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## 0.1 Introduction

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# 1 Phonology and orthography

# 1.1 | Phoneme inventory

Table 1.1: The consonants of aaaaaaaaaa.

	Bilabial	Alveolar	Palatal	Velar	Glottal
Nasal	m	n	n	ŋ	
Plosive	рb	t d	СĴ	k g	?
Fricative	f	S	<b>   </b>	x	
(coarticulated)	θx	fx		f∫	
Affricate		ts	t∫		
Lateral fricative		4			
Approximant		J	j	w	
Lateral approximant		1			
Trill		r			

Table 1.2: The vowels of aaaaaaaaaa.

14010 1.2.	THE VOWEIS OF ac	iaaaaaaaaa 1.
Spread	Half-rounded	Rounded
i	y,	у
u	ų	u
ε		œ
Λ		อ
ä		

In addition to consonants and vowels, aaaaaaaaaa has rod signals, represented by numbers. Rod A is blue and held by one's dominant hand and B is red and held by one's non-dominant hand.

- 1. Rod A is raised to one's chest, while B is pointed down.
- 2. Rods A and B are crossed in the front.
- 3. Rod B is raised upwards in front of the nondominant arm, while rod A is lowered.

- 4. Rod A is pointed sideways near one's nondominant arm, while rod B is lowered.
- 5. Rods A and B are extended to the sides.
- 6. Rods A and B are extended, facing forward.
- 7. Rod A is raised forward, while B is pointed to the side.
- 8. Rod B is raised forward, while A is pointed to the side.

Lowering both rods is interpreted as an absence of a rod signal. If the use of rods are unavailable, the numerals of the positions may be pronounced.

#### 1.2 | Hacmisation

aaaaaaaaaA uses the hacm script with superscript letters to indicate phonemes not found in Arka. The transcriptions can be found in Tables 1.3 and 1.4.

Table 1.3: The consonants of aaaaaaaaaaA.

	Bilabial	Alveolar	Palatal	Velar	Glottal
Nasal	D	n	n <sup>4</sup>	n <sup>φ</sup>	
Plosive	d b	Ω	الا Ω۲	Ιφ	
Fricative	a	J	l	h	
(coarticulated)	l J <sup>h</sup>	a <sup>h</sup>		al	
Affricate		ſj	N		
Lateral fricative		S			
Approximant		h	Ч	0	
Lateral approximant					
Trill		Ч			

Table 1.4: The vowels of aaaaaaaaaaA.

Spread	Half-rounded	Rounded
С	C <sub>e</sub>	Co
9 <sup>c</sup>	Ð	ə <sup>o</sup>
е		e <sup>o</sup>
o <sup>e</sup>		<b>၁</b>
I		

Vowels that are inferrable from context are sometimes omitted. For example, / $\mu$ ean/ (to speak) is written  $\mu$ ean, but / $\mu$ ein/ (to spread), which is less common, is written  $\mu$ eacn, with the second vowel. Most of this grammar will leave all vowels written.

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#### 1.3 | Phonotactics

An onset consists of one of the following:

- any single consonant other than /l/ (the exceptions are <le>\le lek and related words),
- any obstruent followed by an approximant other than /l/,
- or any plosive followed by /r/,
- or any nasal followed by /j/ or /w/.

A nucleus consists of one vowel. A coda consists of one of the following:

- · nothing,
- a nasal,
- a voiceless plosive (excluding /?/),
- /a/, /s/ or /l/

#### 1.4 | Stress

Stress falls on the last syllable with a coda, or otherwise the second-to-last syllable. See table 1.5 for examples.

Table 1.5: Examples of stress locations.

	Location of stress
Orthography	(# from last)
DIJI	2
ni.cn	1
cleìce.	2
lijnedc <sup>ə</sup>	3

## 1.5 | Vowel harmony

For the purposes of vowel harmony, vowels are divided into front and back vowels. /a/ is neutral. A root with neither front nor back vowels acts as if it has front vowels.

# 2 Syntax

#### 2.1 | Basic word order

The basic word order is VSO. Descriptors follow what they modify.

#### 2.2 | Questions

Binary questions have the interrogative polarity marker and no change to syntax. In wh-questions, the wh-word is pulled to the front (i. e. before the verb). This requires case marking for the wh-word:

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Then peace the new term of the peace of the peace who acc speak-far.past-q pr.far.sg whom did you speak to?
```

This applies only to questions, not interrogative-mood clauses that act as relative clauses:

