## Some data from the project "Synchrony and Diachrony of the Word in Georgian" Alice C. Harris, P.I.

- (1) ert-i megobar-ta-gan-i one-NOM friend-PL.GEN-from-NOM 'one of the friends'
- (2) ert-i megobr-eb-isa gan one-NOM friend-PL-GEN from 'one from the friends'
- (3) ert-i am saxel-ta-gan-i, saxeldobr *op'iza*, c'minda č'anur-megruli one-NOM this noun-PL.GEN-from-NOM namely --- pure Laz-Mingrelian porma-a [Šaniʒe 1957: 32] form-it.is
  'One of these nouns, namely *op'iza*, is a pure Laz-Mingrelian form.....'
- (4) zogi am pakt'or-ta-gan-i dasaxelebuli-a [Topuria 1979: 263] some this factor-PL.GEN-from-NOM named-it.is 'Some of these factors are named.' (i.e. '...have names.')
- (5) Nominative ert-i megobar-ta-gan-i 'one of the friends' Narrative megobar-ta-gan-ma ert-ma Dative megobar-ta-gan-s ert Genitive ert-i megobar-ta-gan-is megobar-ta-gan-it Instrumental ert-i
- (6) k'ac-i tav-is-i megobar-ta-gan-it 3lier-i-a man-NOM self-GEN-NOM friend-PL.GEN-from-INST strong-NOM-he.is 'A man<sub>i</sub> with [some of] his<sub>i</sub> friends is strong.'
- (7) ert-i čem-i megobar-ta-gan-isa-tvis es gavak'ete one-GEN my-GEN friend-PL.GEN-from-GEN-for this.NOM I.do.it 'I did this for one of my friends.'
- (9) (a) †megobar-ta gan friend-PL.GEN from 'from (the) friends' (archaic)
  - (b) megobar-eb-isa gan friend-PL-GEN from 'from (the) friends'
- (10) mk'a-ta-tve mowing-PL.GEN-month 'the month of mowing', i.e. 'July'
- (11) dye-ta mačvenebel-i (KEGL 8:1391) day-PL.GEN indicator-NOM 'a week in the Orthodox calendar'
- (12) sabč'o-ta k'avšir-i soviet-PL.GEN union-NOM 'union of soviets', i.e. 'Soviet Union'

(13)mecniereba-ta ak'ademia science-PL.GEN academy.NOM 'Academy of Sciences' (14)kal-ta saertašoriso dye woman-PL.GEN international day.NOM 'International Women's Day' (15)†megobar-ta sax1-i (a) friend-PL.GEN house-NOM '[my] friends' house' megobr-eb-is (b) sax1-i friend-PL-GEN house-GEN '[my] friends' house' megobr-is (16)'from a/the friend' Singular with short genitive. gan megobr-isa 'from a/the friend' Singular with long genitive. gan 'from (the) friends' Plural with short genitive. megobr-eb-is gan megobr-eb-isa 'from (the) friends' Plural with long genitive. gan †megobar-ta 'from (the) friends' -ta genitive plural; archaic. gan (17)\*megobr-is-gan-i \*megobr-isa-gan-i \*megobr-eb-is-gan-i \*megobr-eb-isa-gan-i megobar-ta-gan-i 'of (the) friends' Not archaic or formal. sit'q'v-eb-is sint'aksuri (18)(a) k'avširi c'inadadeba-ši (KEGL IV, 1014) word-PL-GEN syntactic union sentence-in 'the syntactic joining of words in a sentence' k'avširi (KEGL IV, 1015) (b) ...činet-is China-GEN union 'the Chinese union' sul-ta-mxutav-i 'angel of death' (literally 'soul/breath-PL.GEN-confining-NOM') (c) (19)megobr-isa=ve (a) gan this.OBL friend-GEN=EMPH from 'from these very friends' am megobr-isa gan=ve (b) ama=ve megobr-isa gan (c) these.OBL=EMPH friend-GEN from 'from these very friends' (20)\*(ert-i) megobar-ta=ve-gan-i (a) one-NOM friend-PL.GEN=EMPH-from-NOM 'one of (the) friends indeed' megobar-ta-gan-i=ve (b) (ert-i) friend-PL.GEN-from-NOM=EMPH one-NOM 'one of the friends indeed'

\*da

sister.NOM

da

and

'The sister and brother did it.'

