

Hybridity and change in Turkish inflectional morphology

(A.k.a., a mess involving clitics, suffixes and auxiliaries)

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0 Preliminaries

- This is work in progress. Feedback of any sort is very welcome.
- There will be a lot of morphemes, and I've made the experience that the material can be difficult to keep track of. Please stop me whenever things get unclear.
- I am not necessarily committed to every theoretical assumption I will make in the following – there are a lot of moving parts.
- Some ways in which today's presentation relates to last week's discussions:
 - Words, clitics and affixes
 - Phases
 - TAM morphemes
 - Diachronic development

1 Introduction

- The theoretical big picture point of this paper concerns the interaction between synchronic and diachronic analyses. The synchronic state of the grammar can be (to a certain extent) random and arbitrary if the diachronic path leading to it is not.
- Our empirical domain is the Turkish left periphery, specifically TAM and agreement morphemes. The agreement morpheme surfaces in different paradigms depending on the preceding TAM morpheme. E.g., the past morpheme *-DI* must be followed by the *k*-paradigm (1a), and the progressive morpheme *-Iyor* by the *z*-paradigm (1b).

- (1)
- | | | | |
|----|-----------------------|----|-----------------------|
| a. | gel- di-k | b. | gel- iyor-uz |
| | come- PAST-1PL | | come- PROG-1PL |
| | 'we came' | | 'we are coming' |

- Kornfilt (1996): the TAM morphemes preceding the *z*-paradigm such as *-Iyor* are participial tenses which are followed by a silent copula. No copula is needed for simple tenses such as *-DI*. This analysis accounts for various differences between the two classes of verbs (reviewed later in Section 4).
- Additionally, Erdem-Akşehirli (2018), Göksel (2010), and Güneş (2020, 2021) have documented another agreement paradigm, the reduced *z*-paradigm, following yet another set of TAM markers (2). I assume that the reduced *z*-paradigm is the more recent development.

- (2) gel-**ece-z**
come-**FUT-1PL**
'we will come'

- Our question for today: how should verbs like (2) be classified against the background of Kornfilt's work? Do they contain a silent copula?
- Preview: verbs containing the reduced *z*-paradigm cannot be classified as either. What is more, I will make the stronger point that they undermine the contrast between simple and participial tenses altogether. Rather, I argue that this distinction is in the process of breaking down.
- Methodologically, most of the new data reported in the following are based on interviews with about 20 native speakers of Turkish, carried out over zoom.

Roadmap

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2 The distribution of the three agreement paradigms

- Here is the full overview over the three classes of TAM and agreement morphemes as reported by Güneş (2020, 2021): Agr_k (3), TAM_k (4), Agr_z (5), TAM_z (6), Agr_{rz} , TAM_{rz} .

- (3) *k*-paradigm agreement morphemes
- | | Singular | Plural |
|---------------|-------------|-------------|
| First | <i>-m</i> | <i>-k</i> |
| Second | <i>-n</i> | <i>-nIz</i> |
| Third | \emptyset | <i>-lEr</i> |
- (4) TAM morphemes preceding the *k*-paradigm
- DI* – past (PAST)
 - sE* – conditional (COND)

- (5) *z*-paradigm agreement morphemes
- | | Singular | Plural |
|---------------|---------------|---------------|
| First | <i>-(y)Im</i> | <i>-(y)Iz</i> |
| Second | <i>-sIn</i> | <i>-sInIz</i> |
| Third | \emptyset | <i>-lEr</i> |
- (6) TAM morphemes preceding the *z*-paradigm
- Iyor* – progressive (PROG)
 - (y)EcEk* – future (FUT)
 - Er* – aorist (AOR)
 - mIs* – evidential (EVID)

- (7) Reduced *z*-paradigm agreement morphemes
- | | Singular | Plural |
|---------------|-------------|-------------|
| First | <i>-m</i> | <i>-z</i> |
| Second | <i>-n</i> | <i>-nIz</i> |
| Third | \emptyset | <i>-lEr</i> |
- (8) TAM morphemes preceding the reduced *z*-paradigm
- Iyo* – progressive (PROG)
 - (E)cE* – future (FUT)

- The 3rd person morphemes are trivial – we won't be concerned with them.
- Note the relations between Agr_{rz} and Agr_z and between TAM_{rz} and TAM_z , as well as between Agr_{rz} and Agr_k .
- My own findings on the distribution of TAM and Agr morphemes are a bit more complicated.

