CHAPTER 6

ADVERBIALS

6.1 HULI WORD CLASSES

At this stage it is useful to locate what are interpreted as adverbials within the Huli word class system, diagrammed below. Section 5.5 has indicated that the system of secondary

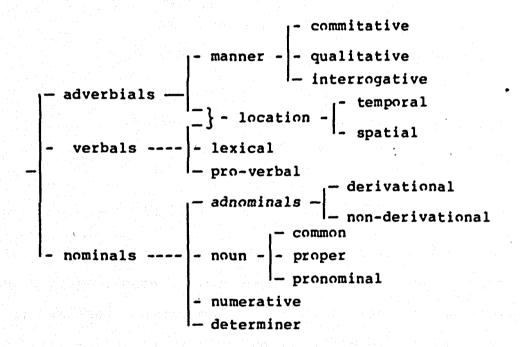


Figure 25: Word class system

suffixes intersects with the semantic area covered by free location morphemes. It is these free morphemes that are interpreted here as adverbials, and figure 25 shows that the major subdivision of this word class are i) location and ii) manner.

6.2 LOCATIVE ADVERBIALS

6.2.1 Spatial locatives. There is a system of spatial loc-

atives that function as exophoric references. They can receive the spatio-temporal suffixes described in 5.5.7, the determiner -go, realized according to the vowel harmony rule given in 4.11.3.4, usually preceding whichever inessive is selected. The system is set out in figure 26.

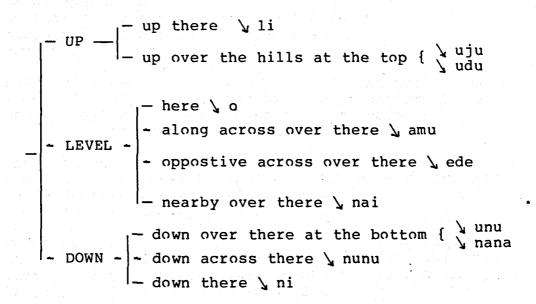


Figure 26: Spatial locatives

- 6.2.1.1 The unbound morphemes occur unsuffixed in utterances in which they precede a place name or refer to a place that the speaker can see. When the place cannot be seen by the speaker, he/she will select the suffix -goha, while -goria is used when the speaker wishes to signal some form of allation, or movement towards a place.
- 6.2.1.2 udu and uju seem to be interchangable, with udu being the more frequent in dialect Al. nana tends to substitute for the more widespread unu in dialect Bl.
- 6.2.1.3 Examples of spatial locatives are:

ega li jaga lara bird up-there flight utter-3-SIMP PRES (the) bird up-there flies/is flying the bird is flying up there uju Dagamabi poro
up-over-the-hills-at-the-top Dagamabi go-1S-SIMP PRES
up-over-the-hills-at-the-top (to) Dagamabi (I) go/am going
I'm going right up to Dagamabi at the top of the hills

Megia ira ogoria wija Megia wood here-DET-LOC put-3-SIMP PAST Megia wood (right) here put Megia put the wood right here

bapalo* amuguha ka buffalo along-across-over-there-DET-LOC 3-EV buffalo along-across-over-there-in is the buffalo's over there

wali ti ede mabuni beda women 3P opposite-across-over-there garden-LOC 3-EV women they opposite-across-over-there garden-in are the women are across there in the garden

anda naiguria palimu
house nearby-over-there-DET-LOC lie down-2P-IMP FUT
house nearby-over-there-in/about sleep
sleep in that nearby house

Paderigi unu Pala Pala ka Patrick down-over-there-at-the-bottom Pala Pala 3-EV Patrick down-over-there-at-the-bottom Pala Pala is Patrick is down there in Pala Pala

nunuguha anda birimibe down-across-there-DET-LOC house make/do-2P-SIMP PAST-Q down-across-there-in/on house made (you)? did you make a house down over there?

nano ni dago mule bero mushroom down-there 3-EV-DET take-PURP make-1S-SIMP PRES mushroom down-there is-that to-take (I) make/am making I'm going to get that mushroom down there

- 6.2.1.4 There are three exceptional instances when -go is realized as -ga, and it functions grammatically as a determiner -cum-locative without further suffixing. These exceptions are:
 - i) anda + go = andaga
 house DET house-that one/in/to/at

as in: andaga poro
house-DET/LOC go-1S-SIMP PRES
house-to I go/am going
I'm going home

andaga beda house-DET/LOC 3-EV house-at (she) is she's at home 2) hama + go = hamaga clearing DET clearing that one/in/to/at

as in: hamaga poro clearing-DET/LOC go-1S-SIMP PRES clearing-to I go/am going I'm going to the clearing

hamaga ka clearing-DET-LOC 3-EV clearing-at (he) is he's at the clearing

3) dali + go = daliga above-that one/in/to/at

as in: ni daliga ka
sun above-DET-LOC 3-EV
sun above-at is
the sun's up above

6.2.1.5 Other free spatial locatives, such as tamu 'inside' and tagi/tagira 'outside', frequently occur with spatio-temporal suffixes (cf 5.5.3, 5.5.6 and 5.5.7). The suffixes that can be selected are -ni (adessive) and -ha (inessive), suffixes which can also be used with nominal items to signal location. Examples are such as:

hina be + ha gujarami
sweet potato ash LOC bake-2P-SIMP PRES
sweet potato ashes in/within you bake/are baking
you are baking sweet potato in the ashes
= hina beha gujarami

6.2.2 (-)hondo and (-)howa. These two forms can be conven-

iently described here, since they are used to signal location: 'to/towards' and 'from', respectively. It is possible to analyse them as enclitics, but it seems likely that both are forms of he 'have/stay/be': howa can be interpreted as the CONS (5.4.4), and hondo as the PURP stem (5.4.5.1) plus the negative particle ndo 'no'.

6.2.2.1 This analysis is supported by the semantic function of howa in utterances such as

ani lajagola howa
thus utter-3-SIMP PAST-DET-LOC have/stay/be+CONS
thus he uttered-when/at having stayed/after staying
thus when he uttered afterwards
after he'd said that,

ibugwa abare jolo bija
3S-ERG red pandanus price make/do-3-SIMP PAST
he red pandanus price made/did
he made (the) price (for the/some) red pandanus
he bought some red pandanus

in which it could be said to be acting as a temporal locative. Its use as a spatial locative can be similarly analysed:

howa have/stay/be+CONS having stayed/after staying after staying at / from

Examples of howa used of spatial location are:

Det howa ibiri be
Det LOC come-2S-SIMP PAST Q
Det from came (you)?
did you come from Det?

ndo, Gubari howa ibiru no Gubari LOC come~1S~SIMP PAST no Gubari from (I) came no, I came from Gubari

6.2.2.2 While (-)howa may be spatial or temporal, (-)hondo is only used of space - 'to' a person -, but in a special sense: it signals giving something to someone temporarily, for that

person to pass on to another, or because what is given - eg

speech, food - cannot be kept permanently. A tentative reconstruction of hondo would suggest that the PURP suffix -le has
been deleted, and the negative then fused with the stem:

hole ndo ---> ho ndo ≈ hondo have/stay/be-PURP no in-order-to-have/stay/be no to-stay no

The resulting form is enclitic on a personal pronoun, a proper name, or a noun whose referent is animate. A verbal form that signals giving completes the configuration. Examples are:

ibu hondo bi lamia
3S LOC talk/words utter-give-2S-IMP PRES
he/him to words utter-and-give
say something to him/tell him

igiri hondo hai miru
boy LOC banana give-1S-SIMP PAST
(the) boy to (a) banana (I) gave
I gave a banana to the boy/ I gave the boy a banana

Dewali hondo nogo mbira miribe
Dewali LOC pig one give~2~SIMP PAST~Q
Dewali to pig a gave (you)?
did you give a pig to Dewali?

6.2.3 Temporal locatives. Only two of the temporal suffixes es described in 5.5.3-5.5.7 occur with non-verbal items: these are -ngi, and -ni, both of which are limited to a handful of time words. Examples are:

bibahende - ngi = bibahendengi all/every LOC always/every day/each day

bibahende - ni = bibahendeni all/every LOC always/every day/each day

mbira - ngi = mbirangi
one LOC at/on the first

6.2.3.1 Among time words are those used for referring to days ahead and days past. The way Huli culture deals with time is represented, in part, by this system, which shows that the need to count backward or forward beyond a few days, or to organize days into groups (eg months and years), used not to be important. It is only since the white people came that Huli society has had to accommodate this way of viewing time, and it has adapted mainly by borrowing terms as well as concepts from the dominant culture (cf 7.7.6). The traditional Huli system of adverbial/nominal time words is given below in table 17.

	past	days	future	
yesterday	abe	1	jawi	tomorrow
	lebe	2	luma	
	lebene	3	lumani	
	golebene	4	golumani	
	ogolebene	5	ogolumani	
6 days ago	ogogolebene	6	ogogolumani	6 days hence
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Table 17: Day time words

6.2.3.1.1 This table shows that the stem for days past can be analysed as be, and for days hence as ma. The form for 'tomorrow' can be considered irregular, while be signals 'yesterday' by accepting the prefix a. Thereafter each stem carries a primary prefix 1V-, whose vowel is realized according to the rule,

which says that it copies its specification for [back] from the stem vowel, while its specification for [high] is the same as the stem vowel's specification for [low]. This yields the forms lebe '2 days ago' and luma '2 days hence'.

6.2.3.1.2 In generating the next form, '3 days...', the suffix "ne/"ni is added. Since with luma the suffix vowel is realized as [+high], it appears possible that the vowel harmony rule given in 4.4.3.4 is operating in an attenuated fashion, or that a form of counter" vowel harmony is operative in that the suffix vowel has taken on a specification counter to that of the stem vowel for the feature [low]. A more interesting possibility is that the suffix vowel is copying not from the stem vowel but from the (initial) prefix vowel, according to the rule,

which would support the previous analysis, ie in 4.4.2.10, of the mediating function of /a/ in Huli phonological processes, since here it would be present as a bridge in feature copying.

6.2.3.1.3 However, some dialect Al speakers consistently use the suffix "ni for all forms, which suggests that the morpheme being employed is the spatio" temporal adessive "ni described in 5.5.6. The same speakers tend to use ba rather than be as the stem for signalling 3 or more days past.

6.2.3.2 Beyond the naming of days, the general time continuum is divided into broad areas that do not concern themselves with locating points of time with precision: traditional Huli culture had no need of that. The overlapping areas of time as perceived by the Huli, measured according to the position in time of the speaker, are given in table 18.

direct≃ ion	location	Huli	gloss		
	past	bamba ala abale	long time ago long ago previously		
* .	present	ajure aju wene	just now now/today shortly		
V	future	mani awe	later a long way ahead		

Table 18: General time continuum

6.2.3.3 Of the forms given in table 18, there is an example of elision between adverb and intensifier/modifier (6.4.2), namely:

aju + ore = ajure
now very right now/just now

A second form, mani, is the future time morpheme ma (6.2.3.1.1) plus the adessive suffix in (5.5.6). ma can often be glossed as 'after', and frequently signals time subsequent to that encoded

in the process word. It may also accept the inessive suffix -ha, the compound being usefully glossed as 'afterwards'.

6.2.3.4 The unbound morphemes that measure out the day reflect the cultural notion that a new day begins at dawn, and that all named time segments prior to daybreak belong to yesterday. Hence,

aju mbiraga
now dark(ness)
today's night
tonight = from nightfall today to dawn tomorrow

abe mbiraga
yesterday darkness
yesterday's night
last night = from nightfall yesterday to dawn today

Some of the adverbials involved, along with their glosses, are given in the set (one of several) od time-measuring words below:

horo day horombe middle of day
muna dawn alendo afternoon
egerebagi morning ne lanini dusk

mbiraga night

6.3 INTERROGATIVES

6.3.1 A= forms. The interrogative adverbials all begin with the segment a=, which cannot stand on its own, but is the stem to which suffixes are added, as set out in figure 27. The utterance=final Q particle (cf 5.5.1) is optional with A- questions.

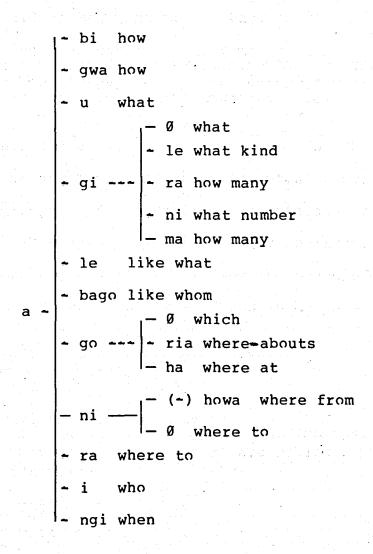


Figure 27: A- interrogatives

er occurs in contexts such as enquiring after a person's well-being, the latter in asking the way in which something is done. The suffix -bi is derivational, from the verb bi 'make/do', and gives the interrogative the sense of 'how-ish/how-like/like-what?' (Derivational suffixes are treated more fully in 7.9.) Examples are such as:

abi kebe
2S INT EV-2S-Q
you how are
how are you?

ti abi kami 2P INT EV-2P you how are how are you?

nu agwa bija string bag INT do/make3-SIMP PAST string bag how (he) made how did he make the string bag?

ira agwa dibule berama
tree INT cut down-PURP do-make-lP-SIMP PRES
tree how to-cut down (we) make/are making
how are we going to cut down the tree?

6.3.3 au, agi and agile. A cover gloss for these forms is 'what?'. au and agi have the same referential field: non-human things; and agile asks for specification within a given class of referents. The suffix -le of agile is derivational, from the verb le 'utter', and gives the form the sense of 'what-ish/what-like?'. Examples of these forms in use are:

honabi au lajabe ginger pig-like INT utter-3-SIMP PAST-Q white man what (he) said? what did the white man say?

jawi agi bule berabi tomorrow INT do/make-PURP do/make-2D-SIMP PRES tomorrow what to-do (you) are making what are you going to do tomorrow?

ira ogo agile ira
tree this INT tree
tree this what tree
what sort of tree is this?

6.3.4 agira and agini. These forms ask about quantities. While agira, can be glossed as 'how many?', agini seeks specification: 'what?' in the sense of which number, eg fourth/fifth? The suffix *ni is here probably the definitive *ne, the vowel being raised owing to the constraints of vowel harmony. Exampales of these forms are such as:

wena agira jolo birima fish INT price do/make-lP-SIMP PAST fish how many price (we) made how many fish did we buy?

nogo ogoni agini o biagoni hombene pig that INT EXC that twelfth pig that what/which number oh that twelfth what number pig is that? oh, that's the twelfth

6.3.4.1 agi may also take the suffix -ma, a commitative (cf 6.5), to yield a form that rarely occurs in A- questions, and that has the sense of 'what-about/around-what?'. Its usual occurrence is in utterances such as

hina agira hanarebe sweet potatoes INT carry-in-string-bag-2S-SIMP PRES-Q sweet potatoes how many you carry/are carrying how many sweet potatoes are you carrying?

duria maria agima
five four INT
five four what-about/around-what
about four or five

pauni* hanare* maria agima jido
pounds hundred four what about around what hold I've got around four hundred pounds with me

6.3.4.2 ale and abago are similar to agima in that they are appendages to the system of A- forms: they rarely occur in A-questions, and have been set aside for special usage. In the A- question,

taiga* ibu agi ale ka tiger 3S INT INT EV-3 tiger he what what-like is what is a tiger like?

the form ale, usually in such a construction contracted to -le and then suffixed onto agi, functions as an interrogative. But in the utterance

ibu homogo ale ka
3S important man INT EV-3
he important man (what-) like is
he's like/just like an important man

any semblance of its being an interrogative seems to disappear: it is certainly lost in translation, and is perhaps most usefully glossed as 'like / the same as'.