```
peac<sup>e</sup>Jhi nc<sup>o</sup> (lel, yií po. speak-far.past-q pr.far.sg who, see-near.past pr.anaph_obj.int I saw the person whom you talked to.
```

#### 2.3 | Multiple clauses

A sentence might have multiple clauses. Each clause in a sentence follows the basic VSO order, and clauses are separated with commas.

# 3 Nouns

Nouns are declined for number, case and definiteness.

## 3.1 Number

aaaaaaaaaA has many grammatical numbers:

Table 3.1: The discrete grammatical numbers of aaaaaaaaaa.

Number	Constraint on $x \in \mathbb{Z}$
Integral	none
Nullary	x = 0
Singular	x =1
Dual	x =2

Table 3.2: The continuous grammatical numbers of aaaaaaaaaaA.

Number	Constraint on $x \in \mathbb{R}$
Nullary	x = 0
Subsingular	x  < 1
Supersingular	$  1 \le  x  < 2$
Plural	$ x  \ge 2$ or $x$ is unknown

## 3.2 | Case

In a clause with both the subject and object directly expressed in that order, both the subject and object are declined in the nominative case (and their roles are inferred through word order). In a clause where only one is present, or where both are expressed in the opposite order, the subject will receive the nominative case and the object will receive the accusative case.

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#### 3.3 | Noun classes

There are three overarching groups of noun classes.

#### 3.3.1 | Countable

Nouns in these classes are declined for a discrete number.

- 1. Sentient such as humans, AIs, deities.
- 2. Animate nonsentient animals.
- 3. Inanimate anything else.

#### 3.3.2 | Measurable

Nouns in this class are declined for a continuous number.

4. Measure - all measurable nouns, especially units of measurement.

#### 3.3.3 Uncountable

Nouns in these classes are not declined for number, and require compounding with a countable or measurable noun in order to be quantified.

- 5. Fluid liquids and gases.
- 6. Edible edible (to humans) non-fluids.
- 7. Inedible inedible (to humans) non-fluids.
- 8. Abstract abstract ideas.

#### 3.4 Definiteness

The definite form of a noun is formed regularly by reduplicating the first syllable (without the coda): \( \ODG) \) "a person" becomes \( \ODG) \) "the person".

#### 3.5 Declension table

#### 3.5.1 | Countable classes

Note that noun declensions respect vowel harmony. For nouns with back vowels, replace the front vowels with the back vowels of the same height and rounding, and vice versa.

Table 3.3: Declensions for countable nouns.

	Integral	Nullary	Singular	Dual
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	Integral	Nullary	Singular	Dual		
Sentient: <di< td=""><td colspan="6">Sentient: \(\rightarrow\text{IIII}\rightarrow\text{"person"}</td></di<>	Sentient: \(\rightarrow\text{IIII}\rightarrow\text{"person"}					
Nominative	DIJI	DIJIÌe	DIJIJ	DIJII		
Accusative	DIJIN	Dijinφje	DIJINCJ	DIJINI		
Sentient: < Jh	ı.en⟩ "magio	cian"				
Nominative	ر ا	յ <sup>հ</sup> ı.eſe	ر <sup>h</sup> ı.ej	ا را الم		
Accusative	յ <sup>հ</sup> ւ.eµcn	յ <sup>հ</sup> ı.en <sup>ଡ</sup> ଼ിe	յ <sup>հ</sup> ւ.eµcյ	J <sup>h</sup> ı.eµcl		
			ved only in th	e integral nominative form.)		
Animate: <de< td=""><td>∍n<sup>φ</sup>ɔ&gt;"rabb</td><td>it"</td><td></td><td></td></de<>	∍n <sup>φ</sup> ɔ>"rabb	it"				
Nominative	⊳ən <sup>o</sup> ⊃	⊳ən <sup>o</sup> ojo <sub>e</sub>	⊳ən <sup>ଡ଼</sup> ၁j	Dən <sup>φ</sup> ɔ.ə <sup>c</sup>		
Accusative	pənφon	⊳ən <sup>ଡ଼</sup> ɔnſɔ <sup>e</sup>	⊳ənφon	⊳ən <sup>φ</sup> ɔnə <sup>c</sup>		
Animate: ⟨JC	el> "fox"					
Nominative	JC <sup>ə</sup> l	Jc∍ſe	JC <sup>ə</sup> J	JC <sup>ə</sup> .C		
Accusative	jc <sup>e</sup> µcn	jc <sup>ə</sup> n <sup>φ</sup> le	Jc <sub>e</sub> hcl	Jc <sup>e</sup> hc		
Inanimate: <	hıdə <sup>o</sup> > "stat					
Nominative	hıdə <sup>5</sup>	µiqə₂Jɔ <sub>e</sub>	hıqə <sub>ɔ</sub> J	hıdə <sup>o</sup> j		
Accusative	hıdə⁵⊳	ocba <sup>c</sup> ehıd	hıdə <sup>o</sup> do <sup>e</sup>	hıdə <sup>o</sup> aə <sup>c</sup>		
Inanimate: <.coen> "house"						
Nominative	.coen	.cpele	.coeì	.cpej		
Accusative	.coeµco	.cpeµcpde	.cpeµcde	.cpeµcac		

## 3.5.2 | Measurable classes

Table 3.4: Declensions for measurable nouns.

	Plural	Nullary	Subingular	Supersingular		
Measure: <	Measure: ⟨µəDə <sup>c</sup> ⟩ "day (continuous)"					
Nominative	habac	hapa <sub>c</sub> ha <sub>o</sub>	hapacl	hapa <sub>c</sub> u		
Accusative	papacu n	həpə <sub>c</sub> hə <sub>o</sub> u	hapa <sub>c</sub> ula <sub>e</sub>	həpə <sub>c</sub> uə <sub>c</sub> u		
Measure: ⟨Del⟩ "volume" (in expressions such as ⟨Del-Yəj⊃e⟩ "cupful")						
Nominative	Nominative Del Deµc <sup>3</sup> Deµcf Deµcn					
Accusative	pehcu pehc <sub>2</sub> u pehcule pehcucu					
(Note that the final consonant is preserved only in the plural nominative form.)						

## 3.5.3 | Uncountable classes

Notably, uncountable-class noun declensions do not respect vowel harmony.

Table 3.5: Declensions for measurable nouns.

	Mass	
Fluid: 〈aləµəɔ〉 "water"		
Nominative		
Accusative	α <sup>θ</sup> μθ <sup>ο</sup> n	
Fluid: ⟨neled⟩ "nitrogen"		

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	Mass		
Nominative	ΩeÌeD		
Accusative	Ωelepcn		
	da is preserved in the accusative as well.)		
Edible: <iep.< td=""><td>C°⟩ "beef"</td></iep.<>	C°⟩ "beef"		
Nominative	leh.co		
Accusative	ſeµ.c <sup>o</sup> n		
Edible: <din></din>	"rice"		
Nominative	DIN		
Accusative	DINCN		
Inedible: <µe			
Nominative	h <del>ခ</del> ္တ(၁		
Accusative	µခ <sup>၁</sup> (၁be		
Inedible: 🗐 🗀	ıj〉"stone"		
Nominative	Jirdij		
Accusative	)ırlıjde		
Abstract: < Q	Paodo> "empathy"		
Nominative	a <sup>h</sup> ə <sup>o</sup> Do		
Accusative	a <sup>h</sup> ə <sup>o</sup> don <sup>o</sup>		
Abstract: 〈φcյ〉 "[the number] five"			
Nominative	фСј		
Accusative	φcjcn <sup>φ</sup>		

## 3.6 | Pronouns

Personal pronouns are not divided into first, second and third persons as in most languages. Instead, they fall into four categories which exhibit different behaviour depending on whether they occur as the first or second noun in the clause:

Table 3.6: Pronoun persons and their functions.

Person	Role in first position	Role in second position	
Near	The speaker.	The first argument of the	
Far	The listener.	sentence. If the first argument is	
		the speaker, then the lis-	
		tener. Otherwise, the	
		speaker.	
Other	A third entity.	An entity that is neither	
		the speaker, the listener	
		nor the first argument.	
Generic	A generic entity (akin to "one").		
Anaphoric Subject	The subject of the previous clause.		
Anaphoric Object	The object of the previous clause.		

In wh-questions, the wh-word assumes the second position and the other argu-

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ment becomes the first.

If a clause has no explicit arguments, the first argument is understood to be the subject.

Table 3.7: Personal pronouns. $\langle -n \rangle$ , $\langle -en \rangle$ or $\langle -2^en \rangle$ is suffixed for the accusative	
case.	

(continuous)	Pl. / Sub. / Sup.	Nullary		
(discrete)	Integral	Nullary	Singular	Dual
Near	ſı	Jeli	Dе	achc
Far	do	Joedo	nə <sup>c</sup>	bui
Other	nc	lenc	sc <sup>o</sup>	Jiḥc
Anaph. Sub.	μι	Jehi	.CD	n <sup>o</sup> chc nobe
Anaph. Obj.	μɔ	Jo <sub>e</sub> ho	.ə <sup>c</sup> D	n <sup>φ</sup> ə <sup>c</sup> μɔ
Generic		.ə°		

(For the observant readers: notice the similarity to Kavinan's system.)

#### 3.6.1 | Last-clause pronouns

The anaphoric pronoun <code>\deltabj></code> (accusative: <code>\deltabjen></code>) is grammatically an other pronoun, and it refers to the previous clause said. Likewise, <code>\deltabedcj></code> (accusative: <code>\deltabedcn></code>) refers to the clause before the previous one.

#### 3.7 | Compounding

Nouns can be compounded together in a head-initial manner. When that happens, only the leftmost noun is the one to be declined.

```
pel-μəjɔe-αləμəɔ-φcj
volume-cup-water-five
five cupfuls of water
```

Note that integral pronouns can modify other nouns, in which personal possession is indicated:

```
Del-μəjɔ<sup>e</sup>-α<sup>l</sup>əμə<sup>ɔ</sup>-φcj-ſı
volume-cup-water-five-PR.NEAR.INTEGRAL
(arg1)'s five cupfuls of water
```

Descriptors can also compound on nouns. This compounding is productive in aaaaaaaaaaA.

```
DIJI—lə<sup>o</sup>(i
person-old
old people
(Compare to DIJI lə<sup>o</sup>(i "person old-SENTIENT".)
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## 3.8 | Possession

"X's Y" is translated as  $\langle Y=DI \ JCI \ X \rangle$ . The possessive construction is also used to create appositives.

Observe that possession marks the head, and  $\langle -DI \rangle$  is a clitic, not an affix, as in the following example:

```
Dədən^{\phi}Oj-\alpha^{l}ə\muə^{o}-Di Jcl J^{h}I.eJ
DEF~rabbit-SING-water=GEN POS magician-SING
the magician's water rabbit
In more casual speech, \langle Jcl \rangle may be dropped.
```

# 4 Verbs

Verbs are conjugated for person of the subject, tense, polarity and tellicity, in two paradigms. Conjugation respects vowel harmony.

Table 4.1: Person-tense conjugations for verbs, using  $\langle Dilin \rangle$  "(S) eats (O)".

	Nonpast	Past
Near	DIJIU	DIJIL
Far	DIJIU	DIJC <sub>9</sub> 1
Other	DIJI	DIJC <sub>9</sub>
Anaph. Sub.	Dile	Dilel
Anaph. Obj.	ыс.е	Dilc.el
Generic	DIJC <sub>2</sub>	DIJCo

Table 4.2: Person-tense conjugations for verbs, using \u2214\u2214\u2214\u2214\u2214\u2214\u2214\u2214\u2214\u2214\u2214\u2214\u2214\u2214\u2214\u2214\u2214\u2214\u2214\u2214\u2214\u2214\u2214\u2214\u2214\u2214\u2214\u2214\u2214\u2214\u2214\u2214\u2214\u2214\u2214\u2214\u2214\u2214\u2214\u2214\u2214\u2214\u2214\u2214\u2214\u2214\u2214\u2214\u2214\u2214\u2214\u2214\u2214\u2214\u2214\u2214\u2214\u2214\u2214\u2214\u2214\u2214\u2214\u2214\u2214\u2214\u2214\u2214\u2214\u2214\u2214\u2214\u2214\u2214\u2214\u2214\u2214\u2214\u2214\u2214\u2214\u2214\u2214\u2214\u2214\u2214\u2214\u2214\u2214\u2214\u2214\u2214\u2214\u2214\u2214\u2214\u2214\u2214\u2214\u2214\u2214\u2214\u2214\u2214\u2214\u2214\u2214\u2214\u2214\u2214\u2214\u2214\u2214\u2214\u2214\u2214\u2214\u2214\u2214\u2214\u2214\u2214\u2214\u2214\u2214\u2214\u2214\u2214\u2214\u2214\u2214\u2214\u2214\u2214\u2214\u2214\u2214\u2214\u2214\u2214\u2214\u2214\u2214\u2214\u2214\u2214\u2214\u2214\u2214\u2214\u2214\u2214\u2214\u2214\u2214\u2214\u2214\u2214\u2214\u2214\u2214\u2214\u2214\u2214\u2214\u2214\u2214\u2214\u2214\u2214\u2214\u2214\u2214\u2214\u2214\u2214\u2214\u2214\u2214\u2214\u2214\u2214\u2214\u2214\u2214\u2214\u2214\u2214\u2214\u2214\u2214\u2214\u2214\u2214\u2214\u2214\u2214\u2214\u2214\u2214\u2214\u2214\u2214\u2214\u2214\u2214\u2214\u2214\u2214\u2214\u2214\u2214\u2214\u2214\u2214\u2214\u2214\u2214\u2214\u2214\u2214\u2214\u2214\u2214\u2214\u2214\u2214\u2214\u2214\u2214\u2214\u2214\u2214\u2214\u2214\u2214\u2214\u2214\u2214\u2214\u2214\u2214\u2214\u2214\u2214\u2214\u2214\u2214\u2214\u2214\u2214\u2214\u2214\u2214\u2214\u2214\u2214\u2214\u2214\u2214\u2214\u2214\u2214\u2214\u2214\u2214\u2214\u2214\u2214\u2214\u2214\u2214\u2214\u2214\u2214\u2214\u2214\u2214\u2214\u2214\u2214\u2214\u2214\u2214\u2214\u2214\u2214\u2214\u2214\u2214\u2214\u2214\u2214\u2214\u2214\u2214\u2214\u2214\u2214\u2214\u2214\u2214\u2214\u2214\u2214\u2214\u2214\u2214\u2214\u2214\u2214\u2214\u2214\u2214\u2214\u2214\u2214\u2214\u2214\u2214\u2214\u2214\u2214\u2214\u2214\u2214\u2214\u2214\u2214\u2214\u2214\u2214

