

ROLE COMBINATIONS AND VERB STEM CLASSES IN KALAMIAN TAGBANWA¹

EDWARD RUCH

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0. INTRODUCTION

In Philippine languages the diversity of behaviour among verb stems calls for classification. Attempts have been made to classify verb stems by affixation potential (Wolff 1970), affix meaning (Ballard 1973), clause structure (Reid 1966), and participant roles encoded by nonpredicate tagmemes (Forster and Barnard 1968; Chandler 1974).

It seems that none of these criteria alone yields a satisfactory generative classification. Yet, to combine all of them in a systematic way would be a massive research project. Nevertheless, a first step has been made toward such a classification for the Kalamian Tagbanwa language, and what follows is a description of that step.

First, the method of classifying according to affixation potential is discussed briefly. Then, the method of arriving at classes based on

correlation of affixation with role combinations, or arguments, to use Langendoen's (1970) term, is explained, and the classes discovered are presented. Finally, some of the methods and problems of the second classification are discussed.

1. STEM CLASSES BASED ON AFFIXATION POTENTIAL

Sixty action² verbs are classified according to their co-occurrence possibilities with the following six affixes: ag-, aN-,³ -um-, -en, -an, and i-. The first three signal subject focus; -en signals object focus; -an, referent focus; and i-, accessory focus. This operation yields eleven classes, as listed below.

CLASS A1 stems take: ag-, aN-, -um-, -en, -an, and i-.

laksu?	'run'
ulik	'return, repair'
deep	'catch, apprehend'
sagep	'catch with the hands'
bitbit	'carry by the fingers'
ali?	'dig up'
liway	'clear off'
upak	'remove bark'
kanit	'remove hide'
keget	'bite'
ilamun	'weed'
takwal	'climb up'
digu?	'bathe'
geret	'cut up transversely'
laglag	'butcher'
seyak	'split up wood'
sarab	'singe'
pelad	'cut down'
pukis	'cut in two'
barik	'break'
kalaw	'snatch away'

CLASS A2 stems take: ag-, aN-, -um-, -an, and i-.

tukuk	'duck, bow head down'
taluk	'hide'
luak	'plant'
lampasu?	'scrub with water'
bunak	'wash clothes'

ugas	<i>'wash dishes, hands'</i>
damus	<i>'wash face'</i>
bukbuk	<i>'dump out, pour out'</i>

CLASS B1 stems take: ag-, aN-, -en, -an, and i-.

wasak	<i>'spread out'</i>
pangan	<i>'eat'</i>
ganut	<i>'dig up camote by rolling up leaves'</i>
pesek	<i>'smash'</i>

CLASS B2 stems take: ag-, aN-, -an, and i-.

pelek	<i>'throw, throw away'</i>
pakdul	<i>'give'</i>
wislik	<i>'shake off'</i>
tagtag	<i>'distribute'</i>

CLASS C1 stems take: ag-, -um-, -en, -an, and i-.

layug	<i>'fly'</i>
angay	<i>'go'</i>

CLASS C2 stems take: ag-, -um-, -an, and i-.

karung	<i>'sit'</i>
kereng	<i>'stand'</i>
lubug	<i>'lie down'</i>
bayuktut	<i>'curl up'</i>
layas	<i>'run far away'</i>
tulud	<i>'push'</i>

CLASS D1 stems take: aN-, -um-, -en, -an, and i-.

tungul	<i>'ascend a mountain'</i>
danek	<i>'descend'</i>
pisik	<i>'pick up'</i>
dawat	<i>'request, extend to'</i>
panak	<i>'spear'</i>
karus	<i>'scratch'</i>
alang	<i>'buy'</i>
gawad	<i>'redeem'</i>

CLASS D2 stems take: aN-, -um-, -an, and i-.

bula?	<i>'spit out'</i>
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CLASS E stems take: ag-, -en, -an, and i-.

papaan	<i>'feed a person'</i>
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CLASS F1 stems take: aN-, -en, -an, and i-.

ayeg	'harvest rice'
inem	'drink'
dulung	'fetch'

CLASS F2 stems take: ag-, -an, and i-.

ated	'take, deliver'
buug	'feed animals'

2. STEM CLASSES BASED ON PARTICIPANT ROLES

The verbs are also classified according to participant roles. For reasons discussed in section 5, only affixes -en, -an, and i- are considered in this classification. Also, for the most part, only those roles that can be mapped onto a surface topic tagmeme are taken into account. These roles,⁴ along with their abbreviations and definitions, are the following:

- A Agent, the animate participant who performs the action denoted by the verb.
- P Patient, the participant, animate or inanimate, that is affected or changed by the action.
- G-P Goal-Patient, a Patient that is simultaneously the participant toward which the Agent moves.
- L Location, the place where the action takes place.
- G Goal, the participant or place that is the target, or destination, towards which the action is directed.
- S Source, the participant or place away from which the action moves. Often it is the original location of the Patient.
- G-S Goal-Source, a Source that is simultaneously the participant toward which the Agent moves in carrying out the action.
- B Beneficiary, the participant for whose benefit the action is performed.
- I Instrument, the inanimate entity utilised in some way by the Agent to accomplish the action.
- Q Quantity, the inanimate entity that is gathered into a measurable state. Lexically, it is normally the same entity as the Patient, but it is encoded by a different

surface tagmeme.

- C Concomitant, the entity, animate or inanimate, that the Agent involves, or implicates, in performing the action; it accompanies the Agent during the action, but in a passive or inert manner.
- A-S Agent-Source, the participant who not only performs the action, but also is the original location of the Patient.
- X-POSR Possessor, the role, most often encoded on the phrase level, that specifies that role X has an obligatory possessor.

Other conventions employed in this paper are:

- V An action encoded by a verb stem plus affixation.
- X_t indicates that role X is encoded by a topicalised tagmeme.
- \sim indicates a mutually exclusive relationship. When, for example, it is used between two affix-role correlations, it means that certain verbs in the class involved take one correlation, while other verbs take the other; but no verbs take both. If there is no notation with a verb, it is to be understood that it takes the first of the two correlations.

Two other roles were investigated: Stimulus-Reason (S-R) and Time (T). As far as can be determined, these roles can occur with any verb. For this reason, they are used in this paper neither in setting up role combinations nor in classification. Both are topicalised with the verbal prefix *i-* and encoded by the Accessory tagmeme.

Stimulus-Reason is the entity to which the Agent responds by performing the action denoted by the verb. Speaking in another way, one may say that this role expresses the motivation or reason for the action. It appears to be similar to Beneficiary. The latter, however, is usually animate, while Stimulus-Reason has to do with emotions or perceptions.

- 2.1 yang linawa na (yay idinawat na tung yeen ta anen).⁵
 S-R_t: *breath his that requested he from me rice*
 'His hunger, that is what made him request food from me.'

- 2.2 (ilimbug u) yang siit yang kulu u.

lie down I S-R_t: pain of head my

'My headache is what made me lie down.'

Stimulus-Reason may also occur unfocused in a subject focus clause. In this case, however, phonologically there is a slight pause (symbolised by a comma) preceding the tagmeme, which is always encoded by a yang phrase.

- 2.3 (nagtukaw ra tung yamen ang minulik,) yang kapupungawen na.

preceded now to us-ex. returned S-R: homesickness his

'He returned home ahead of us due to his homesickness.'

Time is the period, or the moment, when the action of the verb is carried out. The affix combinations i-pag- and i-paN- are typically used to signal that the role of Time is in focus.

- 2.4 (ag)ipam(anak na ta ian) yang alas sais ang timpranu.

spear he fish T_t: six morning

'He spears fish at six o'clock in the morning.'