(9) Combinations of TAM and Agr

	Agr _k	Agr _z	Agr _{rz}
TAM _k	A: ✓	B: *	C: *
TAM _z	D: *	E: ✓	F: *
TAM _{rz}	G: %	H: ✓	I: ✓

- Cells A, E and I: The combinations reported so far are, unsurprisingly, grammatical (10a)–(10c).

- (10) a. gel-**di-k**
come-PAST-1PL
root-TAM_k-Agr_k
‘we came’
- b. gel-**iyor-uz**
come-PROG-1PL
root-TAM_z-Agr_z
‘we are coming’
- c. gel-**ece-z**
come-FUT-1PL
root-TAM_{rz}-Agr_{rz}
‘we will come’

- Cells B and C: TAM_k cannot be followed by Agr_z or Agr_{rz} (11)–(12).

- (11) a. *gel-di-siniz
come-PAST-2PL
root-TAM_k-Agr_z
‘you (pl.) came’
- b. *at-ar-sa-yım
throw-AOR-COND-1SG
root-TAM_z-TAM_k-Agr_z
‘if I throw’
- (12) a. *gel-di-z
come-PAST-1PL
root-TAM_k-Agr_{rz}
‘we came’
- b. *bırak-tı-ysa-z
leave-PAST-COND-1PL
root-TAM_k-TAM_k-Agr_{rz}
‘if we left’

- Cell G: Progressive TAM_{rz} -*Iyo* but not future -*EcE* can be followed by Agr_k (13).

- (13) a. %bul-uyo-k
find-PROG-1PL
root-TAM_{rz}-Agr_k
‘we are finding’
- b. *at-**aca-k**
throw-FUT-1PL
root-TAM_{rz}-Agr_k
‘we will throw’
- c. at-**acak-∅**
throw-FUT-3SG
root-TAM_z-Agr
‘s/he will throw’

- Cell H: TAM_{rz} can be followed by Agr_z. (Independent confounds apply.)

- (14) oyn-uyo-sunuz
play-PROG-2PL
root-TAM_{rz}-Agr_z
‘you (pl.) are playing’

- Cell D and F: TAM_z cannot be followed by Agr_k and Agr_{rz}. Sometimes these forms are arguably ruled out phonotactically (15):

- (15) *bul-uyor-muş-m
find-PROG-EVID-1SG
root-TAM_z-TAM_z-Agr_{k/rz}
‘we are apparently finding’

- However, speakers also reject forms which seem phonotactically fine (16):

- (16) a. */??gid-iyor-**nuz**
go-PROG-2PL
root-TAM_z-Agr_{k/rz}
‘you (pl.) are going’
- b. */??bul-uyor-muş-**nuz**
find-PROG-EVID-2PL
root-TAM_z-Agr_{k/rz}
‘you (pl.) are apparently finding’

- To the extent that speakers accept these forms at all, they perceive them as slurred and mispronounced. I assume that they are generated as phonetic reductions.

