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#### 1. Introduction

# 1.1. The language and its speakers

Tagalog, a Meso-Philippine language belonging to the Western Malayo-Polynesian branch of the Austronesian family, is one of the major languages of the Republic of the Philippines (Constantino 1971: 112–118). In the 1990s, it was the native language of around 15 million speakers. Most Tagalog speakers live in the central parts of the island of Luzon, in particular in the provinces Batangas, Bulacan, Laguna, and Marinduque. But Tagalog is also widely spoken in the surrounding provinces (including the capital, Manila), and there are many settlements of

Tagalog speakers throughout the Philippine islands, especially on Mindoro and Mindanao (cf. McFarland <sup>2</sup>1983: 29, 80). Furthermore, Tagalog is widely spoken as a second language. In 1937 it was selected as the basis for the national language Filipino (formerly called Pilipino).

Since the beginning of Spanish colonisation in 1565 the Tagalog area has always been the center of political power in the Philippines, and Tagalog has thus been strongly influenced by the colonial languages, first Spanish and then American English (from 1898 to 1946). This influence, however, has been largely on the lexicon and the phonology, but not on the morphosyntax. For example, the Manila slang, called Taglish, mainly consists of English roots, but the morphology is exclusively Tagalog. Examples include lipstick-an 'to put lipstick on', i-give up 'to give sth. up', and mag-on 'to start dating' (cf. Cubar 1984; the affixes are explained in 4.1). As for morphosyntax, it is not unlikely that there has been some normative influence by colonial institutions and practices

because the Spanish started using Tagalog very early on as a missionary language, writing grammars and preparing catechisms in Tagalog (a *Doctrina Christiana*, dated 1593, is the oldest preserved Tagalog document). The continuing normative influence exerted by the Manila based educated classes is shown by the fact that Tagalog exhibits surprisingly little dialectal diversity (McFarland <sup>2</sup>1983: 80). Only the dialect spoken on the small island of Marinduqe exhibits lexical and morphological idiosyncrasies that have caught the attention of linguists (Lopez 1970; Soberano 1980).

The most influential of the Spanish grammars is the one written by Totanes (41865) which has served as the basis for many analyses of Tagalog (e.g. Humboldt 1838; Müller 1882: 87-163; Marre 1901). The last and most comprehensive Tagalog grammar cast in a traditional framework is Blake (1925). Bloomfield's texts and grammar (1917) are the first attempt to present Tagalog in its own terms and a very fine and early piece of modern structuralist analysis. In addition to Bloomfield and Blake, further comprehensive statements of Tagalog morphology can be found in Lopez (1937), Schachter & Otanes (1972), and Wolff et al. (1991). A review of linguistic work on Tagalog is given in Constantino (1971: 118-145) and Reid (1981). The present article is based primarily on Bloomfield's data and analysis.

# 1.2. Phonology and orthography

The segmental phonology of Tagalog is relatively simple (except for problems concerning the treatment of loans for which see Matsuda French 1988:1-17). The graphemes used in the standard orthography directly reflect phonemes and basically have their IPA values. The only exception is the use of the digraph <ng> for the velar nasal [ŋ]. The use of this digraph may be slightly confusing, since it is also used for the NP-marker [nan], in this case written as a separate word which in turn is not to be confused with  $-ng = [\eta]$ , the bound allomorph of the linker na. A genuine problem with the standard orthography is the fact that glottal stops are not written. Glottal stops regularly occur before initial vowels and intervocalically, i.e., <tao> 'person' is [tá?o], <aral> 'study' is [?áral] and <magaaral> 'will study' is [mag?à?áral]. As the last example shows, base-initial glottals are not dropped when prefixes are added. Although the phonemic status of these initial and intervocalic glottals is far from clear much recent writing on infixation in Tagalog assumes without any discussion that they are non-phonemic (e.g. Crowhurst 1998: 590 who misrepresents her older sources with regard to this point). Word-finally, the problem is further confounded by the fact that here final vowels (optionally followed by [h]) contrast with glottal stops. Thus, <br/>baga> 'glowing charcoal' is [bágah], but <br/>baga> 'lungs' is [bága?]. Deviating from standard orthography a final glottal stop will be marked in this article by <'>.

Stress is also unmarked in standard orthography. Its analysis is somewhat controversial. Some authors (e.g. Schachter & Otanes 1972: 15–18; Wolff et al. 1991: 12) consider vowel length the primary phenomenon, while others consider vowel length an epiphenomenon of stress (cf. Bloomfield 1917: 141 f.; Matsuda French 1988: 63 f.). In this article, the latter view has been adopted, but since stress assignment in Tagalog is not fully understood, all remarks pertaining to this phenomenon must be regarded with caution. Stress clearly is phonemic in Tagalog, compare búkas 'tomorrow' and bukás 'open', and plays an important rôle in affixation (see 3.4). Bases with stress on the penultimate syllable are called barytone bases, those with stress on the final syllable oxytone bases. Primary stress on the penultimate syllable will remain unmarked (thus bukas for 'tomorrow'), elsewhere it will be marked by the acute accent. The grave accent marks secondary stress.

Phonological rules of relevance to the present exposition are:

- /d/ often becomes /r/ intervocalically;
- phrase-final vowels are followed by a weak glottal fricative (cf. [bagah] above);
- /u/ and /i/ in phrase-final syllables are lowered to [o] and [e], respectively;
- word-final glottal stops regularly disappear before clitics and the linker (cf. Bloomfield 1917: 136; Wolff et al. 1991: 12).

# 2. Morphosyntax and parts of speech

Tagalog distinguishes between two parts of speech (Bloomfield 1917: 146): **full words** and **function words** (or particles). Some function

words mark morphosyntactic slots, then usually being proclitics. Others are second position clitics (these are not discussed here; see Schachter & Otanes 1972: 187–193, 433–435 and Kroeger 1993: 118–123, 152–154). Full words may be extensively affixed and occur in the limited set of morphosyntactic slots provided for by the function words. There are five morphosyntactic slots for full words in a Tagalog clause, four of which are illustrated by the following example:

(1) i-ni-abót ng
CV-RLS(UGR)-within.reach GEN
màng-ga-gamot sa sundalo ang itlóg,
AV-RDP<sub>2</sub>-medicine LOC soldier SPEC egg
at ang pare at siyá ay nàg-hintáy
and SPEC priest and 3.SG PM RLS.AV-wait
ng sà-sabih-in ng sundalo.
GEN RDP<sub>1</sub>-say-PV GEN soldier
'The physician handed the egg to the soldier, and the priest and he waited for what the soldier would say.'

Except for the first word, all full words in this clause are preceded by a function word. The clause initial position is the predicate position, which is unmarked unless it is preceded by a topical constituent. In this case, the predicate is marked by the predicate marker *ay* 'PM', as in the second part of example (1). The other markers have the following functions:

sa is a general locative preposition marking oblique arguments and adjuncts. It is the final constituent of all of the more specific prepositions in Tagalog such as hanggang sa 'until' or para sa 'for'.

ang is often called a topic (or a subject) marker in the literature. The notion of subject in Tagalog is highly controversial (cf. Schachter 1976; 1995; Drossard 1984: 73–78; Foley & van Valin 1984: 134–148; DeWolf 1988: 144–150; Kroeger 1993; Naylor 1995). The fact that ang by itself marks neither topics nor subjects is evident from clauses containing two ang-phrases:

(2) ang mga buhók lamang ang
SPEC PL hair only SPEC
p<in>\(\delta\)-putol ng patalim
<RLS(UGR)>RDP\_1-cut GEN blade
'only the hair was cut by the blade'

In this example, the first *ang*-phrase functions as the predicate, the second as the predication base or subject (subject<sub>2</sub> in the terminology of Matthews 1981:104–113). Subjects in this sense have to be configurationally

defined in Tagalog as the *ang*-phrase which occurs either after the predicate or before the predicate marker *ay*. But this does not yet clarify the function of *ang*.