6.3.4.3 abago, which can often be glossed as 'what's his hame', can be interpreted as a special interrogative used as a

filler when the speaker fails to recollect something. The suffix -bago is probably an elison of biago, a nominal anaphoric deictic (cf 7.4). The form abago occurs in utterances such as:

abago ibugwa te lelo
INT 3S-ERG stand/clump utter-3-PERM
what-that one he stand/clump (of talk) utter-may
what's-his-name talk/tale/story may tell
you be quiet so that what's-his-name can

ina wa
2S~ERG reject~2S~IMP PRES
you reject (your talk/tale)
you be quiet
say his piece

6.3.5 ago, agoria and agoha. The first of these forms signals a request for discrimination between or among things. Its English gloss would be classed as a nominal, but like other items - such as agi 'what' and ai 'who' - it is interpreted as belonging to the set of A- forms and best described here. It may be suffixed with the locatives -ria or -ha, already described in 5.5.7: the sense is always spatial. Examples are:

aju kira ngago: înaga ago axes two EV-3-DET 2S-POSS INT axes two are yours which there are two axes: which is yours?

ira dibini agoria wimījā
wood cut down-EX DEF INT place-1P-EXH FUT1
wood cut down where-abouts (we) shall place
where-abouts shall we put the chopped wood?

Debidi* agoha kabe mbagwa agoha wini
David INT EV-3 tree oil INT place-EX DEF
David where-at is tree oil where-at put/placed
where's David at? where's the tree oil been put?

6.3.6 ani, ani howa and ara. The forms ani and ara, meaning 'where/where to?' are used mainly with pu 'go'; ani howa occurs with ibu 'come', and means 'where from?'. -ni is the adessive locative described in 5.5.6, and (-)howa has been discussed above in 6.2.2. Examples are such as:

ti ani pirimibe ibu ani haga
2P INT go-2P-SIMP PAST-Q 3S INT have/stay-CUST
you where to went? he where stays/lives
where did you go? where does he live?

ara porebe agali-o ti ara porami
INT go-2S-SIMP PRES men-EXC 2P INT go-2P-SIMP PRES
where-to (you) go? men! you where-to go
where're you going? men! where are you going?

ani howa ibiribe ti ani howa INT come-2S-SIMP PAST-Q 2/3P where from where-from (you) came? you/they where from where did/have you come from? where are you/they from?

6.3.7 ai. This A- form can frequently be glossed by 'who/whom?'. The examples given below illustrate that the use of traditional category labels may not be apt for describing Huli: the English gloss 'what?' suggests that ai is an interrogative pronoun/adverb; the gloss `who?' (second example) suggests simply an interrogative pronoun. The examples are:

6.3.8 angi. This form is produced by adding the temporary locational inessive angi (cf 5.5.4.1.1) to the Q stem, a.e. Examples are:

angi ibirimibe angi pija
INT come~2P~SIM PAST~Q INT go~3~SIMP PAST
when came (you)? when went (they)
when did you come? when did they go?

angi homene angi wule bere
INT die-EX DEF INT place-PURP 2S-SIMP-PRES
when died (he) when to-place make (you)
when did he die? when are you going to place it?

6.4 QUALITATIVES

6.4.1 These adverbials usually occur immediately before the verb form in an utterance, although they may precede the A in

wali agali marasini* hangu hangu no ibalimu women men medicine ADV ADV ingest-PURP come-2P-IMP FUT people medicine only only to-drink/eat (you) come you people come to get your medicine one by one

6.5 COMITATIVES

- paniment or involvement together of participants in a process. The suffixes -la and -ma, signal that the nominal to which they are attached is, together with one or more other nominals, the grammatical subject; -bi and -ru signal that the nominals to which they are suffixed are in the same grammatical category; the enclitics, (-)heba, (-)haru and (-)baba, signal that the nominals on which they lean are not grammatical subjects.
- 6.5.2 The suffixes -la and -ma. The first, -la, is added to the second of two nominals in a group, signalling that these in concert are the grammatical subject of the verb. In a similar way, -ma is added to the last nominal of a group of three or more. If the nominals are 1 or 2 person, the verbal inflections will reflect the force of the suffixes, being always either D or P in number. Examples are such as:

Andagali Madiabe Bigo + ma Mendi pijija
Andagali Madiabe Bigo ADV Mendi go-3-SIMP PAST-MOD
Andagali Madiabe Bigo-with Mendi went-must/would have
Andagali, along with Madiabe and Bigo, must have gone to Mendi

= Andagali Madiabe Bigoma Mendi pijija

6.5.3 The suffixes -bi and -ru. Both of these are multifunctional, but can often be glossed as 'and'. -ru is an optional plural suffix that can be glossed as 'and/with/along
with' when suffixed to a string of nominal items that together
comprise the grammatical subject, while -bi functions in the
same way. There are clear reason why these two suffixes should
be regarded as conjunctives, but they also need to be mentioned
here since they can function as comitatives in the same way as
the previously described suffixes. Examples are:

ma + ru du + ru hai + ru anda hene
taro ADV sugar cane ADV banana ADV house stay-have-EX DEF
taro-with sugar cane-with banana-with house had
and and and
taro, sugar cane and banana had all grown
= maru duru hairu anda hene

tia + bi jari + bi tajanda daligani beda
possum ADV cassowary ADV high bush high-LOC EV-3
possum-with cassowary-with high bush high-in are
and and
there are possum along with/and cassowary up in the high bush
= tiabi jaribi tajanda daligani beda

6.5.4 (~)heba, (~)haru and (~)baba. These lean back on a nominal group that follows the grammatical subject of the utterance. They are used interchangably, but (~)heba and (~)haru are usually selected when the verb is one of motion, (~)haru signifying semantically that the nominal group to which it is enclitic is being controlled by what~/whoever is the grammatical subject of the utterance. The form (~)baba is favoured when the verb signals some kind of mutual interaction between the participants. Examples are:

Wariabe heba pole berebe
Wariabe ADV go-PURP make/do-2S-SIM PRES-Q
you Wariabe along-with to-go (you) are making?
are you going to go with Wariabe?

Malingi Agilu heba tomo nole biraja
Malingi Agilu ADV food ingest-PURP sit-3-SIMP PAST
Malingi Agilu together-with food to-eat sat down
Malinigi sat down to eat with Agilu

ina nogo haru eberema
lP pig ADV come-lP-SIMP PRES
we pig along-with come/are coming
we're coming with the pig

bapalo* haru halimu
buffalo ADV have/stay-2-IMP FUT
buffalo along-/together-with stay
you stay with / look after the buffalo

tigwa Gambali baba wai binija 3P-ERG Gambali with/against war make/do-EX PAST-MOD they Gambali with war made-must/would they would have made war with Gambali

gabamanali* baba bi lo mbijore wini government-men with talk utter-STM one-ADV place-EX PAST Government with talk having-said one-truly (they) placed they made an agreement with the Government

6.5.4.1 In dialect area A2, doba may substitute for haru or for heba.

This concludes the description of Huli adverbials.

CHAPTER 7

NOMINALS

This chapter will describe in turn nouns, numeratives, determiners and adnominals (cf figure 24, section 6.1), as being useful subdivisions of the word-class nominal. The nominal system is set out in figure 28.

Figure 28: Nominal system

7.1 NOUNS

- 7.1.1 The sub-group 'nouns' comprises four classes: class 1 (common), class 2 (proper), class 3 (pro-nouns), and class 4 (derivational forms). These classifications are based chiefly on formal distinctions evident in the way items are marked for ergativity.
- 7.1.2 Ergativity is signalled by suffixation. Agents are optionally marked for ergativity, while instruments must always be so marked. Thus, in the Huli system it is possible to have two participants in the same utterance marked for ergativity.

- 7.1.3. Class 1 nouns, which form the biggest and most general class, take only the ergative suffix -me. Class 2 nouns nouns take only -handa, while class 3 nouns take the suffixes -na, -me and -gwa. Class 4 nouns, like those of class 1, also take only the suffix -me, but they are formally distinct from class 1 nouns in that they are all derivational.
- 7.1.4 These ergative suffixes will be described at the same time has the noun classes with which they are associated. Other nominal suffixes, given in figure 30, will be described together in a separate section (7.10). Many of these have been met before in the course of chapters 5 and 6 (cf 5.5 and figure 22).

7.2 CLASS 1 NOUNS

7.2.1. Class 1 nouns are non-derivational nominal items that accept only -me as their ergative suffix. They may be specified by determiners or other deictics, their referents usually being concrete animate or inanimate objects. Examples are such as:

ira nogo keba tree digging stick pig beraliba biango iba cloud dog water wali hari woman string bag mountain/sky

7.2.2 Lexical sets of class 1 nouns may occur in semantic groupings, each member a hyponym of a superordinate item. Thus, nogo 'pig' is superordinate to a set of hyponyms typed on colour, viz: mindi 'black-pig', hone 'ginger-pig' and pagwa 'pie-bald pig'; haro 'oak', dugu 'swamp pine' and baua 'casuarina'

are hyponyms of ira 'tree'. Increasing levels of delicacy eventually result in subordinates that are either realized as proper names or specified by deictics.

7.2.3 The ergative suffix -me. This morpheme always occupies final suffix position. Examples are such as:

nogo + me mabu najada = nogome mabu najada pig ERG garden ingest-3-SIMP PAST-MOD pig (by) garden ate-must have/certainly a pig has rooted up the garden

ina kangome nogo baramali

agali + me ira aju + me dibaga
man ERG tree axe ERG cut down/fell~CUST
men (by) trees axes (by) fell-customarily
men fell trees with axes / men use axes to fell trees
= agalime ira ajume dibaga

7.2.4 Compound nouns are nouns that are separated by less than a full word boundary. Compounding can take place through elision of class 1 nouns that occur in collocation and have adjacent segments that provide an environment for deletion to take place. There are two elision rules, the first of which,

says that a mid or low vowel is deleted when it is preceded by a consonant carrying the feature [+back], and followed first by an internal word boundary and then by a vowel that has the specifications [+high,-back]. Examples are such as:

+ igini waniqini wane child/children daughter son manda + iri mandiri head hair hair hamiqini hame + igini brother clan member son

7.2.4.1 The second elision rule states that a high vowel is deleted when it follows an internal word boundary that is preceded by a CV syllable whose segments have the specification [+back], thus:

Examples are:

7.2.4.2 Other collocations that the Huli, on the evidence of the way many of them write, seem to consider as compounds are items such as

In the first of these examples, vowel harmony conventions are not observed. In the third example, vowel harmony rules that apply to free morphemes (cf 4.4) are not operative, illustrating that the internal word boundaries of compound items can act as phonological barriers in much the same way as the morpheme boundaries of suffixes. (Cf also 4.4.3).

7.2.4.3 A number of common collocations whose adjacent vowels are non-harmonious are not considered to be compounds, on the

basis that no elision occurs in their articulation. Examples:

du + egene = du egene

sugar cane shoot sugar cane shoot

7.3 CLASS 2 NOUNS

7.3.1 Class 2 nouns are nouns that either do not take an ergative suffix or that accept only -handa. Names of persons and certain kinship labels are in this latter category, while names of places are in the former. Examples are:

Juwi Dewali Darali man's name woman's name man's name Mogome' . Ango Wariabe woman's name man's name man's name Godabi Pajaba Bebego place name place name place name

- 7.3.1.1 Such names may be descriptive for instance, Mogome can be glossed as 'by surprise', and Godabi as 'mounded-like' and may be a comment on an event or the circumstances surrounding the name-giving. It is also not uncommon for a person to be given a change of name to remind him/her of something significant: an enduring change would be such as Pagwabi 'piebald-pig-like', reminding the person of a pig given as a gift, while a less enduring change would be igini ãīja 'son's mother' to honour a woman on the birth of a male child.
- 7.3.2 The ergative suffix -handa only occurs with class 2 nouns. It cannot occur with class 2 nouns that are place names, nor with proper names that are not the names of humans -

thus the names of spirits, such as Hejolabe and Hiwagamabi, are class 1 nouns, taking the ergative suffix -me. -handa occurs as the ergative marker of certain terms denoting close kinship, such as aba 'father', aījā 'mother' and ama 'maternal aunt', which belong to this class of nouns. Examples of -handa are:

Juwi + handa bi lole bira

Juwi ERG talk/words utter-PURP make/do-3-SIMP PRES

Juwi (by) talk to-utter makes/is making

Juwi will speak = Juwihanda bi lole bira

i aba + handa anda ogoni bini
lS father ERG house that make/do-EX DEF
I/my father (by) house that made
my father built that house

= ī abahanda anda ogoni bini

Malagi* + handa beba* ogo gili bijada

Malachy ERG paper this line make/do-3-SIMP PAST-MOD

Malachy (by) paper this lines did-certainly/must have

Malachy must have written this letter

= Malagihanda beba* ogo gili bijada

7.4 CLASS 3 NOUNS

7.4.1 Personal pro-nouns constitute class 3, occurring with the ergative suffixes -na and -gwa, and, when suffixed for reflection, -me. There is a singular (S), dual (D) and plural (P) in each person (1, 2 and 3), the system being set out below in figure 29. In most dialects, distinctions in tone are main-

Figure 29: Personal pro-nouns

tained between 1S and 2S, 2D and 3D, and 2P and 3P (cf table Al).

7.4.2 The definitive suffix -ne may be added to these forms to generate a form that signals reflection. In accordance with vowel harmony rules, it is realized as -ni with all of these items except the 1D and 1P.

7.4.2.1 The reflection signalled may be emphatic, as in:

it may be reflexive, as in:

ibu + ne mojari bule bira

3S DEF CAUS -decoration make/do-PURP make/do-3-SIMP PRES
he (self) cause decoration to-make is making/makes
he is going to cause himself to be decorated
he's going to decorate himself = ibuni mojari bule bira

ina + ne ani manda bidama

1P DEF thus head make/do-1P-EX PRES
we (selves) thus head make/are making
we ourselves know this

or it may be reciprocal, as in:

agalirume ti + ne baga baga bija
man-COM-ERG 3P DEF hit-ITER hit-ITER do-3-SIMP PAST
men (by) they/them (selves) hit hit did
the men hit themselves over and over again
= agalirume tini baga baga bija

7.4.3 The ergative suffixes -na, -me and -gwa occur with class 3 nouns: -na with 1S and 2S; -me with 1D, 1P and forms that carry the DEF suffix; and -gwa with all other forms. Ex-

amples are such as:

ija + me tia bariba
lD ERG possum hit/kill~lD~SIMP PAST
we (by) possum killed
we killed a/the possum = ijame tia bariba

libu + gwa bebani* gili binibe 2D ERG paper-ADV line make/do-EX DEF-Q you (by) paper-on lines made? did you write on the paper?

= libugwa bebani* gili binibe

abe ibu + gwa gana timbuni bija yesterday 3S ERG ditch big make/do~3~SIMP PAST yesterday he (by) ditch big made/dug yesterday he dug a big ditch

= abe ibugwa gana timbuni bija

- 7.4.3.1 It is possible to interpret 1D, 1P and all reflex forms (with DEF suffix) as class 1 nouns, since they accept only -me as ERG suffix. However, it is convenient to regard 1D and 1P as being exceptions, and to retain the reflexives with the other pro-nominal forms in class 3 on the grounds that they have basic forms that belong to this class.
- 7.4.4 The ergative suffix -wa can also conveniently be described here, since it is the only remaining ERG suffix, even though it is not one of those accepted by any of the noun classes

and really belongs to the section dealing with suffixes in in general (7.10). It is limited in occurrence to the A- form adverbial ai 'who?', as in the examples

wena ai + wa page bija fish who ERG steal make/do fish who (by) steal did who stole the fish? ai + wa lajabe
who ERG utter-3-SIM PAST-Q
who (by) said/spoke-?
who said / who spoke?