3 Allomorphy and hybridity

- I argue that the three agreement paradigms are contextual allomorphs, and that the TAM_z/TAM_{rz} variants of the progressive and future morphemes (*-Iyor/-Iyo*, *-EcEk/-EcE*) are allomorphs in free variation. (But see Section 6.3 for some complications.)
 - Why should we consider TAM_{rz} and Agr_{rz} morphemes independent lexical items instead of simply more casual pronunciations of TAM_z and Agr_z? Note that the *rz* forms would have to be phonetic reductions – they could not be derived by a regular phonological rule. A couple of problems:
 - As reported above, speakers perceive sequences of TAM_z and Agr_{rz}/Agr_k morphemes as slurred but do not have this intuition about *rz* forms in general.
 - On that note: what rules out TAM_z-Agr_{rz}? Why can Agr only reduce if TAM does as well?
 - Why does phonetic reduction of Agr_z consistently produce forms which are homophonous with Agr_k?
 - We will see later that TAM_z-Agr_z and TAM_{rz}-Agr_{rz} license a different ordering of the question marker *-mI* which is unexpected if their difference is merely phonetic.
 - The conditions of insertion of the three agreement paradigms are given in (17); a spell-out rule for 1PL is given in (18). Note that rules (18b) and (18c) are in free variation (19).
- (17) a. Agr_k is inserted after a morpheme with PAST, COND or (in some dialects) PROG features and which ends on a vowel;
 b. Agr_z is inserted after a morpheme with PROG, FUT, AOR or EVID features;
 c. Agr_{rz} is inserted after a morpheme with PROG, FUT, AOR or EVID features and which ends on a vowel.
- (18) a. 1PL → *-k*/ {PAST, COND, (PROG)} and V_
 b. 1PL → *-Iz*/ {PROG, FUT, AOR, EVID}
 c. 1PL → *-z*/ {PROG, FUT, AOR, EVID} and V_
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- (19) a. oyn-uyo-nuz
 play-PROG-2PL
 root-TAM_{rz}-Agr_{rz}
 ‘you (pl.) are playing’
 b. oyn-uyo-sunuz
 play-PROG-2PL
 root-TAM_{rz}-Agr_z
 ‘you (pl.) are playing’
- These insertion rules capture the asymmetry between TAM_{rz}-Agr_z (20a) and TAM_z-Agr_{rz} (20b): only Agr_{rz} is sensitive to the phonological shape of the preceding TAM morpheme.
- (20) a. oyn-uyo-sunuz
 play-PROG-2PL
 root-TAM_{rz}-Agr_z
 ‘you (pl.) are playing’
 b. */??bul-uyor-muş-nuz
 find-PROG-EVID-2PL
 root-TAM_z-Agr_{k/rz}
 ‘you (pl.) are apparently finding’
- As a result, Agr_{rz} forms can be understood as hybrids of the two other paradigms, both in terms of selection (21) and in terms of morphophonological shape (22).

- (21) Morphosyntactic (MS) and morphophonological (MP) selectional requirements of the three paradigms

	Agr _z	Agr _{rz}	Agr _k
MS	PROG, FUT, AOR, EVID	PROG, FUT, AOR, EVID	PAST, COND (PROG)
MP	/	open syllable	open syllable

(22) Morphophonological shape of the agreement paradigms

	Agr_z	Agr_{rz}	Agr_k
1SG	$\{-(y)Im\}$	$\{(-m)\}$	$\{-m\}$
2SG	$\{-sIn\}$	$\{(-n)\}$	$\{-n\}$
1PL	$\{-(y)Iz\}$	$\{-z\}$	$-k$
2PL	$\{-sInIz\}$	$\{(-nIz)\}$	$-nIz$

- Agr_k and Agr_z have given rise to yet another hybrid which is attested in Cypriot Turkish (23), (24):

- (23) a. Yap-ar-**ık** yahnili.
make-AOR-1PL stew
‘We make it with the stew.’
b. Yak-acağ-**ık** sobayı.
light-FUT-1PL stove
‘We will light the stove.’

(24) Realization of 1PL agreement in different paradigms

	Non-syllabic	Syllabic
Ends on $-k$	Agr_k : $-k$	Cypriot: $-Ik$
Ends on $-z$	Agr_{rz} : $-z$	Agr_z : $-Iz$

4 Simple, participial and hybrid tenses

4.1 The split between simple and participial tenses

- Kornfilt (1996) argues that TAM_z morphemes are participial tenses which need to be followed by a silent copula in order to be used in finite contexts (25a). TAM_k morphemes are simple tenses and do not require a copula (25b).

