

APALAI

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INTRODUCTION

Apalai is a language of the Carib family spoken in the Northern regions of the Maicuru, Paru and Jari Rivers of Para, Brazil. In the last three decades the tribe has been decimated by various diseases contracted through their contact with civilization. At present there are around 350 speakers of Apalai. Partly as a result of their depleted ranks and because of their proximity, the Apalai have integrated with the Wayana Indians (also Carib language family) to a considerable degree. There are very few "pure" Apalai. Although the material cultures are indistinguishable the linguistic culture is intact. The first language of the offspring of an integrated marriage is generally that of the mother, although a high degree of bilingualism is not uncommon.

The Carib family is scattered throughout northern and central South America. Apalai is not mutually intelligible with its nearest family neighbors: Wayana and Hixkaryana of Brazil and Tirio and Carib (Galibi) of Surinam.

Apalai-Portuguese bilingualism is limited to the use of bartering terms or "small talk" with transient rubber or jaguar hunters and government representatives. Apart from the Apalai-Wayana bilingualism in "mixed" families, referred to above, Apalai is spoken exclusively within the culture.

SYNTAX OF THE SENTENCE OR CLAUSE

1 Word order

The basic clause types of Apalai include: Intransitive, Transitive, Expressive, Copular, and Equative. The nuclear constituents of these clauses are described below in sects. 1.1 - 1.5, and peripheral constituents, which apply in general to all clauses, are treated in sect. 1.6.

1.1 Transitive clauses. The transitive clause has an object followed by a verb, and a subject which follows the verb or precedes the object: OVS or SOV.

- (1) kaikuxi etapa- \bar{V} toto, papa tomo
 jaguar kill- IP 3PL father 3PL
 'They killed a jaguar, father's group.'
- (2) mame tamy matary epekaty-ase
 then tobacco 1 +buy- RP
 'Then I bought tobacco.'

- (3) opi t- yri- se karapareta a
 medicine NF-make-CMPL Karapareta by
 'The medicine was made by Karapareta.'
- (4) mame n-epinopy- ase mose rahkene
 then 3-treat medically- RP this one really
 'Then this person treated him medically.'
- (5) papa kyn-uo- ne
 father 3- kill-DP
 'Father killed it.'
- (6) papa ruka kana- ry apiro- ase
 father Luke canoe-POSSN open up-RP
 mā
 THEME INTROD
 'Father opened up Luke's canoe.'

The basic order of the constituents of the transitive clause is shown as OVS even though very few clauses include all three constituents. Those that do are usually discourse initial sentences. One of the reasons for the lack of clause level constituents in Apalai discourse is the use of devices for marking thematic participants. Once a participant is identified he is referred to by pronominal affixes bound to the verbs of the main or subordinate clauses.

In a sample of one hundred Transitive clauses in running text, forty of the clauses have no free subject or object. Fifty of them have a free object occurring before the verb but no free subject. Five of them are SV with the subject occurring before the verb and no free object. Only three are OVS. Another one is SOV. There is also an O clause with the subject and verb understood.

This may not be a representative sample of all the possibilities since VS can also occur (see (4)), but its occurrence is rare.

When a free object occurs in a clause it comes before the verb. When a free subject also occurs it can appear before or following the OV with a 3:1 preference for the position following OV. Additional evidence suggesting that this is the basic pattern is found in the order of constituents in subordinate clauses. (See sect. 14.)

1.2 Intransitive clauses. The intransitive clause has a subject and verb which may occur in either order: SV or VS.

- (7) papa n-otuh-no
 father 3-eat- IP
 'Father ate.'

- (8) moroto ynan-oturu- ase
 there 1+3-converse-RP
 'There we conversed.'
- (9) mame t- ōnuh- se papa kakoxi
 then NF-go up-CMPL father above
 'Then father went up above.'
- (10) berē pona t- oyto-se konohno, poeto
 Belem to NF-go- CMPL brother in law child
 me ty- py- ty a- htao
 DENOM 3RFLX-wife-POSSN be-when
 'My brother-in-law went to Belem when his wife was a child.'

1.3 Expressive clauses. The expressive clause has an expression followed by the verb *ka* 'say' or 'do' and the subject of that verb:

- (11) ŷ, oeh- no ropa, ty- ka- se mokyro i- py- ty
 yes, 1+come-IP back NF-say-CMPL that one 3-wife-POSSN
 '“Yes, I came back,” said his wife.'

There is a variant form *a*, which occurs for certain tense-aspect categories (see sect. 18.1 and (12) below).

The expression may be an ideophone or series of ideophones representing an action, the noise of an action, the noise of an animal, the words of a song, or a direct speech quote. The following examples illustrate a song (12), direct speech (13), and an ideophonic expression (14).

- (12) sakura, sakura, sakura, a- Vko, poet ome
 the sweet manioc drink say-CONT child DENOM
 pitiko j- a- htao
 small 1-be-when
 '“Sakura, sakura, sakura,” I sang when I was a little child.'
- (13) saih saih ka- ry moro ey-a
 go away go away say-NOMLZR that 3- by
 '“Go away! go away,” she kept saying.'
- (14) koih kaxi-ko, a- Vko aisore hm-a y-a
 paddle do- IMP say-CONT Aisore 3- be+PRES 1-to
 '“Paddle!,” Aisore was saying to me.'

Ex. (14) has an embedded *ka* clause within another *ka* clause. The ideophone is part of the embedded clause.

1.4 Copular clauses. The copular clause has a subject, copular verb *exi* 'be,' and complement. The complement is expressed by a descriptive (adjectival-adverbial type) word or postpositional phrase. The verb may be deleted when it is recoverable from the preceding discourse. The normal order of constituents is: COMPL S V.

- (15) poeto me exi- ne kama- kuao
 child DENOM 1+be-DP Kama creek-at
 'I was a child at Kama creek.'
- (16) morara oximome toh kyn-exi-ne
 like that together 3PL 3- be- DP
 '(The trees) were close together.'
- (17) moroto yna tapyi- V kyn-exi-ne
 there 1+3 house-POSSN 3- be- DP
 'There was our house.'
- (18) aimo pyno mana
 boy caring for 3+be+PRES
 'He cares for the boy.'

1.5 Equative clauses. The equative is a nonverbal clause whose nucleus consists of two nominals, one of which may be a demonstrative pronoun. This is the preferred construction when a nominalized verb phrase is used. One nominal functions as subject (usually the first constituent) and the other as predicate complement: Subj PC.

- (19) mokyro ituakyry
 that one jungle person
 'That man (is) a jungle person.'
- (20) a-yto-ry moro
 3-go-NOMLZR that
 'He was going.'
- (21) ikaponato a-oryxi-ry
 the next one 3-sister-POSSN
 'His sister was the next one (born).'

1.6 Peripheral constituents. Optional constituents of clauses are Indirect Object and various oblique objects which I will refer to here as Adjunct. Indirect object is a postpositional phrase with the relator *a* 'to, by'.

- (22) y-pyre ekaro- ase ey-a
 1-gun+POSSN 1+give-RP 3- to
 'I gave my gun to him.'

- (23) moky ene- kose aporo, n-yka- \bar{V} toto papa a
 that one look-IMP briefly 3-say-IP 3PL father to
 ' "There he is, look at him," they said to father.'

Adjuncts include all constituents which express semantic roles of location, time, manner, cause, and purpose. They may be adverbials or postpositional phrases. (See Derbyshire 1979:39). Usually not more than two adjuncts precede a clause nucleus, one being an introducer and the other a time or location word (28), whereas up to 3 or 4 adjuncts can follow the nucleus:

- (24) mame oepy- ase ituh- taka
 then I +come-RP forest-to
 'Then I came to the woods.'
- (25) mame t- oyto- se ropa t- umy a
 then NF-go- CMPL again 3REFLX-father+POSSN to
 'Then he went back to his father.'
- (26) j- eneh- ne toto taro-na
 3SIO-bring- DP 3PL here-to
 'They brought me here.'
- (27) pina ke t- uo-p \bar{y}
 barbed arrow with GEN. PREF-kill-NEG +NOMLZR
 rohxo t- yka-se
 INTNSF NF-say-CMPL
 ' "That's not what you kill with barbed arrows," he said.'
- (28) mame kokoro yto- \bar{V} ko ase kana an \bar{y} - se
 then tomorrow go- CONT I +be+PRES fish lift up-PURP
 'Then tomorrow I'm going to catch fish.'

2 Parataxis

The juxtaposition of phrases within the clause and of clauses within the sentence is of frequent occurrence. The main clause constituents are usually expressed first, followed by an expanded or modified form of one or more of those constituents. Examples of juxtaposition of noun phrases, subject and object, are the following:

- (29) mame yrokokoro ituimano t- oyto-se, takyimano
 then next day Ituimano NF-go-CMPL Takyimano
 'Then the next day Ituimano went, Takyimano.'

The two names represent the same person in a (discontinuous) appositional relationship.

- (30) irukaira t- aro- se t- ymeretamu- ru,
 Irukaira NF-take-CMPL 3REFLX-father in law-POSSN
 irukaira
 Irukaira
 'He took Irukaira, his father-in-law.'
- (31) paruru enepy-ase jake tomo, i-py- ty maro
 banana bring-RP Jake 3PL 3-wife-POSSN with
 'Jake's group including his wife brought bananas.'

Examples of juxtaposition of adverbial phrases are the following:

- (32) t- oyto-se nyh- se iporiry kuaka apu
 NF-go- CMPL sleep-PURP creek at, Assai
 eukuru kuaka
 drink at
 'He went to sleep at the creek, at the Assai drink creek.'
- (33) mōto-na ke onuh- to- ko tapii mypatarā-naka
 there-to POLITE go up-PL-IMP house ridge- on to
 'You all go up over there on to the house ridge.'

The phrases of the foregoing examples are dislocated phonologically from the preceding constituents, each phrase having its own intonational pattern and pause between it and other phrases. The dislocation is rightward. Much more infrequent in Apalai speech are examples of leftward dislocation as in (34) and (35).

- (34) te se- ino inikahpo-ino a- orih-
 PAUSE there-from up river-from GEN. PREF-deceased-
 tyā tapii- V kyn-exi-ne māka myhto
 NOMLZR house-POSSN 3- be- DP mango at foot of
 'Over there, up river, was the deceased one's house beneath
 the mango tree.'

- (35) oty ropa, monohne tōkehko, oty keh moro,
 what again that kind PL, etc. what else that
 ŷ pape morohne poko at- amorepa-ŷko
 oh yes paper that kind about REFLX-teach- CONT
 'What next, all those things, what do you call them,
 studying paper and all those things.'

The sequence of phrases is often discontinuous, as in ((29), (30), and (33)), with only the first of the list appearing in the pre-verbal position. Other examples of discontinuous sequences show that the expansion phrase need not be sentence-final (36) and that constituents within a direct speech (complement) clause may be expanded by a phrase that occurs after the main verb of the sentence (37):

- (36) tawapaira t- aro- se to- kono
 Tawapaira NF-take-CMPL 3REFLX-brother in law
 urakana-se
 hunt- PURP
 'He took Tawapaira his brother-in-law to hunt.'
- (37) arimi wo-hpō ase t- yka-se
 monkey kill-PAST +NOMLZR 1 +be +PRES NF-say-CMPL
 y-meretamu- ru zopa-hpono
 1-father in law-POSSN feed-PAST +NOMLZR
 ' "I am a monkey killer" he said, "one who provides
 for my father-in-law." '

Phrase parataxis may function as a coordination mechanism (sect. 8), as a method of clarification ((30), (32), (33), and (36)), or as a means of modification or emphasis (31). No examples of parataxis occurring within subordinate clauses have been noted. As for juxtaposition of finite verbs, each verb is considered in our analysis to be a complete clause rather than a sequence of serial verbs within a clause.

- (38) mame tokare pyra t- osa- ry t- akoh-se.
 then openly NEG 3REFLX-place-POSSN NF-cut- CMPL
 akoh-ko opomo- ko paruru arika-ko
 cut- HIS plant(manioc)-HIS banana plant-HIS
 'Then secretly he cut himself a field. He cleared it,
 planted manioc and he planted bananas.'

Another kind of series of verb phrases is the repetition of a verb phrase or ideophone indicating the passing of time or repeated action.

- (39) t- yse apori- ry enahka-se
 3REFLX-mother+POSSN feather-POSSN use up-CONT. PAST
 rahkene. enahka-se enahka-se
 really use up-CONT. PAST use up-CONT. PAST
 enahka-se t- onahka-se moro
 use up-CONT. PAST NF-use up-CMPL that
 'He really used up his mother's feathers.
 He used them and used them and used them till they
 were used up.'
- (40) mokyro i-nio pekā pekā pekā
 that one 3-husband+POSSN flap flap flap
 pekā tiwi
 flap catch on
 'Her husband flapped (his wings, clumsily flying)
 then caught on (to the landing place with his beak).'

There is ample evidence of clause juxtaposition in Apalai narrative and dialogue. Both main clauses (41) and subordinate clauses (42) occur juxtaposed, the function being coordination, modification, clarification or emphasis.

- (41) (1) oeh- no papa, u-mūku- ru pyre
 1+come-IP father 1-son- POSSN arrow+POSSN
 apori- ry poko.
 feathers-POSSN occupied with
- (2) u-mūku- ru t- ypyre apori-
 1-son- POSSN 3REFLX-arrow+POSSN feathers-
 ry poko n-ase.
 POSSN occ.with 3-be+IP
- (3) j-uhpoty enahka-Ũko.
 1-feathers+POSSN use up-CONT

- (4) naeroro oy-a oeh- no
 so 2- to 1+come-IP
 ' 'I've come, father, to get feathers for my son's arrows.
 My son has been occupied with making arrows, and he is using
 up all my feathers. That's why I've come to you.' '

In (41), the main clauses (2), (3), and (4) clarify the first clause.

- (42) zumo pyra ro t- a- htao kyn-et̃- ne
 big NEG yet 3REFLX-be-when 3- become drunk-DP
 pitiko ro t- a- htao
 small still 3REFLX-be-when
 'When he was not yet big he got drunk, when he was still small.'

See sect. 22.5 for basic intonation patterns relating to phonologically dislocated clauses and phrases.

3 Ellipsis

In Apalai clauses any or all nonverbal constituents can be omitted leaving only the verb and its bound pronominal markers. The nominal subject can be omitted once it has been expressed. As long as it remains the topic or main participant it is only referred to by pronouns or indirect references.

- (43) papa tō kṼ-yto-ne parahta zupi- se repe.
 father group 3- go- DP rubber look for- PURP FRUST
 taro-ino kṼ-yto-ne toto kāpo pona
 here-from 3- go- DP 3PL airstrip to
 'Father and group went to look for rubber.
 From here they went to the airstrip.'
- (44) ōko wo- ne toto. papa kyn-uo- ne
 wild turkey kill-DP 3PL father 3- kill- DP
 'They killed a wild turkey. Father killed it.'

When the topic needs to be expanded or limited a full nominal may occur as subject (44). The person involved as subject of a preceding clause may be the indirect object of a following clause without any overt reference (45):

- (45) zuaro- hko pyra ase. enaroro zuaro
 3+know-quite NEG 1+be+PRES 3PL 3+know
 na. ekaro-Ŵko rokē toh mon-exi-ano
 3+be+PRES tell- CONT only 3PL 3- be- RP
 'I didn't witness it. They know it (firsthand). They were
 telling it (to me).'

If the verb form is completive, the verb affixes refer to third person subject for intransitives, expressives and equatives, and to third person objects for transitives. When the action is thematic over the span of several clauses the verb can be deleted (46).

Often the ideophonic representation substitutes as a proform for its corresponding verb (47):

- (46) te ōko tō ynan-uo- pito- ne zumo pyra
 PAUSE turkey 3PL 1+3- shoot-begin-DP big NEG
 ro yna- a- htao. moroto-ino arimi tō rahkene
 yet 1+3-be-when that- after monkey 3PL really
 zumo-hxo yna- a- htao rahkene
 big- more 1+3-be-when really
 'We began to kill wild turkeys when we were not yet big.
 After that (we killed) monkeys when we were bigger.'
- (47) mame pokō pokō pokō pokō kae- hxo repe
 then flap flap flap flap high-more FRUST
 wewe po toto
 tree on 3PL
 'Then away they flew quite high up in a tree.'

