}$  'lying down' <  $\underline{a ext{Sin}}$  'sleep, lie down, spend the night' [irreg. form]

dlo-dlo 'opened' < dla 'open'

jaabo-jaabo 'closed' < jaabu 'close'

miyo-miyo 'dead' < miya 'die'</pre>

<u>Siki-Siki</u> 'sitting, seated' [irregular formation] < Siki 'sit'

tlino-tlino 'tied-up' < tlin 'tie'

My elicitation of Siki-Siki as a stative modifier brought to the mind of my informant Wakili a story he had been told of the colonial days, when Pa'a men were conscripted to work in the tin mines of the Jos Plateau. One unwilling Pa'a conscript was asked, in Hausa, what kind of work he wanted to do. His reply, in Pa'anci, was immediate: "Cin Siki-Siki!" [work sitting]. His fellow Pa'a conscripts broke up laughing, but the foreman was not amused, when he learned, through an interpreter, what he had said.

tsifo-tsifo 'dried-up' < tsifaa 'dry'
tsiro-tsiro 'standing < tsiraa 'stand'</pre>

Isolated examples have been noted in texts of a post-posed VN, seeming to modify the noun which precedes it. I would argue that most of such cases are in fact further reduced stative modifiers, derived from underlying stative sentences.

### Diminutives

Before moving on to associative NP constructions, relative clauses and focused NPs, parenthetical mention should be made of diminutives. Unlike attributive adjectives and stative modifiers, diminutives are not, I would argue, transformationally derived.

Most concrete nouns can be marked [+dim] at the deep structure level of any given sentence. This would trigger, at the time of lexical insertion, the prefixing of the appropriate (in number and gender agreement with the noun) form of 'child': i.e. <u>vura</u> 'daughter', <u>dla</u> 'son' or <u>vuran</u> 'children'. Such prefixation insures that any other attributive adjectives must be post-posed. For example:

(9) anà dikeno-su yaa vura-zare-ki terter one+cont. tying(VN)-it with
daughter(of)-thread[Hausa loan]-this thin 'one was
tying it with this tiny thin thread'

## Associative NP Constructions

Like the associative sentences from which they are derived, associative NP constructions include but are not limited to possessive or genitival relationships. Many relationships which have the underlying structure "A is with B", such as those involving abstract, quality words as described earlier in this chapter, have little or nothing to do with ownership as such. At the level of surface structure, associative noun phrases consist of an NP followed by a noun or pronoun, with no formal linker between them, unless the associative is separated from the head noun.

In my analysis, associatives are derived from the reduction of underlying associative sentences (A is with B), which have nown subjects in the case of nominal associatives, and unemphatic pronoun subjects in the case of pronominal associatives. The B of the underlying sentence is equal to the NP of the higher sentence, Once reduction has taken place, the associatives (A), with few exceptions, immediately follow the head NP (= B), so that any attributive adjectives which have been post-posed as a result of the previous application of T. # 20 will follow the associated noun or pronoun.

The more neutral term is used by Schuh (Ngizim) pp. 99-117, based on William E. Welmers, "Associative a and ka in Niger-Congo," Language, 39 (1963), 432-447.

My formulation of the associative rules follows. Both assume the previous application of T. # 18, which deletes the unspecified locative verb feature bundle before the associative prepositions i or yaa.

T. # 21: Nominal Associatives

Condition: 2 is equal to and co-referential with 6

In an embedded sentence, "A is with B", the B is equal to, and co-referential with, the NP which dominates it in the higher sentence. The transformation forms an associative NP by right-sister adjoining A to the higher NP (= to B). For example, if we assume two underlying sentences <a href="harabelei ya">harabelei ya</a> [house big(f.s.) pred] and <a href="mailto:

(10) hara malvi bəlei ya house(of)king big(f.s.) pred 'the king's palace is big'

An example of an associative NP construction which involves a head NP already modified by a post-posed attributive adjective follows:

The second associative formation rule, with possessive pronouns, assumes the previous application of T. # 18, as above, and also T. # 13, Unemphatic Subject Pronoun deletion:

T. # 22: Pronominal Associatives

Condition: 2 = and co-referential with 6
The hyphen before the 3 is meant to indicate that the possessive pronoun is suffixed.

By T. # 22, a possessive pronoun, agreeing in person, number, and gender with the previously deleted pronominal subject of an "A am/is/are with B" sentence, is suffixed to the NP of the higher sentence, identical to the B of the embedded sentence. The sets of possessive pronouns used are listed on page 80 and in the second, 'look-up' lexicon. A later agreement rule will

select either the masculine or feminine set, according to the gender of the head noun. As there is no formal difference between alienable and inalienable possession, a pronominal associative like <a href="mailto:cimun-nani">cimun-nani</a> can mean either 'my leg' or 'my leg (eg. of lamb)'. The pronoun set is suffixed directly to the noun it modifies, before any other modifiers, including numerals, attributives adjectives, or even suffixed demonstratives or reference markers:

(12) ... i han zuwe-su-ta she+subj. saw groundnut(s)-her -the 'that she see her groundnuts'[the ones under discussion]

Pronominal associatives can, however, modify numerals functioning as head nouns, in which case the possessive pronoun follows the numeral, eg. cir-sin 'two(of)them'.

The possessive pronouns are suffixed to the noun with which they are most closely associated, even if it is the last of a series of nominal associatives, for example:

(13) kaba malvi dlanga-yimi gown(of)king(of)town-our 'the gown of our town's king'

If, on the other hand, a possessive pronoun is suffixed to the head noun, and there are subsequent nominal associatives, the (linking?) morpheme to may be preposed to the nominal associative(s). To, a probable Hausa loan, also occurs when a nominal possessor is

separated from its head noun by relativization or focus front-shifting, or before an unknown possessor. For example:

(14) nguna-su ta kəman i ta cɨman ring-her of arm and of leg 'her bracelet and her anklet'

Compare:

- (15) nguna keman ring(of)arm 'bracelet'
- (16) labari-ta i ciyii ka ta biki-ta..news-the she+rel.

  compl. brought[Ao-rist] rel of party

  -the 'the news she
  brought of the par
  ty...'

Compare:

- (17) <u>i ciye labari biki-ta</u> she+compl. brought news(of) party-the 'she brought news of the party'
- (18) kiki cin-ti kiki ta<sup>5</sup> asa-na? this work-this this of who-it-is? 'this work here -- whose is it?' (eg. is being done for whom)

While some might argue that  $\underline{ta}$  is the underlying form of the Pa'a linker, my contention is that there is basically no (or  $\emptyset$ ) linker, and that the  $\underline{ta}$  is inserted only in limited environments, by analogy with Hausa, using the full form of the Hausa feminine linker. Until the environments have been more precisely delineated,

 $<sup>^{5}</sup>$ I have no record of having elicited 'work whose' (with no intervening demonstrative), so I cannot be sure that the insertion of ta is due to the unknown possessor rather than the separation of the associative asa from the noun it modifies (cin).

such an insertion rule must remain unformulated. By suggesting such an insertion rule, I am not making a diachronic statement, for there is ample evidence of a Proto-Chadic linker \*k. But the synchronic facts of Pa'anci do not support an underlying linker which is deleted in all but very limited environments.

In one other environment, the form of the independent possessive pronouns ('mine', 'yours', etc.), there is possible evidence of a linking element, a-, which precedes the appropriate possessive pronoun set (in gender agreement with the noun it modifies). In other Chadic languages, including Hausa and Ngizim, the independent possessive pronouns are formed by a combination of linker plus possessive pronoun, so it is reasonable to suspect that is the case here.

On the other hand, the a- is identical in form to that used for the independent subject pronouns, and in fact, my informant (Wakili) suggested that it is in fact what I have identified as the PRAM (Previous Reference Animate Marker) plus possessive pronoun. I do not have enough evidence to suggest which is correct (linker, PRAM, or neither), but I have formulated a rule to account for the use of the independent possessive pronouns in associative noun phrases:

<sup>6</sup>Complete paradigms of independent possessive and subject pronouns can be found in the \*look-up' lexicon.

T. # 23: Emphatic Pronominal Associatives

Condition: 2 = 7
Rule makes emphatic particles <u>na</u> (m.) or ya (f.) optional, hence (4).

T. # 23 takes the emphatic subject pronoun of an embedded associative sentence, transforms it into an independent possessive pronoun, and post-poses it to the NP which dominates it in the higher sentence. The emphatic particle may or may not remain. For example, take two underlying sentences \*á kera kaba [one+compl. stole gown] and \*amin na mæna yaa kaba [I emph I+cont. with gown]. The operation of T. # 23 will transform the two into:

(19) á kəra kaba ayayi one+compl. stole gown mine 'one stole my gown' (i.e. not yours)

It should be admitted that I have few textual examples of independent possessive pronouns as associa-

tives; most were elicited.

Verbal nouns have been excluded from the three preceding rules, because it is not at all clear in my mind that juxtaposed noun phrases involving verbal nouns, while formally identical to associative constructions, are in fact derived from underlying associative sentences. As has been seen by the complementizer placement rule, some constructions involving "possessed" verbal nouns are in fact derived from underlying subjectival or objectival relationships. For example, <a href="https://www.nwobarau">hwo barau</a> 'seeking marriage' is probably derived from an underlying objectival relationship, whereas in <a href="mainto-faro-kaba">haro-kaba</a> 'ageing(of)gown', it is likely that 'gown' is the underlying subject, eg. \*kaba i faro- 'gown is growing-old'.

As the second NP, the verbal noun may in fact be a reduced stative modifier, eg. ambi zəgəmo [water warmed] 'hot water', as has been suggested earlier (see page 114). I would argue that this is derived from an underlying stative predicate ambi tina zəgəmo-zəgumo. Therefore, due to the multiplicity of possible derivations, I have elected to exclude verbal nouns from the rules governing associative constructions, although it is possible that associative sentences represent an intermediate stage in the derivation of some NPs involving verbal nouns.

## Relative Clauses

The last of the noun phrase constructions derived from NP S\* deep structures to be discussed in this chapter are relative clauses. I have formulated two rules which account for most relative clauses in Pa'anci:

T. # 24: Relative Clause Formation

Conditions: 2 = to and co-referential with 4

Pronominalization of 4 is an option if 4 is an animate object (D.O. or I.O) or the object of an associative preposition ( $\underline{i}$  or  $\underline{yaa}$ ).

[RC = relativized category]

T. # 24 maps an embedded sentence containing an NP identical to that which immediately precedes the sentence, into a relative clause in which either the NP is realized as a Relativized Category (RC) or the NP of the higher sentence is suffixed with the reference (or 'the one referred to') marker -ta. The now redundant identical NP within the relative clause is either deleted, or, in the case of direct or indirect animate objects or objects of the associative prepositions, transformed into a place-holding pronoun, agreeing with it in num-

ber and gender. Additionally, the relative marker <u>ka</u> is inserted in clause final position.

The few Pa'anci lexemes which can serve as relative clause introducers are listed below, as well as in the lexicon (marked +RC). Most contain the reference marker ta. Their probable nominal origin is also noted, where known:

Relativized Category Words

abita m. 'who' < aba 'father, owner'

amata f. 'who' < ama 'mother, owner'(f.)

avita m. 'what, thing that, that which' < avu 'thing'

fianta pl. 'those who, which' (pl.)

inda-(ta) 'where' < ? Hausa loan inda, contraction of wurinda

lokacita 'when, time when' < lokaci 'time' (H. loan)</pre>

masu hanta 'those who' < masu (Hausa loan) 'owners of'
+hanta (plural of abita and
amata above)</pre>

mburata 'where, place where' < mbura 'place'</pre>

The embedded sentence can be a verbal or non-verbal sentence. An example of the latter would be the following, derived from an underlying NP NP pred sentence \*asiyaani cilili(na) eggs very-white(it-is)[pred deletable]:

(20) <u>asiyaani ĥanta cilili ka</u>... 'eggs which are white'

Embedded verbal sentences, on the other hand,
are subject to a further transformation, Relative Tense
Assignment:

T. # 25: Relative Tense Assignment

$$X - _{NP}[NP]$$
  $\frac{A}{+-ta} S[-A]$   $Y - AUX-tp - Z]_{S}]_{NP}$   $W$ 

1 2 3 4 5 6 7

 $CODTINE S[-A]$   $CODTINE S$ 

of the AUX-tp in a relative clause. This rule accounts for the relative tenses in Pa'anci: Relative Continuous in the case of \[ \begin{array}{c} +\cont. \\ -\text{fut.} \\ +\text{rel} \end{array} \]

AUX-tps; and Relative Completed for \[ \begin{array}{c} -\cont. \\ +\text{rel} \\ +\text{rel} \end{array} \]

AUX-tps.

Below are numerous examples of relative clause constructions in Pa'anci. I have indicated beside each the probable form of the underlying sentence from which, I argue, it is derived:

- (21) waci dla abita na kà i ĥarceka ka indef. boy who

  (RC) he+rel.cont. with cow rel. [< waci dla tinà
  i ĥarceka 'a boy is with a cow'] 'a boy who has a
  cow...' [RC subject of embedded associative sentence]
- (22) ngwina-ngwina abita na ka rei-su ka spider who hether rel [< ngwina-ngwina tina rei-su spider is (on) her neck] 'the spider that is on her neck...' [RC subject of embedded locative sentence]

- Wakilin Gona abita na gwamii tlaɗa ka Representa
  [H. title] who he+rel.compl. lacked[Aorist] farming
  rel. [< Wakilin Gona na gwam (ndəro) tlaɗa 'WG
  lacked doing farming'] 'the Wakilin Gona who did
  not farm' [RC subject]
- (24) dlirki-ta tli ka tli mbo ka path they+rel.fut. will follow rel. [< tli-tli mbo dlirki 'they will follow road'] 'the road that they will follow....' [relative NP is D.O. of verb]
- (25) jikaani-ta na ka i tlin ka horses-the he+rel.cont.

  with them rel. [ < tina
  i jikaani 'he's with horses'] 'the horses that he
  has' [relative NP is object of associative preposition in embedded sentence; note inserted "dummy"
  pronoun]
- wakili-ta a ka ta tano-su labari ka representative

  -the one+rel.

  fut. will take[VN]-him news rel. [ < a ta tano
  wakili labari 'one will take (to) the rep. news]

  'the representative to whom one will take the news'
  [relative NP is I.O. of verb; note inserted "dummy"
  pronoun]
- (27) dlanga mburata mi kà cin ka town place-where we+rel.

  cont. work rel. [ < mi
  nà (ndəro) cin(ĥari) dlanga 'we are (doing) work

  (in) the town] 'the town where we are working...'

  [RC is locative NP in embedded sentence]
- (28) tsalliya-ta a kà i tle ka money-the one+rel.cont.

  with it(f.) rel. [ < ani
  tsalliya 'there is money'(lit. one-is-with money)]

  'the money that there is...' [Relative NP is object of associative preposition in underlying existential sentence. Note "dummy" pronominal object
  of associative preposition]
- (29) ma nduku avita u ka mundo ka I+compl. heard what [RC] you+rel.cont. saying[VN] rel. [ < huna mundo avu 'you are saying (some)thing'] 'I heard what you are saying' [RC is object of both embedded and higher sentence]
- (30) lokacita mi ka ĥwocu ka, bitangwil na mba time-when (RC) we+rel cont. traveling [suppletive VN of 'go'] rel, hyena he+compl. came-out [ < mina ĥwocu (waci) lokaci 'we were traveling

(a certain) time] 'when we were going, a hyena came out' [RC is pre-posed time adverbial]

Compare:

(31) mina nwocu lokacita bitangwil na mbii ka we+cont.

when(RC) hyena he+rel.compl. came-out rel. [ < bitangwil na mba (waci) lokaci 'hyena came out (a certain) time' 'we were traveling when the hyena came out' [higher sentence in normal word order, RC time adverbial].

### Focused Noun Phrases

The transformations involved in relative clause formation and relative tense assignment, and in pre-position of focused NPs are closely parallel, and could probably be combined into one set of rules, with more extensive use of Alpha conventions. For clarity, however, I have separated them here. It is also difficult to separate a discussion of focus from a discussion of emphasis, for most word level focused elements in Pa'anci are also [+emph], although not all [+emph] words are [+focus]. The feature [+focus] must be assigned at the deep structure level, and the effect of the following two transformational rules is to bring the focused element (plus the emphatic particle ya/na if the element is also [+emph]) to sentence initial position, post-pose the rel marker ka to all but the neg marker (if present), and add the feature [+rel] to the features of any AUX-tp in the sentence:

T. # 26: Focused NP Pre-position

Conditions: If 2 = [+emph], the emph. particle <u>na</u> (m.) or <u>ya</u> (f.) is obligatorily brought forward with the focused NP.

2 is pronominalized only when object of associative preposition, and prep is not pre-posed.

Any NP modifiers (Det., poss, attributive adjectives, etc.) are normally brought forward with the NP

Those outputs of T. # 26 which contain an AUXtp, meet the structural description of T. # 27, focused NP relative tense assignment, which, like T. # 25, adds the feature [+rel] to the features of the AUX-tp:

T. # 27: Focused NP Relative Tense Assignment

The following examples of focused NP constructions are cited together with their non-focused counterparts.

- (38) <u>hari mbasi na tli ka i tin ka</u> character(lit.stomach)

  bad emph.part. they+rel.cont. with it
  rel. [ < tli yaa hari mbasi 'they have bad characters'] 'bad character it is they are with' [focused, [+emph.] NP object of associative prep; "dummy"
  pronoun agreeing in number and gender with focused
  NP is inserted in place of pre-posed object]

The associative preposition is sometimes preposed with the NP:

(39) i dladlo na tli ka ka with running(VN) emph. part.

they+rel. cont. rel [ < tli yaa dladlo
'they are with running'] 'off running they are'
[focused[+emph]prepositional phrase]

7asin, like cin (work), and tlada (farming) [both used in relative clause examples] are verb derived nominals, which when used in verbal constructions, are usually preceded by nder 'to make, or do'. An equivalent non-focused sentence would be tli asino wa 'they are not sleeping'.

### CHAPTER 6: AUX-TP AND VERBAL MORPHOLOGY

This chapter will deal with a number of verbal extensions, including causatives, plural (reduplicated) "intensive" verbs, statives, and passive (potential) constructions. It will do so not in terms of ordered rules, but word descriptions. This will be followed by a note on several verbs which have unusual conjugations. Finally, the AUX-tp verb agreement, segmentalization and negative placement rules which give shape to the verbal piece in Pa'anci will be stated.

#### Causatives

Most Pa'anci verbs can be generated as either transitives or intransitives (i.e. with or without a following complement.) Some verbs, however, are basically [-trans], requiring the addition of a causative suffix before any nominal complement. Most motion verbs fall somewhere in between, allowing locative goal complements, but requiring a causative suffix for any non-locative complement.

The causative suffix in isolation is -ei, realized as -e before consonant-initial complements, and
represented as -ey before vowels. Most intransitive
verbs can be made transitive by the addition of the
causative suffix to the verb stem; in the case of the

Imperfective and Aorist aspects, the verbal noun and Aorist suffixes -o and -ii, respectively, are suffixed to the causative suffix. In some cases, the causative forms of the verb are as common as the basic intransitives; in such cases the two forms have been entered separately in the lexicon. Less frequently used causatives are listed under the basic intransitive form.

The use of causatives is illustrated by three common motion verbs, in order to contrast the basic intransitive form with the causative form. Sentences with locative goal complements are also cited.

- (1) ná mba 'he went out' (basic intransitive use)

  ná mba kan 'he left the room' (locative goal compl.)

  ná mbei 'he took out' (rare in isolation, without following object)

  ná mbe dla 'he took the boy out'

  ná mbe tli 'he took them out'

  nda na mbeyíí dla ka 'when he took the boy out'[rel]

  tinà mbo 'he is/was going out'

  tinà mbeyo dla 'he is/was taking the boy out'

  tinà mbeyo-su 'he is/was taking him out'
- (2) <u>i zaa</u> 'she entered' (basic intransitive)

  <u>i zaa kan</u> 'she entered the room' (locative goal complement)

  <u>i zei</u> 'she put in' (rare without following object)

  <u>i zeyi</u> 'she put him in'

<u>i ze hwahwa-su kan</u> 'she put her load in the room'

nda i zii kan ka 'when she entered the room'[rel]

nda i zeyii hwahwa-su kan ka 'when she put her load in the room...'[rel]

<u>i zau kan</u> 'she is/was entering the room' <u>i zeyo-su kan</u> 'she is putting it in the room'

(3) <u>má bəla</u> 'I returned' (basic intransitive use)

<u>má bəla hara</u> 'I returned home' (locative goal complement)

má bəlei 'I took back' (rare in isolation)
má bəleyi 'I took it back'
nda ma bəlíi hara ka 'when I returned home'[rel]
nda ma bəleyii zakumba kan ka 'when I took the don-key back to the hut'

muna belo hara 'I am/was returning home'
muna beleyo avun 'I am/was taking the charcoal back'

In terms of rules to account for causatives, there appear to be two options: Either the feature [-caus] must obligatorily be specified for all [-trans] verbs at the deep structure level, or the causative suffix could be obligatorily added to intransitive verb stems if there was a following [-loc] NP. The problem with the latter would be the isolated examples of causative verbs not immediately followed by a non-locative noun or pronoun, though this could presumably be handled by a deletion rule, when the unemphatic complement is understood by the context.

Since returning from the field, I have wondered whether or not it is mere co-incidence that the benefactive and causative markers are identical in form. I can find no textual example of their co-occurrence, and since the identity of form struck me only after I had left the range of informant query, I failed to elicit an example with both, for instance 'I took back to the woman the charcoal for (on behalf of) Binta'.

Plural (Reduplicated) Verbs

At the deep structure level, many Pa'anci verbs can be marked with the optional feature [+plur], which carries the semantic implication that the action of the verb is repeated. The effect of the assignment of such a feature would be to trigger the reduplication of the first syllable of any verb so marked. The vowel of the repeated syllable tends to be short. In the case of consonant final monosyllables, the syllable closing sonorant is not repeated. In the case of vowel final monosyllables, the repeated vowel is that of the Perfective form, without any extension (for example, the causative suffix just described). So it is obvious that assignment of the feature [+plur] must be at the deep structure level, and the segmentalization rules which give form to it must be ordered before those which alter the Perfective vowel.

The following examples of [+plur], reduplicated (also called "intensive" in some of the Afro-Asiatic literature) werb forms were culled from the texts I collected in the field. An indication is made of the [-plur] forms from which they are derived:

[+plur] Reduplicated Verbs bəbəla 'return again and again' < bəla 'return' babatlu 'break, snap repeatedly' < batlu 'break, snap, bibii 'make many holes in' < bii 'pierce' bubuzuu 'keep on skinning, flaying' < buzuu 'skin, flay' deda 'beat, strike, kill repeatedly' < da 'hit, strike, cf. dedaa (note glottalization), 'line up'[-plur] duduba 'keep putting away, down' < duba 'put away, down' dadugusu 'keep on stacking' < dugusu 'stack' <u> <u>nana</u> 'see again and again' < <u>nan</u> 'see'</u> kakana 'distribute (among many)' < kana 'distribute' <u>kəkəsaa</u> 'chop (into small pieces) < <u>kəsaa</u> 'cut (with knife)' pipitla 'smash repeatedly, shatter' < pitla 'break' pupuda 'keep on pouring out' < puda 'pour out' sesa 'drink a lot of' < sa 'drink' sasapu 'keep on grilling (eg. meat)' < sapu 'grill,
roast'</pre> tlitlin 'keep on tying' < tlin 'tie' tsitsikər 'cut into small bits' < tsikər 'cut with knife' zazei 'keep on putting in' < zei 'put in' [causative of zaa 'enter']

#### Statives

Another form of verbal reduplication is that used to form statives, which have been discussed (in the preceding chapter) in their role as modifiers. But unlike the plural verbs which repeat one syllable only, the entire shape of the verbal aspect, usually the Imperfective, is repeated to form stative verbs. The semantic implication of such reduplication is , as the name implies, to 'be in a state of ... [the action of the verb]'.

Many Pa'anci verbs, in addition to those listed on pages 113-114, can form predicating statives by reduplicating the verbal noun. As the most common verbal noun tone pattern is hi-lo, the stative tones tend to be hi-lo hi-lo, for example:

(4) tinà áfò-áfò 'he is in a squatting or kneeling position' < tinà áfò 'he is squatting, kneeling'

Passive Type Constructions

One of the areas of Pa'anci grammar for which I have no satisfactory explanation is the area of passive-like constructions. Though the formative process in Pa'anci is fairly straightforward and therefore readily

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup>Two commonly used exceptions have been noted: asin-asin 'lying down' and siki-siki 'seated'.

describable, the semantic implications, and therefore the categorization of the formation, are less clear-cut. There are elements of passivity, potentiality, and reflexivity involved. The form is identical to that which I have described as inanimate reflexives in Chapter 4, and it may be that despite the different glosses I have elicited, that analysis is incorrect, and in fact those constructions and the ones described below are one and the same.