- (25) a. gel-**ecek** \emptyset -siniz
come-FUT COP-2PL
root-**TAM_z** COP- Agr_z
‘you (pl.) are coming’
b. gel-**di**-niz
come-PAST-2PL
root-**TAM_k**- Agr_k
‘you (pl.) came’

- Kelepir (2001) has argued that simple tenses are merged in T but participial tenses in lower Asp, thus still requiring a copula in T.
- Evidence comes from five domains (in addition to suspended affixation – see section 6.2). First, participial but not simple tenses can combine with the negation marker *-değil* (26) :

- (26) a. gid-**ecek** **değil**-im
go-FUT NEG-1SG
‘I will not go’
b. *git-**ti** **değil**-im
go-PAST NEG-1SG
‘I did not go’ (Kornfilt, 1996:105)

- Second, participial but not simple tenses can combine with the epistemological copula *-Dir* (27):

- (27) a. gid-**ecek-tir**
go-FUT-EPIST
‘she will definitely leave’
b. *git-**ti-dir**
go-PAST-EPIST
‘she definitely left’ (Kornfilt, 1996:108)

- Third, participial but not simple tenses can be used as modifiers in the nominal domain (28), with exception of the progressive (29):

- (28) a. kitab-ı oku-**yacak** kız
book-ACC read-FUT girl
'a girl who will read the book'
- b. *oku-**du** kişi
read-PAST person
'the person who has read'
(Kornfilt, 1996:112)

- (29) *oku-**yor** kişi
read-PROG person
'the person who is reading'

- Fourth, the question marker *-mI* surfaces between participial TAM_z tenses and the agreement marker (30) but word-finally in the case of simple tenses (31):

- (30) a. gel-ecek-**mi**-siniz
come-FUT-Q-2PL
'Will you (pl.) go?'
- b. ??/*gel-ecek-siniz-**mi**
come-FUT-2PL-Q
'Will you (pl.) go?'
- (31) a. git-ti-niz-**mi**
go-PAST-2PL-Q
'Did you (pl.) go?'
- b. *git-ti-**mi**-niz
go-PAST-Q-2PL
'Did you (pl.) go?' (Kornfilt, 1996:106)

- Fifth, in verbs with participial tenses, stress must be on the TAM morpheme (32), while in verbs with simple tenses, stress also be word-final (33). Following up on Kornfilt (1996), Kabak and Vogel (2001) have argued that the copula is obligatorily pre-stressing, which naturally accounts for (32).

- (32) a. gel-**ecék**-siniz
come-FUT-2PL
'you (pl.) will come'
- b. *gel-ecek-**siníz**
- (33) a. gel-**dí**-niz
come-PAST-2PL
'you (pl.) came'
- b. gel-di-**níz**

- The results of the five diagnostics are summarized in (34):

- (34) Properties of TAM_k and TAM_z

	TAM _k	TAM _z
Can be followed by <i>değil</i>	no	yes
Can be followed by <i>-Dir</i>	no	yes
Can be used as a modifier	no	yes
Can be immediately followed by <i>-mI</i>	no	yes
Must bear stress when followed by Agr	no	yes

4.2 Mixed behavior of TAM_{rz}-Agr_{rz} verbs

- Let's run Kornfilt's diagnostics for TAM_{rz}-Agr_{rz} verbs. I am drawing partly on results reported in Güneş (2020, 2021). First, progressive *-Iyo* but not future *-EcE* can combine with the negation marker *değil* (35):

- (35) a. gid-**iy**o **de**ğil-im
 go-**PROG** **NEG**-1SG
 ‘I am not going’
 b. *gid-**ece** **de**ğil-im
 go-**FUT** **NEG**-1SG
 ‘I will not go’

- Second, the same holds for the epistemological copula *-Dir* (but with some variation for *-EcE*) (36):

- (36) a. gid-**iy**o-**dur**
 go-**PROG**-**EPIST**
 ‘she is definitely leaving’
 b. %gid-**ece**-**dir**
 go-**FUT**-**EPIST**
 ‘she will definitely leave’