There is a high occurrence of partial or incomplete sentences in Apalai discourse. One reason is the heavy use of direct speech quotes in narrative. Much of the dynamic of a story is carried along in the form of direct quotes, which include partial sentence responses. This extends to most cognitive processes, which are stated in the form of speech quotes. When the context, whether behavior or direct speech, provides part of the information load, the quote may be less than a complete sentence and still be semantically complete.

Another reason for incomplete sentences is the tendency to reduce redundancy by omitting overt markers for the participants once they have been established as "thematic." A "thematic" participant is one who has been introduced by name or descriptive statement and is central in that part of the

discourse. Clues such as kinship terms may be used to refer to related participants, while the main participant is not overtly expressed or may be indicated by means of a pronominal prefix.

- (48) mokyro kurumu ke ty- py- e
 that one vulture with ADJVZR-wife- ADJVZR
- rahkene. moraramé a-oryxi-ry morara
 certainly then 3-sister-POSSN thus
- t- yka-se O-eky- hxo hna otyro
 NF-say-CMPL 2-pet +POSSN-INTNSF 3 +be +PRES veg.food
- kyrkyry-Ũko hxo, otyro kutikutima-Ũko
 get into-CONT INTNSF veg.food mess- CONT
- tōsē poko hxo. mame t- okare pyra
 meat occ.with INTNSF then ADJVZR-tell NEG
- t- osa- ry t- akoh-se. akoh-ko
 3REFLX-place-POSSN NF-cut-CMPL cut- HIS

opomo- ko paruru aryka-ko
 plant(manioc)-HIS bananas plant-HIS

'This man married a vulture woman. It started with a complaint from his sister, "Your pet bird keeps messing in the food I'm fixing." Then without telling (anyone) (he) made a clearing. (He) cut it down, planted manioc and planted bananas.'

Note that the story begins by introducing the hero in a descriptive statement in title or preview form: 'This man married a vulture woman.'

The next participant is introduced as his sister who, by speaking, creates a situation calling for a response. The only linguistic clue then that the series of actions to follow is attributed to the hero is the third person pronoun marker on the verbs. The cultural expectation provides additional support, the role of cutting a field being that of a man and not of a sister or bird-wife.

The sister's speech constitutes an indirect speech act, the form being declarative whereas the intent is imperative: "Do something about the situation." The response to such forms is often behavioral instead of verbal. (See E. Koehn 1976 for description of behavioral dyads.)

4 Reflexives and reciprocals

Reflexivity and reciprocity are expressed by a verbal prefix: *os-* / *ot-* / *at-* / *e-*. Reduplication of the first syllable of the verb indicates repeated action and always results in reciprocal meaning, as in (51):

- (49) n-os- ereh- no
3-REFLX-scare-IP
'He scared himself.'
- (50) ynan-ot- uru- ase rahkene
1+3- REFLX-tell-RP really
'We really conversed.'
- (51) at- at- apoi-Ŵko toto
REFLX-REDUP-grab-CONT 3PL
'They (were) grabbing each other (fighting).'
- (52) e- kurika-Ŵko toh mon-exi-ano
REFLX-wash- CONT 3PL 3- be-RP
'They were washing themselves.'
- (53) ot- uru-keh xīpo nyh- se ynan-yto-ase ropa
REFLX-tell-CESS first sleep-PURP 1+3-go- RP again
'Having stopped our conversing we went to sleep again.'
- (54) t- ōs- etapa-se toh meku tomo
NF-REFLX-hit- CMPL 3PL monkey group
'The monkey group stumbled.'

This prefix (*os-* / *ot-* / *at-* / *e-*) functions as a detransitivizer, changing transitives into intransitive constructions.

Another way of detransitivizing transitive verb stems is to add the discontinuous sequence of prefix and suffix: *n-...-ta* 'detransitivizer'. The person-marking prefixes and tense-aspect suffixes are those used with intransitive verb stems:

- (55) oty ka-toh o-n- epekah-ta- no
what do-PURP 2-DETRANSVZR-buy- DETRANSVZR-IP
'Why did you shop?'

Reciprocals take the same form as reflexives except for the form which occurs with the postpositional *pyno*. In this case, two forms are used: *ose-* and *oxi-*. There is preference among some speakers to consider *osepyno* the reflexive 'care for oneself', and *oxipyno* the reciprocal 'care for each other'.

There is a possessive reflexive prefix *t-*, which occurs with nouns and certain postpositions. The phrase containing this prefix may function as object, indirect object, adjunct, or genitive of a possessed NP. It may occur with any constituent that can be inflected for person of the possessor other than when it is the subject of the main clause. It applies only to third person.

- (56) t- ōxi- ry z-uru-Ũko kyn-ako
3REFLX-daughter-POSSN 3-tell-CONT 3- be +IP
'He was talking to his own daughter.'
- (57) ty- tapyi-Ũ taka t- oyto-se ropa ynororo,
3REFLX-house-POSSN to NF-go- CMPL again 3PRO
nyh- se
sleep-PURP
'He went back to his own house to sleep.'
- (58) t- urui tupi poko
3REFLX-elder brother +POSSN field +POSSN occ.with
eroh- nōko mokyro
work-CONT that one
'He is working at his elder brother's field.'
- (59) t- yka-se tyy- a rokene
NF-say-CMPL 3REFLX-to only
'He said (it) to himself.'
- (60) t- ope a tŨ- ot- uru- po- se
3REFLX-friend +POSSN to NF-REFLX-tell-CAUS-CMPL
'He questioned his own friend.'
- (61) t- ōxi- ry maro t- oyto-se
3REFLX-daughter-POSSN with NF-go- CMPL
'He went with his own daughter.'

The possessor reflexive is controlled by the subject of the main clause and may occur on the subject of a subordinate clause or other constituents in a subordinate clause:

- (62) berē pona t- oyto-se konohno,
Belem to NF-go- CMPL brother in law
poeto me t- ypy- ty a- htao
child DENOM 3REFLX-wife-POSSN be-when
'My brother-in-law went to Belem when his wife was a child.'
- (63) t- ykana-ry nery-topo- Ũpyry
3REFLX-canoe-POSSN sink-NOMLZR(place)-PAST +POSSN
pona yto-Ũko mana
to go- CONT 3 +be +PRES
'He is going to the place where his canoe sank.'

The reflexive *t-* can occur in nonfinite clauses such as the purposive and certain adverbial type clauses. It may be controlled by the subject of the superordinate clause ((64)-(66) and (69)-(72)) or by the (underlying) subject of the nonfinite clause in which it occurs ((67) and (68)).

- (64) yto-Ŵko mokyro mana t- ōxi- ry
 go- CONT that one 3 +be +PRES 3REFLX-daughter-POSSN
 ene-se
 see-PURP
 'That one is going to see his (own) daughter.'
- (65) t- ypy- ty zuru-keh xīpo oeh- nōko
 3REFLX-wife-POSSN tell- CESS first come-CONT
 ropa mana
 back 3 +be +PRES
 'When he finishes talking to his wife he will come back.'
- (66) t- oky zupi-ry- me oeh- nōko
 3REFLX-pet +POSSN look-NOMLZR-DENOM come-CONT
 ropa mana
 back 3 +be +PRES
 'He will be coming back looking for his pet.'
- (67) irukaira t- aro- se t- ymeretamu- ru
 Irukaira NF-take-CMPL 3REFLX-father in law-POSSN
 'His father-in-law, Irukaira, was taken (by him).'
- (68) eropa, ōmy aro- ko, t- yka-se
 1 +2 +go +IMP 2 +father +POSSN take-IMP NF-say-CMPL
 t- ypy- ty a
 3REFLX-wife-POSSN to
 ' "Let's go! And take your father," he said to his wife.'
- (69) t- oh wo- toise y-a y-meretamu-
 3REFLX-meat +POSSN shoot-FRUST 1-by 1-father in law-
 ru y-nomo- no
 POSSN 1-abandon-IP
 'My father-in-law abandoned me for my almost having shot his meat.'

- (70) seromaroro at- amorepa-ŵko ropa mose pape
 now REFLX-teach- CONT again this one paper
 mero- toh- me tyy- a
 write-NOMLZR-DENOM 3REFLX-by
 'Now this person is studying again to write on paper himself.'
- (71) poeto-me t- a- htao tūpa
 child-DENOM 3REFLX-be-when Tūpa
 kyn-e- puru- ne
 3- REFLX-sting-DP
 'When she was a child Tūpa was initiated (stung with ants).'
- (72) mame kajama epekah-se n-oeh- no omise
 then manioc meal buy- PURP 3-come-IP hungry
 t- oexi- ry- ke
 3REFLEX-be- NOMLZR-REAS
 'Then he came to buy manioc meal because he was hungry.'

5 Passives

There are personal passives in Apalai. The bound person marking prefixes of the active verb are replaced by the prefix *t-* 'NONFINITE', and the tense and aspect marking suffixes of active verbs are replaced by *-se* 'COMPLETIVE'.

- (73a) ku- anŷ-no (73b) t- anŷ-se kymoro ey-a
 3S1 +2O-lift- IP NF-lift-CMPL 1 +2 3- by
 'He lifted us.' 'We were lifted up by him.'

Comparing the syntactic functions of the nominal constituents of an active clause with those of a passive one we find the following:

(i) The subject of the active intransitive remains the subject of the passive construction. It can precede or follow the verb.

- (74a) Ituimano n-yto-no (74b) t- oyto-se Ituimano
 Ituimano 3-go- IP NF-go- CMPL Ituimano
 'Ituimano has gone.' 'Ituimano has gone.'

(ii) The object of the active transitive becomes the subject of the corresponding passive clause while the subject of the active transitive becomes an agentive phrase adjunct marked by the postposition *a* 'to, by' (which is also the marker of indirect object). Any indirect object of the active construction remains an indirect object of the passive construction.

- (75) mame yna t- aomika-se toto a, nohpo tomo
 then 1+3 NF-greet- CMPL 3PL by woman group
 a roropa
 by also
 'Then they all greeted us, the women folk also.'

The agentive phrase of the passive clause may occur before the verb, or following it, or both.

- (76) aimo a t- aro- se, u-mūku-ru a
 boy by NF-take-CMPL 1-son- POSSN by
 'It was taken by the boy, by my son.'

The clause constituent order in the passive construction is a matter of prominence. The constituent which occurs first, whether a nominal or a verb, is the more prominent. If a nominal is repeated or expanded, the first occurrence of the constituent (generally the more generic form) is considered nuclear and subsequent mention is its expansion.

As for tense and aspect possibilities, the passive form carries the meaning of completed action. When accompanied by an auxiliary verb the passive functions as an adjectival (79):

- (77) moroto-ino t- yarakah- se t- oky
 that- after NF-cage- CMPL 3REFLX-pet+POSSN
 'After that (he) caged his pet.'
- (78) mame t- yaramaī t- ou- se
 then 3REFLX-feather suit+POSSN NF-remove-CMPL
 'Then (she) removed her feather suit.'

In the above two examples the *t-* '3REFLX' is the same third person as the underlying subject, which does not show up on the surface.

- (79) moroto-ino t- ōnuh- se toh mana
 that- after NF-go up-CMPL 3PL 3+be+PRES
 'After that they are gone up.'

The primary function of the *t-V-se* construction is to take the underlying subject/agent out of focus and give prominence to the object or to the activity or property that describes the object.

The Apalai *t-V-se* form resembles the Hixkaryana form of 'derived adverbial' described in Derbyshire (1979:176), *t-V-so*, *t-V-xe*, but it seems to have a

different function. The Apalai form which corresponds to the function described for the 'derived adverbial' in Hixkaryana is *t-V-semy* as in:

<i>tonahsemy</i>	'edible vegetable to be eaten'
<i>tôsemy</i>	'meat to be eaten'
<i>tyrohsemy</i>	'pestilence, disease to be caught'
<i>tarikasemy</i>	'seedlings to be planted, seeds'
<i>takohsemy</i>	'jungle to be cut down'

The differences are: (1) the Apalai *t-V-se* form occurs only with past completive meaning; (2) it functions as a verbal predicate of a clause or sentence; and (3) it can cooccur with the underlying subject of the transitive as in: *kaikuxi tonese eya* 'The jaguar (was) seen by him.'

The Apalai *t-V-se* form sometimes occurs with the auxiliary (copular) verb and functions as an adjectival complement (see (79)). Not all verbs, however, cooccur with the copula in their *t-V-se* form; examples of those which do are:

<i>toorihse</i> 'it died'	<i>toorihse kynexine</i> 'it was dead'
<i>tôse</i> 'he ate it (meat)'	<i>tôse kynexine</i> 'it was eaten'

Examples of those which do not cooccur with the copula are:

<i>tooehse</i> 'he came'	* <i>tooehse kynexine</i>
<i>tonese</i> 'seen'	* <i>tonese kynexine</i>
<i>tuenikehse</i> 'forgotten'	* <i>tuenikehse kynexine</i>
<i>tanoryse</i> 'dried'	* <i>tanoryse kynexine</i>

6 Causatives

The intransitive verb in Apalai is made causative by the derivational affixes *-ma*, *-nohpo*. When the intransitive construction is causativized the intransitive subject becomes the object of the causativized verb and a new subject, the causer, is introduced:

- (80a) poeto otuh-nōko mana
 child eat- CONT 3 +be +PRES
 'The child is eating.'
- (80b) poeto otuh-ma- Ŵko mana
 child eat- CAUS-CONT 3 +be +PRES
 'He is feeding the child.'
- (81a) nyh- nōko mana
 sleep-CONT 3 +be +PRES
 'He is sleeping.'
- (81b) poeto nyh- ma- Ŵko mana
 child sleep-CAUS-CONT 3 +be +PRES
 'He is putting the child to sleep.'
- (82a) tapyi tae nu- tūta- no
 house out of 3S3O-leave-IP
 'He left the house.'
- (82b) tapyi tae nu- tūta-nohpo- no
 house out of 3S3O-leave-CAUS-IP
 'He caused (him) to leave.'
- (83a) paru tu- kuma-se
 water NF-rise- CMPL
 'The river rose.'
- (83b) paru tu- kuma-nohpo-se ey-a
 river NF-rise- CAUS-CMPL 3- by
 'He caused the river to rise.'

When a transitive construction is causativized the causer again becomes the subject, the subject of the basic transitive clause has the form of an oblique object, and the direct object remains the direct object (see (84b)). The transitive verb in Apalai is made causative by the suffix *-po*.

- (84a) pape aro- ase
 paper 3 +take-RP
 '(He) took the paper (book, letter).'
- (84b) mame pape aro- po- ase ropa ey-a rahkene
 then paper 3 +take-CAUS-RP back 3- to or by really
 'Then he sent the paper back to him again' or
 'Then he caused him to take the paper back again.'

7 Comparatives

There are three ways in which comparison is expressed:

(i) Juxtaposition of negative-positive clauses:

- (90) mopo zumo pyra kyn-exi-ne, akono
 Mopo big NEG 3- be- DP 3 +brother in law +POSSN
 zumo
 big
 'Mopo was not big like his brother-in-law.'

- (91) mokyro zumo n-exi-ase apito-ry- ma- no
 that one big 3-be- RP begin-NOMLZR-DENOM-NOMLZR
 okomino exi-kety zumo-hko pyra
 after be- NOMLZR big- quite NEG
 'The first one was big. The next not quite so big.'

(ii) Successive positive clauses in which certain particles mark the degree of the quality:

- (92) kure akuri n-ase, poinoko kure kuhse,
 good coati 3-be +PRES wild pig good superlative
 tompore
 delicious
 'Coati is good, wild pig (is) really good.'
 (i.e. 'The wild pig is better than the coati.')

(iii) Within the clause by use of a postpositional relator *motye*:

- (93) meri motye akuri zumo mana
 squirrel greater coati big 3 +be +PRES
 'A coati is bigger than a squirrel.'