Formally, the construction I am describing is formed with a completed, continuous, or future AUX-tp, followed by a verb, which has a hi-toned, long <u>áa</u> ending substituted for the Perfective or Imperfective vowel ending. To this is suffixed a possessive pronoun agreeing in number with the formal subject (semantic object?) of the construction. The construction can be negated by pre-posing the verb <u>rii</u> 'to refuse' to the form of the verb.

The semantic implications of these constructions are more difficult to pin-point, and may belong in the Phrase Structure component, or the lexicon. Especially with [+cont] AUX-tps, there is an element of potential-ity involved, hence my term 'passive potential'. With

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup>Similar semantically to the <u>-u</u> verb forms in Hausa (Grade 7 in Parsonian terms). See F.W. Parsons, The Verbal System in Hausa", <u>Afrika und Übersee</u>, Band XLIV (1960), 1-36.

[+compl] AUX-tps, the semantic implications are more variable, from straightforward passives, to potentiality with uncertainty of outcome. [There is, however, less of the notion of 'well done' than in the corresponding -u verbs in Hausa.<sup>3</sup>] The following examples give some indication of the semantic range of the construction:

- (5) akwati tinà dimáa-sù 'box [Hausa loan] is liftable' cf. ana dimo akwati 'one lifts box'
- (6) <u>n̂wan̂wa i dimáa-sù</u> 'load was liftable' [informants insisted there was no inherent implication of the outcome, eg. 'and some-one lifted it' or 'but no one lifted it']
- (7) gula ná rii dimaa-su 'gourd refused to be picked up'
- (8) va-ĥmo tinà duwáá-su 'food (lit. 'thing(of)eating') is cookable' cf. anà duwo vaĥmo 'one is cooking food'
- (9) <u>va-nmo ná ďuwáá-sù</u> 'food could be cooked' or 'food was cooked' [informants insisted either was an acceptable gloss]
- (10) biši na rii duwaa-su 'mush [staple starchy food] refused to be cooked'
- (11) tá ndəráá-sù '(it) can be done, is possible' [Hausa zai yiwu]
- (12) <u>cuwon tli rii mbisaa-sin</u> 'women they refused to be washed'

To complicate matters, on three separate occa-

The semantic implications of the -u verbs in Hausa are discussed in some detail in R.C. Abraham, The Language of the Hausa People (London: Univ. of London Press, 1959), p. 47.

sions I elicited 'the car was repaired', and got mota i burdu, 4 mota i burdaá-sù, and a burdu mota. When I questioned the informant, he contended that they were all equivalent, which could not be true if the translations he gave me for the examples above are accurate.

Nevertheless, there is a certain semantic overlap between the impersonal (\$\pm\$ subject NP) verb constructions and those described above, though they are formally quite different. For example, the semantic object
of an impersonal construction is the formal subject of
the ..áa-sù construction. One wonders whether it is in
fact a form of reflexive, with the -su (s.), -sin (pl.)
suffix a dummy replacement for the object-turned-subject.
As there are no (formal and semantic) parallels with any
other Chadic language that I know of, this area of the
grammar must remain a query.

### Irregular Verbs

Before moving on to the AUX-tp Verb agreement and segmentalization rules which account for the surface form of most verbal constructions in Pa'anci, it is necessary to point out several verbs which do not follow those rules.

<sup>4</sup>Possibly formed by analogy to the Hausa mota tagyaru, which carries the additional semantic implication of being completely repaired.

Three verbs, <u>kwar--</u> 'to be angry', <u>mb--</u> 'to be enough for', and <u>nj--</u> 'to be tired', are limited to [-cont] conjugations. They are conjugated with a fourth person (impersonal) AUX-tp, followed by the verb to which is suffixed the objective pronoun agreeing in person, number and gender with the semantic subject (or object, in the case of <u>mb--</u>) of the construction. The long form of the object pronoun is used for [+compl-] conjugations, the short form for relative completed constructions, followed immediately by the rel marker <u>ka</u>. To illustrate with one of the verbs, 'to be tired':

[-rel]		[+rel]	
Singular	Plural	Singular	Plural
lst a <sup>6</sup> njani	a nj <del>i</del> mi	a nja ka	<u>a nj<del>i</del>n ka</u>
m. <u>a nju</u> 2nd	a njinani	<u>a nju ka</u>	a njina ka
f. a nj <del>i</del> n		<u>a nj<del>i</del>n ka</u>	
m. <u>a nji</u>	a nj <del>i</del> tli	<u>a nji ka</u>	<u>a njitli ka</u>
3rd f. a njitla		a njitla	

It is also possible to form verbal constructions using all tenses, employing the secondary verbal nouns njaamaa'fatigue, tiredness' and &war(ti) 'anger', pre-

<sup>5&#</sup>x27;to be enough for' can also be conjugated with a masculine singular AUX-tp.

Tone of AUX-tp: hi for completed, mid for subjunctive.

ceded by the regular conjugations of <a href="make">nduku</a> 'to feel' and <a href="make">nder</a> 'make</a>, do', respectively. The irregular conjugation and the 'feel/do' collocations are roughly equivalent semantically.

- (13) <u>má nduku njamaa</u> 'I feel tired' á njani 'I am/was tired'
- (14) nda mi ndərii kwarti 'when we were angry' [lit. 'made anger']

# nda a ƙwarin ka 'when we were angry'

Another verb, <u>camba-</u> 'to try very hard, is conjugated with suffixed possessive pronouns, but with the usual AUX-tps preceding the verb. This verb can be used with [+cont] AUX-tps, though followed not by the expected verbal noun, but <u>camba-plus-pronominal</u> suffix. I presume this is the relic of what was once a more widespread Chadic phenomenon, what Paul Newman has called an ICP, Intransitive Copy Pronoun, implying that the person, number and gender features of the subject are copied as a suffix to an intransitive verb. The three verbs cited above may also be modified relics of the same phenomenon, re-interpreted with impersonal AUX-tps.

Camba- differs also from the preceding three verbs in that it can take a following indirect object, which replaces the ICP. When used without this follow-

Newman, Kanakuru, p. 23 et passim.

benefactive construction, however, the poss. pronoun ICP is always present:

- (15) má camba-nani 'I tried very hard' [compl. AUX-tp]
- (16) <u>ná camba-ni</u> 'he tried very hard for me [compl. AUX-tp, lst sing. IO]
- (17) mena camba-nani 'I am trying very hard'
- (18) táá camba-su 'he will try very hard'

Perhaps the most irregular verb in the language, and also the most frequently used, is the verb 'to go'. It too incorporates an intransitive copy pronoun, with [-cont] AUX-tps:

'To go'

Singular		Plural
lst	$\underline{\text{ma}}^{8} \underline{\text{tin}}^{9} (\underline{\text{ka}})^{10}$	<u>mi cín</u> ( <u>ka</u> )
m. 2nd	u tú "	$\frac{\text{u cina}}{\text{ka}} \frac{(\text{ni})}{(\text{ka})}$
f.	<u>in tin</u> "	<u>u cina</u> ( <u>ka</u> )
m.	na táá "	<u>tlitli</u> (ka)
3rd f.	i tlá "	

There are two means of forming the [+cont.]

 $^{8}$ Tones are hi for completed, mid for subjunctive (and relative completed).

9As can be seen by ex. (18) above, 'to go' plus the appropriate ICP suffix serves as the future formative.

 $<sup>^{10}{\</sup>rm ka}$  is used for relative completed constructions, with the mid-toned AUX-tps. There is no Aorist form of the verb 'to go'.

tenses of the verb 'to go'. The first is, as with the <u>camba-</u> verb just discussed, to precede the ICP form by the appropriate [+cont.] AUX-tp. The relative continuous is formed by the appropriate [subj] AUX-tp, followed by the relative <u>ka</u> plus the appropriate ICP form of 'to go'. For example:

- (19) menà tín hara 'I am going home'
- (20) nda mi kà cín hara ka 'when we are going home'

An alternative is to use the suppletive verbal noun form <u>nwocu</u> with the usual [+cont.] AUX-tps. This is the only way to express unambiguously future time using the verb 'to go' (preceded by the future formative ICP form of 'to go', resulting in a 'going to go' construction), but is an option for the other [+cont.] tenses. As a noun, <u>nwocu</u> (pl. <u>nwocuwaani</u>) means 'journey, travel', and my suspicion is that verbal constructions formed with <u>nwocu</u> have more emphasis on the action of traveling, though my informants insisted that they were synonymous.

- (21) mena nwocu hara 'I am going home' [cf. 19 above]
- (22) <u>nda mi ka ĥwocu hara ka</u> 'when we **a**re going home [cf. 20 above]
- (24) <u>nda mi kà cín ĥwocu hara ka</u> 'when we will be going home...'

Neg Placement and AUX-V Segmentalization Rules

The last set of transformational rules in this grammar that deals with the verbal piece is concerned with negative placement and the various segmentalization rules which must account for the AUX-tp verb agreement and shape (after lexical insertion) of the AUX-tps.

While it is probably the case that the latter are on the order of 'last-cyclic', 'housekeeping' transformations, it is by no means clear that the same is true of negative placement.

## AUX-tp Verb Agreement Rules

There are three agreement rules to account for the three verbal aspects of Pa'anci: Imperfective (Verbal Noun), Aorist, and Perfective (the citation form).

T. # 28: Continuous AUX-tp Verb Agreement

T. # 28 states that for any of the four continuous tenses in Pa'anci, the verb which follows the continuous AUX-tp must obligatorily be an -o ending verbal noun. The Imperfective aspect marking -o is suffixed to the verbal stem, or verbal stem plus causative suffix, if the verb is [+caus].

T. # 29: Relative Completed AUX-tp Verb Agreement

T. # 29 states that only for the relative completed tense in Pa'anci, the verb which follows the relative compl. AUX-tp must obligatorily be the  $-\underline{i}\underline{i}$  ending Aorist aspect. As with the verbal noun suffix, the Aorist  $-\underline{i}\underline{i}$  is suffixed either to the verbal stem or the stem plus causative suffix.

T. # 30 states that for either of the non-relative, non-continuous tenses in Pa'anci, the verb which follows the [-cont.] AUX-tp must obligatorily be the lexical, citation form of the verb, the Perfective aspect, providing that the verb is not [+caus], nor has had the benefactive marker -e suffixed to the stem by previous application of T. # 1 (Dative), nor is followed by a pronominal object.

### Segmentalization Rules

T. # 31: Subjunctive Segmentalization

In the case of the negative subjunctive, <u>mba</u> is left-sister adjoined to the AUX-tp, and the negative <u>wa</u> is in sentence final position (unless there is a sentence level emphatic particle, in which case the <u>wa</u> immediately precedes the <u>na</u>). Lexical insertion will select the appropriate AUX-tp from the following set:

$$\begin{bmatrix} +I \\ -II \end{bmatrix} \xrightarrow{-->} \underline{ma} \qquad \begin{bmatrix} +I \\ -II \end{bmatrix} \xrightarrow{-->} \underline{mi}$$

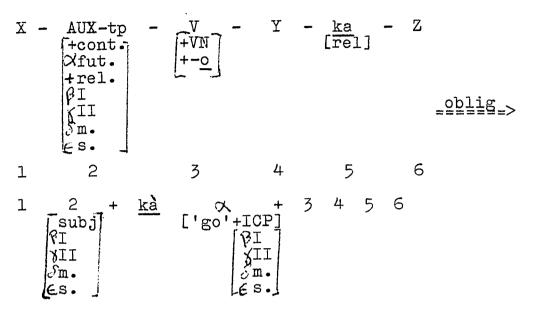
$$\begin{bmatrix} -I \\ +II \\ +m \end{bmatrix} \xrightarrow{-->} \underline{in} \qquad \begin{bmatrix} -I \\ +II \end{bmatrix} \xrightarrow{-->} \underline{u} \dots (V) \dots \underline{na}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} -I \\ -II \\ +m \end{bmatrix} \xrightarrow{-->} \underline{na} \qquad \begin{bmatrix} -I \\ -II \end{bmatrix} \xrightarrow{-->} \underline{tli}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} -I \\ -II \\ -m \end{bmatrix} \xrightarrow{-->} \underline{i}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} -I \\ -II \end{bmatrix} \xrightarrow{-->} \underline{a}$$

T. # 32: Relative [+cont] Segmentalization



Both relative [+cont.] tenses are formed by right-sister adjoining kà to the appropriate subjunctive AUX-tp, the set of which appears on the previous page. If the AUX-tp is also [+fut.], the appropriate ICP form of the verb 'to go' [see page 141 or the second, "look-up" lexicon for form] is obligatorily left-sister adjoined to the verbal noun.

T. # 33: [+cont.] Segmentalization

Note: [subj] AUX-tps may be used in place of [+cont.] AUX-tps for [+fut], or AUX-tp may be realized as Ø once agreement with ICP form of 'to go' has taken place. Either form of the AUX-tp must be used if Y includes [neg], or X includes a [+emph.] subject.

Lexical insertion will select the appropriate [+cont.] AUX-tp from the following set, obligatorily in the case of [+cont.] AUX-tps, optionally in the case of [+cont.] AUX-tps.

If the AUX-tp is also [+fut.], the ICP form of the verb 'to go' is obligatorily left-sister adjoined to the verbal noun. This paradigm is listed on page 141 and in the second "look-up" lexicon.

Since person, number and gender information is copied on the future formative (the ICP form of the verb 'to go'), an AUX-tp would carry redundant information. Not surprisingly, for affirmative future constructions, the AUX-tp is most often deleted. If, however, the subject is [+emph.], or the sentence contains [neg], an AUX-tp, either [+cont.] or [subj] is used in addition to the ICP form of 'to go'.

T. # 34: Relative Completed Segmentalization

The relative completed tense employs the [subj] AUX-tps, followed by the Aorist form of the verb, and the verb phrase final rel marker ka. Lexical insertion will select the appropriate AUX-tp form from among those listed on page 145.

T. # 35: Completed Segmentalization

The set of completed AUX-tps, the appropriate one of which will be selected by lexical insertion, is identical to the subjunctive set listed on page 145, except that the tones are hi, rather than mid. This is followed by the verb, with either the Perfective suffix, the causative or benefactive suffix, or a pronominal complement suffixed to the stem

### Negation

Excluding the two exceptions previously mentioned (negation of passive potentials with <u>rii</u>, and negative subjunctives with <u>mba...wa</u>), negation in Palanci is marked formally by sentence final <u>wa</u>. The only morph that can be post-posed to neg is sentence level emphatic particle <u>na</u>. This is true of verbal and non-verbal (NP NP pred) sentence. Some examples follow the formulation of the Negative Placement rule on the next page.

T. # 36: Negative Placement

- (25) <u>ná munde na dava wa na</u> 'he said he didn't come' he said + neg. sentence complement + emphatic
- (26) mbun ii ya wa 'yesterday is not today' NP NP pred neg
- (27) tli aki na wa 'they (are) not there' [locative adverb emphasized, not whole sentence]

Even if it is a front-shifted element that is negated, there is no formal indication of the negation until the end of the sentence, for example:

(28) asin na tli ka ndero ka wa 'it is not sleeping they are doing'[focused negated complement]

Sentences whose English gloss involves 'no one, no where, etc.' are similarly negated sentences involving RCs:

(29) ani abita ma ĥanii ka wa 'there is no one that I saw' [Existential with RC as object, negated]

### CHAPTER 7: NOMINAL MORPHOLOGY AND MORPHOPHONEMICS

This chapter deals primarily with two aspects of nominal morphology, gender and number (plurality), and with two morphophonemic phenomena, contractions (involving the associative preposition <u>i</u>, and the prohibitive particle <u>mba</u>) and tonal changes (resulting from the suffixation of pronouns to the verbal noun.) As I have dealt with gender (and to a lesser extent plurality as well) in a previously published paper, the first half of this chapter will serve mainly to summarize the main features of the gender system, and state the rules for plural formation in Pa'anci.

#### Gender

Gender is marked as a feature of all nouns at the deep structure level, and governs selection of the appropriate AUX-tp if the noun is subject, choice of two sets of suffixed possessive pronouns, agreement with [+qual] words used as attributive or predicate adjectives, choice among pairs of RCs, Q-words, agentives, etc., and agreement with the equalizing/stabilizing pred and the word level emphatic particles.

While gender usually correlates with semantic

lmGS, "Gender in Pa'a" in Papers in Chadic Linguistics, Newman and Newman eds., pp. 167-174.

sex where present, nouns with no semantic sex are assigned gender in a seemingly arbitrary fashion. some correlation between the vowel ending of the singular of polysyllabic nouns and gender, in that most -a final nouns are feminine, while nouns whose singular form ends in a vowel other than -a, a diphthong, or a sonorant consonant, tend to be masculine. As there are numerous exceptions, however, I have found it necessary to mark gender (by ±m.) for all nouns in the lexicon. Nouns derived transformationally from verbs are usually [+m.], as are time and place adverbials. There are. additionally, two gender-marking nominal suffixes, -caka (-m.) and -ciki (+m.), commonly used, though no longer fully productive. All plural nouns, regardless of the gender of the singular, are regarded as (+m.) for agreement with pred and the emphatic particle na.

The importance of gender to Pa'anci's grammar is perhaps most strikingly illustrated by the suffixed possessive pronouns. Not only are the pronouns distinguished for gender of the possessor in the second person singular, but a different set is used depending on the grammatical gender of that which is possessed. Though several Chadic languages do distinguish between masculine and feminine second and third person singular pronouns (as Pa'anci does, in agreement with the gender of the subject, for all AUX-tps), it is comparatively

rare to have the form of the possessive pronouns also determined by the gender of the noun possessed. Complete paradigms are listed in the second, "look-up" lexicon.

One common phonological thread runs through several of those categories controlled by agreement with the gender of the head noun: n is associated with (+m.), y with (-m). This can be seen in the masculine/feminine forms of the emphatic particles and pred na/ya, the suffixed possessive pronouns -nani etc. vs.-yayi etc., and even in the differences between the masculine and feminine forms of some adjectives, eg. belan vs. belei.

A last-cyclic agreement rule -- or set of rules -- will mark gender and number of the head noun onto the controlled category. The latter include pred, emphatic particles, predicate adjectives, and possessive pronouns (which presumably have already been marked for the person, number, and gender of the possessor), plus any other agentials whose agreement has not been handled by a previous transformation. In the case of NP NP pred sentences, the controlling NP is usually the first. Agreement with emphatic particles na/ya is determined not only by the inherent gender of the emphatic word, but also by its sentential function. To repeat two

previously quoted examples, (1) and (2) below involve the inherently (-m.) noun mben 'yesterday', which, when serving as a preposed time adverbial, takes a (+m.) emphatic particle:

- (1) mbun ii ya wa 'yesterday is not today' NP NP pred neg
- (2) mben na na davíí ka 'yesterday it was (that) he came' pre-posed [+emph.] time adverbial

## Plurality

Most Pa'anci nouns have both singular and plural forms. [The few exceptions are noted as [-pl] in the lexicon]. All nouns must be marked for number (as well as gender) at the deep structure level, and [+pl] will trigger selection of the plural form at the time of lexical insertion. Subject AUX-tp agreement copies number of subject onto the AUX-tp and adjectival agreement rules will normally copy the plurality feature onto those adjectives which have plural forms, or the preposed agent of [+qual | nouns modifying a head noun which is plural.

Given the lexical form of the singular, the plural form is in large part predictable on phonological grounds, even more so than its gender. However, as there are exceptions, both singular and plural forms, where known, have been listed in this grammar's lexicon.

Polysyllabic nouns which end in -a (the majority of which are feminine), form their plurals by replacing the -a by -i, usually hi-toned. Polysyllabic
nouns which end in vowels other than -a, or in a consonant (the majority of which are masculine), form
their plurals in -aani, which is suffixed to final
consonants, and either replaces or (more often) is
suffixed to (with an epenthetic y or w) final vowels.

- (3) taka (-m.) > taki (+pl) 'arrow'
- (4) dlikərkuma (-m.) > dlikərkumi (+pl) 'bee'
- (5) <u>cira</u> (+m) > <u>ciri</u> (+pl) 'month, moon' [gender exception]
- (6) jinki (+m.) > jinkiyaani, jinkaani [alternative plural forms] 'cooking pot'
- (7) jombo (+m) > jombowaani (+pl) 'toad'
- (8) gambəli (+m.) > gambəlaani (+pl.) 'bandicoot rat'

Most nouns whose singular contains the nominal suffix -ceka or -ciki form plural according to the rules just stated, resulting in nominal plural suffixes -ceki or -cikaani. But a substantial number of Pa'anci nouns ignore the nominal suffix in forming the plural.

- (9) gancaka (-m.) > gancaki (+pl) 'cheek'
- (10) <u>muzanciki</u> (+m.) > <u>muzancikaani</u> (+pl) 'hunter'
- (11) samburciki (+m.) > samburi (+pl) 'guest'
- (12) kokinciki (+m.) > kokinaani (+pl) 'land monitor'
- (13) <u>harcəka</u> (-m.) > <u>harwi</u> (+pl) 'cow'

Similarly, singulars containing the relationship suffix -ti, tend to form plurals in -aani, replacing the final vowel and relationship suffix. 'Father', however, adds the plural suffix to the relationship suffix, with an epenthetic vowel:

- (14) <u>kakati</u> (+m.) > <u>kakaani</u> (+pl) 'grandson or grand-daughter', depending on gender
- (15) jijiti (+m.) > jijaani (+pl) 'grandfather'
- (16) abati (+m.) > abatiyaani (+pl) 'father'

Monosyllables form their plurals with the -aani suffix, regardless of the ending of the singular. The plural suffix is added to consonant final monosyllables, or, with an epenthetic semi-vowel, to vowels other than a. [-aani replaces the vowel of -a(a) final monosyllables.

- (17) <u>naa</u> (+m.) > <u>naani</u> (+pl) 'antelope'
- (18) <u>wei</u> (+m.) > <u>weyaani</u> (+pl) 'grass'
- (19) kan (-m.) > kanaani (+pl) 'sauce, stew'

There are a few commonly used nouns whose suppletive plural forms are inexplicable synchronically. These include:

- (20) acəka (-m.) > tori (+pl) 'goat'
- (21) meka (-m.) > cuwan (+pl) 'woman'
- (22) <u>vura</u> (-m.) 'girl, daughter', <u>dla</u> (+m.) 'boy,son' > <u>vuran</u> (+pl) 'children'
- (23) jiki (+m.) > dooni (+pl) 'horse' [more regular plural form jikaani also used
- (24) mbarin (+m.) > mbarmbi (+pl) 'person, man' > people'

## A Note on Morphophonemics

Although some morphophonemic phenomena have been dealt with in previous sections of this grammar (for example, formation of plural verbs and nouns), this brief note will concentrate on two areas merely hinted at in the text. The first has to do with contractions (involving the associative preposition <u>i</u>, and the prohibitive particle <u>mba</u>), and the second concerns tonal changes necessitated by suffixation of possessive pronouns.

#### Contractions

The most common contraction occurs when a preceding vowel is totally assimilated to the following associative preposition  $\underline{\mathbf{i}}$ . This perhaps most frequently occurs in associative or existential sentences, in which the final  $-\underline{\mathbf{a}}$  of the [+cont.] AUX-tp is replaced by  $\underline{\mathbf{i}}$ .

- (25) <u>tini tsalliya</u> 'he has money' < <u>tini+i tsalliya</u> 'he-is with money'
- (26) <u>muni jiki wa</u> 'I don't have a horse' < <u>munà+i jiki</u> wa 'I-am with horse neg'
- (27) <u>ani gishira</u> 'there is salt' < <u>ana+i gishira</u> 'one+is with salt' [existential]

But in other environments as well, a preceding vowel may be replaced by a following associative preposition. For example, compounds of locative plus associative preposition are often contracted, for example:

- (28) zimii tli ĥwaasi kan '(the) birds are skyward above the hut' < zimii tli ĥwaasu + i kan birds [suppletive plural of zənciki] they+ cont. up+with hut
- (29) tli nder zaa kudi dlanga 'they fought [lit. made bow] south of the town' < tli nder zaa kudu+i dlanga they+compl. made bow south with town

Doubtless there are restrictions governing the contraction of preceding vowels to the associative prepositions, but the only ones I have been able to establish to date are that the preceding word must be polysyllabic, and the associative preposition must be immediately adjacent. Obviously, the rule applies only to the associative preposition <u>i</u>, not to <u>yaa</u>. If the preceding word is monosyllabic, <u>i</u> may be combined with it by means of an epenthetic semi-vowel, for example:

- (30) <u>u<sup>w</sup>i zakumba</u>? 'have you a donkey?' < <u>u+i</u> <u>zakumba</u> you+cont.+with donkey
- (31) <u>huni va fuu</u> 'you are rich' [lit. you are with thing (of) world'] < <u>huna+i va fuu</u> you+cont. [alternate form to above]+with thing world

The second instance of the contraction of a previous vowel to the following one-vowel word, involves the prohibitive particle <a href="mailto:mba">mba</a> and the 2nd person subjunctive AUX-tps. The most frequent use is in commands, e.g. <a href="mailto:mba">mbu</a> dava wa 'don't come' < <a href="mba+u dava wa [prohibitive particle+you(subj) come neg]

cf.