7.5 CLASS 4 NOUNS

7.5.1 The customary verb form (5.2.5) and the purposive verb form (5.4.5) generate class 4 nouns when they receive as a suffix the definitive morpheme, -ne. In the case of the CUST, suffixing the DEF morpheme signals a customary actor, instrument or action, as in the examples:

paliaga + ne ogoni
lie down/sleep-CUST DEF that
sleep-customarily that that (is)
that's the sleeping place/board/mat/etc

= paliagane ogoni

aju nege · wiaga + ne axe sharp edge place-CUST DEF axe sharp edge place-customarily that

(an) axe sharpener = aju nege wiagane

tomo dawaga + ne food cook-CUST DEF food cook-customarily that (a) cook / (a) stove

a) cook / (a) stove = tomo dawagane

7.5.2 The purposive verb form accepts the DEF suffix to generate class 4 nouns as in the examples,

bule + ne
do/make-PURP DEF
in-order-to do/make that
(a/the) doing/making
= bulene

hole + ne
have/stay/be-PURP DEF
in-order-to have/stay/be that
(a/the) having/staying/being
= holene

nole + ne
ingest-PURP DEF
in-order-to eat/smoke that
(a/the) smoking/eating
= nolene

pole + ne go-PURP DEF in-order-to go that (a/the) going

= polene

7.5.2.1 These nouns frequently occur as A in obligative APV

constructions with the EV nga functioning as PV (cf 5.4.9). In other cases, when it is the PV of an APV construction that is suffixed, the result is that the APV construction itself is, given the limitations of descriptive terminology, nominalized. Examples are such as:

biabe bule + ne
work do/make-PURP DEF
work in-order-to-do/make that
work / working

biabe bulene

bi lole + ne talk/word/s utter-PURP DEF talk in-order-to-utter/say that talk-saying / saying / speaking/talking

bi lolene

7.5.2.2 Class 4 nouns take the ergative suffix -me, as is ex-

turu holene + me ibu moturu haja
well being having ERG 3S CAUS-well being have/stay-3-SIMP PAST
happiness having (by) he cause-happiness had
happiness made him happy

= turu holeneme ibu moturu haja

nege wiagane + me aju nege wia sharp edge placer ERG axe sharp edge place-2S-IMP PRES sharp edge placer-by axe sharp edge place sharpen the axe with the sharpener

= nege wiaganeme aju nege wia

7.6 NUMERATIVES

7.6.1 The Huli counting system is an integrated one, and is best described as a whole rather than treated piecemeal under separate category labels such as adverbials / adnominals / etc. It has a base of 15, some of the names given to the units or numbers being parts of the body. Indeed, the system is taught

by counting first the fingers and thumb of one hand, and then proceeding up the arm, across to the chest, and then on to the head, the final unit counted being the nose, ngwi - which is the name given to 15. This and the previous three units are clearly identifiable as body parts, although the other numerals are not.

7.6.1.2 The use of a transformational-generative descriptive framework, such as that proposed for English by Hurford (1975: 20), would be interesting. However, such a framework would incorporate a basic assumption that universal number concepts exist, and that an account of the Huli language should include a description of how it

associates arbitrary phonological sequences (words) with these universal concepts. (Hurford 1975: 2)

More appealing, and perhaps less tied into European cultural perspectives, is Yallop's proposal

to dispense with the assumption that numbers are universal concepts and to see numeral systems as part of linguistic and cultural elaboration ...

(Yallop 1987: 738)

Accordingly, I propose to describe the traditional numerative system in relation to its social function, and the way it is being adapted to new, non-Huli, concepts that are being taken up by the speech community.

7.6.1.1 The fifteen units of the system are:

mbi	one	ki	two	tebo	three
ma	four	dau	five	waraga	six
ka	seven	hali	eight	đi	nine
рi	**************************************	bea	eleven	hombe	twelve (chest)
hale	thirteen (ear)		fourteen (eye)	ngwi	fifteen (nose)

7.6.2 The definitive suffix, -ne. This is added to the stem count unit to yield a form that can usefully be glossed by an ordinal number in English. The vowel harmony rules given in chapter 4 (cf 4.11.3.3) apply, as in the examples:

pi + ne ---> pi +ni tebo + ne DEF STM STM DEF three (that) ten (that) = tebone tenth = pini third ---> di +ni di + ne hombe + ne STM DEF STM DEF (that) nine (that) twelve = dini twelth = hombene ninth

7.6.2.1 mbi 'one' and ki 'two' have exceptional forms, neither involving the DEF suffix. They are:

mbi + ra = mbira mende

STM NUM (STM+NUM?)

one at/towards second

one-at

7.6.2.2 The enclitic (-) labo is a further elaboration, signalling duality. It may be used to specify determiners (cf 7.7) or, in dialect A3, with halu (cf 7.6.4.4) to denote two linked or consecutive occasions. Examples are:

ogoni labo gununu labo halu ibija
DET NUM aeroplane NUM (time) come-3-SIMP PAST
these two the aeroplane came twice

7.6.3 The numerative suffix -ra. This suffix has the underlying form [LYa]. Non-phonemic palatalization has been described in 3.10.3, and orthographic representations such as -ira illustrate the environment in which this occurs. In the present case it persists even when the antepenultimate segment is /a/, but disappears with suffixing. The PO does not allow a palatalized consonant to occur in the environments -ara, -ura and -era, hence an orthographic convention intrudes i after the consonant to indicate this. Examples are:

7.6.3.1 A deletion rule,

removes a from dau 'five', there being no apparant phonological motivation present. Another rule fronts and raises the final vowel of tebo, and in this case it is possible that this is due in part to the influence of the palatalized consonant, which has the same feature specifications as those adopted by the vowel. This second rule can be written as:

$$\begin{array}{c|c}
V \\
 \hline -high \\
 +back \\
 \hline \end{array} \rightarrow \begin{array}{c|c}
 \hline +high \\
 \hline -back \\
 \hline \end{array} / \begin{array}{c}
 X \\
 \hline \end{array} + \begin{array}{c|c}
 C^{Y}V
\end{array}$$

Examples of these rules in operation are:

- 7.6.4 The clitics e, lu, pu and halu. These occur as proclitics with the first three count units, and as enclitics with the rest. They reflect the way Huli society thinks about and uses certain items that figure significantly in its activities.
- 7.6.4.1 e is employed in counting things that are regarded as composed of individual parts that are similar or even identical. It appears to be restricted to fruit that grows in clusters eg bananas or syncarps eg pandanus nuts. Examples are:

hai e mbira jalu pija banana (hand) one carry-SIM1 go-3-SIMP PAST bananas hand one carrying (he) went he carried away a hand of bananas

anga dau e jolo bulebe pandanus five (syncarp) price do/make-PURP-Q pandanus five syncarps price in-order-to-do? (do you) want to buy five pandanus syncarps?

- 7.6.4.2 lu is used in counting individual items or parts of an e: individual bananas or single nuts. It has also been heard being used of individual planks in a stack of wood as in the first example below and may replace halu in dialect Al.
 - (0) lu mbira jido
 (plank) (individual) one hold-lS-EX PRES
 (individual plank) one (I) have grasped/am holding
 I've got hold of one plank

anga lu tebo hangu ngo
pandanus (individual nuts) three only EV-1S
pandanus nuts three only I-have-placed
I've only got three pandanus nuts

hai ngwi lu miru
banana fifteen (individual fruits) take/give-1S-SIMP PAST
banana fifteen individual ones (I) gave/took
I gave him / took from him fifteen bananas

7.6.4.3 pu is used in counting beads or small shells and, unlike lu, which is something like 'ones', refers to twos or pairs. Examples are:

dange pu mende ngiru
cowrie shell (pair) two/second give-lS-SIMP PAST
cowrie shell pairs two (I) gave (you)
I gave you two pairs of cowrie shells

gurubu dau pu handaro gurubu beads five (pair) see-1S-SIMP PRES gurubu beads five pairs (I) see I see five pairs of gurubu beads

7.6.4.4 halu counts occasions, or times: it can be glossed as 'time/s', and occasionally as 'often'. Speakers of Al dialect sometimes substitute lu for halu. The collocation of halu and labo has been described in 7.6.2.2. Examples are:

gununu halu ki ibija aeroplane (time) two come-3-SIMP PAST aeroplane times two came the aeroplane came twice

ibugwa hombe halu kangome bajaja
3S-ERG twelve (time) stick-ERG hit-3-SIMP PAST-MOD
he-by twelve times stick-by hit (it/him)-must/would
he must have hit (him) twelve times with the stick

7.6.4.4.1 halu may occur with the A-word agi 'what?' to produce an interrogative such as:

agi halu bajabe
what (time) hit-3-SIMP PAST-Q
what times hit (it/him)-?
how many times did he hit (him)?

7.6.5 Numbers beyond 15 are obtained by suffixing and by forming numerative groups. The second 15 numbers are represented by the formula,

STM + NUM + LOC ## STM + NUM

in which STM is the numerative stem (referred to above as the 'count unit'), the first suffix is the number suffix -ra, and the second the locative suffix of the adessive -ni (cf 5.5.6). Numerative groups patterened on this formula are such as:

ngwi + ra + ni ## mbi + ra = ngwirani mbira STM LOC STM NUM NUM fifteen and one 15 (number) (there/at) 1 (number) sixteen + ni ## ngwi + ra waraga + ra ngwirani waragaria STM NUM LOC STM NUM fifteen and six (number) (there) 6 (number) twenty-one

7.6.5.1 Subsequent fifteens have the formula

STM ## STM (## STM ## STM+DEF+DET+POSS ## STM+NUM)

Examples of such numerative groups are:

ngwi ## ma ngwi ## di ngwi ## ngwi STM STM STM STM STM STM 15 4 15 9 15 15

- + naga ## dau + ra ngwi ## ki ## ngwi ## tebo + ne + go DEF DET STM POSS STM STM STM STM MUM 15 15 3 5 2 (that) (that) of (no.) 15 2 15 3 5 (that-very-one)-of (no.)
 - = ngwi ki ngwi tebonegonaga duria two fifteens and four of the third fifteen thirty-five
- ngwi ## hale ## ngwi ## de + ne + go + naga ## ka + ra STM STM STM STM DEF DET POSS NUM 15 15 13 14 (that) (that) of 7 (no.) 15 13 15 14 (that-very-one) #of (no.)
 - = ngwi hale ngwi denegonaga karia thirteen fifteens and seven of the fourteenth fifteen two hundred and two
- 7.6.6 New ways of counting have arisen as a result of contact with European cultures. Base 10 has become widely used, and is managed within the framework used for base 15. The basic units are the morphemes for 1 to 10 (7.6.1), suffixed as usual (7.6.2; 7.6.3). Numbers above ten and below twenty follow the formula used for the second group of fifteen (cf 7.6.5), as exemplified by:
 - pi + ra + ni ## mbi + ra pirani mbira NUM NUM LOC STM STM ten and one (number) (there/at) 1 (number) eleven + ni ## dau + ra pi + ra pirani duria ten and five STM LOC STM NUM NUM (number) (there) 5 fifteen (number)
- 7.6.6.1 Numbers above 19 are represented by a modification of the formula for numbers above 29 (7.6.5.1), thus:

STM+NUM ## STM+NUM (## STM+DEF+DET+POSS ## STM+NUM)

Examples of numerative groups with this formula are:

pi + ra ## ki + ra = pira kira STM NUM STM NUM two tens 10 (number) 2 (number) twenty

pi + ra ## tebo + ra = pira tebira STM NUM STM NUM three tens

(number) 3 (number) 10 thirty ## ma + ra pi + ra ## STM NUM STM NUM 10 (number) 5 (number) dau + ni + go + naga ## di + ra DET POSS NUM STM NUM 9 (that) (that) of (number) = pira maria daunigonaga dira four tens and nine of the fifth forty-nine ## ## pi + ra ka + ra STM NUM STM NUM 10 (number) 7 (number) ni + go + naga ## hali + ra
DEF DET POSS STM NUM
(that) (that) of 8 (no hali + ni NUM 8 (number) pira karia halinigonaga halira seven tens and eight of the eighth seventy-eight

7.6.6.2 One hundred is usually pira pira 'ten tens', but it may also be transliterated as hanare*. For counting beyond the hundred, the borrowed item is employed, according to the formula given above in 7.6.6.1, with the formula given in 7.6.6 added if needed. Examples are:

hanare* ## ki + ra tebo + ne + go ## + naga ## dau + ra STM DEF DET POSS STM NUM STM NUM hundred (that) (that) of 100 2 (number) 3 5 (no.) = hanare* kira tebonegonaga duria two hundreds and five of the third two hundred and five

hanare* ## di + ra ## pi + ni + go + naga ## hundred STM NUM STM DEF DET POSS 100 9 (towards) 10 (that) of

pi +ra ## dau + ra + ni ## ma + ra
STM NUM STM NUM LOC STM NUM
10 (number) 5 (number) (there) 4 (number)
= hanare* dira pinigonaga pira durani maria
nine hundreds and five tens and four of the tenth
nine hundred and fifty-four

7.6.6.3 A further major change in the counting system has been brought about by the new need to count weeks, months and Years. White colonizers presented the Huli with a week made up

of 5 days on which work was done and 2 on which it wasn't, and the earliest incorporation of this into Huli culture is expressed in the way in which days were named. Each workday was signalled by the formula

X ## STM + DEF

in which X = biabe 'work'. This covers numerative groups like:

biabe dau + ne
work STM DEF
work 5 (that)
work five
= biabe dauni

Friday

7.6.6.4 Of the two non-work days, one was promoted by the Christian missionaries as being more important - bigger - than the other. The term 'Saturday' was borrowed into the language for both non-work days, the first such day being qualified by being designated emene 'little', the second being qualified by timbuni 'big', thus:

sarere* emene
Saturday little
Saturday

sarere* timbuni Saturday big Sunday

7.6.6.5 The morpheme ege 'moon/rock' was used to designate months, following the Tok Pisin 'mun' (moon). 'Year' was seen as something recurring after a long stretch of time, similar to the intervals between the public mali 'dances' of the haroli (2.3.2.7): 'year' became mali. sarere, when unqualified, is the term now used for 'week'. ege, mali and sarere may be counted in the same way as biabe 'work(days)', so that the formula given in 7.6.6.3 extends to the morphemes being considered here: X can be realized by biabe, sarere, ege or mali, each of which is superordinate to the one that precedes it.

7.6.6.6 As English has become more dominant, lexical borrow-

ing has increased, and Sunday and Monday have passed into Huli, accruing along the way the locational suffixes -ngi (5.5.4.1) and -ni (5.5.6), which occur in free variation, thus:

mande + ngi = mandengi Monday
sande + ni = sandeni Sunday
mande + ni = mandeni Monday
sande + ngi = sandengi Sunday

7.6.6.7 Expanding beyond six the number of days that can be specified has created the need for a way of counting that can deal with them. Instead of building on the existing system of prefix reduplication (cf 6.2.3.1), the speech community has adapted the general counting methods described in 7.6.5 et seq, and counting beyond 6 days in the past or future is accomplished according to the formulae set out and exemplifed below.

7.6.6.8 The formulae

X ## LOC+DET+LOC

X ## LOC ## V-PAST+DET

represent the next or previous X, where X is one of the time units given in 7.6.6.5, excluding biabe 'work(day)'. LOC, suffixed or free standing, is realized as ede 'across/over there' (cf 6.2.1; 6.2.1.3); +DET as -go; +LOC as -ria, the inessive suffix (cf 5.5.7.1); and V-PAST is always

pi + ja = pija
go-STM 3-SIMP PAST went/gone

Hence, the latter formula signals only past time. Examples of numerative groups that follow these configurations are:

sarere ## ede + go + ria
X LOC DET LOC
saturday across/over there (that) at
at that saturday across there

sarere edegoria
last/next week

ege ede + go + ria ibagwa
X ## LOC DET LOC come-1S FUT
moon across there that at I shall come
at that moon across there I shall come

ege edegoria ibagwa
I'll come next month

It will be noticed from this last example that, when the first formula is used, the context determines whether it applies to past or future time.