8 Coordination

There are no exact equivalents for "and", "but", and "or" for expressing coordination on the clause or phrase level. Coordination is accomplished by juxtaposition of two or more clauses with nonfinal intonation on all but the final clause of the series, or by the use of postpositional particles. (e.g. *tōkehko*, *kehko* 'etc.' (Note: 'etc' is the meaning of the two Apalai words)). Some additive type examples from texts are:

- (94) mame t- okare pyra t- osa- ry
 then ADJ-openly NEG 3REFLX-place-POSSN
 t- akoh-se. akoh-ko. opomo- ko. paruru
 NF-cut-CMPL cut- HIS plant(manioc)-HIS banana
 aryka-ko
 plant-HIS
 'Then (he) secretly cut himself a field.
 (He) cut it, planted manioc and bananas.'
- (95) senohne ī- kyry-ry tō- kehko t- ye- se. paruru
 this +PL 3-food-POSSN PL-etc NF-cook-CMPL banana
 t- ye- se kehko. t- upurihma-se. t- ahpi- se
 NF-cook-CMPL etc NF-mash- CMPL NF-strain-CMPL
 'She cooked his food. She cooked bananas, etc.,
 mashed and strained them.'

Both active and passive verbs can be coordinated as clauses but not an active and passive in the one construction ((94) and (95)).

Adversative coordination is accomplished by juxtaposition of negative and positive clauses with or without the presence of the conjunction *yrome* 'but':

- (96) morara pyra exi-ko. a-ramari- ny
 thus NEG be- IMP 2-feather suit-POSSN
 i-rumeka- ko. senohne kyry-ne- me exi-ko
 3-abandon-IMP this +PL do- NOMLZR-DENOM be- IMP
 rahkene
 really
 'Don't be that way, but abandon your feather suit, and be my
 cook (and wife).'
- (97) morara pyra ke exi-ko kure
 like that NEG POLITE be- IMP well
 at- amorepa-ko
 REFLX-teach- IMP
 'Don't be like that but try to do it well.'
- (98) ytoyto pyra hxo ywy repe. yrome maixi
 go +REDUP NEG INTNSF I FRUST but flu
 eneh- nōko hxo toto
 bring-CONT INTNSF 3PL
 'I don't go anywhere but they bring the flu here.'

The alternative coordination is expressed as a proposition *x* and "if not *x* then *y*," or marked by a postpositional particle, such as *hкотано* ((99) and (100)), where there is a semantic component of "or":

- (99) kure hкотā j-epe. morara a- htao
 well rather 1-friend+POSSN like that be-if
 mase paxinēpo potyry emuhka-Ũko
 2+be+PRES arrow tip+POSSN hit- CONT
 mase
 2+be+PRES
 'You will have to do better my friend, or if you keep on that way (don't improve), you will be hit by an arrow tip.'
- (100) eropa hкотано u-mūku-ru ky- nomo- Ũko
 1+2+go+IMP rather 1-son- POSSN 1+2-leave-CONT
 mana
 3+be+PRES
 'Let's go faster (and not the way we are) or my son will leave us behind.'

In coordinated clauses all constituents except the verb can be omitted, with the subject and object being expressed only as verb affixes. The normal means used for coordinating phrasal constituents of the clause is juxtaposition in the expansion part of the clause ((101) and (102)).

- (101) mame kāpo upi- ko, itamuru kāpo, maixipuri
 then game look for- HIS much game tapir
 tō- kehko kapau tō- kehko emero
 PL-etc deer PL-etc all kinds
 'Then he hunted game, a lot of it, tapir and deer, etc.'
- (102) mame oyhto- to-ko mokā moromorori
 then descend-PL-HIS those vulture species
 tō- kehko, ratoratori tō- kehko,
 PL-etc vulture species PL-etc
 kurumu tō- kehko ayra tō- kehko
 king vulture PL-etc vulture species PL-etc
 'Then they descended, the magot eaters, the knife bills, the king vulture group, and the blackheaded group.'

- (103) j-ene j-ene a- Vko eremia-Vko ywy
 1-see 1-see say-CONT sing- CONT I
 '“Someone sees me,” I would say singing.'

The phrases being coordinated can be comprised of a single word. Sometimes the comitative *maro* can mark coordination:

- (104) konohno tō n-oepy-ase jakiku tō
 brother in law group 3-come-RP Jakiku group
 maro etiino
 with Pedrinho
 'My brother-in-law Pedrinho came with Jakiku and group'
 or 'My brother-in-law Pedrinho and Jakiku came.'

More complex nominalized constructions may also be coordinated by juxtaposition:


- (105) aja tō orih-topo- Vpyry
 1 + mother +POSSN group die- NOMLZR-PAST +POSSN
 papa orih-topo- Vpyry roropa
 1 + father +POSSN die- NOMLZR-PAST +POSSN also
 enara sero poko nase
 these this occ.with 3 + be +PRES
 'This is about the death of my mother and father.'


9 Pragmatic and discourse characteristics


Certain types of discourse-conditioned phenomena are referred to in other sections of this paper: ellipsis (sect. 3), anaphora (sect. 13), and discourse particles (sect. 21.2). Other pragmatic and discourse characteristics are being studied, but there is nothing definitive to report as yet.


10 Interrogatives

The yes-no questions are marked by question intonation: high pitch with stress on the penultimate syllable, low pitch on the final syllable.


- (106) 
 m-oeh- no?
 2-come-IP
 'Hello!' or 'You have come?'


- (107) 
 m-oeh- no ropa?
 2-come-IP again
 'Hello!' or 'You returned?'

- (108) 
 tutuko se pyra hm-a?
 Brazil nut want NEG 2- be +PRES
 'Don't you want Brazil nuts?'

- (109) 
 omise hm-a?
 hungry 2- be +PRES
 'Are you hungry?'

When the yes-no question is used as a greeting the expected response is affirmative unless the one making the response makes an attempt at humor. Other yes-no questions are neutral.

- (110) 
 m-oeh- no aimo?
 2-come-IP boy
 'Hello, my boy' or 'You have come, my boy?'

- (111) 
 ŷ, oeh- no kene!
 yes, 1+come- IP just now
 'Hello!' or 'Yes, I have just come.'

Question word questions are marked by the question word as well as by special word order, the question word generally coming at the front or near the front of the sentence. Any of the main clause constituents can be questioned:

- (112) onoky n-oeh- no?
 who 3-come-IP
 'Who arrived?'
- (113) onoky u-mūku-ru ō- no?
 who 1-son- POSSN eat-IP
 'Who ate my son?'

- (114) onoky keh sekere a- Vko?
 who POLITE talk do-CONT
 'Who is it that's talking?'
- (115) onoky hm-a?
 who 2- be +PRES
 'Who are you?'
- (116) onoky m-uo- no?
 who/what 2- kill-IP
 'What did you kill?'
- (117) onoky a m-ekaro-no?
 whom to 2- give- IP
 'To whom did you give (it)?'
- (118) oty ekaro-Vko m-a y-a?
 what give- CONT 2- be +PRES 1-to
 'What will you give me?'

Peripheral constituents (adjuncts) may be specific question words or may be general question words followed by a postposition or nonfinite verb form, depending on the precise semantic distinction being made.

- (119) otoko- ino m-eneh- no?
 where-from 2- bring-IP
 'Where did you get it?'
- (120) oze n-ae?
 which way 3-be +PRES
 'Which direction is it (from here)?'
- (121) otoko m-exi- ne?
 where 3- be- DP
 'Where were you?'
- (122) otoko nohpo n-a aja?
 where woman 3-be +PRES mother +POSSN
 'Where is my wife, mother?'
- (123) otara a- htao oeh- noko ropa n-ae?
 what be-when come-CONT again 3-be +PRES
 'When is he coming back?'
- (124) tãtahtao m-uo- no?
 what time 2- kill-IP
 'When did you kill it?'

- (125) otāto hxo emỹpo- V̄ko ahno?
 how INTNSF revenge-CONT 1 +be +PRES
 'How am I going to get revenge?'
- (126) oty ka-toh o-n- etapa-tā,
 what do-PURP 2-DETRANSVZR-kill- DETRANSVZR +IP
 mopo?
 Mopo
 'Why did you murder, Mopo?'
- (127) otāto t- yri- se ey-a?
 how NF-do- CMPL 3- by
 'How did he do it?'
- (128) oty ka-se yto-V̄ko m-a?
 what do-PURP go- CONT 2- be +PRES
 'For what purpose are you going?'

The (verbal) action can be questioned in a nonspecific way by using either a postpositional question phrase with the copular verb or by using the verb *ri* 'to make':

- (129) oty poko m-a?
 what occ.with 2- be +PRES
 'What are you doing?'
- (130) oty hxo ri- V̄ko m-a aja?
 what INTNSF make-CONT 2- be +PRES 1 +mother +POSSN
 'What are you making, mother?'

The expression or quotation clause type can also be questioned:

- (131) otara n-ykā?
 what 3-say/do +IP
 'What did he say (or do)?'
- (132) otara a- V̄ko n-a? toh ereh- no
 what say/do-CONT 3-be +PRES surprise 1 +startle-IP
 ' "What is it saying?" "Oh! I was startled." '

Certain constituents of subordinate clauses can be questioned as in the following sentences:

- (133) otoko xixi a- htao erama- V̄ko ropa
 where sun be-when turn back-CONT again
 syt- a- tose?
 1+2-be-PL +PRES
 'When will we all turn back?'
- (134) oty ka xīpo apoto t- uka- se ey-a?
 what do first fire NF-light-CMPL 3- by
 'What did he do before he lit the fire?' (literally,
 'After doing what did he light the fire?')
- (135) onoky anỹ- se n-ytō toto?
 what lift- PURP 3-go +IP 3PL
 'What did they go to catch?'

The possessor constituent of a noun phrase can be questioned but not the possession:

- (136) onoky tapyi-V̄ sero?
 who house-POSSN this
 'Whose house (is) this?'
- (137) onoky rato- V̄ m-ematonanoh-no?
 who knife-POSSN 2-steal- IP
 'Whose knife did you steal?'

The nominal constituents of a postpositional phrase can be questioned but not the postposition itself (129). Only one constituent of a sentence can be questioned.

The question word usually occurs in initial position in a question but can be preceded by an introducer (see sect. 1.6) or by information of greater prominence than the question. When the questioned constituent moves to the front of the sentence, any phrase level modifiers go with it. When other constituents precede the question word in a sentence they are usually phonologically dislocated.

- (138) mame oty poko m-a?
 then what occ.with 2- be +PRES
 'Then what are you doing?'

- (139) xihxi, kasuru se, otāto rahkene?
 sister beads want how many really
 'Sister, (you) want beads, how many?'
- (140) j-uru, otoko n-a?
 1-bread+POSSN where 3-be+PRES
 'Where is my bread?'
- (141) konohno eky, otoko n-ae?
 brother in law pet+POSSN where 3-be+PRES
 'My brother-in-law's pet, where is it?'

Question words are also used in rhetorical questions. The intent of the rhetorical question is not to ask for information but to give it or to express surprise, frustration or annoyance.

- (142) oty ropa rehta moro? axikaru
 what again FRUST there sugar cane
 'What else (was) there? Sugar cane.'
- (143) onoky j-ezuh- nōko hxo n-a roropa
 who 1-answer-CONT INTNSF 3-be+PRES also
 ywy rokuh os- ezuh- nōko ase
 I DEDUCT REFLX-answer-CONT 1+be+PRES
 'And who will respond (as I speak)? It looks like
 I will respond to myself.'

Answers to questions can be in the form of incomplete sentences, or simply the response words *ȳ* 'AFFIRMATIVE' or *arypyra* 'NEGATIVE'.

- (144) onoky hm-a? ywy
 who 2- be+PRES I
 'Who are you?' '(It is) I.'

The response to a question can be a counter question:

- (145) xihxi, kasuru se, otāto rahkene?
 sister beads want how many really
 otoko hn-a? otyh se?
 where 3- be+PRES what this
 'Sister, you want beads, how many?'
 'Where are they?' 'What (are) these?'

The question intonation (see (106-111)) is obligatory only with yes-no type questions.

11 Imperatives

Imperative sentences are signalled by the morphology of the verb, the imperative intonation pattern, and the absence of a subject. Often they are accompanied by a vocative or other evidence of direct speech. The verb suffix which marks tense, aspect and number is affected and the particles *kēry* 'EMPHATIC' or *pahne* 'POLITE' may also occur.

There are special imperative forms for all person-number combinations. The complete paradigms for both motion and non-motion imperatives are given in sect. 18.3. Examples of non-motion imperative sentences follow:

- (146) i-kaparu nymyry apoi-ko kono
 3-war club+POSSN genuine grab-2IMP brother in law
 'Grab his war club, brother-in-law.'
- (147) i- kuh-xi rokene
 GEN. PREF-try- 1IMP only
 'Let me just try it.'
- (148) āpo n-oeh- no
 IMP 3-come-IP
 'Let him come.'
- (149) s- otuh-ne ropa y-pa- ry
 1+2-eat- IMP again 1-grandchild-POSSN
 'Let's eat again, grandchild.'

Examples of motion imperative sentences are:

- (150) nohpo eneh- ta aja
 woman bring-MOT. IMP mother
 'Go fetch me a wife, mother.'
- (151) ene-tamy
 see-MOT. IMP
 'Go and see.'
- (152) s- epy- tase. eropa
 1+2-bathe-MOT. IMP 1+2+go+IMP. DL
 'Let's go for a swim. Let's go.'
- (153) s- epy- tatose. ehmaropa
 1+2-bathe-MOT. IMP. PL 1+2+go+IMP. PL
 'Let's all go for a swim. Let's go.'

Negative imperatives require the use of the copula and do not have a motion category. The person, number, and imperative are signalled in the affixes of the copula.

- (154) yto-pyra eh-to-ko
 go- NEG be-PL-IMP
 'Do not go (you all).'
- (155) y-pyre an-aro- pyra eh-to- ko
 1-bow, arrows+POSSN 3- take-NEG be-PL-IMP
 '(You all) do not take my bow and arrows.'

There is also a negative imperative prefix *os-* cooccurring with the suffix *-no*, although this is rarely used:

- (156) tupito epery os- enah-no, n-ase
 field fruit NEG-eat- IMP 3-say +PRES
 ' "Don't eat the fruit of the field," he said.'

As for degrees of imperative, the continuum from polite invitation through moderate to strong order is communicated by postpositional particles: *se*, *ke*, *pahne*, *pāpa*, *kēty*, *ty*.

Polite:

- (157) *otuh-ko se* . . . 'You may eat' or 'Do eat'.
- (158) *ene-ko ke* . . . 'Look, ok?'

Moderate:

- (159) *ene-ko pahne* . . . 'Take a look at that, please.'
- (160) *enah-ko pāpa* . . . 'Eat it and I mean that.'

Strong:

- (161) *eroh-ko kēty* . . . 'Get busy and work!'
- (162) *t-yri-ko ty* . . . 'Do it whether you want to or not!'

The usual response to an imperative is behavioral, whether reported or implied. Other responses are: affirmative or compliant, negative or noncompliant, and hesitant or requesting clarification.

- (163) eropa ke j-epe. mame
 1 +2 +go +IMP POLITE 1-friend +POSSN then
 oseh- to- ko rahkene
 come-PL-HIS really
 ' "Let's go, friend." Then they came.'
- (164) piu a j-oh t- uo- po-ko,
 son in law by 1-meat +POSSN GEN. PREF-kill-CAUS-IMP
 kuto. se reh pina, t- yka-se.
 frog here EXPECTANT arrow NF-say-CMPL
 pina pona ka-ra poko m-a- tou kuni
 arrow onto do-NEG occ.with 2- be-PRES grandmother
 ' "Get son-in-law to shoot me some game frog. Here is
 an arrow," she said. "That is not the kind of game
 you get with arrows, grandmother." '
- (165) tana sā eneh- ko tam! syryryry
 over here like bring- IMP grandfather gliding
 mya rahkene
 away really
 ' "Bring (the canoe) over here grandfather."
 He glided farther away.'
- (166) papa z-oty i- tohka- ko okomo.
 father 3-food +POSSN 3-gather-IMP larva
 nary, a- Vko pakero os- ereh- nōko
 doubt say-CONT already REFLX-be afraid-CONT
 ' "Gather father's food, the larva." "I doubt," he (was)
 saying already, being frightened.'