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	Nonpast	Past
Near	μeacn	heacl
Far	μeαin	heacel
Other	μeαι	heac <sub>e</sub>
Anaph. Sub.	μeαe	μeαel
Anaph. Obj.	peac.e	peac.el
Generic	heace	heace

to which a suffix is added:

Table 4.3: Polarity-tellicity suffixes for verbs. The interrogative affix can also follow a negative affix.

	Positive	Negative	Interrogative
Telic	_·	−Je / −Jɔe	–hı
Atelic	-DC / -D9c	ار– ا	−lc <sup>ə</sup> / −lə

Notes:

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 "Negative atelic" means something akin to "unsuccessfully tried to avoid doing X".

• The interrogative polarity, in addition to marking questions, is used to mark clauses that may or may not be true but are referred to later in the sentence.

Some examples:

```
cycl) shie rifia
eat-NEAR.NONPAST fish flower
Fish eat flowers.
ny iyin nilia ,cyc) shis nilia
eat-NEAR.NONPAST fish flower, eat-NEAR.NONPAST cat PR.ANAPH_SUB
Fish eat flowers, and cats eat fish.
Dilin side (Louo, Dile pilibe.
eat-NEAR.NONPAST fish flower, eat-ANAPH_SUB.NONPAST grass-ACC
Fish eat flowers, and they eat grass.
(Grass is inedible to humans, but edible to fish.)
elia cucl) side.
eat-NEAR.NONPAST-NEG flower fish
Flowers don't eat fish.
dμι sc<sup>o</sup> huchucae), jenin (i bej.
carry-other.nonpast pr.other.sg def~book-sg, worry-near.nonpast pr.near.int
PR.LAST_CLAUSE
He has the book; that worries me.
or: That he has the book worries me.
dμιhι sc<sup>o</sup> hμchμcΩe), jenin (i bej.
carry-other.nonpast-interrogative pr.other.sg def~book-sg, worry-near.nonpast
PR.NEAR.INT PR.LAST_CLAUSE
He might have the book; that worries me.
or: That he might have the book worries me.
```

#### 4.1 | Aspect

Verbs can also be marked for aspect, either using a rod sign directly on the verb, or a particle with a rod sign, placed anywhere between the verb it modifies and the next verb.

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Table 4.4: Aspect markers. Those with hyphens are attached to verb. Those without hyphens are placed as separate particles anywhere after the verb.

Aspect name	Marking	Meaning
Imperfect	<b>-</b> 1	An action that is currently going on. Also
		used to distinguish static actions as op-
		posed to dynamic (e. g. wear as opposed to
		put on).
Interrupted	rlcl1	An action that was interrupted.
Perfect	_]	An action that has already finished.
		Changes present tense to immediate past.
		Also used to distinguish dynamic actions
		as opposed to static (e.g. put on as opposed
	_	to wear).
Gnomic	<b>-</b> }	A general truth or aphorism, or an action
	4 15	done habitually.
Gnomic dubitative	(lcl?	A general truth or aphorism that the
5	_0	speaker considers to be false.
Deontic necessity	וע— ווע	An action that the speaker insists on hap-
Fristanianaanita	Jəc⊳N	pening.
Epistemic necessity	וועס פו	An action that the speaker infers that is
Deontic potential	4_	happening. An action that the speaker permits to occur.
Epistemic potential	4a°eſ	An action that the speaker infers that might
Lpisteinic potentiai		happen.
Unexpected	<u>-</u> {	An action that is unexpected (akin to using
		"but").
Comparative	deſ	Indicates an action of greater intensity
		than what was described in the previous
		clause.
Nonexclusive subject	ોc1	Indicates that the subject comprises not
		only of what is explicitly mentioned, but
		also other things.
Nonexclusive object	JcJ	Indicates that the object comprises not
		only of what is explicitly mentioned, but
Manual de la	)-M	also other things.
Nonexclusive argument	JcN	Combination of both nonexclusive subject
		and nonexclusive object.

#### An example:

fullifoc1 de nc, lcnc.els dən<sup>p</sup>idde—µi. fight-near.past-atelic-imperfect pr.near.sg pr.other.int, shoot-anaph\_obj.past-unexpected knee-sg.acc-pr.anaph\_sub.int I tried to fight them, but they shot my knee.

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#### 4.2 | Obliques

aaaaaaaaaa lacks oblique arguments. Instead, equivalent expressions employ serial verb constructions. For instance, "he ate soup with a spoon" would be reduced to "he held a spoon and ate soup":

```
dµc<sup>a</sup> sc<sup>a</sup> op<sup>e</sup>lo<sup>e</sup>l, pilel sidjcn.

INST-OTHER.PAST PR.OTHER.SG spoon-SG, eat-ANAPH_SUB.PAST soup-ACC

He held a spoon and ate soup.

or: He ate soup with a spoon.
```

#### Likewise:

```
ni.i nc jəjəl-hi.ip, ncde hihidə doe.

TEMPORAL-OTHER PR.OTHER.INT DEF~day-SG-spring, dance-ANAPH_SUB DEF~statue-SG.ACC

They will wait until the spring equinox and dance around the statue.

or: They will dance around the statue on the spring equinox.
```

A similar construction can be used for the negation of obliques:

```
dycele sco adele, diles sidjen.

INST-OTHER.PAST-NEG PR.OTHER.SG spoon-SG, eat-ANAPH_SUB.PAST-UNEXPECTED soup-ACC

He did not hold a spoon, but ate soup.

or: He ate soup without a spoon.
```

#### 4.3 Conjunctions

Conjunctions such as "and" are treated like obliques. For instance, "and" is represented by the verb  $\langle \alpha cn \rangle$ , and precedes the clause in which the two are used:

```
oc<sup>a</sup> \pc<sup>a</sup>je \fipal, pilel fep.c<sup>a</sup>n. and-other.past Ryse Tarul, eat-ANAPH_SUB.PAST beef-ACC Ryse and Tarul ate beef.
```

Sufficiently complex nesting may be unrepresentable using only anaphoric referents. The easiest way to resolve this issue is to use definite nouns in place of anaphoric referents.

```
ac<sup>a</sup> \pc<sup>a</sup>je \lipal, ac<sup>a</sup> fep.c<sup>a</sup> sidjc, dilc<sup>a</sup> didijil pi. and-other.past Ryuse Tarul, and-other.past beef soup, eat-other.past def~persondu pr.anaph_sub.cont [They,] Ryse and Tarul ate beef and soup.
```

#### 4.4 | Subordinate clauses

```
ſeμilehi, ni.cn ſi bej, αehcn.
rain-other-neg-Q, wait-near pr.near.int anaph_clause, play-near
If it doesn't rain, we will play.
```

Note the clausal argument to  $\langle \text{NI.CN} \rangle$ , since our condition is an entire clause instead of a noun.

#### 4.5 | Comparatives

The comparative is a function cmp :  $A \times A \times (A \to \mathbb{R}) \times (A \times A \to \{0,1\}) \to \{0,1\}$ , where cmp $(a,b,f,\Box) = f(a) \supset f(b)$ .

Consider the following sentences:

Fish eat flowers more than cats. More fish eat flowers than cats.