7.6.6.9 A subordinate of a designated time unit can be specified with the formula

X ## LOC+DET+POSS ## S ## STM+DEF+LOC

in which S is the subordinate of X; +LOC is an adessive suffix, either -ngi (cf 5.5.4.1) or -ni (cf 5.5.6); and the other abbreviations are as already given. Once again, time past or future is signalled by the context. Examples of this numerative group are:

in November of last/next year

sarere edegonaga biabe maneni
last/next Thursday

7.6.6.10 Subordinates of time units beyond those immediately past or to come - ie beyond 'next/last X' - can be specified by the formula

 $X ##STM+NUM## {V-PAST+DET} (##X)##STM+DEF+DET+POSS##S##STM+DEF+LOC$ The upper option applies to future time, the lower to past. ENC is the abessive enclitic howa 'from' (6.2.2, 6.2.2.1), and final +LOC is either of the adessive suffixes -ni or -ngi, as in 7.6.6.9 above. Groups with this formula are such as: sarere ## ki + ra ## howa (## sarere) ## STM NUM ENC (X) saturday 2 (number) from saturday after two Saturdays ne + go + naga ## biabe ## dau + ni DEF DET POSS S STM DEF (that) (that) of work 5 (that tebo + ne DEF LOC (that) (that) of (that) at at/on the fifth day of the third (saturday) sarere kira howa (sarere) tebonegonaga biabe dauningi on the Friday of the third week from now ege ## waraga + ra ## howa (## ege) NUM ENC Х STM (X) (number) from (moon) moon 6 after six months ka + ne + go + naga ## sarere ## tebo + ne STM DEF DET POSS S STM DEF STM DEF saturday 3 (that) (that) of (that) at at/on the third Saturday of the seventh (month) = ege waragaria howa (ege) kanegonaga sarere teboneni the third week of the seventh month from now ege ## waraga + ra ## + go piya (## ege) ## V-PAST STM NUM (X) DET (number) go-3-SIMP PAST (that) moon 6 (moon) that six months gone ka + ne + go + naga ## sarere ## tebo + ne + nqi STM DEF DET DEF DET POSS S SI (that) (that) of saturday 3 STM DEF LOC (that) at at/on the third Saturday of the seventh (month) = ege waragaria piyago (ege) kanegonaga sarere tebonengi six months and one week ago pija + go (## V-PAST DET sarere ## ki + ra (## sarere) ## ## STM NUM (X) saturday 2 (number) go-3-SIMP PAST (that) (saturday) that two weeks gone tebo + ne + go + naga biabe dau + ni + ngi STM DEF DET POSS S STM DEF LOC (that) (that) of work 5 (that) at/on at/on the fifth day of the third sarere kira pijago (sarere) tebonegonaga biabe dauningi on the Friday of the week before the week before last

7.6.6.11 There are other formulae being used as Huli society evolves a way of describing the new time-schema that has been imposed on it. The formulae given here are probably the most widely used and understood. They are important in that they offer an illustration of how the speech community uses its ling-guistic resources to express new, non-traditional concepts and to signal changing patterns of social behaviour.

7.7 DETERMINERS

- 7.7.1 Huli determiners are those referential items that identify both endophoric and exophoric referents, in relation to their proximity to the point of narrative or to the speaker. This tendency towards speaker centeredness the speaker being the fixed point of reference was also evident in the use of spatial locatives (cf 6.2.1).
- 7.7.2 The determiner suffix -go/-ru has figured in previous sections (egs 5.5.2, 5.5.3, 6.3.5), as has the locative adessive -ni (egs 5.5.6, 6.3.6). The DET suffix indicates a referent closer to the speaker than a referent which, besides the DET, also carries the LOC adessive suffix. The suffixes are typically added to the stems o, hea, berea, wia, bia and ebere. The system is set out in table 19, below.
- 7.7.3 The covert classificatory system of the language (cf 5.1.6 et seq) is operative here, in that the referents of the stems hea, berea and wia are those associated with ka, beda and nga respectively (cf table 16).

STEM	-go/-ru	-90/-ru + -ni
most prox- imate:here	less proximate: this / these	least proximate: that / those
o	ogo uru	ogoni uruni
hea	heago hearu	heagoni hearuni
berea	bereago berearu	bereagoni berearuni
wia	wiago wiaru	wiagoni wiaruni
bia	biago biaru	biagoni biaruni
ebere	eberego	eberegoni

Table 19: Determiners

7.7.3.1 The stems can be glossed as:

- o 'here/ this place where I the speaker am'

 hea 'this ('ka class') person/thing here in this place'

 berea 'this ('beda class') person/thing here in this place'

 wia 'this ('nga class') thing here in this place'

 bia 'this person/thing already referred to here where I am'

 ebere 'this one of those two here in this place where I am'
- 7.7.3.2 Since these referential items are speaker-centred in orientation, "proximate" in table 19 indicates proximity to the speaker, and does not necessarily locate the referent in respect to the hearer.

- 7.7.3.3 It should be noted that the clitic labo (cf 7.6.2.2) may follow the singular form of a determiner to signal duality.
- 7.7.3.4 It is useful to observe that Huli determiners seem to approximate closely to the "deictic articles" of Erima, in that they have

the function of 'pointing out' a person, object, event, or idea talked about by locating it in space or time or 'identifying' it, and then relating it or linking it to its grammatical and textual context. (Colburn 1984: 214)

These determiners are marked for proximity and definiteness, and those within the ambit of the covert classificatory system are also marked for "gender". Forms that carry the DET suffix are further marked for number.

- 7.7.4 Referencing is initiated endophorically by selecting any of the unsuffixed stems (except bia or ebere), or any stem (except bia) carrying the DET suffix marked for plural number. Referencing is continued by use of an appropriately suffixed form of bia, or, more rarely, of the original determiner.
- 7.7.4.1 Exophoric referencing by determiners involves initial use of the appropriate stem, suffixed or unsuffixed, and is maintained by use of suffixed forms, the categories 'most' and 'less' proximate being collapsed.
- 7.7.4.2 Examples of determiners in use are:

agali o ka
man here EV-3
man here is
there's a man here / this man here

kango ogo jalu ibija stick/club this hold-SIM1 come-3-SIMP PAST club this holding/carrying (he) came he brought this club

nogo ogoni timbuni ndo emene

pig that big no small/little
that pig isn't big, it's small

tugulimboi* uru bajale, uruni mangahe school children these good those lazy these school children are good, those are lazy

agali hea ka
man this-one-here-nearest-me EV-3
man this-one-here is
there's this man here

wali dalo berearu + me dugu bini
women widow(s) these ERG wail make/do-EXT DEF
women widows these=by wail/keen made
these widows keened = wali dalo berearume dugu bini

ibugwa ira wiaruni page bini 3S-ERG woods those-referred to thievery make/do-EXT DEF he woods those thievery made he stole those planks

igiri emene ko bia kohe
boy small young that-one-here-previously-referred to bad
boy small young that bad
that little boy is a bad boy

ibuwa, dama biaruni biraja
come-CONS spirits those-already-referred to sit-3-SIMP PAST
having come, spirits those sat down
the spirits, having arrived, sat down

hina timbuni eberego jolo bulija
sweet potato large this-and-not-the-other(s) price do-ls-PERM
sweet potato large this price I-may-make
I'd like to buy this particular large sweet potato

7.8 NON-DERIVATIONAL ADNOMINALS

7.8.1 Adnominals modify or qualify nominal items, and may be derivational or non-derivational forms. Non-derivational adnominals are qualifiers such as:

timbu		ko	debene	gahenge		
large		bad	good	new		
tiga	b	are	tumagi	lu		
straight	1 - 1 S	teep	short	 long		

7.8.2 The intensifier (-)ore. This enclitic may follow an adnominal to signal intensity, which can be usefully glossed in English by 'very' (cf 6.4.2). Examples are such as:

benalia hariga lu ore agali ogoni tumagi ore Benalia track long INT man that short INT hari bare ore nogo ko ore

hari bare ore nogo ko ore mountain steep INT pig bad INT

7.8.3 The DEF suffix -ne may be added to some non-derivational adnominals or to the enclitic, to signal slightly more intensity or emphasis (difficult to gloss in English) as in:

timbu + ne ---> timbu + ni = timbuni large DEF large (that) large

lu + ne ---> lu + ni = luni
long DEF long (that) long

ko ore + ne ---> ko ore + ne = ko orene bad INT DEF bad very (that) really bad

7.9 DERIVATIONAL ADNOMINALS

- 7.9.1 Suffixes may be added to certain nominal and to verbal items to generate adnominals. These suffixes are forms identical to certain pro-verb stems, and the DEF suffix -go. They figure prominently in the formation of adjuncts for APV constructions, provide a linguistic device for talking about colours, and illustrate how Huli grammatical categories are not always neatly identified by traditional labels.
- 7.9.2 Pro-verb forms that occur as suffixes in generating adnominals are most commonly

-bi from bi 'make/do'

-le from le 'utter'

-he from he 'have/stay/be'

I will briefly illustrate how adnominals are formed by means of these.

7.9.2.1 =bi is significant in the formation of adnominals that correspond to English colour words. The stem nominal is a famil= iar referent that has a distinct colour and is culturally significant. The force of the suffix is to indicate that the nominal being modified is 'like' the stem nominal in colour, so that the adnominal that is formed may be glossed as 'like' or '-ish'. Stem nominals are referents such as clays (which are used as body paints), pigs, and blood, as illustrated by the examples:

 nu goloba + bi
string bag vermillion clay ADN
string bag vermillion clay-like
a vermillion string bag
= nu golobabi

7.9.2.1.1 -bi may also be used as adnominal suffix to any nominal with which bi 'make/do' can co-occur. Thus any adjunct (A) which belongs to the set governed by bi (cf 5.1.7) may be adnominalized by this suffix, as well as any nominal which is not of that set but which can occur as grammatical subject of bi.

Examples are:

labolabo* aju jo + bi
garment now dryness ADN
garment now dryness-ish
the garment's dry now
= labolabo* aju jobi

7.9.2.2 -le similarly derives from/corresponds to the classificatory PV le 'utter'. It may be suffixed to other verb forms to generate As, as in,

biabe bu + le brerama

work make/do=STM ADN make/do-lP-SIMP PRES

work do-like/-ish make/doe/are making/are doing

work in-order-to-do we are making

we're going to do some work

= biabe bule berama

which exemplifies an APV construction that has been analyzed previously (5.4.5) as the purposive. It occurs as an adnominalizer in

1 agali baja + le
2S man goodness ADN
you man goodness=ish

= î agali bajale you're a good man

and with As of the set governed by le, such as:

aga karu + le kami
cloak wrapping ADN EV-1P
cloak wrapping-like we are
we're wrapped in cloaks
= aga karule kami

pu pongo ndibu + le
vine knot tightness ADN
rope knot tightness-ish
a tight knot
= pu pongo ndibule

gana janga + le
ditch width ADN
ditch width-ish
a wide ditch
= gana jangale

7.9.2.3 -he is from he 'have/stay/be', and occurs in the generation of the possibilitative adjunct (cf 5.2.16), thus:

īna bi la + be + he
2S-ERG talk utter=STM Q ADN
you talk speak=?-is/like
you talk speak=eh?-(is)=like
you can speak
= īna bi labehe

It may also be added to nominals which co-occur with it either as

As that it classifies or as its grammatical subject. Examples:

libu agali wa + he
2D man rejection ADN
you man rejection-is-ish
you are old man
= libu agali wahe

7.9.2.4 Examples of similarly derived adnominals are:

mpe from pu 'go':

agali embone + pe
man skull ADN
man skull-gone-ish
a bald man
= agali embonepe

-wi from wi 'place':

i igiri mini + wi
boy mind ADN
you boy mind-put-ish
you're a sensible boy
if igiri miniwi

ti agali muni* dewa + wi kami
2P man money much ADN EV-2P
you men money much-put-ish are
you're rich men
= ti agali muni* dewawi kami

7.9.2.5 The derivational PV forms -he, -bi and -wi may be suffixed to the SIM1 forms (cf 5.2.10) of the PVs from which they are derived, forming adnominals whose semantic import is that the nominal being qualified is in a durative state (cf 10.2.3.1) of the process that is signalled. Examples are:

haribi dindibi wa biaga ibu halu + he ka sky-COM earth-COM production make-CUST 3S have/be-SIM1 ADN EV-3 sky-and earth and production maker he being-ish is the maker of heaven and earth is eternal

= haribi dindibi wa biaga ibu haluhe ka

libugwa biabe bialu + bi
2D-ERG work make/do-SIM1 ADN
you work doing-ish
you're working all the time
= libugwa biabe bialubi

dindi tu wialu + wi
land boundary place-SIM1 ADN
land boundary placing-ish
the boundary stays forever
= dindi tu wialuwi

- 7.9.3 The DET suffix -go/-ru may be added to a non-medial verb form to generate an adnominal, as indicated in the set of examples below (cf also 5.5.2.1):
 - 1. agali ibija 2. agali ibija + go man come-3-SIMP PAST man come-3-SIMP PAST DET
 - 3. agali ibija + go + me nogo baja
 man come-3 SIMP PAST DET ERG pig kill/hit-3-SIMP PRES
 man came (that) by pig killed
 the man that came killed the pig

The second example can be glossed as 'that/the man who came', and the DET suffix functions as changing the verbal into an adnominal that qualifies agali 'man'. This analysis is reinforced by its occurrence with the ergative suffix and its functioning as grammatical subject in example 3.

7.10 OVERVIEW OF SUFFIXES & ENCLITICS

- 7.10.1 The systems of suffixes and enclitics that can cooccur with nominals is shown below in figure 30. Many of these
 have been described in relation to other grammatical classes
 or, as in the case of the ergatives, in association with nominals (cf 7.1). Consequently, treatment here will be brief.
- 7.10.2 The interrogative suffix -be has been described in 5.5.1. It may be affixed to any nominal in an utterance that lacks a surface level verbal group, or that is an A- question. Examples are such as:

timu + be jandare + be ago hame lede arrow Q spear Q which (one) desire utter-2S-EX PAST arrow-? spear-? which desire (say) you which would you like: an arrow or a spear? = timube jandarebe ago hame lede

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(-) be Q: interrogative
- (-) hondo LOC : adessive
  (-) howa
            LOC : abessive
         LOC: inessive
  ha
          LOC: adessive
          POSS
- naga
          ERG
 - me
  handa
          ERG
  gwa
          ERG
          ERG
- go
- ru
         DET: singular
         DET / COM
,- bi
         COM
- la
          COM
          COM
  ja
          MOD: external evidence
- da
- lo
          MOD: external evidence
          MOD : external evidence
   (-) ore
             MOD: intensifier
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Figure 30: Suffixes and enclitics co-occurring with nominals

7.10.3 Enclitics that may co-occur with nominals have been described earlier: (-)hondo and (-)howa are the adessive and abessive locative particles (6.2.2), and (-)ore is the modal intensifier (5.6.3). Examples are

ibu hondo la mia
3S ENC utter-STM give/take-2S-IMP PRES
he/him to speak/talk give
tell him

Para Te howa ibiribe

Para Te ENC come-2S-SIMP PAST-Q

Para Te from came (you)?

did you come from Para Te?

Thuli wali ore

2S Huli woman ENC

you Huli woman very
you're a true Huli woman

homogo ore hamaga ka important man ENC clearing-LOC EV-3 important man very clearing-at is there's a very important man at the clearing

7.10.4 The locative suffixes -ha and -ni have been described in 5.5.6 and 5.5.7.2. Examples of them affixed to nom-

inals are:

tini be + ha hiraga
intestines bamboo LOC roast=CUST
intestines bamboo=in/inside (we) roast
we roast the intestines in a bamboo = tini beha hiraga

igiri dagia + ni beda boy plank LOC sit-3-EX PRES boy plank-on is seated the boy is seated on the plank

the boy is seated on the plank = igiri dagiani beda

marasini* ge + ni hãī hole bero medicine leg LOC smear have/stay=PURP make-1S SIMP PRES medicine leg-on smear to-have (I) am making I'll rub medicine on the leg

= marasini* geni hãī hole bero

7.10.5 The possessive. Possession can be signalled by adding the suffix -naga to the nominal item that is the possessor. This is illustrated by the examples:

ogoni wanigini + naga tamunguru
that children POSS sleeping mat
that children of/for sleeping mat
that's the children's sleeping mat
= ogoni wanigininaga tamunguru

wali + naga gamu birima
woman POSS ritual/spell do/make-lP-SIMP PAST
woman of/for ritual/spell (we) made/worked
we worked a woman's spell = walinaga gamu birima

It will be noticed that "naga can be glossed as 'of' or 'for': the context usually determines which is the more appropriate. It could be argued that benefaction and possession are seen by the Huli as conflated into a single relationship.

7.10.5.1 The suffix is frequently omitted, so that the above examples could be re-written:

ogoni wanigini tamunguru nogo hende ngo

wali gamu birima

Omission of the suffix signals a closer tie between possessor and possessed, and in the case of inalienable possessions, such as one's name or one's kin, the suffix is rarely used in normal utterances. Examples are such as:

gali ãīja biabe bule pija baby mother work make/do-PURP go-3-SIMP PAST baby('s) mother work to-do went the baby's mother went to do some work

agali one e godaga
man wife new garden make mounds-CUST
man('s) wife new garden customarily makes mounds
a man's wife makes the mounds in a new garden

wali ama arabunila amuha beda woman maternal aunt paternal aunt-COM LOC-LOC EV-3 woman ('s) maternal aunt paternal aunt-with over there are the woman's maternal and paternal aunts are over there

7.10.6 The determiner -go/-ru has figured a number of times in the course of describing Huli morphology (egs 5.5.4-7; 6.3.5). It may be suffixed directly to nominals, as in the examples:

agali + go wali + go
man DET woman DET
man that woman that
that man = agaligo that woman = waligo

igiri + ru nogo + ru
boy DET pig DET
boys those pigs those
those boys = igiriru those pigs = nogoru

tiabu + ru hai + ru hina + ru paboro + ru asparagus DET banana DET sweet potato DET beans DET asparagus those bananas those sweet potatoes those beans those asparagus and bananas and sweet potatoes and beans asparagus, bananas, sweet potatoes and beans

7.10.6.1 This last example is a good illustration of -ru functioning as a comitative. The corresponding singular morpheme is -bi (cf 6.5.3). These and the other comitatives are described and exemplified in 6.5.