- (167) y-mety eneh- po- ko aja
 1-cloth +POSSN bring-CAUS-IMP 1 +mother +POSSN
- a, t- yka-se papa.
 by NF-say-CMPL 1 +father +POSSN
- oty ka-toh, y-mety eneh- po- ko,
 what be-NOMLZR 1-cloth +POSSN bring-CAUS-IMP
- a- Vko n-ae? t- yka-se j-eny
 say-CONT 3-be +PRES NF-say-CMPL 3-mother +POSSN
- '“Get my mother to bring me a loincloth,” my father said.
 “Why is he asking for a loincloth?” said his mother.'

12 Negation

12.1 Sentence negation. The negation of a sentence is accomplished by a derivational suffix *-pyra* / *-ra* 'NEGATIVE' on the verb transforming it into a negative adverbial complement of a copular verb. The distribution of the allomorphs is phonologically defined (*-ra* occurring with all verb stems ending with *a*, and *-pyra* occurring with all others. The form *-pyny* is a negative nominalizing suffix 'one who does not do the action'). The person-marking subject prefix and the suffixes marking tense, aspect, and number appear on the copula. In the case of transitive verb stems the person object marker is prefixed to the negative adverbial. The inflected copula is sometimes omitted, as in (169b):

- (168a) isapokara ene- no
 jakuruaru lizard 1 +see-IP
 'I saw a jakuruaru lizard.'
- (168b) isapokara on-ene-pyra a-ken
 jakuruaru lizard 3- see-NEG 1-be +IP
 'I did not see a jakuruaru lizard.'
- (169a) morarama n-otuh-no i-pani- ry
 then 3-eat- IP 3-son in law-POSSN
 'Then his grandchild ate.'
- (169b) morarama otuh-pyra i-pani- ry
 then eat- NEG 3-son in law-POSSN
 'Then his son-in-law did not eat.'
- (170a) ywy exi-ase
 I be- RP
 'It was I.'

- (170b) ywy ka-ra n-exi-ase repe
 I be-NEG 3-be- RP but
 'But it was not I.'

12.2 Constituent negation. Adverbials and postpositional relators are negativized by the same form described above for sentence negation: *pyra*. When it occurs with constituents other than verb stems, it is written as a separate (postpositional particle) form, rather than a suffix.

- (171) mame yto- ko nakua-taka, nakua-taka pyra.
 then 3+go-HIS water-to water-to NEG
 aza hkotoko t- oyto-se kyn-exi-ne?
 where perhaps NF-go- CMPL 3- be- DP
 'Then he went to the river, not to the river. Where was it he went?'
- (172a) axī pyra oeh- no (172b) axī oeh- no
 fast NEG 1+come-IP quickly 1+come-IP
 'I came slowly.' 'I came quickly.'
- (173) ynan-exi-ase ameke pyra rahkene owō- toh
 1+3- be-RP far NEG really stand up- NOMLZR
 pona
 to
 'We were not far from the destination.'
- (174) i-pyty- me pyra mosero a-oryxi- ry
 3-wife+POSSN-DENOM NEG that one 3-sister-POSSN
 'She is not his wife but his sister.'
- (175) mokyro i-nio pekā pekā kuatiwi
 that one 3-husband+POSSN flap flap grab on
 t- ypoty-ry ae rokene kae pyra
 3REFLX-beak- POSSN by only high NEG
 'The husband flew clumsily and reached a low perch with his beak.'

For most simple adverbs the negative expresses the antonym: *mosa* 'tall', *mosa pyra* 'short', *tuhke* 'many', *tuhke pyra* 'few', *kure* 'good' or 'well', *kure pyra* 'unwell' or 'bad'.

When the constituent to be negativized is a subordinate clause, the verb stem is inflected by the negative derivational suffix *-pyra* / *-ra*.

- (176) yto-pyra j-a htao kae- ae ākorehma-Ŵko
 go- NEG 1-be-if high +NOMLZR-by 2 +help- CONT
 ase sero poko
 1 +be +PRES this occ.with
 'If I don't go on the airplane, I'll help you with this.'

Nominal constituents can also be negativized with the resulting meaning that there were none of that item around or that the participant in focus did not own one, or that the identity of the nominal is in question: e.g. 'not a man but a spirit.'

- (177) orutua pyra
 man NEG
 'There were no men around.'
- (178a) t- onu-re- my
 ADJVZR-eye-ADJVZR-NOMLZR
 'seeing person'
- (178b) t- onu-rē ka-ra mokyro
 ADJVZR-eye-ADJVZR +NOMLZR be-NEG that one
 'That one is a blind person.'
- (179) rato pyra
 knife NEG
 'There was no knife.'
- (180a) wo- tono
 shoot-NOMLZR
 'sharp shooter'
- (180b) wo- tō ka-ra mokyro
 shoot-NOMLZR be-NEG that one
 'That one is no hunter.'

The underlying form of *wotō* is *wotono* (see sect. 22.6 for rules).

- (181a) onokyro wo- ne
 animal shoot-NOMLZR
 'one who shoots animals'
- (181b) onokyro on-uo- pyny
 animal 3- shoot-NEG +NOMLZR
 'one who does not shoot animals'

- (182a) onokyro wo- ry waro exi-kety
 animal shoot- NOMLZR know be- NOMLZR
 'one who is knowing how to shoot animals'
- (182b) onokyro wo- ry waro- \bar{V} ka-ra
 animal shoot- NOMLZR know-NOMLZR be-NEG
 'He is not one who knows how to shoot animals.'

Descriptives can be negativized by *pyra*:

- | | |
|---|--|
| <p>(183a) t- ypy- e
 ADJVZR-wife-ADJVZR
 'married'</p> | <p>(183b) t- ypy- e pyra
 ADJVZR-wife-ADJVZR NEG
 'single'</p> |
| <p>(184a) t- onu-re
 ADJVZR-eye-ADJVZR
 'seeing'</p> | <p>(184b) t- onu-re pyra
 ADJVZR-eye-ADJVZR NEG
 'blind'</p> |
| <p>(185a) maixi-hpe
 cold- infected
 'sick with a cold'</p> | <p>(185b) maixi-hpe pyra
 cold- infected NEG
 'not sick with a cold'</p> |

Some nominal negations follow:

- (186) enah-pyny
 eat- NEG +NOMLZR
 'fruit-type food not to be eaten' (see sect. 15.4 for discussion of *-pyny*).
- (187) t- onah-sē ka-ra
 GEN. PREF-eat- NOMLZR be-NEG
 'It is not edible food.'

There can be not more than one negation element in a clause, but there can be one in each main and subordinate clause in each sentence.

- (188) omise pyra j-a- htao otuh-pyra ase
 hungry NEG I-be-when eat- NEG I +be +PRES
 'When I am not hungry, I do not eat.'

13 Anaphora

Anaphora is expressed by deletion under the following conditions:

(i) deletion of the quotation margin in direct speech sentences:

(189) to! ohpa ere- ry j-epe.
oh! fish liver-POSSN 1-friend +POSSN

otoko hn-a?
where 3- be +PRES

seny, ohpa ere- ry ke m-a tompore
here fish liver-POSSN with 3-be +PRES delicious

j-epe. tompore?
1-friend +POSSN delicious

ȳ, t- ō- ne reh ahse, ohpa
yes GEN. PREF-eat-NOMLZR expect 1 +be +PRES fish

ere- ry ō- ne. i-kuh-ko pahne
liver-POSSN eat-NOMLZR 3-try-IMP AMELIORATIVE

j-epe. ȳ. mame t- ō- se ey-a
1-friend +POSSN OK. then NF-eat-CMPL 3- by

' "Oh! the fish liver, my friend."

"Where is it?"

"Here, the fish liver is delicious, friend."

"(Is it) good?"

"Yes, I'm an eater of it; I eat fish liver. Try it my friend."

"OK." Then he ate it.'

The frequency of this deletion seems to vary with different narrators. In a legend text of 139 quotes, 61 are marked with quote tags and 78 are not marked. In another legend of 33 quotes (narrated by another Apalai) only 9 are marked with the quote margin. In a text of made-up dialogue between a father and son, there is not a single quote tag used.

(ii) deletion of subject and verb in interrogative sentences:

- (190) eropa! j-epe m-a i-tỹ- se
 1+2+go+IMP 1-friend+POSSN 3-be+PRES 3-poison-PURP
 yto-Ŵko, t- yka-se.
 go- CONT NF-say-CMPL
 otoko na? ikuhpo kuaka?
 where to lake to
 ' "Let's go! My friend is going to poison (fish)," he said.
 "Where (are we going)? (Are we going) to the lake?" '

(iii) deletion of subject and verb in answers to questions:

- (191) azah yto-Ŵko syt- ah? t- yka-se.
 where go- CONT 1+2-be+PRES NF-say-CMPL
 ikuhpo kuaka ... t- yka-se
 lake to NF-say-CMPL
 ' "Where are we going?" he said.
 "To the lake ..., " he said.'

Deletion of subject and verb is very frequent in dialogue. Anaphora is also expressed by personal pronouns in the case of third person referents. Both deictic and nondeictic pronouns are used anaphorically. The free pronouns are also anaphorically related within the clause to the person marking prefix of the verb when they occur as subject or direct object.

- (192) s- ytỹ- tase kokoro j-epe,
 1+2-poison fish-MOT. IMP tomorrow 1-friend+POSSN
 t- yka-se. i-py- ty se ynororo
 NF-say-CMPL 3-wife- POSSN want 3
 ' "Let us poison fish tomorrow, my friend," he said,
 but he was wanting his wife (the other man's).'
 (193) ohpa- hko s- ō- tase, t- yka-se
 sucker fish-EVAL 1+2-eat-MOT. IMP NF-say-CMPL
 moseh ynororo otuh-kose ke j-epe.
 this one 3 eat- IMP POLITE 1-friend+POSSN
 tukasere potu
 fat nice
 ' "Let's eat sucker fish," he said. "Here it is.
 Eat some, my friend. It seems nice and fat." '

- (194) pāna n-ae sero yro
 UNCERT 3-be +PRES this 3INAN
 'This is the one.'
- (195) mokyro kurumu-ke ty- py- e rahkene
 that one vulture-INST ADJVZR-wife-ADJVZR really
 'That one (was) married to a vulture (woman).'
- (196) na y-rato rukuh moro. kura
 INTROD 1-knife +POSSN really that good +NOMLZR
 rukuku-hxo moro
 really that
 'That is my knife, yes. And it certainly is a good one.'

There is a third person reflexive prefix *t-* which occurs with nominals, nominalized verbs and postpositional relators to signal the same referent as the subject of the clause or of a superordinate clause. (See sect. 4 for details and examples.)

Anaphora is also expressed by certain discourse particles, including *ropa* 'back again' and *roropa* 'additive' which relate the item they modify to something that occurred earlier in the discourse. Also the particle *ro* 'still' occurs with nominals, personal pronouns, actions and situations to identify them as the same or similar to the antecedent.

- (197) m-oe- no ropa? t- yka-se. oe- no ropa
 2-come-IP back NF-say-CMPL I +come-IP back
 ke papa t- yka-se
 POLITE father NF-say-CMPL
 ' "Hello, you came back," (he) said.
 "I came back, Dad," (he) said.'

The particle *ropa* 'again' relates the return of the participant to the location or setting from which he left to begin his travels.

- (198) akoroka-ase-Ŵtyky. mame tapyi zomye roropa
 I +clear-RP- finish then house around also
 akoroka-ase pitiko ātarika-hme exi-ry- ke
 I +clear-RP little weedy-DENOM be- NOMLZR-REAS
 'I finished clearing weeds. Then I cleared a little around
 the house as well because it was weedy.'

Other means of anaphoric reference include the particle *hro* 'in response to your question' and *ta* 'reported information'.

- (199) m-epy- no? *ȳ*, epy hro
 2-swim-IP? yes, 1+swim+IP RESP
 ' "Did you swim?"
 "Yes I swam." '
- (200) i-meretamu- ruh ta n-ynomōka-no,
 3-father in law-POSSN REPORT 3-reject- IP

 t- yka-se z-oh wo- to-ise
 NF-say-CONT 3-meat+POSSN shoot-PL-FRUST
 ' "He says his father-in-law rejected him," he said,
 because he missed his game.'

Within the clause there can be a sequence of anaphorically related items.

- (201) tamuxi mokyro i-meretamu- ru
 old man that one 3-father in law-POSSN
 'There was the old man, his father-in-law.'

The deictic personal pronoun *mokyro* is a cataphoric reference to 'father-in-law' while the prefix *i-* 'his' is anaphoric, referring to Ituimano mentioned eight lines earlier in the opening sentence of the story.

- (202) m-oeh- no ropa? *ȳ* oeh- no ropa t- yka-se
 2-come-IP back yes, 1+come-IP back NF-say-CMPL

 mokyro i-py- ty
 that one 3-wife-POSSN
 ' "Hello, you're back."
 "Yes, I came back," she said. She was his wife.'

In this quotation margin of a direct speech sentence there are two types of anaphora which overlap:

- (i) the anaphora within the clause, the antecedent being *ipyty* 'his wife' following the anaphor *mokyro*, and
- (ii) anaphora across sentence boundaries, *i-* 'his' being the anaphor relating to an antecedent *orutua* 'man' occurring earlier in the discourse.

Juxtaposition is the principal form of coordination, and the general rules relating to anaphora across sentence, clause, and phrase boundaries apply; however, the reflexive prefix *t-* cannot relate anaphorically across sentence boundaries.

- (203) arimi wowo repe. epuka-ra kyn-ako
 monkey 1+shoot+REDUP+IP FRUST fall- NEG 3- be+IP
 'I shot the monkey repeatedly but it didn't fall.'

All subordinate clauses are nonfinite. Anaphora can occur between main and subordinate clauses with the antecedent occurring in the main clause. The subordinate clause may precede or follow the main clause and there may be anaphoric or cataphoric (i.e. "backward anaphora") reference. Where the subject of the main clause is the antecedent, the reflexive prefix *t-* is the anaphor in the subordinate clause (204).

- (204) poeto-me t- a- htao tūpa kyn-epuru-ne
 child-DENOM 3REFLX-be-when Tūpa 3- sting-DP
 'When she was a child Tūpa was initiated (stung with ants).'
- (205) mame oepy- ase ropa kajama aro- xīpo
 then 1+come-RP again manioc meal take-first
 'Then I returned having first delivered the manioc meal.'

In (205) the subject of the subordinate clause is coreferential with the first person subject of the main clause and is not overtly expressed. In example (206) the third person experiencer of the subordinate clause is the anaphor and its antecedent is *m-* 'third person subject' of the main clause.

- (206) orih-pŷ m-a ro repe
 die- NEG+NOMLZR 3-be+PRES yet FRUST
 t- ynahpa-se exi- ry- ke
 NF-poison-CMPL 3+be-NOMLZR-REAS
 'He should not have died but (he did) because of his being poisoned.'

A sequence of subordinate clauses can have anaphors that refer to the same antecedent in the main clause:

- (207) at- amorepa-po Vko mo makina-ponaka
 REFLX-teach- CAUS-CONT that machine-on
 t- āt- amorepa- toh- me moro poko
 3REFLX-REFLX- teach- NOMLZR-DENOM that occ.with
 pape mero- toh- me tyy- a
 paper write-NOMLZR-DENOM 3REFLX-by
 '(He is) causing himself to be taught on the machine in order that he learn, in order that he write on paper (a letter).'

14 Subordinate clauses

14.1 Subordinate constructions in general. Only nonfinite verb forms occur in subordinate clauses. These clauses consist of nominalizations, often embedded in postpositional phrases, or some other construction, derived from a verb by the addition of affixes, and functioning as an adverbial constituent of the main clause. The nominalization or other derived form can be inflected for person of possessor and can contain clause elements such as adverbs, locatives, etc.

The subordinate clauses usually follow but can precede the main clause. Fronting of the subordinate clause, like other elements in a main clause, is used for emphasis or highlighting. If the main clause verb has a direct object or subject or some other element preceding it, then the adverbial clause will follow the main clause. Nominalized constructions that occur as the complement of a copula normally precede the copula, which is syntactically the main verb.