- Third, neither *-Iyo* nor *-EcE* can be used as modifiers in the nominal domain (note that for *-Iyo*, this is as expected) (37):

- (37) a. *oku-**yo** kişi
 read-**PROG** person
 ‘the person who is reading’
 b. *kitab-ı oku-**yaca** kız
 book-ACC read-**FUT** girl
 ‘the girl who will read the book’

- Fourth, both *-Iyo* and *-EcE* pattern with simple tenses with respect to the placement of the question marker *-mI* (38)–(39) (Güneş, 2020, 2021):

- (38) a. gel-iy^o-nuz-**mu**
 come-PROG-2PL-**Q**
 ‘are you (pl.) coming?’
 b. *gel-iy^o-**mu**-nuz
 (39) a. gel-ece-niz-**mi**
 come-FUT-2PL-**Q**
 ‘will you (pl.) come?’
 b. *gel-ece-**mi**-niz

- Fifth, both *-Iyo* and *-EcE* pattern with simple tenses with respect to stress assignment (40) (Güneş, 2020, 2021):

- (40) a. gel-**iy**ó-nuz
 come-PROG-2PL
 ‘you (pl.) are coming’
 b. gel-iy^o-**nú**z
 (41) a. gel-**ecé**-niz
 come-FUT-2PL
 ‘you (pl.) will come’
 b. gel-ece-**níz**

- To summarize, the picture is mixed (42):

- (42) Properties of TAM_k, TAM_z and TAM_{rz} (*-Iyo* and *-EcE*)

	TAM _k	TAM _{rz} : <i>-EcE</i>	TAM _{rz} : <i>-Iyo</i>	TAM _z
Can be followed by <i>değil</i>	no	no	yes	yes
Can be followed by <i>-Dir</i>	no	%	yes	yes
Can be used as a modifier	no	no	N/A	yes
Can be immediately followed by <i>-mI</i>	no	no	no	yes
Must bear stress when followed by Agr	no	no	no	yes

4.3 A diachronic turn

- Bottom line so far: TAM_{rz} morphemes cannot be classified as either simple or participial tenses.
- This also affects Kornfilt’s analysis more broadly, since the properties picked out by her diagnostics cannot simply be conditioned by the presence of a copula.

- Proposal: the distinction between simple and participial tenses is diachronically real but is disappearing over time. Among the factors driving this development are:
 - Increasing cohesion between morphemes over time;
 - Analogical levelling.
- TAM_{rz} and Agr_{rz} morphemes have evolved as hybrids of the *k* and the *z* forms, inheriting properties from either. It is shaped by two influences:
 - Shortening of *z*;
 - Analogy to *k*.

4.4 Accounting for the diagnostics

- If the properties diagnosed by Kornfilt are not conditioned by an underlying copula, how are they encoded instead? I argue that the diagnostics fall into two classes:
 - Diagnostics sensitive to the morphosyntactic features of the TAM marker (*değil*, *-Dir*, modifiers)
 - Diagnostics sensitive to the morphophonological shape of the agreement morpheme (*-mI*, stress)
- First, *değil*, *-Dir*, modifiers are licensed by progressive, future, aorist and evidential features, correctly predicting that *rz* forms (largely) pattern with *z* forms. There are two exceptions:
 - Progressive features don't license a modifier use;
 - Future TAM_{rz} *-EcE* fails these diagnostics because it cannot appear word-finally (43), perhaps due to reasons discussed in Section 6.3.

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| (43) | a. *gel- ece - \emptyset
come- FUT -3SG
root-TAM _{rz} -Agr
's/he will come' | b. gel- iy o- \emptyset
come- PROG -3SG
root-TAM _{rz} -Agr
's/he is coming' | c. gel- ecek - \emptyset
come- FUT -3SG
root-TAM _z -Agr
's/he will come' |
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- Secondly, stress and placement of *-mI* depend on the agreement morpheme, not on the TAM morpheme: the behavior of Agr_z does not change if we combine it with TAM_{rz} instead (44)–(45).