3ma-m

gaak'etes

brother-NAR they.do.it

(21)

(a)

- (b) \*da-m da 3ma gaak'etes sister-NAR and brother-NOM they.do.it 'The sister and brother did it.'
- (c) da-m da 3ma-m gaak'etes sister-NAR and brother-NAR they.do.it 'The sister and brother did it.'
- (22) (a) \*disšvil da 3misšvil-i movlen sister's.child and brother's.child-NOM they.come 'The sister's child and brother's child will come.'
  - (b) \*disšvil-i da 3misšvil movlen sister's.child-NOM and brother's.child they.come 'The sister's child and brother's child will come.'
  - (c) disšvil-i da 3misšvil-i movlen sister's.child-NOM and brother's.child-NOM they.come 'The sister's child and brother's child will come.'
- (23) gamq'reliʒ-isa da mač'avarian-is mier Gamq'reliʒe-GEN and Mač'avariani-GEN by 'by Gamq'reliʒe and Mač'avariani'
- (24) d-isa da 3m-isa gan miviye sister-GEN and brother-GEN from I.receive.it 'I received it from [my] sister and brother.'
- (25) saxl-sa iak'ob-is-sa [cited by Šaniʒe 1976: 50] house-DAT Jacob-GEN-DAT '(to) the house of Jacob'
- (26) opl-ita p'ir-isa šen-isa-yta [Boln. 61, 1, kv., cited by K'alaʒe 1961:112] sweat-INST face-GEN you.SG-GEN-INST 'by the sweat of your brow'
- (27) morc'mune-ta mat misa <u>mimart</u>-ta [John 7:39] believer-PL.NAR the.OBL him.GEN toward-PL.NAR 'the believers in (*lit.* toward) him'
- (28) makus me nič'-i krist'e-is <u>mier</u>-i I.have.it I.DAT talent-NOM Christ-GEN through-NOM 'I have talent through Christ' [Habo, cited by Šaniʒe 1976: 51]
- (29) q'ur-i γvi3l-isa codv-isa <u>3lit</u>-isa-y [Leviticus 9:10 G, Abula3e 1973:526b] caul-NOM<sub>i</sub> liver-GEN<sub>j</sub> sin-GEN for-GEN<sub>j</sub>-NOM<sub>i</sub> 'the caul of the liver of the sin offering'
- (30) mašin huriastan-isa-ni ivlt'oded mta-d [Mt 24: 16C, Boeder 1995: 186] then Judaea-GEN-PL.NOM they.flee mountain-ADV 'Then let [those] in (lit. of) Judea flee into the mountains.'
- (31) visi šal-it moxvedi? bebia-s-it [K'axaʒe 1969: 19, Boeder 1995: 188] whose shawl-INST you.come grandmother-GEN-INST 'With whose shawl have you come? With Grandmother's.'

- (32) (a) igini hurisatan-isa-ni those.PL.NOM Judea-GEN-PL.NOM 'those of Judea'
  - (b) X-ni huriastan-isa-ni
- (33) (a) bebia-s šal-it grandmother-GEN shawl-INST 'with Grandmother's shawl'
  - (b) bebia-s X-it grandmother-GEN X-INST 'with Grandmother's X'
- (34) ert-man Iesu-ys tana-man [Mt 26:51 E, cited by Boeder 1995:161] one-NAR Jesus-GEN with-NAR 'one [person who was] with Jesus'
- (35) ert-i morec'e-ta šen-ta <u>gan</u>-i one-NOM<sub>i</sub> hired.servant-PL.GEN<sub>j</sub> you.SG-PL.GEN<sub>j</sub> from-NOM<sub>i</sub> 'one of thy hired servants' [Luke 15:19 C, Abulaʒe 1973: 483a]
- (36) ara xart cxovar-ta čem-ta <u>gan</u>-ni
  NEG you.PL.are sheep-PL.GEN my-PL.GEN from-PL.NOM
  'Ye are not of my sheep.' [J 10:26 C, cited by Abulaʒe 1973: 512a]
- (37) toma,ert-i igi atormet'-ta gan-i, ara iq'o mat tana Thomas, one-NOM that.NOM twelve-PL.GEN from-NOM NEG he.is them.OBL with 'Thomas, one of the twelve, was not with them.'