The following examples illustrate:

(i) nominalization embedded in a postpositional phrase:

- (208) t- ooriky-ry se pyra j-epe
 3REFLX-die- NOMLZR want NEG 1-friend+POSSN
 kyn-exi-ne repe
 3- be-DP FRUST
 'My friend did not want to die (but he died anyway).'

- (209) ywy papa ooriky-ry a
 I 1 +father +POSSN die- NOMLZR concerning
 t- uaro pyra
 GEN.PREF- know NEG
 'I did not understand my father's death'

- (210) sero n-ase j-eroh- topo- v̄pyry poko
 this 3-be +PRES 1-work-NOMLZR-PAST +POSSN occ.with
 'This is about the work which I have done.'

(ii) other derived form:

- (211) moroto-ino kV̄-yto-ne jē ekepyry
 there- after 3- go- DP 3 +mother +POSSN body
 eseka- hpō- kō eahma- se
 bite- PAST +NOMLZR-GRP invite- PURP
 'After that he went to invite the ones who killed his mother.'

(iii) subordinate clause following and preceding the main clause:

(212) ōko tō wo- ne zumo-hxo j- a- htao
wild turkey GRP 1+kill-DP big- INTNSF 1-be-when
'I killed wild turkey when I was bigger.'

(213) poeto-me ro j-a- htao kana any- pito- ne
child-DENOM still 1-be-when fish 1+catch-begin-DP
'When I was still a child I began to catch fish.'

The main clause with the finite verb has the primary tense marking. Derived nominals may also have a more limited tense marking when they are functioning as a subordinate clause.

The basic word order of finite clauses is OVS. In nominal constructions the NP (i.e. possessor), which is the underlying S of an intransitive construction and the underlying O of a transitive construction, always occurs preceding the derived nominal. The underlying S of a transitive construction is most frequently found occurring before the derived nominal and before the possessor (object) NP, although it can also occur after the nominal. It is marked in the nonfinite subordinate clause by the postposition *a* 'to, by', as in (69, 70) which are repeated here as ((214) and (215)). In both these examples, this *a* phrase follows the derived form.

(214) t- oh wo- toīse y-a y-meretamu-
3REFLX-meat+POSSN shoot-FRUST 1-by 1-father in law-

ru y-nomo- no
POSSN 1-abandon-IP
'My father-in-law abandoned me for my almost having
shot his meat.'

(215) seromaroro at- amorepa-Ũko ropa mose pape
now REFLX-teach- CONT again this one paper

mero- toh- me tyy- a
write-NOMLZR-DENOM 3REFLX-by.
'Now this person is studying again to write on paper himself.'

14.2 Relative clauses. There is no regular finite form of relative clause. There are various means used to obtain the same effect as such a clause: simple nominalization; placing NPs together in a paratactic relationship, with intonational break; descriptive sentences usually involving an equative clause; or some combination of these means.

- (216) mame kanawa aro- ko repe zakare konôto rokene
 then canoe take-HIS but alligator large only
 'Then he took a canoe which was only a large alligator but
 (it functioned as a canoe).'
- (217) ku- akuoh- ko tam, t- yka-se
 2SIO- take across-IMP grandfather NF-say-CMPL
 mokyro, kuto n-akuoty- hpyry
 that one frog 3-take across-NOMLZR +PAST
 ' "Take me across the water, grandfather," said the one whom the
 frog had taken across.'
- (218) arimi s- ô- tatose t- yka-se wo-
 monkey 1+2-cat-MOT.PL.IMP NF-say-CMPL shoot-
 tō ka-ra onokyro on-uo- pyny
 NOMLZR be-NEG game 3- shoot-NEG +NOMLZR
 onokyro wo- ry waro-Ũ ka-ra
 game shoot-NOMLZR know-NOMLZR be-NEG
 ' "Let's go eat monkey," said the one who was not a shooter,
 who never shot game, who didn't know how to shoot game.'
- (219) mame imep̃y t- ooeh- se makarita samo, imep̃y
 then another NF-come-CMPL Margaret like another
 ropa pone samo
 again Pone like
 'Then another one came, one like Margaret, and (there
 was) another one like Pone.'

In example (217) the nominalized form *kuto nakuotyhp̃yry* 'the one whom the frog had taken across' follows the pronoun *mokyro* 'that one' in a paratactic relationship, but it could stand alone as subject of the clause.

14.3 Time and conditional clauses. In the adverbial time clause there is no marking of tense distinctions. These are shown only in the finite verb forms of the main clause. There are four forms of derived time adverbial distinguished by their suffixes: *-htao* 'simultaneous action,' *-xipo* 'after, first' *tohto* 'before,' *-tane* 'until'. All take the inflectional prefixes that mark the person of the possessor.

- (220) serara- no- V̄po ka-ra ase
 like this- NOMLZR-PAST be-NEG 1 +be +PRES
 nuase- me j- a- htao
 young person-DENOM 1-be-when
 'That's not the kind I was when I was young.'
- (221) moroto kama- kuao j-ua- ne poeto-me
 there Kama(river)-at 1-dance-DP child-DENOM
 ro j- a- htao
 still 1-be-when
 'I danced there at the Kama river when I was still a child.'
- (222) araiba tō oeh- nōko m-a nonoaty akoh-xīpo
 Araiba GRP come-CONT 3-be +PRES tree bark cut- first
 'After cutting the bark, Araiba and family are coming.'
- (223) papa ruka kana- ry apiro-ase t- oyto-tohto
 father Ruka canoe-POSSN open-RP 3REFLX-go- before
 'Father opened Luke's canoe before going on.'
- (224) senohne akoroka-V̄ko toto t- umy- kō
 this +PL clear- CONT 3PL 3REFLX-father +POSSN-PL
 oeh- tane ropa
 come- until again
 'They are clearing this until their father returns.'

The foregoing examples show that tense is marked only in the verb of the main clause, the time adverbial always having the same form. There is no distinction between time and conditional adverbials. The form *-htao* is glossed 'if' or 'when' depending on the context (225).

- (225) omise aw-a- htao otuh-ko
 hungry 2- be-if/when eat- IMP
 'If you are hungry, eat' or 'When you are hungry, eat.'

14.4 Contrary to fact conditionals. Contrary to fact conditionals also have the form *-htao* (sect. 14.3) but in this case the main clause has a special nominalized verb form:

- (226) opotu nymyry a- htao a- ry- pyra kahpyry
 fast water genuine be-if be-NOMLZR-NEG ugly
 exi-ry toh asakororo
 be- NOMLZR 3PL both
 'If the water had been fast there would be nothing left of the
 two of them.'

14.5 Manner subordinate clauses. Manner clauses take the form of derived nominals followed by certain postpositions, including *me* 'DENOMINALIZER' (sometimes written as a suffix *-me*). The manner clause answers the question *otāto* 'how?'

- (227) oepy- ase kana anymy-ry me axī pyra
 I+come- RP fish lift- NOMLZR DENOM fast NEG
 rahkene
 really
 'I came slowly as I caught fish.'
- (228) kana anymy-ase j-oepy- ry me kae-
 fish I+lift-RP I-come-NOMLZR DENOM high-
 toko- hxo
 NOMLZR-INTNSF
 'I caught a great pile of fish as I came.'

14.6 Purpose clauses. There are two basic types of purpose clauses: motion purpose and nonmotion purpose. Motion purpose clauses occur only as the complement of verbs of motion: intransitive verbs *oep* 'come', and *yto* 'go', and transitive verbs *enep* 'bring', *aro* 'take', and *enyok* 'send'. The nucleus of the complement clause is a verb stem plus the suffix *-se* which marks it as 'MOTION PURPOSE'. Transitive forms also have a prefix marking the person of the possessor (object).

- (229) seroae karaiwa tō n-yto-no parahta wo-se
 today nonindian GRP 3-go- IP rubber cut-PURP
 anatū- kuaka
 Anatū(creek)- at
 'Today a group of men went to cut rubber along the Anatum.'
- (230) moroto-ino ynan-yto-ne nyh- se anaxikarahpā-taka
 there- from I+3- go-DP sleep-PURP Anaxikarahpā-to
 'From there we went to Anaxikarahpano to sleep.'

- (231) pape eneh- se oeh- ne
 paper bring-PURP I +come-DP
 'I came to bring a letter.'
- (232) ky- pipoh-se oeh- nōko toto
 I+2-beat- PURP come-CONT 3PL
 'They are coming to beat us up.'

The underlying subject of motion purpose clauses is always the same as the subject of the main clause, which accounts for the fact that there are no person-marking prefixes in nontransitive forms. Prefixes on transitive forms follow the usual rule in nonfinite derived forms of being possessor prefixes that refer to the underlying object.

Nonmotion purpose clauses occur as the complement of verbs other than those involving motion. The nucleus of the complement clause takes the form of a verb stem plus *-toh-me* 'PURPOSE' (-nominalizer-denominalizer).

- (233) mame amihto- Vko tysarah ka-toh- me, kana
 then 3 +string-CONT snap do-NOMLZR-DENOM fish
 wo- toh- me enara
 shoot- NOMLZR-DENOM that's all
 'Then I will string it so that it snaps, so that it shoots fish.'
- (234) morara exi-ry- ke ynan-urumeka-ne rahkene
 thus be- NOMLZR-REAS I+3- leave- DP really
 xiaro yna- yhto- toh- me
 here I+3-descend-NOMLZR-DENOM
 'Therefore we left the place really to descend to here.'

14.7 Cause clauses. Cause clauses have as their nucleus a derived nominal with the suffix *-ry* 'ACTION NOMINALIZATION, POSSESSION', followed by the postposition *ke* 'because of (REASON), by means of (INSTRUMENTAL)' (sometimes written as a suffix *-ke*). This postposition also occurs with simple nouns, usually with the instrumental meaning.

- (235) mame moro ynan-urumeka-ne ropa maikuato-hpe
 then that I+3- leave- DP again ant- infested
 exi- ry- ke
 be- NOMLZR-REAS
 'Then we abandoned that place again because of its
 being infested with ants.'

- (236) moraramē otuh-pyra i-pani- ry moro
 thus like eat- NEG 3-son in law-POSSN that
 ene-ry- ke tyy- a nuriame sã
 see-NOMLZR- REAS 3REFLX-by/to filthy like
 exi- ry- ke
 be- NOMLZR-REAS
 'Then her son-in-law wouldn't eat, because he had
 seen it, because it was repulsive.'
- (237) morara ka- ry- ke ey-a yto- ase toto
 thus say-NOMLZR- REAS 3- by 1+go-RP 3PL
 eneh- se ropa
 bring-PURP again
 'Because he said that, I went to bring them back.'
- (238) mūpo-jana on-ene-pyra toto yto-ry- ke
 rat- person 3- see-NEG 3PL go- NOMLZR-REAS
 imep̃y pona
 another+NOMLZR to
 'The rat persons were not seen because they went to another place.'

14.8 Result clauses. Result statements are handled either by means of a cause clause, where the main clause constitutes the statement of the result, or by a sequence of two sentences juxtaposed. In the latter case the result may be implied without any formal marking, or the second sentence may contain the postpositional phrase *morara exiryke* 'therefore, because of that' or the conjunction *naeroro* 'therefore'. This usually occurs at the beginning of a sentence and can refer to either the immediately preceding sentence or a longer stretch of the preceding discourse.

- (239) ahno- hpe a- Ṽko kyn-exi-ne. morara
 people-full of say-CONT 3- be- DP that
 exi-ry- ke myaro papa yto-pyra
 be- NOMLZR-REAS over there my father go- NEG
 eh-se
 be-CONT. PAST
 'They said it was crowded. So Father would never go over there.'

- (240) orih-py m-a ro repe t- ynahpo-se
 die- NEG 3-be +PRES yet FRUST NF-poison-CMPL
 exi- ry- ke. morara exi-ry- ke
 be- NOMLZR-REAS thus be- NOMLZR-REAS
 ynan-urumeka-ne rahkene
 1+3- leave- DP really
 'He would not have died but (he did) because he was poisoned.
 Therefore we left.'

- (241) onoky a- V̄ko puhko o-uru-V̄ko,
 who say-CONT EYEWITNESS 2-tell-CONT
 kaikuxi-jana asa ã- ne? naeroro
 jaguar-people 2+mother+POSSN eat-DP therefore
 tehme exi-ko a- V̄ko ase
 settled be- IMP say-CONT 1+be+PRES
 'Who is it that is telling you the jaguars ate your mother?
 That's why I'm saying settle down.'

- (242) t- oh wo- toise y-a
 3REFLX-meat+POSSN shoot-FRUST 1-by
 y-meretamu- ru y-nomo-no
 1-father in law-POSSN 1-leave-IP
 'My father-in-law abandoned me for my almost having shot his meat.'

14.9 Comparative and equative clauses. Subordinate clauses expressing degree such as comparative and equative take the form of derived nominals followed by certain postpositionals: *saaro* 'like', *motye* 'greater, above', *zokonaka* 'fraction of' (literally 'into its body'), and the manner postposition *me* 'denominalizer'.

- (243) yto-V̄ko ase berē pona FAB kana- ry- ae
 go- CONT 1+be+PRES Belem to FAB plane-POSSN-by
 mose yto-topo- V̄pyry saaro
 that go- NOMLZR-PAST+POSSN like
 'I'm going to Belem on a FAB plane like that one did.'
 (FAB: 'Força Aérea Brasileira')

- (244) tururume bufaro yto-ry motye kawaru
 running water buffalo go- NOMLZR more horse
 yto-Vko axi- hxo
 go- CONT fast-INTNSF
 'A horse goes faster than a running water-buffalo.'
- (245) itamurume- hxo tōsē t- apoi-se oy-a ywy
 more- INTNSF meat NF-take-CMPL 2- by I
 zokonaka pixo rokē t- apoi-se y-a
 fraction small only NF-take-CMPL 1-by
 'A large amount of meat was taken by you. I got only a fraction as much.'

14.10 Desire clauses. Statements of desire are expressed as the complement of the copula. A noun or derived nominal is followed by the postpositional relator *se* 'desirous of'. This relator is the only way to express the verbal concepts 'love', 'like', or 'want' (in the same way that *waro* 'knowing, aware of' is a relator). It occurs with simple nouns and with bound possessor/object pronouns.

- (246) o-se ase
 2-like I +be +PRES
 'I like you.'
- (247) y-py- ty se kyn-exi-ne
 1-wife-POSSN like 3- be-DP
 'He wanted my wife.'
- (248) yna aro- ry se eh-se repe
 1+3 take-NOMLZR want be-CONT. PAST FRUST
 'They were wanting to take us but (we won't let them).'
- (249) yna wo- ry se pyra ase (mokaro a)
 1+3 shoot- NOMLZR want NEG I +be +PRES (those by)
 'I don't want us to get shot (by those people)' or
 'I don't want those people to shoot us.'
- (250) j-yto-ry se ase berē pona
 1-go-NOMLZR want I +be +PRES Belem to
 'I want to go to Belem.'
- (251) poponi oepy- ry se ase berē pona
 Poponi come-NOMLZR want I +be +PRES Belem to
 'I want Poponi to come to Belem.'

- (252) j- oh wo- ry se ase poponi
 1-meat +POSSN shoot-NOMLZR want 1 +be +PRES Poponi
 a
 by
 'I want Poponi to shoot game for me.'

14.11 Complex subordinate constructions. There are two types of complex constructions involving subordinate clauses: 1) paratactic and 2) recursive. The paratactic, which is common at all levels of the syntax, consists of a series of two or more clauses which have the same syntactic relationship to the rest of the sentence. They function to: a) enable additional peripheral elements of the clause to be added without overloading any one clause; b) provide increased identification of an item, thus avoiding ambiguity.

- (253) mokyro on-ene-pyra exi- ase pata pona yto-pyra
 that one 3- see-NEG 1 +be-RP village to go- NEG
 j-exi-ry- ke ty- pokō-ke
 1-be-NOMLZR-REAS ADJVZR-busy-ADJVZR
 j-exi-ry- ke
 1-be-NOMLZR-REAS
 'I didn't see him because I didn't go to the village
 because I was busy.'
- (254) otuh-pyra i-pani- ry t- one-se
 eat- NEG 3-son in law-POSSN NF-see-CMPL
 exi- ry- ke nuriame sā exi-ry- ke
 be- NOMLZR-REAS repulsive like be- NOMLZR-REAS
 'Her son-in-law refused to eat because he had seen it,
 because it was repulsive.'