## Tonal Morphophonemics

Perhaps the most dramatic tone rule in Pa'anci applies when one of the sets of object or possessive pronouns is suffixed to the Imperfective aspect, or verbal noun. The effect of the suffixation of the lo-toned pronoun is to raise the previous tone to hi, and lower any preceding tone to mid or lo. Thus this rule may have the effect of totally reversing the tones of a hi-lo verbal noun:  $\frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{2} = \frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{2} = \frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{2} = \frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{2} = \frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{2} = \frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{$ 

(32) tinà hwo sikwó-nin 'he wants our sitting' cf. tɨnà sikwò aki 'he-is sitting here'

In fact, in a more formal grammar, the tones of the verbal noun and and Aorist forms of the verb could, in the main, be predicted by a series of morpho-phonemic rules, given the lexical tones of the Perfective aspect. In such a grammar, only the exceptions need be listed in the lexicon. For the present purposes, however, I have elected to predict by agreement rule only the vowel endings of the verbal noun and Aorist form, while giving only a passing indication of the usual tone contours, listing the tones of all three aspects for each verb in the lexicon, which follows.

#### PA'ANCI-ENGLISH LEXICON

In this Pa'anci-English lexicon, the following alphabetical order has been adopted for Pa'anci: a, b,  $\underline{b}$ ,  $\underline{c}$ ,  $\underline{d}$ ,  $\underline{d}$ ,  $\underline{d}$ ,  $\underline{e}$ ,  $\underline{f}$ ,  $\underline{g}$ ,  $\underline{g}$ w,  $\underline{h}$ ,  $\underline{h}$ w,  $\underline{h}$ y,  $\underline{\hat{h}}$ ,  $\underline{\hat{h}}$ w,  $\underline{\hat{h}}$ y,  $\underline{\hat{h}$ y,  $\underline{\hat{h}}$ y,  $\underline{\hat$ k, kw, £, £w, 1, m, mb, n, nd, mg, mgw, nj, o, p, r, s, S, t, tl, tl', ts, u, a, v, w, y, 'y, z and Z. Glottal stops have been ignored for the purposes of alphabetization, and diphthongs are regarded as sequences of two vowels, i.e. e+i, and a+u. Long vowels are written with double letters, but are treated as units. Tones, marked on citation forms (including singular and plural, and all three verbal aspects) of nouns and verbs, but not all collocations or extensions, are marked as follows: hi ['], lo ['], falling ['], and mid [unmarked]. Words for which I am unsure of the tones are marked by a question mark in square brackets following the entry, [?].

The lexicon contains nouns, verbs, modifiers (including ideophones), particles and some formatives. It does not contain pronouns or AUX-tps, which are listed in the Second "Look-up" Lexicon, which follows the English-Pa'anci Word List. Nouns are listed by the form of the singular, followed by a parenthetical notation of gender (†m.), followed by the plural form and (+pl), or (-pl) if none, then the English gloss, and

any additional notations where relevant, eg. [+anim], [+qual], [+abst.], or [Q-word]. Derivational information is noted where known, for example verbal origin, [H. (for Hausa) loan], [+relat. suff], or origin of a suppletive plural form. The plural forms and gender of some words, esp. game animals and trees, were obtained from untrained informants (hunters and farmers), unconfirmed by direct elicitation with my trained informants, and so have been marked by [?+m], [?+pl] where relevant.

Verbs are listed by the Perfective form first, followed by the Aorist (used to form the relative completed tense), and the Imperfective or verbal noun form. This is followed by the English gloss, then notations of transitivity ([-trans],[+VN compl.], [+S. compl.], and/or extensions [+caus], [+pl], statives, etc. Some common collocations are listed for both verbs and nouns.

Modifiers are listed with masculine, feminine and plural forms where present, or with the base form of the abstract, quality noun (without pre-posed agent, although <u>aba</u>, 'owner-of', contains a sub-listing of the most common ones). Ideophones have as their gloss the closest approximation I could manage in English. Particles are marked for grammatical function (e.g. PRAM, [assoc.prep] and gloss, where possible.

It should be noted that vowels, especially medial vowels, have been over-specified in the lexical transcription, to reflect phonetic reality, rather than phonemic status. Final vowel length is somewhat unstable, varying with what follows.

Abbreviations used in the lexicon include the following:

opp: opposite separates glosses of +pl plural form of noun, homophones intensive, reduplicated form of verb derived from, from questionable, unconfirm--pl no plural form ed, unknown pn, pns pronoun, pronouns abst abstract prepositional phrase adv. adverb PRAM Previously referred alt. alternative to animate marker anim animimate prepositional phrase prep Ar. Arabic Q question, as in Q-word assoc. associative qual. quality word AUX-tp Auxiliary tensequant quantifier pronoun q.v. which see RC relativized category caus. causative cf. compare rel relative compl. complement relat.suff. relationship cont. continuous suffix det determiner sec. VN secondary verbal e.g. for example noun emph. emphatic s.o. someone esp. especially s.t. something ex. example suff. suffix, suffixed gen. general, generic suppl. suppletive H. Hausa syn: synonym i.e. that is transitive +trans. incl. including -trans. basic intransitive ind. independent V, v. verb lit. literally  $\Lambda N$ verbal noun loc. locative +m. masculine gender Other notations -m. feminine gender "or" indicates variants, noun same gloss NPnoun phrase

- á [loc.prep] 'at, in, on' [cf. H. a], also used with
  other loc.preps. and advs. e.g. añamaa 'on top of',
  añari 'inside', avingi 'at edge of', aki(ki)'here',
  akaka 'there'
- à, <u>n̂yà</u> (+pl) [PRAM] pre-posed to previously referred to subject animate nouns and ind. pns., including titles, proper names, etc.
- <u>á'à</u> 'no' [negative response to a Q]
- aaa 'yes' [affirmative response to a Q]
- aba (+m.), masu (+pl) 'owner of' [s. < 'father' q.v.,
   pl. H. loan] Used as agentive with abst.qual. nouns,
   VNs, and other NPs, e.g.: aba-cucu 'fisherman', aba dar-ti 'deep', aba-gwamo dar-ti 'shallow', aba-gwamo
   tau 'blunt', aba-haniki 'traditional doctor', aba kuco 'blind', aba-kuufa 'blacksmith', aba-kəra 'thief',
   aba-libu-libu-ti 'soft', aba-lima 'sorcerer', aba ndan-ndan-ti 'heavy', aba-rinsi 'thick, fat', aba-tau
   'sharp eg. knife', aba-tl'in 'strong', aba-tsəmumu-ti
   'sour'</pre>
- <u>abati</u> (+m.) <u>abatiyaani</u> (+pl) 'father' [+relat.suff] poss. pns. added to <u>aba</u> [-relat.suff], eg. <u>aba-nani</u> 'my father' [+anim]
- ábità (+m.) 'that'[det];'who, the one referred to' [RC]
- abiti (+m.) 'this' [det], Often followed by -kiki
- ábuguci (+m.) (-pl) 'dawn'
- àcí (+m.), àcáánì (+pl) 'guinea-corn'
- acaka (-m.) tóri (suppl.pl) 'goat' [+anim]
- 'áfù, 'afií, 'áfò 'kneel, squat' [-trans] 'áfei, 'áfeyò etc. [+caus]
- àgwàdá (?-m.) agwadí [?] (?pl) 'hyrax (dassie)' [+anim]
- áĥwân [loc.prep] 'in front of, ahead' <u>ĥma aĥwan</u> [lit. eat ahead'] 'progress, get ahead'
- ai, ayíí, ayò 'do' [less frequently used than nder, q.v.] [+trans]

- ájù, ajíí, ájò 'leave, let, allow' [+trans]
- $\frac{\dot{a}\dot{k}\dot{i}}{\dot{k}\dot{i}}$  [loc. adv] 'here'[ $\frac{\dot{a}}{\dot{a}} + \frac{\dot{k}\dot{i}}{\dot{k}\dot{i}}$ ) 'at + this'?]
- ala(la) [loc.prep] 'after, behind, beneath, at back or base' ala bama '(at) trunk, base of tree'
- 'áálà, usually gyelà 'áálà q.v. 'millet'
- àlbása (-m.) àlbasí (+pl) 'onion' [H.<Ar. loan]
- <u>ámà</u> (-m.) 'owner-of' (fem. equivalent of agentive <u>aba</u>, q.v.) <u>ama-'i</u> 'pregnant women'
- <u>ámàti</u> (-m.) <u>amáani</u> (+pl) 'mother' [plural formed, and poss. pns. added -relat.suff -ti] <u>ama-yayi</u> 'my mother'
- ámatà (-m.) 'that' [det]; 'she who, the one referred to'
  [RC]
- amati (-m.) 'this' [det] Often followed by -kiki
- ambii (+m.) (-pl) 'water' ambi so 'drinking water'
  metaphorical use: 'business': ani ambi-nu wa 'it's
  no business of yours' ambi kacan 'sweet water',
  ambi dlikerkuma 'honey'[water(of)bees]
- àmmá [conj] 'but' [H. loan]
- ánà, áni [existential] 'there is, are' [impersonal subj AUX-tp (+ assoc.prep)] See ambi above for ex.
- aní (+m.) aníyaaní (+pl) 'smoke'
- àní (+m.) aníyaaní (+pl) 'saliva'
- 'an'uwan (+m.) 'an'uwanaani (+pl) 'good' [+qual] can also be [+abst.] and take agent, aba-'an'uwan-ti 'good'
- ápi (+m.), apíyaani (+pl) 'breast, milk' [+body part]
- 'ar, 'arii, 'aro 'place on fire' [+trans]
- Ari (alternative to Ri) [loc. NP] name of Pa'a town
- árna (-m.) ární (+pl) 'shadow, shade'
- arsa (+m.) (-pl) 'cunning' [+qual, +abst] [sec.VN <arsu]

- áršu, aršíí, áršò 'be cunning' [-trans]
- àršú, áršò (?m., -pl] 'hardness' [+qual.+abst]
- <u>ása(na)</u>, <u>ása(ne)</u> [alternatives] (+m.) <u>yaa asa</u> [lit. with who] (+pl) 'who, whom' [Q-word]
- <u>áse(ya)</u>, <u>áse(ye)</u> [alternatives] (-m.) [pl. as above] who, whom' [Q-word]
- àsí (+m.) asíyaani (+pl) 'egg'
- àsincəkà (-m.) àsincəki (+pl) 'co-wife' [+anim] [+nom. suff]
- <u>ašimba-ti</u> (+m.) <u>ašimbaani</u> (+pl) 'friend' [+anim] [+relat. suffix; pl. formed without it]
- àyín (+m.) (-pl) 'sleep! [sec.VN < ayın, q.v.]; 'day (24 hours)' (+pl. ayınanı)
- ásin, asinii, asino 'lie down, sleep' [-trans]; asinei asineyo [?] [+caus] stative: asin-asin [suppl.form] 'lying down'
- atá (-m.) atí (+pl) 'eye' [+body part]
- átin (+m.) atínaani (+pl) 'nose' [+body part]
- àtin (+m.) (?-pl -- once given àtináani) 'blood'
- átuwí (+m.) atùwiyáani (+pl) 'housefly' [+anim]
- 'átlà, 'atlií, 'átlò 'lift, raise, awaken (someone), get s.o. up' [+trans] 'atla ritl'a 'raise dust, earth'
- 'atlim (or 'atlin), 'atlimi, 'atlimo (or 'atlimo)[alternative nasals in Perfective, tones in VN] 'shave' [+trans]
- atlima (-m.) atlimi (+pl) 'knife'
- átlò (+m.) átlòwáánì (+pl) 'cough' nder atlo 'to cough'
- avita (+m.) vanita(+pl) 'what, that which, thing that'
  [RC] [<'thing'+ ref. marker 'ta']</pre>

<u>ávù</u> (+m.) <u>vaani</u> (+pl) 'thing' variants: <u>avi</u> before poss.pns., eg. <u>na taa avi-su</u> 'he went [to do] his thing', <u>va</u> in compounds, eg. <u>va ĥmo</u> 'food', <u>va lifi</u> 'cloth for tying baby on back'

<u>ávùn</u> (+m.) <u>ávùnáánì</u>, <u>àvúnaanì</u> (+pl, alternate tones) 'charcoal'

awi, wi (+m.) hyawi (+pl) 'a certain, another' [< PRAM +
wi, 'certain'?]</pre>

'áwan (+m.) 'áwunááni (+pl) 'kolanut'

áyo [exclamation of surprise]

# <u>b</u>

ba, bii, bo 'finish' [+trans]

bàbár (+m.) bàrbaráani (+pl) 'roan antelope' [+anim]

ba(m)bùrm(b)aka (+m.) ba(m)bùrm(b)aki (+pl) (parentheses
indicate alternate pronunciations) (-m.) 'pigeon'
[+anim]

babela [intensive of belan, q.v.] 'very big' [+qual]

bàdakéla (+m.) bàdakélaani (+pl) 'bushbuck' [+anim]

badatí (+m.) badatí (+pl) 'adornment, finery, decoration' nder badati (loosely) 'get dressed up'

bajaka (-m.) bajaki (+pl) 'basket'

bakusu, bakusii, bakusau 'envelop (as in palm leaves)'

bákalti (+m.) bákaltiyááni (+pl) 'bark (tree)'

Bàlázà title of traditional religious ritual leader

bali, balíí, baló 'bewitch' [+trans] balama [sec.VN] 'witchcraft'

bàmá (-m.) bamí (+pl)'tree'

bàngá (-m.) bàngí 'drum (gen.)'

bangwará (-m.) bangwarí (+pl) 'quiver'

bantsál, bantsár [ideophone] 'leaping, or sound thereof'

bar, barii, baro (or barau) 'marry' [+trans]

barau (+m.) (?pl) 'marriage' [< VN of bar, above]</pre>

<u>barkwan</u> (+m.) <u>barkwanaani</u> (+pl) 'pepper (hot)' [< H. barkono?]

bàrwaciki (+m.), bàrwacèka (-m), barwaani (+pl) 'relatives, incl. siblings' [nom. suff. in singular only]

bàsá (-m.) bàsí (+pl) 'health' i yaa basa wa 'she's not healthy' [+qual,+abst?]

bààtáá (+m.) (-pl) 'fog'

bata ngám [formulaic command for closing magical door] 'close sesame' cf. ngám 'closed tight'

bátà sakwáp [formulaic command for opening magical door] 'open sesame'

bazau [ideophone] 'falling, or sound thereof' [ H.?]

béékitu, beeketíí, béékato 'fan' [+trans]

bèèna (-m.) bèèní (+pl) 'fever'

bìì (+m.) bìyaanì 'bag'

bihân (+m.) bihêi (-m.) bihánaani (+pl) 'red' [+qual]
bi [intensive]'very red'

bijá (-m.) bijí (+pl) 'grave (tomb), burial'

bìmí (+m.) bìmíyaanì (+pl) 'ashes' [syn: bətiki q.v.]

bìncikí (+m.) bìnàní (+pl) 'devil, spirit' [pl. formed without nom. suff]

binza (-m.) binzí (+pl) 'beard'

bisakwa (-m.) bisakwi (+pl) '5-string, hand-held harp' [as played by Galadima Tiffi]

bìsí (+m.) bìsáani (+pl) 'mush (staple starchy food)'

- bìsicékà (-m.) [loc] 'right side' cf. kéman bisí 'right hand'
- bitangwil (+m.) bitangwilaani (+pl) 'hyena' [+anim]
- bòcélò (+m.) bòcelááni (+pl) 'fetish, "juju"'
- bòmbéraa (-m.) bòmbérií (+pl) 'walk, stroll'
- bòòtaa (-m.)(-pl) 'difficulty' [+qual,+abst]
- bubâu, bubô (+m) (-pl)'heat (as in fire or pepper)'
  [+qual.+abst]
- búbudùù, bubudií, bubudò 'pour out, or fill narrow neck bottle by submersion' [+trans]
- bùdúgu (?+m.) bùdugaani (?pl) 'mongoose'
- budù, budii, bàdô 'be rotten' [-trans]
- bûn (+m.) búnaani (+pl) 'baboon'
- búr (+m.) bùráanì (+pl) 'arm and leg decorations made of hemp, for ceremonial purposes'
- bùrámà (-m.) bùrámi (+pl) 'clay'
- <u>bùrdu</u>, <u>bùrdií</u>, <u>búrdo</u> 'repair' [+trans]
- bærmi (+m.) bærmi, bærmaani (alternate plurals) 'knee' [+ bcdy part]
- baso dlánga (?+m.) (?-pl) 'ritual sacrifice' [collocation of ? + 'town']
- <u>bùtsahán</u> (+m.) <u>bùtsahéi</u> (-m.) <u>bùtsahánaani</u> (+pl) 'short' [+qual]
- bèla, bèlií, belòò 'return' [motion V, +loc.compl] [-trans] bèlei, bèleyií, bêléyò [+caus]'take back, return s.t.' bebela [+pl] 'return again and again'
- bèlan (+m.) bèléi (-m.) bèlánaani (+pl) 'big' [+qual] babela 'very big'
- bèlei, bèleyíí, bèleyò [caus. of bela, q.v.] 'take back, return s.t. or s.o.' also 'treat' [+trans]

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bələvurmati (-m.)(?-pl) 'elder sister' [?'big' + ?]
[+anim]
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bètiki (+m.) bètikiyaani (+pl) 'ashes' [syn: bimi q.v.]

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baba [time adv.] 'early' [syn: kwakwa q.v.]

báků [+quant] 'many'

bar, barii, barò 'begin' [+trans]

bare, badle [alternate pronunciations] 'how much more,
 much less' [?< H. balle(sic)]</pre>

batlu, batlii, batlo 'break, snap (e.g. stick)' [+trans]
babatlu (+pl) 'break repeatedly' (also)'break up a
fight several times'

bii, biyii, biyo 'exceed, surpass'[+trans]; 'pierce'
[+trans] bibii [+pl] 'make many holes in' [+trans]

bin (+m.) bináani (+pl) 'anthill'

buzuu, buzii, buzo 'skin, flay' [+tran] bubuzuu [+pl) 'skin many, repeatedly'

besa (-m.) besi (?pl) 'custard apple (tree)'

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- cáá [emphatic ideophone] [intensifies that which precedes or follows it, e.g. dlibu-su ca 'all of him up' ca dluwi-su 'all alone-his' caa ka [H. ke nan]
- ca.[+obj.].vàmá, cíí.[+obj.].vàmá, cò.[obj].vàmá 'contra-dict' [+trans] [object placed between discontinuous morpheme]
- cadàà or cadùù, cadií, cédò 'chop off (esp. wood)'
- cakii (+m.) (-pl) 'shame' nduku cakii 'feel shame'
- cákwa (-m.) cakwi (+pl) 'temporary shelter (in bush)'

- cál, cálií, cálòò 'gossip' [-trans] cálaamaa [sec.VN], calo[
  calo[
  closing to story] 'gossip it finished'
- càma (-m.) càmi (+pl) 'forest, ritual grove (i.e. where annual circumcision ceremony takes place)' cama bama 'forest (of) trees'
- càncên (+m.) càncanaani (+pl) 'adze'
- <u>Cángwidi</u> (+m.) name of clan-related dodo (masqueraded figure that appears following death of important clan member, or other Pa'a festivities) [+anim]
- cei, ceyíí, céyò 'grab, seize, hold' [+trans]
- cíbu [adv.] 'silently' šika cibu 'be, remain silent'
- cíbu-cíbu [adv.] 'small-small, little-little'
- cidù, cidií, cidò 'push, send on way' [+trans]
- cidlá [?-m.] cidlí (+pl) 'flying squirrel' [+anim]
- cikwili (+m.) cikwiliyaani (+pl) 'shell, peel'
- cílhan (+m.) cilhéi (-m.) cìlhánaanì (+pl) 'white' [+qual] cilili 'very white'
- címin (+masc) címani (+pl) 'foot, leg' [+body part]
- cín [ICP form of 'to go', lst pl.] [future formative] 'we will, we go'
- cin (+m.) ciní, cináani 'work' [sec. VN of cina q.v.]
- cinà, cinii, cinò 'send (s.o.to do s.t.)' [+trans];
- cina(ni) [ICP form of 'to go', 2nd pl.] [future formative] 'you (pl) will, you (pl) go'
- cìnjá (-m.) cìnjí (+pl) 'hedgehog' [+anim]
- cira (+m.) ciri (+pl) 'moon, month'

- cir(u) [+quant] 'two'
- církwún (also tsírkwún, alt. pronunciation) 'seven'
- ciyè, ciyíí, cíyò 'bring' [+trans.] mijiki ná ciye 'river it flooded' [lit. brought (water?)]
- cósì-ti (-m.) còsáani (+pl) 'in-law' [gender depends on referants sex, e.g. cosi (+m.) 'father- or brother-in-law' (-m.) 'mother- or daughter-in-law']
- cumà, cumíí, címò 'swear' [-trans] cimei, cimeyíí, cimeyó [+caus]
- cuwan (suppl. pl. of meka 'woman', q.v.) 'women'; [adv.]
   'quietly, carefully' also cuwan-cuwan (intensive)
- cùwi, cu 'coming' [suppletive VN of dava 'come' q.v.]
  cən, cənii, cénò 'swim, go around outside of water'
  [-trans]

# <u>d</u>

- da, dii, dâu or do 'beat, hit, strike, (even) kill'
  [+trans] deda [+pl] 'keep on hitting, killing'
  many collocations, incl. da gitlo 'belch', da huma
  'prick ears', da ĥama [<head] 'meet', da pana 'extinguish fire', da vingi [lit.'kill mouth'] 'settle
  debts' da zale 'spin thread'
- dáabu [+quant] 'ten' daabu cir(u) 'twenty' etc. [see p. 63] 30, 40, etc. daabu + numbers to 9; daabu ciru mbo waci 'twenty-one' etc. daabu har daabu 'one hundred' etc.
- dádár [+qual] [intensive of dahan, dar, q.v.] 'very long'
- Dadlurna (-m.) name of clan-related dodo (cf. Cangwidi)
- daga [loc.prep] 'from' [ H. loan]
- dàhán (+m.) dàhéi (?-m.) dàhánaani (?pl) 'long, deep' dadar 'very long' [+qual]

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dàkwá (-m.) dàkwí or dooni (+pl, latter can include stallions) 'mare' [+anim] cf. jiki 'horse'
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dákwankwan (+m.) 'dirt', also [+qual] 'dirty'

dakən (+m.) dakənááni (+pl) 'hand' [+body part] cf. Rəman 'arm'

dàmáa, damíi, dàmóó 'annoy, nag, bother' [+trans] [< H. dame]

da'maha [+quant] 'sixty' [contraction of daabu maha, see daabu, above]

dàmiíki (+m.) dàmikiyaani (+pl) 'hare, rabbit' [+anim]

da'mbo (waci, ciru, kədu, etc.) [+quant] 'teen' forma-mative (11, 12, 13 etc.) [see p. 63]

Dandamiyà (-m.) name of clan-related dodo (cf. Cangwidi)

dàngál (+m.) dàngilwá (-m.) dàngàláani (+pl) 'mantis (praying)' [+anim]

dangìl, dangìlíí, dangìlo 'protect' [+trans]

dàngwaɗi (+m.) dàngwaɗiyaani (+pl.) 'stick'

dar 'depth, length' [+qual,+abst] dadar [intensive]

Dàrá [loc. NP] name of Pa'a village between Tiffi and Guda

dàtsi(-ti) (+m.) dàtsaani (+pl) 'worthless' [+qual] (usually post-posed]

dàvá, dàvíí, cùwí or cu [suppl. VN] 'come' [motion V, +loc. compl] [-trans]

dei, deyii, déyò 'cut (with machete), chop (e.g. tree)'

dòmburdíti (+m.) dòmburditíyaani (+pl) 'period of time immediately postpartum'

doší (+m.) došíyaaní (+pl) 'harvesting tool'

dùmbákà (-m.) dùmbáki (+pl) 'snail' [+anim]

durhan (+m.) durhei (?-m.) dùrhanaani (+pl) 'black' [+qual]

dùwaa (-m.) dùwi (+pl) 'border' [loc. NP]

dùwi (+m.) dùwii (+pl) 'site of abandoned town'[loc.NP]

dəddər, dəddərii, dəddero 'shake, tremble' [-trans]
cf. dangudu 'shake'[+trans]

dədàà, dədii, dədo 'line up' [+trans]

deráa (+m.) derí (+pl) 'big bull frog' [+anim]

dérgudu, dergudií, dérgudo 'knead, massage, rub' [+trans]

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da, (díí?), dau 'grow' [one informant insisted there was no Aorist, the other offered díí] [-trans]

dádil (or dádil), dadili, dadilo 'remember' [+trans]