Basically, the function of *ang* is similar to that of an article (the standard analysis in traditional Tagalog grammars, cf. Blake 1925: 205 f.). It is, however, not a definite article, but includes all kinds of referentially specific expressions (definite, specific-indefinite, generic; for details, see Adams & Manaster-Ramer 1988 and Himmelmann 1991: 8–16), and is therefore glossed as SPEC here.

ng [nan] 'GEN' marks genitive attributes. In the literature it is common to differentiate between ng marking non-topic agents, direct objects, instruments, manner, etc., but there is little empirical support for such distinctions (cf. Naylor 1980: 37–42).

The fifth morphosyntactic slot, not illustrated by examples (1) and (2), is constituted by the linker (or ligature) na (-ng after vowels, /n/ or glottal stop). This particle links the elements of a modifying construction such as ulól na unggó' 'foolish CONN monkey', but also occurs in compounds such as punong-saging 'tree-CONN-banana' and in complement clauses (see Gonzales 1971). The order in modifying constructions is not fixed in Tagalog, thus unggó-ng ulól is equally possible for 'foolish monkey'. The difference between the genitive marker ng and the linker pertains to referentiality as shown by the following 'minimal pair':

- (3) (a) bata-ng dalaga child-CONN young.woman 'girl'
  - (b) bata' ng dalaga child GEN young.woman 'child of the young woman'

Full words are not formally differentiated with respect to the five morphosyntactic positions just illustrated. Any full word, regardless of its affixation, may occur in any position (provided its meaning is appropriate). That is, with regard to their syntactic distribution the large class of full words cannot be further divided into classes such as nouns, verbs, and adjectives (cf. Lemaréchal 1982; 1989; Himmelmann 1991; to appear; Gil 1993; Shkarban 1995; Naylor 1995; Art. 72). For example, the words sàsabihin in (1) and pinùputol in (2) which are inflected for aspect and mood (see 4.2) and which are often called verbs, occur — without any further

derivation — in a *ng*- and an *ang*-phrase, respectively. Similarly, so-called nouns may occur underived in predicate position, e.g.

(4) Isdá' ang pàg-kain niyá. fish spec ger-eat 3.sg.poss 'His meal was fish.'

A brief look at the list of affixes in Schachter & Otanes for what they call 'nouns' (1972: 97–106), 'adjectives' (1972: 198 f.; 216–229), and 'verbs' (1972: 344–355) immediately reveals that a subclassification of full word bases on the basis of morphological evidence is also not a straightforward enterprise since basically the same set of affixes is involved in all these formations. Nevertheless, bases appear to differ in their morphological potential. A detailed study of the different morphological classes, however, still remains to be done (see Wolff 1993 and Himmelmann to appear for some preliminary suggestions).

There is no doubt that both unaffixed bases and affixed words differ in their semantics in that some denote actions, others things, yet others states, etc. A base such as bili clearly designates the action of buying, bahay the entity 'house', bago the quality 'new'. The distinction between these different kinds of concepts is sometimes grammatically marked by different stress patterns (cf. 3.4). It is not clear, however, whether these conceptual classes are in any way directly relevant to stating the (segmental) morphosyntactic regularities of Tagalog. Therefore, given the absence of clear-cut formal evidence for such categories, the terms for lexical categories such as noun, verb, adjective, etc. are avoided in this article and the terms action, entity, etc. are used whenever it is convenient to make reference to conceptual classes.

# 3. Formal processes

# 3.1. Affixation

The number of affixes in Tagalog is fairly small, but each of the major three affix categories is represented: there are two suffixes (-in and -an, see 4.1), two infixes (-in- and -um-, see 4.1 and 4.2), and about a dozen prefixes. Most of these affixes can be combined with each other so that a large number of complex formations results (Bloomfield 1917: 317–319 lists some 200 formations). This number is further increased by the fact

that affixes may co-occur with other formal processes such as reduplication (see 3.3) and stress shifting (see 3.4).

**Prefixes** exhibit some word-like properties in that (with few exceptions) they (a) do not display any fusional characteristics (not even resyllabification takes place, which, however, is not surprising given the fact that all bases start with a consonant (cf. 1.2)), (b) mostly carry their own stress, and (c) may occasionally be used in isolation (cf. Bloomfield 1917: 213; Matsuda French 1988: 89 f.; Rubino 1998). Exceptions are, on the one hand, the prefixes i- (4.1) and ka- (5.1), the first of which is never stressed and both of which are sometimes fused with the base, e.g. ka-ibigan 'Ass-like-LV (friend)' is usually pronounced [kaybigan] rather than [ka?ibigan] (Bloomfield 1917: 139 f.).

The other exception is the prefix pang-(and related mang- and nang-), where the prefix-final nasal regularly assimilates to, and sometimes substitutes for, the initial consonant of the base. This prefix-type is very common in western Austronesian languages and is often analysed as containing an archisegmental nasal (and then is represented as /paN-/). The assimilation and substitution regularities may be summarised as follows (for the semantics of this derivation, see 5.2):

- N is regularly deleted before base-initial nasals: maN + manhid → mamanhid 'get numb'.
- N never substitutes for a glottal fricative or for glides: maN + hiyá' → mànghiyá' 'humiliate', maN + walís → màngwalís 'hit with a broom', maN + yari → màngyari 'happen'.
- Voiceless obstruents (apart from the glottal fricative) are regularly substituted for: maN + pili' → màmili' 'choose (several things)', maN + takot → màmakot 'frighten several people', maN + kabayo → màngabayo 'ride on horseback', maN + sakit → mànakit 'cause pain'. Glottal stop is sometimes not substituted for; the factors involved are unclear. In fact, two derivations are occasionally possible from the same base. Compare [mànáso] 'hunt with dogs' with [màn²áso] 'ridicule people' (base aso 'dog').
- Voiced obstruents and the lateral are generally not substituted for: maN + daya'
   → màndaya' 'cheat people' (but maN + dikít → mànikít 'adhere'), maN + gamót
   → mànggamót 'practice medicine (profes-

sionally)'  $maN + laró' \rightarrow m\`{a}nlar\'{o}$ ' 'amuse others'. For /b/ both options are common and, in a few cases, possible for the same base. Thus from  $baky\'{a}$ ' 'wooden shoe' it is possible to derive either  $m\`{a}mbaky\'{a}$ ' 'hit with a wooden shoe' or  $m\`{a}maky\'{a}$ ' 'wear wooden shoes'.

In the derivation of so-called instrumental adjectives substitution is said to be optional, e.g. both *pansukláy* and *panukláy* mean 'for use in combing' (Schachter & Otanes 1972: 218–221; 319 f.).

Suffixes exhibit regular fusional tendencies in that the stem-final consonant (including the optional [h] after vowel-final bases) is regularly resyllabified with the suffix and the base-final vowel is often syncopated, e.g.  $la-k\acute{a}s + an \rightarrow lak.s\acute{a}n$  'strengthen (x)',  $bil\acute{l} + in \rightarrow bil.h\acute{l}n$  'buy (x)' (cf. Matsuda French 1988: 12 f.). There are further sporadic irregularities such as tawan-an 'laugh at (x)' instead of the expected \*tawah-an, and  $tamn-\acute{a}n$  'plant in (x)' instead of the expected ? $tanim-\acute{a}n$  or \* $tanm-\acute{a}n$  (cf. Bloomfield 1917: 214; Schachter & Otanes 1972: 375–380).

Infixes are always inserted after the first consonant of the base, e.g. b<um>ili '<av> buy' from bili. All other formative processes precede infixation, infixes thus also occur in prefixes, e.g.  $p < in > \grave{a}g$ -tapat- $\acute{a}n$ '<RLS(UGR)>GER-fronting-LV (confided to (x))', and reduplicated syllables (cf. 3.3). In formations involving the infix -in- and steminitial glides or liquids, the stem-initial consonant and the nasal of the infix are regularly metathesized, thus \*l-in-uto' but ni-luto' 'RLS(UGR)-cook'. With stem-initial /w/ metathesis is optional, for example, both niwisik-án and w<in>isik-án for 'RLS(UGR)sprinkle-LV/<RLS(UGR)>sprinkle-LV (sprinkle on (x))'. When co-occurring with the prefix i- (i.e. [?i]), -in- is infixed into the following syllable, e.g.  $i-b < in > ig\acute{a}y$  'CV-<RLS(UGR)>give' from bigáy. In stems beginning with a liquid, a glide or a glottal, metathesis again regularly occurs, compare i-ni-hatid 'cv-RLS(UGR)-convey' (\*ihinatid), i-ni-abót [?i-ni-?abót] 'CV-RLS (UGR)-within.reach' (\*i-inabot).