7.10.6.2 In the same way, ergative suffixes have been adequately

described and exemplified previously, in 7.1 - 7.5.2.2.

7.10.7 Modal suffixes have been described in 5.5.8-16. Those given in figure 29 may be affixed to nominals in utterances with no verbal form, signalling modality and modulation, as in the examples:

nogo + ja = nogoja
pig MOD
pig it seemed certain/probable
it must have been a pig

hariga lu + ja = hariga luja track long MOD track long it seemed certain/probable the track must have been long

hina + lo
sweet potato MOD
sweet potato certanly
that's some sweet potato!
= hinalo

7.10.7.1 This concludes the description of nominals, and this part of the thesis, with its particular emphasis on morphology. The next two chapters describe the formal patterns and structures of the language, and present an interpretation that integrates its phonological and morphological processes. I shall first describe nominal, adverbial and verbal groups, and then clause-level relationships, interpreting their configurations in semantico-functional terms. The interpretion accepts that the functional approach to language description developed by Halliday (eg in Halliday 1985a; 1985b) is valid and useful when adopted and adapted for Huli.

CHAPTER 8

WORD COMPLEXES

8.1 UTTERANCE LEVEL

8.1.1 Huli is a verb-final language in that, when non-medial verb forms occur in an utterance they usually occupy the final position. Given this generality, there is a variety of possible arrangements of constituent groups, the most general descriptive formula being:

\ADV1 \NOM1 \NOM2 \NOM3 \ADV2 \V\

in which at least one group is compulsory, and in which

\ = group boundary \ v = verb

ADV1 = utterance modifier NOM1 = grammatical subject

ADV2 = location/manner NOM2 = indirect object

NOM3 = direct object

An example in which all of these slots are filled is:

aju î dama hondo nogo abale
ADV1 NOM1 NOM2 NOM3 ADV2
today 1S spirit to pig quickly
today I spirit to pig quickly
today I'll quickly sacrifice

bo mule bero
V
kill-STM give-PURP make-1S-SIMP PRES
kill to-give make/am making
a pig to the spirit

8.1.1.1 Other frequently realized formulae are:

NOM2 ADV1 NOM3 ADV2 V NOM3 NOM1 ADV2 V

NOM3 NOM2 1 V ADV2 NOM3 V

Examples are:

Wanali jawi ega habane mule bero

NOM2 ADV1 NOM3 V

Wanali tomorrow bird fat/egg give-PURP do/make-1S-SIMP PRES

I'll give Wanali an egg tomorrow

ega habane Wanalihanda ogoria wule bira
NOM3 NOM1 ADV2 V
egg Wanali-ERG here-LOC place-PURP do-3-SIMP PRES
Wanali will put the egg here

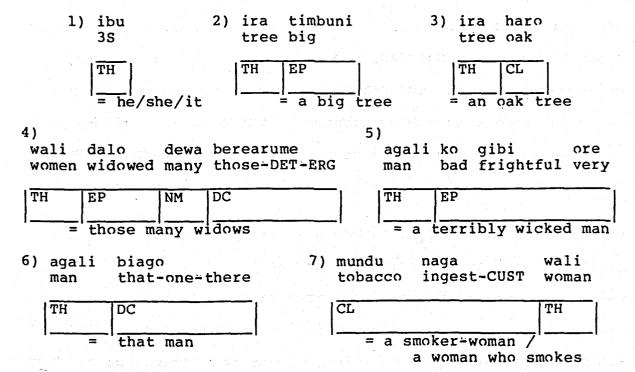
ega habane wanigini mule bira
NOM3 NOM2 V
egg children give-PURP make/do-3-SIMP PRÉS
she'll give the egg to the children

horombe nogo handarima
ADV2 NOM3 V
mid-day pig feel-lP-SIMP PAST
we saw the pig in broad daylight

8.1.1.2 This chapter will describe and interpret nominal, adverbial and verbal groups from the point of view of the functions and configurations of their constituent members, using and adapting the concepts developed by M.A.K. Halliday (1985a, 1985b).

8.2 NOMINAL GROUPS

8.2.1 The constituents of the nominal group's experiential structure are illustrated in the examples:



- 8.2.1.1 The functions and realizations of the consituents can be set out as follows:
- TH Thing: the semantic core of the nominal group (Halli-day 1985c: 167), may be any of the classes of of nouns described in 7.1 7.5.

 In the examples given it is realized by class 1 nouns.
- EP Epithet: ascribes some quality to the TH, and is usually realized by an adnominal (cf 7.8; 7.9).

 EPs may be experiential, based on objective evidence (as in examples 2 and 4), or they may be interpersonal, conveying the speaker's affective attitude (as in example 5). They may also conflate these two functions, and ko 'bad' in example 5 could be interpreted as an instance of this. Experiential EPs usually come before interpersonal EPs.
- CL Classifier: indicates the sub-class or type to which the TH belongs. It may be realized by a class 2 noun (as in example 3) or by a verbal group signalling customary action (as in example 7). When realized by a verbal group or by a class 2 noun that is a place name, it always occurs

immediately before the TH; when realized by any other class 2 noun it occurs immediately after the TH. It is interesting that Nebilyer also seems to accommodate CLs on either side of the TH, as suggested by occurrences such as el ung 'arrow talk' and ung eke 'bent talk' (cf Rumsey 1980: 284).

DC Deictic: signals the degree of specificity the speaker intends to assign to the TH. Specific DCs are realized by determiners (cf 7.7; 7.9.9), as in examples 4 and 6; possessives (cf 7.10.5); and A- forms (cf 6.3.3;6.3.5) such as au 'what?' and ago 'which?'. Non-specific DCs are real-

ized by adnominals such as maru 'some', bibahende 'all', and the NM mbira when it signals 'a/n, one'.

Numerative: signals numerical information about the TH. This may be a definite quantity - indicated by the stem count unit (7.6.1) with the numerative suffix (7.6.3) or the definitive suffix (7.6.2) - or it may be an indefinite quantity - indicated by adnominals such as dewa 'many' and emene or maru when they signal 'small amount, few'.

8.2.1.2 An interesting configuration is exhibited in the example shown below. This illustrates that an initial CL may be a class 2 noun, and that the final constituent may be a derivational adnominal, generated by suffixing the DET morpheme to a non-medial verb form that is in grammatical concord with the head of the group (here the TH). There is clearly a deictical quality to this element, contributed by the DET suffix, while it defines the head element as a direct participant in a process. As such, it qualifies the head, and is labelled "qualifier" (QL) in this analysis, as shown below:

tebira Nduna ibijarume bi la ngule bira agali wahe Duna men old three came-3-DET-ERG will tell (you) CL TH EP NM QL those three old Duna men who came will tell you

8.2.1.3 Further embedding is illustrated by the example,

Nduna agali ko mbiranaga one mbira wahe ore ibijagome
Duna man bad one-POSS wife one old very came-DET-EG

CL TH EP DC EP QL = a very old wife of an evil Duna man who came /

an evil Duna man's very old wife who came

in which the first DC is an embedded nominal group, consisting

of a CL realized by a class 2 noun, a TH realized by a class 1 noun, an EP realized by an adnominal, and a DC realized by a numerative. This indicates that a CL may also be realized by an embedded nominal group, while the configuration of the total group shows that such groups may have more than one DC.

- 8.2.1.4 Nominal groups with one constituent eg ibu 3S are common, while groups with four or five are not unusual. Embedding of nominal and verbal groups is a characteristic of Huli speech, and plays an important part in the realization of nominal group constituents.
- 8.2.2 The logico-semantic ordering of the constituents in the examples given so far indicate that the TH is the central element to which all the others relate in some way. If the TH is interpreted as the head of the group, then modification to the right of the head can be seen to be recursive, each element modifying the one that went before. This is seen in the example that follows, in which & is the head and the other Greek letters represent progression away from it.

wali dalo dewa berearume women widowed many those-DET-ERG

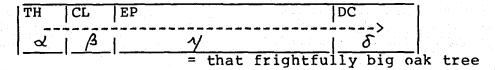
TH	EP	NM	DC	
<u>ا</u> م	B	14	5	
·			= those many	widows

The EP immediately following the TH modifies it by answering the question agile 'what kind?'; a NM then modifies the EP, telling us how many - agira 'how many?' - THs of that kind, and a DC follows pointing to which specific 'many' - ago 'which?' - the speaker has in mind.

8.2.2.1 Elements to the left of the head usually modify it by

signalling its more permanent attributes, as in the examples of pre-head Cls and DCs already given (cf 8.2.1; 8.2.1.2; 8.2.1.3). Post-head CLs are interesting in that while they usually signal permanent attributes, they are also involved in the post-head recursive modification process described above. This is illustrated in the example:

ira haro timbuni gibi ore ogoni tree oak big frightful very that one



8.2.3 The head of the nominal group need not be a TH, as is shown by the examples,

wahe biago andaga pija tomo dawaga bajale naibi old that home went food cook-CUST good is not come

$$\begin{vmatrix} EP & DC \\ -----> \\ \alpha & \beta \end{vmatrix}$$
 = that old (one) went home = the good cook(er) isn't here

In both cases, the TH is understood to be a person and is omitted. Either group could be expanded, for example:

wahe bajale miniwi ore biago old good sensible very that

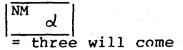
8.2.3.1 Besides CLs and EPS, NMs and DCs may fill the head slot, as in the examples:

biagome muni* mija

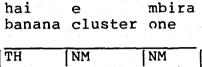
that money took that alone (I) say $\begin{vmatrix}
\overline{DC} & & \\
\hline
 & \omega & \\
 & = \text{ that (one) took money}
\end{vmatrix} = \frac{\overline{DC} & \\
 & = \text{ that's all I'm saying}$

ogoni hangu laro

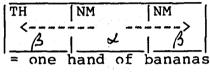
tebira ibule bira three to-come are making hombene jolo biru twelfth price (I) made

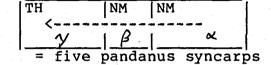


8.2.3.2 Count clitics, e 'cluster', lu 'single' and pu 'pair', are special NMs, and usually function as heads, thus:

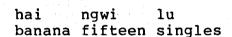


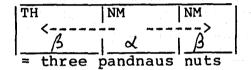
anga dau e pandanus five clusters

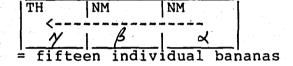




anga lu tebo pandanus singles three

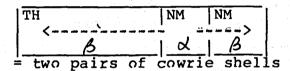


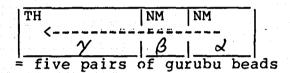




dange pu mende cowerie shells pair two

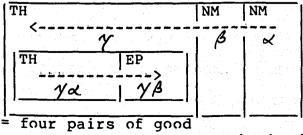
gurubu dau pu gurubu beads five pairs

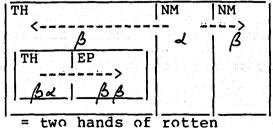




8.2.3.3 The TH of a measure group such as those above may be itself modified, and previous examples have shown that this may occur in other nominal groups. Sub-modification can be indicated as in the examples:

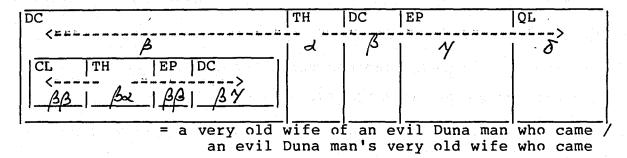
gurubu bajale ma pu gurubu beads good four pairs hai ngubi e mende banana stinking hands two





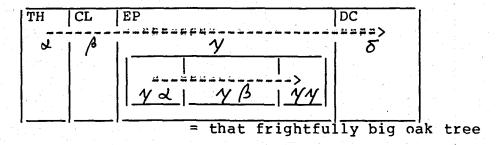
gurubu beads bananas

Nduna agali ko mbiranaga one mbira wahe ore ibijagome Duna man bad one-POSS wife one old very came-DET-EG

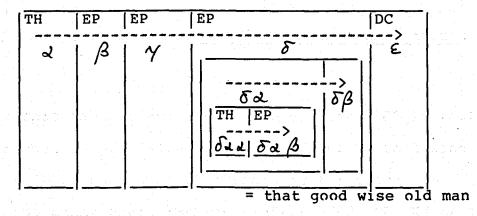


8.2.3.4 EPs with intensifiers can be analysed as having a uniwariate structure, thus:

ira haro timbuni gibi ore ogoni tree oak big frightful very that one



agali wahe bajale mini gigabiwi ore biago man old good mind wise very that



- 8.2.3.5 This last example shows a nominal group embedded within an adnominal group that is functioning as an EP. Most adnominal groups are less complex, and mirror the structure of the group that functions as the EP in the first example 8.2.3.4.
 - 8.2.4 The sequence of elements in the multivariate nom-

inal group is predictable to some extent. Any element, apart from a QL, may appear as the sole member of a group. With the same exception, any element may be the logical head of a group. Higher (ie verbal) or equal (ie nominal) groups may appear embedded in any function slot. Table 20 below shows the possible sequential occurrences of elements in groups of two or more.

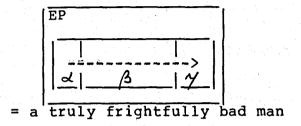
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Table 20: Occurrences of nominal group elements

8.2.4.1 This table shows, for example, that a CL is restricted in occurrence to preceding an EP or a TH or to following a null element - ie being the first element in the group - or a TH. A QL, on the other hand, can occur after a DC, EP, NM or TH, but can precede only a null element - ie if it occurs at all, it must occupy final position in the group. The last entry, TH, can occur before any element except another TH, and follow a Ø, CL or DC. (The word classes that realize these functions have been given in 8.2.1.)

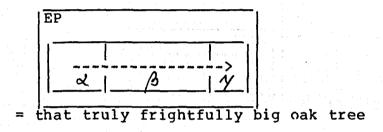
8.2.5 Adnominal groups have also figured in this description of nominal groups. Thus, example 5 of 8.2.1 has an ad-

agali ko gibi ore man bad frightful very

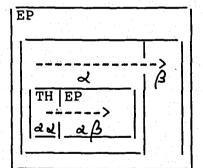


Examples in 8.2.2.1 and 8.2.3, viz:

ira haro timbuni gibi ore ogoni tree oak big frightful very that one



wahe bajale mini gigabiwi ore biago old good mind wise very that

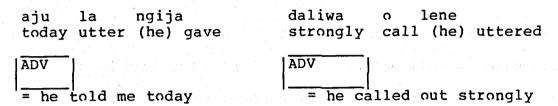


= that good, truly wise old (man/woman)

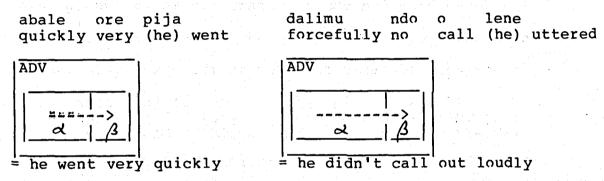
illustrate that modification of adnominals is limited to the use of intensifiers, such as ore 'very', and derivational adnominals in apposition, such as gibi 'fearful' in the first example above, and gigabiwi 'wise' in the second.

8.3 ADVERBIAL GROUPS

8.3.1 Adverbial groups are univariate in structure and usually contain only one element, as in the examples:



8.3.1.1 Like adnominal groups, adverbial groups may consist of a head modified by an intensifier. This is exemplifed by:



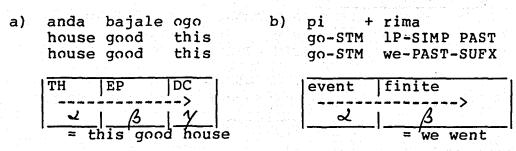
8.3.1.2 Adverbial groups may be inserted into APV configurations (cf 8.4.6) and may split other verb groups (cf 8.4.5). These features will be considered under the next section.