Semantically, they can be translated to:

cmp(fish, cats, 
$$a \mapsto (\# \text{ of flowers eaten by } a), >)$$
 (4.1)

cmp(fish, cats, 
$$a \mapsto (\# \text{ of } a \text{ that eat flowers}), >)$$
 (4.2)

The heart of comparatives in aaaaaaaaaa is the quadrivalent verb  $\langle \Omega \rangle \mu n \ a \ b \ f$   $\Rightarrow$ . Thus:

```
Dilc<sup>o</sup>hi (loudd-j<sup>l</sup>cn, aduin side nyipi ud nef. eat-generic-q flower-acc.int-how_many, cmp-near fish cat pr.anaph_obj.int > Fish eat more flowers than cats.
```

```
Dilc<sup>o</sup>hi .ə<sup>o</sup>-J<sup>l</sup>cn (loud), noun side nyipi pi nef. eat-generic-q pr.generic-how_many flower, CMP-NEAR fish cat pr.anaph_sub.int >

More fish eat flowers than cats.
```

Note that we place a clause whose argument is the generic pronoun before the comparative clause. From the doran-clause, we refer to the function using the anaphoric pronoun referring to the position of the return value.

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#### 4.6 Ditransitive-like constructions

In English, some verbs such as *give* take two objects: the item being given and the recipient of the item. Since clauses in aaaaaaaaaa can take only one object, translating such verbs requires multiple clauses:

```
lose-near.past pr.near.sg def~book, give_to-anaph_sub.past Riuse-acc I gave the book to Ryse.
```

#### 4.7 | Transitivisation

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Verbs that are intransitively (i. e. have no object passed at this time) can be turned into a causative form with the prefix  $\langle \phi c - \rangle$ :

```
fall-NEAR.PAST DEF~coin
The coins fell.

De pc(lcrlc* opeopen*4e
PR.NEAR.SG TRANS-fall-OTHER.PAST DEF~coin
I dropped the coins.
```

Note that the word order changes to SVO. In addition, the verb is conjugated for its object, rather than the subject as expected. If the following clause uses an anaphoric subject, it refers to the object of the current clause.

Moreover, the verb does not need to be one that can never take an object. In the above example, (Chcn) means "(S) falls on (O)". However, if the verb in question is taking an object, it cannot be transitivised directly and a more roundabout way is required:

```
Icacl opequenue pull.

fall-near.past defaction grass

The coins fell on the grass.

De pclcace opequenue, Icacle pullbe.

PR.Near.sg trans-fall-other.past defaction, fall-anaph_sub.past grass-acc I dropped the coins; they fell on grass.

or: I dropped the coins on grass.
```

## 4.8 | Clauses with nullary arguments

A clause with one or more arguments that are nullary or modified by nullary-number nouns (either through compounding or possession) will have a negative verb as well:

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Dəlinle Dijile.
recall-NEAR-NEG person-NULL
No one knows.

Ijclinle de jiplidi jcl jhi.ele. want-NEAR-NEG PR.NEAR.SG ring=GEN POS magician-NULL I don't want the rings of any magician.

## 4.9 | The copula

The copula  $\langle JCn \rangle$  can take a noun as an object, in which case it can mean identity or membership. (Location is expressed with  $\langle JIn \rangle$  "be at".) With no object at all, it is used to denote existence.

It can also accept a descriptor, in which case the descriptor is attached before \JCN\rangle in the dictionary form. 26 CHAPTER 4. VERBS

# 5 Descriptors

Descriptors act as adjectives or adverbs. They follow what they modify, and are inflected for the noun class or verbal person of their antecedents.

Table 5.1: Descriptor declensions, using the descriptors  $\langle heDfi \rangle$  "large" and  $\langle le^{\circ}fi \rangle$  "old".

Class or person	Declined form		
Sentient	hebli	J9 <sub>2</sub> (၊	
Animate	hebli	J9 <sub>2</sub> (၊	
Inanimate	hebíe	Jອ <sub>ວ</sub> ເວ <sub>e</sub>	
Measure	heblij	]ງອ <sup>ວ</sup> [ເງ	
Fluid	hebíej	ໄອ <sup>ວ</sup> (ວ <sup>e</sup> ງ	
Edible	hebíc	Jə <sub>ɔ</sub> [əc̩	
Inedible	he⊳ſeっ	]ອ <sup>ວ</sup> ໃວ	
Abstract	hebíc <sup>ə</sup>	Jə <sub>ɔ</sub> [ə	
Near	heblih	J9 <sub>2</sub> (lh	
Far	heblip	Jə <sub>ɔ</sub> (ih	
Other	heblep	Jə <sub>ɔ</sub> (eh	
Anaph. Sub.	heblih	J9 <sub>2</sub> (lh	
Anaph. Obj.	heblep	Jə <sub>ɔ</sub> (eh	
Generic	heɒſc <sup>5</sup> µ	Jə <sub>ɔ</sub> (əʻɔ	

## 5.1 | Conversion

A noun can be converted to a descriptor by appending  $\langle -JI \rangle$ .

A descriptor can be converted to an abstract noun meaning "the nature of being  $\sim$ " by replacing the final  $\langle -i \rangle$  with  $\langle -cnel \rangle$ .

# 6 Tree mode

As mentioned in section 4.3, anaphoric referents in a linked-list sentence are sometimes insufficient for expressing even simple sentence structures. While the easiest method of resolving this issue is using definite nouns, aaaaaaaaaaA also provides a mode where sentences are not linked lists of clauses, but rather (binary) trees.

#### 6.1 Activation

Tree mode is enabled automatically when the treeing particle  $\langle n^{4}I^{9}\rangle$  is used, and disabled at the end of a sentence.

#### 6.2 | Branch-switching

The aforementioned particle  $\langle n^{4}I^{9}\rangle$  marks the beginning of the right branch of the tree. The right branch is ended by the particle  $\langle n^{4}I\Delta\rangle$ , which causes the next clause to join the left and right branches.

(N. B.  $\langle n^{4}I^{9} \rangle$  and  $\langle n^{4}I\Delta \rangle$  can occur only between clauses. If the particles are represented by left and right brackets, respectively, then the brackets should match.)

#### 6.3 | Anaphoric pronouns in joiner clauses

In clauses that join two branches, anaphoric pronouns require marking whether the antecedent occurs in the left predecessor  $\langle n^{q_1}q \rangle$  or the right predecessor  $\langle n^{q_1}\Delta \rangle$ . This is done by marking the pronoun with  $\langle -q \rangle$  or  $\langle -\Delta \rangle$ .

Likewise, verbs can be modified with  $\langle -9 \rangle$  or  $\langle -\Delta \rangle$  to indicate which branch the subject came from.

#### 6.4 Errors

The following are ungrammatical:

 Using the particle ⟨nЧIΔ⟩ or the branched anaphoric pronouns when tree mode is disabled

- Using the particle  $\langle n^{\mbox{\tiny $ 1$}} \mbox{\tiny $ 1$} \Delta \rangle$  other than to close a corresponding  $\langle n^{\mbox{\tiny $ 1$}} \mbox{\tiny $ 1$} \Delta \rangle$
- Using the unbranched anaphoric pronouns in clauses with two predecessors
- Using the branched anaphoric pronouns in clauses with one predecessor
- Starting a new branch with  $\langle n^4 | 9 \rangle$  when the current branch is empty

## 6.5 | Example

The second example in section 4.3 can be expressed as follows:

The resulting tree is shown below:

# 7 Numerals

aaaaaaaaaA uses a mixed-base system for its numerals. Numerals are abstract nouns. A Perl 6 program to convert numerals can be found in Section A.3.

# 7.1 | Single-digit numerals

Here are the numerals for n < 17:

Table 7.1: The cardinal numbers from 0 – 16.

base 10	base v	word
0	0	ac <sub>e</sub> l
1	1	acəl
2	]	ílj ດ <sup>y</sup> e <sup>ວ</sup> n
3	۲	α <sup>q</sup> e <sup>o</sup> n
4	በ	α <sup>l</sup> ıµ φcj Dye (jcj də <sup>o</sup> n
5	4	φсј
6	١	bye
7	9	ſjĊj
8	Δ	də <sup>ʻə</sup> n
9	L	hed
10	F	bənφ
11	γ 9 Δ L F	nə <sup>c</sup>
12	£	nə <sup>c</sup> le <sup>o</sup>
13	Д А Ф	ر ابان
14	Α	γın
15	Y	ìel
16	ψ	.ıµ

Note that digits above 9 use capital hacm letters.