- 2.5 (ag)ipag(panaw ta lain ang tau) yang panabi u.

walk bad person T_t: pain signal my

'When I get a pain signal is the time when a bad person is coming.'

(A certain pain in the body is said to predict a future event.)

Time may also be encoded by an unfocused tagmeme in a clause other than accessory focus. It can be encoded by either a ta phrase (indefinite) or a tung phrase (definite).

- 2.6 (purki agatakaw) ta labii (yang ukban).

because get stolen T: night oranges

'Because the oranges get stolen at night.'

- 2.7 (yay pagpaiwaniwan) tung labiig kaldaw.

that is who cares for T: night and day

'She is the one who cares for (me) night and day.'

The encoding of each role cited above, as one or more surface structure tagmemes, is shown in table 1, on next page. Roles are shown on the left and topicalised tagmemes on the right; and the relevant verbal affix in each case is indicated on the line joining role and tagmeme.

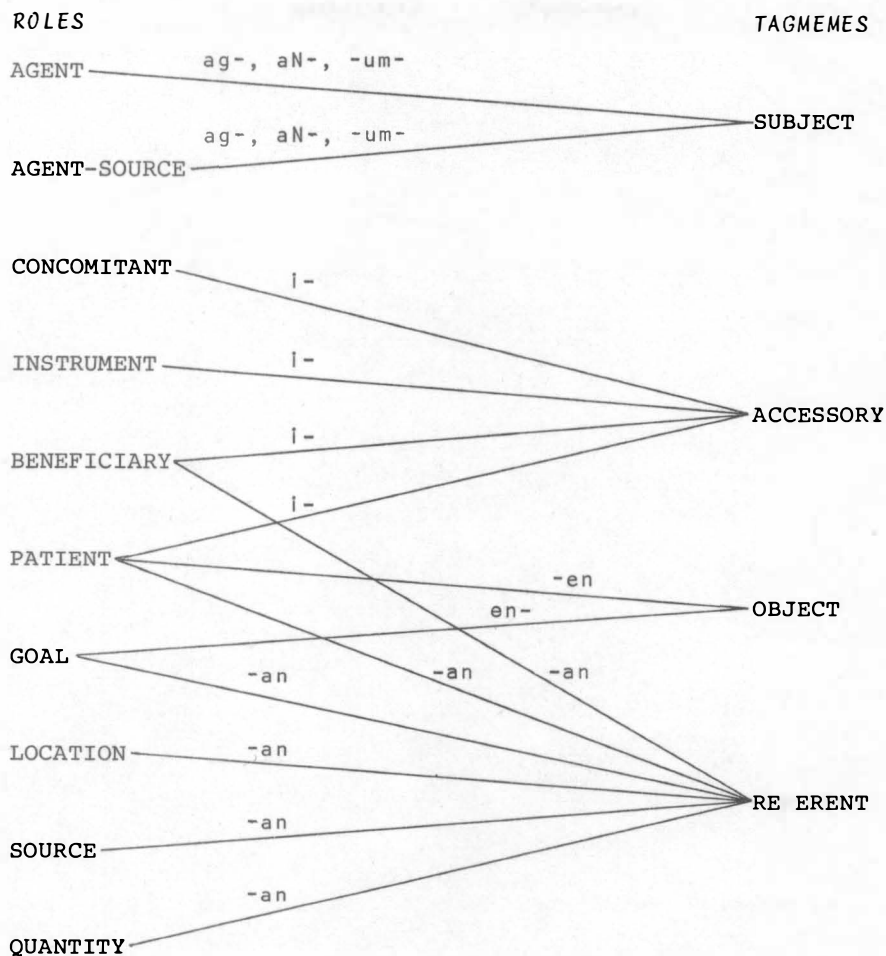


Table 1. Participant roles and their clause level tagmeme encodings.

A total of 32 role combinations are posited for these verbs. When these role combinations are counted in their occurrences with the three affixes stated above, 37 affix-role correlations are found to be useful. Each of these correlations is weighted equally in the classification.

The 37 correlations of affix with role combination are displayed in table 2 overleaf. The order of the symbols in the representation of any given combination of roles is arbitrary and does not represent the linear ordering of the tagmemes that encode the roles. An example of how the symbolisations are to be read is as follows: /APS_t/-an represents a clause whose predicate is affixed by -an and which may express

the roles of Agent, Patient, and Source, the latter being topicalised.

-en	-an	i-
AP _t	AL _t	ALC _t
AP _t -POSR	AL _t -POSR	ALI _t
AG _t	AG _t	AGC _t
AP _t L	APL _t	
AP _t S	APS _t	
AP _t G		
AP _t I	AP _t I	API _t
	APB _t	AG-PB _t
	AB _t C	ABC _t
	AS _t	ASC _t
	ASB _t	AG-SB _t
	AS _t I	ASI _t
	AQ _t	
	AP _t	
	AP _t L	
	A-SGL _t	
A-SPG _t	A-SPG _t	A-SP _t G
	A-SPB _t	A-SG-PB _t
	A-SPS _t	

Table 2. Role combinations with co-occurring affix.

3. STEM CLASSES IN DETAIL

Each stem class is defined by which of these 37 affix-role correlations the members of the class share. Because verb stems may occur with more than one role combination, often stems that are placed in the same class differ from one another by role combinations they do not share. As a consequence of multiple role combinations, 17 of the 60 verb stems were found to belong simultaneously to two or more stem classes each.

Such multiple class membership is indicated by cross-reference at the end of the entry following the verb stem. Also, immediately following each stem its classification by affix potential is indicated (see section 1). An example of how entries are made and how they are to be understood follows.

Class 1.1:

taluk (A2) 'hide' (cf. class 15)

This is to be read thus: In the role combination classification, taluk 'hide' belongs not only to class 1.1 but also to class 15; in the affixation potential classification taluk belongs to class A2.

3.1 CLASS 1 STEM CLASSES

Class 1.1: /A-SPG_t/-an ~ /A-SPG_t/-en,
/A-SP_tG/i-, /A-SPB_t/-an, and /A-SG-PB_t/i-.

tagtag (B2) 'distribute'
taluk (A2) 'hide' (cf. class 15)
bukbuk (A2) 'dump out'

Class 1.2: All the above except /A-SPB_t/-an.

luak (A2) 'plant'
tulud (C2) 'push'

Class 1.3: All except /A-SPB_t/-an and /A-SG-PB_t/i-.

pelek (B2) 'throw, throw away' (cf. class 15)
ulik (A1) 'return (something)' (cf. classes 6, 11)
pakdul (B2) 'give'
ated (F2) 'deliver'
buug (F2) 'feed animals' (cf. class 16)
bula? (D2) 'spit out'
wislik (B2) 'shake off'
papaan (E) 'feed a person' /A-SPG_t/-en (cf. class 16)

Class 1.4: /A-SP_tG/i- only.

dawat (D1) 'extend to' (cf. class 2)
wasak (B1) 'spread out' (cf. class 3)

ILLUSTRATIONS, CLASS 1:

3.1.1 /A-SPG_t/-an

akd(an) mu ti paulu ta anen na.
V:deliver A-S:you G_t: Paulo P: rice his
'Deliver to Paulo his rice.'

3.1.2 /A-SP_tG/i-

(i)ated mu tung ni paulu yang anen na.
 V:deliver A-S:you G:to Paulo P_t: rice his
 'Deliver his rice to Paulo.'

3.1.3 /A-SPG_t/-en

papaan(en) mu (kanay) ti amey mu ta beteng.
 V:feed A-S:you please G_t:uncle your P: young coconut
 'Please feed your uncle some young coconut.'

3.1.4 /A-SPB_t/-an

t(in)aluk(an) aw anya yang geer u.
 V:hid B_t:for me A-S:he P: bolo my
 'He hid my bolo for me.' (Cf. 3.15.2.)