8.4 VERBAL GROUPS

8.4.1 General. Adjunct + pro-verb (APV) constructions and serialized verb strings are two candidates for discussion under this heading. APVs were described at length in 5.1.8, and this description has been expanded on the frequent subsequent occasions that they have been encountered. Serialized verbs have been briefly described in 5.4.3.1 and 5.4.4.1, and will be further considered now. However, before discussing these more obvious verbal clusters, I would like to explore the notion that,

in Huli, it is the verb stem and its affixes that constitute the basic verbal cluster or group, whose elements are separated not by word boundaries (as is the case with English), but by morpheme boundaries.

8.4.2 Stems and suffixes. The stem may be regarded as the lexical part of the verb, the suffixes as the finite operators. The stem specifies the representational content, while the finite suffixes relate the verb to the speaker's location in time and space. Hence, the experiential structure of a verbal morpheme group parallels that of a nominal word group: from the event/entity (initiating the group) to a more definite and speaker orientated specification. This can be seen from:



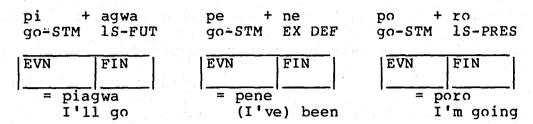
- 8.4.2.1 In this analysis the verb stem is interpreted as expressing a process (an event, action, relation or act of consciousness), and is given the function label "Event" (EVN).

 Verbal suffixes, on the other hand, can be interpreted as functioning as "Finites" (FIN), relating the process to the location of the speaker in time and/or space (cf Halliday 1985c:176).

 Figures 3-5 give an inventory of verb stems (identified by the final vowel and its changes) and the three suffix groups with which they occur.
- 8.4.2.2 FINs may be temporal operators, such as those forms in figures 3-5 labelled PAST, PRES and FUT. They may be aspectual, such as CUST (cf 5.2.5) and HAB (cf 5.2.20). They may be

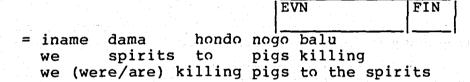
modal operators, like the PERM (cf 5.4.8). They may conflate operations, as in the case of the PREC (cf 5.4.6-7), which has forms for signalling tense. Some operators conflate tense and aspect (cf 10.2.3.3-4). Examples of some of these FINs are:

a) temporal operators:

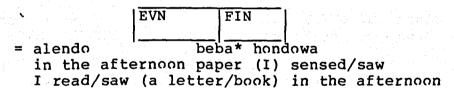


b) aspectual operators:

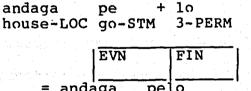
hondo nogo ba iname dama 1P=ERG spirit/s to pig/s hit/kill-STM SIM1



beba* hondo + wa afternoon/s paper sense-STM CONT



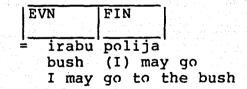
c) modal operators:



pelo = andaga house-to (he) may go he may go home

+ 10

irabu po + lija go-STM 1S-PERM bush

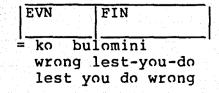


d) conflated operators:

+ lilono ko bu wrong do-STM PREC PAST

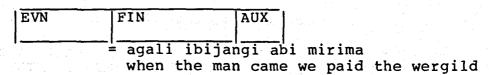
EVN FIN bulilono = ko wrong lest-(you, etc)-did lest you did wrong

bu + lomini wrong do-STM PREC FUT-2P

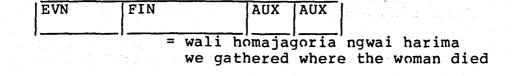


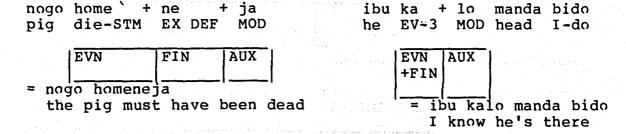
8.4.3 Secondary suffixes, set out in figure 22 and detailed under 5.5, are also part of the verbal morpheme group. Their function is to lend further modal or locational (spatial/temporal) specification. They may thus be interpreted as assisting the FIN and having an auxiliary function in the group. In the examples given below they are labelled AUX, but without the implication that they are morphemes of what are traditionally called "auxiliary verbs".

agali ibi + ja + ngi abi mirima man come-STM 3-SIMP PAST LOC wergild we-gave



wali homa + ja · + go + ria ngwai harima woman die-STM 3-SIMP PAST LOC LOC group we-had

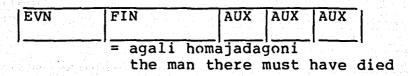




8.4.3.1 In the case of EVs (existential verbs: 5.1.6), the functions of EVN and FIN conflate, as is evident in the last example above.

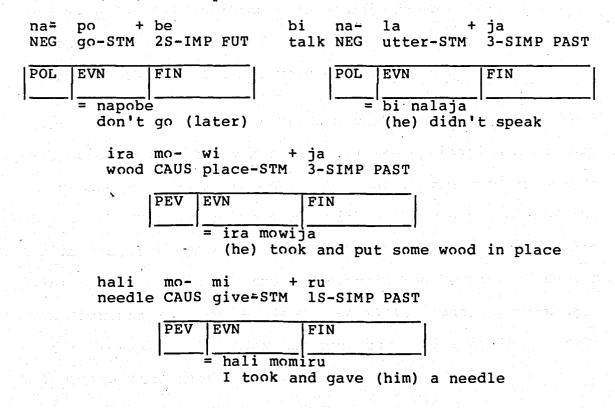
8.4.3.2 It is possible to have up to three AUXs:

agali homa + ja + da + go + ni man die-STM 3-SIMP PAST MOD LOC LOC

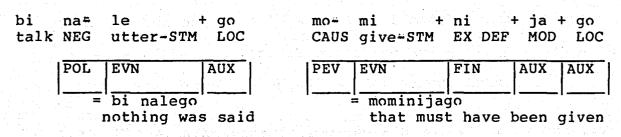


8.4.3.3 It is interesting that the intrusion of a LOC element into a morpheme verbal group has been recorded for other Papuan languages - egs the elevationals/directionals of Yimas, Dani, Kewa, Yessan-Mayo, Alamblak, Kemtuk, Anggor and Sentani cited by Foley 1986 (148-152).

8.4.4 Prefixes are also part of the morpheme verbal group. The negative prefix na- (cf 5.6.1) marks Polarity (POL) for the whole group, while the causative mo- (cf 5.6.2) contributes to the representational function of the EVN, and will be labelled Pre-Event (PEV). Examples are as follows:



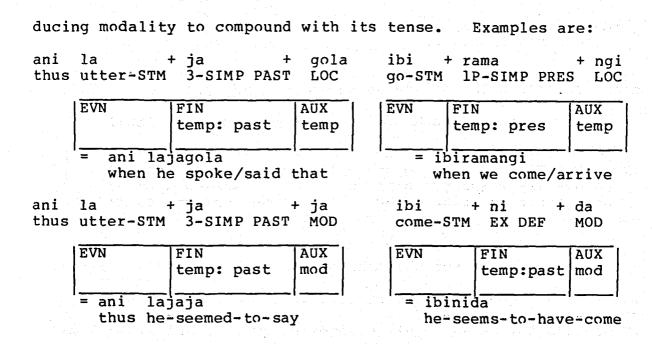
8.4.4.1 AUXs may co-occur with PEVs and POLs, as in:



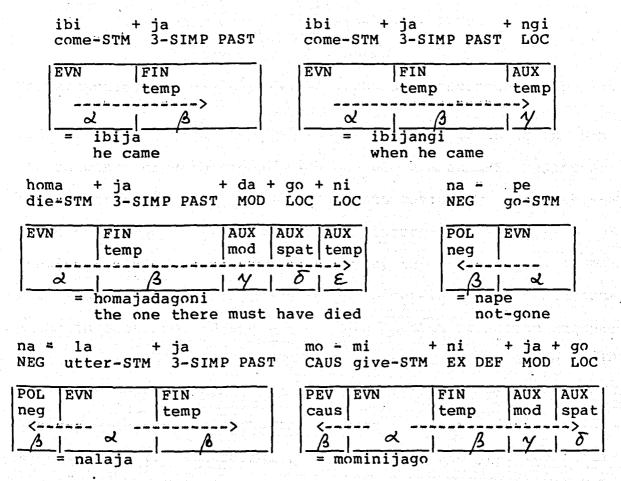
8.4.4.2 The first example given above underlines the affinity

between EVs and EX forms (cf 5.3.1): the FIN may be omitted. However, in the example shown above, EVN and FIN are not analysed as conflated, as they are in the case of EVs (cf 8.4.3.1). The latter, EVs, carry a morpheme signalling number (cf 5.1.6), probably conflated with (present) tense, but EX forms can signal more that just present tense. Hence, the FIN in the example nalego, given above, is best interpreted as being deleted.

- 8.4.5 The logico-semantic structure of the morpheme verbal group selects elements from a set of closed systems tense, modality, polarity, location to modify the core semantic element, the EVN, in an ordered way. The ordering bears some resemblance to that of nominal word groups (cf 8.2.3).
- 8.4.5.1 The EVN is obligatory, and can be interpreted as head of the group, while the other elements are optional except that at least one has to be present. They modify the head systematically: the PEV and POL signal, within the constraints of the negative/positive systems of polarity and causality, what kind (agile) of process it is; the FIN signals the person and number (agira 'how many?'), tense (angi 'when?'), modality (au/agi 'how sure/necessary ': AUXs may introduce modality (how sure?) and location (ani/angi 'where/when?').
- 8.4.5.2 It is possible to select twice for temporal location, first in the FIN and then in an AUX, but modality can be chosen only once either in the FIN or in the AUX since forms with modal FINs (like aspectual FINS) do not accept AUXs.
- 8.4.5.3 Hence, AUXs that follow the FIN modify it by specifying temporal location within the tense it signals, or by intro-



8.4.5.4 Each additional AUX modifies the element that precedes it, while pre-head elements (ie PEV and POL) can be analysed as modifying the EVN. This recursive modification can be illustrated for the morpeheme verbal group with the same notation that was used for the nominal word group (cf 8.2.2), thus:



he didn't speak

he seemed to have taken and given (it to him)

8.4.6 Serial verbs occur as strings of unaffixed stems with a final verb that is inflected. Examples are:

nogo bo dawo narima
pig kill cook eat-lP-SIMP PAST
pig kill cook we-ate
we've killed, cooked and
eaten the pig

ma wo no porama
taro dig eat go-1P-SIMP PRES
taro dig eat we-are-going
we're going to dig up and
eat some taro

8.4.6.1 The stem forms of non-final verbs are those that cooccur with C suffixes (cf 5.1.2; 5.1.4). An exception is the
stem form la 'utter', which replaces lo, the anticipated form,
when it is in collocation with ngi or mia, the 'give/take' verbs
(cf 10.4.6.1). These exception are illustrated by:

bi la ngija talk say-STM give-3-SIMP PAST talk say-gave (3 to 1 or 2) he told me/us/you bi la mija talk say-STM give-3-SIMP PAST talk say-gave (3 to 3) he told him/them

but:

bi lo wija

talk utter-STM place-3-SIMP PAST

talk say-lay down (3)

he lay down rules/norms

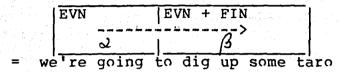
The semantics of the 'give/take' verbs are discussed in Ch. 10.

8.4.6.2 The logical head of the serial verb group is an EVN. The sequence of verb stems, each one of them an EVN, represents the temporal sequence of the components making up the process being described. It is possible to interpret all the EVNs as conflating into a single, macro-EVN, or to interpret the temporal sequence as encoding significant discrete pieces of information in each EVN. Given that a large number of Papuan languages

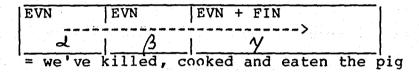
exhibit this pattern (Foley 1986: 113), it could be said that this chronological ordering does encode normal, unmarked, logical sequences, and that to show this in analysis is useful, even important. Accordingly, I propose to interpret the initi-

al EVN as logical head, and other EVNs as logically subordinate, the final EVN attracting to itself the arguments because of its position at the end of the chain. Examples are:

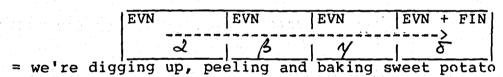
ma wo porama taro dig up=STM go-lP-SIMP PRES taro dig up we-are-going



nogo bo dawo narima pig kill-STM cook-STM ingest-1P-SIMP PAST

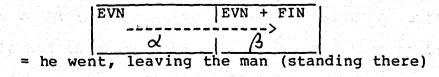


hina wo kedo guju bedama sweet potato dig up=STM peel-STM bake=STM EV-lP sweet potato dig up peel bake we are



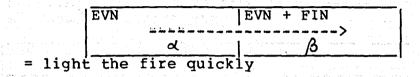
8.4.6.3 There is an interesting configuration of just two verbs, the second always being le 'utter', the first always one of a closed set of EV cognates, viz: he 'be/stay/have'; bere 'be/squat/sit'; de 'be/extrude from'; pale 'be/lie down'; nge 'be/lie flat'. The EV cognate always occurs in its basic stem form (as given here), while le 'utter' carries the appropriate affixes. The first EVN is interpreted as the logico-semantic head, in accordance with 8.4.6.2 above. Examples are:

ibu agali he lalu pija 3S man be/stand-STM utter-SIM1 go-3-SIM PAST he man be/stand saying went



aju ogoriani nge laru axe here-LOC-LOC be/lie flat utter-lS-SIMP PAST axe at-this-place be/lie flat (I) said

ira abale de labe wood quickly be/extrude from utter-2S-IMP FUT wood quickly (fire) extrude say



- 8.4.6.4 These groups qualify for consideration as examples of serialization in that the first element is an EVN, and the second an EVN with an appropriate FIN and AUXs. At the same time, they are transparently APV constructions, although unusual ones in that in every case the A is an unaffixed verb stem.
- 8.4.6.5 The possibility of their being analysed as APV configurations reinforces the above interpretation of their logicosemantic structure. It will be recalled (cf 5.1.8.2), that the adjunct (A) is the lexical element in these constructions, with the pro-verb (PV) being a dummy that carries the inflexions. In this group, the A is the logical and semantic head, and the PV is in hypotaxis with it not as the dominant but as the subordinate element. This reinforces the interpretation of serial verb groups proposed in 8.4.6.2.
 - 8.4.7 Split configurations. These have the structure V-STM ## LOC ## V

in which V-STM is a form that co-occurs with A suffixes (cf tables 14 and 15), and V is usually he 'have/be' or bi 'make/do' with the appropriate affixes. It is interesting that this mac-

ro-verbal group has what can be analysed as a 'non-verbal'

element intruded into it, in much the same way as 'non-verbal'

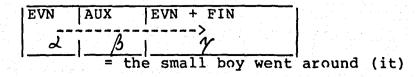
elements are present in the Huli micro-verbal (morpheme) group.