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# 7.2 Numerals up to $19 \cdot 17$

These are represented by two digits. The multiples of 17 are shown below:

Table 7.2: Multiples of 17, up to  $18 \cdot 17$ .

base 10	base v	word
17	10	selc <sup>ə</sup>
34	JO	DIICe
51	70	α <sup>γ</sup> e <sup>ο</sup> lc <sup>ə</sup>
68	NO	liplc <sub>9</sub>
85	04	φcյſc <sup>ə</sup>
102	10	pyelc <sup>ə</sup>
119	90	ljcj(c <sup>ə</sup>
136	Δ0	də <sup>ɔ</sup> nə
153	L0	helc <sup>ə</sup>
170	F0	bən∮ə
187	70	nə <sup>c</sup> lə
204	£0	leºlcə
221	#0	J <sup>h</sup> cdlc <sup>ə</sup>
238	A0	yınc <sup>ə</sup>
255	A0	)ėlyc <sup>ə</sup>
272	40	.ılyċ <sup>ə</sup>
289	<del>D</del> 0	Jilsc <sup>ə</sup>
306	₩0	ĥe⊳dcª

Thus  $y \cdot 17 + x$  is written  $\langle x-y \rangle$ .

# 7.3 | Numerals up to $13 \cdot 19 \cdot 17 = 4199$

These are represented by three digits. The multiples of 19  $\cdot$  17 are listed below:

Table 7.3: Multiples of  $19 \cdot 17$ , up to  $12 \cdot 19 \cdot 17$ .

base 10	base v	word
323	100	hıjılın
646	100	fijifin
969	700	α <sup>q</sup> e°jelin
1292	NOO	a <sub>r</sub> ıhı <u>ı</u> ıu
1615	004	φοίιδιη
1938	100	byejilin
2261	900	ſjcjilin
2584	Δ00	də <sup>ʻo</sup> nılın
2907	L00	heaıſın
3230	F00	bən <sup>φ</sup> ıſın

base 10	base v	word
3553	700	nə <sup>c</sup> Jılın
3876	£00	le <sup>o</sup> jilin

Thus  $(z \cdot 19 \cdot 17) + (y \cdot 17) + x$  is written  $\langle z-x-y \rangle$ .

#### 7.4 Numerals up to and including $4199 \cdot (4199 + 1)/2 = 8817900$

The numeral for 4199 is  $\langle 10.01 \rangle$ , written as  $\langle 1.000 \rangle$ .

Likewise, two  $\langle \exists .\exists \exists c \rangle$  is written as  $\langle \exists .000 \rangle$  and pronounced  $\langle \exists .\exists e c - \exists j \rangle$ , but the second  $\langle \exists .\exists e c \rangle$  is one smaller than the first. In other words,  $\langle \exists .000 \rangle = 4199 + (4199 - 1) = 8397$ .

Table 7.4: "Multiples" of  $\langle la. 2la^c \rangle$ .

"Multiple"	Difference from last	Total
(0)		0
1:000	4199	4199
1:000	4198	8397
7:000	4197	12594
<b>N</b> :000	4196	16790
000:4	4195	20985
£#A:000	3	8817897
£Ψψ:000	2	8817899
1::000:000	1	8817900

Thus the *n*th "multiple" differs from the (n-1)th multiple by (4199+1-n) (given  $1 \le n \le 4199$ ), and the sum of the first n "multiples" is

$$y(n) = \sum_{i=1}^{n} (4200 - n)$$
$$= \frac{1}{2} \cdot (8399 \cdot n - n^{2})$$
(7.1)

And likewise, for some given y, the largest "multiple" of  $\langle l \theta. J | \theta^c \rangle$  not smaller than y has the index

$$N(y) = \left| \frac{1}{2} \cdot \left( 8399 - \sqrt{70543201 - 8 \cdot y} \right) \right| \tag{7.2}$$

In other words, for any numeral  $\langle n_1:n_2\rangle$ ,  $n_1+n_2$  must be less than 4199.

#### 7.5 | Higher numerals

The bases of higher numerals  $b_i$  can be derived from the recurrence relation

$$b_{i} = \begin{cases} 4199 & \text{if } i = 1\\ \frac{b_{i-1} \cdot (b_{i-1} + 1)}{2} & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$
 (7.3)

Then  $b_i$  acts as a new triangular base. Equations 7.1 and 7.2 can be generalised to the following:

$$y(n,b_i) = \sum_{i=1}^{n} (b_i + 1 - n)$$
(7.4)

$$= \frac{1}{2} \cdot (n \cdot (2 \cdot b_i + 1 - n)) \tag{7.5}$$

$$N(y, b_i) = \left[ \frac{1}{2} \cdot \left( 2 \cdot b_i - \sqrt{4 \cdot b_i^2 + 4 \cdot b_i + 1 - 8 \cdot y} \right) \right]$$
 (7.6)

It follows that  $y(n_1, b_i) + n_2$  is represented as  $\langle n_1 : n_2 \rangle$  (*i* colons), and such a numeral must satisfy  $n_1 + n_2 < b_i$ .

Here are the names of the bases themselves:

Table 7.5: Names of higher bases.

Base	base v	word
$b_1$	1:000	ોə.၁lə <sup>c</sup>
$b_2$	1::000:000	pehcoli
$b_3$	1:::000:000::000:000	(Ilþə
$b_4$		Ωencoi

#### 7.6 | Cardinal and ordinal numerals

Cardinal numerals compound to their antecedents; ordinal numerals use the possessive  $\langle -DI \ JCI \rangle$  construction:

DCQI—Ω<sup>4</sup>e<sup>5</sup>N child-three three children

DCQIJDI JCl  $\Omega^{q}e^{3}n$  child-SG=GEN POS three the third child

# 8 Derivational morphology

The following methods are used to derive related terms from existing ones.

## 8.1 | Abstraction

Abstraction is a derivation that takes a non-abstract noun and returns the abstract noun representing the concept of the argument. This formation appends  $\langle -ne \rangle$  or  $\langle -ne \rangle$  to the noun.

Examples:

- ⟨hµcΩen⟩ book → ⟨hµcΩene⟩ literature
- ⟨hɔlı⟩ cart → ⟨hɔlınɔe⟩ transportation

Note that any double letters collapse into a single.

#### 8.2 Dematuration

Dematuration is a derivation that takes a noun and returns a noun of the same class that represents an immature form of the argument (not necessarily a diminuitive).  $\langle fc-\rangle$  or  $\langle fe^c-\rangle$  are prepended to nouns that begin in  $\langle J\rangle$  or  $\langle l\rangle$ , or  $\langle Jc-\rangle$  or  $\langle Je^c-\rangle$  otherwise.

Examples:

- $\langle DIJI \rangle$  person  $\rightarrow \langle JCDIJI \rangle$  child
- $\langle J \rangle = \langle J \rangle$  fruit  $\rightarrow \langle J \rangle = \langle J \rangle = \langle J \rangle$  unripe fruit
- ⟨jedilcn⟩ essay → ⟨ſcjedilcn⟩ draft

# 9 Names

Names fall into two grammatical categories:

- Nominal names act as nouns. They are usually single words.
- *Clausal names* are entire clauses. These names usually refer to places, although a few people have clausal names. In extreme cases, such a name can span multiple clauses.

## 9.1 | Nominal names

These names act as nouns, and they are preceded by a backslash  $\langle \backslash \rangle$ . If the name spans multiple words (as common in foreign names), spaces are escaped by backslashes. No distinction is made between native and foreign names.

Only personal names can stand on their own, and even then, only given or full names. Other names must modify a common noun describing the nature of what is named, in the integral number without definiteness.

Table 9.1: Some examples of nominal names.

	Name	Туре		
	\hc <sub>e</sub> le	Personal (native)		
	\ſiµəl	Personal (native)		
	\µebcn	Personal (foreign)		
	dµe°pe_\oili.c	Place (foreign)		

Native names will usually respect vowel harmony. Children of parents who work in professions demanding physical labour (e. g. bricklaying) will usually have names with back vowels. In contrast, those born to parents of professions that do not demand physical strength (e. g. computer programming) will usually bear names with front vowels.

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### 9.2 | Clausal names

These names comprise of one or more clauses. Due to the nature of clausal names, they are all considered native. Most of these names refer to places; personal clausal names are almost always nicknames or such. Orthographically, they are put into square brackets  $\langle | \rangle$ .

Clausal names are used by saying them as their own clauses, then using an anaphoric pronoun to backreference the entity described by the name in question. The type of anaphoric pronoun used varies from name to name. It might be the anaphoric subject pronoun, the object pronoun or the last-clause pronoun.

We call the *referent* the subject, the object or the verb of the last clause, respectively depending on the type of anaphoric pronoun used to refer to the name. If the referent is a noun, it must be declined in the integral number without definiteness.

Here, as common in maps and such, the referent will be capitalised. However, other contexts that make the type of anaphoric pronoun to use clear do not use this type of capitalisation.

rable 9.2: Some examples of clausal names.			
Name	Туре	Literal meaning	
[(AE¥4¥∃ dhilji (Saas)]	Place	The trees covered the ground	
[cohcoleta heal - //eahcoleta heal	Place	The <i>city</i> remembers the Šedrŷ	
[ac <sup>a</sup> lμίθa-Di jcl jaμ j <sup>h</sup> i.en-Di jcl liac <sup>o</sup> , φοejc.el ΦΧΕ <sup>3</sup> DED]	Place	star The <i>city</i> was founded by the war- rior of the sun and the wizard of	
[peji \Ψ∃TF→ jc°l-selc°]	Personal	the moon Gulto takes care of 17 foxes	

Table 9.2: Some examples of clausal names

An example of usage:

ni.i binen-bəj, [pəli dµe²pe μc²]-\lenμc²], jhi didijij .cd. wait-other year-future, (name), go-other def~person-sg pr.anaph\_sub.sg He will go to Muta Pröme Ryk-Šedrŷ next year.