  [John 20:24 Ad, cited by Šaniʒe 1976:51]
- (39) er-isa-gan-ta mat mtavr-isa-ta c'ariq'vanes iesu people-GEN-from-PL.NAR the.OBL governor-GEN-PL.NAR they.take.him Jesus.NOM 'Some of the soldiers of the governor took Jesus.' [Mt 27:27AB]
- (40) masal-eb-i lazur-i zep'irsit'q'viereb-isa <u>tvis</u> [title, K'art'ozia 1968] material-PL-NOM laz-GEN oral.literature-GEN for 'Materials on (lit. for) Laz traditional oral literature'
- (41) (a) is saxl-i am šenob-is <u>uk'an</u> mxat'vr-eb-is at'elie-a that house-NOM this building-GEN behind painter-PL-GEN studio.NOM-it.is 'That house behind this building is a painters' studio.'
  - (b) \*is saxl-i am šenob-is <u>uk'an</u>-i mxat'vr-eb-is at'elie-a that house-NOM this building-GEN behind-NOM painter-PL-GEN studio.NOM-it.is
- nazmnar-i saxel-is mier saxel-is martva brunva ši deverbal-NOM noun-GEN by noun-GEN government.NOM case in udur ena ši [title, Pančvi3e 1960]

  Udi.DAT language.DAT in 'Government of a noun in a case by a deverbal noun in the Udi language'
- (45) ...gansazyvreba... c'in uʒyvis mismier gansazyvrul sit'q'va-s modifier.NOM before it.precede it.GEN by modified word-DAT 'The modifier precedes the word modified by it.' [K'alaʒe 1961: 76]
- (46) mam-issurat-s xat'avs? father-GEN picture-DAT he.paint.it 'Is he painting father's picture?'

- (a) ara, d-is da 3m-isa-s [Tschenkéli 1958: 57] no sister-GEN and brother-GEN-DAT 'No (the) sister's and brother's.'
- (b) ara, d-isa-s da 3m-isa-s no sister-GEN-DAT and brother-GEN-DAT 'No (the) sister's and brother's.'

	Case markers as they appear on nouns	Proximal 3 <sup>rd</sup> singular, 'he, she, it'	Distal 3 <sup>rd</sup> singular, 'he, she, it'	Remote 3 <sup>rd</sup> singular, 'he,she,it'	Question word, 'who?'
Nominative	-i/Ø	es	eg	is, igi	vin
Narrative	-m(a)	aman	magan	man, iman	vin
Dative	-s	amas	magas	imas	vis
Genitive	-is	amis	magis	imis	vis
Instrumental	-it	amit	magit	imit	

Table 1. Comparison of the form of case markers (as they appear on nouns) with the forms of selected pronouns in Modern Georgian (omitting the long forms of cases).

- (47) (a) bavšv-ma c'ign-i c'aik'itxa child-NAR book-NOM he.read.it 'The child read a book.'
  - (b) c'ign-i romel-ma bavšv-ma c'aik'itxa? book-NOM which-NAR child-NAR he.read.it 'Which child read a book?'
- (48) (a) \*am megob(a)r=ve=isa gan this.OBL friend=EMPH-GEN from 'from this very friend'
  - (b) \*am megob(a)r=gan=isa=ve
  - (c) \*am megob(a)r=gan=ve=isa
  - (d) \*am megob(a)r=ve=gan=isa
- (49) (a) am megobr-isa gan this.OBL friend-GEN from 'from this friend'
  - (b) \*am megob(a)r=gan=isa
- (50) (a) am megobr-isa=ve this.OBL friend-GEN=EMPH 'of this very friend'
  - (b) \*am megob(a)r=ve=isa

- (51) mam-is surat-i daxat'a? father-GEN picture-NOM he.paint.it 'Did he paint father's picture?'
  - (a) \*ara, d-is(a) da 3m-isa-i no sister-GEN and brother-GEN-NOM 'No (the) sister's and brother's.'
  - (b) ara, d-is da 3m-isa no sister-GEN and brother-GEN 'No (the) sister's and brother's.'
  - (c) ara, d-isa da 3m-isa no sister-GEN and brother-GEN 'No (the) sister's and brother's.'

(51a) is ungrammatical for all speakers. My less normative consultants found (51b) ungrammatical also, but accepted (51c).