The LOCs in split configurations are non-specific place words that are either nominal items or adverbials. Examples are:

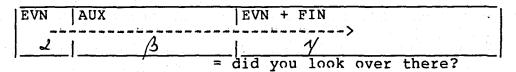
habe bira taqi be/sit=STM ADV be/have/stay-2S-IMP FUT sit down outside stay EVN LOC EVN + FIN = sit down outside harima pu. uju be/have/stay-1P-SIMP PAST qo-STM ADV up-over-the-top we have EVN + FIN EVN LOC = we went up over there anda haramali nogo wara herd-STM NOM be/stay/have-1P-HAB pig house we-do-habitually pig herd EVN LOC EVN + FIN = we usually herd the pigs into the house

8.4.7.1 Following previous analysis, the initial EVN, the unsuffixed verb stem, is interpreted as being the logico-semantic head of the group. The nominal/adverbial item that splits the verbal items can be analysed as having a status comparable to that of its cognates in the micro-verbal group (8.4.2-4), that is, it may be regarded as having the function of helping to specify the process - a non-verbal "auxiliary". Examples are:

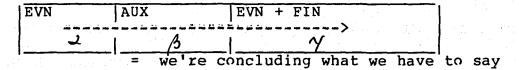
igiri emene pu mabu bini boy small go=STM NOM make/do-EX DEF boy small go garden made



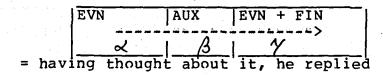
handa amu haribe feel ADV be/stay/have-2S-SIMP PAST-Q look along-over-there had-you-?



la maro beraba utter-STM NOM make/do-1D-SIMP PRES speaking conclusion we make/are making



mitangi buwa la dai bija thought do-CONT utter-STM NOM do-3-SIMP PAST thought having-done uttering return he made



8.4.8 APVs and serial configurations. The configurations described above in 8.4.6.3 and 8.4.7 have as their final verbs three of the common pro-verbs: le 'utter', he 'be/have/stay' and bi 'make/do' (cf 5.1.7). EV cognates in collocation with le 'utter' (8.4.7.3) present examples that qualify for consideration both as serial (V-STM + V-AFFXs) and APV configurations, thus:

ibu agali he lalu pija
V-STM V-AFFX
A PV
he man be/stand uttering went

he man be/stand uttering went he went, leaving the man (standing there)

aju ogoriani nge laru V-STM V-AFFX A PV

axe at-this-place be/lie flat (I) uttered
I left (my) axe (lying) right here

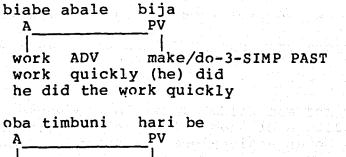
ira abale de labe V-STM V-AFFX A PV

wood quickly (fire) extrude utter light the fire quickly

8.4.8.1 Split configurations (8.4.7) also share these characistics in common with serial groups and APVs. In common with serial groups, their initial constituent is always an unaffixed stem, their final constituent a stem that carries affixes. In common with APVs, a single constituent - the initial EVN - fills the adjunct slot, and a dummy final verb takes the affixes. It shares an additional similar feature with APVs, which can occur 'split' by an intrusive modifying element. This is illustrated by the examples below.

Split configurations:

Adjunct + Pro-Verb configurations:



laughter big be/stay/have-2S-SIMP PAST Q laughter big you had-? did you laugh a lot?

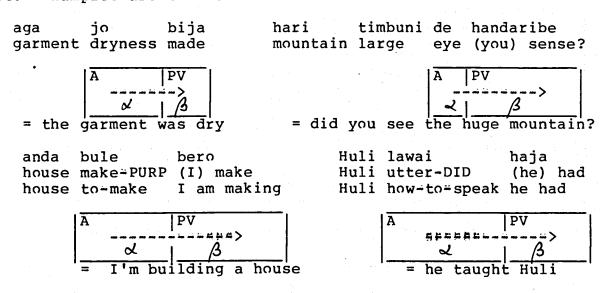
8.4.8.4 The possibility of analysing split configurations in this way is of interest in that it further illustrates how serial verb groups intersect with APV configurations, and how persistent the latter are across the various differing levels of

the language's structure.

- 8.4.8.5 Medial verb forms can occur sequentially before non-medial forms, as in the examples:
- 1) ibu de hondole pija
 3S eye sense-PURP go-3-SIMP PAST
 he eye to-sense went
 he went to see
- 2) ibu u lama pija
 3S shout utter=SIM2 go-3-SIMP PAST
 he shout uttering we
 he shouted out as he went
- 3) ibu de hondole u lama pija
 3S eye sense-PURP shout utter-SIM2 go-3-SIMP PAST
 he eye to-sense shout uttering went
 he shouted out as he went to see
- 8.4.8.6 The groups here can be understood as clause chains, something which is not so obvious when they occur closer to each other and mirror the pattern of verb stems in serialization (cf 8.3.7). It is the unaffixed stems in collocation with a final, affixed, stem, that I shall regard as serial chains. One reason for this is that other forms are amenable to analysis either as ranking at clause level or as being part of an APV configuration. Another reason, lexico- rather than morpho-semantic, is that it is useful to restrict the term 'serialization' to
 - sequences of events which are commonly associated culturally or for which there is a culturally based or pragmatic reason for their close association.

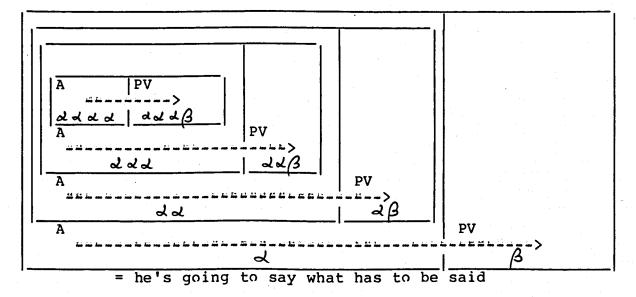
 (Bruce 1986: 27)
- 8.4.9 Analysis of the APV construction. The dummy verb of this construction can be analysed on the morpheme group level, as above, but the construction needs to be treated as a whole, and its structural elements described as a unity rather than as discrete entities, as already intimated.

8.4.9.1 APVs can be analysed as having a semantico-logical structure in which the A is head and the PV is subordinate to it. Examples are such as:

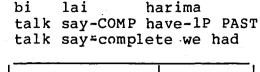


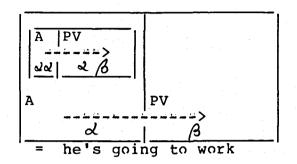
8.4.9.2 Some realizations of this construction comprise As derived from verb forms (cf 5..7.1.4), and can form complexes that involve embedding, realized as right-branching dependencies, as in the examples:

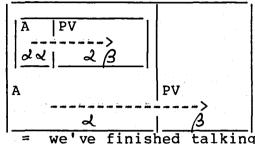
bi lolene ngago lole bira talk utter-OBLIG EV-3-DET utter-PURP make-3-SIMP PRES talk to-be-said is-there to-say (he) is making



biabe bule bira
work do-PURP do-3-SIMP PRES
work to-do he is making







8.4.10 Summary. APVs can be regarded as macro-verbal groups, and morpheme clusters as micro-verbal groups. A second macro-verbal group is evidenced by serial verbs - verbs which appear in sequence, with no other elements separating them - while a third macro-group is that which occurs as a split verb configuration.

8.4.10.1 Having described the individual groups, it is useful now to consider briefly group complexes and to explore the texture of the utterance at that level.

CHAPTER 9

GROUP COMPLEXES

9.1 OUTLINE

- 9.1.1 Word complexes, nominal, adverbial and verbal, were the focus of the last chapter. Implicit in this approach is the assumption that groups are, as it were, 'bloated words' (Halliday 1985a: 192), which together assemble into higher units called clauses. These clauses in their turn, either singly (cf 8.1.1) or in complexes, constitute utterances.
- 9.1.2 Group complexes and their inter-relationships within the utterance are the focus of attention in this chapter, and I propose to describe nominal, adverbial and verbal group complexes

in turn. The method employed will involve the continuation of the use and adaptation of Hallidayan concepts, begun in the last chapter.

- 9.1.2.1 Given what has been said in 1.4, it is not surprising that these concepts, when applied to Huli, suggest a logicosemantic system that is different from the English one, yet has points of contact with it. In chapter 8 the aptness of the Hallidayan approach was apparent when applied to Huli word complexes, and this chapter shows its usefulness at the level of group complexes.
- 9.1.3 The interdependency of groups in Huli group complexes can be explored using the categories of taxis already employed (ie hypotaxis and parataxis). Halliday introduces greater levels of delicacy with the categories 'expansion' and 'projectives'.

tion' (cf Halliday 1985a: 195-196), and still further levels of delicacy within each of these.

9.1.3.1 As applied to Huli, expansion is a type of interdependence whereby one group elaborates (indicated in analysis by the sign(=), extends (+), or enhances (x) another group, with which it is in parataxis or hypotaxis. More precisely:

ELABORATION is the expansion of one group by another through exposition, exemplification, or clarification.

EXTENSION occurs when one group extends another by adding to it, or stating exceptions or alternatives.

ENHANCEMENT is the qualifying of one group by another as regards location, cause or manner.

9.1.3.2 Only verbal group complexes are related by projection, either LOCUTION ("), or IDEA ('). The former is a verbal group that is a quote = a 'construction of wording' (Halliday 1985a: 197) - projected through another verbal group, while the latter is a verbal group that is an idea, a thought, similarly projected. Hypotactic relations in verbal group complexes linked through projection are not well attested.

9.2 NOMINAL GROUP COMPLEXES

9.2.1 Elaboration. The qualifying group or groups always come after the qualified group, and expand it by clarification. The relationship between them is invariably one of parataxis. Examples are:

agali man					biango dog			
NOM	1	NOM	=2	in the second	NOM	=1	NOM	=2
1				l marinina.			l	

= a man called Galo = this dog (is) my dog

9.2.1.1 It is apparent in these two examples that relational processes can be signalled through the juxtaposing of nominal groups, verbs not being necessary for this purpose. The function of EVs - categorizing existential modes of posture - makes it unlikely that they are underlying copulas, deleted at surface level.

9.2.2 Extension. This is usually accomplished by comitative suffixes (6.5.2-3), which link groups in parataxis. The members of the complex co-function in the same grammatical slot in the clause (cf 6.5). Examples are:

Andagali Madiabela amuguha pija Andagali Madiabe-COM along over there-DET-LOC go-3-SIMP PAST

= Andagali Madiabe-and along over there-that-in have gone
Andagali and Madiabe have gone along over there somewhere

Megia Bogaja Juima tia bo pija Megia Bogaja Jui-COM possum kill-STM go-3-EX DEF

NOM 1 NOM +2 NOM +3 = Megia Bogaja Jui=and possum to-kill went Megia, Bogaja and Yui went to hunt possum

NOM

1

NOM

+2

maru duru hairu anda hene taro-COM sugar cane-COM banana-COM house stay/have-EX DEF

NOM 1 NOM +2 NOM +3

= taro-and sugar cane and banana-and house had taro, sugar cane and banana had all grown

9.2.2.1 Possible disjunctive choices can be signalled by use of the MODs -ja and -gwa (5.5.12) and the COM -bi, as in:

igirijagwabi wandarijagwabi
boy=MOD-MOD-COM girl-MOD-MOD-COM

NOM 1 NOM +2

= boy-must have been-like-and girl-must have been-like-and

either a boy or a girl

dandajagwabi nogojagwabi bow-MOD-MOD-COM pig-MOD-MOD-COM

NOM 1 | NOM +2

= bow-must have been-like-and pig-must have been-like-and bows or pigs or

jandarejagwabi abijagwabi
spear-MOD-MOD-COM wergild-MOD-MOD-COM

NOM +3 NOM +4

= spear-must have been-like-and wergild-must have been-like-and spears or wergild

9.2.2.2 While comitative suffixes are a sure signal of nominal group complexes linked by paratactic extension, hypotactic extension may be signalled by the negative particle ndo at the end of a group, as in the example:

agali daliahe, agali wahe ndo, laro man hardy men old NEG utter-1S-SIMP PRES

	NOM ,	N	OM	+3	-
e i	and the second	1 22		· Para	
=	I say hardy m	ien,	not	old men	_

9.2.3 Enhancement. Nominal groups linked through comitative enclitics do not co-function in the same grammatical slot (cf 6.5.4). The one that is the grammatical subject in a clause is qualified by the one on which the enclitic leans, the latter expanding the former by supplying circumstantial information about 'how' or 'with whom / what'. Thus, this relationship can be analysed as one of paratactic enhancement: the two groups are equally important in ideational content, and both are agents, even though this is not signalled on the verb. Examples are:

ina nogo haru eberema 1P pig COM come=1P#SIMP PRES

NOM 1 NOM x2 = we pig with come/are coming

we're coming with a pig

tigwa Gambali baba wai binija

3P Gambali COM war make/do-EX DEF-MOD

NOM 1 NOM x2

they Gambali with war made-must/would they would have made war with Gambali

Wariabe heba pole berebe

2S Wariabe COM go=PURP make/do=2S=SIMP PRES=Q

NOM 1 NOM x2

you Wariabe along-with to-go (you) are making? are you going to go with Wariabe?

9.2.4 Embedding adds intricacy to relationships within nominal group complexes, as is shown in the examples below:

= I I/my wife-with we-(by) garden to-make make/are making my wife and I are going to make a garden

Tigi Manga Bogaja Angoma tini hangu hole Tigi Manga Bogaja Ango-COM 3P-DEF only/alone have/be-PURP

= Tigi Manga Bogaja Ango-with they-themselves only to-be so that Tigi, Manga, Bogaya and Ango can be by themselves

Mogome Ajagala libugwa gali mini Jali haru ibini Mogome Ajaga-COM 3D-ERG baby name Jali COM come-3-EX DEF

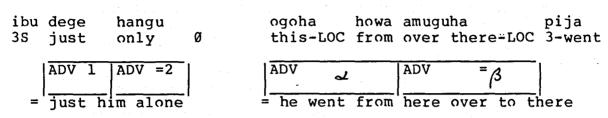
1 NOM NOM x2 MOM =2 NOM NOM NOM ī =2 1 NOM MOM +2 1

Mogome Ajaga-and they baby called Jali with came/have come

Mogome and Ajaga have come with the baby called Jali

9.3 ADVERBIAL GROUP COMPLEXES

9.3.1 Elaboration. Adverbial group complexes occur in paratactic and hypotactic elaboration, as in the examples:



9.3.1.1 In the first example, both adverbial groups make independent but interrelated qualifications of the elliptical process, and are interpreted as being in parataxis. In the second,
the logical sense of the process 'going' is encoded as being
from A to B, and this lends itself to the interpretation of dependence shown in the symbols.

9.3.2 Extension may be achieved through parataxis in the use of comitative suffixes, or through hypotaxis - signalled, frequently, by the presence of the NEG particle. Examples are:

hendorebi bajwabi ani bini carefully=COM well-COM thus do/make=EX DEF

ADV 1 ADV +2 = carefully-and well-and thus (he) did/has done he did it properly and thoroughly

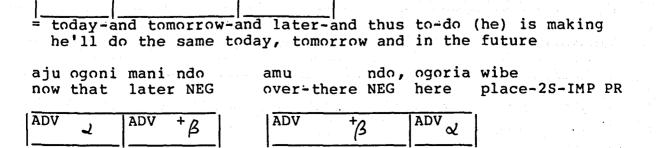
ADV

ADV

+2

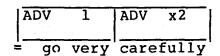
ADV

ajubi jawibi manibi ani bule bira now=COM tomorrow-COM later-COM thus do-PURP make=3-SIMP PRES



- = right now, not later = put here, not over there
- 9.3.2.1 Note that with adverbial groups in hypotaxis it is always the group qualified by ndo that functions as extending the other group and is interpreted as subordinate to it.
- 9.3.3 Enhancement occurs between paratactic but not hypotactic groups. Examples are:

hendore hendore pobe carefully carefully go-2S-IMP FUT



dalimu, nde dalimu ore, o labe loudly POZ loudly very shout utter-25-IMP FUT

	ADV	1	ADV	x2			
Ī				loudly			
	sho	ut d	out	loudly,	yes,	very	loudly

9.3.3.1 The first example illustrates a very common usage, and one found in many Papuan languages (cf Foley 1986: 204), in which intensity is signalled by reduplication of the whole word.

9.4 VERBAL GROUP COMPLEXES

9.4.1 Verbal groups were seen in chapter 8 to present interesting problems of interpretation and description. Microlevel (morpheme) groups are at one end of the continuum, and APV groups at the other, while somewhere in between come serial and split configurations. The precise boundaries separating these groups are hard to locate, and perhaps even non-existent, but when it comes to describing group complexes, demarkation is less problematic, since micro-level groups do not occur in complexes.