# 10 | Calendar

Domain II, which contains *Rymako* has a day that is 26.99410 hours long. Other figures are given in terms of local days:

Table 10.1: Astronomical measures for Domain II.

c	able 10.1. Astronomical measures for bomain i		
	Period	Length in local days	
	Local (synodic) day	1.00000	
	Sidereal day	0.99699	
	Tropical year $(l_y)$	301.94714	
	Sidereal year	302.03719	
	Synodic month $(l_m)$	30.80152	
	Sidereal month	27.95032	

## 10.1 | Tides

In Domain II, the offset of the sea level due to the tide can be modeled by the following equations:

$$y = y_s + y_m \tag{10.1}$$

$$y_s = A_s \cdot (1 + A_{sa} \cdot \cos(\tau \cdot t)) \cdot \cos(2 \cdot \tau \cdot t)$$
(10.2)

$$y_m = A_m \cdot \left(1 + A_{ma} \cdot \cos\left(\frac{\tau \cdot t}{l_m}\right)\right) \cdot \cos\left(\frac{2 \cdot \tau \cdot (1 - l_m) \cdot t}{l_m}\right)$$
(10.3)

where:

$$au=2\cdot\pi$$
  $A_spprox 0.675$   $A_{sa}pprox 0.0532$   $A_mpprox 1.267$   $A_{ma}pprox 0.176$   $y=$  offset of sea level in metres  $t=$  time since HAT in local synodic days

An exact solution to dy/dt=0 is not known to exist. However, the solutions to this equation can be found numerically. Consult Section A.1 for a Sage program to do so.

As the calendar used by aaaaaaaaaaa uses the high and low tides to count time, it is not synchronised even with days. The basic unit of time in the calendar is the *tidal day*  $\langle P \ni D \ni^c \rangle$   $(l_t)$  – the amount of time between a high tide and the second high tide thereafter, which is, on average, 1.03356 local synodic days, but can vary considerably. Thus:

$$l_m/l_t \approx 29.80148$$
 (10.4)

$$\approx 4053/136\tag{10.5}$$

$$l_{\rm v}/l_{\rm m} \approx 9.80299$$
 (10.6)

$$\approx 7215/736$$
 (10.7)

This suggests that:

- 1. most months will have 30 days, but every 136 months, 27 months will have only 29.
- 2. most years will have 10 months, but every 736 years, 145 years will have only 9.

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### 10.2 | Months

Months follow a 136-month cycle wherein the 5n+2-numbered months (zero-indexed,  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ ) have 29 days and the other months have 30.

The names of months, on the other hand, are determined from their positions relative to the first month of the year:

Table 10.2: The months of the year.

#	Name
0	$\sigma_{\rm spe_{\rm s}}$
1	µc <sup>ə</sup> .e⊳
2	Ισφιί
3	Dəµəji
4	Jyehip
5	ໃວ <sup>e</sup> Dອໂ
6	n <sup>ø</sup> əµə <sup>c</sup> ſ
7	lcbcli
8	p⊃p9 <sub>2</sub> J
9*	.cje <sup>o</sup> µi

Days within a month are indexed from one.

### 10.3 | Years

The lengths of the year follow a 736-year cycle as specified in Figure 10.1. The code used to generate this table can be found in Section A.2.

#### 10.4 Eras

Years are grouped further into <code>eras</code> (Iu), which change on major historical events. The start of a new era resets the month and year cycle. Eras can also start in the middle of a year of the previous era; thus, the start of the year is different for each era. The <code>crossover date</code> of an era is the date of the era that coincides with the first day of the next; in other words, it is the date immediately after the last day of the era.

Table 10.3: The months of the year.

Name	Crossover date	Days between	Cumulative
Jidi-bejo <sub>e</sub>	N Ideμιο LΔJ 13 (Jiφοl SYS Δ (cbcli Ji£ (to present)	889726	889726
Jidi-ja <sub>o</sub> (i		642508	1532234
Jidi-hejo <sub>e</sub>		207366	1739600

The first day of  $\langle |u|-nche| \rangle$  coincides with the founding of the (not yet named).

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Figure 10.1: Table of year lengths in a cycle.

```
0123456789 |
                    0123456789 |
                                      0123456789 |
                                                       0123456789
 O XXXX9XXXX |
                 19 XX9XXXX9XX |
                                  38 9XXXX9XXXX |
                                                    57 XXX9XXXX9X
 1 9XXXX9XXXX |
                 20 XXX9XXXX9X |
                                  39 9XXXX9XXXX |
                                                    58 XXX9XXXX9X
 2 9XXXX9XXXX |
                 21 XXX9XXXX9X |
                                  40 9XXXXX9XXX |
                                                    59 XXX9XXXX9X
 3 9XXXX9XXXX |
                 22 XXX9XXXX9X |
                                  41 X9XXXX9XXX |
                                                    60 XXXX9XXXX9
 4 9XXXX9XXXX |
                 23 XXX9XXXX9X |
                                  42 X9XXXX9XXX |
                                                    61 XXXX9XXXX9
 5 9XXXX9XXXX |
                 24 XXX9XXXX9X |
                                  43 X9XXXX9XXX |
                                                    62 XXXX9XXXX9
                                  44 X9XXXX9XXX |
 6 9XXXX9XXXX |
                 25 XXX9XXXX9X |
                                                    63 XXXX9XXXX9
 7 X9XXXX9XXX I
                 26 XXX9XXXXX9 |
                                  45 X9XXXX9XXX |
                                                    64 XXXX9XXXX9
 8 X9XXXX9XXX |
                 27 XXXX9XXXX9 |
                                  46 X9XXXX9XXX |
                                                    65 XXXX9XXXX9
 9 X9XXXX9XXX |
                 28 XXXX9XXXX9 |
                                  47 XX9XXXX9XX |
                                                    66 XXXX9XXXXX
10 X9XXXX9XXX |
                 29 XXXX9XXXX9 |
                                  48 XX9XXXX9XX |
                                                    67 9XXXX9XXXX
11 X9XXXX9XXX |
                 30 XXXX9XXXX9 |
                                  49 XX9XXXX9XX |
                                                    68 9XXXX9XXXX
12 X9XXXX9XXX |
                 31 XXXX9XXXX9 |
                                  50 XX9XXXX9XX |
                                                    69 9XXXX9XXXX
13 X9XXXXX9XX |
                 32 XXXX9XXXX9 |
                                  51 XX9XXXX9XX |
                                                    70 9XXXX9XXXX
14 XX9XXXX9XX |
                 33 XXXXX9XXXX |
                                  52 XX9XXXX9XX |
                                                    71 9XXXX9XXXX
15 XX9XXXX9XX |
                 34 9XXXX9XXXX |
                                  53 XX9XXXXX9X |
                                                    72 9XXXX9XXXX
                                                    73 9XXXX9
16 XX9XXXX9XX |
                 35 9XXXX9XXXX |
                                  54 XXX9XXXX9X |
17 XX9XXXX9XX |
                 36 9XXXX9XXXX |
                                  55 XXX9XXXX9X |
18 XX9XXXX9XX |
                 37 9XXXX9XXXX |
                                  56 XXX9XXXX9X |
```

9: 9 months X: 10 months

## 10.5 | Subdivisions of the day

Lek-Tsaro has two systems for subdividing the day.

#### 10.5.1 | Traditional timekeeping

The traditional system of timekeeping relies on subdivisions of the solar day. As shown in Figure 10.2, the period between sunrise and sunset are divided into six equally-sized parts (JDD), and the night is considered a separate category. This implies that the length of the "hours" depends on the seasons.

The traditional timekeeping system is vague – typically, the most precise interval used is a quarter or eighth of an "hour".

#### 10.5.2 | Modern timekeeping

The need for precise schedules necessitated another standard for subdividing the day. The modern system is based on the tidal day, rather than the solar day. In theory, each

Figure 10.2: Hours in traditional timekeeping.

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tidal day is divided into 23 equal parts (IIN), each of which is divided into 80 equal parts (JCNe), which are each divided into 40 equal parts (binə).

Of course, having 23  $\langle III \rangle$  per tidal day requires predicting the next two high tides. For that reason, each day's  $\langle IIII \rangle$  are based on the length of the *previous* tidal day, such that each day might have more or less than 23  $\langle IIII \rangle$ .