- (52) Case Short form Long form
  Genitive d-is d-isa 'sister'
  Dative da-s da-sa
  Instrumental d-it d-ita
- (53) bič'-eb-isa da mamak'ac-eb-is gund-i boy-PL-GEN and man-PL-GEN team-nom 'a team [composed] of boys and men'
- (54) čven-tan-it 'from among those with us' (Gabunia 1989)
- (55) bag-is-mier-i [lip-GEN-by-NOM] 'labial (sound)'

## **Compounds**

deda-bo3-i [mother-post-NOM] 'central, main post in a building' gul-k'etil-i [heart-good-NOM] 'kind hearted [person]'
3al-yone [strength-strength] 'strength'

- (56) (b) [Adj N]<sub>N</sub> (e.g. axal-kalak-i [new-city-NOM] 'new city', a toponym) (c) [N Adj]<sub>N</sub> (e.g. daba-3vel-i [town-old-NOM] 'old town', a toponym) (Šani3e 1973)
- Nominative (57)maxvil-i 'stress, accent' sit'q'va 'word' Narrative maxvil-ma sit'q'va-m Dative sit'q'va-s maxvil-s Genitive maxvil-is sit'q'v-is Instrumental maxvil-it sit'q'v-it Adverbial maxvil-ad sit'q'va-d

(58)(a) q'av-is-per-i coffee-GEN-color-NOM 'coffee colored' (b) jar-is-k'ac-i army-GEN-man-NOM 'soldier' (59)mam-i-da (a) father-GEN-sister.NOM 'father's sister, aunt' t'an-i-samos-i (b) body-GEN-clothing-NOM 'clothing' yor-0-mucel-i (KEGL) (60)(a) pig-GEN-stomach-NOM 'a person who eats a great deal' cxvir-0-saxoc-i (b) nose-GEN-wiper-NOM 'handkerchief' (61) sabčo-ta k'avšir-i (a) soviet-PL.GEN union-NOM 'Soviet Union, union of soviets' mk'a-ta-tve (b) mowing-PL.GEN-month.NOM 'July, month of mowings' mic'a-t-mokmedeba (KEGL 5: 503) (62)(a) earth-PL.GEN-movement-NOM 'agriculture' nav-t-sadgur-i (KEGL 5: 1283) (b) ship-PL.GEN-station-NOM 'port' (63)tav-0-mjdomare head-DAT-sitter-NOM 'chairman, head, chief' xel-0-nac'er-i (64)hand-INST-written-NOM 'manuscript' t'ol-amxanag-i (65)age.mate-comrade-NOM 'comrade' (66)sik'vdil-sicocxle death-life 'life-or-death' (67) col-švil-i

wife-child-NOM

'nuclear family [for a man]'

(68) šubl-tetr-i forehead-white-NOM

'one characterized by having a white forehead'

(69) (a) gor-mayal-i hill-tall-NOM 'high hill'

(b) cvet'-i-cxovel-i column-NOM-living-NOM
'living column' (also the name of a cathedral)

(c) t'aba-xmel-i lake-dried-NOM 'dry lake' (Šanize 1973: 154)

- (70) (a) mam-is megobar-i father-GEN friend-NOM 'father's friend'
  - (b) \*mam-i megobar-i(c) \*mam megobar-i
- (71) Nominative 'long word' grzel-i sit'q'va Narrative grzel-ma sit'q'va-m Dative sit'q'va-s gr**z**el sit'q'v-is Genitive grzel-i sit'q'v-it Instrumental gr**ʒ**el-i sit'q'va-d Adverbial grzel
- (72) (a) šav-k'liav-i black-plum-NOM 'variety of plum'
  - (b) 3vir-pas-i expensive-price-NOM 'precious'

Prefixes: *ara-* 'un-, in-', e.g. *ara-išviati* 'not infrequent' from *išviati* 'infrequent' Suffixes: -(i)an, for example, *lobi-an-i* 'with beans, having beans' is based on *lobio* 'bean(s)' Circumfix: *u--o* '-less'; *sa--o* 'place for, for the purpose of' (glossed 'for' in examples)

(73) u-švil-o less<sub>1</sub>-child-less<sub>2</sub> 'childless'

(74) sa-st'umr-o for<sub>1</sub>-guest-for<sub>2</sub>.NOM 'hotel'

švil-o 'oh, child'

*šen-obit* 'with the familiar second person pronoun' (based on *šen* 'you, SG') *gaa-igive-eben* 'they make them similar' (based on *igive* 'similar, same' from *igi* 'he, she, it REMOTE')

vin-aoba 'identity' (from vin 'who?')