9.4.2 A useful general rule is that groups across which switch-referencing occurs are in hypotactic relation with each other, while those that share the same grammatical subject are linked in parataxis. This holds true for both medial and non-medial forms (cf 5.4.6.1), as is shown in the examples:

ibugwa nogo de hondowa mogo laja 3S-ERG pig eye sense-CONS surprise utter-3-SIMP PAST

CLS	1	CLS 1/41 2 2	
• •	g eye sensing ne pig, he was	surprise said/had	

nogo minajagola ngwai harima pig catch-3-SIMP PAST-DET-LOC group have/stay-lP-SIMP PAST

1	CLS		ß			CLS	~			
=	pig	(he)	caught-that	-then		group/	gathering	we	had	
	when	n he	caught the p	ia, we	gati	nered				

9.4.2.1 The English gloss in the first example makes one think that the first clause is non-finite and subordinate, but this is an analysis of the gloss rather than of the Huli. The CONS can occur in final position in utterances (cf 5.4.6.1), and an example of this has already been given in 4.10.3.4, viz:

1 garo* wedi* lo hene. Huli pole lowa
1S car wait utter-STM have-EX DEF Huli go-PURP utter-CONS

CL	S		1			CLS	ate .		2
' <u>T</u>	car	wait	utter	had		Huli	to=go	utt	ered
=	I wa:	ited fo	r a car,	having	decide	d to g	o to	Huli	

Once again, the English non-finite is misleading: the CONS signals prior consecutive action, not dependency.

9.4.2.2 In the second example, on the other hand, the first clause is dependent in the traditional sense: it cannot stand on its own, and states a secondary, background, circumstance, which expands the meaning of the independent clause.

Elaboration occurs only in complexes whose clauses are related in parataxis, and when the core EVNs of the clausefinal verbs are semantic equivalents. Examples are given below, the verb in the first clause of the first example being the iterative form of le 'utter', an APV construction (cf 5.2.4).

ibugwa nogo baga bialu kangome baja 3S-ERG pigs kill-ITER do-SIM stick-ERG kill-3-SIMP PAST

CLS		1	CLS		=2	
he he wer		l-again doi illing the				a stick
	bajwa lalu well utte		ne ore very		S-SIMP PA	ST-MOD
CLS	1	CLS	· · ·	=2		
		ng true you clearly			aid-seems	

Extension can occur in conjunction with parataxis or hypotaxis, as is illustrated in the examples:

tomo nowa dagiani palene food ingest-CONS plank-LOC lie down-EX DEF CLS +2 food having eaten plank-on (he) lay down he ate and lay down on the plank keba halu andaga piru anger have/be-SIM house-LOC go-1S-SIMP PAST keba CLS +2 CLS having anger house-to (I) went being angry, I went home Kajuwi ibu hangu nape pirimangi

house=LOC qo-1P-SIMP PAST-LOC Kayuwi 3S only NEG-go-STM

	CLS de la company de la compan	CLS	+ _B
=		-	alone did-not-go
	when we went home, only Kajuwi	i didn't qo	

Enhancement occurs in paratactic and hypotactic group complexes. Examples of enhancing paractic complexes, in which switch-referencing does not occur, are:

hari iraga halu tajanda abale pene mountain climb have/stay-SIM high forest quickly go-EX DEF

CLS 1 CLS x2

mountain climb having high forest quickly (he) went climbing the mountain, he went quickly into the high forest

hendore hendore pialu maha ore ibija carefully carefully go-SIM later very come-3-SIMP PAST

CLS 1 | CLS x2 | = carefully carefully going later very (he) came/arrived proceding with great care, he arrived much later

9.4.5.1 With hypotactic complexes, the subordinate clause is frequently locational, as in:

ibu dai bijagola tia bo piriba 3S return do-3-SIMP PAST-LOC possum kill-STM go-2D-SIMP PAST

| CLS x/3 | CLS &
| he return did-that-when possum to-kill (we) went when he returned we went to hunt possum

ira kagoria ibida pene tree EV-3-LOC run go-EX DEF

= tree is-there run (he) went he ran to where the tree is

9.4.5.2 Permissives or precautionaries in group complexes always signal hypotactic enhancement, as in the examples:

> bi lolomaja henge ngi talk utter-IP-PERM space give-2S-IMP PRES

= talk say-(we)-might space (you) give (us)
give us permission to speak

biabe bulija aju ngerene work make/do=1S=PERM axe give-2S-SIMP PRES-DEF

= work do-(I)-might axe (you) give-that/must you must give me an axe so I can work

ina kagwa bulilono mbuga* mbira ngija wrongly do/make-PREC PAST book give-3-SIMP PAST one

CLS CLS xB d = we wrongly did-lest should book (he) gave (us) а he gave us a book, so we wouldn't make a mistake

9.4.6 This last example raises the question Exceptions. of exceptions to the general rule given in 9.4.2, since forms can occur in complexes without switch-referencing. such cases, the PREC clause is still subordinate, in hypotaxis with the main clause. Examples are:

ereba holoani henedore pobe have/stay-2S-PREC FUT carefully go-2S-IMP FUT qo-STM loss

CLS CLS x B حا have-(you)-lest/should carefully go loss go carefully, so that you don't get lost

ge su* wa piloligo haro 1S fall-PREC FUT leg shoe reject-STM have/stay-1S-SIMP PRES

CLS CLS ×B I fall-lest leg-shoe take off have/am-having

I'm taking off my shoes in case I slip

Similarly, the PURP, when not part of an APV config-9.4.6.1 uration, can occur in an enhancing hypotactic clause in a complex without switch-referencing. Examples:

te lole manda manda bu ko tomorrow story utter-PURP head head do/make-STM EV-3

CLS CLS d = tomorrow story to-utter head head make(d) I've got ready to tell my story tomorrow

nambisi* pole nogo baru kill-1S-SIMP PAST nambis qo-PURP pig

CLS CLS d. (I) killed coast to-go pig

I killed a pig in order to go to the coast

9.4.6.2 A non-medial verb form may accept the DET suffix -go and function not as a derivational adnominal (7.9.3) but as the process word of a clause in a hypotactic clause complex. In these instances, switch-referencing is not obligatory. Examples are:

nogo gabwa ibijago ira iraga harima pig wild come-3-SIMP PAST-DET tree climb have-1P-SIMP PAST

	× ß	 CLS		· «		
pig wild ca a wild pig c			climb	(we)	had	

mundu narogo setoa* anda poro tobacco ingest-1S-SIMP PRES-DET store house go-1S-SIMP PRES

	CLS	· .	×ß			CLS &
=	tobacco	(I)	smoke-that	9		trade store (I) go/am going
	I (want	to)	smoke; I'm	gong	to	the trade store

- 9.4.6.3 It is possible to interpret the above complexes as examples of paratactic groups, since both clauses can stand on their own. As set out above, the DET is analysed as a connective, signalling, in these two instances, causation.
- 9.4.6.4 Another interesting exception is to be found in clause complexes whose verbs carry the suffix -le (cf 5.5.14). These complexes optionally display switch-referencing, and are best interpreted as being in paratactic enhancement, as in:

ko bidale nakale wrong do/make-3-EX PRES-MOD NEG-EV-3-MOD

= wrong do/doing-if/ish
if he's done wrong, he won't be here

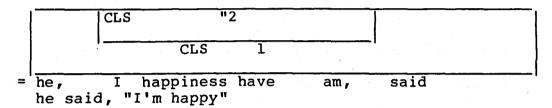
garo* ibidale ina aju Mendi pu kamale car come-3-EX PRES-MOD lP now Mendi go-STM EV-lP-MOD

CLS 1 CLS x2

= car is come-if/-ish we now Mendi go are-if/-ish if the car had come, we would have arrived in Mendi now

9.4.7 Projection occurs most frequently in verbal group complexes, ie clause complexes, that are linked in parataxis. This is because locutions and ideas are usually quoted, seldom reported. Examples are:

ibugwa, ĩ turu ho ko, laja. 3S-ERG 1S happiness have-STM EV-1S utter-3-SIMP PAST



dai bule biralo manda bido return do-PURP do-3-SIMP PRES-MOD head do-1S-EX PRES

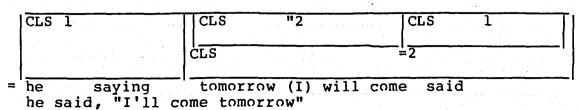
	CLS	-	' 2		CLS		1	
=			(he) do ne'll cer			·(I)	do/am	doing

ogoni hangu mitangi biribe that only thought do/make-2S-SIMP PAST-Q

CLS '2 | CLS | 1 | = did you think that was all?

9.4.7.1 The second example in 9.4.7. is a good illustration of nesting in clauses that project. It is not unusual to find quotations spelled out more explicitly, as in:

ibugwa lalu, jawi ibagwa, laja 3S-ERG utter-SIM tomorrow come-lS-FUT utter-3-SIMP PAST



9.4.7.1.1 In the above example, the locution and the projecting clause are interpreted as together forming a clause complex that is an elaboration of the first projecting clause. It is possible, however, to consider the second projecting clause to be an elaboration of the complex formed by the projection first clause. A third possibility would be to consider the projection as somehow embedded or nesting between a complex formed by the two projecting clauses. I favour the first interpretation as being more in accord with the general pattern of paratactic projection in Huli.

9.4.7.2 Projection involving group complexes in hypotaxis has generally been thought not to occur in Huli (cf Rule 1977: 39~40), 'quotative sentences' (cf Franklin 1971: 120), such as the example in 9.4.7.1, being considered the only device for reporting locutions. Rumsey (1986a: 252) has suggested that Huli might have devices for encoding locutions in indirect form, and there is some support for this in my own data.

9.4.7.2.1 Data in text 5, line 27E (12.3.1), and text 6, line 14 (12.3.2), seem to suggest that Huli can represent wording as meaning (cf Halliday 1985b: 233) - ie employ reported as well as direct speech. The examples and their interpretations are given below, the fuller contexts being shown in 12.3.1 and 12.3.2.

5.27E ibu hondo lalu ibu nogo no halu 3S to utter-SIM 3S pig ingest-STM have-STM

	CLS	CLS "A	
=	he/him to saying		having
	saying to him	he having eaten	

6.14 (agali) ... damanaga bara lowa (men) spirit-POSS kill-3-SIMP PRES utter-CONS

CLS	11/2	CLS ,	
	–	in the second of	
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- men spirits-of/for (they) kill having said
 men, having said they kill (pigs) to the spirit,
- 9.4.7.2.2 In example 5.27E, ibu 3S is a different person in each clause. The speaker is talking about what would be said to a pig thief, and the conventions of direct discourse would normally demand that the second, projected, clause be in parataxis with the first, thus:

ibu hondo lalu I nogo no halu 3S to utter-SIM 2S pig ingest-STM have-STM

CLS	1	CLS	10	2
	· ·			
•	to saying			having
saying	to him,	"You	having eaten,	11

Similarly, the expectation in example 6.14, where the speaker is telling what men, ie 3P, said, is a paratactic complex such as

(agali) ... damanaga barama lowa (men) spirit-POSS kill-lP-SIMP PRES utter-CONS

CLS "2 CLS 1

- = men spirits-of/for (we) kill having said men, having said, "We kill (pigs) to the spirit",
- 9.4.7.2.4 Rumsey (personal communication) has suggested that analysis of a Nebilyer dispute (Merlan & Rumsey 1986) shows evidence of linguistic devices akin to indirect discourse, while Tipton (1982: 49-51) indicates that Nembi speakers have 'other types of verbal sentences', apart from quotatives, but does not elaborate. On the evidence of the texts above, it seems that Huli also probably has devices for encoding direct discourse as indirect, reported, speech.
- 9.4.8 Some exemplification of nominal, and verbal group complexes can be gained by exploring a slightly longer stretch of text than those we have looked at so far. I will set out

the text and gloss first, and then briefly discuss it in the light of this and the preceding chapter. The text is a continuation of the bi te 'folktale' sample given in 4.3.5.1.

9.4.8.1 The text:

dawe hole, lowa, hurwa uru, dawe have-PURP utter-CONS skirt these dawe dance to-have having-said/saying skirts these

dawe bi lagu hagane wijago
dawe talk utter-CUST have-CUST-DEF place-3-SIMP PAST-DET
dawe talk cust.-say cust.-have-that placed-that

damene, mojai haja.
relative CAUS-hold-COMP have-3-SIMP PAST related thing cause (self to) hold completely had

ai nde. Hela Obene pole wirwa, laja.

EXCL POST Hela Obene go-PURP place-UNSN PRES utter-3-SIMP PAST ah yes Hela Obene to-go places (unseen) (he) said

agali biagome ibalu pu gimbu pija.
man that-ERG come-SIM go-STM joint/joining go-3-SIMP PAST
man that coming go joining went

herelibi hubane mbira winijago nu salt bundle a/one place-EX DEF-MOD-DET string bag salt bundle a placed-seemed-that string bag

hanaja. ai ibalu pu gimbu pija. carry-3-SIMP PAST EXCL come-SIM go-STM joint go-3-SIMP PAST carried ah coming go joining went

udu

Hela Obene iraga haja.

up over the hills at the top Hela Obene climb have-3-SIMP PAST

up over the top of the hills Hela Obene climb (he) had

9.4.8.2 Translation:

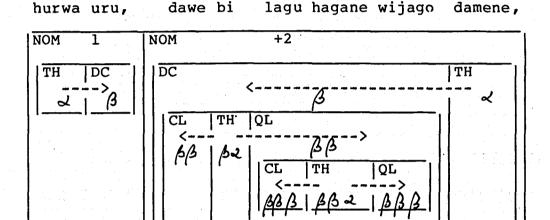
He decided to perform a dawe, and got together these skirts, and what is said to be laid down as relevant to dawe. Ah, yes! "I feel it's ordained for me to go to Hela Obene," he thought. He went back and forth, getting ready. He put a bundle of salt that was there into his string bag. Ah, to and fro he went! Then he set out, climbing up the mountains towards Hela Obene.

9.4.8.3 The first three lines of the text form one utterance, with two clauses in paratactic extension, the first of these projecting an idea. This is indicated in the notation,

dawe	hole,	lowa,	hurwa	uru	damene	mojai	haja
CLS	'1^	CLS 2	CLS		+3		
1		l.	1				

which shows that dawe hole is an idea, linked to lowa, which projects it and which is also linked in paratactic extension to the clause hurwa ... haja.

9.4.8.4 The last clause has a nominal group complex, linked in paratactic extension, the second group showing extensive embedding:



9.4.8.5 Note that in the second nominal group, lagu is a stylistic variant of laga (cf 5.2.5; 7.5.1), while hagane is the full derivational nominal (cf 7.5.1) of he 'have/stay/be', and can be glossed as 'haver', 'stayer', etc. In collocation with the form laga/lagu, it yields the sense '(talk) customarily said-and-staying'. wijago is a derviational adnominal, with the function described in 8.1.1.2, being QL of an embedded nominal group acting as a DC. The interpretation that this group is a deictic is based on its indicating ago 'which?' damene the speaker is concerned with, while there is reason for thinking that the relationship between this DC and TH is one of inalienable possession - things necessarily bound up with the performance of the state of the second content of the seco

ance of dawe -, thus making the POSS suffix -naga optional (cf 7.10.5).

- 9.4.8.5 The verbal group mojai haja, the COMP with CAUS prefix, is an APV configuration.
- 9.4.8.6 The second utterance in line 4 consists of a projecting clause, laja, and an idea that is composed of a clause complex in which another idea is projected. This can be shown in the usual way:

Hela Obene pole wirwa, laja.

CLS	'1		CLS 2
CLS	'1	CLS 2	

- 9.4.8.7 Two other points need to be noted. The first is that the name Hela Obene is best interpreted as a single item, rather than as a nominal group complex. The second is that the form wirwa is a dialectal variant of wiarwa (cf 5.2.7).
- 9.4.8.8 In line 5 there is a clause complex consisting of two groups in paratactic extension, the second group being a split verb construction:

agali biagome ibalu pu gimbu pija

CLS	7	CLS	+2	
	-	Cno		1
1		I		1
·	 	 		}

- 9.4.8.9 The nominal group in the first clause consists of a TH plus a DC, the latter functioning as an anaphoric referent.
- 9.4.8.10 Line 6 is an utterance, completed on line 7, that is a single clause, containing three nominal groups, two of which form a complex, thus:

herelibi hubane mbira winijago nu hanaja

. ——				 	 .	
NOM	1	МОМ	=2			NOM
тн		TH	DC	QL	-11	TH
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9.4.8.11 The last line contains an utterance that is composed of a clause complex that can be interpreted in the same way as that set out in 9.4.8.8 above.

9.4.8.12 The above has been a cursory exploration of a short text to illustrate the application of the interpretations proposed for Huli word and group complexes in this and the preceding chapter. Clearly, the question of a more complete and integrated exposition of Huli texts nows arises. The next two chapters will lead into this, describing important semantic patterns of the language, and the language change that is taking place in concord with changes in society.