3.1.5 /A-SG-PB_t/i-

(i)t(in)agtag aw (ra) ni wan ta sabur u.
 V:distributed B_t:for me now A-S:John G-P: seedling my
 'John went over to the seedlings and distributed them for me.'

3.2 CLASS 2 STEM CLASSES

Class 2.1: /AP_tS/-en, /APS_t/-an, /AQ_t/-an, /APB_t/-an,
 /AG-PB_t/i-, and /API_t/i-.

pisik	(D1)	'pick up'	
ali?	(A1)	'dig up'	
ganut	(B1)	'dig up camote by rolling up leaves'	
upak	(A1)	'remove bark'	(cf. class 9)
seyak	(A1)	'split up wood'	(cf. class 3)
pelad	(A1)	'out down'	(cf. class 3)
pukis	(A1)	'cut in two'	
panak	(D1)	'spear'	

Class 2.2: All except /AQ_t/-an.

kanit	(A1)	'remove hide'	(cf. class 9)
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Class 2.3: /AP_t-POSR/-en or /AP_t/-en instead of /AP_tS/-en;
 /AS_tI/-an instead of /APS_t/-an; all the rest are the same.

sarab	(A1)	'singe'	
kalaw	(A1)	'snatch away'	

Class 2.4: shares only /AP_tS/-en, /APS_t/-an, and /AG-PB_t/i-.

dawat (D1) 'request, extend to' (cf. class 1)

Class 2.5: shares only /AP_tS/-en and /APS_t/-an.

dulung (F1) 'fetch' (cf. class 3)

ILLUSTRATIONS, CLASS 2:

3.2.1 /AP_tS/-en

(pinag)ali ni nulay yang kapari tung kaluakan ta.

V:dug up A: Nulay P_t: kapari root S:from garden our
'Nulay dug up the kapari root from our garden.'

3.2.2 /APS_t/-an

(pinang)ali(an) ni nulay yang kaluakan ta ta kapari.

V:dug up A: Nulay S_t: garden our P: kapari root
'Nulay dug up some kapari root from our garden.'

3.2.3 /AQ_t/-an

(in)ali(an) ni nulay yang kaparing atia.

V:dug up A: Nulay Q_t: kapari root that
'Nulay dug up that much kapari root.'

3.2.4 /APB_t/-an

(in)ali(an) aw ni nulay ta kapari.

V:dug up B_t:for me A: Nulay P: kapari root
'Nulay dug up some kapari root for me.'

3.2.5 /AG-PB_t/i-

(in)ali aw ni nulay ta kapari.

V:dug up B_t:for me A: Nulay P: kapari root
'Nulay went out and dug up some kapari root for me.'

3.2.6 /API_t/i-

(ipinang)ali ni nulay ta kapari yang sukan u.

V:dug up A: Nulay P: kapari root I_t: digging tool my
'Nulay dug up some kapari root with my digging tool.'

3.2.7 /AP_t-POSR/-en

s(in)arab na yang bulbul na.

V:singed A:he P_t: feathers-POSR:its
'He singed its feathers.'

3.2.8 /AP_t/-en

s(in)arab na yang paray.

V:singed A:he P_t: unhusked rice
'He singed the rice.'

3.2.9 /AS_tI/-an

s(in)arab(an) na yang babuy ta lukay.

V:singed A:he S_t: pig I: torch
'He singed the pig with a torch.'

3.3 CLASS 3 STEM CLASSES

Class 3.1: /AP_tL/-en, /APL_t/-an, /AQ_t/-an, /APB_t/-an,
/AG-PB_t/i-, and /API_t/i-.

ayeg	(F1)	'harvest rice'	
geret	(A1)	'cut up transversely'	
laglag	(A1)	'butcher'	
pelad	(A1)	'cut down'	(cf. class 2)
pesek	(B1)	'smash'	

Class 3.2: lacks /AQ_t/-an.

wasak	(B1)	'spread out'	(cf. class 1)
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Class 3.3: lacks /APL_t/-an.

seyak	(A1)	'split up wood'	(cf. class 2)
barik	(A1)	'break'	

Class 3.4: lacks /AP_tL/-en and /AQ_t/-an.

bitbit	(A1)	'carry by the fingers'	
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Class 3.5: shares only /APL_t/-an.

dulung	(F1)	'fetch'	(cf. class 2)
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ILLUSTRATIONS, CLASS 3:

3.3.1 /AP_tL/-en

(in)ayeg na yang wagwag tung taraneman ang atii.

V:harvested A:he P_t: variety of rice L:in paddy that
'He harvested the wagwag rice in that paddy over there.'

3.3.2 /APL_t/-an

(pinang)ayeg(an) na ta wagwag yang taraneman ang atii.
 V:harvested A:he P: variety of rice L_t: paddy that
 'He harvested the wagwag rice in that paddy over there.'

3.3.3 /AQ_t/-an

(in)ayeg(an) na yang duruang sakung paray.
 V:harvested A:he Q_t: two sack rice
 'He harvested the amount of two sacks of rice.'

3.3.4 /APB_t/-an

(in)ayeg(an) na ti nanay na ta ebas.
 V:harvested A:he B_t:mother his P: immature rice
 'He harvested some immature rice for his mother.'

3.3.5 /AG-PB_t/i-

(in)ayeg aw anya ta ebas.
 V:harvested B_t:for me A:he P: immature rice
 'He went out and harvested some immature rice for me.'

3.3.6 /API_t/i-

(ipinang)ayeg na ta paray yang kaayeg u.
 V:harvested A:he P: rice I_t: harvesting instrument my
 'He harvested some rice with my harvesting instrument.'

3.4 CLASS 4 STEMS

Class 4: /AL_t/-an and /ALC_t/i-.

karung	(C2)	'sit'	
kereng	(C2)	'stand'	
lubug	(C2)	'lie down'	
bayuktut	(C2)	'curl up'	
takwal	(A1)	'climb up'	(cf. class 5)
digu?	(A1)	'bathe'	(cf. class 10)

ILLUSTRATIONS, CLASS 4:

3.4.1 /AL_t/-an

t(in)akwal(an) na yang balagen.
 V:climbed up A:he L_t: vine
 'He climbed up on the vine.'

3.4.2 /ALC_t/i-

(i)t(in)akwal aw ni paulu tung ayu?.

V:climbed up C_t:with me A: Paulo L: tree

'Paulo climbed up into the tree with me (on his back).'

3.5 CLASS 5 STEM CLASSES

Class 5.1: /AP_tG/-en, /AG_t/-en, /AL_t/-an, /APB_t/-an,
/AB_tC/-an, /ABC_t/i-, and /AG-PB_t/i-.

tungul (Ø1) 'ascend a mountain'

danek (Ø1) 'descend'

Class 5.2: shares all of the above except /AG_t/-en and /APB_t/-an.

takwal (A1) 'climb up' (cf. class 4)

Class 5.3: shares only /AB_tC/-an, /ABC_t/i-, and /AG_t/-en.

laksu? (A1) 'run' (cf. class 6)

ILLUSTRATIONS, CLASS 5:

3.5.1 /AP_tG/-en

tungul(un) mu (kanay) yang saleng tung ni tatay mu.

V:ascend mountain A:you please P_t: pitch G: father your

'Please ascend the mountain (to get) the pitch at your father's.'

3.5.2 /AG_t/-en

tungul(un) mu yang bukid yang dibulalu?.

V:ascend mountain A:you G_t: mountain of Dibulalu

'Climb up Dibulalu Mountain.' (Punctiliar action, i.e. the agent climbs just for the sake of climbing and then comes down again.)