# 3.2. Consonant alternation

A number of prefixes display regular alternation of the initial consonant (cf. de Guzman 1978: chapter 3.3): the /p/-initial form is the basic form (used as gerund (4.3) or imperative), /m/ marks non-realis and /n/ realis (cf.

4.2). Examples are pag-/mag-/nag-, paN-/ maN-/naN-, paki-/maki-/naki-. The alternation between the two nasal forms also occurs with the stative or potentive prefix (ma-/na-, cf. 5.1), but here no /p/-initial basic form exists. Furthermore, a small number of /p/-initial bases (which probably contain a fossilised prefix) exhibits this alternation, e.g. pakinig makinig nakinig 'listen', panoód manoód nanoód 'watch'. This alternation probably developed from infixed formations by clipping the first (unstressed) syllable. Thus, magprobably derives from \*pumag- and nagfrom \*pinag-. Note, however, that pinag- is still a productive formative, i.e. the RLS (UGR) form of pag-derived stems (cf. 5.2).

# 3.3. Reduplication

There are three kinds of **reduplication** processes in Tagalog. In two of these processes the first consonant and vowel of the base are copied (CV-reduplication). The two processes differ with regard to the fact that in one the reduplicated syllable is assigned stress (RDP<sub>1</sub>), and in the other it is not (RDP<sub>2</sub>): mang-ga-gamot (will practice medicine' vs. mang-ga-gamot (or manggagamot) 'one who makes cures, physician'. If a base starts with a consonant cluster, only the first consonant is copied, cf. trabaho 'work'  $\rightarrow mag$ -ta-trabaho 'will work'.

The third process consists in copying the first two syllables of the base (RDP<sub>3</sub>). In the case of disyllabic bases, the complete base is copied, e.g. lakad 'walk'  $\rightarrow$  mag-lakàd-lakád (RDP<sub>3</sub> with stress shift) 'do a little walking', mura 'cheap'  $\rightarrow$  mura-mura 'rather cheap'. In the case of bases containing more than two syllables, the second syllable is copied only up to its peak, which is then assigned secondary stress, viz. tahimik 'peaceful'  $\rightarrow$  tahì-tahimik 'rather peaceful', baluktód 'crooked'  $\rightarrow$  balù-baluktód 'variously bent'. RDP<sub>2</sub> and RDP<sub>3</sub> generally apply to bases only, while RDP<sub>1</sub> freely applies to prefixes as well (see below).

Each type of reduplication may occur only once in a derivation but different types may be combined with each other, as will be seen shortly.

Tagalog reduplication phenomena have figured prominently in the discussion of the status of reduplication (cf. Art. 57) as well as the related issues concerning the boundaries between morphology and phonology and the internal structure of the morphological component (cf. Marantz 1982: 438 f., 451 f., 473 – 479; Carrier-Duncan 1984; Matsuda French

1988: 19-61). The argument is concerned with the interrelation of (regular) affixation and reduplication. The Tagalog evidence, however, seems inconclusive in this regard. The following is a (partial) list of the relevant phenomena:

- Formations involving nasal substitution (cf. 3.1) suggest that allomorphy rules precede reduplication, e.g. maN + RDP<sub>1</sub> + putol → mamimutol 'will cut (a lot)'.
- Infixation, on the other hand, seems to follow reduplication (cf. Matsuda French 1988: 38), i.e., pumùputol 'cut' seems to be derived from pùputol, otherwise one would expect \*pùpumutol.
- In formations involving polysyllabic prefixes or a combination of prefixes, it is usually the second syllable of the prefix that is reduplicated (by RDP<sub>1</sub>, receiving word level stress, cf. Matsuda French 1988: 44-52), viz.  $mag + pa + putol \rightarrow$ magpàpaputol 'will cause to be cut', maka + putol → makàkaputol 'will be able to cut', or  $maka + pag + pa + putol \rightarrow ma$ kàkapàgpaputol will be able to cause to be cut'. A general exception to this regularity are formations involving the prefix i-, which is never reduplicated and does not count in determining the second syllable, cf.  $ma + i + pag + luto' \rightarrow maipà$ pagluto' 'will be able to cook for (x)' and  $i + paki + pa + putol \rightarrow ipakikipaputol$ 'will be asked to be caused to be cut'. In several instances, however, either the second syllable of the prefix or the first syllable of the base may be reduplicated, an example being makapùputol 'will be able to cut' which alternates with the form makàkaputol just mentioned (for more examples, cf. chart in Schachter & Otanes 1972: 369). This raises the problem of where to place RDP<sub>1</sub>-reduplication in the derivation of these complex formations.
- The relation of suffixation and RDP<sub>3</sub> is also problematic. In some cases suffixation (and the related morphonological processes) clearly apply before RDP<sub>3</sub>: tingin + an → tingnán 'look at (x)' → tingnàn-tingnán 'look at (x) a little'. In other cases, it is the other way around: sakit → sakit-sakit → màgsakìt-sakitan 'pretend to be sick'. If suffixation preceded RDP<sub>3</sub>, \*magsakisakitan would be expected (trisyllabic base), cf. mag + salitá' + an → màgsalì-salitaan 'talk a little to each other'.

- RDP<sub>1</sub> and RDP<sub>3</sub> may co-occur. In this case either RDP<sub>3</sub> precedes RDP<sub>1</sub>, e.g. magsà-sakìt-sakitan 'will pretend to be sick' and magsàsalì-salitaan 'will talk a little to each other', or they may apply simultaneously (at different locations), viz. mag + pa + ka + ingat → magpàpakaingatingat 'will be extremely careful'. Carrier-Duncan (1984: 269) claims that there are also cases where RDP<sub>2</sub> precedes RDP<sub>3</sub>: mag + kaN + punit → magkàmpupunit 'will tear spontaneously' → magkàmpupù-pupunit 'will (intensively) tear spontaneously'.
- RDP<sub>1</sub> and RDP<sub>2</sub> may co-occur as well, in which case RDP<sub>2</sub> precedes RDP<sub>1</sub>. Thus from takbó 'run' màg-ta-takbó 'run wild' is derived by prefixing mag- and RDP<sub>2</sub>. From the latter the imperfective aspect mag-tà-ta-takbó is derived by RDP<sub>1</sub>.

#### 3.4. Stress shift

Both primary and secondary stress assignment in Tagalog may be connected with a variation in meaning and this assignment is at least partially independent of segmental processes (cf., for example, the difference between RDP<sub>1</sub> and RDP<sub>2</sub> mentioned in 3.3). The data, however, are not clear, since most sources (apart from Bloomfield 1917 and Wolff et al. 1991) do not mark stress consistently (cf. 1.2). Two examples are given to illustrate the possibilities and complexities involved.

There is a substantial number of bases which differ only with respect to stress and which are clearly semantically related (unlike the pair bukas 'tomorrow'/bukás 'open' mentioned in 1.2). Examples include abot 'overtake' vs. abót 'within reach, reach for, pass', alam 'knowledge' vs. alám 'known', buhay 'live, life' vs. buháy 'alive', bunot 'pull out' vs. bunót 'pull out a lot/repeatedly', isip 'think, thought' vs. isip 'think hard/with deliberation', lakad 'walk' vs. lakád 'on foot, barefooted', tulog 'sleep' vs. tulóg 'asleep' (cf. Bloomfield 1917: 215 f.). Wolfenden (1961: 12) characterises the meaning shifts involved as (a) accomplishment (resultative) or (b) intensification. While resultative pairs are widely attested, it is unclear whether the much more sporadic pairs not belonging to this type can all be subsumed under 'intensification' as the handful examples just given should make clear.