*tavis-ebureba* 'peculiarity, characteristic' (from *tav-is* 'self's', the genitive case form of *tav-* a noun which means 'head' and is used also as the reflexive)

*čem-iani* 'me-ite', *šen-iani* 'you-ite', *čem-nairi* (or *čem-naira*) 'like me', *šen-nairi* (or *šen-naira*) 'like you', *čem-odeni* 'as many/ much as I', *šen-odeni* 'as many/ much as you', *čem-euli* 'having once belonged to me', *šen-euli* 'having once belonged to you', *čem-peri* 'like me', *šen-istana* 'comparable to you'

(75) miveci merab-s ati c'ign-i, da axla merab-s akvs čemodeni I.give Merab-DAT ten book-NOM and now Merab-DAT he.have as.many.as.I 'I gave Merab ten books, and now he has as many as I.'

imis-iani 'her-ite (REMOTE)', imis-nairi 'like her (REMOTE)', imis-odeni 'as many/ much as she (REMOTE)', imis-euli 'having once belonged to her (REMOTE)', amis-tana 'comparable to this (PROXIMAL)' magis-eburi 'like that (MEDIAL), imis-peri 'like it (REMOTE, dialectal)', imis(i)-šesaperi 'comparable to it (REMOTE)', sa-imis-o 'for that (REMOTE)' (with the circumfix sa--o 'for the purpose of; location of'

am-gvari 'this kind (of)', im-nairi 'that kind (of)'

merabis-iani 'Merab-ite', gelas-nairi 'like Gela', gelas-odeni 'as many as Gela', klint'onis-nairi 'like Clinton', dedis-euli 'having once belonged to Mother'

(76) ak'ak'i c'eretl-is saxl-muzeum-ši viq'avi gušin, da vnaxe Akaki Cereteli-GEN house-museum-in I.am yesterday and I.see

imis-eul-i /ak'ak'-is-eul-i sac'eri magida
REMOTE-BELONG-NOM Akaki-GEN-BELONG-NOM writing table-NOM
'I was in Akaki Cereteli<sub>i</sub>'s house-museum yesterday, and I saw the writing table that once belonged to him<sub>i</sub>/ to Akaki<sub>i</sub>.'

vis-ianebi 'who-ites?' vis-nairi 'who-like, like who?', vis-odeni 'as many as who?', vis-euli 'having once belonged to whom?'; tavis-iani 'self-ite', tavis-odena 'as much/ many as self'; aravis-iani 'no-one-ite', aravis-nairi 'like no one', aravis-odeni 'as many as no one', aravis-euli 'having once belonged to no one'; q'velas-nairi 'like everyone', q'velas-odeni 'as many as everyone'

- (77) č'ianč'vela tav-is-oden-a t'virt-s miatrevda ant.NOM self-GEN-QUAN-HAVING load-DAT it.carry 'The ant was carrying a load as big as itself.'
- (78) (a) giorgi-m tav-is-nair-i aušena megobar-s Giorgi-NAR self-GEN-type-NOM he.build.it.for.him friend-DAT 'Giorgi<sub>i</sub> built his friend one like his<sub>i</sub>.'
  - (b) giorgi-m tav-is-i msgavs-i aušena megobar-s Giorgi-NAR self-GEN-NOM similar-NOM he.build.it.for.him friend-DAT 'Giorgi<sub>i</sub> built his<sub>i</sub> friend one like his<sub>i</sub>.'

(79) merab-i čamovida tbilis-ši tav-is-ian-eb-tan ertad Merab-GEN he.come Tbilsi-in self-GEN-DERIV-with together 'Merab<sub>i</sub> arrived in Tbilisi together with him<sub>i</sub>-ites.'

*šen-nair-i* 'like you, your type', *imis-nair-i* 'like her (REMOTE)', *tavis-nair-i* 'like oneself', *ra-nair-i* 'what kind of?', *aravis-nair-i* 'like no one, unlike anyone', *q'velas-nair-i* 'like everyone, like everything'

*šen-oden-i* 'as many as you [have, represent]', *imis-oden-i* 'as many as she (REMOTE)', *tavis-oden-i* 'as many as oneself', *vis-oden-i* 'as many as who?', *aravis-oden-i* 'as many as no one', *q'velas-oden-i* 'as many as everyone'

gvar-i 'type', per-i 'color', and šesaper-i 'corresponding'

deda-čem-i 'my mother', deda-šen-i 'your (SG) mother', deda-misi 'her mother' šen-ian-i 'you-ite', mis-ian-i 'her-ite', tavis-ian-i 'self-ite', vis-ian-i 'who-ite?', aravis-ian-i 'no one-ite'

am-yam-indel-i 'until this evening (tonight)', im-žam-indel-i 'until that time', or rod-indel-i 'until when?'