3.5.3 /AL_t/-an

t(in)ungul(an) ni tinuy yang bukid yang dibulalu?.

V:ascended mountain A: Tinuy L_t: mountain of Dibulalu

'Tinuy climbed Dibulalu Mountain.' (Durative action, i.e. the agent stayed on the mountain a while.)

3.5.4 /APB_t/-an

t(in)ungul(an) aw ni tinuy ta saleng.

V:ascended mountain B_t:for me A: Tinuy P: pitch

'Tinuy ascended the mountain (to get) the pitch for me.'

3.5.5 /AB_tC/-an

tungul(an) mu ti tatay mung gesye ta kalabasa?.

V:ascend mountain A:you B_t: father your small C: squash

'Take some squash up the mountain for your little father (a particular uncle).'

3.5.6 /ABC_t/i-

(i)t(in)ungul na yang kalabasa tung ni tatay nang gesye?.

V:ascended mountain A:he C_t: squash B: father his small

'He took some squash up the mountain for his little father (a particular uncle).'

3.5.7 /AG-PB_t/i-

(i)t(in)ungul aw ni tinuy ta kasuy.

V:ascended mountain B_t:for me A: Tinuy G-P: cashew nuts

'Tinuy ascended the mountain (to get) some cashew nuts for me.'

3.6 CLASS 6 STEM CLASSES

Class 6.1: /AG_t/-en, /AG_t/-an, /AS_t/-an, /AGC_t/i-, and /ASC_t/i-.

laksu?	(A1)	'run'	(cf. class 5)
layug	(C1)	'fly'	/AG _t /-an
layas	(C2)	'run away'	/AG _t /-an

Class 6.2: /AG_t/-en only.

ulik	(A1)	'return to (someone)'	(cf. classes 1, 11)
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ILLUSTRATIONS, CLASS 6:

3.6.1 /AG_t/-en

l(in)aksu na yang kasawa na.

V:ran A:she G_t: spouse her

'She ran towards her husband.'

3.6.2 /AG_t/-an

(pinan)layas(an) ni tampulanu yang mindanaw.

V:ran far away A: Tampulanu G_t: Mindanao

'Tampulanu ran far away to Mindanao.'

3.6.3 /AS_t/-an

l(in)ayas(an) ni tampulanu yang mga putul na.

V:ran far away A: Tampulanu S_t: plural sibling his

'Tampulanu ran far away from his siblings.'

3.6.4 /AS_t/-an

(pinan)laksu(an) na yang kasawa na.

V:ran A:she S_t: spouse her

'She ran from her husband.'

3.6.5 /AGC_t/i-

(i)l(in)aksu na yang kasawa na tung balay.

V:ran A:he C_t: spouse his G: house

'He ran with his wife over to the house (to get her out of danger).'

3.6.6 /ASC_t/i-

(i)l(in)ayug yang kanug yang ana na tung bayay.

V:flew A: eagle C_t: child its S:from nest

'The eagle flew with its child from the nest.'

3.7 CLASS 7 STEMS

Class 7: /AP_tL/-an, /AP_t/-an, /AG-PB_t/i-, and /API_t/i-.

lampasu?	(A2)	'scrub with water'	/AP _t /-an
bunak	(A2)	'wash clothes'	
ugas	(A2)	'wash dishes'	

ILLUSTRATIONS, CLASS 7:

3.7.1 /AP_tL/-an

(in)ugas(an) ni angi yang mga pinggan tung palanggana?.

V:washed A: Angi P_t: plural dish L:in basin

'Angi washed the dishes in the basin.'

3.7.2 /AG-PB_t/i-

(in)ugas aw anya yang pinggan ang atia.

V:washed B_t:for me A:she G-P: dish that

'She went and washed that dish for me.'

3.7.3 /API_t/i-

(ipinang)ugas ni angi yang waing malabab tung mga pinggan.

V:washed A: Angi I_t: water lukewarm P: plural dish

'Angi washed the dishes with lukewarm water.'

3.7.4 /AP_t/-an

(pinag)lampasu(an) na yang balay.

V:scrubbed with water A:he P_t: house

'He scrubbed the whole house with water.'

3.8 CLASS 8 STEMS

Class 8: /AP_tL/-en, /APS_t/-an, and /AG-PB_t/i-.

pangan	(B1)	'eat'
inem	(F1)	'drink'

ILLUSTRATIONS, CLASS 8:

3.8.1 /AP_tL/-en

(in)inem na yang teba tung balay ang atii.
 V:drank A:he P_t: kind of fermented drink L:in house that
'He drank the tuba in that house over there.'

3.8.2 /APS_t/-an

(pinang)inem(an) na yang ungut ang dakulu ta teba?
 V:drank A:he S_t: coconut shell big P:kind of fermented drink
'He drank tuba from the large coconut shell.'

3.8.3 /AG-PB_t/i-

(in)inem na yang tian na ta teba?
 V:drank A:he B_t: stomach his G-P: kind of fermented drink
'He drank some tuba for his stomach's sake.'

3.9 CLASS 9 STEMS

Class 9: /AP_t-POSR/-en, /ASB_t/-an, /AG-SB_t/i-, and /ASI_t/i-.

upak	(A1)	'remove bark'	(cf. class 2)
kanit	(A1)	'remove hide'	(cf. class 2)

ILLUSTRATIONS, CLASS 9:

3.9.1 /AP_t-POSR/-en

(in)upak na yang ulit yang ayu?
 V:removed A:he P_t: bark-POSR: tree
'He removed the bark of the tree.'

3.9.2 /ASB_t/-an

(in)upak(an) aw anya yang mga ayung atia.
 V:removed B_t:for me A:he S: plural tree that
'He removed the bark from those trees for me.'

3.9.3 /AG-SB_t/i-

(in)upak aw anya yang mga ayung atia.

V:removed B_t:for me A:he G-S: plural tree that

'He went and removed the bark from those trees for me.'

3.9.4 /ASI_t/i-

(ipinag)upak na yang geer u tung mga ayung atia.

V:removed A:he I_t: bolo my S: plural tree that

'He removed the bark from those trees with my bolo.'

3.10 CLASS 10 STEMS

Class 10: /AP_t/-an, /AP_tL/-en, /APL_t/-an, /API_t/i-, and /AL_t/-an.

digu?	(A1)	'bathe'	/AP _t L/-en	(cf. class 4)
damus	(A2)	'wash face'		

ILLUSTRATIONS, CLASS 10:

3.10.1 /AP_t/-an

d(in)amus(an) aw ni marki.

V:wash face P_t:I A: Mark

'Mark washed my face.'

3.10.2 /AL_t/-an

(pinan)damus(an) na yang ungut ang dakulu?.

V:washed face A:he L_t: coconut shell large

'He washed his face in the large coconut shell.'

3.10.3 /AP_tL/-en

d(in)igu na yang ana na tung bawang.

V:bathed A:he P_t: child her L:in river

'She bathed her child in the river.'

3.10.4 /APL_t/-an

(pinag)digu(an) na yang bawang ang atia tung ana na.

V:bathed A:she L_t: river that P: child her

'She bathed her child in that river over there.'

3.10.5 /API_t/i-

(ipinan)digu na yang waing malabab tung ana na.

V:bathed A:she I_t: water lukewarm P: child her

'She used the lukewarm water to bathe her child.'

3.11 CLASS 11 STEM CLASSES

Class 11.1: /AP_t/-en ~ /AP_tL/-en, /AP_t/-an ~ /APL_t/-an,
/API_t/i-, and /AG-PB_t/i-.

deep (A1) 'catch, apprehend' /AP_tL/-en, /APL_t/-an
sagep (A1) 'catch with hands'

Class 11.2: /AP_t/-en only.

ulik (A1) 'repair' (cf. classes 1, 6)

ILLUSTRATIONS, CLASS 11:

3.11.1 /AP_t/-en

s(in)agep na yang bula?.