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|------|--|------|--|
| (44) | a. oyn- uyó -sunuz
play- PROG -2PL
root-TAM _{rz} -Agr _z
'you (pl.) are playing' | (45) | a. oyn-uyo- mu -sunuz
play- PROG-Q -2PL
root-TAM _{rz} -Q-Agr _z
'are you (pl.) playing?' |
| | b. *oyn-uyo- sunúz | | b. ??/*oyn-uyo-sunuz- mu |

- As for the placement of *-mI*, mismatches between underlying syntax and overt morpheme ordering are well-known (see, e.g., Manova and Aronoff, 2010; Rice, 2011 for an overview) and can be handled, e.g., by morphological templates (Stump, 2006) or bigram ordering constraints (Ryan, 2010).
- As for prosody, exceptional stress in Turkish is widely argued to require some kind of lexical prespecification (e.g., Inkelas, 1994; Inkelas and Orgun, 2003; Kabak and Vogel, 2001; Özçelik, 2014; Özyıldız, 2015, but see Newell, 2008). I argue that Agr_z morphemes are lexically specified as prestressing.
- In short, under my analysis, Kornfilt's diagnostics are encoded in contemporary grammars in a way that is trivial, redundant and ugly. I do not consider this a problem. The grammar is motivated diachronically and does not pose any undue strain on speakers' memory. I do not think that a more complex analysis is warranted.

4.5 The transition from the copula grammar to the allomorphy grammar

- Could we maintain the separation between simple and participial tenses and simply add something to the grammar about the behavior of TAM_{rz} and Agr_{rz} morphemes?
- Note that in order to correctly derive (46) (without a copula), Agr_z must be lexically specified as prestressing. However, this lexical specification now also derives (47). In general, our added *rz* grammar will inevitably spill over to *k* and *z* forms as well; the two grammars cannot be separate.

(46) a. gel-**iyó**-sunuz
 come-PROG-2PL
 root-TAM_{rz}-Agr_z
 ‘you (pl.) are coming’
 b. *gel-iyó-**sunúz**

(47) a. gel-**iyór**-sunuz
 come-PROG-2PL
 root-TAM_z-Agr_z
 ‘you (pl.) are coming’
 b. *gel-iyor-**sunúz**

- Nevertheless, the copula grammar and the allomorphy grammar almost certainly coexist in at least some speakers, but in a more complex way.
- Let’s adopt a framework in which speakers form representations at multiple levels of abstraction, e.g.:
 - Progressive TAM must be followed by a silent copula;
 - Progressive TAM can be followed (overtly) by *değil*.
- I propose that evidence for the higher-level generalizations is diminishing but that evidence for the lower-level facts is still robust. Hence, speakers increasingly rely on the latter.
- What is interesting about TAM_{rz}-Agr_{rz} forms is that they are no longer compatible with the copula hypothesis.
- I don’t think that the copula grammar has been neatly replaced by the allomorphy grammar; rather, speakers are transitioning from one to the other.

5 Conclusion

- The syntactic distinction between TAM_k-Agr_k and TAM_z-Agr_z forms is disappearing over time. Speakers are abandoning this higher-level generalization and instead rely on more concrete, item-specific knowledge.
- Agr_{rz} and TAM_{rz} morphemes have emerged as hybrids of the other two sets of forms and have inherited properties from both.
- Synchronic analyses are not independent from diachronic analyses. The current state of the grammar can be random if the path leading to it is not.

6 Optional add-ons

6.1 Variable affix ordering

- In verbs with two or more TAM morphemes, agreement can variably surface after any TAM or even after several of them at the same time (48) (Good and Yu, 1999, 2005; Güneş, 2020, 2021).

(48) a. gel-sey-di-**k**
 come-COND-PAST-1PL
 root-TAM-TAM-Agr
 ‘we would have come’
 b. gel-se-**k**-ti
 come-COND-1PL-PAST
 root-TAM-Agr-TAM

Final agreement

Medial agreement

- c. gel-se-**k-ti-k**
 come-COND-**1PL**-PAST-**1PL**
 root-**TAM-Agr-TAM-Agr**

Double agreement

- It has been argued previously that this variation is restricted in that Agr_z morphemes can only surface word-finally (49), which would be further evidence for a syntactic contrast between the different verb types. Other systematic restrictions have not been reported.