The complex interaction of stress assignment and affixation is illustrated by the suffix

-an (cf. Bloomfield 1917: 250-262). If this suffix marks locative voice (cf. 4.1), primary stress usually shifts one syllable to the right (i.e. to the ultimate or penultimate syllable of the derived word). Examples are táwag 'call' → tawágan 'call (x)', gupít 'cut (with scissors)' → gupitán 'cut the hair of (x)', bilí 'buy' → bilhán 'buy from (x)', sáma 'go along, accompany' → samáhan 'accompany (x)'. If -an derives expressions denoting either a collective action or the place where something (an entity or an action) is located, stress in oxytone bases remains on the same syllable as in the underived word: iyák 'cry, weep' → iyákan 'a crying of many', 'buy' → bilihan 'place where to buy, market', aklát 'book' → aklátan 'library', lits'on 'a roast pig'  $\rightarrow lits\'unan$ 'place to roast pigs or a barbecue (= roastpig party)'. For barytone bases there are two possibilities: either stress shifts one syllable to the right (to the penultimate syllable of the derived word), which is often accompanied by secondary stress on the first syllable of the derived word, e.g. sàmáhan 'a going together of many, company', or it is shifted to the ultimate syllable of the derived word (i.e., the suffix is stressed), e.g. bása 'read' → basahán 'a reading-room, library' (vs. basáhan 'read sth. to (x)'), lában 'contrary, fight'  $\rightarrow$  labanán 'a fighting of many, battle, war' (vs. labánan 'fight/oppose (x)'). Stress shift to the penultimate syllable of the derived word is used (with very few exceptions) for collective action expressions, while stress shift to the suffix is more commonly (though by no means exclusively) used for 'place where' derivations. Note that these are only regularities; differences in meaning are not always accompanied by formal differences, e.g. dúlo 'end' → dulúhan 'terminate (x)' (locative voice), but also 'end part, back yard' ('place where'; cf. Bloomfield (1917: 261) who lists a number of words which formally appear to be locative voice derivations, but the meaning of which does not fit this categorisation).

# 4. Voice, aspect, and mood

Tagalog and the other Philippine languages are most famous for a phenomenon variously called voice, orientation, case marking on the verb (cf. Blake 1906; Ramos 1974), or 'focus', a term introduced in the late 1950s to underscore the exceptional nature of the phenomenon (cf. Llamzon 1973: 168). The last term is widely used to refer to the pragmatic

phenomenon of highlighting new or contrastive information. 'Focus'-affixes in Philippine languages do not have such a highlighting function. The participant 'focussed' on by these affixes is usually given information and often remains unexpressed. Therefore, this term is avoided here. Instead, **voice** is chosen because it is the least misleading term (see 4.1).

The literature on voice in Tagalog is fairly extensive (see – in addition to the general reference works mentioned in 1.1 – Müller 1882: 136–142; Marre 1901: 574–582; Blake 1906; Scheerer 1924; Capell 1964; Llamzon 1973; 1976: 89; Wolfenden 1961: 14–16; Ramos 1971: 21–23, 56–69; 1974: 19–40; Foley 1976: 105–113; McFarland 1976: 16–24; de Guzman 1978: chapter 3; Drossard 1984: 34–51; Himmelmann 1987: 92–125; DeWolf 1988; Shibatani 1988). Since voice marking is formally tied to aspectual and modal distinctions, these three categories will be treated together in one section.

#### 4.1. Voice

Tagalog predicate expressions usually display a voice affix that indicates the semantic rôle of one of the participants involved in the state of affairs denoted by the predicate. There are four such affixes, as illustrated by the following examples:

- (5) t<um>angó' ang unggó' <av>nod spec monkey 'the monkey nodded in assent'
- (6) dikdik-in siyá sa lusóng crush-PV 3.SG LOC mortar '(that) he (i.e., the turtle) be crushed in a mortar'
- (7) hulug-an mo akó! drop-Lv 2.sg.poss 1.sg 'drop me (some)!'
- (8) kung i-tà-tanim niyá ang if CV-RDP<sub>1</sub>-plant 3.SG.POSS SPEC kaniyá-ng ka-parte DAT.3.SG-CONN ASS-part 'if he would plant his part (for him)'

As briefly shown in 2, the NP-markers ang and ng in Tagalog do not signal semantic rôles. Rather, the voice affixes indicate the semantic rôle of the participant which appears in the ang-phrase  $(siy\acute{a})$  in (6) and  $ak\acute{o}$  in (7) are ang-forms of the pronoun). Thus, the infix -um- in (5) indicates that it is the monkey who does the nodding, and in (6) the suffix

-in indicates that the turtle is going to be the undergoer of the crushing (rather than the actor), etc.

Before discussing some of the more remarkable features of this voice marking system in more detail, it should be noted that the **actor voice** marking infix -um- does not only occur in clauses with a subject which is in full control of an action. It is also used for subjects which are involved in a process, as in  $p < um > ul\acute{a}$  'become red' or  $l < um > \grave{u}$ -lutang 'be floating'. Furthermore, it occurs in subject-less expressions for natural events such as um-ulán 'rain' or  $l < um > ind\acute{o}l$  'earthquake'.

In addition to -um-, the prefix mag- (realis nag-) also marks actor voice, cf. nag-là-laró' silá 'RLS.AV-RDP<sub>1</sub>-play 3.PL (they are playing)'. Following de Guzman (1978: chapter 3), this prefix is analysed here as involving the prefix pag- used in gerund formation (see 4.3), actor voice (and mood) being signalled by consonant alternation (cf. 3.2). The difference between the two actor voice affixes is further commented upon in 5.2.

One of the remarkable features of voice marking in Tagalog, which sets it apart from voice marking systems in many other languages, is the fact that both actor as well as **undergoer voices** involve overt morphological marking, while in languages such as English only undergoer orientation (passive) is explicitly marked. In other words, actor voice and undergoer voice are equally marked in Tagalog (at least in morphological terms).

Another peculiarity is the fact that there is not only one affix for undergoer orientation. Instead, three different ways in which the undergoer may be involved in a given state of affairs are distinguished:

- -in (patient voice) indicates a directly affected undergoer, such as the turtle in (6), the hair in (2), or itô in inum-in mo itô 'drink-Pv 2.sg.Poss PROX (drink this)'.
- an (locative voice) is used for recipients (see (7)), addressees, beneficiaries, and the location where an action takes place, e.g.:
  - (9) ni-lakar-an ko ang RLS(UGR)-walk-LV 1.SG.POSS SPEC ma-bató-ng kalye STAT-stone-CONN street 'I walked on a stony road'

More generally, it is used for indirect undergoers, i.e. undergoers which are not

- directly affected by the action denoted by the predicate, as in *inum-án mo itó* 'drink-LV 2.sg.poss prox (drink from/some of this)' or *buks-án mo ang pintó*' 'open-LV 2.sg.poss spec door (open the door)'.
- i- (conveyance voice) indicates an undergoer that is moved (a displaced theme), such as the egg in (1) or one half of the banana tree in (8). It is also used for the instrumental rôle, instruments thus being conceived of as moving undergoers:
  - (10) Ang iták ay i-p<in>utol

    SPEC bolo PM CV-<RLS(UGR)>cut
    ko ng saging.

    1.SG.POSS GEN banana
    'I cut bananas with the bolo.'

Furthermore, *i*- may also indicate the beneficiary of an action with a few bases (e.g. *i-bili* 'buy for (x)'), a usage not easily accounted for by any of the analyses proposed for this prefix (cf. Himmelmann 1987: 103–22, 139 f.).

A third cross-linguistically remarkable feature of the voice affixes is that they may be applied to all kinds of bases without any further derivation. That is, the above affixes cannot only be attached to bases denoting actions but also to ones denoting things (e.g. bato' 'stone'  $\rightarrow batuh$ -in 'throw stones at (x)'), masses (e.g. tubig 'water'  $\rightarrow tubig$ -an 'add water to (x)'), states (e.g. bago 'new'  $\rightarrow$ baguh-in 'change (x)' or i-bago 'move (x) to another position'), or animate beings (e.g. langgám 'ant' → langgam-ín 'be infested with ants'). Of course, the derivational possibilities depend on the semantic compatibility of base and affix, and thus are more restricted with regard to, for example, expressions for human beings than for action expressions.

