Table 1: Basic verb template

Prefix	Root	Aspect	Tense	Number
i-		*-pëtï*	*-se*	*-jnë*
			-jpë	
			-tojpe	

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1 Verbs

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1.1 Basic morphological template

The following table shows the morpological template of Yawarana verbs, i.e. the order in which bound morphemes can occur within a vebral word form.

The first slot contains personal prefixes. The relative order of three tense-aspect-mood suffixes can be seen in the following example:

(1) Yawarana
     tipapëjsejne waijtajne

     tipa-pëj-se-jne   waijta-jne
     go.group-PLUR-PST-PL   mouse-PL

     'las ratas se fueron'

More data is needed to firmly establish the relative order of all suffixes.

1.2 The pluractional marker *-pëtï*.

This aspect-marking morpheme is known from other Cariban languages [1]. This example illustrates its *-pëj* allomorph:

(2) Yawarana
     tipapëjsejne waijtajne

     tipa-pëj-se-jne   waijta-jne
     go.group-PLUR-PST-PL   mouse-PL

     'las ratas se fueron'

1.3 *-jpë*

-jpë is etymologically a nominalizer, but now it also functions as a simple past marker:

(3) Yawarana
     ana këyetajpë, intipijkë ana chi yawë

     ana   këyeta-jpë   intipijkë ana   chi-∅   yawë
     1+3   grow.up-PST   a.little   1+3   COP-IPFV   TEMP.LOC

     'nos criamos cuando estábamos chiquiticos nosotros'

   It also occurs on nouns:

(4) Yawarana
     tawara ma ana këyetajpë, ana papa pan patajpë të

     tawara ma-∅   ana   këyeta-jpë   ana   papa   pan   patajpë të-∅
     too   throw-IPFV   1+3   grow.up-PST   1+3   father:VOC   deceased   death   go-IPFV

     'así nos criamos después de que se murió mi papá en su pueblo'

2 Postpositions

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3 Nouns

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3.1 Nominal possession

References

[1] Simone Mattiola and Spike Gildea. "The pluractional marker -pödï of Akawaio (Cariban) and beyond". In: (under review).