# A Listings of programs

# A.1 | workfiles/7/tides.sage

```
1 # How many values to output
  limit = int(sys.argv[1]) if len(sys.argv) > 1 else 1000
  # :P
  tau = 2 * pi
  t = var("t")
10
11 # Constants
13 A_s = 0.675; A_sa = 0.0532; A_m = 1.267; A_ma = 0.176; 1_m = 30.80152
15 # Solar component
16 y_s2 = A_s * (1 + A_sa * cos(tau * t)) * cos(2 * tau * t)
17 # Lunar component
18 y_m2 = A_m * (1 + A_ma * cos(tau * t / l_m)) * cos(2 * tau * t / l_m - l_m)
      2 * tau * t)
19 y = y_s2 + y_m2
20 yp = diff(y, t)
22 # High and low tides occur at values of t where dy/dt = 0.
23
24 i = 0
25 time = 0
26 print(0)
  while i < limit:</pre>
    try:
      time2 = find_root(yp == 0, time + 0.000000001, time + 0.35)
29
30
      print(time2)
31
      time = time2
      i += 1
32
33
    except:
      time += 0.01
```

workfiles/7/tides.sage

## A.2 | workfiles/7/bins.pl6

```
# CONSTANTS
2
  constant \MONTHS_PER_YEAR_CYCLE = 7215;
  constant \YEARS_PER_YEAR_CYCLE = 736;
5 constant \AVG_MONTHS_PER_YEAR = MONTHS_PER_YEAR_CYCLE /
      YEARS_PER_YEAR_CYCLE;
6
  # COMPUTATION
8 # For each year, take as many months as are needed
9 # in order to cycle to the next.
10
11 | my $c = 0;
12 my @k;
13
14 for 0 ... YEARS_PER_YEAR_CYCLE -> $i {
my $need = 1 - ($c - floor($c));
   my $objs = ceiling($need * AVG_MONTHS_PER_YEAR);
16
17
    @k[\$i] = \$objs;
    $c += $objs / AVG_MONTHS_PER_YEAR;
18
19 }
20
21 # DISPLAY
23 my \cols = 4;
24 my $len = @k.elems;
             0123456789" xx cols).join(" | ");
26 say ("
27
28 my \total-rows = ceiling($len / 10);
29 my \rows = ceiling(total-rows / cols);
30
31 for 0 ... rows -> $j {
    for 0 ..^ cols -> $p {
  print(" | ") if $p != 0;
32
33
34
      my $q = $j + rows * $p;
      next if $q >= total-rows;
35
36
      printf("%3d ", $q);
      for 0 ... 10 {
37
        38
        if $i >= $len { print " "; }
39
40
        else {
          print "0123456789XE".substr(@k[$i], 1);
41
42
43
      }
    }
44
    say "";
45
46
```

workfiles/7/bins.pl6

### A.3 | workfiles/7/conno.pl6

```
1 my $digits-str = "0123456789TKXSNVFMD";
2 my @digits = $digits-str.comb;
  sub convert-small-fwd($n, $pad = False) {
    die "$n must be < 4199" if $n >= 4199;
    my  $a = $n div (19 * 17);
    my $b = ($n div 17) % 19;
    my $c = $n \% 17;
10
       (!$pad && $a == 0 ?? "" !! @digits[$a]) ~
11
       (!$pad && $b == 0 && $a == 0 ?? "" !! @digits[$b]) ~
12
      @digits[$c];
13
  }
14
  sub convert-small-back($s) {
15
    die "$s must be 3 chars or fewer" if $s.chars > 3;
    my $c = $digits-str.index($s.substr(* - 1, 1) // "0");
    my $b = $digits-str.index($s.substr(* - 2, 1) // "0");
    my $a = $digits-str.index($s.substr(* - 3, 1) // "0");
19
20
    return $c + 17 * ($b + 19 * $a);
21
22
  sub triangle($n, $p) {
    return ($n * (2 * $p + 1 - $n)) div 2;
24
25
26
  sub sqrt-floor($y) {
27
    die "$y is negative" if $y < 0;</pre>
    return $y if $y < 2;</pre>
29
    my $small = sqrt-floor($y +> 2) +< 1;</pre>
30
    my $large = $small + 1;
31
32
    return $small if $large * $large > $y;
33
    return $large;
34 }
35 sub sqrt-ceil($y) {
    my $n = sqrt-floor($y);
    return $n if $n * $n == $y;
37
38
    return $n + 1;
39 }
40
  sub untriangle($y, $p) {
41
42
    return (2 * $p + 1 - sqrt-ceil(4 * $p * $p + 4 * $p - 8 * $y + 1))
43 }
45
  my Opowers = (4199);
46
  for 0 .. 10 {
47
    my $p = @powers[* - 1];
48
    @powers.push: $p * ($p + 1) div 2;
50
51
52 sub convert-large-fwd-h($n, $i, $pad = False) {
```

```
53
    # base case
    if $i == 0 {
54
55
      return convert-small-fwd($n, $pad);
56
57
    # recursive
58
    my $super = untriangle($n, @powers[$i - 1]);
    my $infra = $n - triangle($super, @powers[$i - 1]);
59
    if $super == 0 && !$pad {
      return convert-large-fwd-h($infra, $i - 1, False);
61
62
63
    return
64
      convert-large-fwd-h($super, $i - 1, $pad) ~
65
       (":" x $i) ~
      convert-large-fwd-h($infra, $i - 1, True);
66
67 }
68
69 sub convert-large-fwd($n, $pad = False) {
70
    my $i = 0;
    ++$i while @powers[$i] <= $n;
71
    convert-large-fwd-h($n, $i, $pad);
73 }
74
75 sub convert-large-back($s) {
    # Find the longest run of colons
76
    my @matches = ($s ~~ m:g/":"+/); #/"
    if (!@matches) {
78
79
      return convert-small-back($s);
80
    my $longest-match = @matches.max(*.chars);
81
82
    my $i = (~$longest-match).chars;
    my $left = $s.substr(0, $longest-match.from);
83
    my $right = $s.substr($longest-match.to);
85
    my $sup = convert-large-back($left);
    my $inf = convert-large-back($right);
86
87
    return triangle($sup, @powers[$i - 1]) + $inf;
88 }
89
90 multi MAIN(Int :$fwd) {
91
   say convert-large-fwd($fwd);
92 }
93 multi MAIN(Str : $back) {
94
    say convert-large-back($back);
95 }
```

workfiles/7/conno.pl6

## A.4 | workfiles/7/count-days.pl6

```
# Count the number of days between 1/0/0 and D/M/Y, inclusive.

# CONSTANTS

constant \MONTHS_PER_YEAR_CYCLE = 7215;
constant \YEARS_PER_YEAR_CYCLE = 736;
```

```
7 constant \AVG_MONTHS_PER_YEAR = MONTHS_PER_YEAR_CYCLE /
      YEARS_PER_YEAR_CYCLE;
  constant \MONTHS_PER_MONTH_CYCLE = 136;
  constant \DAYS_PER_MONTH_CYCLE = 4053;
10
  # COMPUTATION
12 # For each year, take as many months as are needed
13 # in order to cycle to the next.
14
15
  my $c = 0;
16
  my @k = (0);
17
18 for 0 ... YEARS_PER_YEAR_CYCLE -> $i {
    my $need = 1 - ($c - floor($c));
19
    my $objs = ceiling($need * AVG_MONTHS_PER_YEAR);
21
    @k[$i + 1] = $objs;
    $c += $objs / AVG_MONTHS_PER_YEAR;
22
23 }
24
25
  my @cumk = [\+] @k;
2.6
27 sub months-before-year($year) {
    my $whole-cycles = $year div YEARS_PER_YEAR_CYCLE;
29
    my $remainder = $year % YEARS_PER_YEAR_CYCLE;
30
    return $whole-cycles * MONTHS_PER_YEAR_CYCLE + @cumk[$remainder];
31 }
32
33
  my @m = (0);
34
  for 0 ..^ MONTHS_PER_MONTH_CYCLE -> $i {
35
    @m.push: ($i % 5 == 2) ?? 29 !! 30;
36
37
  }
38
39
  my @cumm = [\+] @m;
40
41 sub days-before-month($month) {
    my $whole-cycles = $month div MONTHS_PER_MONTH_CYCLE;
43
    my $remainder = $month % MONTHS_PER_MONTH_CYCLE;
44
    return $whole-cycles * DAYS_PER_MONTH_CYCLE + @cumm[$remainder];
45
46
47
  sub days-before-date($d2, $m, $y) {
    my $d = $d2 - 1; # d is 0-indexed
48
    my $bm = months-before-year($y) + $m;
50
    return days-before-month($bm) + $d;
51 }
52
53
  sub MAIN($d2, $m, $y) {
54
    say days-before-date($d2, $m, $y);
  }
```

workfiles/7/count-days.pl6

# B Arithmetic in base v

This chapter describes algorithms for performing arithmetic operations in Lek-Tsaro's number system.

