

Guidelines for isolating stressed units and morphs in CorPH

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1. Structure of a Stressed Unit

A stressed unit is minimally made up of stressed item, represented by S in (1).

1. S

The stressed item can be preceded and followed by unstressed items, represented by U in (2). This means that unstressed items may be either proclitics or an enclitics. The ellipses represent the fact that there may be more than one unstressed item that cliticizes to the stressed item.

2. (U...)S(U...)

The 'stressed unit' field must be filled with the stressed item and any associated proclitic or enclitic items. A new stressed unit is created when the last enclitic item of the previous stressed unit is reached. For example, consider the following (partially made up) gloss:

3. *Bríathar as·berar fo óenaicciund, ros·faisigestar-som-side ocus is deithbir dun-ni cid cert-som.*
"A word which one says under a single accent, he has clarified it; and it is clear to us that he is right."

This is made up of the following stressed units:

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| 4. | Unit | Reason |
| | <i>bríathar</i> | Noun |
| | <i>as·berar</i> | Preverb + Verb Root |
| | <i>fo óenaicciund</i> | Preposition + Numeral Compound |
| | <i>ros·faisigestar-som-side</i> | Verbal Complex |
| | (Augment + Pronoun + Verb Root + Nota Augens + Clitic Anaphor) | |
| | <i>ocus is deithbir</i> | Conjunction + Copula + Adjective |
| | <i>dun-ni</i> | Conjugated Preposition + Nota Augens |
| | <i>cid cert-som</i> | Copular Form + Adjective + Nota Augens |

2. Stressed Items

1. Adjectives
2. Adjective Compounds (**A-N**, **A-A**)
3. Adverbs
4. Nouns (**N**)
5. Compound Nouns (**N-N**)
6. Conjugated Prepositions
7. Pronominal Demonstratives: *só, sé, sin* (including *síu* in *a n-í síu*, see L. Breatnach's chapter in the ChronHib proceedings)
8. Pronouns: *mé, tú, é, sí, sní, sí/sib, é*
9. Pronominal Quantifiers: *cách, nech, ní, alaile*
10. Prop-word (meaning 'one/thing'): *í*
11. Simple Verbs (**V**)
12. Complex Verbs (PV+[PV2-5]**V**)
13. Verb Compounds (**A-V**): there are at least two items that form such compounds: **bith-V** and **sain-V** (see these in Castillero 2014.71).
14. Grammaticalized compounds: *in-dé, in-díu, al-aile*, etc.
15. Genitive Pronouns: *muí, tuí, aí*
16. Independent numbers (*óen, dó, trí, ceithir, cóic*) (these are usually preceded by the particle *a*)
17. Numeral Compounds (**Num-N**)
18. patronymic elements (*úa, mac, moccu*)

3. Unstressed Items

3.1 Proclitics

1. Prepositions
2. Preverbs
3. Articles
4. Quantifiers: *cech, nach, na*
5. *ala*
6. Complementizers
7. Negatives Particles
8. Possessive Pronouns
9. Copula forms
10. The quotative particle *ol*
11. The predicative particles *os* and *ot*
12. Numerals as determiners (*da, tri, ceithir*)
13. Some Conjunctions

Note that only some conjunctions are proclitics. In particular, only conjunctions that do not include or consist of a stressed item are proclitics. For instance, *óndí* 'in as much as, because' includes the stressed item *í* (a prop-word, see section 2, ex. 10). The conjunction is therefore a stressed unit on its own. Likewise, the conjunction *úaire*

'since' is probably a stressed item, since it is originally a noun and nouns are stressed units. However, *intan* 'when' is most likely unstressed, given the depalatalisation of *tain*.

3.2 Enclitics

1. Notae Augentes (-*sa*, -*su*, -*som*, -*si*, -*ni*, -*si*, -*som*)
2. Unstressed anaphor: -*side* (enclitic)
3. Unstressed demonstratives: -*so*, -*sin*, -*se* (enclitic)

4. Definition of a 'morph'

In CorPH, a 'morph' is the smallest analysable unit that has a lemma. Apart from the usual lexical words, it includes the following categories:

1. in the case of a compound noun or a compound adjective, all compound elements that has a lexical meaning, together with the whole compound itself, are counted as separate morphs. e.g.:

athlaoch 'an ex-layman', should be analysed as containing the following morphs:

ath 're-, ex-' (Lemma = 'ath-', POS = particle_prefix)

laoch 'warrior, layman' (Lemma = 'láech', POS = noun)

athlaoch 'ex-layman' (Lemma = 'athláech', POS = noun)

saindiles 'special, one's own', should be analysed as containing the following morphs:

sain 'different, distinct' (Lemma = 'sain', POS = adjective)

diles 'own, proper, appropriate' (Lemma = 'díles', POS = adjective)

saindiles 'special, one's own' (Lemma = 'saindíles', POS = adjective)