<u>dáldal</u> (+m.) (-pl) 'red, biting ant' [+anim]

<u>ɗaami</u> [?] 'last year'

da(n), danii, dano 'bend (bow)' [+trans]

dàndan, dàndanii, dándanò 'taste' [+trans] [?H. loan]

dángù (+m.) (-pl) 'somewhere, another place' [?< H.
langu?] [loc. NP]</pre>

danguù, dangwii, dangwò 'see, with connotation pay attention to, look, stare' [+trans]

dángudù, dangudíí, dángwidò 'shake s.t.' [+trans.]
cf. deddero 'shake, tremble [-trans]

dápaa (-m.) dápi (+pl) 'bush' [loc. NP]

dau, doo 'height, length' [+qual.+abst]

<u>di</u> 'as ever is' [interjection?]

dibà, dibíí, dibôo 'lodge' [-trans] dibei, dibeyii,
 dibeyo 'lodge s.o.' [+caus]

dídà or dìda (-m.) dìdi (-pl) 'flea' [+anim]
dìkipàna (+m.) dikiyaani pàna (+pl) 'firewood' pana=
'fire'

diken, dikenii, dikeno 'tie' [+trans] va dikeno 'cloth wrapper' [lit. 'thing(of)tying']

dividi (+m.) dividii or dividiani (+pl) 'thighs'

dooti (+m.) dootiyaani or dootini (+pl) 'games, festival'

du, duwii, duwo 'cook' [+trans]; 'count' [+trans]

dubaa, dubii, diboo 'put away, down' [+trans] duduba
 (+pl) 'put away repeatedly'

dubu, dubíí, dibôo 'descend' [-trans] dubei, dubeyíí, dibeyo [+caus] get s.t. down'

<u>dúgusu</u>, <u>dugusii</u>, <u>dúguso</u> 'stack' [+trans] <u>dudúgusu</u> (+pl) keep on stacking'

<u>demà, demíí, dimo</u> 'take, carry (load)' [+trans] <u>dermàà, dermíí, dermó</u> 'endure' [+trans]

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dla (+m.) vuran (+pl) 'boy, son, male child' [suppl.pl, cf. vura 'girl'] Used as diminutive for +m. NPs. Collocations incl: dlanarcaka 'bull' [lit. 'son(of) cow'] dla-gatara 'son of castrated goat', dla'yar 'son of a bitch' dlananti 'first child'

dla, dlíí, dlò 'open (door etc.)' [trans]

dlaabàà, dlaabíí, dlààbó 'knead' (cf. dərgudu) [+trans]

dláabudù, dlaabùdíí, dláabùdo 'hit with heavy stick,
bludgeon' [+trans]

dladlù, dladlii, dladlau or dladlo 'run' [motion V, loc. NP compl] dladlei etc. [+caus] 'run s.o. or run from s.t.'

dlaama-ti (+m.) (?pl) 'brother' [< dla + ama 'son + mother'] [+relat. suff] [+anim]

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dlaamaaba-ti (+m.) (?pl) 'uncle (father's brother)'
  [< dla + ama + aba 'son(of)mother(of)father'] [+relat.suff] [+anim]
dlángá (-m.) dlángí (+pl) 'town'
dlangir (+m.) dlangiráani (+pl) 'wealth'
dlarbe (-m.) dlarbí (+pl) 'mud'
dlartsitsa (+m.) 'sweet' [+qual]
dlibidaa, dlibidii, dlibidoo 'cool (of sun)" [-trans]
dlibíya [loc.prep] 'next to'
dlibu, sometimes contracted to dlip 'all' [+quant]
dlidla (-m.) dlidli (+pl) 'woven straw fence or mat'
dlidlu (+m.) (-pl) 'cooking oil, butter'
dlikaa, dlikii, dlikwoo 'pull off (eg. groundnuts)' [+trans]
dlikərkuma (-m.) dlikərkumi (+pl] 'bee' ambi dlikərkuma [lit.'water(of)bee'] 'honey' [+anim ('bee')]
dlimbá-dlimbá kayi (-m.) (-pl) 'small bat'[+anim]
dlirkí (+m.) dlirkíyaani (+pl) 'path, road, way'
dlukwiti (+m.) dlukwitiyaani (+pl) 'leaves'alt: lakwiti
dlurkíya (-m.) dlurkí (+pl) 'chicken' [+anim]
dlùwi 'alone, only' dlidluwi 'all alone' [intensive]
dler, dlerii, dlero 'pour in, draw (water)' [+trans]
dlér, dleríí, dleróó 'cry' [-trans] [?caus] dler [sec. VN] 'cry' nder dler 'make cry'
dleraa, dlerii, dlero 'divide' [+trans]
dlərkaatu, dlərkaatii, dlərkaatau 'hollow out (eg. log)' [+trans]
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fa [loc.adv] 'there, here (not far) fa ka 'way over there'
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fáadu 'four' [+quant]

fafádiki 'eight' [+quant]

fáfiya (-m.) (-pl) 'rain' fafiya zimi 'sufficient rain to sow'

faki, fakiyii, fakò or fakiyò 'blow (with mouth)'[+trans]

féi (-m.) (-pl) 'day, daylight, sun'

filá (-m.) filí (+pl) 'entrance hut'

firci (-m.) (-pl) 'evening'

fita (-m.) fiti (+pl) 'dust'

fiya (-m.) fiyi (+pl) 'flour'

<u>fuu</u> (-m.) (-pl) 'world'

<u>fúúciki</u> (+m.) <u>fóóni</u> (+pl) 'Pa'a man' [< ? 'world' + nom. m. suff] [+anim]

<u>fúúcèka</u> (-m.) (-pl) 'Pa'anci (language)'; (+pl) <u>fóóni</u> 'Pa'a woman' [+anim] [+nom.-m.suff]

fuugù, fuugwii, fuugò 'lay eggs, metaphorically, leave things' [+trans]

fèr-tla, fèr-tla, fèró-su 'copulate-her' [+trans, obj. required]

fárhà (-m.) fàrhí (+pl) 'small pot (for beer)'

gábàcangá (-m.) gábàcangí (+pl) 'chin, lower jaw' [+body part] syn: ngamangama q.v.

gaabù, gabù-gabù [adv] 'little, small small'

gadúwa, usually vingá gadúwa (-m.) 'door (opening'

gàdlá (+m.) gàdlí (+pl) 'big pot (for water storage)'

gâaga (+m.) gaagaani (+pl) 'crow' [+anim]

gájà, gàjíí, gàjo 'measure, weigh'

gaje [no Aorist or VN] [+ VN compl] '?' eg. sei i gaje
verdo 'then she .?. give-birth'

gajérciki (+m.) gajércikááni (+pl) 'short (of stick or man) [+qual, +abst, -pre-posed agent] [< H. gajere + nom. suff] syn: butsahan q.v.

gàji (+m.) gàjáani (+pl) 'sword'

galka (-m.) galki (+pl) 'calabash'

gámbəli (+m.) gambəláani (+pl) 'bandicoot rat'

gan (+m.) ganááni (+pl) 'ram' [+anim]

gàncéka (-m.) gàncéki (+pl) 'cheeks' [+body part]

gánciki (+m.) gáani (+pl) 'Kano man' [+anim][+nom.suff]

gáncəkà (-m.) gáncəki (+pl) 'Kano woman' [+anim][+nom. suff]

Gándani (+m.) (-pl) 'clan whose major circumcision festival is held 3 of 4 years.' dodo = kwal-kwal

gandara (-m.) (-pl) 'dances held every 4 years when no circumcision festival (cf. Gandani); men dance dressed in women's clothes'

gàngá (+m.) gàngááni (+pl) 'marabou stork' [+anim] syn: kwasa-kwasa q.v.

gángaší (+m.) gangašiyáání (+pl) 'elbow' [+body part] syn: karkaava q.v.

gàrin-dáwa (+m.) gàrin-dawí (+pl) 'maize' [< H. 'flour (of)guinea-corn']

gárna (-m.) garní (+pl) 'iron, shilling, hour'

garu (-m.) garuwaani (+pl) 'stone wall'

gaseka (-m.) gaseki (+pl) 'termite' [+anim]

gatará (-m!) gatarí (+pl) 'he-goat (usually castrated)'
[+anim]

ge(i), geyíí, géyò 'lift' [+trans] sei ma gei ata-ya 'then I lifted my eye(s)'

gídàmbàncíkí (+m.) gídàmbànáánì (?pl) 'white gum tree' [+nom. suff. in s.]

gigi, gigiyíí, gigiyô 'learn, teach' [+trans [no formal difference eg. + caus., context determines meaning]

giji-giji [ideophone] 'sound of footfalls, running steps, also sound of crackling fire if flame is very high' [also guju-guju q.v.]

gikatù, gikatii, gikatòò 'shake' [+trans] syn: dangudu q.v.

gilfi (+m.) gilfaka (-m.) gilfaka (+pl) 'reedbuck' [+anim]

giširá (-m.)(-pl) 'salt' [< H. gishiri]

gitàà, gitíí, gitòò 'wait' [+trans]

gòòdu, gòòdíí, goodó 'thank' [+trans]

gubei, gubií, gubeyo 'join' [+trans]

Guda (-m.) 'name of Pa'a town, s.w. of Tiffi'

gudafá (-m.) (-pl) 'rainy season'

gudáncáka (-m.) gudáncakí (+pl) 'western kob' [+anim]

gùdùbi (+m.) gùdùbaani, gùdùbi (+pl) 'door screen (mat or string)'

gudlu, gudlii, gudlo 'bend(bow)' [+trans] syn: da(n)q.v.

gújù-gújù [ideophone] 'sound of running footsteps' [also giji-giji q.v.]

gùlá (+m.) gùlí (+pl) 'gourd'

gumaa [conj.] 'again, only' [< ? H. kuma]

Gurámi (+m.) 'name of big Pa'a festival, like Hausa"s sallah' [also Gurán]

gurbù, gùrbíí, gùrbóó 'embrace, hold' [+trans]

gurdù, gurdíi, gúrdò 'overthrow, wrestle' [+trans] gursaa, gwursaa [sec. VN] 'wrestling'

gùrgwàtl'á (-m.) gùrgwàtl'íí (+pl) 'throat'

gùrju, gùrjíi, gùrjóo 'creep (child), crawl' [motion V, +loc. NP compl]

gurmatli (+m.) gurmátliyááni (+pl) 'hartebeest (West African or bubal)' [+anim]

goduwi (+m.) goduwii (+pl) 'bed' [< H. gado?]

geduu, gedii, gedoo 'climb, mount (eg. animal)'[+trans]

gèla, gelíí, gélò 'tell' [+trans] [usually with benefactive, e.g. gele]

geraa, gerii, geroo 'become slim' [-trans]

gərtlù (+m.) 'hard' [+qual.+abst]

gyélà (-m.) gyélì (+pl) 'bulrush millet' [also gyela 'aala]

gw

gwadar(ti) (+m.) (-pl) 'dirt, filth' [also +qual.+abst]
syn: dakwankwan q.v.

gwalaa (+m.) gwalii (+pl) 'chair, stool'

gwam, gwamii, gwamo 'lack' [+ trans, + VN compl] gwamo [VN] used as prep 'without', also in compounds e.g. gwamo dar-ti 'shallow (lacking depth)' gwamo tau 'blunt (lacking sharpness)'

gwar, gwarii, gwaroo 'lean against' [+trans]
Gwatama (-m.) 'name of clan-related dodo' [cf. Cangwidi]
gwursaa (-m.) [sec. VN of gurdu q.v.] 'wrestling'

<u>h</u>

hàláci, hàlílu (+m.) (-pl) 'pity'

háli (+m.) 'character' [H. loan]

har, harii, haroo 'annoy' [+trans] syn: damaa [< H.] q.v.

hàra (-m.) harí (+pl) 'compound, house, home' [loc. NP]

hàra, harii, hárò 'be too much for, exceed' [+trans]

harâa, hàrâi (no VN) 'be necessary to, ought to' [irreg-ular] limited to [+ rel] compl. constructions, with m.s. or impersonal Subject, and sentential complement e.g. á haraa u tu 'it is necessary (that) you go'

hidur (+m.) hidurááni (+pl) 'fat' [can be +qual.+abst]
hihyeelá (+m.) hihyeèlí (+pl) 'dish'

ho, ho, ho [can be used with all AUX-tps, form of V un-changed] 'like, love, wish, want' [+trans. often S. compl] also hwo q.v.

hòri, hòrií, hòró 'punish' [+trans] [?< H. hora]

humá (+m.) humí or humááni (+pl) 'ear' [+body part]

hûrtu, hurtíí, húrtò 'snatch' [+trans]

hw

hwahwa (-m.) hwahwi (+pl) 'load'

hwaapana (-m.) (-pl) [sec. VN of hwapuu, q.v.] 'greed,
 greediness, repletion' [also +qual.+abst]

hwapuù, hwapii, hwapoò 'be satisfied' [-trans] hwapei etc. [+caus] 'satisfy'

- hwika (-m.) hwiki (+pl) 'sand (coarse, wet)' [cf. tilvuda 'dry, fine sand']
- hwo, hwo, hwo [alternative to ho, q.v.] 'like, love,
  want, wish' [+trans. often takes S. compl]

### hy

hyéka (-m.) hyekí (+pl) 'straw (stalks)'

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- haĥanciki (+m.) haĥancikaani (?pl) 'puff adder' [+anim]
- <u>hama (-m.) fiami (+pl) 'head' [+body part]</u> with suffixed poss. pn, reflexive 'self' [see pp. 77-78] many collocations, incl: fiama fei 'noon' fiama tsi 'midnight' da hama 'meet'
- hamaa [conj] 'because of, in order to' [introduces purpose clauses] [see p. 68] hamaa mbuku 'because of
  this (lit. thus)'; [loc.prep] also ahamaa 'on, on top
  of' [< hama 'head']; also can be use between AUX-tp
  and V to indicate repeated action, e.g. tina hamaa
  ngo tlu 'he kept on giving meat'</pre>
- <u>namaa</u>, <u>namii</u>, <u>namo</u> 'take (a lot of)' [+trans]
- <u>hân, hânó</u> 'see' [+trans] <u>hânán</u> (+pl) 'see repeated edly, keep on seeing'
- <u>nanaki (+m.) nanakiyaani (+pl) 'medicine' aba-nanaki 'traditional doctor'</u>
- <u> ĥansàà, ĥansií, ĥansò</u> 'laugh' [-trans]
- <u>nansi</u> (+m.) (-pl) 'laughter' [?sec. VN of <u>nansaa</u> q.v.] (note diff. in palatalization) <u>nder nansi</u> 'make laughter, laugh'
- hántà (+pl) [pl. of abita, q.v.] 'those'[det]; 'those
  who, the ones referred to' [RC]
- <u>nanti</u> (+pl) [pl. of <u>abiti</u>, <u>amati</u> q.v.] 'these' [det] can be followed by -kiki to emphasize proximity

- <u>narà, narii, naro</u> 'grow old' [-trans] <u>narei</u> etc. [caus] 'age s.o. or s.t.'
- harciki (+m.) harcikaani or harni (+pl) 'dodo (masqueraded figures, attached to specific Pa'a clans, which
  appear at traditional ceremonies, incl. funerals,
  ascension of ruler to throne, etc. Pa'a dodos incl:
  Cangwidi, Dadlurna, Dandamiya, hwola-hwola, Kulbo,
  kwal-kwal, Mbe-Mbe, Ndozi q.v.); 'ogre' (feared creature in stories) [+anim] [+nom.suff]
- <u>narcaká</u> (-m.) <u>narwi</u> (+pl) 'cow (zebu)' [+anim]
- hari (+m.) hariyaani (+pl) 'belly (external), stomach'
  [+body part] va hari 'intestines' cilhan hari [lit.
  'white stomach' 'pleasure, happiness'
- nari [loc.prep] 'in, inside' also añari [ñari can be
  used between AUX-tp and V to emphasize in progress
  activity, e.g. tina ĥari ndero cin 'he is in-the-middle-of doing work'
- neká (-m.) ninii (+pl) 'female' [+qual, usually postposed] opp. njuu q.v.
- <u>nma, nmii, nmo</u> 'eat (eg. grain)' [+trans] many collocations, incl: nma anwan 'get ahead, progress' nma
  dlanga 'win'
- ñacaa (?-m.) ñaci (?pl) 'locust bean (tree)'

# ĥw

- <u> <u>n̂wa</u> (+m.) <u>n̂wi</u> (+pl) 'door(way)' cf. <u>vinga gaɗuwa</u></u>
- <u>ĥwàn</u>, <u>ĥwanii</u>, <u>ĥwàno</u> 'build, mould (eg. a pot)' [trans]
  ĥwápùù [ideophone] 'plop!'
- hwasu (-m.) (-pl) 'sky' [loc. NP]
- <u>n̂waasu</u> [loc.adv] 'up' e.g. <u>a gəduu n̂waasu</u> 'one climbed up'

 $\frac{\hat{n}wi}{[-trans]}$ ,  $\frac{\hat{n}wiyo}{\hat{n}wiye}$  'jump' [motion V, +loc. NP compl]

<u>ĥwina</u>, <u>ĥwinii</u>, <u>ĥwinò</u> 'mix (general)' [+trans]

 $\frac{\hat{n}wiy\acute{e}}{\hat{n}wi}$ ,  $\frac{\hat{n}wiy\acute{e}y\acute{o}}{\hat{q}\cdot v\cdot J}$  'cross' [+trans] [+caus. of

 $\frac{\hat{h}w \hat{o} c u}{+loc} \quad [\text{suppletive VN of 'to go'}] \quad [\text{motion V}, \\ \hline +loc. \quad \text{NP compl}]$ 

<u>n̂wòcú</u> (+m.) <u>n̂wòcuwááni</u> (+pl) 'journey, travel' [< VN of

 $\frac{\hat{h}w\hat{o}l\acute{a}-\hat{h}w\hat{o}l\acute{a}}{gwidi}$  (-m.) 'name of clan-related dodo' [cf. Can-

ĥwibu, ĥwibii, ĥwibo 'burn' [+trans]

<u>n̂wulei</u>, <u>n̂wuleyii</u>, <u>n̂wuleyo</u> 'greet, salute' [+trans]

<u>hwun</u> (?m.) (?pl) 'cane rat' [+anim]

<u>hwûn, hwunii, hwuno</u> 'climb, mount (animal)' [+trans]
syn: gəduu q.v.

<u>ĥwunaa, ĥwunii, ĥwuno</u> 'stir, eg. sugar into tea'

# <u>ĥу</u>

<u>n̂yà</u> [suppl. pl. of <u>â</u>, q.v.] [PRAM] plural marker for previously referred to animate nouns and independent pns.

<u>n̂ya-</u> [prefix] 'the likes of --'

<u>n̂ya</u>, <u>n̂yiyii</u>, <u>n̂yô</u> 'agree, answer, reply' [+trans]

<u>n̂yaa</u>, <u>n̂yayii</u>, <u>n̂yô</u> 'find, get, obtain' [+trans]

<u>n̂yangu, n̂yangwii, n̂yang(w)o</u> 'fill' [+trans] <u>n̂yango</u><u>n̂yango</u> [stative] 'full, filled up'

âyawí [+pl(of awi)] 'some' [< PRAM + wi, 'certain'?]

<u>n̂yìfí</u> (+m.) <u>n̂yìfíyaani</u> (+pl) 'lake, pond, stagnant river'

<u>n̂yin̂yuù</u> (+m.) <u>n̂yin̂yuwaani</u> (+pl)'stirring stick'

- i [assoc.prep] 'with' [often contracted with preceding -a AUX-tp (e.g. tini < tina i) or loc.adv.; [NP conj] many uses incl: i dladlo 'with running' (and other VNs)
- 'i (+m.) (-pl) 'stomach of pregnancy' eg. 'i na nder babela 'stomach is getting very big' 'i na hara 'stomach was near to delivery' [lit. 'grew old']
- <u>ii</u> (?m.) (-pl) 'today' [time adv]
- <u>i ké</u> 'it is, is it?' [phrase-final emphatic interjection or particle, stronger than <u>na</u>] cf. H. <u>ke</u> <u>nan</u>
- indà, indà-ta 'where' [RC] [< H. wurinda, inda] [loc.]
- 'iyaa, 'iyii, 'iyaa (sic.) 'hunt' nder'iyaa (alternate verbal construction) mbura 'iyaa 'place of hunting'
- <u>íyè</u>, <u>iyíí</u>, <u>íyò</u> 'be able' [+trans, can take S. compl.]
- $\frac{i \nabla i}{ness}$  (+m.) (-pl) 'groaning, heavy breathing (from ill-

## j

- ja, jíí, jò 'take care of (child or sick person)' [+trans]
- jààbu, jààbíí, jààbô 'close, cover (door or pot)'
- jágwur (+m.) jágwuraani (+pl) 'hawk' [+anim]
- jàkàdá (?-m.) jakadí (+pl) 'deleb palm (tree)'
- jalaa (-m.) jali (+pl) 'fish' [+anim]
- jama (+m.) jami (+pl) 'bean'
- jamakuwo (+m.)(-pl) 'cow pea'
- jaambar (+m.) jaambaraani (+pl) 'baobab (tree)'
- jánga (?-m.) jangí or jaangáani (?pl) 'torso' usual collocation janga kwur 'torso(of)body [+body part][informants differed on plural form, or even if there was one]

janká (-m.) jankáání or jankíí (+pl) 'voice' jar, jaríí, járò 'leave behind, ignore' [+trans] jaavanaa (-m.) jaavani (+pl) 'guinea fowl' [+anim] jen, jeníí, jénò 'press, step, tread on' [+trans] ji (+m.) <u>jáánì</u> (+pl) 'lion' [+anim] syn: <u>zaagi</u> [< H.] jigaa, jigii, jigoo 'dig, uncover' [+trans] jiji, jijiyíí, jijiyô 'throw' [+trans] jiiji (+m.) jiijiyaani (+pl) 'porcupine' [+anim] jíjíti (+m.)jíjaani (+pl) 'grandfather' [+anim][+rel. suff] jika(ka) (-m.)(-pl) 'chat' nder jika(ka) 'have a chat' jikil, jikilii, jikilô 'turn round' [+trans] jikilo vingi (+m.) 'language' [<'turning around (VN) + jìkí (+m.) dòòní or jìkáánì (+pl) 'horse, stallion' [+anim] [suppl. pl. more common] cf. dakwa 'mare' jîlélé dapa (+m.) jîlêlí dapa (+pl) 'giraffe' [+anim] [dapa = bush] jìnkí (+m.) jìnkaanì or jìnkiyaanì (+pl) '(cooking) pot' jìrá (+m.) jìrí (+pl) 'francolin' [+anim] jiitaa, jiitii, jiitoo 'vomit' [+trans] joombo (+m.) jombi (?pl) 'big bull frog' [+anim] syn: dəraa q.v. jùkwá (?m.) usually va jùkwá ['delicacy']'pleasant tasting' [?+qual.+abst] júngwà (-m.) júngwi (+pl) 'hippopotamus' [+anim] jùùwaa, juuwii, jùùwôo 'pound (in mortar)' [+trans]

<u>ka</u> verb phrase or sentence final rel marker; <u>ka</u>
post-posed to [subj] AUX-tp form for rel. cont. and
rel. future tense formation; introduces reported talk

kaa [loc.adv] 'there(some distance'

kaba (-m.) kabi (+pl) 'gown, robe'

kácà (-m.) káci (+pl) 'spring (water)'

kacá (-m.) kací (+pl) 'laterite'

kàcán (?m.) kàcánaanì (+pl) 'good, beautiful' [+qual, can be postposed]

kaci, kacii, kaco 'insult' [+trans]

káácinà (alt: káácinè) 'when' [Q-word]

Káfin Záki [loc.NP] name of Pa'a town

kaka (also -kaka) 'that, there' [det],[loc.adv]

kàká(ti) (†m.) kàkááni (+pl) 'grand-daughter, grandson' [+anim] gender depends on semantic sex [relat. suff. eptional in s.]

kaken, kakenii, kakemo (sic) 'suck' [+trans]

Kaláasu [loc.NP] name of Pa'a town

kan (+m.) kanaani (+pl) 'hut, room' [loc.NP]; kanu [loc.adv. used with +cont AUX-tp] '(in)hut, room'

kan (also kam) (-m.) kanani (+pl) 'sauce, stew'(served with bisi q.v.)

kàndá (-m.) kàndí (+pl) 'locust' [+anim]

kanjaa (+m.)kanjaani or kanji (+pl) 'big' [+qual]

kápů 'until' [phrase introducer] syn: har [< H.]

kar (+m.) karáani (+pl) 'back' [+body part]

kara, karii, karoo 'turn aside' [motion V, +loc. compl]

karápa da gúngume [ideophone] 'klop-klop' [sound of dodo's approaching footsteps]

Kíci [loc.NP] name of Pa'a town

kiicí (+m.) kicíyaani (+pl) '(Grimm's) crested duiker'
[+anim]

ki(ki) (also -kiki) 'here, this' [loc.adv], [det]

kin (+m.) kinááni (+pl) 'crocodile' [+anim]

kìtlí (+m.) kìtlíyaani (+pl) '(big) bat'

ko'ásà (+m.)(-pl) 'everyone, whoever' [< universal + Q-word]

kòkinciki (+m.) kokinááni (+pl) 'land monitor' [+anim]

korosó (+m.)(-pl) 'palm leaves (as for wrapping kola nuts or bean cakes)'

kòòta (+m.) kòòtí (+pl) 'shoe'

ko wúsi ávu (+m.)(-pl) 'everything, whatever' [< univer-sal + Q-word + 'thing']

ku, kuwii, kuwo 'fry' [+trans]

kùù, kwíí, kwôo 'fail, be too short (little, small) for, be not enough for [+trans]

kucuu, kucii, kucoo 'go blind' [-trans] kucei etc.
[+caus] 'blind s.o.'

kudá (-m.) kudí (+pl) 'bitter tomato'

kúdu, kudíí, kúduwo 'pass (by)' [+trans]

kufa, kufii, kufo 'forge (metal)' [+trans]

kufi (+m.) kufiyaani (+pl) 'lungs' [+body part]

Kújera [loc. NP] name of Pa'a town

kují (+m.) kujíyaani (+pl) 'sesame'(plant or seed)

kùkwa(ti) (-m.) kùkwaani (+pl) 'grandmother' [relet. suff. optional in s.]