# B.1 | Operations on small numbers

### B.1.1 | Additions

If both addends are smaller than 4199, then it is sufficient to use mixed-base addition:



#### B.1.2 | Subtraction

If both of the operands are smaller than 4199, then it is sufficient to use mixed-base subtraction.

#### B.1.3 | Determining parity

A number less than 4199 is even iff the sum of its digits in base v is even – that is, either none of its digits are odd, or if exactly two are.

#### B.1.4 | Dividing by two

If a number's base-v representation contains only even digits, then divide each digit by two.

If the representation has two odd digits, then take advantage of the identities

$$11_{\nu}/2 = 9_{\nu}$$
  
 $101_{\nu}/2 = 99_{\nu}$   
 $110_{\nu}/2 = T0_{\nu}$ 

This operation is written as  $\langle D \rangle$ , short for  $\langle DYINE \rangle$  "one half". Thus, in hacm:

- D11 = L
- D101 = LL
- D110 = F0

#### B.1.5 | Multiplication

With the previous two operations, it is now possible to use peasant multiplication to multiply small numbers.

## B.2 | Operations on larger numbers

### B.2.1 | Addition

For some  $i \in \mathbb{N}$ , and two numbers number  $a = x_a :^i y_a$  and  $b = x_b :^i y_b$ , we take advantage of the fact that

$$x_a : {}^{i}y_a + x_b : {}^{i}y_b = (x_a + 1) : {}^{i}y_a + (x_b - 1) : {}^{i}y_b + (x_a - x_b + 1)$$
 (B.1)

$$x_a : {}^i y_a + x_b : {}^i y_b = (x_a + x_b) : {}^i y_a + 0 : {}^i y_b + x_a \cdot x_b$$
 (B.2)

$$= (x_a + x_b) : {}^{i} (y_a + y_b) + x_a \cdot x_b$$
 (B.3)

# Romanisation

In this text, the romanisation is used only to transcribe names into English. Whenever possible, the hacmisation should be used.

Table B.1: The consonants of aaaaaaaaaa.

	Bilabial	Alveolar	Palatal	Velar	Glottal
Nasal	m	n	ñ	ŋ	
Plosive	рb	t d	ťď	kg	,
Fricative	f	s	š	h	
(coarticulated)	þh	fh		fš	
Affricate		ts	tš		
Lateral fricative		ł			
Approximant		r	j	w	
Lateral approximant		1			
Trill		ř			

Table B.2: The vowels of aaaaaaaaaa.

Table D.Z. The vowers of daddaddaddar.				
Spread	Half-rounded	Rounded		
i	у	ŷ		
ï	u	û		
e		ö		
ë		0		
a				

Rod signs are represented by the Arabic digits  $\langle 1\,2\,3\,4\,5\,6\,7\,8 \rangle$  attached to the end of the verbs they encompass. Proper words are preceded by a backslash  $\langle \backslash \rangle$ .

# C Dictionary

```
I٦
                                                                                                                            luis nsent warrior
                                                                                                                            looeli desc potent, powerful
                                                                                                                   in a physical sense
          .CDen ninanim house
                                                                                                                            \lim v (S) makes a loud noise
         .ə°fələ nabst sadness, grief
                                                                                                                            lijnedc<sup>ə</sup> ninanim mirror
                                                                                                                            \lim v (S) is at (O), locational verb
                                                                                                                             In nmeas subdivision of the day
1
                                                                                                                   cf Grammar / Calendar / Subdivisions of
                                                                                                                   the day / Modern timekeeping
         lin v (S) fights (O)
                                                                                                                             liΩc<sup>o</sup> ninanim moon
         f(cdcn v) (S) falls on (O)
                                                                                                                            liui ninanim era
                                                                                                                            Indianined stone
         Nower flower
                                                                                                                            icli desc all, every
         Noedi desc
                                                     sufficient, wanted,
wished-for
                                                                                                                             lon desc
                                                                                                                                                        whole, entire
                                                                                                                            (le)1 desc complete, full, mature
         (lel nsent
                                     who?
         sudo nabst
                                              power, magic, motiva-
tion
         f_{i}cl(in v (S) wants (O)
                                                                                                                             l\mu e^{3}ncn v (S) hunts for (O)
         fruit of the sequential of the
                                                                                                                             cnin v (S) shoots an arrow to (O)
         fdijcn v (S) answers to (O)
         ίφιη ν
                                    (S) loses, frees (O); (O) es-
capes
         Sibui desc heavy
                                                                                                                            JIPII ninanim ring
         (202) ninanim tree
                                                                                                                            JCD v (S) is (O)
         fedcn v (S) buys (O)
                                                                                                                            jcncn v (S) attaches to, loves (O)
         seµ.co nedib beef
                                                                                                                            icne nmeas subdivision of the day
         feuin v rain (S = other)
                                                                                                                   cf Grammar / Calendar / Subdivisions of
         fəlli nsent coward, knave
                                                                                                                   the day / Modern timekeeping
```

JC <sup>ə</sup> l nanim fox JOD nmeas subdivision of the day	ດອ <sup>ວ</sup> <i>ninanim</i> event, occurrence		
cf Grammar / Calendar / Subdivisions of the day / Traditional timekeeping	al		
Je.in $v$ (S) knows (O) answers (last clause)  Jenin $v$ (S) is worried by (O)	α <sup>l</sup> e ninanim what α <sup>l</sup> əµə <sup>ɔ</sup> nfluid water		
jeq <sup>l</sup> c nabst daytime jedilcn ninanim essay je <sup>ວ</sup> ໂle ninanim land, country	a <sup>h</sup>		
jə∫ı desc many, again jəµ ninanim day, sun	α <sup>h</sup> ə³də <i>nabst</i> empathy		
	D		
Jhin v (S) goes toward (O) Jhipcn v (S) creates (O) Jheonon v (S) befriends (O)  In  Null nanim cat ni.cn v (S) waits for/until (O), temporal verb, if ncden v (S) dances around (O) nchel ninanim group, organisation, order  Ned desc male nebin v (S) gives something to (O) nel nabst nature, temperament,	Dyine nabst one half Dilin v (S) eats (O) Diji nsent person Din nedib rice DCQI nsent child (offspring) DCyc <sup>3</sup> nabst evening DDIIN v (S) produces (O) Dejcn v (S) raises, takes care of, tends to (O) Denle nabst morning Dedcn v (S) succeeds at (O), (S) does something to (O) Del nmeas volume in expressions such as Del-Yajo <sup>6</sup> "cupful" Delli desc similar Dellcn v (S) imitates (O) Dain v (S) recalls (O) Dain v (S) recalls (O)		
disposition  neldı nsent mind, brain  nə <sup>o</sup> nın v (S) kills (O), (O) dies	$\Omega$		
α	Ωeleo nfluid nitrogen		
apen <sup>4</sup> e ninanim coin acn $v$ (S) joins (O), and acn $o$ desc early ac <sup>9</sup> l desc female ao <sup>9</sup> lo <sup>e</sup> ninanim spoon aehcn $v$ (S) plays with (O)	$\varphi$ $\varphi \varphi \Rightarrow^{\circ} \cap v  (S) \text{ laughs at (O)}$ $\varphi \circ \varphi \circ v  (S) \text{ founds (O)}$ $\varphi \circ \mathcal{U} \cdot desc  well \text{ (not sick)}$ $\varphi \circ \mathcal{U} \cdot desc  \text{well (not sick)}$		

d	h	
ddısı nabst ground, floor dden nanim owl dµcn v hold, carry, instrumental verb	discipline, punish, constrain $dcn v$ (S) allows (O)	
dμe <sup>o</sup> de ninanim city dıſμι ν (S) sits at (O) dıʃιιν (S) dislikes, objects to, disapproves of (O) deμe <sup>o</sup> nedib noodles də.on nanim large animal dən <sup>φ</sup> ι ninanim knee	p   pilinined grass   pilibininanim blade of grass   pc <sup>a</sup> ninanim star   peain v (S) speaks to (O), (S) asks (O)	
b	peacn v (S) spreads (O)	
bine ninanim year birləl nmeas subdivision of the day cf Grammar / Calendar / Subdivisions of the day / Modern timekeeping bəj nabst future, next (time period)	Pe <sup>3</sup> JI desc friendly, kind, considerate, nice  Pall desc late  Pall desc late  Pall and an arrangement of the pall of the pal	
hycoen ninanim book hi.ip nabst spring (season) hijde ninanim leaf hirlə ninanim statue hcycn v (s) is named (0) holi ninanim cart hedii desc large həodi desc evil, malicious	Sidjc nfluid soup Side nanim fish SeΩ <sup>4</sup> In v (S) perceives (O) non- visually	
lч	1	
$\forall In \ v$ (S) sees (O), because $\forall In[O=J\ni \mu]$ ("see the sun") = "wish"	leì nabst language leìebı ninanim a language	