It is common to treat voice with respect to action expressions as inflection, and voice with regard to non-action expressions as derivation. There is, however, no formal evidence to support this distinction. On the contrary, the analysis of voice as inflection leads to extremely complex systems of 'verb' classes in Tagalog. That there is little clear-cut evidence for such classifications is shown by the fact that the proposed classifications differ extremely. Blake (1925), for example, proposes 17 classes, de Guzman (1978) about 80 (cf. Himmelmann 1987: 69, 129–145). The main empirical observation here is that there is no simple classification for action expressions

with regard to their voice marking. In particular, there are no productive inflectional paradigms for voice, as suggested by the commonly used 'paradigmatic' examples in the literature. Instead, derivations from all kinds bases are only partially predictable on the basis of their semantics and exhibit a large number of idiosyncrasies, which again suggests derivation rather than inflection. See McFarland (1976) and Ramos & Bautista (1986) for instructive surveys of those derivations which are actually attested for a given action base (see also Art. 38).

With regard to the three features just mentioned, Tagalog voice marking has much in common with nominalising morphology in other languages. Like much of the morphology used for deriving nouns (or, in many languages, participles) from verbs, the voice affixes change the orientation of a given base in such a way that it may be used to refer to one of the participants involved in the state of affairs denoted by the base (cf. Lehmann 1984: 151 f., who introduces the term **orienta**tion for analysing nominalisation strategies). In this view, -um- is an actor orienting infix which derives from a base such as tangó' 'nod, nodding in assent' a word tumangó' which could be glossed as 'one who nods, nodder'. This expression no longer directly denotes the action of nodding, but rather the participant who nods. That is, in the Tagalog clause (5) tumangó' ang unggó' both tumangó' and *unggó*' refer to the same entity. Imitating the equational structure of this clause it could be rendered as 'nodd-er in assent (was) the monkey'. Similarly, example (6) is 'he (be) crush-ee in the mortar', example (7) 'I (be) the place of your dropping/your droppery', and example (8) 'if his plant-ee (would be) his part' (cf. DeWolf 1988: 157 f.). Note, however, that Tagalog voice affixes are not nominalising in a morphosyntactic sense, since they do not change the syntactic category of the base (both base and derived word are full words which can be used in any of the five major morphosyntactic slots discussed in 2). That is, the similarity of Tagalog voice affixes and noun or participle-forming morphology is primarily a semantic one.

With regard to this semantic similarity, it should be noted that the voice marking formatives do not only occur in expressions which denote actions, processes or states (or, more precisely, a participant involved therein). Most of the voice marking affixes also occur in formations which clearly denote

entities. The major possibilities pertaining to locative -an are mentioned in 3.4. Actor voice marking mag- (plus RDP2) occurs in formations denoting professionals, thus from nakaw 'steal' màg-na-nakaw 'thief' may be derived. This form differs only with respect to stress from the action denoting formation mag-nà-nakaw 'will steal' (cf. 3.3 and Bloomfield 1917: 242 f.; Schachter & Otanes 1972: 103). Furthermore, mag- is used together with kinship terms to indicate two (with RDP<sub>2</sub> several) persons between which the relation designated by the base holds: màg-iná 'mother and child' (< iná 'mother'), màg-pipinsan 'several cousins' (cf. Bloomfield 1917: 242; Schachter & Otanes 1972: 102). The suffix -in may denote entities undergoing the action denoted by the base, e.g. aral 'study' → aralin 'lesson'. Again, it is stress that (often) differentiates action and thing, compare aralin with aralin 'study (x)'. Other examples are kumpuní 'repair' → kùmpunihin 'things to repair' vs. kumpunihín 'repair (x)'; kain 'eat' → kanin 'boiled rice' or 'eat (x)' (no difference whatsoever, compare also kakanín 'sweets'); inóm 'drink' → inumín 'drinking water' or 'drink (x)', cf. also inumin 'beverage' (cf. Bloomfield 1917: 247; Schachter & Otanes 1972: 99 f.). There are no derivations with -um- or i- which denote entities in a similar

#### 4.2. Aspect and mood

Voice marked forms occur in two aspects (perfective and imperfective) and two moods (realis and non-realis). **Imperfective** aspect is indicated by RDP<sub>1</sub> (perfective aspect is unmarked), realis mood is indicated by the infix -in- or consonant alternation (/m/  $\rightarrow$  /n/, cf. 3.2), non-realis again being unmarked. These formations are illustrated in Tab. 136.1 with the paradigms for the base bili 'buy', one of the few bases which occurs with all voice affixes. A number of different analyses and terminologies have been proposed for these forms (see Werlen in Bader et al. 1994:95-100 and Kroeger 1993: 15-18 for overviews). The terminology used here reflects the formal make-up of the paradigms but it is not quite felicitous in all instances with regard to the function of the forms.

Aspect-mood formation is highly regular both formally and semantically and thus clearly is an instance of inflection. It exists for every voice-marked form and is also found for other affix combinations, e.g. maki-, makiki-, naki-, nakiki- (see 5.2). With

	AV ('buy')	av ('sell')	PV	LV	CV
NON.RLS/PFV	b <um>ilí</um>	màg-bilí	bilh-ín	bilh-án	i-bilí
NON.RLS/IPFV	bìbilí	mag-bìbilí	bìbilh-ín	bìbilh-án	i-bìbilí
RLS/PFV	b <um>ilí</um>	nàg-bilí	b-in-ilí	b-in-ilh-án	i-b-in-ilí
RLS/IPFV	b <um>ìbilí</um>	nag-bìbilí	b-in-ìbilí	b-in-ìbilh-án	i-b-in-ìbilí

Tab. 136.1: Aspect-mood paradigms for bili 'buy'

a few exceptions not dealt with here, the contexts of use for each form are the same regardless of the meaning of the base. Thus, NON.RLS/PFV (also called *basic form*; cf. Schachter & Otanes 1972: 66 f.) is used in hypothetical and complement clauses and in commands (cf. (6) and (7)), NON.RLS/IPFV (Schachter & Otanes' *contemplated aspect*) is used for future events (cf. (8)), RLS/PFV (Schachter & Otanes' *perfective aspect*) and RLS/IPFV (Schachter & Otanes' *imperfective aspect*) for past and present events, respectively (see illustrative text in 6).

In addition, there is a recent perfective formation (with prefix ka- + RDP<sub>1</sub>) which involves no voice marking and does not allow for subjects (*ang*-phrases). Hence, all participant expressions are either genitive or locative marked:

(11) Ka-là-laró ko pa
RECENT.PFV-RDP<sub>1</sub>-play 1.SG.POSS still
lamang sa bata'.
only LOC child
'I have just finished playing with the child.'

As may be immediately observable there are some asymmetries in the paradigms in Tab. 136.1. Strictly speaking, the realis patient voice forms do not have a marker for voice and, similarly, there is also no marker for actor voice in the NON.RLS/IPFV form of the umparadigm. These asymmetries are probably relevant for unravelling the diachronic development of the voice marking system. Their relevance for the synchronic analysis of the system is still in need of further exploration (see Himmelmann 1987: 157-171; Blake 1988: 79 f. for some discussion). In this regard it may be noted that although most action expressions in Tagalog are voice and hence also aspect-mood marked, it is possible to use bases denoting actions without further affixation. In such uses action bases may be semantically undergoer oriented (often with a resultative connotation). For example, in (11) an*táy* could be replaced with the patient voice form *inantáy*.

(12) Antáy ko ang sagót mo. wait 1.sg.poss spec answer 2.sg.poss 'I wait for/expect your answer.'

But unaffixed bases may also occur in imperatives with actor orientation, e.g. *hintáy ka* 'you wait' (which could also be rendered with *mag-hintáy ka*), and for denoting a state of affairs without orientation:

(13) Iyák ang sagót niyá sa akin. cry SPEC answer 3.SG.POSS LOC DAT.1.SG 'His answer to me was crying/to cry.'

In this last usage, unaffixed bases are similar to gerunds, to which we now turn.