- (49) *gel-ecek-siniz-di
 come-FUT-2PL-PAST
 root-**TAM_z-Agr_z-TAM_k**
 ‘you (pl.) will have come’

- I spent a lot of time trying to confirm this effect with native speakers. I did not find any evidence for it, not even on a gradient/probabilistic level.
- Final agreement is categorically acceptable, as is 3PL medial agreement. In all other cases, judgments show rampant variation both within and between subjects with no discernible pattern.
- I’d be interested in building a constraint-based model that accounts for the variable and gradient judgments (perhaps along the lines of Ryan, 2010) but this would require large-scale data. There are a bunch of methodological problems with this.

6.2 Suspended affixation

- In suspended affixation, a single affix scopes over multiple conjuncts. Kornfilt (1996) reports that suspended affixation is licensed with participial but not with simple tenses (50):

- (50) a. oku-**yacak** ve anla-**yacak-sın**
 read-FUT and understand-FUT-2SG
 ‘you (sg.) will read and understand’
- b. *oku-**du** ve anla-**dı-n**
 read-PAST and understand-PAST-2SG
 ‘you (sg.) read and understood’

(Kornfilt, 1996:110)

- Some of my informants showed the same pattern, others accepted suspended affixation with $\text{TAM}_k\text{-Agr}_k$ across the board, and others only with 2PL Agr_k -*nIz* (the only syllabic morpheme in the paradigm).
- For $\text{TAM}_{rz}\text{-Agr}_{rz}$ verbs, suspended affixation was accepted with progressive -*Iyo* but rejected with future -*EcE*, again arguably due to word-finality (51). The same contrast holds if not only an agreement morpheme but a longer string is suspended (52) (see Kabak, 2007).

- (51) a. gid-**iyö** ve gör-**üyö-z**
 come-**PROG** and see-**PROG**-1PL
 ‘we are coming and seeing’
- b. */?gel-**ece** ve gid-**ece-niz**
 come-FUT and leave-FUT-2PL
 ‘you (pl.) will come and leave’
- (52) a. koş-**uyo** ve oyn-**uyo-muş-sun**
 run-**PROG** and play-**PROG**-EVID-2SG
 ‘you (sg.) are apparently running and playing’
- b. */?gel-**ece** ve gid-**ece-se-m**
 come-FUT and leave-FUT-COND-1SG
 ‘if I will come and leave’

- Note also that z and rz can be mixed for the purposes of suspended affixation.

- (53) a. gid-**iyö** ve gel-**iyor-um**
 go-**PROG** and come-**PROG**-1SG
 root-**TAM_{rz}** CONJ root-**TAM_z-Agr_z**
 ‘I am going and coming’
- b. gid-**ecek** ve gel-**ece-m**
 go-FUT and come-FUT-1SG
 root-**TAM_z** CONJ root-**TAM_{rz}-Agr_{rz}**
 ‘I will go and come’

- In short: the patterns are complicated, further research is needed, preferably from a quantitative perspective.

6.3 The future marker *-EcE*

- The TAM_{rz} morpheme *-EcE* might be regarded as the results of the TAM_z morpheme *EcEk* having undergone a regular phonological process, i.e., the k-to-zero alternation (e.g., Denwood, 2002; Ünal-Logacev et al., 2019; Zimmer and Orgun, 1999). This alternation deletes or softens word-final /k/ in certain contexts ('soft *g*').
- Such an analysis might also account for the inability of *-EcE* to surface word-finally.
- However, the choice between *-EcE* and *-EcEk* has morphological consequences (selection of Agr_{rz}, ordering of *-mI*), which is unexpected if morphology must precede phonology.
- Possible solutions:
 - Not require morphology to precede phonology.
 - *-EcE* emerged diachronically as the output of a phonological rule but is in the process of being lexicalized.

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