The recursive type of complex construction occurs where one subordinate clause is embedded in another, as in (255), where *tōxiry arory se* is the embedded complement of *toexiryke*.

- (255) t- ōxi- ry aro- ry se t-
 3REFLX-daughter-POSSN take-NOMLZR want 3REFLX-
 oexi- ry- ke t- aro- se kyn-ako
 be- NOMLZR- REAS NF-take-CMPL 3- be +IP
 'Because he wanted to take his daughter he took her.'

Nonfinite clauses can also be embedded as the object ((256), subject ((257)-(259)), or adjunct ((260)-(262)) of the main clause:

- (256) j-oepy- ry eraxima-ko
1-come-NOMLZR wait- IMP
'Wait for my coming.'
- (257) anŷ-tō kyn-oeh- ne
lift-NOMLZR 3- come-DP
'The lifter (formal inviter to feast) came.'
- (258) moroto kaē poroh- toh mana
there high one landing-NOMLZR 3 +be +PRES
'There the airstrip is (located).'
- (259) j-umy, kuto n-akuoty- hpyry
3-father+POSSN frog 3-take across-NOMLZR +PAST

z-umy irapare
3-father+POSSN Irapare
'His father, the father of the one the frog took across (is)
Irapare.'
- (260) mame ynan-yto-ase nyh- se mokā
then 1 +3- go-RP sleep-PURP those

nyh- topo- V̆pyry pona
sleep- NOMLZR-PAST +POSSN to
'Then we went to sleep at those people's former sleeping place.'
- (261) oepy- ase kana anymy-ry- me
1+come-RP fish lift- NOMLZR-DENOM
'I came fishing.'
- (262) kana anymy-ase j-oepy-ry- me
fish lift- RP 1-come-NOMLZR-DENOM
'I caught fish as I came.'

14.12 Indirect discourse. Indirect statements, assertions, or commands are usually expressed as direct quotes. Rhetorical questions are also used to express certain kinds of indirect questions. Example (263) illustrates one way in which a rhetorical question is used to express an indirect form of question:

- (263) otāto mon-exi-ano tarame? yrome zuaro pyra
how many 3- be-IP perhaps but know NEG
'(I) don't know how many there were.'

The use of direct quotation to express commands and statements which would often be translated into English by indirect forms is illustrated in (264)-(266):

- (264) kuto hko etapa-po ko n-yka-hko
 frog EVALUATION kill- CAUS-IMP 3-say-EVALUATION
 papa
 father
 'Father said, "Go kill frog meat" ' or
 'Father had ordered frog meat.'
- (265) mose ene-ko pahne t- yka-se to-
 this one see-IMP POLITE NF-say-CMPL 3REFLX-
 oryxi-ry a
 sister-POSSN to
 ' "Look at this one" (he) said to his sister' or
 'He told his sister to look at it.'
- (266) o-wo-Vko ase t- yka-se
 2-kill-CONT I+be+PRES NF-say-CMPL
 ' "I am (going to) kill you," he said' or
 'He said he would kill me.'

14.13 Direct quotation. Direct quotation is used extensively. It may be marked with a quote tag, vocative, use of first and second person referents in the quote, or a response which is either a speech act or a behavioral response. The quotation can occur before or after the quote tag. There are many examples scattered throughout this paper.

SYNTAX OF PHRASE TYPES

15 Noun phrase structure

15.0 Introduction. The noun phrase is defined as the constituent that can occur as the subject or direct object of a sentence or as the head of a postpositional phrase. The internal structure consists of a nucleus and optional peripheral elements. The nucleus is:

- (i) a single noun or pronoun (simple noun phrase); or
- (ii) a sequence of nouns, each constituent pair of which is in a possessor-possessed relationship (possessed noun phrase). The peripheral elements are pre- or post-posed modifiers and/or post-posed particles.

15.1 Marking for case. There is no case marking of subject and direct object relations. Word order normally distinguishes the functions of noun phrases as subject and object. See sect. 1.

Bound prefixes mark subject of intransitive and copula verbs and subject and object of transitive verbs. See sect. 18.4.

Any other syntactic relationship in which a noun phrase is involved (other than as subject or object) requires the use of a postpositional relator with the noun phrase. Indirect object is marked with the relator *a* "to, by" and expresses the recipient role.

- (267) taky m-ekaro-ase ey-a
 bow 2-give- RP 3- to
 'You gave the bow to him.'

The relator *a* also marks agent in derived constructions such as nominalizations and causatives.

- (268) kanawa axika-ry aimo a
 canoe carve-NOMLZR boy by
 'the carving of the canoe by the boy'
- (269) aimo nyh- ma- po- no j-eny
 boy sleep-TRNSTVZR-CAUS-IP 3-mother +POSSN
 ty- paxi- ry a
 3REFLX-sister- POSSN by
 'The mother caused the sister to put the boy to sleep.'

15.2 Genitives. In possessed noun phrases the possessor (genitive) precedes the possessed (noun head). The possessed object is the morphologically marked item. It has the possessor prefix (which is Ø- when there is a free form possessor) as well as the possession suffix *-ny*, *-ry*, or other less common variants:

- (270a) nohpo 0-kyry- ry
 woman 3-thing-POSSN
 'the woman's possession'
- (270b) i-kyry- ry
 3-thing-POSSN
 'her/his possession'

See sect. 16 for the set of pronominal affixes.

There is no syntactic difference between alienable and inalienable possession. However, there is a distinction between the two types of possession since there

are some items--principally kinship terms, generic terms for foods, and some body parts--which are obligatorily possessed and are always marked by the possessor prefix and possession suffix.

- (271) ty- paxi-ry
 3REFLX-sister-POSSN
 'his own sister'

Other items are optionally possessed: the unmarked form is the nonpossessed one, and the addition of the possessor prefix and possession suffix marks it as possessed.

- (272) rato; a-rato- ny
 'knife' 2-knife-POSSN 'your knife'

There are also obligatorily non-possessed items. These never occur with the affixes that mark possession. They include the names of plants, animals, persons, and natural phenomena.

- (273) *paruru* 'banana'; *nuno* 'moon'; *orutua* 'man'; *konopo* 'rain'

There is no formal difference between temporary and permanent possession.

Present and past possession are marked by noun suffixes. The suffix marking present possession is: *-ny* 'POSSESSION'. Its variants are *-ry*, *-ty*, *-Ø*, and stem reduction. The suffix marking past possession is: *-hpyry* or *-Ŵpyry* 'POSSESSED ITEM PAST'. (In general *-hpyry* occurs replacing the *-ry* form of the present and with nominalizing suffixes; *-Ŵpyry* occurs elsewhere. However, if the stem ends in *-ry*, as in some obligatorily possessed words, then the suffix *-Ŵpyry* is used, e.g. *ykyryry* 'my possession', *ykyryŴpyry* 'my former possession'.)

There is no marking for length or duration of possession (remote, historical or recent).

- (274) *j-omi-ry* 'my speech'; *j-omi-hpyry* 'my ancient words'
 (275) *y-nekaro-ry* 'what I am giving'; *y-nekaro-hpyry* 'what I gave'
 (276) *y-tapyi-ny* 'my house'; *y-tapyi-ny-Ŵpyry* 'my former house'

Certain obligatorily possessed items such as generic terms for food can be specified by placing the specific word in apposition with the generic word:

- | | | | |
|-------|------------------------|--------------------------|--------|
| (277) | a-napy- ry; | a-napy-ry | paruru |
| | 2-fruit/veg.- POSSN | 2-fruit-POSSN | banana |
| | 'your fruit/vegetable' | 'your fruit, the banana' | |

15.3 Modifiers. Modifiers in noun phrases occur following the head of the phrase or occasionally preceding it. There are adjective/adverbial type words such as: *konōto* 'large'; *zumo* 'big'; *pitiko* 'small'; *kure* 'good'; *popyra* 'bad'; *nymyry* 'genuine'; *tuhke* 'many'; *mosa* 'tall'; *axiny* 'quickly'. Some modifiers are formed by simply adding to any noun the postposition (sometimes written as a suffix) *me* 'DENOMINALIZER': *poeto me* 'child-like, as a child'; *anusasa me* 'sweet'; *itamuru me* 'much'.

- (278) y-kaparu-nu nymyry apoi-ko j-epe
 1-club- POSSN genuine grab-IMP 1-friend +POSSN
 'Grab my genuine club, friend.'
- (279) moroto kana pisarara rokē ynan- anymy-ase
 there fish small only 1+3S3O-lift- RP
 'There we only caught some small fish.'
- (280) yna tapyī pitiko ynan- amo- ry
 1+3 house+POSSN small 1+3S3O-construct-NOMLZR
 'Our small house, the one we constructed.'

Other modifiers are verb or noun stems with derivational affixes *t(y)-...-re/e* 'adjectivizer/adverbializer': *t-onor-e* 'dry' (*anory* 'be dry'); *t-onu-re* 'seeing' (*onu* 'eye'); *ty-py-e* 'with a wife' (*py* 'wife'). The etymology of some forms is impossible to reconstruct: *tūpore* 'hard'.

Other modifiers are noun stems with the derivational suffix *-hpe* 'infested, infected, plagued, negative value attributed': *maxi-hpe* 'infected with flu'; *ahno-hpe* 'full of people, crowded'.

An alternative way is for the adjective and adverb type words to be nominalized and right dislocated as an expansion or addition to the main clause.

- (281) moroto kana ynan- anymy-ase, pisararākō
 there fish 1+3S3O-lift- RP small+NOMLZR+PL
 rokene
 only
 'There we caught some fish, just small ones.'
- (282) yna tapyī ynan- amo- ry moro,
 1+3 house+POSSN 1+3S3O-construct-NOMLZR that
 zumo-no
 big- NOMLZR
 'Our house, the one we constructed, a big one.'

There is no specific form of relative clause construction. See sect. 15.4 for discussion of various forms of nominalization that can function as relative clauses. Articles do not exist in Apalai. Demonstratives (see sect. 16) function as complete noun phrases rather than as a single constituent of a noun phrase.

Numerals can occur before or after the word they modify. The preferred position for numerals is in the expansion of the sentence (284):

- (283) moraramē asakoro toto, nohpo tomo
and then two 3PL woman COLL
'And then (there were) two of them, women.'
- (284) aruma apuka-Ũ aporo, asakoro rokene
reed pick- IP first two only
'First he cut reeds (weaving fibers), only two.'
- (285) omametone paihxina ynan- anymy- ase
five species of fish 1+3S3O-lift- RP
'We caught five paihxina (a type of fish).'

Quantifiers are not distinguished syntactically from other adjective type words.

- (286) kana 0- anymy- ase kana tuhke hxo
fish 3S3O-lift- RP fish many INTNSF
'He caught a lot of fish.'
- (287) orino tō- kehko t- apuh- se
clay PL- etc NF-mold-CMPL
'Various kinds of clay objects were molded.'

Tōkehko indicates a group of more than one, whereas *tuhke* indicates a large number. (*tōkehko* is made up of the following particles: *tomo* 'COLLECTIVE', *ke* 'AMELIORATIVE' and *hko* 'EVALUATION'.)

The plural markers in noun phrases function as group markers rather than plural number. These groups normally share some semantic similarity such as edible plants, reptiles, jungle trees, etc. The markers belong to a small closed set of modifying particles and occur postpositionally in the periphery of the noun phrase. The particle *tomo* (shortened to *tō* in phrase medial position) most often occurs with non-possessed nouns.

- (288) aimo tō t- oyto-se
boy PL NF-go- CMPL
'The boy and his family went' or 'The boys went.'

The particle *komo* occurs with possessed nouns and nominalized verbs with second and third person involvement.

- (289) o-mūku-ru komo
 2- son- POSSN COLL
 'your (pl) son'

Other modifying particles are:

-*Ŵpo* 'DEVALUED'

- (290) pata-*Ŵpo* 'the abandoned village'

-*imo* 'augmentative' or 'variety of'

- (291) paruru- imo 'large cooking banana'
 poinoko-imo 'variety of jungle pig' or 'domesticated pig'
 okoi-imo 'anaconda, boa constrictor, big snake'

-*hne* 'homogeneous group' (with demonstrative pronouns)

- (292) mokaro-hne kae-na toh m-a
 those- GRP high 3PL 3- be +PRES
 'Those ones are high.'

See sect. 21.1 for a more complete list.

15.4 Nominalizations

15.4.1 Types of nominalizations. The nominalization of verb stems includes:

- (i) -*ry* 'possessed nominalization of action'. This suffix is added to transitive or intransitive verb stems and cooccurs with person marking possessor prefix or possessor noun phrase. For the forms marking past possession, which also apply to nominalizations (-*hpyry*, -*Ŵpyry*), see sect. 15.2.

- (293) j-oe_{py}- ry eraxima-ko
 1-come-NOMLZR wait- IMP
 'Wait for my coming.'

- (294) karao apoi- ry y-a
 bird catch-NOMLZR 1-by
 'my catching the bird...'

- (ii) -*pyry* 'negative nominalization of action referring to the actor or potential actor'. This occurs with both intransitive and transitive verb stems.

The transitive stem has an obligatory possessor prefix signalling underlying object of the verb.

- (295) kana an-anỹ-pyny
 fish 3- lift-NEG +NOMLZR
 'one who doesn't fish'

- (296) nyh- pyny
 sleep-NEG +NOMLZR
 'one who doesn't sleep'

(iii) *-topo* 'thing, time, or place associated with the action.' This cooccurs with person-marking possessor prefixes. (*-topo* becomes *-toh* when followed by another word.)

- (297) j-epy- topo
 1-bathe-NOMLZR
 'my bath place'

- (298) xixi kuh- topo
 sun measure- NOMLZR
 'measurer of the sun (clock)'

- (299) moroto kaē poroh- toh mana
 there high +NOMLZR landing-NOMLZR 3 +be +PRES
 'There is the landing strip.'

(See sect. 15.2 for past possession markers that may cooccur with this nominalizer.)

(iv) *-tamity* 'payment for the action'. This occurs with person-marking possessor prefixes.

- (300) o-eroh- tamity
 2-work-pay +NOMLZR
 'your wages for work'

- (301) upo kurika-tamity
 clothes wash- pay +NOMLZR
 'payment for washing clothes'

(v) *-ne* 'agent of present action'. This occurs with transitive stems only.

- (302) parata wo-ne
 rubber cut-NOMLZR
 'one who cuts rubber'

- (303a) j-yipoh-ne mokyro
 1-beat- NOMLZR that one
 'That is the one who hits me.'
- (303b) o-pipoh-ne mokyro
 2-beat- NOMLZR that one
 'That is the one who hits you.'

The plural of this form is the suffix *-nanomo* 'plural agent of present action'.

- (304) parata wo-nanomo
 rubber cut-NOMLZR +PL
 'ones who cut rubber'

-hpono 'agent of past action'. This occurs with transitive stems.

- (305) j-eky wo- hpono
 1-pet+POSSN shoot-NOMLZR +PAST
 'the one who shot my pet'

The plural form is:

- (306) j-eky wo- hpō komo
 1-pet+POSSN shoot-NOMLZR +PAST PL
 'the ones who shot my pet'

(vi) *-kety* 'actor of present action'. This occurs with intransitive stems only.
 The plural form is *-tyamo*.

- (307) wa- kety
 dance-NOMLZR
 'one who dances'

-hpyry 'actor of past action' (see sect. 15.2). There are no possession markers, but a 'general prefix' occurs (see sect. 18.4).

- (308) a- oriky-hpyry
 GEN.PREF-die- NOMLZR +PAST
 'the dead one' or 'the one who died'

(vii) *-ny-...-ry* object resulting from an action. This occurs with transitive stems only. The *-ny-* is preceded by possessor person markers.

- (309) y-ny- mero-ry
 1-NOMLZR-write-NOMLZR
 'the thing I am writing'

'Object resulting from a past action' is expressed by substituting the *-ry* with *-hpyry*.