# 4.3. Gerunds

For bases denoting a state of affairs it is possible to derive a form which is neither voice marked nor aspectually and modally inflected. This is done by prefixing *pag*- to the base according to the following correspondence rules which hold between actor voice and gerundial forms (cf. Schachter & Otanes 1972: 160):

ACTOR VOICE	GERUND
-um-	pag-
mag-	pag-RDP <sub>2</sub>
mang-	paN-RDP <sub>2</sub>

Tab. 136.2: Gerund formation

Gerunds are further derivable from stative expressions (cf. 5.1, prefix ma- is substituted by pagka-) and joint action expressions (cf. 5.2, prefix maki- replaced by pakiki-). In general, gerunds may not be used in predicate position, since they are not oriented towards one of the participants of the state of affairs denoted. Only in a clause such as pàg-lu-luto' ng pagkain ang trabaho niyá 'GER-RDP<sub>2</sub>-cook GEN food SPEC work 3.SG.POSS (his job is

cooking food)' may a gerund be used predicatively (pagkain - which may also mean 'eating' - is a semantically specialised gerund from kain 'eat'). Gerunds are most commonly used in noun phrases, e.g. nàg-umpisá ng pàg-si-sigáw 'RLS.AV-begin GEN GER-RDP2shout ((the turtle) began shouting/to shout)' and nàng-galing sa pàg-su-sugál niyá 'RLS.AVcome.from LOC GER-RDP2-gamble 3.sG.POSS ((this) is due to his gambling)', or in subordinate clauses (usually with a temporal meaning) pag-balik ni Gabby sa Pilipinas ... 'GERreturn GEN.PN Gabby LOC Philippines (when Gabby returned to the Philippines ...)'. As shown by the preceding examples, all participants involved in the state of affairs denoted by a gerund have to be expressed in genitive or locative phrases.

A special perfective form of the gerund indicates that the event took place before that of the main clause. It involves the prefix *ka*-(which may be optionally reduplicated) following the general gerund formatives mentioned above (cf. Schachter & Otanes 1972: 161). Compare *pàg-punta* 'going' with *pàg-(ka)-ka-punta* 'having gone'. Gerunds may become the basis for further derivations involving voice, aspect, and mood (see 5.2).

Formations with paN- without reduplication regularly denote instruments used in the state of affairs denoted by the base, e.g. pàmutol 'cutting instrument' (< putol 'cut'), pànghampás 'a whip' (< hampás 'whip'), pàngkapé 'means for buying coffee', etc. (cf. Bloomfield 1917: 224 f.).

### 5. Actor involvement

Although much less widely discussed, Tagalog morphology concerning the way an actor is involved in a given state of affairs is even more elaborate than the voice morphology. The basic split here is that between dynamic and stative or potentive formations (for statives see also Drossard 1984: 64–72). The **dynamic** forms are morphologically unmarked

and have been dealt with in 4. That is, an action expression marked for voice (and aspect and mood) generally implies a volitional actor who is in full control of the action (the major exception being some expressions for processes marked with *-um-* briefly mentioned in 4.1).

# 5.1. Stative and potentive

States of affairs which do not involve a controlling actor are expressed by a related but different set of formations. Two different scenarios have to be distinguished here. On the one hand, the state of affairs may be such that it excludes the involvement of an actor for principled conceptual reasons. This is typically the case for stative expressions such as 'be hungry', 'be angry', 'be adrift', and the like. On the other hand, the state of affairs may be such that in principle it allows for controlling actors but in the specific instance at hand the conceptually possible controlling actor is not in full control of the event. This is the case when someone happens to do something without having the intention to do it. Formations expressing this second possibility are called **potentive**.

A completely regular correspondence exists between dynamic and potentive formations. That is, for each dynamic form there is a corresponding potentive form. The major potentive formatives are *maka*- for actor voice and *ma*- for the undergoer voices. For details compare Tab. 136.1 with Tab. 136.3.

The typical use of potentive forms is for involuntary actions:

(14) Biglá niyá-ng
sudden 3.sg.poss-conn
nà-bigkás iyón:
RLS.POT.PV-enunciation DIST
'(Terrified) she suddenly exclaimed
this: ...'

This includes actions done accidentally, i.e. the actor may be in control of the action but did not really intend its outcome:

	av('buy')	AV('sell')	PV	LV	CV
NON.RLS/PFV	maka-bilí	maka-pagbilí	ma-bilí	ma-bilh-án	ma-i-bilí
NON.RLS/IPFV	maka-bìbilí	maka-pagbìbilí	ma-bìbilí	ma-bìbilh-án	ma-i-bìbilí
RLS/PFV	naka-bilí	naka-pagbilí	na-bìlí	na-bilh-án	na-i-bilí
RLS/IPFV	naka-bìbilí	naka-pagbìbilí	na-bìbilí	na-bìbilh-án	na-i-bìbilí

Tab. 136.3: Potentive aspect/mood paradigms for bili 'purchase, sale'

	STAT	STAT.LV	STAT.CV	STAT.AV
NON.RLS/PFV	ma-galit	ka-galit-an	i-ka-galit	maka-galit
NON.RLS/IPFV	ma-gàgalit	ka-gàgalit-an	i-ka-gàgalit	maka-gàgalit
RLS/PFV	na-galit	kina-galit-an	i-kina-galit	naka-galit
RLS/IPFV	na-gàgalit	kina-gàgalit-an	i-kina-gàgalit	naka-gàgalit

Tab. 136.4: Voice and aspect/mood paradigms for stative bases (base galit 'anger')

(15) Na-i-luto ko na.

RLS.POT-CV-cooked 1.sG.Poss now
'I happen to have cooked it already
(by mistake).'

It also includes perceptions over which the actor (= experiencer) has no control as in:

(16) doón ay nà-kita nilá
DIST.LOC PM RLS.POT.PV-see 3.PL.POSS
ang isá-ng ma-lakí-ng higante
SPEC one-CONN STAT-size-CONN giant
'there they saw a great giant ...'

In a second, somewhat different use potentive forms express the ability of an actor to perform the action in question:

- (17) kung inyóng
  kung inyó-ng
  if 2.PL.DAT-CONN
  mapagtiisán iyán
  ma-pag-tiis-an iyán
  POT-GER-suffer-LV that
  'if you are able to endure this ...'
- (18) at hindí makabaríl sa kanyá. at hindí maka-baríl sa kanyá and NEG POT.AV-gun LOC 3.SG.DAT '(The man got bitten by the ants) and wasn't able to shoot at him.'

Turning now to stative expressions, these also come in four different voices, two of which are formally identical to the potentive voice forms. Because of the formal similarities, the same labels have been chosen here for glossing these stative voices. However, their syntax and semantics differ quite clearly from the potentive formations so that the labels are not really indicative of their functions.

In the basic voice form for statives, which is simply called *stative* here, the subject is a theme, i.e. an entity which is in, or currently is undergoing, a given state. The forms are identical to the patient voice forms of the potentive paradigm, i.e. base plus prefix *ma*. The forms of the stative actor voice are morphologically identical to the potentive actor

voice forms, i.e. base plus *maka*-. The stative locative and conveyance voices are marked by the prefix *ka*- to which the basic voice affixes -*an* and *i*-, respectively, are added. See Tab. 136.4 for an overview of the forms.

The only really productive formation is the basic stative formation. Almost every Tagalog content word base can be prefixed with *ma*- and then expresses a state:

(19) na-galit siyá RLS.STAT-anger 3.SG 'she was/got angry'

With bases such as basag 'crack, break', which allow both a state and an action reading, the form nabasag is ambiguous: It can mean 'be in a broken state' (stative) or 'happen to break/able to break' (potentive patient voice). In context, these readings are generally distinguished by the presence of an overt actor expression in the potentive use (nabasag niyá 's/he happened to break it/was able to break it').

The stative locative voice is common with bases expressing emotions. The subject expresses the person or thing at which the emotion is directed:

(20) kinagalitan siyá ng
in-ka-galit-an siyá ng
RLS(UGR)-STAT-anger-LV 3.SG GEN
Nanay
nanay
mother
'mother was angry with him/her'

Frequently, stative locative voice derivations take on some more specialised meanings. Thus, *kagalitan* also means 'to reprove, to scold, to rebuke'. In addition, stative locative voice derivations are possible with a (relatively small) number of stative expressions which do not pertain to emotions. They then denote the place at which a given state occurs (e.g. *ka-matay-an* 'place where someone died', *ka-hulug-an* 'place where someone falls').