Kulbó (+m.) name of clan-related dodo (cf. Cangwidi)

kulí (+m.) kuliyááni (+pl) '(field) rat' [+anim]

kalkúda (-m.) kalkúdi (+pl) 'dove' [+anim]

kun(kun) [prep] 'near' also kwun-kwun q.v.

kúrmbatlů, kúrmbatlái, kúrmbatlaù 'knot' [+trans]

kursá (-m.) kursí (+pl) 'mat'

kurtô (+m.) kurtówaani (+pl) 'pain, sickness'

kusanciki (+m.) kusaani (+pl) 'mouse' [+anim] [nom.suff.

kuši (-m.) kušiyaani (+pl) 'bog, swamp'

kadu [quant] 'three'

kèkèsa, kekèsí, kekesè 'chop into small pieces' [+pl] [intensive of kesaa 'cut' q.v.]

kənà, kənii, kinò 'distribute' [+trans] kəkənà [+pl] 'distribute to many'

kèra, kerii, kérò 'steal' [+trans]

kèrá (-m.) kèrí (+pl) 'theft' [sec. VN of kèra q.v.]

kérfatů, kerfatí, kérfató 'dive' [-trans][motion V,+loc. NP compl]

kəsàà, kèsií, késòò 'cut (wood, rope, etc. with knife)' [+trans]

kəsaanaa [also kəsa-kəsa(na)] 'what, why, how' (depending on context) [Q-word]

<u>kevu</u> (+m.) 'weakness, laxity' [+qual.+abst]

kávucíki (+m.) kávunááni (+pl) 'weakling' [+anim] [nom. suff. in s. only] cf. kavu, above

kwáci [adv] 'together'

kwakwa [adv] 'early'

kwal, kwalii, kwalo 'prevent' [+trans][can take S compl]

kwáli (+m.) (-pl) 'lie' nder kwali 'tell lie'

kwama (-m.)(-pl) 'oil (e.g. to rub on body)' cf. dlidlu

kwan, kwamii, kwamo 'buy, sell s.t.' [+trans] context determines meaning, no + caus. difference]

Kwarangwadi [loc NP] name of Pa'a town

kwasa-kwasa (+m.) kwasa-kwasaani (+pl) 'marabou stork'
[+anim] [?H.loan]

kwun-kwun (+m.)(-pl) 'side' kwun-kwun 'near' [loc.adv]

kwur (+m.) kwuraani (+pl) 'body' [+body part] [used to
form reciprocal constructions, see pp 80-81]

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Ra, Ríi, Rwo 'call' [+trans]

Ràrkáávà (+m.) Ràrkáávi (+pl) 'elbow' [+body part]

Ratúra (-m.) Ratúri (+pl) 'scorpion' [+anim]

kau, kauyii, kauwo 'shout (said only of dodos, unearthly
sound impossible to articulate with human voice)'
[-trans] kauwo [VN] 'shout of dodo'

kii, kiyii, kiyo 'bite' [+trans]

<u>kikà, kikií, kikwo</u> 'decrease, take away' [+trans]

kíši (+m.) kišiyááni (+pl) 'war'

kukwá (-m.) kukwi (+pl) 'chameleon' [+anim]

<u>kulanda (-m.) kulandi</u> (+pl) 'compound, house' cf. <u>hara</u>

<u>kundindiki</u> (+m.) (-pl) 'sweet potato'

<u>kútù-kútù</u> (adv) 'greatly'

kəfàà, kəfii, kəfò 'take a handful of' [+trans]

kémambiší 'right hand' [< 'hand'(of eating) 'mush']

<u>kêman</u> (+m.) <u>kêmanî</u> (+pl) 'arm, also hand'[+body part]

kəman magu 'left hand'

Remanema 'nine' [+quant]

 $\underline{\text{ken}}(\underline{a})$ ,  $\underline{\text{kenii}}$ ,  $\underline{\text{keno}}$  'count' [+trans] syn:  $\underline{\text{du}}$  q.v.

<u>kárfun</u> (+m.) <u>kárfunááni</u> (+pl) 'fingernail, toe nail' [+body part]

<u>kas(i)ki</u> (+m.) <u>kaskiyaani</u> (+pl) 'bone'

Reta, Réto 'add, increase' [+trans]

### kw

- <u>kwakwarciki (+m.) kwakwarceka (-m.) kwakwarcikaani, kwa-kwarceki (+pl) 'Warji (member of neighboring, rival, ethnic group)' [+anim]</u>
- <u>Awal-Rwal</u> (+m.) name of Gandani (q.v.) clan-related dodo' (cf. Cangwidi)
- kwar [irregular] 'be angry'[verbal constructions formed
  with impersonal [-cont].AUX-tp, and ICP suffix agreeing in png with semantic subject] see pp. 138-140.
- $\frac{\text{ƙwar}(\text{ti})}{\text{+abst}}$  (+m)(-pl) 'anger' [sec. VN of  $\frac{\text{ƙwar}}{\text{kwar}}$  [also +qual

kwáti [adv] 'now' kùkwáti 'right now' (intensive)

kwattara (+m.) kwattari (+pl) 'squirrel' [+anim]

kwiji-kwiji [emphatic plea] (loosely: 'please, for the love of God')

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là (?m.) laani (?pl) 'fennec (desert fox)' [+anim]
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láfu-láfu 'light (not heavy)' [+qual.+abst]

làjí (+m.) làjíyaani (+pl) 'gruel'

lakà, lakii, lakà (sic) 'dance' [trans] also nder laka [lit. 'do dance']

laka, lakii, lako (or lakau) 'decay! [-trans] lakei,
lakeyii, lakeyo [+caus] 'spoil s.t., lose s.t.'

<u>lakwa</u> (+m.) (-pl) 'storm'

lakwatu, lakwatii, lakwatau 'hollow out' [+trans] syn: dlərkatu q.v.

lakwada (-m.) (+pl) 'special drink (made from fried flour and wild, black plum juice); [by extension] anything sweet'

lalàà, lelii, lelò 'surround' [+trans]

lálíyà (-m.) láliyí (?pl) 'thorn acacia (tree)'

lállan (?m.?pl) 'tasteless, insipid (eg. no salt)'
[+qual] can be post-posed

làmanciki or lanciki (+m.) lamani (+pl) 'head pad (for supporting pots etc. carried on head)'

lànda (-m.) làndí (+pl) 'stone partridge' [+anim]

làngá (-m.) làngí (+pl) 'elephant' [+anim]

libá, libíí, liboo 'mix (clay, etc.)' [+trans]

libu-libu 'softness' [+qual,+abst]

lidí (+m.)(-pl) 'butter'

lifuu (or lafaa), lifii, lifoo 'carry on back' [+trans]
va lifi 'cloth for carrying baby on back'

liiha (-m.) liihi (+pl) 'kite hawk (black)' [+anim]

liken, likenii, likeno 'lick' [+trans]

likiti (+pl) 'armpit' [+body part]

likwici (+m.) likwiciyaani (+pl) 'ceremonial drum [as played by informant Sammako], made with skin stretched over opening of large, heavy, spherical clay pot' (esp. played to accompany rha songs and gandara dances)

l<del>i</del>lu (+m.)(-pl) 'sweat'

lin (+m.) linaani (+pl) 'rat' [+anim]

litsitsa (?m.?pl) 'sweet' [+qual,+abst]

livyin (+m.) livinááni (+pl) 'buffalo (bushcow)' [+anim]

livyin (+m.) livinaani (+pl) 'cloud'

lòò, lowií, lááwò 'request, beg' [+trans]

lókaci (+m.) lókaciyaani (+pl) 'time' [H. loan] lóka-cita 'when' [RC]

luu, lùwii, lúwò 'mix, brew (e-g. beer, 'yu)' [+trans]

lùgubára (-m.)(-pl) 'morning star'

lukwiti (+m.) likwitiyaani (+pl) 'leaf' (often lukwiti
bama "(of)tree) alt: dlukwiti q.v.

lulu (+m.)(?pl) 'very spiny fish' [+anim]

lùùlúú (+m.)(-pl) 'lukewarm water'

Lùngwí, Lùngwáni name of clan whose heads give the right to the gandara dances, held l in 4 years (when major circumcision festival is not held)

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mádà (-m.)(-pl) 'dew'
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máha [+quant] 'six'

makanjá (+m.) makanjí (+pl) 'old (person)' [+anim]
[<? kanja 'big'] also [+qual]</pre>

maku, makwii, makwo 'spend (a little) time' [-trans]

maalaa, maalii, maaloo 'remain, be left over' [-trans] maalaama [sec. VN] 'remainder, left-over, rest of'

málvi (+m.) málvaani (+pl) 'ruler, king, emir' [+anim]

mamari (+m.)(-pl.) 'black ant' [+anim]

mána na 'how much' [Q-word]

marhwan (+m.) marhwi (-m.) marhwanaani (+pl) 'new' [+qual]

márni (+m.) marní or márniyááni (+pl) 'rib' [+body part]

masin, masinii, masino 'dream' [+trans]

màsina (-m.) màsini (+pl) 'dream' [sec. VN of masin]
ndər masina (alternate V construction) 'dream'

màsintà (+m.) màsaani (+pl) 'age-mate' (esp. those circumcized in same year)

masu (+pl) 'owners of' [plural of agentives aba and ama
q.v.]; masu nanta 'those who' [RC]

mei (-m.)(-pl) 'hunger'

meikokó (-m.)(+pl) 'groundnut (Bambarra)'

mékà (-m.) cuwan (+pl) 'woman' [+anim]

mijiki (or mujiki q.v.) (+m.) mijikaani (+pl) 'river'

mišii(na) 'what' [Q-word] also mišiine. <u>namaa mišiina</u> 'because of what, why'

miyà, miyii, miyaù 'die' [-trans]

míyau (+m.) míyawááni (+pl) 'death' [VN of miya q.v.]

mudaha (-m.) mudahi (+pl) 'royal python' [+anim]

mùgwìncókà, mágù 'left (vs. right)'

mujikí (+m.) mujikáání (+pl) 'river'

muma, mumii, mumo 'get lost' [-trans] mumei, mumeyii,
mumeyo [+caus]'lose s.t.'

mináá (also munéé q.v.) 'what' [Q-word] eg. munaa ná hyūu na 'what's wrong with you' [lit. what's got you]

minda, mindií, mundo 'say' munde 'tell to' [+trans]
mune ideolectal variant

munéé 'why' [Q-word] [also munaa, q.v.]

matsi (+m.) matsaani (+pl) 'chest' [+body part]

muzánciki (+m.) muzáncikááni (+pl) 'hunter' [+anim]

# mb

mb..[+pn] [irregular] 'be enough for' [verbal constructions formed with [-cont] m.s. or impersonal AUX-tp,
+ pns. suffixed to mb] see pp. 138-140.

mbá [clause introducer] 'if, when'

 $\frac{mba(...wa)}{[neg wa always S final]}$  [contracts with 2nd person pn u = mbu

mba, mbíí, mbò 'go out, germinate' [motion V, +loc. NP compl] mbei etc. [+caus] 'take out' see pp. 131-132

mbamber, mbamberii, mbambero 'forget' [+trans]
mbarin (+m.) mbarmbi (+pl) 'person' [+anim]

- mbasi (+m.) mbasa (-m.) mbasanaani (+pl) 'ugly' [+qual]
  mbasisin 'very ugly' [intensive]
- mbasu, mbasii, mbasau or mbaso 'pull out (eg. of sheath)" [+trans] [? < mba q.v.]
- mbei, mbeyii, mbeyo [+caus.of mba q.v.] 'take out, off'
  [+trans]
- Mbe-mbe (+m.) name of clan-related dodo (cf. Cangwidi)
- mbicina (-m.) mbicini (?pl) 'tamarind (tree)'
- mbidaa, mbidíí, mbido 'release, untie' [+trans]
- mbidaa, mbidii, mbido 'leave behind, leave up to'
  [+trans] mbide sinda 'leave it to God'
- mbisù, mbisíí, mbisòò 'wash' [+trans] [reflexive -hama e.g. ma mbisaa-nani 'I washed myself'
- mbotsíki (+m.) mbotsíkí (+pl) 'finger' [+body part]
- mbicin (+m.) mbicinaani (+pl) 'tear'
- mbuku (adv) 'thus' <u>namaa mbuku</u> 'because of this (thus)'
- mbûm or mbûn, mbûní, mbûnó 'light (e.g. fire)' [+trans]
  usually mbum pana 'light fire'
- mbún [adv] 'yesterday'
- mbùrá (-m.) mbùrí (+pl) 'place' [loc. NP] many collocations, incl: mbura po nama (lit. 'place (of) gathering head') 'market', mbura siki 'place (of) living'; mbùrátà [RC] 'where' [<'place' + rel marker]</pre>
- mburdi (+m.) mburdiyaani (+pl) 'mucus that collects in
  eye after sleep'
- mbère, mbèrii, mbèro 'help' [+trans] Sinda i mbere-mi 'may God (she) help us'

na [pred] equalizer/stabilizer in non-verbal S when subject NP is (+m.) [opp: ya q.v.]; [emph] particle post-posed to (+m.)[+emph] word, or S final if whole S is [+emph]; sentence final in Q-word questions and occasional alternative to wa S final in yes/no questions

na, níi, no 'become ripe' [-trans] nana [?sec. VN, ?irregular stative] 'ripe' [+qual]

naa (+m.) naani (+pl) 'antelope (gen.)' [+anim]

nakuu, nakwii, nakwo 'stir' [+trans]

nau, nawii, nawo 'touch, try' [+trans]

Ningu [loc.NP] Pa'a name for Ningi

# nd

nda 'when' [RC] very common in narratives

ndâa, ndíí, ndo or ndâu 'fall, land (after jump)' [motion V, +loc. NP compl][-trans]

ndamá (-m.) ndamí (+pl) 'nape (of neck)' [+body part]

ndàn, ndànií, ndanò 'light (a place), shine (beam)'

ndan-ndan 'heaviness' [+qual.+abst]

ndibaa (-m.) ndibí (+pl) 'spear'

ndikíí (+m.)(-pl) 'sticky gum, as tar'

ndikəsa (+m.) ndikəsi or ndikəsa (+pl) 'thighs' [+body part]

ndincéka (-m.) ndincéki or ndintli (+pl) 'jaw' [+body part] [-m. nom. suff.]

Ndozí (+m.) name of clan-related dodo (cf. Cangwidi)

- nduku, ndukwii, ndukwo 'hear, feel' [+trans] many collocations, incl: nduku paaci 'feel pleasure', nduku wowal 'feel fear'
- ndúkú [adv] 'yet'
- ndûkwərciki (+m.) ndûkwərcəka (?-m.) ndûkwəraani (?pl) 'deaf mute' [+anim] [nom.suffixes in s. only]
- nduná (-m.)(-pl) 'darkness'; nduní (+pl) 'shadow'
- ndər, ndərii, ndəro 'do, make' [+trans] many collocations incl: ndər dooti 'play', ndər dlurguna 'snore', ndər 'i 'be pregnant', ndər 'iyaa 'hunt', ndər kwali 'lie', ndər sakwaa 'breathe, pant', ndər saasaa 'hurry', ndər tlawa 'tattoo (body)', ndər ridi 'fart', ndər wudi 'defecate', ndər zaa 'fight'
- ndernder (+m.) ndernderaani (+pl) 'brains' [+body part]

#### $\mathbf{n}g$

- ngacama (-m.) ngácamí (+pl) 'cat' [+anim]
- ngálveenà (+m.) ngálveení (+pl) 'spotted catfish (with sticky skin)' [+anim]
- ngám [adv] 'closed tightly' bata ngam 'close sesame' [formulaic command for closing magical door]
- ngámangama (-m.) ngàmángàmáani (+pl) 'chin' [+body part] cf. gabacanga
- ngàráka (-m.) ngàrsíma (+m.) ngàrákí (+pl) 'elder sibling (i.e. sister, brother) [+anim]
- ngarsima (+m.) ngirní (+pl) 'adult, big person, (in pl.) greatness' [+anim]
- ngàzá (-m.) ngàzááni (+pl) 'daughter-in-law' [+anim]
- nge, ngii, ngo 'give' [+trans] can take up to 3 NP complocations incl: nge aro 'lend', nge rama 'lend'
- ngèzá (-m.) ngèzí (+pl) 'hair' [+body part] ngeza zenciki 'feather' [lit. 'hair + bird']

- ngikáacin (+m.) ngikáacinaani (?pl) 'waterbuck (western or dafassa) [+anim]
- ngilaciki (+m.) ngilaani (+pl) 'lizard' [+anim]
- ngir (+m.) ngiráani (+pl) 'hole' also, euphem., 'rectum'
  [+body part]
- ngir-ngir (yaa) [prep] 'near (to), close (to)' also, occasionally, (a) nger (-nger) q.v. [loc.adv. without prep. yaz or a]
- ηgubá, usually nder ηgubá 'change into' [+trans]
- nguna (-m.) nguni (+pl) 'ring' nguna keman 'bracelet'
  nguna ciman 'anklet'
- ngúzun (+m.) nguzíyaani (?pl) 'water monitor' [+anim]
- ngəlau (+m.) ngəlinzi (+pl) 'dirt' [can be +qual, +abst] cf. dakwankwan
- ngenà, ngenií, ngénò 'show, point out' [+trans] usually with benefactive e, eg. ngene [can take up to 3 NP compl]
- $(\underline{\acute{a}})$   $\underline{\mathbf{n}}\underline{\mathbf{g}}\underline{\mathbf{o}}\mathbf{r}$ ,  $(\underline{\acute{a}})$   $\underline{\mathbf{n}}\underline{\mathbf{g}}\underline{\mathbf{o}}\mathbf{r}$ - $\underline{\mathbf{n}}\underline{\mathbf{g}}\underline{\mathbf{o}}\mathbf{r}$  'near' [prep (with  $\underline{\acute{a}}$ ), loc.adv] alternative to  $\underline{\mathbf{n}}\underline{\mathbf{g}}\underline{\mathbf{i}}\mathbf{r}$ - $\underline{\mathbf{n}}\underline{\mathbf{g}}\underline{\mathbf{i}}\mathbf{r}$  q.v.

#### ŋgw

- ηgwil, ηgwili, ηgwilò 'look for (seek actively for something lost)' [+trans]
- Ngwina (+m.) 'Spider, the trickster' (proper name) [+an-im] also, occasionally, Nguna
- ngwina-ngwina (+m.)(-pl?) 'spider' (gen.) also, occasion-ally, ngina-ngina

- <u>nj-</u>[irregular] 'be tired' [forms [-cont] tenses with impersonal AUX-tp and pns agreeing with semantic subject suffixed to <u>nj</u>) see pp. 138-140
- nja(dí) 'indeed, also, what?' [emphatic particle, more emphatic than na/ya, but similarly post-posed]
- Njakén [loc.NP] name of Pa'a town
- njalaa (-m.) (-pl) 'outside, outdoors' [loc.NP]; njalaa 'outside' [loc. adv]
- njaláá (-m.) njalíí (+pl) 'shea butter (tree)'
- njáamaa (-m.)(-pl) 'fatigue, tiredness' [sec. VN of nj-] nduku njaamaa 'feel tired' [alternate verbal construction to nj-, q.v.]
- njanjín (-m.) njanjínaani (-pl) 'story, tale'
- njeló (-m.) njelamí (+pl) 'lightning'
- njibáka (-m.) njibáki (+pl) 'buttocks' [+body part]
- njínjakwa (-m.) njínjakwí (+pl) 'frog' [+anim]
- njir (+m.) njîrááni (+pl) 'anus' [+body part] cf. euphem. ngir 'hole' q.v.
- njiìsá (-m.) njiìsíí (+pl) 'hedgehog' [+anim] syn: cinja q.v.
- njú (?+m.) njúwaani (?pl) 'small, black (vervet) monkey'
- njuu (+m.) njóni (?pl) 'man' [+anim] opp: meka 'woman' q.v.; 'male' [+qual, usually post-posed] opp: ĥeka 'female' q.v.
- njuwi (+m.)(?-pl) 'husband' [+anim] [< 'man' + 'certain']

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pá, píi, po 'gather' [+trans] pa ĥama 'assemble' pepá (+pl) 'gather repeatedly, or gather many'
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pààcí (+m.) (-pl) 'pleasure' nduku paaci 'feel pleasure'

pál, pálu [ideophone] 'a lot' [adv]

pàna (-m.) pàní (+pl) 'fire' da pana 'extinguish' sinki pana 'flame' [lit. 'tongue(of)fire']

pána (-m.) paní (+pl) 'shoulder' [+body part]

pangàà, pangií, pángwò 'set up' [+trans]

pàngwa (-m.) pàngwí (+pl) 'cornbin'

para (-m.)(-pl) 'joy'

patà, pàtíí, pátò 'split (other than wood), rip up, tear' [+trans] cf. tl'ar 'split (esp.wood)'

patèè, patií, patéyò 'escape' [-trans] pateye etc. [caus][+trans]

pei, peyíí, péyò 'sweep' [+trans]

peit [ideophone] 'all, completely' [adv]

pémà (-m.) pémi (+pl) 'pumpkin'

pi, píí, píyò 'transplant' [+trans]

p±cùù, p±cíí, pícò 'swell, puff up (as stomach after eating too many beans' [?trans]

pɨdà, pɨdi, pɨdò 'lay out (e.g. straw mat before plaiting)' [+trans]

pisau (+m.) pisówaani (+pl) 'burial' (sec. VN of pisu)

pisù, pisii, pisò 'bury' [+trans]

pisuu, pisií, piso 'spit' [?trans]

pitàà, pitíí, pitò 'pluck' [+trans]

pitlà, pitlíí, pítlò 'break, smash (eg. a pot)' [+trans]
pipitla [+pl] 'shatter'; 'pull up (e.g. groundnuts)'

póóti (+m.)(-pl) 'toughness' [+qual,+abst]

pooti (+m.)(?-pl) 'feather' syn: ngeza zenciki q.v.

pu, puwíí, pùwô 'hide (oneself)' [-trans]

pùda, pudíí, púdò 'pour out' [+trans] pupudá [+pl) 'keep
on pouring out'

pun, puníí, púnò 'pay (for s.t.), repay' [+trans]

púrkiti (+m.) púrkitíyaani (+pl) 'horn'

pel, pelíí, pélò or pílò 'turn out' [+trans]

pen, peníí, pénò or pínò 'ransom, free' [+trans]

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rakù, rakwii, rákwò 'drive away' [+trans]

ramà (-m.) rami (+pl) 'debt'

ràngá (-m.) ràngi (+pl) 'testicles' [+body part]

rángàsi (-m.) rangàsìyáanì (+pl) 'mudfish' [+anim]

réi (+m.)(-pl) 'damp cold' cf. sɨndi 'dry cold'

rèi (+m.) reyáanì (+pl) 'neck' [+body part]

rfama (?m.) 'songs, chants of annual circumcision ceremony'

rñá (?m.) 'ceremonial drum, played only by women during gandara dances, in the one year in four that there is not a circumcision festival. Said to have been covered in human skin'

ri [irregular V] [+VN compl] (loosely) proceed to'

rii, riyii, riiyò 'refuse, deny' [+trans] only means of negating passive-potential constructions, see pp. 136-

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ribin (+m.) ribunáani (+pl) 'clay (for making pots)'

ridàà, ridíí, ridòò 'glean, e.g. groundnuts' [+trans]

rígà [irregular V] 'already' [used only with (-cont.]