- (80) es imis-ian-i-a this her.REMOTE.GEN-ite-NOM-is 'she is a him-ite'
- (81) buš-i čamovida sakartvelo-ši tav-is-ian-eb-tan ertad Bush-NOM arrive Georgia-in self-GEN-ite-PL-with together 'Bush arrived in Georgia with self-ites.'
- (82) buš(-is-i)an-eb-i čamovidnen Bush-GEN-ite-PL-NOM arrive 'Bush-ites arrived.'

u--o '-less': u-šen-o 'you-less', u-imis-o 'her-less (REMOTE)', u-arapr-o 'having nothing' sa--o 'for (the purpose of)': sa-amis-o 'for it (PROXIMAL)', sa-imis-o 'for it (REMOTE)', sa-tavis-o 'for oneself, reflexive', sa-arvis-o 'for no one', sa-q'ovelta-o 'for everyone', but \*sa-čem(is)-o 'for me', \*sa-šen(is)-o 'for you'

- (83) sa-amis-o pul-i ara makvs for.it.REMOTE money-NOM NEG I.have 'I don't have money for that.'
- Nominative (84)šen-i megobar-i 'your (SG) friend' Narrative megobar-ma šen-ma Dative šen(-s) megobar-s Genitive megobr-is šen-i Instrumental megobr-it šen-i Adverbial šen megobr-ad

(85) Nominative šen-nair-i megobar-i 'a friend like you'

Narrative šen-nair-ma megobar-ma Dative šen-nair megobar-s Genitive šen-nair-i megobr-is Instrumental šen-nair-i megobr-it Adverbial šen-nair megobr-ad

(86) Nominative šen-ian-i 'you-ite'

Narrative šen-ian-ma
Dative šen-ian-s
Gentive šen-ian-is
Instrumental šen-ian-it
Adverbial šen-ian-ad

(87) axalux- da šarval-čacmuli (Šanize 1973)

shirt- and pants-dressed '[man] dressed in shirt and pants'

(88) (a) eseni čem-ian-eb-i da šen-ian-eb-i-a these.PL.NOM me-ite-PL-NOM and you-ite-PL-NOM-be 'They (PROXIMAL) are me-ites and you-ites.'

(b) \*eseni čem- da šen-ian-eb-i-a these.PL.NOM me- and you-ite-PL-NOM-be 'They (PROXIMAL) are me-ites and you-ites.'

(89) (a) is čem-nairi da čem-iani-a she me-like and me-ite-is 'She is like me and a me-ite.'

(b) \*is čem-nairi da -iani-a she me-like and -ite-is 'She is like me and a me-ite.'

(90) klint'on-is-ve \*klint'on-is-ve-ian-i

Clinton-GEN-EMPH Clinton-GEN-EMPH-ite-NOM 'Clinton's indeed' 'precisely a Clinton-ite'

imis-ve \*imis-ve-ian-i her-EMPH her-EMPH-ite-NOM 'precisely hers' 'precisely a her-ite'

ded-is-ve \*ded-is-ve-eul-i

mother-GEN-EMPH mother-GEN-EMPH-belonging-NOM

'precisely mother's' 'having once belonged precisely to mother'

\*imis-ve-eul-i

'having once belonged precisely to her'

merab-is-ve \*merab-is-ve-ebur-i

Merab-GEN-EMPH Merab-GEN-EMPH-LIKE-NOM

'precisely Merab's' 'like Merab precisely'

\*imis-ve-ebur-i her-EMPH-LIKE-NOM

(91) gamsaxurdia čemi saq'vareli mc'erali-a, da u-am-mc'eral-o-d kartuli Gamsaxurdia my favorite writer-is and less<sub>1</sub>-this-writer-less<sub>2</sub>-ADV Georgian

lit'erat'ura c'armoudgenili-a

literature unimaginable-is

'[Konstantine] Gamsaxurdia<sub>i</sub> is my favorite writer, and without this<sub>i</sub> writer Georgian literature is unimaginable.'

(92) merab-i k'maq'opil-i-a u-am-c'ign-o-d Merab-NOM satisfied-NOM-is less<sub>1</sub>-this-book-less<sub>1</sub>-ADV 'Merab is satisfied these-books-less.'