V: caught A: he P_t: ball

'He caught the ball.'

3.11.2 /AP_tL/-en

(pinan)deep na yang mga bakes ang atia tung bukatud ang atii.

V: caught A: he P_t: plural monkey that L: hillock that

'He caught those monkeys on that hillock over there.'

3.11.3 /AP_t/-an

s(in)agep(an) na yang bula?.

V: caught A: he P_t: ball

'He caught the ball.'

3.11.4 /APL_t/-an

(pinag)deep(an) na ta bakes yang bukatud ang atii.

V: caught A: he P: monkey L_t: hillock that

'He caught the monkey on that hillock.'

3.11.5 /API_t/i-

(i)s(in)agep na yang kalima nang wala tung bula?.

V: caught A: he I_t: hand his left P: ball

'He caught the ball with his left hand.'

3.11.6 /AG-PB_t/i-

(ipinan)deep na yang mga putul na ta bakes.

V: caught A: he B_t: plural sibling his G-P: monkey

'He went out and caught monkeys for his siblings.'

3.12 CLASS 12 STEMS

Class 12: /AP_t-POSR/-en, /AL_t-POSR/-an, /API_t/i-, /ALI_t/i-, and /AP_tL/-en.

karus	(D1)	'scratch'
keget	(A1)	'bite'

ILLUSTRATIONS, CLASS 12:

3.12.1 /AP_tL/-en

k(in)eget ni dulu yang mula u tung kakay na.
 V:bit A: Dulu P_t: child my L: foot his
 'Dulu (a dog) bit my child on his foot.'

3.12.2 /AP_t-POSR/-en

k(in)eget ni dulu yang kakay yang mula u.
 V:bit A: Dulu P_t: foot-POSR: child my
 'Dulu bit the foot of my child.'

3.12.3 /AL_t-POSR/-an

k(in)eget(an) ni dulu yang kakay yang mula u.
 V:bit A: Dulu L_t: foot-POSR: child my
 'Dulu bit my child's foot.'

3.12.4 /API_t/i-

(ipinang)eget na yang belkang na tung tubu?.
 V:bit A:he I_t: molar his P: sugarcane
 'He used his molars to bite the sugarcane.'

3.12.5 /ALI_t/i-

(ipinang)arus na yang ukub nang abwat tung kabala u.
 V:scratched A:he I_t: fingernail his long L: arm my
 'He scratched my arm with his long fingernail.'

3.13 CLASS 13 STEMS

Class 13: /AP_tS/-en, /AS_t/-an, /ASB_t/-an ~ /AG-SB_t/i-, and /ASI_t/i-.

liway	(A1)	'clear off'	/AG-SB _t /i-
ilamun	(A1)	'weed'	

ILLUSTRATIONS, CLASS 13:

3.13.1 /AP_tS/-en

l(in)iway na yang linget tung dalam.

V:cleared A:he P_t: weeds S:from path

'He cleared the weeds from the path.'

3.13.2 /AS_t/-an

l(in)iway(an) na yang dalam.

V:cleared A:he S: path

'He cleared the path.'

3.13.3 /ASB_t/-an

(in)ilamun(an) ami (ka) nira yang balay yamen.

V:weeded B_t:for us too A:they S: house our

'They also weeded around our house for us.'

3.13.4 /AG-SB_t/i-

(i)l(in)iway aw ni tampulanu yang dalam.

V:cleared B_t:for me A:Tampulanu G-S: path

'Tampulanu went off and cleared the path for me.'

3.13.5 /ASI_t/i-

(ipinag)liway na yang geer u tung dalam.

V:cleared A:he I_t: bolo my S: path

'He cleared the path with my bolo.'

3.14 CLASS 14 STEMS

Class 14: /AP_tS/-en, /APS_t/-an, /AP_tI/-en ~ /AP_tI/-an, /API_t/i-

alang (D1) 'buy'

gawad (D1) 'redeem' /AP_tI/-an

ILLUSTRATIONS, CLASS 14:

3.14.1 /AP_tS/-en

alang(en) na yang bila na tung tindaan.

V:purchase A:he P_t: fishhooks his S:from store

'He will purchase his fishhooks from the store.'

3.14.2 /APS_t/-an

(pinang)gawar(an) na yang sastri yang tarual na.

V:redeemed A:he S_t: tailor P: pants his

'He redeemed his pants from the tailor.'

3.14.3 /AP_tI/-en

alang(en) u (ilem) ta bainti yang a_{bel} ang atia.

V:will buy A:I only I: twenty P_t: clothing that
'I'll just purchase that piece of clothing for twenty pesos.'

3.14.4 /AP_tI/-an

gawar(an) na yang tarual na ta kuaru.

V:redem A:he P_t: pants his I: four
'He'll redeem his pants for four pesos.' (Cf. 3.14.5.)

3.14.5 /AP_tS/-en

gawar(en) na yang tarual na tung sastru.

V:redem A:he P_t: pants his S:from tailor
'He will redeem his pants from the tailor.' (Cf. 3.14.4.)

3.14.6 /API_t/i-

(ipinang)gawad na yang kuaru pisus tung tarual na.

V:redemed A:he I_t: four pesos P: pants his
'He redeemed his pants with the four pesos.'

3.15 CLASS 15 STEMS

Class 15: /A-SPS_t/-an

taluk	(A2)	'hide'	(cf. class 1)
pelek	(B2)	'throw, throw away'	(cf. class 1)

ILLUSTRATIONS, CLASS 15:

3.15.1 /A-SPS_t/-an

p(in)lek(an) ti tampulanu ni kasawa na ta bila?.

V:threw away S_t: Tampulanu A-S: spouse his P: fishhooks
'Tampulanu's wife threw away his fishhooks.'

3.15.2 /A-SPS_t/-an

t(in)aluk(an) aw anya yang geed na.

V:hid S_t:I A-S:he P: bolo his
'He hid his bolo from me.' (Cf. 3.1.4.)

3.16 CLASS 16 STEMS

Class 16: /A-SGL_t/-an

buug	(F2)	'feed animals'	(cf. class 1)
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papaan (E) 'feed a person' (cf. class 1)

ILLUSTRATIONS, CLASS 16:

3.16.1 /A-SGL_t/-an

(pinag)buug(an) na yang pasungan tung mga manu u.
 V:fed A-S:he L_t: trough G: plural chicken my
 'The trough was where he fed my chickens.'

3.16.2 /A-SGL_t/-an

(pinag)papaan(an) na yang linu tung aka u.
 V:fed A-S:he L_t: winnowing tray G: elder sibling my
 'The winnowing tray was the place where he fed my elder sibling.'

Two verbs were difficult to classify. These are tukuk 'duck, bow head down' and angay 'go'. Their affix-role correlations are given below with illustrations.

tukuk (A2) 'duck, bow head down': /APG_t/paN--an, /AP_tG/i-paN-,
 /APS_t/-an, and /AP_tS/i-.

1. /APG_t/paN--an

(pina)nukuk(an) na yang ayu yang kulu na.
 V: bowed down A:he G_t: tree P: head his
 'He laid his head down upon the tree branch.'

2. /AP_tG/i-paN-

(ipina)nukuk na yang kulu na tung ayu?.
 V: bowed down A:he P_t: head his G: tree
 'He laid his head down upon the tree branch.'

3. /APS_t/-an

t(in)ukuk(an) na yang ayu yang kulu na.
 V: duck A:he S_t: tree P: head his
 'He ducked his head away from the tree branch.'