- (310) o-ny- mero-hpyry
2-NOMLZR-write-NOMLZR +PAST
'the thing you have written'
- (311) weve n- etapa-hpyry
wood NOMLZR-hit- NOMLZR +PAST
'the one hit (killed) by the tree'
- (312) weve n- etapa-tyamo
wood NOMLZR-hit- PL +NOMLZR +PAST
'the ones hit (killed) by the tree'

(viii) *-senano* 'a brand new item, subject of intransitive verb stem, or object of transitive verb stem, the result of a recently performed action.' The resultant form is obligatorily non-possessed.

- (313) enuru-senano
born- NOMLZR
'new-born one' (pl: enuru-senā komo)
- (314) t- yri-senano
GEN. PREF -do- NOMLZR
'freshly made object'

(ix) *-semy* 'product of action either future or present'. This is also a non-possessed nominalization, lacking any possessor prefixes or noun phrases.

- (315) paratu orino apuh-semy
plate clay mold-NOMLZR
'material which is to be molded into a plate'
- (316) mokyro etapa- semy
that one kill-NOMLZR
'that one who is to be killed'
- (317) tyriiku ri- semy
wheat flour make-NOMLZR
'something that is to be made from flour'

(x) *-tozo* 'companion in the action'. This form cooccurs with person marking possessive prefixes. Its occurrence is rare in the language.

- (318) *eroh-tozo*
 work-NOMLZR
 'his work partner'

(xi) *-tono* 'general nominalization'. This is a non-possessed form which occurs only with transitive stems and does not have any prefixes.

- (319) *an̄- tono* *kyn-oeh- ne*
 lift- NOMLZR 3- come-DP
 'The lifter (inviter) came.'

(xii) *-no*, *-to*, and *-my* adjective/adverb and postposition nominalization. If the stem ends with a vowel preceded by a consonant, the vowel changes to *a* before adding *-no* or *-to*:

- (320) *kure* 'good' → *kurano* 'the good one'
 (321) *tonure* 'seeing' → *tonuremy* 'one who sees'
 (322) *kae* 'high' → *kaeno* 'the high one' e.g. airplane
 (323) *maxihpe* 'with cold/flu' → *maxihpano* 'one with cold/flu'
 (324) *wetukene* 'sleepy' → *wetukenato* 'one who is sleepy'
 (325) *wyi se mana* 'he likes manioc' → *wyi sato* 'one who likes manioc'
 (326) *kanawao* 'in a canoe' → *kanawaono* 'one in the canoe'

15.4.2 Grammatical relations in nominalized constructions. Where the nominalizations resulting from the above processes are possessed forms, the intransitive subject and transitive object become the possessor noun phrase or prefix of the nominalized verb, reflecting an ergatively organized system of derivational morphology.

- (327a) *j-oepy- ry*
 1-come-NOMLZR 'my coming'
 (327b) *u-mūku-ru* *oepy- ry*
 1-son- POSSN come-NOMLZR 'my son's coming'
 (328a) *j-etapa-ry*
 1-kill- NOMLZR 'my being killed'

- (328b) u-mūku-ru etapa-ry
 1-son- POSSN kill- NOMLZR 'my son's being killed'

The transitive subject becomes a possessor noun phrase or prefix attached to the postposition *a* 'to, by'.

- (329a) karau apoi- topo- Vpyry y-a
 bird catch-NOMLZR-PAST 1-by
 'my having caught the bird'
- (329b) karau apoi- topo- Vpyry aimo a
 bird catch-NOMLZR-PAST boy by
 'the boy's having caught the bird'

15.4.3 Syntactic functions of nominalized constructions. The nominalized expressions function as nuclear constituents of a sentence and also occur in equative sentences and as head of postpositional phrases.

Equative sentence:

- (330) a-yto-ry ropa moro isawā pona
 3-go-NOMLZR again that sand to
 'He is going to the beach.'

Subject in copular sentence:

- (331) moroto kaē poroh- toh mana
 there high +NOMLZR landing-NOMLZR 3 +be +PRES
 'There is the high thing's place to land.'

Object:

- (332) j-oepy- ry eraxima-ko
 1-come-NOMLZR wait- IMP
 'Wait for my coming.'

Subject of intransitive sentence:

- (333) kaē n-oeh- no
 high +NOMLZR 3-come-IP
 'The plane arrived.'

In postpositional phrases:

- (334) epy- toh pona to- yto-se
 bathe-NOMLZR to NF-go-CMPL
 'He went to the bath place.'
- (335) t- ōxi- ry ekaro-ry se to-
 3REFLX-daughter-POSSN give- NOMLZR want 3REFLX-
 exi-ry- ke
 be- NOMLZR-REAS
 'because he wanted to give his own daughter (in marriage)'

16 Pronoun system

16.1 Free pronoun forms. Within the free personal pronoun set there is a division between animate and inanimate pronouns. Third person pronouns, both animate and inanimate, distinguish between deictic and nondeictic, with three deictic forms. Both animate and inanimate pronouns distinguish between individual and collective.

Nondeictic		Animate		Inanimate	
		non-coll	coll	non-coll	coll
1		<i>ywy</i>			
1+2		<i>kymoro</i>	<i>kymarokomo</i>		
1+3		<i>yna</i>	<i>yna</i>		
2		<i>omoro</i>	<i>amarokomo</i>		
3		<i>ynoro</i>	<i>ynaro</i>	<i>sero</i>	<i>serohne</i>
				<i>yro</i>	
Deictic					
3	near	<i>mose</i>	<i>moxiamo</i>	<i>seny</i>	<i>senohne</i>
3	medial	<i>mokyro</i>	<i>mokaro</i>	<i>moro</i>	<i>morohne</i>
3	remote	<i>mokv</i>	<i>mokamo</i>	<i>mony</i>	<i>monohne</i>

The third person deictic pronouns are the equivalent of demonstrative pronouns.

There are general question words: *onoky* 'who', which substitutes for animate nouns, and *oty* 'what', which substitutes for inanimate nouns.

- (336) onoky mokyro; umūkuru mose
 who that one my son this one
 'Who is that?' 'This is my son.'
- (337) oty moro; arimi z-ery seny
 what that monkey 3-tooth +POSSN this
 'What is that?' 'This is a monkey tooth.'

There are no indefinite pronouns but the category can be expressed by the use of the first person inclusive forms (cf. Derbyshire 1979:130).

16.2 Bound pronoun forms. The form of personal pronoun used for the indirect object is bound. The full set is:

1	<i>y-a</i>	me-to
2	<i>oy-a</i>	you-to
3	<i>ey-a</i>	him-to
3REFLX	<i>tyy-a</i>	himself-to
1+2	<i>kyy-a</i>	us-to
1+2PL	<i>kyy-a xine</i>	us all-to
1+3	<i>yna-a</i>	us-to
2PL	<i>oy-a xine</i>	you all-to
3PL	<i>ey-a xine</i>	them-to

There are no gender or class distinctions. The above forms also serve to represent goal of motion.

- (338a) oseh- ko y-a
 come-IMP 1-to
 'Come to me.'

- (338b) t- umy a ropa to- yto-se
 3REFLX-father+POSSN to again NF-go-CMPL
 ropa ynororo
 again 3
 'He went back again to his father.'

There are bound person pronouns that occur as prefixes on verb stems. These are listed in sect. 18.4.

Possession in Apalai is marked by a possession suffix cooccurring with a person-marking prefix on the possessed noun. Free pronouns are not normally used to mark possession, except for *yna* '1+3'; occasionally other person forms are used to express emphasis, e.g. *ywy tapyiny* 'my house'.

First person possessor pronoun: *j-*

j- becomes *u-* in the presence of *-Cu* initial stems; *j-* becomes *y-* in the presence of CV initial stems where V is not *u*.

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| (339) | <i>jepity</i> | 'my medicine' | (<i>j-epi-ty</i>) |
| | <i>umūkuru</i> | 'my son' | (<i>u-mūku-ru</i>) |
| | <i>ykyryry</i> | 'my thing' | (<i>y-kyry-ry</i>) |

Second person possessive pronoun: *o-*

o- becomes *a-* in the presence of *-Ca* or *-a* initial stems; in the latter case *a* plus *a* becomes *ā*.

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|-------|----------------|-----------------|-----------------------|
| (340) | <i>oepity</i> | 'your medicine' | (<i>o-epi-ty</i>) |
| | <i>akanary</i> | 'your canoe' | (<i>a-kana-ry</i>) |
| | <i>āpitunu</i> | 'your basket' | (<i>a-apitu-nu</i>) |

Third person possessor pronoun: *i-*

i- becomes *j-* replacing stem-initial *z*; *z-* before stem-initial *u*; and *Ø-* before a vowel other than *u*.

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|-------|----------------|----------------|----------------------|
| (341) | <i>imūkuru</i> | 'his son' | (<i>i-mūku-ru</i>) |
| | <i>jery</i> | 'his tooth' | (<i>i-ze-ry</i>) |
| | <i>epity</i> | 'his medicine' | (<i>Ø-epi-ty</i>) |
| | <i>zupony</i> | 'his clothes' | (<i>z-upo-ny</i>) |

Third person reflexive possessor pronoun: *t-*

t- becomes *tu-* before stem-initial *w* or *Cu*; *ty* before stem-initial consonants other than a *Cu* sequence; and *to-* before stem-initial *e*.

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|-------|-----------------|--------------------|-----------------------|
| (342) | <i>tapony</i> | 'his own bench' | (<i>t-apo-ny</i>) |
| | <i>tykyryry</i> | 'his own thing' | (<i>ty-kyry-ry</i>) |
| | <i>tumūkuru</i> | 'his own son' | (<i>tu-mūku-ru</i>) |
| | <i>toepity</i> | 'his own medicine' | (<i>to-epi-ty</i>) |

First person inclusive possessor pronoun: *ky-*

ky- becomes *ku-* before stem-initial vowel or *Cu* sequence.

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|-------|-----------------|--------------|-----------------------|
| (343) | <i>kuepe</i> | 'our friend' | (<i>ku-epe</i>) |
| | <i>kykyryry</i> | 'our thing' | (<i>ky-kyry-ry</i>) |
| | <i>kumūkuru</i> | 'our son' | (<i>ku-mūku-ru</i>) |

There are at least 20 idiosyncratic forms whose prefixes for first and third persons are not predictable; e.g.:

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|-------|-----------------|--------------|-----------------------|
| (344) | <i>joko</i> | 'my body' | (<i>j-oko</i>) |
| | <i>zoko</i> | 'his body' | (<i>z-oko</i>) |
| (345) | <i>jokuru</i> | 'my drink' | (<i>j-okuru</i>) |
| | <i>aokuru</i> | 'his drink' | (<i>a-okuru</i>) |
| (346) | <i>woryxiry</i> | 'my sister' | (<i>w-oryxi-ry</i>) |
| | <i>aoryxiry</i> | 'his sister' | (<i>a-oryxi-ry</i>) |
| (347) | <i>waxiry</i> | 'my leg' | (<i>w-axi-ry</i>) |
| | <i>jaxiry</i> | 'his leg' | (<i>j-axi-ry</i>) |

Four kinship terms are idiosyncratic:

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|-------|------------------|----------------------|
| (348) | <i>papa</i> | 'my father, father' |
| | <i>omy</i> | 'your father' |
| | <i>jumy/zumy</i> | 'his father' |
| | <i>tumy</i> | 'his own father' |
| | <i>kumy</i> | 'our (incl.) father' |
| (349) | <i>aja</i> | 'mother, my mother' |
| | <i>asa</i> | 'your mother' |
| | <i>jeny/leny</i> | 'his mother' |
| | <i>tyse</i> | 'his own mother' |
| | <i>kyse</i> | 'our (incl.) mother' |
| (350) | <i>pipi</i> | 'aunt, my aunt' |
| | <i>oohpyry</i> | 'your aunt' |
| | <i>aohpyry</i> | 'his aunt' |
| | <i>tohpyry</i> | 'his own aunt' |
| | <i>kuaohpyry</i> | 'our (incl.) aunt' |
| (351) | <i>eo</i> | 'uncle, my uncle' |
| | <i>eory</i> | 'your uncle' |
| | <i>aory</i> | 'his uncle' |
| | <i>tory</i> | 'his own uncle' |
| | <i>kuory</i> | 'our (incl.) uncle' |

There are no reflexive pronouns or reciprocal pronouns other than the reflexive possessor prefix *t-* (see above and sect. 4). There are no relative pronouns.

17 Adpositional phrase structure

Only postpositions occur. These are frequently referred to as relators in this description to distinguish them from other kinds of postpositions, e.g. particles. The postpositional phrase is defined in terms of its constituents: an obligatory nucleus consisting of a noun phrase followed by a relator postposition, or a possessed form of the relator without any preceding noun phrase; and optional particles that follow the nucleus. It is further defined by its syntactic function as an adverbial that occurs as either the complement of a copular sentence or the adjunct of any type of sentence.

- (352) oturu-Ũko toh n-exi-ase aimo poko/ y-poko
 talk- CONT 3PL 3-be- RP boy occ.with 1-occ.with
 'They were talking about the boy/ about me.'
- (353) pata pona ropa to- yto-se toto/ i-pona
 village to again NF-go-CMPL 3PL 3-to
 'They went back to the village/ to it.'

Both relators and particles are postpositions but are distinguished on both syntactic and morphological grounds. Syntactically, relators only occur following nouns or as free forms (with possessor prefixes), whereas particles can follow any category of word. Morphologically, only relators can be inflected (for possession) and be the subject of derivational processes (negation and nominalization).

Postpositional relators cannot occur without arguments, nor with more than one argument. Their argument can only be a noun phrase or a person-marking prefix attached to the relator itself; the prefix is one of the set of prefixes that occur with nouns to mark the person of the possessor. In this way the relator can occur without a noun phrase head, but it cannot be stranded in the sense of being separated from its noun phrase head in the sentence.

The only elements that can modify postpositional relators are particles, and usually these seem to modify the postpositional phrase as a whole rather than just the relator.

- (354) u-tupi pona ropa yto-Ũko ase
 1-field +POSSN to again go- CONT 1+be +PRES
 'I'm going back to my field.'

The relator is *pona* 'to'; *ropa* 'again' is a discourse particle that relates to the whole nucleus of the phrase.

The relator used in many cases depends on the nature/shape of its object:

	in/on	into/onto	via/from
liquid	<i>kuao</i>	<i>kuaka</i>	<i>kuae</i>
fire	<i>htao</i>	<i>htaka</i>	<i>htae</i>
small container	<i>ao</i>	<i>aka</i>	<i>ae</i>
large place	<i>tao</i>	<i>taka</i>	<i>tae</i>
flat place	<i>po</i>	<i>pona</i>	<i>poe</i>
pole shape	<i>poko</i>	<i>pokona</i>	<i>pokoino</i>
river	<i>nao</i>	<i>naka</i>	<i>nae</i>
hammock	<i>tapo</i>	<i>tapona</i>	<i>tapoe</i>

Other common relators are: *pūto* 'close'; *samo* 'equal/similar'; *se* 'want'; *pyno* 'care for'; *waro* 'know'; *poko* 'occupied with'; *a* 'to/by/about'; *wino* 'from (a person)'; *akoxi* 'toward'; *kuroko* 'through' or 'around'; *etonie* 'across from'; *myhto* 'at the foot of'; *ino* 'from'; *winoino* 'from (a person).'

18 Verb and verb phrase structure

18.1 Tense. Tense is one of four categories marked by verb suffixes; the others are aspect, number, and mood. Mood is only marked for imperative and does not involve tense and aspect in the forms it takes. The unmarked mood is indicative and the suffixes in this set are composite forms involving tense, aspect, and number. The basic forms for the indicative are as follows:

Finite	Noncollective	Collective
Immediate Past	<i>-no</i>	<i>-tou, Ṽtoto</i>
Recent Past Completive	<i>-ase</i>	<i>-atose, -ase toto</i>
Recent Past Continuative	<i>-asene</i>	<i>-atosene</i>
Distant Past Completive	<i>-ne</i>	<i>-tone, -ne toto</i>
Distant Past Continuative	<i>-sene</i>	<i>-sene toto</i>
Historic	<i>-ko</i>	<i>-ko toto</i>
Nonfinite		
Nonpast Continuative	<i>-Ṽko</i>	<i>-tor̃ko toh (mana)</i> <i>-Ṽko toh (nae)</i>
Past Completive	<i>t-...-se</i>	<i>t-...-se toto</i>
Past Continuative	<i>-se</i>	<i>-se toto</i>

Note: The *-Ṽko* form includes the tilde (̃) as part of the suffix, but the Ṽ which is nasalized is the final vowel of the stem. (See sect. 15.4 for

nominalizations, and sect. 14 for subordination forms *-se* 'purposive' and *-htao* 'temporal'.)