(93) ...es k'idev ar nišnavs imas, rom imave rigis sxva zmnebi ...<u>u-r-supiksod</u> ar ixmarebodes imave raemet'i pormebis gavrcelebis arešic. k'idev met'i, igive pormebi, romlebšic -r supiksi gvxvdeba, čveulebriv <u>uamsupiksodaa</u>. (Asatiani 1973:281, underlining added - ACH)

'...this still does not mean that other verbs of the same set ...are not used <u>r-suffix-less</u> in the same [geographical] area in which forms having  $\mathbf{r}$  are widespread. Further, the same forms in which we find the  $\mathbf{r}_i$  suffix are ordinarily this j-suffix-less.

- (95) (a) am supiks-i this suffix-NOM 'this suffix'
  - (b) u-am-supiks-o-d-aa less<sub>1</sub>-PROXIMAL-suffix-less<sub>2</sub>-ADV-is 'is this-suffix-less'

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together

'My sisteri's child came to visit, and s/hei,j came with him.'

(97) ?sa-megrel<sub>i</sub>-o-a, magram isini<sub>i</sub> umciresoba arian for<sub>1</sub>-Mingrelian-for<sub>2</sub>-is but they minority be 'It is Mingrelia (lit. place of the Mingrelians<sub>i</sub>) but they<sub>i</sub> are [in] the minority.'

- (98) (a) ojax-is-tav-i family-GEN-head-NOM 'head of the family'
  - (b) er-is-tav-i
    people-GEN-head-NOM
    'commander-in-chief; district superintendent'
  - (c) kinʒ-is-tav-i coriander-GEN-head-NOM 'pin, brooch'
- (99) (a) im-γam-indel-i that-night-SUF-NOM 'from the time of that night' 'until that night'
  - (b) am-dro-indel-i this-time-SUF-NOM'dating from this time' 'until this time'
- (100) (a) am zmn-is c'in dgas zedsartav-i this verb-GEN before stand adverb-NOM 'an adverb stands before this verb'
  - (b) zmn-is-c'in-i verb-GEN-before-NOM 'preverb'
  - (c) \*am-zmn-is-c'in-i this-verb-GEN-before-NOM 'pre-this-verb'
  - (d) es zmn-is-c'in-i this.NOM verb-GEN-before-NOM 'this preverb' (not 'the preverb before this verb')
- (101) (a) lobi-an-i xač'ap'ur-i bean-HAVING-NOM cheese.bread-NOM 'bread containing beans'
  - (b) \*am-lobi-an-i xač'ap'ur-i this-bean-HAVING-NOM cheese.bread-NOM 'bread containing these beans'
  - (c) es lobi-an-i xač'ap'ur-i this.NOM bean-HAVING-NOM cheese.bread-NOM 'this bread containing beans'
- (102) am bič'-is xač'ap'ur-i
  this boy-GEN cheese.bread-NOM
  'this boy's cheese-bread'
- (103) am-den-i, am-oden-i, and am-oden-a (all) 'this many, this much, of this size'
- (104) mag-den-i, mag-oden-i, mag-oden-a, \*mag-den-a (all) 'that (MEDIAL) many /much, of that size'

Phrase

(105) *čem-nair-i* 'like me', *šen-nair-i* 'like you (SG)', *imis-nair-i* 'like him, her, it (REMOTE)', *čven-nair-i* 'like us', and *tkven-niar-i* 'like you (PL)', but ?*imat-nair-i* 'like them (REMOTE)'

- (106) *čem-per-i* 'like me', *šen-per-i* 'like you (SG), *amis-per-i* 'like him, her, it (PROXIMATE)', *čven-per-i* 'like us', *tkven-per-i* 'like you (PL)', \**amat-per-i* 'like them (PROXIMATE).
- (107) sa-amis-o 'for him/her/it (PROXIMATE)' and sa-imis-o 'for him/her/it (REMOTE)', sa-st'umr-o 'hotel' (lit. 'for guest'), \*sa-čem(is)-o 'for me', \*sa-šen(is)-o 'for you'
- (108) -ian-i: gela-s-ian-i 'Gela-ite', šen-ian-i 'you-ite', vis-ian-i 'who-ite?', aravis-ian-i 'no one-ite', \*q 'velas-ian-i 'everyone-ite'
- (109) *mam-i-da* [father-'s-sister] 'paternal aunt', *deida* 'maternal aunt', \**vi(s)-da* 'whose sister?', \**tav-i(s)-da* 'self's sister'
- (110) (a) u-čem-o less<sub>1</sub>-me-less<sub>2</sub> 'me-less'
  - (b) čem-ian-i me-ite-NOM 'me-ite'
  - (c) \*u-čem-ian-o less<sub>1</sub>-me-ite-less<sub>2</sub> 'me-ite-less'
- (111) imis-ian-i him.GEN-ite-NOM '\*himite'
- (112) u-šen-o less<sub>1</sub>-you.SG-less<sub>2</sub> '\*youless'
- (113) mat-gan-i them-from-NOM '[one] of them'
- (114) bag-is-mier-i lip-gen-by- NOM 'labial'
- (115) v-i-tval-is-c'in-eb 1.SG-REFL-eye-GEN-before-SM 'I am examining it.'
- (116) ert-ze-met'-marcvl-ian-i one-on-more-syllable-ite- NOM 'polysyllabic'
- (117) p'ir-da-p'ir [face-and-face] 'straight, direct, opposite one another' sxva-da-sxva [other-and-other] 'various' tav-da-p'irveli [head-and-first] 'original, initial'
- (118) oc-da-or-i 20-and-2- NOM 'twenty-two'