4. /AP_tS/i-

(i)t(in)ukuk na yang kulu na tung ayu?.
 V: ducked A:he P_t: head his S: tree
 'He ducked his head away from the tree branch.'

angay (C1) 'go': /AG-P_t/-en, /APG_t/-an, /AG_t/-an, and
 /AGC_t/i-.

1. /AG-P_t/-en

angay(en) mu (unu) yang adi?.

V:go A:you he says G-P_t:king

'The king says you are to go to him.' (Implies that the Agent will do something when he gets there, namely, obey the king's command.)

2. /AG_t/-an

angay(an) mu (ra) yang adi?.

V:go A:you now G_t: king

'You are to go to the king now.' (Nothing is implied about any other action.)

3. /APG_t/-an

angay(an) u ti rikardu yang geer u.

V:go A:I G_t: Ricardo P: bolo my

'I'll go to Ricardo (and get) my bolo.' (Implies that the bolo may or may not be ready.)

4. /AGC_t/i-

(i)angay u taang tabaku tung ni unγκuy.

V:go A:I C_t:here tobacco G: friend

'I'll go to (my) friend with this tobacco here.'

4. MEANINGS OF AFFIXES

In this study, detailed investigation of hundreds of clauses brought to light many new facets of the meanings of various affixes.

4.1 i- This affix signals that the Agent moves away from his original position in order to carry out the action of the verb. In a real-life situation the existing relationship between the Agent and the Patient is the determining factor, as can be seen in the examples cited below.

4.1.1 i(geret)ay (kanay ta kalamunding.)
cut up (you for me) please kalamansi fruit
'Please go and cut up some kalamansi for me.'

The situation reflected in this utterance is that the Patient (the kalamansi fruit) is some distance away from the Agent (the hearer, understood). So, in order to carry out the action of the verb (cutting up), the Agent must leave his original position and go to where the kalamansi are.

4.1.2 (geret)ay (kanay ta kalamunding.)
cut up (you for me) please kalamansi fruit
'Please cut up some kalamansi for me.'

The situation reflected in this utterance is that the Patient is within easy reach of the Agent, and it will not be necessary for him to move from his original position in order to carry out the action of the verb. Note also that the -ay suffix in both instances signals obligative mode, which is used when making a polite request. In 4.1.2, -ay may be said to have replaced the -an suffix, which would be used in a statement describing the same situation.⁶

4.2 The combination of the subject focus affixes ag- + paN- signals intense distribution of the action of the verb either with respect to multiple Patients or sometimes directed to multiple Goals.

4.2.1 (yay n)ag(tagtag yang sabud tung kaun.)
that is who distributed seedlings rice paddy
'That is who distributed the seedlings in the rice paddy.'

4.2.2 (yay n)agpan(agtay yang sabud tung kaun.)
that is who distributed seedlings rice paddy
'That is who distributed the seedlings in all the rice paddies.'

4.2.3 (n)ang(alang aw ra ta aBel.)
bought I now clothing
'I bought some clothing.'

4.2.4 (n)agpang(alang da ta aBel.)
bought now clothing
'He went around buying clothing.'

4.3 The subject focus affixes ag- and aN- contrast in the following ways:

ag- = thoroughgoing, intense, long-term, durative action;
 also in certain contexts it implies that all possible
 Patients actually receive the action.

aN- = diffuse, rather short-term punctiliar action; in
 certain contexts it implies the selection of one or a
 few Patients from a group of many.

4.3.1 (n)ag(takwal ti duduy ta niuy.)
climbed up laddie coconut
'Laddie climbed up and got coconuts (implies several).'

4.3.2 (n)an(akwal ti duduy ta niuy.)
climbed up laddie coconut
'Laddie climbed up and got some (a few) coconuts.'

4.3.3 (ti tampulanu yay n)ag(lampasu yang pasungan.)
Tampulanu that scrubbed feed trough
'It was Tampulanu who thoroughly scrubbed the feed trough.'

4.3.4 (ti tampulanu yay n)an(lampasu yang pasungan.)
Tampulanu that scrubbed feed trough
'It was Tampulanu who scrubbed the feed trough a bit.'

Also, there is some evidence that p-ag- contrasts with p-aN- in the same way in nonsubject focus clauses.

4.3.5 p(in)ag(barik na yang kakay yang karabaw.)
broke he foot of carabao
'He broke all the feet of the carabao.'

4.3.6 p(in)am(arik na yang kakay yang karabaw.)
broke he foot of carabao
'He broke the carabao's foot.'

4.3.7 p(in)ag(pelaran na yang bakayan.)
felled he the beach
'The beach was where he felled the trees (a thorough job).'

4.3.8 p(in)am(elaran na yang bakayan.)
felled he the beach
'The beach was where he felled (a few) trees.'

Clearly, more analysis of the meanings of ag- and aN- is necessary. For this, verbs should be tried in clauses of the following kinds, with careful attention being given to meaning differences.

Subject focus:	ag-	versus	aN-	versus	ag-p-aN-
Object focus:	p-ag--en	versus	p-aN--en	versus	-en
Referent focus:	p-ag--an	versus	p-aN--an	versus	-an
Associate focus:	i-p-ag-	versus	i-p-aN-	versus	-i

4.4 With certain verbs the presence or absence of aN- signals the occurrence of certain participant roles.

4.4.1 With some verbs this affix signals the occurrence of Goal.

4.4.1.1 (n)an(ukuk ti tampulanu yang kulu na) tung ayu?.
bowed Tampulanu head his G: tree
'Tampulanu bowed his head down upon the tree branch.'

- 4.4.1.2 (pin)an(ukukan na) yang ayu (yang kulu na.)
 bowed he G: tree head his
'He bowed his head down upon the tree branch.' (Cf. 4.4.3.)
- 4.4.2 With other verbs this same affix signals the occurrence of Source.
- 4.4.2.1 (n)an(laksu yang babay) tung ni kasawa na.
 ran woman S: spouse her
'The woman ran away from her husband.'
- 4.4.2.2 (pin)an(layugan yang kanug) yang bayay na.
 flew eagle S: nest its
'The eagle flew away from its nest.' (Cf. 4.4.4.)
- 4.4.2.3 (pin)ang(egetan na) yang tabaku u.
 bit he S: tobacco my
'He bit some off from my plug of tobacco.' (Cf. 4.4.5.)
- 4.4.3 By contrast, with some verbs the absence of aN- signals the occurrence of Source.
- (tinukukan na) yang ayu (yang kulu na.)
 ducked he S: tree head his
'He ducked his head away from the tree branch.' (Cf. 4.4.1.2.)
- 4.4.4 With other verbs the absence of this affix signals the occurrence of Goal.
- (linayugan) aw (yang kutung.)
 flew G:me rice bird
'The rice bird flew over to me.' (Cf. 4.4.2.2.)
- 4.4.5 With still other verbs the absence of this affix signals the occurrence of Location.
- (kinegetan na) yang kakay (yang mula u.)
 bit he L: foot of child my
'He bit the foot of my child.' (Cf. 4.4.2.3.)
- 4.5 The infix -um-, in addition to signalling subject focus, also has the following meanings: unplanned, unintentional, unexpected, casual action. It can be a spur-of-the-moment action, a mere happenstance, something short-lived, lackadaisical, or a mere token type of action.