2. in the case of a verbal complex, all conjunctions, complementisers, particles, prefixes, preverbs, augments, demonstratives, infixed and suffixed pronouns, together with the whole lexical verb itself, are separate morphs. In the morph of the lexical verb proper, the augment and relative mutation are written, and the infixed pronoun is included there as well, if it occurs between the augment and the verbal root. e.g.

as·berar, morphs:

as·

as·berar

ros·faisigestar-som-side, morphs:

ro

s·

ros·faisigestar

som

side
ma nis·tinib 'if he would not breathe on them', morphs:
ma
ni
s·
·tinib (*do·infet*)
·t (preverb *do·*)
in (preverb *in·*)

3. Exceptions:

a) Proper nouns are not separated into morphs, although many of them originated as compound nouns. e.g.

Fergus 'man-prowess', *Dublind* 'dark-pool'.

b) Lexicalised nouns and adjectives are not treated as compounds, e.g.

follus (ety. < *fo* + *lés*) 'bright', morph = *follus*

sóer (ety. < *so* + *fer*?) 'free, noble', morph = *sóer*

c) The following lexicalised adverbs and conjunctions have their own lemma and are not analysed as conjugated prepositions or compounds:

cosé 'until', *lasé* 'when', etc. (lemma = *cosé*, etc., no morph *co* or *sé*)

etir 'at all' (lemma = *etir*, analysis = NULL)

íarum 'afterwards' (lemma = *íarum*, analysis = NULL)

as 'out' (lemma = *as*, analysis = NULL)

However, *arindí* 'because', *óndí*, *intan* 'when' etc. are not treated as lexicalised, therefore:

arindí, morphs = *ar*

ind

í

intan, morphs = *in*

tan

d) Verbal nouns and verbal of necessities are not separated into morphs, though many of them, like their verb counterparts, contains preverbs. e.g.

dígbál 'act of taking away', morph = *dígbál* (no morph *dí*),

eiperthi 'to be said', morph = *eiperthi* (no morph *ei*)

e) Conjugated prepositions are regarded as single morphs. e.g.

leu 'by them', morph = *leu* (no morph *le* or *u*)

f) derivative suffixes are not treated as separate morphs, nor are the word on the basis of which the derivatives are formed, e.g.

bochtán 'little poor one', morph = *bochtán* (no morph *bocht* or *án*)

tírthat 'agellus', morph = *tírthat* (no morph *tír* or *that*)

5. Presentation of the Stressed Unit and the Morph

The sentences in CorPH are copied from the published editions and keep the spelling, diacritics and punctuation of the edited texts. In principle, the Stressed Unit and the Morph are copied from the sentence, and thus also keeping the macrons, sine fada, diaraesis etc. in the edition.

The following punctuations, however, are added to facilitate the users to grasp the prosodic profile of the data in a more unified manner:

1. Pretonic element(s) and the stressed part are separated by a raised dot in a verbal complex, but by a space elsewhere, including between a copula and the stressed predicate. The raised dot is written in the morph as well when the morph is immediately next to the stress boundary. The pretonic elements themselves are not separated by space or punctuation, except between a copula and the following unstressed elements.

e.g. Sentence *conachaepert...* ‘so that he did not say it (fem.)’

> SU *conacha·epert*

> Morphs *co*
 nach
 a·
 ·epert
 ·e

Sentence *innathaig...* ‘in his house’

>SU *inna thaig*

> Morphs *i*
 nna
 thaig

Sentence *cid liambríathraib...* ‘though it be with their words’

>SU *cid lia mbríathraib*

> Morphs *ci*
 d
 li
 a
 mbríathraib

A single morph is not separated by any raised dot or space, even when the stress does not fall on the first syllable, e.g. adverbs such as *immallé*

2. Post-tonic enclitic is separate from the stressed element by a hyphen.

e.g. Sentence *ro-s:failsigestar-somside*

>SU: *ros·failsigestar-som-side*

Sentence *infearso* ‘this man’

>SU: *in fear-so*

This hyphen is not written in the morphs.

e.g. SU: *in fear-so*

>morphs: *in*
 fear
 so

3. A hyphen is written between a mutation n and the following vowel, but not after other mutation letters.

e.g. Sentence *aná-s-mbeir* 'when he says'

>SU: *a n-ás-mbeir*

This hyphen is not written in the morphs.

e.g. SU: *a n-ás-mbeir*

>morphs: *a*
 nás·
 nás-mbeir

4. A conjunction is always followed by a space. This rule overrides all the above ones.

e.g. Sentence *ocusinfearso*

>SU: *ocus in fear-so*

Sentence *manīs:tinib=side* 'if the abovementioned person would not breathe on them'

>SU: *ma nīs-tinib-side*