## Comparative data on circumfixes

Georgian me--e agentive: me-bay-e 'gardener', from the root bay- 'garden' sa--o place: sa-sadil-o 'dining room, cafeteria' from sadil- '(midday) dinner' t-ert-met'i 'eleven', from ert- 'one' Modern Georgian *t--met'-* '-teen': t-or-met'i 'twelve', from or- 'two' t-otx-met'i 'fourteen', from otx- 'four' Old Georgian at-ert-met'-ni moc'ape-ni (Matthew 28:16) igi disciple-PL.NOM ten-one-more-PL.NOM the.NOM 'the eleven disciples' *igi* (Luke 18:31) at-or-met'-ni ten-two-more-PL.NOM the.NOM 'the twelve' natesav-i *at-otx-met'-i* (Mt. 1:17) ten-four-more-NOM generation-NOM 'fourteen generations' Svan (data from Topuria 1967:82) yešd/ yešt' *ešxu* 'one' (v)ešd-ešxu 'eleven' /ešt'-ešxu vori 'two' (v)ešd-vori/ ešt'-veri 'twelve' semi 'three' (v)ešd-semi 'thirteen' etc. Zan (data from Chikobava 1938:212-214, 218-219) viti 'ten' arti 'one' *vit'-var/vit'-o-ar* 'eleven' (<\**vit-do-ar*) *vit'-o-\(\frac{2}ur\)* 'twelve' (<\**vit-do-\(\frac{2}ur\)*) *żuri* Laz, *żiri* Ming. sumi 'three' vit'-o-sum 'thirteen' Old Georgian sa-qel-i 'sleeve' Modern Georgian sa-xel-o SA-arm-NOM -e: sa-katm-e 'chicken coop', from katam- 'chicken' -et: sa-prang-et-i 'France' -is: sa-cxen-isa 'horse barn', from cxen- 'horse', -isa GEN svan-et-i 'place where the Svans live', somx-et-i 'Armenia', from somex-i 'Armenian' perd-o 'slope (of a mountain)' perd-i 'side (of the body), flank' gverd-o 'very steep place' gverd-i 'side, flank' *mi-dye-mdis* (L 1:20Ad) thither-day-until 'until that day'

mi-sik'udid-mde (Mt 26:38Ad) thither-death-until 'until

*mo-aka-mde* (Mt 11:12Ad, etc., all from Imnaišvili 1957: 324-325) hither-here-until 'until now'

## Mingrelian

*i-tas-e-n*I-sow-TM-3SG
'it can be sown'

A-sow-TM-3SG
'she can sow it'

*i-tas-u-n*I-sow-TM-3SG
A-sow-TM-3SG

'it is sown' 'it is sown for her, hers is sown'

Old Georgian *a--en/in* causative: *a-vl-en-s* 'sends', from *vl-* 'go' *a-tb-ob-s* 'she warms it', from *tb-* 'warm'

*i-č'er-s* a-*č'er-in-eb-s* 

REFL-catch-3sG CAUS-catch-CAUS-TM-3sG 'she catches it' 'she causes someone to catch it'

*e-č'er-in-eb-a* (Jorbena3e et al. 1988:237) E-catch-CAUS-TM-3SG

da-u-č'er-in-eb-i-a da-m-i-č'er-in-eb-i-a

ASP-3SG-catch-CAUS-TM-I-3SG ASP-1SG-I-catch-CAUS-TM-I-3SG

'she has evidently caused someone to catch it'

'I have evidently caused...'

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