AUX-tps, with following S compl] [H. loan]

rincéka (-m.) rincekí (+pl) 'crab' [+anim] [+nom. suff]

rinsà, rinsíí, rínsò or rínsí 'become fat' [-trans]

rinsei [+caus] 'fatten' opp: geràà 'become slim' q.v.

ritl'á (-m.) ritl'í (+pl) 'earth, ground, country'

ritl'u [loc. adv] 'on, to the ground'

ru, ruwíí, rúwò 'hoe, ridge up' [+trans]

rumà, remíí, rémò 'chew, eat (e.g. meat, groundnuts)'

[+trans] cf. nma 'eat (e.g. grain)'

rùwóó (+m.) rùwáanì (+pl) 'year'

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sa, síí, sâu 'drink, smoke' [+trans] səsa (+pl) 'drink,
smoke a lot of'

sakwàà, sàkwií, sákwòò 'breathe, pant' [-trans] also
 ndər sakwaa. do sakwaa 'panting, sobbing after crying'
sàmburcikì (+m.) sámburí (+pl) 'guest' [+anim][+nom.suff]
san (+m.) sànáani (+pl) 'penis' [+body part]
sá'anàn 'then' [clause introducer] [H. loan]
Sáani 'one of the stages of Pa'a burial, mourning' cf.
 Tsigaama, Vatl'a ĥan
santa (-m.) santí (+pl) 'liver' [+body part]
sapéí (-m.) sàpáyaanì (+pl) 'hammer'

sápù, sapíí, sápò 'roast (grill)' [+trans] sasapù (+pl) 'roast or grill a lot of'

sar, sari, saro 'circumcize' [+trans] cf. sir 'circumci-

saasaa (-m.)(-pl) 'haste' [often part of adverbial PP i
saasaa 'with haste'] also saasaa q.v.

sas<del>ù</del>n, sas<del>ù</del>nií, sás<del>i</del>nò 'smell' [+trans]

sei 'then, until' [clause introducer] [H. loan sai]

 $\frac{\text{sikì}, \, \text{siki\acute{i}}, \, \text{s\acute{i}kw\acute{o}}}{\text{also}}$  'sit, dwell, live' [+loc.NP compl]

siken, sikenii, sikeno 'swallow' [+trans]

sil, silii, silo 'change' [+trans]

sim (+m.) sináani (+pl) 'name' also sun q.v.

sɨmaa, sɨmii, sɨmòo 'shoot' [+trans] syn: tl'ifaa q.v.

<u>sina</u> (+m.) <u>sini</u> (+pl) 'farm' [+loc. NP]

sinciki (+m.) sincikaani (+pl) 'cock (rooster)' [+anim] also sunciki q.v.

sindí (+m.) sindíyaani (+pl) 'dry cold (as from harmattan)' opp: rei 'damp cold' q.v. also 'harmattan'

sinèè, sinií, sinò 'know' [+trans]

sinki (+m.) sinki, sinkiyaani, sinkanai, sinkaani (alt. +pls) 'tongue' [+body part] sinki pana 'flame'

sipíya (-m.) sipíyí (+pl) 'navel' [+body part]

sir (+m.) siráani (+pl) 'circumcision' cf. sar 'circumcize' war sir 'year in which circumcision festival
is held'

siyén (+m.) siyéi (?-m) siyénaani (+pl) 'small' [+qual]

siyévurmáti (-m.) vurasiyé (+pl) 'younger sister' [+relat.
suff] [5< contraction of 'small'+'daughter'(of)'mother']</pre>

sóona or sóone 'where' [Q-word]

súú (-m.) (-pl) 'tomorrow' can be time adverb

suu, suwii, suwo 'cross (river), swim' [motion V, +loc.
NP compl] suwei [+caus] 'take someone across'

sukumbi (+m.)(?-pl) 'pants, trousers'

sumumu, usually nder sumumu, nderii sumumu, etc. 'stink' [-trans]

sun (+m.) sunaani (+pl) 'name' [less frequently used
than sim, q.v.]

súnciki (+m.) súncikááni (+pl) 'cock (rooster)' [+anim]
also sinciki q.v. [+nom.suff]

suwa (-m.) suwi (+pl) 'tail'

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<u>Saasaa</u> (-m.)(-pl.) 'haste' [often part of adverbial PP i saasaa 'with haste'] also saasaa q.v.

Sesuwa (-m.) sesuwi or sesuwi (+pl) 'star'

Siki, Sikií, Sikwo 'sit, dwell, live' [+loc. NP compl]
more frequently used than non-palatal form siki q.v.
Siki-Siki [stative] 'sitting, seated' see p. 113
Sikei etc. [+caus] 'seat s.o.'

Yil (+m.) silii (+pl) 'thatching (long grasses)'

Sila (+m.) Sili (+pl) 'axe'

Sindári (?+m.) Sindari or Sindáriyááni (?pl) 'great white egret' [+anim]

Yinda (-m:)(-pl) 'God' [+anim]

Sisu 'far' [loc.adv]

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-tà 'that' [det]; [reference marker in rel clauses]

ta 'cf' [linker used only when nominal possessor is separated from its head noun by relativization or focus pre-position] [H. loan (form and function)] see pp. 118-120

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tà, tíi, tau or too 'beat (e.g. drum)' [+trans] ná ta i cimun 'he beat with foot i.e. he kicked'
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táá [ICP form of 'to go', 3rd m.s.] [future formative] 'he will, he is going'

taa, tíí, tâu 'soak' [+trans]

Tàbala [loc. NP] name of Pa'a town

tafù, tafíí, táfò 'follow [+trans]

taka (-m.) taki (+pl) 'arrow'

tààka, taakii, táákwò 'wipe' [+trans]

takuu, takwii, takwo 'ask' [+trans][can take up to three NP compl]

tákudů, takudíí, tákwídò 'plait (rope)' [+trans]

tàla (-m.) tàli (+pl) 'skin (beast)' tala kwur 'skin (hu-man)' tala vingi 'lip'

támburà (-m.) táburi (+pl) 'red fronted gazelle' [+anim]

táne, taníí, táno 'take' [?< causative of 'to go'?] [+trans]

táari (+m.) taaríyaani or taaráani (+pl) 'hoe'

tàsu, tàsií, tasàù 'close, block (hole or doorway)' [+trans]

tàsəlákà (-m.) tàsəlákí (+pl) 'okra'

tàtinàà (-m.)(-pl) 'ash-water' kam tatina 'sauce strained through ashes'

tâu 'sharpness' [+qual.+abst] gwamo tâu 'dullness, blunt-

Taaviyéyà (-m.)(-pl) name of Spider's wife (in trickster stories)

télka (-m.) tělkí (+pl) 'pot (for beer)'

-ti 'this' [det]; [relat. suffix, used for relationship terms and abstract quality NP constructions]

- ti, tíí, to [also tifá, tifíí, tífô] 'stab' [+trans]
- Tiffi [loc.NP] name of largest Pa'a town, immediately southwest of Ningi
- tikà, tikií, tikwòò 'accompany, see someone on their way' [+trans]
- til, tili, tilò 'remember' [+trans] syn: dadil q.v.
- tilvuda (-m.) tilvudi (+pl) 'dry, fine sand' cf. hwika 'coarse, wet sand'
- timá (-m.) timí (+pl) 'song' [< timaa 'sing' q.v.]
- timà, timií, timò 'harvest, esp. cut guinea corn' [\*trans]
- timaa, timii, timo 'sing' [+trans] also nder tima
- timpa (-m.) timpí (+pl) 'hoe' syn: taari q.v.
- tin [ICP forms of 'to go' 1st and 2nd f.s.][future formative] 'I, you (f.s.) will; I am, you are going'
- tipàà, tipíí, tipò 'hide' [+trans] cf. pu [-trans] also tupaa, etc.
- tírkwasa (-m.) tírkwasi (+pl) 'kidney' [+body part]
- tú [ICP form of 'to go' 2nd m.s.] [future formative] 'you (m.s.) will, you are going'; also Imp 'go'
- tuku, tukwii, tukwo 'accept, receive' [+trans] tuku aro, tuku rama 'borrow'
- tuukwe, tuukwii, tukwo 'keep on (doing something)' [+ VN compl]
- túmacékà (-m.) túmààni or túmàcekí (+pl) 'sheep' [+anim]
- túura (-m.) túuri (+pl) 'ant' [+anim][?< H. tururuwa]
- tərdà, tərdíi, térdò 'grind' [+trans]
- téro (+m.) térówaani (+pl) 'journey (business)'
- tèrtér (+m.) tèrtéraani (+pl) 'warthog' [+anim]
- tértér (?m.?pl) 'thin' [+qual] can be post-posed

- tlá [ICP form of 'to go' 3rd f.s.] [future formative] 'she will, she is going'
- tlada (-m.) tladí (+pl) 'farming' [sec. VN of tladu q.v.]
- tládů, tládíí, tládô 'cultivate, farm, hoe' [+trans]
- tlaakaa, tlaakii, tlaakwo 'scratch' [+trans] cf. tlao
- tlákamáka (-m.) tlákamakí (+pl) 'greater bustard' [+anim]
- tlac, tlawíí, tláwo 'scratch, tattoo, write' [+trans]
  cf. tlawa 'scarifications'
- tlàrdóya (+m.) tlàráani (+pl) 'cassava' cf. tlari 'root', doya = H. yam
- tlári (-m.) tláríyaani or tlárááni 'root (gen)'
- tlawa (-m.) tlawi (+pl) 'scarifications, facial and otherwise' [Pa'as traditionally scarify belly and chest as well as face]
- tlibaa, tlibáí, tlíbòo 'collect (odds and ends)' [+trans]
- tlin, tlinii, tlino 'tie' [+trans] tlino-tlino [stative] 'tied up'; tli-tlin (+pl) 'tied repeatedly'
- tlipí (+m.) tlipíyaani (+pl) '(man's) apron (worn for ceremonial occasions)'
- tlitli, sometimes tli [ICP form of 'to go' 3rd pl] [future formative]; 'they will, they are going'
- tlu, also tlúwi (+m.) tluwi or tluwaani (+pl) 'animal, flesh, meat' can be [+anim] tlu hara 'domestic animal'
- tlùù, tlíi, tlôo 'fly, get up, stand, set off' [-trans]
  [motion V, +loc. NP compl] tlei, tleyii, tléyò [+caus]
  'stand (s.o. or s.t.) up']
- tluudaa, tluudii, tluudo 'mix (liquids other than laji q.v.) [+trans]
- tlur (-m.) tluráani or tlurí (+pl) '(scrotal) elephantiasis'

- tl'abudu, tl'abudii, tl'abudo 'whip' [+trans]
- tl'akwana (-m.) tl'akwani (+pl) 'cave' [+loc.NP]
- tl'am(u)máa (?m.?pl) 'bitter' [+qual] tl'an-tl'an [inten-sive] 'very bitter'
- tl'aapàà, tl'aapíí, tl'áápòò 'hide, lurk' [-trans][+loc. NP compl]
- tl'ar, tl'arii, tl'aro 'rip up, split (esp. wood)' [+trans] cf. pata 'split (other than wood)'
- tl'ei, tl'eyíí, tl'éyò 'wring' [+trans]
- tl'ifàà, tl'ifií, tl'ifoo 'shoot' [+trans] syn: simaa
- tl'imbaa, tl'imbii, tl'imbo 'sew' [+trans]
- tl'in (+m.) tl'ináani (+pl) 'strength' also [+qual.+abst]

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- tsà, tsíí, tsau 'close (ñwa only)' [+trans]; 'pull'
  many collocations, including tsa ĥari 'creep' tsa purkiti 'bleed s.o. by horn'
- tsaa, tsii, tsau 'get light, lighten (of town)' [+trans]
  usually dlanga i tsaa 'the town got light' (i.e.'dawn came')
- tsagada (+m.) tsagadi (+pl) 'clitoris' [+body part]
- tsalliya (-m.) tsàlli (+pl) 'money' i, yaa tsalliya 'wealthy'
- tsangwin (+m.)(-pl) 'dried meat'
- tsáránda (?m.) tsáràndí (?pl) '(cimola) genet' [+anim] tsi (+m.)(-pl) 'night'
- tsifàà, tsifíi, tsifò 'dry up' [-trans] tsifo-tsifo 'dried-up' [stative]

Tsigaama 'one of the stages of Pa'a burial, mourning' cf. Saani, Vatl'a ĥan

tsikər, tsikərii, tsikəro 'cut, slaughter' [+trans]
syn: kəsaa q.v. tsitsikər (+pl) 'cut into many small
bits'

tsimà, tsimí, tsimò 'dip out' [+trans]

tsimumu, also tsemumu 'sourness' [+qual.+abst]

tsina (-m.) tsini (+pl) 'sweat'

tsínki (+m.) tsìnkaani (+pl.) 'heart' [+body part]

tsipara (-m.) tsipuri (+pl) 'urine'

tsiràà, tsiríí, tsíròò 'stand' [-trans] tsirei [+caus] 'stand (s.o. or s.t.) up' tsiro-tsiro [stative] 'standing-up'

tsitsiku (-m.)(-pl) 'middle' [loc.NP]; tsitsiku(ti) 'in
the middle of' [prep]

tsúgunti (+m.)(-pl) 'disgust'

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va hari 'intestines', va hmo 'food' va fuu 'worldly
goods'

vàgamá (-m.) vàgamí (+pl) 'hat (cap)'

vàkacəká (-f.) vakacəkí (+pl) 'oribi (Gambian)' [+anim]

vakiyau (+m.) vakiwaani (+pl) 'snake' [+anim]

vàngingá [ideophone] 'a lot' [adv]

vánka (-m.) vànkí (+pl) 'grinding stone'

vàarí (+m.) vàaríyaani (+pl) 'kernel, seed'

vàsúwa (+m.) vasúwi (+pl) 'wildcat'

Vatl'a ĥan 'one of the stages of Pa'a burial, mourning' of Saani, Tsigaama

- vaatl'u 'five' [+quant]
- vatsau (+m.)( pl) 'creepy-crawler, incl. snake (gen)'
  [?< avu + tsau 'thing (of) pulling']</pre>
- váwi (+m.) vawíyaani (+pl) 'fireplace' [loc.NP]
- vilung [ideophone] '?completely' [adv]
- vingí (+m.) vingáani (+pl) 'mouth' [+ body part]; by extension, 'words, language'
- vingi [prep] 'at edge, side of' vingimiji, vingi ambi
  'riverbank, shoreline'
- vituwi (+m.) vituwiyaani (+pl) 'mosquito' [+anim]
- vivitl'u, vivitl'ii, vivitl'o 'roll on the ground, e.g. horse' [-trans] vivitl'ei etc. [+caus] 'roll s.t., e.g. log'
- viyá (-m.) viyí (+pl) 'corpse'
- vùdacikí (+m.) vùdaní (+pl) '(patas) monkey' [+anim] [nom.suffix in s. only]
- vura (-m.) vurân (+pl) 'girl, daughter, female child'
  [+anim] Used as diminutive for -m. NPs. opp: dla q.v.
  collocations incl: vura bama 'fruit' vura ĥeka 'maiden'
- vuraama (?m.?pl) 'aardvark'
- vurmabati (-m.) 'aunt (father's sister)' [< contraction
   of vura + ama + aba +relat.suff] [+anim]</pre>
- vùrma'ámàtì (-m.) vurmáánì ámati (+pl) 'aunt (mother's
  sister)' [< contraction of vura + ama + ama +relat.
  suff] [+anim]</pre>
- vùrmáti (-m.) vúràmáanì (+pl) 'sister' [< contraction of vura + ama +relat. suff]
- vùvu, vuvíí, vùvó 'boil' [+trans]
- vəjiki (+m.) vəjikiyaani (+pl) 'rubbish heap'
- vèrdaa, vèrdi, vérdò 'beget, give birth to, deliver (a child)' [gloss depends on sex of subject][+trans]

vyeduu, vyedii, vyedo 'sharpen' [+trans]

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wa [neg] 'not, no' [usually sentence final]

wace (-m.) wáci (+m.) wúši (+pl) [indefinites] 'a,a certain' [det]

waci 'one' [+quant]; also (+m.) 'the one'

waje waci also ko waje waci [loc.adv] 'beside, to one
side' [< H. waje 'side' + 'one']</pre>

walaawala (?m.?pl) 'wild hunting dog' [+anim] cf. 'yaa-raa

war (-m.) waraani (+pl) 'year of festival' e.g. war sir 'year in which circumcision festival is held'

wasaa [clause introducer] 'if not'

wasu, wasii, waso 'swell, as from injury' [-trans] cf.

watsin (+m.) (-pl) 'dry season'

wei (+m.) weyaani (+pl) 'grass'

wowal (+m.)(-pl) 'fear'

wadí (-m.) wadíyaani (+pl) 'faeces'

wùráciki (+m.) wùrááni (+pl) 'leopard' [+anim]

wusi 'which(ever)' [Q-word]; (+pl. of wace, waci q.v.)
 [+pl. indefinite]

Wusi [loc. NP] name of Pa'a town

ya [pred] equalizer/stabilizer in non-verbal S when subject NP is (-m.) [opp: na q.v.]; [emph] particle postposed to (-m.)[+emph] word

yaa [assoc.prep] 'with'; also nom. conj. syn: i q.v.

yei (+m.) yeyáání (+pl) 'hill, mountain' [loc.NP] yei Sar 'name of hill near Tiffi'

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'yakatu, 'yakatii, 'yakato 'bail (out)' [+trans] [< H. yakuta ?]

'yára (+m.) 'yárí (+pl) 'grey heron' [+anim]

'yaaraa (+m.) 'yaari (+pl) '(wild hunting?) dog' [+anim] dla 'yar 'son of a bitch' [?contraction]

'yu (+m.)(-pl) 'beer (usually guinea corn)'

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za, zíí, zo 'mix (only laji) [+trans, but NP compl. li-mited to laji 'gruel']

zaa, zii, zàù or zò 'enter' [motion V, +loc. NP compl]
zei, etc. [caus] 'put in' zazei (+pl)[caus] 'keep on
putting in'

zaa (+m.) zááni (+pl) 'bow (weapon)' nder zaa 'make war, fight'

zábù, zabíí, zàbó 'choose' [+trans] [? H. loan zaba]

záagi (+m.) záagiyááni (+pl) 'lion' [+anim] [not accepted by all Pa'anci speakers] [< H. zaki] syn: ji q.v.

Zàkárà [loc.NP] name of Pa'a town

zakúmba (+m.) zakumbí (+pl) 'donkey' [+anim]

zakwatáá (+m.)(?pl) 'youth' [+anim]

zamanda or zamanda (+m.) zamandi (+pl) 'jackal' [+anim]

zámba, zámbó 'deceive' [+trans] [H. loan?<a>yi(wa)</a>

zei, zeyíí, zèyó or zéyò 'put (in, on)' [caus. of zaa]
zazei (+pl) 'keep on putting in'

Zidá [loc.NP] name of Pa'a town

zigiya (-m.) zigumi (suppl.+pl) 'rock, stone'

zííki (+m.) zikiyááni (+pl) 'rope'

ziima, ziimii, ziimoo 'sow (seeds)' [+trans]

ziimáa (-m.)(-pl) 'red earth (rubbed on body as cosmetic
for ceremonial occasions)'

zimíí (+pl) 'birds' (alternate plural of zenciki q.v.)

zuu, zuwii, zúwo 'awake(n)' [+trans]

zukwa(ti) (+m.) zukwaani (+pl) 'mother's brother' [+anim]
[powerful figures in Pa'a family life]

zuutu [ideophone] 'completely' da zuutu 'pass by without
stopping or speaking'

<u>zùwé</u> (-m.)(-pl) 'groundnut(peanut)'

zəgun, zəgumii, zəgumoo 'warm (not boil) e.g. water' [+trans]

zəman (+m.)(-pl) 'morning' zəman-zəman 'early morning'

zènciki (+m.) zèncikááni (+pl) 'bird (gen)' [+anim] zimii (alternate, suppl. pl) q.v.

zərngá (-m.) zərngí (+pl) 'red flowered silk cotton tree'

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<u>YaYa</u> (+m.)(-pl) 'rainbow'

<u>YeYe</u> [ideophone?] 'a little, small-small' [adv]

<u>YeYe</u>náka (?m.?pl) 'musk shrew' [+anim]

<u>Yirtán</u> (?m.?pl) 'green, unripe' [+qual]
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## ENGLISH-PA'ANCI WORD LIST

This English-Pa'anci Word List is intended merely as a guide to the preceding Lexicon. Tones are not marked herein, and parts of speech are marked only in ambiguous cases.

<u>a</u>	anger (n) <u>ƙwar</u> ( <u>ti</u> )
a, an wace, waci	angry, be or get (v) <u>kwar</u>
aardvark <u>vuraama</u>	animal, meat <u>tluwi</u>
abandoned town (site) duwi	annoy <u>damaa</u> , <u>har</u>
able (to be) <u>iye</u>	another, a certain <u>awi</u>
acacia, thorn <u>laliya</u>	another place <u>dangu</u>
sccept tuku	answer <u>ĥya</u>
accompany <u>tika</u>	ant tuura, mamari, daldal
add <u>kəta</u>	antelope naa, roan babar
adder, puff <u>ĥaĥanciki</u>	anthill <u>bin</u>
adornment <u>badati</u>	anus <u>njir</u>
adze <u>cancən</u>	apple, custard <u>bəsa</u>
again, only gumaa	apron, man's tlipi
age-mate <u>masinta</u>	arm <u>kəman</u>
agree <u>ĥya</u>	armpit <u>l<del>i</del>kəta</u>
ahead, in front of aĥwan	arrive <u>mbu</u>
all <u>dlibu</u> , <u>pei<b>t</b></u>	arrow taka
already $\underline{riga}$ (v)	ashes <u>bətiki</u> , <u>bimi</u>
and <u>yaa</u>	ash-water tatinaa

ashemed, be nduku caaki because of hamaa

ask takuu bed gəduwi

assemble pa ĥama bee dlikerkuma

beer 'yu at

aunt, maternal vurma'amati beget verdaa

aunt, paternal vurmabati begin bar

awake zuu behind ala

axe Šila belly ĥari

> bend (bow)  $\underline{da}(\underline{n})$ , gudlu b

beside waje waci

baboon b<del>u</del>n bewitch <u>bali</u>

baby mewa big bəlan, babəla, kanjaa

back (n) kar bird zənciki (pl) zimii

bag bii birth; give vərdaa

bail (v) 'yakatu bite Rii

Bambarra groundnut meikoko tl'am(u)maa, tl'an-tl'an bitter

bandicoot rat gambəli

bitter tomato kuda baobab jaambar

black durhan bark (tree) bakalti

blacksmith aba kuufa basket bajaka

bleed s.o. by horn tsa purkiti kitli, dlimba-dlimba bat

blind aba kuco

bean jama blind, go kucuu

beard binza

block, close tasu

beat (person) da, (drum) tablood atin

beautiful kacan

blow (with mouth) faki burn ĥwubu blunt (aba) gwamo tau bury pisu body kwur bush dapaa kæŠi bog bushbuck badaƙəla boil bustard tlakamaƙa vuvu but amma bone ƙəsiki border butter duwaa liɗi buttocks njibaka borrow tukwo aro, tukwo rama buy kwan bow (weapon) zaa boy dla С brains ndərndər calabash galka call break batlu, pitla ƙа breast api cane rat ĥwun breathe sakwaa, (heavily from illness) izii care for child, ailing carefully cuwan(-cuwan) brew (beer) luu carry(load) duma, (on back) bring ciye l<del>i</del>fuu brother dlaamati cassava tladoya brother, elder ngarsima cat ngacama buffalo (bushcow) livyin catfish ngalveena build hwan tl'akwana cave bull dlaĥarceka chair, stool gwalaa bulrush millet gyela chameleon kukwa burial pisau, (stages of) change sil, (into) (nder) Saani, Tsigaama, Vatl'a nguba ĥan

cold (damp) rei, (dry) səndi character hali collect (odds and ends) tlicharcoal avun baa jika(ka) chat come dava cheeks ganceka completely zuutu chest m<del>u</del>tsi compound kulanda, hara chew ruma contradict ca...vama chicken dlurkiya cook đи dla, vura, (first) child dlaĥanti cooking pot jinki chin ngamangama, gabacanga cool (esp. sun) dlibidaa copulate fər (tla) choose zabu chop kakasa, dei, caduu cornbin pangwa circumcision corpse sir viya cough atlo circumcize sar count clay ribun, burama kena, du cow (zebu) ĥarceka climb gəduu, hwûn co-wife asincəka clitoris tsagada crab rincəka close jaabu, tasu, tsa close to ngir-ngir (ya) creep, crawl (child) gurju (snake) tsa ĥari closed tightly ngam creepy crawlers va tsau 'close sesame' bata ngam crocodile kin cloth va dikeno, (for tycross (river) suu ing baby on back) va l<del>i</del>fi crow gaaga cloud livyin cry dlar cock (rooster) sinciki, or sunciki cultivate, farm tlaɗu

cunning, be aryu

cut (with knife) tsiker, kesaa (machete) dei, timaa

die <u>miya</u>

difficulty bootaa

dig, uncover jigaa

dip out tsima

dirt daƙwanƙwan, gwadarti, ngəlau

dance <u>laka</u>

darkness nduna

daughter vura

daughter-in-law ngaza

<u>d</u>

dawn abuguci

day asin, (light) fei

deaf ndukwərciki

death miyau

debt <u>rama</u>

decay <u>laka</u>

deceive zamba

decrease <u>kika</u>

deep <u>dar</u>, <u>aba darti</u>

deleb palm jakada

delicacy <u>va jukwa</u>

deliver (child) vərdaa

depth <u>darti</u>

descend <u>dubu</u>

devil binciki

dew mada

disgust tsugunti

dish hihyeela n.