The stative conveyance voice is also most common with bases expressing emotions. Stative conveyance voice formations always have the connotation of causation, that is, the subject specifies the reason for the emotion:

(21) ikinagalít niyá akó i-in-ka-galit niyá akó CV-RLS(UGR)-STAT-anger 3.SG.POSS 1.SG 'she got angry at me (I was the reason for her being angry)'

The stative conveyance voice is found with a somewhat broader range of bases than the stative locative voice. These include *ikabasá*' 'get wet on account of', *ikabagsák* 'fall on account of', *ikatawa* 'laugh on account of', *ikaiyák* 'cry on account of', etc.

The stative actor voice is very similar in meaning to the stative conveyance voice since it also specifies the cause for a given state. But the two formations differ in their grammar and productivity. In the stative conveyance voice construction (as in the stative locative voice construction), the theme argument (i.e. the one who experiences an emotion in the case of emotions) is grammatically coded as a genitive argument. In the stative actor voice construction it is a locative argument:

(22) lahát ng kanyáng sabihin lahát ng kanyá-ng sabi-in all GEN 3.SG.DAT-CONN statement-PV ay nakagàgalit sa ay naka-RDP<sub>1</sub>-galit sa PM RLS.STAT.AV-RDP<sub>1</sub>-anger LOC akin akin 1.SG.DAT 'everything he says irritates me'

The subject expression in the stative actor voice construction usually refers to an inanimate cause (some state of affairs or a thing). With regard to productivity, the stative actor voice forms are the least common of all stative formations and whenever they occur they often take on somewhat specialised meanings (thus *makagalit* is 'irritate, antagonise, give offence' rather than a plain 'make angry'). Furthermore, the stative actor voice derivations are often conventionalised in one of the four aspect/mood forms, for example, *nakaàawa*' 'arousing pity, pitiable' (< awa' 'mercy, compassion'), nakàka-litó (or naka-lìlitó)

'confusing' (< litó 'confused, at a loss'), or nakàka-gandá (or naka-gàgandá) 'beautifying' (< gandá 'beauty').

- 5.2. Further modes of actor involvement The following prefixes mark further modes of actor involvement:
- pa- is a **causative** prefix and compatible with all voice affixes (see McFarland 1984 for ample exemplification and discussion). Actor voice is used when the causer is the subject, patient voice when the causee is the subject, e.g. p<in>atalim niyâ itô '<RLS(UGR)>CAUS-sharp 3.SG.POSS PROX (he made this sharp)' and pa-patul-in mo si Huán ng kugon 'CAUS-cut-Pv 2.SG.POSS PN Juan GEN species.of. grass (have Juan cut the cugon-weeds)'. Patient voice in non-causative constructions becomes conveyance voice in causative ones. Compare the following two examples:
  - (23) Nànakaw-in ba natin

    RDP<sub>1</sub>-nakaw-in ba natin

    RDP<sub>1</sub>-stealing-PV INT 1.PI.POSS

    ang bangkáy ni Andrea?

    ang bangkáy ni Andrea

    SPEC corpse GEN.PN Andrea

    'Will we steal Andrea's corpse?'
  - (24) Ipanànakaw ba uli' ba uli' *i-pa-*RDP<sub>1</sub>*-nakaw* CV-CAUS-RDP<sub>1</sub>-stealing INT again ang bangkáy atin sa ang bangkáy atin sa LOC 1.PI.DAT SPEC corpse Andrea? Andrea GEN.PN Andrea 'Is (he) asking us to steal Andrea's corpse again?'
- paki- indicates that the actor joins an ongoing action (sociative). It may also be used to make a polite request or to indicate that something is done as a favour. Next to actor voice maki-, all undergoer voices are possible, for example:
  - (25) i-p<in>àki-hulog ni
    CV-<RLS(UGR)>SOCIAT-fall GEN.PN
    Pedro ang aking sulat
    Pedro SPEC DAT.1.SG.CONN letter
    'Pedro mailed my letter (along with his)'

si- only co-occurs with mag- and indicates plurality of (individual) actors, e.g. nàg-si-ilag silá sa bayan 'RLS.AV-PL-flee 3.PL LOC town (they all fled from the town)'.

Further differences in the conceptualisation of an action are indicated by the prefixes pagand paN-. As illustrated in 4.3, these prefixes are used to derive gerunds. Such gerunds, which do not have an inherent orientation, are also compatible with voice affixes. Thus, contrasting sets such as the following occur: p-um-utol 'cut', màg-putol 'cut several things', màmutol 'cut selectively or in quantity'. Similar contrasts involving undergoer voices are rare (an example is tapakan 'step on' vs. pàgtatapakan 'step on repeatedly'). The use of voice marked paN-derivatives is not very common and generally indicates intensive, distributive or repeated action, e.g. bumili 'buy' vs. nàmilí 'shop', humampás 'hit with a whip' vs. mànghampás 'whip people, go whipping'.

The major contrast is the one between -um- and mag- (cf. Blake 1925: 248 f.; Lopez 1937: 46-49; Pittman 1966; Schachter & Otanes 1972: 292 f.; Drossard 1984: 87-92; Himmelmann 1987: 185-188). Often magindicates the greater frequency or intensity of an action, cf. bumasa 'read' vs. magbasa 'to read a lot/study'. A similar formation, i.e. the prefixing of mag- plus RDP2, is possible in principle for any base to indicate intensive or repeated action (cf. Schachter & Otanes (1972: 337 f.); Bloomfield (1917: 237–239) specifies stress shifts which may also occur). mag- and -um- may even co-occur to indicate a high degree of intensity, cf. màg-um-aral 'study diligently' or mag-s-um-igáw 'shout (long and very loud)'. In other instances, the contrast seems to pertain to transitivity: t<um>ayó' kami '<av>stand.upright 1.PE (we stood up)' vs. nag-tayó' kami ng bahay 'RLS.AV-stand.upright 1.PE GEN house (we erected a house)'. Note that in the corresponding undergoer voices no pag- appears: i-t<in>ayó' niyá ang bahay 'CV-<RLS(UGR)> stand.upright 3.sg.poss spec house (he erected the house)'. In this type of example, the base denotes some kind of position or motion, and the um-form denotes an actor who moves himself, the mag-form an actor who moves something. A similar contrast exists with respect to bases denoting qualities, e.g. *um-init* 'become/get hot' vs. *mag-init* 'make hot, heat'. Much quoted, but unique is the contrast between *bumili* 'buy' and *màg-bili* 'sell'.

Apart from such contrasting sets there are also several bases which only allow voice marking for pag-derived stems. For example, from bawal 'prohibited' neither \*bumawal nor \*ibawal may be derived, but only magbawal and ipagbawal. These bases do not display a common semantic or phonological feature. Other examples are bilin 'order, instruction', kanuló 'betrayal', lingkód 'servant', etc. (cf. McFarland 1976 Appendix II; Himmelmann 1987: 151). Another group of bases - which again does not exhibit a common denominator – allows actor orientation only with mag-, while undergoer orientation is possible without prior derivation. For example, from luto' 'cook' \*lumuto' may not be derived but only magluto', while the undergoer voice form is simply iluto' or lutu'in. Other bases belonging to this group are dasál 'prayer', hugas 'wash', punas 'wipe off', libing 'burial', bayad 'payment', kahoy 'wood', hubád 'naked', etc. (cf. Himmelmann 1987: 179 f.).

## 6. Illustrative text

The standard Tagalog orthography is used with the modifications noted in 1.2.