- 4.5.1 (ti tampulanu yay s)um(inagep yang bula?.)
Tampulanu that caught ball
'Tampulanu was the one who caught the ball.'
 (He had not really planned to, but because he hated to see the ball hit the ground without being caught, he caught it.)
- 4.5.2 m(inisik taang anen u.)
picked up this rice my
'He picked up some of my rice in his hand.'
 (He was walking by, hungry, and, on the spur of the moment, he found himself scooping up a handful of cooked rice from my pile.)
- 4.5.3 m(initbit ti tampulanu ta sang bilug ang niuy.)
carry by fingers Tampulanu one unit coconut
'Tampulanu carried one coconut by his fingers.'
 (He just happened to come by and pick one up.)
- 4.5.4 (yay tukaw ang) m(inali ti tampulanu.)
that first dug up Tampulanu
'Tampulanu was the first one to dig up (the ground).'
 (He dug the first few shovelfuls for his child's grave.)

5. METHODOLOGY

When there are a large number of stem features to be examined, how can one know ahead of time which of the features will be most useful for purposes of classification? Some notes on the methodology used during the research for this paper follow, and they may suggest some answers to that question.

5.1 It has been the experience of students of Philippine languages that infrequent affixes and affixes whose occurrence and meaning are highly predictable have little value for classificatory purposes. Because it falls in the latter category, most investigators have given little consideration to the causative prefix *pa-* in classifying verb stems.

5.2 In this classification study the three subject focus affixes *ag-*, *aN-*, and *-um-* were the first ones chosen. The two reasons for this are that (1) this is where most students have started, and (2) the differences in the meanings of these affixes were not clearly understood. Next, the object focus suffix *-en*, the referent focus suffix *-an*, and the accessory focus prefix *i-* were chosen because most previous

investigators have taken these into account also, and they have found much complexity in both their surface and deep structures.

5.3 The first classification was made on the basis of which of these six affixes could occur with a given stem. The affixes *i-* and *-an*, however, were found to occur with all the stems examined, which means that the classification was really based on only the other four.

5.4 The second classification was made on the basis of the roles expressible in clauses whose verbs are affixed by *-en*, *-an*, and *i-* and by affix combinations including these three affixes. Subject focus affixes were disregarded, because in many Philippine languages subject focus clauses tend to have one tagmeme fewer than nonsubject focus clauses, and it was presumed, therefore, that this would limit what these clauses could reveal about role structures.

The choice of these three affixes was a happy one, for when they were compared, new role structures that had never before been noticed were quickly recognised. This, in turn, stimulated further elicitation to see if the newly discovered roles and structures occurred also with other verbs.

Often there was difficulty in identifying roles. There were several instances of indeterminacy between pairs of roles, such as between Goal and Patient, Goal and Beneficiary, Patient and Concomitant, and Goal and Location. To cope with this problem, I found it necessary to refine the initial, tentative definitions with which I had started. For instance, it was not until Goal was defined as the target toward which the action is directed that it could be clearly distinguished from Patient and Location.

Also as work progressed, by trial and error I learned how to recognise and evaluate clues given by my language helper, which facilitated differentiation of roles. One such hint, that Concomitant, even though animate, is an inert, passive participant during the action, helped to contrast Concomitant with Patient. This does not mean, however, that all ambiguities have been resolved. For instance, Goal is still difficult to distinguish from Beneficiary in some cases.

Another aid in identifying roles was to transform clauses from one focus to another. This was valuable, because only certain roles can be encoded as topic in clauses of a given focus.

5.5 After the affixes to be considered were decided, the verbs were studied to see what combinations of roles and affixes they could take. Then the stems were grouped into classes. Each class was posited on the

basis of the correlations of role combination with affix that are possible with its member verbs. Where a verb was found to share some, or even one, of the affix-role correlations that define a class, it was added to that class as a subclass.

In order for more verbs to be included in a class than would otherwise be possible, a mutually exclusive relationship between two affix-role correlations was sometimes posited. In such cases, some verbs in a class take one correlation; other verbs take the other correlation; but no verbs take both. Often the only difference is the affix that co-occurs with the role combination.

5.6 Eventually it became evident that numerous role combinations were involved in the distinguishing of the different verb stem classes. An effort was made to reduce this complexity to a small set of diagnostic features for distinguishing all sixteen stem classes; however, no consistent way was found to do so.

6. MULTIPLE ROLE COMBINATIONS

Aside from methodology, this research paid dividends in other respects as well. For instance, I became impressed during elicitation sessions with my language helper with what might be called the "elasticity" of verb stems. It is this property, it seems, that allows a native speaker to use verb stems in new situations as needed. Such a new situation might elicit from a speaker a role that perhaps had never before occurred with that particular stem in that speaker's idiolect. I received the impression that, if one were to elicit more and more situations describable by a particular verb stem, he would find that more roles could occur with that verb stem than he at first had thought possible.

A case in point may be helpful. There is a verb *upak* 'remove bark' and also a verb *kanit* 'remove hide'. That the role of Quantity may occur with *upak* reflects a cultural reality: the bark of certain trees has commercial value and, therefore, has to be measured. This same role, however, may not occur with *kanit*, because the hides of animals have little or no commercial value for the Tagbanwa. Therefore, to measure, or count, them is meaningless.

Consequently, by the end of this study it had become clear that more verbs than generally realised have several expressible role combinations, rather than just one. This appears to be more frequent than has been implied in general case grammar writings or reported heretofore for Philippine languages. For the Kalamian Tagbanwa verbs studied,

disregarding affixes that correlate with role combinations, one can obtain the following statistics showing the correlation of number of role combinations with verb stems. For example, it is found that the number of verb stems that may occur with three role combinations is thirteen.

No. of role combinations:	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
No. of verb stems:	3	10	13	8	11	9	2	3	1

One stem was found to occur with as many as ten role combinations. That stem is takwal 'climb up',⁷ and these ten role combinations are the following:

6.1 /AG-P_t/

takwal(en) mu (ra kanay) yang niuy.

V: climb up A: you now please G-P_t: coconut
'Please climb up (and get) the coconut.'

6.2 /AP_tG/

t(in)akwal ni paulu yang baul yamen tung budiga.

V: climbed up A: Paulo P_t: trunk our-ex. G: storage
'Paulo climbed up to the storage place (and got) our trunk.'

6.3 /AG-PB_t/

(i)t(in)akwal aw anya ta niuy.

V: climbed up B_t: for me A: he G-P: coconut
'He climbed up (and got) a coconut for me.'

6.4 /AQ_t/

t(in)akwal(an) na yang mga niuy ang atia.

V: climbed up A: he Q_t: plural coconut that
'He climbed up (and got) that many coconuts.'

6.5 /AB_tC/

t(in)akwal(an) aw (ra) anya ta pinli?.

V: climbed up B_t: for me now A: he C: rope
'He climbed up with a rope for me.'

6.6 /ALC_t/

(i)t(in)akwal aw ni paulu tung ayu?.

V: climbed up C_t: with me A: Paulo L: tree
'Paulo climbed up into the tree with me (on his back).'

6.7 /AL_t/

t(in)akwal(an) ni runsilyu yang balagen.

V:climbed up A: Ronsillo L_t: vine
'Ronsillo climbed up on the vine.'

6.8 /AL_tG/

t(in)akwal(an) ni paulu yang aldan ang atia tung budiga.

V:climbed up A: Paulo L_t: ladder that G: storage place
'Paulo climbed up on that ladder to the storage place.'

6.9 /AGB_t/

(i)t(in)akwal aw anya tung tumbung yang ayung atia.

V:climbed up B_t:for me A:he G: tip of tree that
'He climbed up to the tip of that tree for me (so he could look out over the ocean for my launch).'

6.10 /ALB_t/

(i)t(in)akwal aw anya tung balagen.

V:climbed up B_t:for me A:he L: vine
'He climbed up on the vine for me.'

It may be noted that only five affix-role correlations were used in classifying takwal as simultaneously a member of both classes 4 and 5.