distribute kena

dive kərfatu

divide dləraa

do nder, ai

doctor (trad.) aba ĥaniki

dodo <u>harciki</u> cf.(names of)

<u>Cangwidi</u>, <u>Dadlurna</u>, <u>Dan-</u>

<u>damiya</u>, <u>hwola-hwola</u>,

<u>Kulbo</u>, <u>kwal-kwal</u>, <u>Mbe-</u>

<u>mbe & Ndozi</u>

dog, wild hunting walaa-wala, 'yaaraa

donkey zakumba

door screen gudubi

dove k<del>u</del>lkuɗa

draw (water) dlar

dream masina

dried meat tsangwin

drink sa

drink, special sweet lakwada drive away raku drum banga, (spherical ceremonial) likwici dry tsifo-tsifo ts<del>i</del>faa dry up dry season watsin duiker, Grimm's crested kiici dust f<del>i</del>ta dwell siki, šiki <u>e</u> ear huma early kwakwa, baba earth ritl'a earth, red ziimaa eat (grain) fima, (meat) ruma edge of vingi egg asi Sindari egret, great white fafadiki, 18 da'mbo fafadiki, 80 daabu eight fafadiki, hawya fadu karkaava, gangasi elbow elephant langa elephantiasis, scrotal tlur

embrace gurbu endure dərmaa enough, be....for mb-enter zaa envelop bakusu escape patee evening firci everyone, whoever ko'asa everything ko wuši avu exceed hara, bii extinguish da pana еуе ata f faeces w<del>u</del>ɗi fail kuu fall ndaa falling (sound of) bazau fan beekitu Šišu far farm M. sina, v. tladu farming (occupation) tlada

fat hidur n.

father abati

fat, become rinsa

eleven da'mbo waci

father-in-law cosi(ti)

fatigue njaamaa

fear wowal, v. nduko wowal

feather pooti, ngeza zen-

feel <u>nduku</u> female <u>ĥeka</u>

fence (straw) dlidla

fennec (desert fox) la

festival year war

fetish ("juju") bocelo

fever beena

fifteen da'mbo vatl'u

fifty daabu vatl'u, hawya cir i daabu

fill <u>hya**n**gu</u>

find fiyaa

finger mbotsiki

fingernail kərfun

finish ba

fire pana

fireplace vawi

firewood dikipana

fish jalaa, (spiny) lulu

fisherman aba cucu

five vaatl'u

flame sinki pana

flea <u>dida</u>

flesh (meat) tlu

flour fiya

fly v. tlu, n. housefly atuwi

flying squirrel cidla

fog baataa

follow tafu

food <u>va ĥmo</u>

foot cimun

footfalls (sound of dodo's)
giji-giji, guju-guju

forest cama, cama bama

forge(metal) kufa

forget mbamber

forty daabu fadu, hawya cir

four faadu

fourteen da'mbo fadu

francolin jira

friend asimba(ti)

frog njinjakwa, (big wull)

deraa, joombo

from daga

fruit vura bama

fry ku

full hyango-hyango

games dooti greed hwaapana green (not ripe) Zirtan gather pa, pəpa gazelle, red fronted tambura greet, salute hwuley genet (cimola) tsaranda grill, roast sapu germinate mba grind tərda get, obtain hya grinding stone vanka groaning <u>ižii</u> giraffe jilele dapa ground ritl'a, on the ... girl v<del>u</del>ra give nge groundnut zuwe glean, e.g. groundnuts ridaa groundnut, Bambarra meikoko go <u>tin</u> etc. (see pp. 141-42) going hwocu, go out grove cama goat aceka, he- gatara grow ďа God Šinda grow old <u>hara</u> good 'an' uwan gruel laji goods, worldly va fuu guest samburciki gossip vo cal n. calaamaa, guinea corn aci calo guinea fowl jaav<del>u</del>naa gourd gula gum (sticky) ndikii grab cei gum tree, white gidambangrass wei greatly kutu-kutu h greatness ngirni grand-child kaka-ti hair ngeza grandfather jiji-ti hammer sapei grandmother kukwa-ti hand daken, keman

hand, left <u>kəman magu</u>, right <u>kəmambisi</u>

handful, take a kəfaa

hard gərtlu, arşu

hare damiiki

harmattan sindi

harp bisakwa

hartebeest gurmatli

harvest tima v.

haste saasaa, saasaa

hat vagama

hawk jagwur, black kite.. liiha

head ĥama

head pad <u>lamanciki</u>, <u>lanciki</u>

health basa

hear, feel nduku

heart tsinki

heat bubau, bubo

heaviness ndan-ndan

hedgehog cinja, njiisa

height dau, doo

help mbure

here aki(ki)

heron, grey 'yara

hide tipaa, pu,tl'aapaa

hippopotamus jungwa

hit (with heavy stick) dlaabudu

hoe v. ru, tladu, n. taari, timpa

hold cei

hole ngir

hollow out <u>lakwatu</u>, <u>dlər-</u>

honey ambi dlikərkuma

horn purkiti

horse jiki, mare dakwa

hot aba bubau-ti

hour garna

how kəsaanaa

how much mana-na

hundred dabu har dabu, hawya vatl'u

hunger mei

hunt 'iyaa

hunter muzanciki

husband njuwi

hut kan

hut, entrance fila

hyena bitangwil

hyrax, dassie agwada

<u>i</u>	kill <u>da</u>
if, when mba	king <u>malvi</u>
if not wasaa	klop-klop <u>karapa da gungume</u>
ignore jar	knead <u>dlaabaa</u> , <u>dergudu</u>
in, inside (a) <u>nari</u>	knee <u>bærmi</u>
increase keta	kneel <u>afu</u>
indeed njadi	knife <u>atlima</u>
in-laws cosi-ti	knot <u>kurmbatlu</u>
insult kaci	know <u>sinee</u>
intestines <u>va ĥari</u>	kob, western gudanceka
TATOON OF THE CONTRACTOR OF TH	kolanut <u>'aw<del>u</del>n</u>
<u>j</u>	<u>1</u>
jackal <u>zamanda</u>	lack gwam
jaw <u>ndincəka</u>	lake <u>ĥy<del>i</del>fi</u>
join g <del>u</del> bei	language jikilo vingi
journey <u>ĥwocu</u> , (bu <b>s</b> iness)	last year <u>daami</u>
joy <u>para</u>	laterite <u>kaca</u>
jump <u>ĥwi</u> , <u>ndaa</u>	laugh <u>ĥansaa</u>
<u>k</u>	laughter <u>ĥanŠi</u>
	lay eggs <u>fuugu</u>
Kano man <u>ganciki</u> keep on <u>tuukwe</u>	lay out (eg. mat before plait- ing) <u>pida</u>
kernel <u>vaari</u>	leaf <u>l<del>u</del>kw<del>i</del>ti</u> or <u>dlukw<del>i</del>ti</u>
kidney <u>tirƙwasa</u>	lean against gwar

leaping bantsal, bantsar

learn gigi

leave <u>aju</u>, (behind) <u>jar</u>, mb<del>i</del>daa, fuugu

left magu, mugwincaka

leg cimun

lend nge aro, nge rama

leopard wuraciki

lick l<del>i</del>kən

lie kwali n.

lie down akin

lift 'atla, gei

light (fire) mbum, (place) ndan

light (not heavy) <u>lafu-lafu</u>

lighten (eg. town..) tsaa

lightning njelo

like, want ho, hwo

likes of <u>hya</u> --

line up dəđaa

lion ji, zaagi

lip <u>tala v<del>i</del>ngi</u>

little, a gabu(-gabu) zeze, cibu-cibu adv.

live siki, šiki

liver santa

lizard ngilaciki

load hwahwa

locust kanda

lodge (s.o.) diba, dibe

long <u>dahan</u>, <u>dahei</u>, <u>da-dar</u>

look for ngwil

lose, get lost <u>mumei, muma</u>

lungs kufi

 $\underline{m}$ 

maiden vuraĥyeka

maize garin dawa

male, man njuu

mantis (praying) dangal

many baku

marabou stork ganga, kwasa-

mare dakwa

market mbura po ĥama

marry bar

massage dergudu, dlaabaa

mat kursa

measure gaja

meat tluwi

medicine ĥanaki

meet <u>da ĥama</u>

middle tsitsiku

midnight ĥama tsi

milk api

millet gyela 'aala

mix (gen.) <u>n̂wina</u>, (clay etc.)

<u>lina</u>, (liquids other than
gruel) <u>tluudaa</u>, (gruel
only) za

money tsalliya

mongoose budugu

monitor (land) kokinciki (water) ngazan

monkey (patas) vudaciki (vervet) nju

moon, month cira

morning zəman

mosquito vituwi

mother ama-ti

mother-in-law cosi

mould (pot) nwan

mount (animal) gəduu, ñwun

mountain, hill <u>yei</u> hill near Tiffi sar

mouse kusanciki

mouth vingi

much leas bare, badle

mucus that collects in eye after sleep mburɗi

mud dlarbe

mudfish rangaši

mush <u>bisi</u>

 $\underline{n}$ 

nail (finger or toe) <u>kərf<del>u</del>n</u>

name sim, sun

nape <u>ndama</u>

navel <u>s<del>i</del>piya</u>

near k(w)un-k(w)un, ngirngir, ngər-ngər

neck rei

new marhwan, marhwi

next to dlibiya

night tsi

nine <u>kəmanəmma</u>, 19 <u>da'mbo</u>
<u>kəmanəmma</u>, 90 <u>daabu</u>

<u>kəmanəmma</u>

no, not (S. neg) wa

no a'a

noon ĥama fei

nose atin

now kwati

<u>o</u>	pepper <u>barkwan</u>
of <u>ta</u>	person <u>mbarin</u>
oil kwama, (cooking) dlidlu	pierce <u>bii</u>
okra ta <b>se</b> laka	$pigeon \underline{ba(\underline{m})}\underline{burm(\underline{b})}\underline{aka}$
old <u>makanja</u>	pity <u>halaci, halilu</u>
one <u>waci</u>	place <u>mbura</u> n.
onion <u>albasa</u>	place on fire <u>'ar</u>
only guma, dluwi	plait (rope) <u>takuɗu</u>
open (door) <u>dla</u>	plant (seeds) <u>ziima</u>
open sesame' bata sakwap	pleasure <u>paaci</u>
oribi <u>vakacəka</u>	plop <u>ĥwapuu</u>
outdoors, outside <u>njalaa</u>	pluck <u>p<del>i</del>taa</u>
ought to haraa	pond <u>ĥy<del>i</del>fi</u>
owner of aba, ama, masu	porcupine <u>jiiji</u>
<u>p</u>	post-partum (time) <u>dombur-</u> <u>diti</u>
Pa'a man <u>fuuciki</u> Pa'a woman, language <u>fuucaka</u>	pot (gen.) jinki, (beer)  ferha, telka, (big)  gadla
palm leaves <u>koroso</u>	pound (in mortar) juuwaa
pants <u>sukumbi</u>	pour out <u>bubuduu</u> , <u>puda</u>
partridge, stone <u>landa</u>	pregant stomach 'i, woman with ama 'i
pass (by) <u>kuɗu</u> pay (for s.t.), repay p <del>u</del> n	press, tread on jen
pea jamakuwo	prevent <u>kwal</u>
peel cikwuli	prick ears (horse) da huma
penis <u>san</u>	protect <u>dangil</u>

pull tsa, (off) dlikaa, (out of sheath) mbasu rel marker ka release mbidaa pumpkin pema remain, be left over maalaa punish hori remember dadil, til push, send on way cidu repair burdu put (away, down) <u>dubaa</u>, (in) <u>zei</u> request, beg loo rest of maalaama python, royal mudaha return bəla g ribs marni quiver bangwara right (side) bišicaka  $\underline{\mathtt{r}}$ ring nguna rip up tl'ar, pataa rabbit damiiki ripe (become) na rain fafiya ritual sacrifice buso dlanga rainbow njanja, žaža river mijiki rainy season gudafa road dl<del>i</del>rki raise (children) roan antelope babar ram gan robe, gown kaba ransom pen rock zigiya rat <u>lin</u>, (bandicoot) gam-<u>bəli</u>, (field) <u>kuli</u> roll on ground vivitl'u

reach mbu receive tuku red bihan, bihei, bi reedbuck gilfi

refuse, deny rii

rotten, be budu rub dərgudu

tlari

ziiki

kan

room

root

rope

rubbish heap vəjiki shake ded(d)er, (s.t.) gikatu, dangudu run dladlu shallow gwamo darti shame cakii sacrifice, see ritual sharp(ness) tau, (taste) saliva ani bubo salt gišira sharpen vyeduu sand (dry, fine) tilvuda, shave 'atlim (wet. coarse) hwika shea butter (tree) njalaa satisfied, be hwapuu sheep tumaceka kam, kan sauce shell, peel cikwuli say, tell munda, mune shelter cakwa scarifications tlawa shine ndan scorpion katura shoe koota scratch tlao, tlaakaa shoot tl'ifaa, simaa han, (pay attention to) short <u>butsahan</u>, <u>gajerciki</u> (be too..for) <u>kuu</u> danguu seed vaari shoulder pana seize cei shout kawo sell kwan show ngena send(s.o. to do s.t.) cina shrew (musk) ZeZunaka sesame kuji siblings barwaciki set up pangaa sickness, pain kurto cirkwun, tsirkwun, seven 17 da'mbo tsirkwun side kwunkwun 70 daabu har tsirkwun silent, be šika cibu tl'imbaa sew silk cotton tree zərnga shadow arna, nduna

	200
sing <u>t<del>i</del>maa</u>	sorcerer <u>abalima</u>
sister vurmati, (younger)	sour(ness) tsəmumu, tsimumu
siyevurmati, (elder) bələvurmati, ngaraka	sow (seeds) <u>ziima</u>
sit (down) <u>Šiki</u> , <u>siki</u>	spear <u>ndibaa</u>
six maha, 16 da'mbo maha,	spend time <u>maku</u>
60 <u>da'maha, daabu</u> ( <u>har</u> ) maha	spider (gen) <u>ngwina-ngwina</u>
skin tala, (human) tala kwur	Spider (trickster) Ngw <del>i</del> na or Ng <del>u</del> na; (his wife)
skin, flay <u>buzuu</u>	Taaviyeya
sky <u>ĥwasu</u>	spit <u>p<del>i</del>suu</u>
slaughter <u>ts<del>i</del>kər</u>	split <u>pata</u> , (wood) <u>tl'ar</u>
slave <u> </u>	spring (water) <u>kaca</u>
sleep <u>asin</u>	squat <u>'afu</u>
slim, become gəraa	squirrel <u>ƙwattara</u>
small <u>siyen</u> , <u>siyei</u>	stab <u>ti</u> , <u>t<del>i</del>fa</u>
smell sas <del>u</del> n	stack <u>dugusu</u>
smoke <u>ani</u> , v. <u>sa</u>	stallion <u>jiki</u>
snail <u>dumbaka</u>	stand $\frac{\text{tsiraa}}{\text{tluu}}$ , (and set off)
snake <u>vakiyau</u>	star <u>Šešuwa</u> , (morning)
snatch <u>hurtu</u>	lugubara
soak <u>taa</u>	steal <u>kəra</u>
soft(ness) <u>libu-libu</u>	stick <u>dangwaɗi</u> , (stirring) <u>ÂyiÂyuu</u>
some <u>ĥyawi</u>	stink <u>sumumu</u>
son <u>dla</u>	stir <u>nakuu</u> , (as <b>s</b> ugar into
son-in-law <u>cosi</u>	tea) <u>ĥwunaa</u>
song <u>tima</u>	stomach <u>hari</u> ,(of pregnan- cy) <u>'i</u>

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stone <u>z<del>i</del>giya</u>	tamarind <u>mbicina</u>
stork (marabou) <u>kwasa-kwasa</u>	taste <u>dandan</u>
storm <u>lakwa</u>	tasteless, insipid <u>lallan</u>
story <u>njanjin</u>	teach gigi
straw (stalks) <u>hyeƙa</u>	tear (n.) mbucin
strength <u>'tlin</u>	tell gele, munde
suck <u>kakən</u>	ten <u>daabu</u>
sun <u>fei</u>	termite gašeka
surround <u>lalaa</u>	testicles ranga
swallow <u>sikən</u>	thank goodu
swamp, bog <u>ku</u> si	that, the one referred to amata, abita, -ka(ka)
swear cama	thatching Sil
sweat <u>lilu</u> , <u>tsina</u>	the (def., ref. marker) -ta
sweep <u>pei</u>	theft kəra
sweet <u>dlartsitsa</u> , <u>litsitsa</u>	then sei, sa'anan
sweet water <u>ambi kacan</u>	there kaka, fa, kaa
swell <u>picuu</u> ,(from injury) <u>wasu</u>	there is, are ana or ani
swim <u>suu</u> , <u>cən</u>	thief mukurciki, aba kera
sword gaji	thighs <u>dividi</u> , <u>ndikəsa</u>
<u>t</u> _	thin terter
	thing avu, (pl.) vaani
tail <u>suwa</u> take <u>tane</u> , (back) <u>bəlei</u> ,	this abati, amati, -ti, -ki-
take tane, (back) belei, (a handful) kefaa, (a lot of) hamaa, (off, out) mbei	those <u>hanta</u> , <u>hanti kaka</u>
	three <u>kədu</u>

throat gurgwatl'a cir(u) two throw jiji u thus mbuku tie tlin, dikən ugly mbasi, mbasa time lokaci uncle (maternal) zukwa(ti) (paternal) dlamaba(ti) tired, be nj-untie mbidaa tcday ii until kapu together kwaci ĥwaasu up tomb b<u>ija</u> urine tsipura tomorrow suu tongue sinki V tool (harvesting) doši voice janka janga (kwur) torso vomit jiitaa touch nau tough pooti W dlanga incl: Pa'a towns town wait gitaa Ari (Ri), Dara, Guda, Kafin Za-ki, Kalaasu, Kici, walk bomberaa Kujera, Kwarangwadi wall (stone) garu Ningu, Njakan, Tabə. la, Tiffi, Wusi, k<del>i</del>ši war kara, & Z<del>i</del>da Warji (people) ƙwaƙwarciki transplant рi warm zəgun tree bama warthog terter trousers sukumbi nau, (very hard) try wash mb<del>i</del>su camba-ambii,(lukewarm)luuwater turn jikil, (aside) kara, (out) pal

waterbuck ngikaacin

water monitor nguzun

weakness, laxity kevuti, kevuti,

wealth dlangir

what misii, munaa or munee, kesaanaa

when kaacina, kaacine, nda

where soona, soone, inda-ta

which(ever) wusi

white cilhan, cilhei, cilili

who asana or asane, aseya or aseye

why <u>flamaa misii-na</u>, <u>munaa</u>, (occasionally) <u>kəsaanaa</u>

whip tl'abudu

wildcat vasuwa

wipe taaka

with i, yaa

woman <u>meka</u>

work cin

world fuu

worthless <u>datsi-ti</u>

wrestle gurdu

wrestling gwursaa

wring tl'ei

<u>y</u>

year <u>ruwoo</u> (of festival)

yes aaa (affirmative)

yesterday mbun

yet nduku

youth zakwataa n.

### SECOND "LOOK-UP" LEXICON

The second, "look-up" lexicon which follows contains all Pa'anci pronominal paradigms, which were excluded from the preceding lexicon. These include the pre-verbal tense proncuns (AUX-tps), object pronouns, possessive pronouns, and the independent pronouns, subject and possessive. They are listed according to the features specified in the text of the grammar, and selection of the appropriate pronominal form would normally take place at the time of lexical insertion.

 $\frac{\dot{\mathbf{u}} \cdot (\mathbf{V}) \cdot \underline{\mathbf{n}} \dot{\mathbf{a}}(\mathbf{n} \dot{\mathbf{i}})}{\underline{\mathbf{t}} \dot{\mathbf{l}} \dot{\mathbf{i}}} \qquad \underline{\mathbf{t}} \dot{\mathbf{l}} \dot{\mathbf{i}}}$ 

[-cont] AUX-tps

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[+cont ] AUX-tps
                (followed by [+VN] Verb form)
                   [+cont.]
                                                 [+cont.]
                                                   tín
                     m<del>u</del>na
+II
                  h<del>u</del>na, u
                                                    tú
+s.
+m.
+II
                     ĥnnà
                                                   tín
+s.
-m •
-II
                     tina
                                                   taa
+s.
+m.
-II
                                                    tlá
                        <u>i</u>
÷s.
-m -
                                                  (a) táá
                      anà
                                                    cin
                     mina
+II
                                                    cina
                     hina
                     tli
                                                   tlitli
+pl
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The appropriate AUX-tp (in person, number and gender agreement with the subject) from either the [+cont·] or the [+subj] set may precede the future formatives.

Either is obligatory if the subject is [+emph] or S = neg.

# [+rel] AUX-tps

	[-cont.] (followed by Aorist)	[+cont.] +fut. (followed	[+cont.] d by VN)
[+I -II +s•]	<u>ma</u>	<u>ma ka</u>	ma kà tín
-I +II +s. +m.	<u>u</u>	<u>u kà</u>	u ka tú
-I +II +s. -m.	<u>in</u>	<u>in kà</u>	in kả tín
-I -II +s. +m.	<u>na</u>	<u>na kà</u>	na kà táá
-I -II +s. -m.	<u>i</u>	<u>i kà</u>	<u>i kà tlá</u>
+ <u>I</u> +II	<u>a</u>	a ka	a kà táá
+I -II +pl	<u>mi</u>	<u>mi kà</u>	mi kà cín
-I +II +pl	uVnà	u kàVnà	u kà cína
-I -II +pl	<u>tli</u>	tli ka	tli ka tli

## Pronoun Objects

	Indirect Object (suffixed to Perf. V minus final vowel)	Direct Object (with no Indirect Object, suffixed to Perf. V + vowel)
[+I -II +s.]	- <u>aa</u>	-[ <u>v</u> ] <u>ni</u> <sup>2</sup>
-I +II +s. +m.	<u>-uu</u>	- <u>uu</u>
-I +II +s. -m.	- <u>in</u>	<u>-in</u>
-I -II +s. +m.	- <u>í</u>	-í
-I -II +s. -m.	- <u>etla</u>	-[ <u>v</u> ] <u>tla</u>
-II -II +pl	- <u>in</u>	<u>-in</u>
-I +II +pl	- <u>ina(ni</u> )	- <u>ina(ni</u> )
-I -II +pl	- <u>etli</u>	-[ <u>v]tli</u>

 $^2[v]$  = final vowel of Perfective Aspect. Direct Object pronouns which begin with <u>i</u> or <u>u</u> replace the final vowel of the Perfective.

## Pronoun Objects

رت <u>با</u>	Direct or Indirect (suffixed to VN)	Direct or Indirect (following Aorist) or Direct with intervening IO (also object of preposition)
+I -II +s.	- <u>nà</u> ( <u>nì</u> ) <sup>3</sup>	min min
-I +II +s. +m.	<u>-nù</u>	<u>hu</u>
-I +II +s. -m.	- <u>n≟n</u>	<u> ĥən</u>
-I -II +s• +m•	- <u>sù</u>	tin, -ndi 4
-I -II +s. -m.	<u>-sù</u>	tle
+I -II +pl	- <u>nin</u>	<u>mi</u>
-I +II +pl	- <u>niyè</u> , - <u>niyàni</u> 5	<u>h<del>i</del>nànì</u>
-I -II +pl	- <u>sin</u>	<u>tlin</u>

 $<sup>\</sup>frac{3}{\text{ni}}$  is not used if Direct Object follows.

<sup>4</sup>ndi is used only following pronominal Indirect Object, tin elsewhere.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>5</sup>equal variants with no known conditioning factors.