Ang ulól na unggó' at ang SPEC foolish CONN monkey and SPEC

ma-runong na pagóng. Minsan ang STAT-knowledge CONN turtle once SPEC

pagóng habang na-lì-ligo' sa turtle while RLS.AV-RDP<sub>1</sub>-swim LOC

ilog, ay nakà-kita siyá ng river PM RLS.AV.POT:RDP<sub>1</sub>-see 3.SG GEN

isa-ng puno-ng-saging na one-conn tree-conn-banana conn

l<um>ù-lutang at t<in>à-tangáy <AV>RDP<sub>1</sub>-float and <RLS(UGR)>RDP<sub>1</sub>-carry.off

ng agos. H<in>ila niyá sa GEN flow <rls(UGR)>pull 3.SG.POSS LOC

pasigan, dàtapwát hindi niyá river but NEG 3.SG.POSS

ma-dalá sa lupa'. Dahil dito
POT.PV-carry LOC earth cause LOC.PROX

*t*<*in*>*awag niyá ang ka-ibig-an* <RLS(UGR)>call 3.SG.POSS SPEC ASS-like-LV

unggó' at i-ni-alay 3.sg.poss-conn monkey and cv-rls(ugr)-offer niyá ang ka-putol ng 3.SG.POSS SPEC ASS-cut GEN puno-ng-saging kung i-tà-taním tree-conn-banana if CV-RDP<sub>1</sub>-plant ang kaniyá-ng ka-parte. 3.sg.poss spec dat.3.sg-conn ass-part T<um>angó' ang unggó' at <av>nod SPEC monkey and h<in>até' nilá sa gitná' mulá' <RLS(UGR)>divide 3.PL.POSS LOC middle begin sa mag-kàbilá-ng dulo ang puno ng LOC AV-other.side-CONN end SPEC tree GEN saging. In-angkín ng unggó' banana RLS(UGR)-appropriate GEN monkey ang ka-putol na may mga dahon, SPEC ASS-cut CONN EXIST PL leaf dahil sa panukala' niyá cause Loc plan 3.SG.POSS CONN DIST ay tù-tubo' ma-buti kaysa na PM RDP<sub>1</sub>-grow CONN STAT-good than ka-putol na wala-ng dahon. ASS-cut CONN NEG.EXIST-CONN leaf Nang maka-raán ang ilang when AV.STAT-way SPEC some:CONN day ang puno ng unggó' ay namatáy, SPEC tree GEN monkey PM RLS.STAT:dead yamang ang sa pagóng ay t<um>ubo' whereas SPEC LOC turtle PM <av>grow hanggang sa mag-bunga. Ang mga saging LOC AV-fruit SPEC PL banana ay na-hinóg, dàtapwát hindí PM RLS.STAT-ripe but ma-akyát ng pagóng. Dahil dito POT.PV-climb GEN turtle cause LOC.PROX t < in > awagnivá ang kaniyá-ng <RLS(UGR)>call 3.SG.POSS SPEC DAT.3.SG-CONN ka-ibig-ang unggó' at ASS-like-LV.CONN monkey and i-ni-alay niyá ang ila-ng CV-RLS(UGR)-offer 3.SG.POSS SPEC few-CONN bunga ng saging kung à-akyat-ín fruit GEN banana if RDP<sub>1</sub>-climb-PV nivá ang puno'. Ang unggo' ay 3.sg.poss spec tree Spec monkey PM um-akyát at k<um>ain ng makàkaya. av-climb and <av>eat GEN utmost S < in > abing pagóng: "Hulug-an <RLS(UGR)>say GEN turtle drop-LV

akó." Dàtapuwát mo 2.sg.poss 1.sg but i-s<in>agót ng unggó': CV-<RLS(UGR)>answer GEN monkey "Balát man at ma-linamnám ay skin though and STAT-delicious PM hù-hulug-an." Ang hindí kitá NEG 1.SG.POSS:2.SG RDP<sub>1</sub>-drop-LV SPEC pagóng ay na-galit at nag-sabug turtle PM RLS.STAT-angry and RLS.AV-scatter sivá ng tiník sa paligíd 3.SG GEN spine LOC surroundings GEN puno'. Nang l<um>uksó ang unggó' tree when <av>jump spec monkey na-tiník siyá. P<in>àg-bintang-án RLS.STAT-spine 3.SG < RLS(UGR) > GER-suspect-LV niyá ang pagóng at kaniyá-ng 3.sg spec turtle and dat.3.sg-conn upang pa-rusah-an h < in > anap<RLS(UGR)>look.for so.that CAUS-suffer-LV Nà-huli nivá nivá ang 3.SG.POSS RLS.POT.PV-catch 3.SG.POSS SPEC pagóng sa kabilá' ng isa-ng turtle LOC other.side GEN one-CONN stump S < in > abiniyá sa pagóng: <RLS(UGR)>say 3.sg.poss Loc turtle "kitá av aking pa-rù-rusah-an. 1.DI PM DAT. 1.SG. CONN CAUS-RDP<sub>1</sub>-suffer-LV Mamili ka sa dalawá. Dikdik-ín AV:choose 2.sg Loc two crush-PV kitá sa lusóng o lunur-in 1.sg.poss:2.sg loc mortar or drown-pv sa ilog?" Ang ma-runong 1.sg.poss:2.sg loc river spec stat-knowledge pagóng ay nàg-umpisá ng CONN turtle PM RLS.AV-begin GEN pàg-si-sigáw at  $h \le in > iling$ GER-RDP<sub>2</sub>-shout and <RLS(UGR)>request sa unggó' na, kung nivá 3.sg.poss Loc monkey conn if ma-à-are', ay dikdik-ín siyá sa STAT-RDP<sub>1</sub>-possible PM crush-PV 3.SG LOC lusóng. Dàtapwát i-s<in>agót mortar but CV-<RLS(UGR)>answer GEN unggó': "I-bì-bigáy ko sa ivó monkey CV-RDP<sub>1</sub>-give 1.SG.POSS LOC DAT.2.SG hindí mo ang pa-rusa na SPEC CAUS-suffer CONN NEG 2.SG.POSS liking At i-ni-hagis niyá sa ilog and cv-rls(ugr)-throw 3.sg.poss Loc river

ang pagóng. Nang d<um>apo' ang pagóng SPEC turtle when <av>alight SPEC turtle

sa tubig ay nàg-si-sigáw siyá at LOC water PM RLS.AV-RDP<sub>2</sub>-shout 3.SG and s<in>abi niyá sa unggó': <RLS(UGR)>say 3.SG.POSS LOC monkey "Salamat, ka-ibig-an. Itó ang thank ASS-like-LV PROX SPEC aking tirah-an!"

DAT.1.SG.CONN dwell-LOC

Bloomfield's (1917) translation:

"Once upon a time, when the turtle was swimming in the river, he saw a banana-tree adrift and being carried along by the current. He dragged it to the beach, but was not able to carry it up to the solid ground. Therefore he called his friend, the monkey, and offered him a half of the banana-tree, if he would plant his part for him. The monkey agreed, and they divided the banana-tree at the middle, half-way from either end. The monkey took the half which had leaves, because he thought it would grow better than the half which had none.

When a few days had passed, the monkey's tree died, while that of the turtle grew until it bore fruit. The bananas grew ripe, but the turtle could not climb for them. Therefore he called his friend, the monkey, and offered him some of the fruits of the banana, if he would climb the tree. The monkey climbed up and ate for all he was worth.

Said the turtle: 'Throw me some.'

But the monkey answered: 'Though sweet the skins, I'd throw you none.'

The turtle got angry and scattered spines round the foot of the tree. When the monkey jumped down, he landed on the spines. He suspected the turtle and looked for him, in order to punish him. He found the turtle behind a stump.

Said he to the turtle: 'I am going to punish you. Choose between the two: shall I bray you in a mortar or drown you in the river?'

The clever turtle began to shout and begged the monkey, if it were possible, to bray him in a mortar.

But the monkey answered: 'I shall give you the punishment you don't want.'

And he threw the turtle into the river.

When the turtle arrived in the water, he set up a shout and said to the monkey: 'Thank you, friend! This is my home.'" (Bloomfield 1917: 16)

# 7. Uncommon abbreviations

AV actor voice
CV conveyance voice
LV locative voice
PM predicate marker
PN proper noun
PV patient voice
SOCIAT sociative
SPEC specifier

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# 1. Introduction

The Diyari language was traditionally spoken in the far north of South Australia, to the east of Lake Eyre along the lower reaches of Cooper Creek — a mostly dry watercourse that runs from western Queensland into Lake Eyre. This is one of the driest and hottest regions of Australia with an average annual rainfall of about 100 mm (or 4 inches) and summer temperatures regularly reaching 45