On the basis of the foregoing illustrations, it may be instructive to posit for takwal what Langendoen (1970:79-80) calls "role structure". That is the set of roles inherent in this stem, which reflects a distinct real-life situation.⁸ From this set of roles a speaker may select what he wants to encode in speech. It is seen that takwal requires more than one role structure to account for all the role combinations that may be used with it in talking.

[ALGP ~ G-P(B)] can be posited as one of the role structures inherent in the verb takwal, and this role structure is actualised in Kalamian Tagbanwa clauses as the following role combinations: /AG-P/ (6.1), /APG/ (6.2), and /AG-PB/ (6.3). /AQ/ (6.4) could also be generated from this case frame, since Q is a kind of Patient. The real-life situation reflected in this case frame is that of an Agent climbing up a certain Location (tree) toward a Goal where there is a Patient that he wishes to acquire, optionally for a Beneficiary.

[ALGC(B)] can be posited as another role structure inherent in the verb takwal. It is actualised as these role combinations: /ABC/ (6.5) and /ALC/ (6.6). The real-life situation reflected is that of an

Agent, conveying some kind of a Concomitant, climbing up a certain Location (tree) toward a Goal, optionally for a Beneficiary.

[ALG(B)] may be posited as the third role structure inherent in the verb *takwa*, which is actualised in clauses as the following role combinations: /AL/ (6.7), /ALG/ (6.8), /AGB/ (6.9), and /ALB/ (6.10). The real-life situation reflected here is that of an Agent climbing up a Location (tree) to a Goal, optionally for a Beneficiary. The purpose of this action is neither conveying a Concomitant nor acquiring a Patient, but some other type of action.

It may be noted that the three role structures posited above differ from each other by one role each: P ~ G-P versus C versus neither. Further, we find that they can be combined into one overall formula:

$$\left[\text{ALG} \left(\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{C} \\ \text{P} \sim \text{G-P} \end{array} \right\} \right) (\text{B}) \right]$$

Finally, in order to be explicit about the methodology used in determining these role structures, the following steps are given.

(1) Gather in a set all the role combinations that seem to describe the same real-life situation.

(2) List all the individual roles that are found in these combinations.

(3) Take each combination in turn and ask which role is, or may optionally be, in the situation verbalised by that particular combination.

(4) Hopefully, step (3) will show what situation(s) lie behind each combination and which of the combinations really belong together because they describe the same situation. (Conceivably, a given role combination can belong simultaneously to two sets of combinations. That is, a role combination can be used ambiguously to verbalise either of two quite distinct real-life situations.)

(5) If one finds several such ambiguous sets of role combinations, each set having a different underlying real-life situation, then these underlying situations can be compared by the same method (steps 1-4 above) to see if they are all indeed different, or whether some of them can be combined.

(6) The goal is to describe as many role combinations as possible as being verbalisations of a single situation type.

(7) Once role structures have been posited for a sufficient number and variety of verbs, the final step is to try to draw up encoding and deletion rules that will specify which role combinations may be used to

actualise a particular role structure when a given real-life situation is talked about.

7. CONCLUSION

To summarise, it seems to be evident that classifying verbs by affix potential is quicker and easier than classifying them by role combinations. The latter way, however, even though more difficult, reveals much more about how verbs are used.

For example, an understanding of role combinations makes it easy for one to disambiguate homophonous utterances. Note the following:

7.1 /APS_t/-an

t(in)aluk(an) aw anya yang geed.

V:hid S_t:from me A:he P: bolo

'He hid the bolo from me (so I would not use it to hurt anyone).'

7.2 /APB_t/-an

t(in)aluk(an) aw anya yang geed.

V:hid B_t:for me A:he P: bolo

'He hid the bolo for me (so that a third party could not borrow it).'

7.3 /APG_t/-an

p(in)lek(an) ti tampulanu ni kasawa na ta bila?.

V:threw G_t: Tampulanu A: spouse his P: fishhook

'Tampulanu's wife threw him a fishhook.' (The one he had been using had broken.)

7.4 /APS_t/-an

p(in)lek(an) ti tampulanu ni kasawa na ta bila?.

V:threw S_t: Tampulanu A: spouse his P: fishhook

'Tampulanu's wife threw away his fishhooks.' (She wanted to put a stop to his fishing.)

Identifying, cataloging, and describing role combinations associated with verb stems is admittedly difficult, and at the beginning it seems even to be subjective. The results, however, are well worth the effort for those who wish to generate semantically acceptable utterances in appropriate situational contexts.

NOTES

1. Material for this paper was gathered in Banwang Daan, a barrio of the municipality of Coron, Province of Palawan, Republic of the Philippines. The speakers of Kalamian Tagbanwa, estimated to number approximately 5000, live scattered along the coasts of the many islands comprising the Calamian and Linapacan Groups. This area is located between the islands of Mindoro to the northeast and Palawan to the southwest. The people refer to themselves as the Tagbanwa and to their dialect as Tinagbanwa. This ethnic group is linguistically, culturally, and geographically distinct from the Tagbanwa who inhabit the central region of the island of Palawan. Kalamian Tagbanwa is a dialect of the Kalamian language, which, according to Dyen (1965:30), belongs to the Sulic Hesion. There are two other dialects known to belong to this language, Kalamian and Agutaynon. As the name suggests, Kalamian Tagbanwa is more closely related to Kalamian than to Agutaynon. The author has engaged in field work under the auspices of the Summer Institute of Linguistics during various periods since 1957. The research for this paper was done during a three-month workshop, held at Nasuli, Malaybalay, Bukidnon, in 1972. The author wishes to express appreciation for the assistance received from Doctors Alan and Phyllis Healey, linguistic consultants of the Papua New Guinea Branch of the Summer Institute of Linguistics, and also for the help given by Mr Alejandro Lunsod, who is a native speaker of Kalamian Tagbanwa. The work was also facilitated by a concordance of native text material made on the IBM computer of the University of Oklahoma by the Linguistic Information Retrieval Project of the Summer Institute of Linguistics and the University of Oklahoma Research Institute, and sponsored by Grant GS-270 of the National Science Foundation. The phonemes of Kalamian Tagbanwa consist of seventeen consonants, p, t, k, b, d, g, ~~h~~, r, ~~g~~, m, n, ŋ, s, l, w, y, and ? (glottal stop), and four vowels, i, ɨ (high central), u, and a. All examples are written as above except that ŋ is symbolised by the digraph

ng, and $\dot{\iota}$ as e, and initial ? is not written.

2. Process and state verbs have not been examined; therefore, the classes discussed in this paper cannot be taken as a complete classification of Kalamian Tagbanwa verb stems.

3. N is a morphophoneme, which is actualised as a nasal at the position of articulation of the following stem-initial consonant. In the case of aN-, the following rules apply: (1) stem-initial p and b > m; (2) stem-initial k > ŋ; (3) with certain stems, initial t and s > n; and (4) resultant geminate nasal sequences are reduced to a single nasal. Other relevant morphophonemic information is as follows: -um- has an allomorph m- and past tense forms -umin- ~ min-. Also, -en has the past tense form -in-; -an has -in--an; i- has i--in- ~ in-; and ag- and aN- occur in the past tense as n-ag- and n-aN- and in the nonpast tense as m-ag- and m-aN-. Further details are given in Ruch 1964.

4. Most of the names used for participant roles are taken from Chafe 1970.

5. Parts of an example not directly illustrating the feature(s) under discussion are enclosed in parentheses.

6. In a seminar, David Zorc suggested that with -an the Agent's motion is optional; whereas with i- his motion away from his original position is obligatory.

7. Subsequent to the analysis and classification discussed in this paper, two additional role combinations were discovered for takwal 'climb up': /AGB_t/ and /ALB_t/.

8. "Real-life situation" here means not one specific situation, but a large set of similar situations.

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