# Suffixed Possessive Pronouns

Suffixed to +m. NP (including VN) Suffixed		Suffixed to -m. NP
[+I -II +s•]	- <u>na(nì</u> )	<u>-ya(yì</u> )
-I +II +s. +m.	- <u>nù</u>	<u>-yù</u>
[-I +II +s. -m.]	- <u>n≟n</u>	- <u>y <del>ì</del>n</u>
-I -II +s. +m.	- <u>sù</u>	<u>-sù</u>
-I -II +s. -m.	- <u>sù</u>	- <u>sù</u>
-II -II +pl	- <u>n<del>ì</del>n</u> , - <u>nìmì</u>	- <u>y<del>ì</del>n</u> , - <u>yìmì</u>
-I +II +pl	- <u>niye</u> ,- <u>niyani</u>	-yiye,-yiyani
-I -II +pl	- <u>s÷n</u>	- <u>s≟n</u>

Independent Pronouns

Subject ('I, you, etc.') Poss. PN ('mine, yours') (+m. referent)(-m. referent)

[+I -II +s•]	<u>àmin</u>	<u>anàní</u>	ayayi
-I +II +s. +m.	<u>àhú</u>	<u>anú</u>	<u>ayú</u>
-I +II +s. -m.	<u>aĥ<del>i</del>n</u>	<u>an<del>î</del>n</u>	ay <del>î</del> n
-I -II +s. +m.	<u>àt<del>í</del>n</u>	<u>asú</u>	<u>asú</u>
-I -II +s. -m.	<u>àtlé</u>	<u>asú</u>	<u>àstlé</u>
(+I -II +pl	<u>àmí</u>	<u>àn<del>í</del></u> mi	<u>ày<del>í</del>mi</u>
-I +II +pl	<u>ahina</u>	<u>àniyàni</u>	<u>ayiyayi</u>
[-I -II +pl	<u>àtlin</u>	<u>às£n</u>	<u>àsîn</u>

#### APPENDIX I: VERBAL PARADIGMS

The first appendix gives sample verbal paradigms for two "typical" Pa'anci verbs, and one decided atypical one, the verb 'to go'. I have chosen a transitive, -u final verb (<u>hyangu</u> 'to fill'), and a basic intransitive (motion verb which can take locative NP goal complements) -a final verb (<u>bèla</u> 'to return') in order to give an illustration of the range of verbal constructions. The latter verb also has causative forms.

The paradigms are ordered by tense, and then by person, number, and gender of the subject, following the pattern set on the preceding pages. In order to avoid excessive repetition, the selection of objects following the two verbs includes both pronominal and nominal direct and indirect objects, locative goal complements, and a few prepositional phrases. A morph by morph gloss clarifies the order, with a less literal translation following.

The paradigm is complete (for all tenses and person, number and gender of subjects) for the verb <u>nyangu</u>, but the continuous tenses (cont. and fut.) and the relative tenses (rel. compl., rel. cont. and rel. fut.) have been collapsed into two paradigms for the verb <u>bèla</u>.

# hyangu, hyangii, hyangwo 'fill'

[-cont.]

[subj]

amin má nyangu gulá [I(emph)
I+compl. filled(Perf.) gourd]
'I filled the gourd'

ú nyangwaa galka [you(m.s.)
+compl. filled(Perf.)me(IO)
calabash] 'you filled the
calabash for me'

in fiyangwe Binta tin [you (m.s.) filled+dative Binta it(DO)]'you filled it for Binta'

ná ĥyangwetla-ndi [he+compl
filled-her(IO)-it(DO)]'he
filled it for her'

i hyangwin hihyeeli [she+
compl. filled-us(IO) dishes]
'she filled the dishes for
us'

á hyangwi ndi [one+compl.
filled+him(10) it(D0)]'one
filled it for him'

mí fiyangutli i hwíka [we+compl. filled-them(DO) with sand] 'we filled them with sand'

ú ĥyangwi-nani [you(pl)+
compl. filled it(DO)] 'you
filled it]

tlí nyangwe Binta bii they +compl filled+dative Binta bag]'they filled the bag for Binta'

i hwo ma nyangu [she+comp]
wanted I+subj fill(Perf)
"she wanted me to fill'

tina hwo u nyangwi bii [he+subj. wants(VN) you (m.s.) fill(Perf.)him(DO) 'he wants you to fill the bag for him'

in hyangwetli bajaki [Imp you(f.s.)subj fill-them (IO) baskets]'fill the baskets for them' (command to female)

tli hwo na ĥyangutli [they+cont. want(VN) he+ subj. fill-them (DO)'they want him to fill them'

tina hwo i fiyangwe Musa hihyeela [he+cont. wants she+subj. fill+dative Musa dish] he wants her to fill the dish for Musa

tina hwo a fingument the ling the tent. wants one to fill them for you'(pl)

ájì mi ĥyangutla [let(IMP)
we+subj. fill-it(f.)]
'let us fill it'(eg. basket)

u fiyangutli-nani [IMP you + subj fill them(DO) 'fill them' (to pl. subject)

ajì tli hyanguu bii [let IMP they+subj fill-you(m. s.IO) bag]'let them fill the bag for you'

## hyangu, hyangwii, hyango 'fill' [+cont.] [+cont.]

muna fiyangwo pangwa [I+cont filling(VN) cornbin]'I am filling the cornbin'

u ĥyangwo-nin tlin [you+ cont. fill(VN)-us(IO) them (DO) 'you are filling them for us'

<u>nna nyangwó-sin guli</u> [you (f.s.)+cont. fill-them(IO) gourds] 'you are filling the gourds for them'

tinà fiyangwo bii Musa [he+ cont. fill(VN) bag(of)Musa] 'he is filling Musa's bag'

i hyángwo gulá asinceka-su yaa hwika [she+cont. fill (VN) gourd(of)co-wife-her with sand]'she is filling her co-wife's gourd with sand'

ána hyangwo-nu bii [one+ cont. fill(VN)-you(m.s.IO) bag]'one is filling the bag for you'

mi ĥyangwo-nin bajaka [we +cont. fill(VN)-you(f.s.IO) basket]'we are filling the basket for you'

hinà fiyangwo telka i 'yu [you(pl) fill(VN) pot with beer]'you are filling the pot with beer'

tli nyangwo-niye galki [they tlitli nyangwo Musa bii +cont. fill(VN)-you(pl.IO) calabashes] 'they are fillthe calabashes for you'(pl)

tín hyangwo-su [I+fut. fill (VN)-it] 'I will fill it'

u tú hyángwò hìhyeelá yaa va ĥmô [you(m.s.) fut. fill(VN) dish with food] 'you will fill the dish with food'

in tin ĥyangwo-su i tlin [you(f.s.) fut. fill-it(DO) with them] 'you will fill it with them'

taa hyangwo-na galka [he+ fut. fill(VN)-me(IO) calabash] 'he will fill the calabash for me'

i tlá flyangwó-niyani galka [she fut. fill(VN)-you(pl. IO) calabash]'she will fill the calabash for you' (addressed to pl. subject)

a tæ hyángwo pangwa suu [one fut. fill(VN) cornbin tomorrow]'the cornbin will be filled tomorrow'

mi cin ĥyango-sin [we fut. fill(VN)-them we will fill them'

cina fiyangwo-sù pangwi [you fut. fill(VN)-him cornbins 'you (pl) are filling the cornbins for him'

[they fut. fill(VN) Musa
(IO) bag] 'they will fill the bag for Musa'

hyangu, hyangwii, hyangwo'fill'

+cont. -fut. +rel.

+cont. +fut. +rel.

gula-ta ma ka fiyangwo ka gourd-the I+rel.cont. fill (VN) rel] 'the gourd that I am filling'

ii na u ka hyangwó-s<del>i</del>n ka Itoday emph you+rel.cont. fill(VN)-them(DO) rel 'today('s the day) you fill them'

nda in ka ĥwangwo bii ka [when you(f.s.)+rel.cont. fill(VN) bag rel] 'when you are filling the bag..'

'yu na ka ĥyangwo-su ka [with beer he+rel.cont. fill(VN)-it(DO) rel] 'with beer he is filling it'

mburá-ta i ka flyangwo gula ka [place-the she+rel.cont. fill(VN) gourd rel] 'place where she is filling the gourd'

nda a ka fiyangwo-su ka [when one+rel.cont. fill(VN) -it rel]'when one is filling it....'

ávità mi kà ĥyangwo-niye ka [thing-that we+rel.cont. fill(VN)-you(pl.IO) rel] 'the thing that we are filling for you'(pl)

bii-ta u ka fiyangwo na ka lbag-the you+rel.cont.pl. rel]'the bag you are filling'

hánta tli kà hyangwó-nìn ka

ávità ma kà tín ĥyangwó-nù ka Lthing-that I+rel.fut. fill-you(m.s.IO) rel 'the thing I will fill for you'

suu na u ka tú hyangwo-su ka [tomorrow emph. you+rel fut. fill(VN)-it(DO)'it's tomorrow you will fill it'

wuši bajaki in ka tin nyangwo ka [which bag you(f.s.)
+rel.fut. fill(VN) rel] 'which bag are you filling?'

Muşa abita na ka taa nyangwo-su ka [Musa he-who he +rel.fut. fill(VN)-it rel 'Musa, who will fill it..'

mba i ka tla ĥyangwo-nu tlin ka [if she+rel.fut. fill(VN)-you(m.s.IO) them (DO) rel] 'if she will fill them for you'

pangwa na a kà táá hyángwò ka [cornbin emph one+rel. fut. fill(VN) rel]'it's the cornbin one will fill'

i ambii mi ka cin hyangwonu ndi ka [with water we+ rel.fut. fill(VN)-you(m.s. IO it(DO) rel]'with water we will fill it for you'

inda u ka cina hyangwo ka Lwhere you+rel.fut. fill (VN) rel]'where you will be filling'

hántà tli kà hyangwo-nìn ka mba tli kà tli hyángwò ka [those-who they+rel.fut. fill[if they+rel.fut.fill rel] (VN)-you]'those who fill for you 'if they will fill..'

# hyangù, hyangwii, hyangwo 'fill'

-cont. +compl. +rel.

nda ma ĥyangwii telka yaa 'yu ka [when I+rel.compl. filled(Aorist) pot with beer rel] 'when I filled the pot with beer'....

bii-tà u fiyangwii ka [bag-the you+rel.compl. filled(Ao-rist) rel] 'bag that you filled..'

Bintà ya, in fiyangweyii hihyeela ka [Binta emph you(f.s.) +rel.compl. filled+dative+Aorist dish rel] 'it was for Binta that you filled the dish'

ábità na fiyangwii fien galka ka [he-who he+rel.compl. filled(Aorist) you(f.s. 10) calabash rel] 'he who filled the calabash for you'

ámatà i fiyangwií hinàni hihyeelá ka [she-who she+rel.compl. filled(Aorist) you(pl.IO) dish rel] 'she who filled the dish for you(pl.)

mburata a nyangii tlin ka [place the one+rel.compl. filled(Aorist) them(DO) rel] 'the place where one filled them'

yaa ámbii mi fiyangwii hu galka ka [with water we+rel.compl. filled(Aorist) you(m.s.IO) calabash rel] 'with water we filled the calabash for you'

vanita u ĥyangwii-na min ka [things-that you+rel.compl.filled(Aorist)-pl me(IO) rel] 'the things that you filled for me'

hanta tli hyangwii bajaki ka [those who they+rel.compl.
filled(Aorist) baskets rel] 'those who filled the baskets'

[qmI]

Negative Pseudo-Passive

gulá ná rii hyangáá-su 'gourd it refused to be filled'

bela, belii, beloo 'return'[-trans][+loc.NP complement] belei, beleyii, beleyo 'return s.t., take s.t. back'

[-cont.]

[sub.j]

ma bela [I+compl. return (Perf.)] 'I returned'

ájì ma bèla hàra [Imp let I+subj return(Perf.) home] 'let me return home'

<u>u beleyi</u> [you+compl. return mbu beletli wa [prohib.+ (+caus)+it(m.)]'you return- you+compl. return(+caus)+ ed it'

them neg]'don't return them'

in bela hara i tlin [you(f. in bela! [you(f.s.)return] s.) returned home with them] 'return!'(command to fe-'you returned home with them' male)

ná bèle tsallíya [he+compl. ájì na bèla yaa tsallíya returned(+caus) money] 'he [Imp let he+subj. return returned the money'

with money]'let him return with money'

í bəla ɗápaa [she+compl. ed to the bush'

ĥamaa i bele naa ɗapâa [inreturned bush] 'she return- order-to she return(+caus.) antelope bush]'in-order that she take the antelope back to the bush'

a bela [one+compl. returned one returned'

t<del>i</del>na hwo a baletla [he+cont. wants(VN) one+subj. return (+caus.)her]'he wants one to take her back'

mí bəleyin tsalliya [we+ compl. returned(+caus.)you(f.s.) money]'we return- 'let us take back'(object ed the money to you'

áj<u>ì mi bəlei</u> [Imp let we+ subj. take back(+caus.) understood)

returned to Tiffi'

<u>u bela-na Tiffi</u> [you+compl. <u>u bela-nani</u> [(that) you+subj returned-pl Tiffi] 'you(pl) return-pl] 'that you(pl) might return'

tli beleyaa tlin [they+ compl. returned(+caus.)me (IO) them] 'they returned them to me'

tina hwo tli beletla hara [he+cont. wants(VN) they+ subj. take(+caus)-her home] 'he wants them to take her home '

[Imp]

bəla 'return'

bəleyi 'take it back'

bela, belii, beloo 'return'[-trans][+loc.NP complement] bəleyii, bəleyò 'return s.t., take s.t. back'

### [+cont.]

mana beleyo-su hara[I+cont. return (+caus.VN)-him home 'I am taking him home'

u tu beleyo nguna [you(m.s. +fut. return (+caus.VN)ring] 'you will take back the ring'

in tin bəloo [you(f.s.)
+fut. return (VN)]'you will return'

tina beleyo-na nguna [he+ cont. return(+caus.VN)-me (IO) ring]'he is returning the ring to me'

i bəlòò [she+cont. return-ing(VN)] 'she is returning'

a táá beloo i tsalliya [one +fut. return(VN) with money 'one will return with money'

mi cín bəleyo-niye tlin [we +fut. return (+caus.VN)you(pl.IO) them(DO)]'we will return them to you'(pl)

hina beleyo bajaki [you(pl)+ cont. return(+caus.VN) baskets]'you are returning the baskets'

tlitli beleyó-na tsallíyayayi [they+fut. return(+caus hara ka [with haste they VN)-me(IO) money-my]'they +rel.fut. return(VN) home will return my money to me'

### [+rel.]

nda ma bəlii dapaa ka [when I+rel.compl. returned (Aorist) bush rel] 'when I returned to the bush'

tsalliya-tà u ka beleyo ka [money-the you(m.s.)+rel. cont. return(+caus.VN)rel 'the money that you are returning

lókacíta in ka tín bəloo ka Lwhen you(f.s.)+rel.fut. return(VN)rel]'the time when you will return'

nda na bəleyii min tsalliya ka [when he+rel.compl. returned(Aorist) me(IO) money rel]'when he returned the money to me'

i dládló i ká bəlóó ka [with running she+rel.cont. returning(VM) rel]'with running she is returning' lókacíta a ka beloo aki ka

[when one+rel.cont. returning(VN) here rel] 'when one is returning here'

nguna-ta mi ka cin beleyo ka [ring-the we+rel.fut. return(+caus.VN) rel]'ring that we will return'

nda u bəlii-na ka [when you+rel.compl. returned(Aorist)-pl rel]'when you(pl) returned .. '

i saasaa tli ka tli bəloo +rel.fut. return(VN) home rel] 'with haste they will return home'

## The Verb 'to go'

The format used to present the paradigm for the irregular verb 'to go' is different from that used to present the preceding more typical verbs. I have elected not to give a morph-by-morph gloss for two reasons: The first is that the gasses are predictable, so that only the translation of the first person, at the top of each column, is needed. Only a locative goal complement may follow the verb, so complications of pronominal objects do not arise.

The second reason is that segmentalization of the verbal element of the verb 'to go' is not at all straightforward, given its copy pronoun nature. In some persons, most notably the third person plural, the verb is totally assimilated to the pronominal element.

Therefore, the paradigms are given by tense, with only a sample gloss at the top of each column, but with alternate forms listed where appropriate.

Locative goal complements are not listed, though an indication is made of the position of such a locative.

NPs or adverbs marked [+loc] in the lexicon could optionally fill that slot.

<sup>1</sup> For explanation of ICP nature, see pp. 140-142.

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'to go'
         -cont.
                          [+subj.]
                        ['that I go']
        má tín (loc) ma tín (loc) (nda) ma tín (loc) ka
+II
          ú tú
                         u tú
                                               u tú
+s.
                                                          ka
+m.
-I
+II
                                             in tín
                                                          ka
+s.
-m .
-II
                                             na táá
                                                          ka
+s.
+m.
-II
                          i tlá
                                               i tlá
                                                          ka
+s.
+II
                                               a táá
                                                          ka
+I
-II
                                             mi cín
                                                          ka
                                                          ka
         tlítlí
                                             tlitlí
                                                          ka
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Imperatives of 'to go'

Imperatives, like most other aspects of the verb 'to go', are formed irregularly. Because the number and gender information has been copied on the verbal element, it is possible to delete the second person AUX-tp, not only for the masculine singular subject, but also for feminine and plural forms. When the AUX-tp is deleted, a morpheme <u>ni</u> is usually suffixed to the Imperative form. The origin of <u>ni</u> is unknown.

tú(ni) 'go!'(m.s. 2nd person)
tínni, in tín 'go!'(f.s. 2nd person)
cínani, u cína 'go!'(pl. 2nd person)

The subjunctive is used for indirect commands to persons other than 'you'.

### APPENDIX II: SPECIMENS OF NARRATIVE TEXTS

mens of Pa'a narrative texts, to provide a context of running speech, rather than the fragmented sentences that have been cited heretofore. Although the textual examples are but brief portions of longer narratives, and a mere fraction of my total collection, they are, I believe, a representative sample of the whole, which includes Pa'a history, traditions and tales. And although they include some discourse level phenomena not touched upon in the grammar, they do provide an illustrative context for much of the grammatical information contained in the grammar.

The texts have been divided into phrases (generally corresponding to breath group segments), which have been translated literally, word by word, if not morph by morph. At the end of each brief selection is a freer translation. Following the pattern established in the grammar, tone has been marked only on AUX-tps. Vowels have been transcribed as heard in context, which may or may not correspond to the lexical length or quality (particularly centrality).

One complete narrative was transcribed and analyzed in my Africana Marburgensia article, q.v.

### Pa'a History

[selection from an oral history of the Pa'a people related by the late Sarkin Tiffi Tsoho Adamu, then 67 years old, on March 19, 1974, in the entrance hut of his compound in Tiffi. Adamu died in early 1977]

Ami Fooni, jijaani-nimi, we(Ind.pn) Pa'awa, grand-parents-ours,

jijaani abatiyaani-nimi, grandparents(of)fathers-our,

nda tlitli daga Birnin Tsaure ka, when they(rel.compl.)
went from Birnin Tsaure rel

sei tli dava Barno. then they+subj. came(to)
Bornu.

Daga Barno tlitli ka, From Bornu they(rel.compl.) went rel,

sei tli dava Kefin Kawu. then they+subj. came(to) Kefin Kawu.

Daga Kefin Kawu, From Kefin Kawu,

<u>nyawi tli Yiki vingi ɗapaa Jangwani</u>, some they+complicatived (at) mouth (of) bush (of the) Jangwani.

atlin Jangu na they(Ind.pn) Jangu(people)
pred.

Fooni Ri, sei tlítlí Tabela; Pa'a (of) Ri, then they (compl.) went (to) Tabela;

daga Tabela, sei...Guda, from Tabela, then (they went to) Guda,

sei...Ri, sei...Rabina, then (to) Ri, then (to) Rabina.

amma ami akiki, Tiffi but we(Ind.pn) here, Tiffi.

'We Pa'a, our grandfathers and parents' grandfathers, when they came from Birnin Tsaure (mythical origin), they came to Bornu. From Bornu they went until they came to Kefin Kawu. From Kafin Kawu, some settled at the edge of the Jangwani bush. They are the Jangu. But the Pa'a of Ari, they went to Tabela; from there to Guda, and Ri, and Rabina, but we came here, to Tiffi.'

### Pa'a Traditions: Death

[The opening section of an account of Pa'a traditions concerning death, related by Umaru Saleh Tiffi on April 7, 1974 in Ningi]

Miyau -- áni abita na kà ho miyau, death -- there-is

[lit. 'one is+with'] he
who(RC) he+rel.cont. want(VN)
death

na mivii ka wa. he+rel.compl. die(Aorist) rel neg.

Fooni gumaa, mba mbarin na miya, Pa'a also, if man he+subj die(Perf.)

mba atin Fuuciki na ka, if he(Ind.pn) Pa'a-man pred rel

tli yæ dlirki bija-su. they+cont. with way (of) burial-his.

Mba mbarim na miya, If man he+subj. die(Perf.),

mba a pɨsi, if one+subj. bury-him(DO),

a táá hyo marhwi galka, one fut. find(VN) new qual. calabash

a fiya dlurkiya, a tsikar, one+subj. find(Perf.) chicken, one+subj. slaughters (Perf.)

a puda atin dlurkiya-ta one+subj. pour(Perf.) blood (of)chicken-the

<u>nari galka</u>. inside(prep) calabash.

Sa'anan a pitaa pooti dlurkiya-ta Then one+subj.

plucks(Perf.) feathers (of)
chicken-the

a ze-tli ĥari galka-ta one+subj. put(+caus.of enter) them inside(prep) calabash-the

'Death -- there is no-one that wants death, wants to die. Pa'a also, if a man dies, and he is a Pa'a, they have a way of burying him. If a man dies, when one buries him, one finds a new calabash and a chicken. One slaughters (the chicken), one pours the blood of the chicken into the calabash. Then one plucks the feathers of the chicken, and puts them in the calabash'

### Pa'a Tales

- [The opening section of a Pa'a tale [njanjin] performed by Dogon Malam Tiffi on April 4, 1974 in Ningi]
- Waci fei, sei naani tlinà po ĥama. One day, then antelopes they+cont. gather-ing(VN) head.
- Po ĥama-sin-ta, mbura ĥwuleyo malvi-sin-ta Gathering
  (VN)(of) head. -their-the,
  place(of) greeting king-their
  -the.
- Malvi-sin-ta kuwa, zaagi na. King-their-the also, Lion pred.
- Zaagi tinà a ĥari tl'akwana-su. Lion he+cont. at inside cave-his.
- Naani ɗapaa tli pa Rama-sin. Antelopes(of)bush theycompl. gathered(Perf.) head their.
- Abiti ná dava, na zaa ĥari tl'akwana-ta, This-one he +compl. came(Perf.), he+subj. enter(Perf.) inside cave-the
- abiti ná dava, na zaa ĥari tl'akwana-ta, " "
- abiti ná dava, na zaa, abiti ná dava, na zaa, this-one he+compl. came(Perf.), he+subj, entered(Perf.)[repeat] abiti ná dava, na zaa, abiti ná dava, na zaa," "
- tli tukwo cu waci-waci. they+cont. keep-on(VN) coming (VN) one(by)one
- 'One day, the antelopes were gathering their heads together. The meeting place was the place of greeting the King. Their King was Lion. Lion was inside his cave. The antelopes of the bush gathered their heads together. This one came, he entered the cave. Another one came and entered the cave. Still another came and entered, and another, and another and yet another. They keep on coming, one by one.'

[Beginning of the Pa'a version of the Tar Baby story, performed by Dogon Malam on April 4, 1977 in Ningi]

Lokaci ruwo zuwe ná nder Time (of) hoeing(VN) ground-nuts he+compl. made(Perf.

Waci meka i ho a ruwetla zuwe. A(indef.) woman she+cont.

wanting(VN) one+subj. hoedher(IO) groundnuts.

I nya aba-ruwo-su wa, she+compl. found(Perf.) ow-ner(of)hoeing(VN)-it not,

sei a Ngwina na dava. until PRAM Spider he+subj. came.

Ná munda ka táá ruwo-su zuwe-ta. He+compl. said(Perf.)
that he+fut. hoe(VN)-her(IO)
groundnut-the.

I munda ka, to, i nduku paaci. She+compl. said(Perf.)
that OK,[H.loan], she+compl.
felt(Perf.) pleasure.

Ná zama kamar dla-su hara na, dla-su kan. He+compl.

became [H.loan] like [H.]

son-her(of)house pred, sonher(of)room.

Sei ná munde-tla ka, i nderi va-ĥmo Then he+compl.

said-her(IO) that she+subj.

make-him(DO) thing(of)eating.

I dava, i tsikər dlurkiya, i ɗuwi biği. She+compl.

came, she+subj. slaughtered
(Perf.) chicken, she+subj.
cooked-him(IO) mush.

Sa'anan, ná munde-tla ka, Then he+compl. said-her(IO) that

"zuwe-ta sei in ku-tla, in pude-tla gishira" "groundnuts the, then you(f.s.subj.) fry -her, you(f.s.subj.) pour-her(IO) salt"

'The time of hoeing groundnuts came. A woman wanted someone to hoe her groundnuts for her. She didn't find anyone to hoe for her, until Spider came. He said he would hoe the groundnut crop for her. She said she was very pleased. He became like a son of

the house, a son of her room.

Then he said to her that she should make him some food. She came, she slaughtered a chicken, she cooked some mush. Then he said to her, "These ground-nuts, fry them and salt them."

# kurunkus. í ba.

[formulaic closing] It finished.

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