'Completive' and 'Continuative' are used as general terms each of which includes more than one specific aspect. 'Collective' is related to person. The nonpast forms occur as complements of the copular verb. The construction is: verb stem plus continuative aspect suffix followed by copular verb. It is the copular verb that has the person-marking prefixes and nonpast tense suffix.

Forms for *ka/a* 'say, do' are:

	1+2	1	3	2
Finite				
Immed. Past				
noncoll	<i>sykano</i>	<i>ykano</i>	<i>nykano</i>	<i>mykano</i>
coll	<i>sykatou</i>	<i>ynanykano</i>	<i>nykā toto</i>	<i>mykatou</i>
Recent Past				
Cmpl				
noncoll	<i>sase</i>	<i>ase</i>	<i>nase</i>	<i>mase</i>
coll	<i>satose</i>	<i>ynanase</i>	<i>nase toto</i>	<i>matose</i>
Dist. Past				
Cmpl				
noncoll	<i>sykane</i>	<i>ykane</i>	<i>kynako</i>	<i>mykane</i>
coll	<i>sykatone</i>	<i>ynanykane</i>	<i>kynako toto</i>	<i>mykatone</i>
Nonfinite				
Nonpast Cont	<i>āko</i>	'doing, saying'		
Past Cont	<i>kase</i>	'was doing, was saying'		
Cmpl	<i>rykase</i>	'done, said'		

Copula Forms

	1+2	1	3	2
Finite				
Nonpast				
noncoll	<i>sytase</i>	<i>ase</i>	<i>mana</i>	<i>mase</i>
coll	<i>sytatose</i>	<i>ynanase</i>	<i>mā toto</i>	<i>matose</i>
Nonpast				
Uncert				
noncoll	<i>sytah</i>	<i>ha(no)</i>	<i>hnae</i>	<i>hma(no)</i>
coll	<i>sytatohu</i>	<i>ynanah</i>	<i>toh nae</i>	<i>matohu</i>

	1 + 2	1	3	2
Immed. Past				
noncoll	<i>sakene</i>	<i>akene</i>	<i>kynako</i>	<i>makene</i>
coll	<i>satokene</i>	<i>ynanakene</i>	<i>toh kynako</i>	<i>matokene</i>
Recent Past				
Cont				
noncoll	<i>sexiasē</i>	<i>exiasē</i>	<i>nexiasē</i>	<i>mexiasē</i>
coll	<i>sexiatose</i>	<i>ynanexiasē</i>	<i>mon-exi-ano</i> <i>toh nexiasē</i> <i>toh mon- -ano</i> <i>nexiasē toto</i>	<i>mexiatose</i>
Recent Past				
Cmpl				
noncoll	<i>sexino</i>	<i>exino</i>	<i>nexino</i>	<i>mexino</i>
coll	<i>sexitou</i>	<i>ynanexino</i>	<i>toh nexino</i> <i>nexī toto</i>	<i>mexitou</i>
Dist. Past				
Cont				
noncoll	<i>sexiasene</i>	<i>exiasene</i>	<i>nexiasene</i>	<i>mexiasene</i>
coll	<i>sexiatosene</i>	<i>ynanexiasene</i>	<i>nexiasene toto</i>	<i>mexiatosene</i>
Cmpl				
noncoll	<i>sexine</i>	<i>exine</i>	<i>kynexine</i>	<i>mexine</i>
coll	<i>sexitone</i>	<i>ynanexine</i>	<i>toh kynexine</i> <i>kynexine toto</i>	<i>mexitone</i>
Historic				
noncoll			<i>exiko</i>	
coll			<i>ehtoko</i>	
Nonfinite				
Nonpast				
Cont	<i>exiko</i>	'being, becoming'		
Past Cont	<i>ehse</i>	'was being, living'		
Cmpl	<i>toehse</i>	'became'		

The copula or auxiliary verb has basic stem forms *exi* and *a*. Whereas all transitive and intransitive verbs are dependent on the auxiliary verb in the nonpast and nonpast uncertain tenses, the auxiliary or copula is independent in these tenses. When dependent forms of the other verbs occur, it is the auxiliary that carries the subject person-marking prefixes and the tense suffixes.

The form *mon-...-ano* 'RECENT PAST CONT' is a discontinuous affix used to indicate action performed out of sight of the speaker.

The nonpast forms are used with reference to present, future, and universal, without any formal distinctions between the three types of tense/aspect.

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|-------|----------------------|-------------|------------------------------|
| (355) | urakana- <i>Ũ</i> ko | mana | 'He is hunting now' or |
| | hunt- CONT | 3 +be +PRES | 'He will be hunting soon' or |
| | | | 'He hunts.' |

The nonpast uncertainty forms of the copula have a modal value. They are used to express interrogatives, and also noninterrogatives, in which case they usually cooccur with certain particles which mark degree of certainty or authority for assertions. In all these uses they can refer to present, future, or universal.

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|-------|-----------------|-------------|-----------------------|
| (356) | wa- <i>Ũ</i> ko | mah | 'Do you dance?' or |
| | dance-CONT | 2 +be +PRES | 'Are you dancing?' or |
| | | | 'Will you dance?' |
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|-------|---------------------|---------|-------------|--------------------------|
| (357) | eremia- <i>Ũ</i> ko | oko | hnae | 'Maybe he sings' or |
| | sing- CONT | perhaps | 3 +be +PRES | 'Maybe he is singing' or |
| | | | | 'Maybe he will sing.' |

Past is divided into three degrees of remoteness:

- (i) Immediate past refers to actions done the same day or the previous night.

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| (358) | nu-tūta-no | |
| | 3- exit-IP | 'He came out.' |

- (ii) Recent past refers to actions done on the previous day or any time earlier up to a period of a few months (this is relative to the total situation). Events of only a few weeks past may be expressed with the distant past suffix.

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| (359) | n-eroku-ase | |
| | 3-work- RP | 'He worked.' |

For repeated action ('continuative') in the recent past, the suffix *-ne* is added.

- (360) eroku- ase-ne
1+work-RP-CONT 'I worked many times.'

(iii) Distant past refers to actions done any time previous to the recent past.

- (361) akoh- ne
1S3O+chop-DP 'I felled it (tree).'

Distant past continuative:

- (362) pake a- htao arimi wo-se pyrou
long ago be-when monkey kill-CONT.PAST arrow

ke toto
INST 3PL
'Long ago they used to kill monkeys with arrows.'

The historic tense is expressed by the form *-ko* and is limited to occurrence with third person subject and object referents. It is found only in legends, where it expresses main event line action. (See E. Koehn 1976 for the function of *-ko* in Apalai narrative.)

- (363) apoi-ko
grab-HIS 'He grabbed it.'

Future tense is expressed by nonpast forms.

Tense-aspect distinctions apply not only to finite verb forms but also to certain nonfinite forms as well. (See sects. 14.1, 15.2, and 15.4.). The imperative mood forms have number, but not tense/aspect distinctions.

18.2 Aspect. The aspectual markers in the language are all related to ways of viewing duration of a situation. There are two different kinds of markers in the verb:

- (i) the completive/continuative dichotomy expressed in the tense-aspect-number suffix system; and
- (ii) ingressive and terminative aspects which are expressed by derivational suffixes added to verb stems.

Habitual, continuous, and progressive aspects are expressed by the continuative component of the verb suffixes:

- (364) poeto-me j-a- htao itu zuno exi- ase-ne /
 child-DENOM 1-be-when jungle fear 1+be-RP-HAB
 ehse ywy
 be-CONT.PAST I
 'When I was a child, I was often afraid/lived in fear of the jungle'
- (365) mokyro oepy-ry- htao otuh-nōko akene
 that one come-NOMLZR-when eat- CONT 1+be+IP
 'When he came, I was eating.'
- (366) wyi ekei-Ŵko toh n-exi-ase pitiko rokē pyra
 manioc bake-CONT 3PL 3-be- RP little just NEG
 'They were making a lot of manioc bread.'

Ingressive aspect is expressed by adding the suffix *-pito* 'begin' to any verb stem. The focus of the meaning can be either on the beginning of the action or on the primacy of the participant in relation to other participants in the ensuing action.

- (367) kana an̄y-pito- ne poeto-me ro j- a- htao
 fish lift-begin-DP child- DENOM still 1-be-when
 'I began to catch fish when I was still a child.'

Terminative aspect is expressed by adding *-keh* 'CESSATIVE' to any verb stem:

- (368) otuh- keh- no
 1+eat-CESS-IP 'I finished eating.'

The terminative aspect is also expressed by the clitic particle *Ŵtyky* 'TERMINATIVE'.

- (369) ynan- ua- ase-Ŵtyky
 1+3- dance-RP- TERM 'We finished dancing.'

The completive component of the verb suffixes expresses semelfactive and punctual aspects.

- (370) n-yto-ase anatū pona
 3-go- RP Anatum to
 'He went to Anatum.' (one action)

- (371) n-yto-ase ropa anatū pona ropa
 3-go- RP again Anatum to again
 'He went back to Anatum again.'

18.3 Mood/Modality. The only mood distinction in the verb inflection system is that between indicative and imperative. The indicative mood is unmarked and contrasts with the imperative.

The imperative mood is expressed primarily by a set of verb suffixes that show components of number and motion and which differ in form according to the person of the subject. Optative and hortative values are included in this mood. It is reinforced by:

- (i) The cooccurrence of the particle *ah* or *apo* 'IMPERATIVE' which is obligatory for the third person imperative, there being no distinctive imperative suffix for that person. The suffixes used are the tense/aspect forms *-no* and *-Vtoto* 'IMMEDIATE PAST'.

- (372) ah n-yto-*V* toto
 IMP 3-go- IP 3PL 'Let them go.'

- (ii) The optional occurrences of the imperative form of the verb 'to go' *eropa*. The shortened form *pa* is used when the command involves motion away from the location of the speaker and first person is included in the action.

- (373) *pa sepytase* 'Let's go, let's go swim.'

The paradigm of nonmotion imperatives is as follows:

	Noncollective	Collective		
2	<i>-ko</i>	<i>-toko</i>	<i>anȳ-ko</i>	'Lift it.'
			<i>anȳ-toko</i>	'You all lift it.'
1	<i>-xi</i>		<i>eneh-xi</i>	'Let me bring it.'
1+3		<i>ynan- -xi</i>	<i>ynan-eneh-xi</i>	'Let us (excl) bring it.'
1+2	<i>s- -ne</i>	<i>s- -tone</i>	<i>synyhne</i>	'Let's sleep.'
			<i>synyhtone</i>	'Let's all sleep.'
3	<i>ah/apo n- -no</i>	<i>ah/apo n- -V toto</i>	<i>ah nytono</i>	'Let him go.'
			<i>ah nytō toto</i>	'Let them go.'

The set of motion imperative suffixes is used when the action to be performed involves distance from the location of the speech act.

	Noncollective	Collective		
2	-ta	-tatoko	<i>eneta āporo</i>	'Go see it first.'
			<i>enetatoko</i>	'You (pl) go see it.'
1	-taxi, -tamy		<i>enetaxi</i>	'Let me go and see it.'
1+2	s- -tase	s- -tatose	<i>senetase</i>	'Let's go see it.'
			<i>senetatose</i>	'Let's all go see it.'

There is no special motion form for third person imperatives. See also sect. 11 for imperative constructions, including some discussion of ways of expressing different degrees of imperative.

The second person imperative forms of the verb *ka* 'say, do' are irregular:

nonmotion	noncollective	<i>kaxiko</i>	'Say/do it.'
	collective	<i>kaxitoko</i>	'You all say/do it.'
motion	noncollective	<i>kaxita</i>	'Go say it, go do it.'
	collective	<i>kaxitatoko</i>	'You all go say/do it.'

There is no special form for expressing the idea of obligatoriness (e.g. 'must do anything'), other than the imperative forms.

Potential mood, the equivalent of 'can do', is expressed by *zuario*, 'to know, know how to'.

- (374) kanawa axika-ry waro mana
 canoe carve-NOMLZR know 3+be+PRES
 'He knows how to carve out a canoe.'

Degree of certainty on the part of the speaker is marked by two suffixes and one particle:

-my	deduction
-na	uncertainty
<i>rahkene</i>	certainty, prediction, warning, consummation, legendary fact

18.4 Person and number. The persons of the subject and the direct object are coded in the verb prefix. There are three sets of forms: transitive, intransitive, and copula. In the transitive set each prefix is a composite form that marks subject and object. Collective number is coded in the verb suffix. The collective forms relate to the person of the subject and/or object. The 1+3 category is expressed by *yna*, *ynan*; the form remains unchanged whether the referent includes only a single third person or a group of third persons.

The collective suffix refers to the person of the subject with intransitive stems and the copula, and to the person of either the subject or the object or both with transitive stems, so that in the latter case there can be ambiguity in

the first person inclusive, second person and third person forms. The collective marker on the verb is usually in agreement with the collective marker on the noun or pronoun subject or object; occasionally, however, the noun or pronoun may be collective when the verb is noncollective.

The paradigm of the person-marking prefixes in the verb is shown in the following matrix:

	OBJ	1+2	2	1	1+3	3	INTRANS	COPULA/ EXPR
SUB							S	S
1+2						<i>s(y)-</i>	<i>s(y)-</i>	<i>s-</i>
2				<i>k(y)-</i>	<i>yna m-</i>	<i>m(y)-</i>	<i>o-/m-</i>	<i>m-</i>
1			<i>k(y)-</i>			<i>Ø-/y-</i>	<i>Ø-/y-</i>	<i>Ø-</i>
1+3						<i>ynan(y)-</i>	<i>ynan(y)-</i>	<i>ynan-</i>
3		<i>k(y)-</i>	<i>o-</i>	<i>j(y)-</i>	<i>yna-</i>	<i>n(y)-</i>	<i>n(y)-</i>	<i>n-</i>
						<i>kyn(y)-</i>	<i>kyn(y)-</i>	<i>kyn(y)-</i>
POSS		<i>k(y)-</i>	<i>o-</i>	<i>j-/y-</i>	<i>yna-</i>	<i>ɪ-</i> REFLX <i>i-</i> NONREFLX		

The subject-object markers can be compared with the nominal possessor markers as shown in the lower row of the chart above. (See sect. 16.2 for further details.)

The form *kyn-* '3' occurs only with distant past tense forms (*-ne*).

The vowel *y*-[i] occurs with C-initial stems. The *y-* changes to *u-* before *Cu*, following a rule of vowel harmony.

- (375) *y-kurika-no* → *u-kurika-no* 'I washed it.'
y-pipoh- no 'I hit it.'

The 3 subject+3 object prefix is *n(y)-* in the absence of a free object, and *Ø-* when a free object is present.

- (376a) *aimo n-an̄-no*
 boy 3-lift- IP
 'The boy caught it.'
- (376b) *aimo kana an̄-no*
 boy fish lift- IP
 'The boy caught the fish.'

Intransitive 2S has two morphologically conditioned forms:

- (i) *o-* occurs with a subclass of stems including

'sleep' *-nyh*: *o-nyh-no* 'you slept'

'cry' *-xita*: *o-xita-no* 'you cried'

'climb' *-onuh*: *o-onuh-no* 'you climbed up'

- (ii) *m(y)-* occurs with the subclass including

'go' *-yto*: *m-yto-no* 'you went'

'eat' *-otuh*: *m-otuh-no* 'you ate'

'come' *-oeh*: *m-oeh-no* 'you came'

The *m(y)-* form always occurs with reflexive forms of the verb.

There are several verb stems which occur with a special form of prefix in first and second person imperative forms and nonpossessed derived nominals. This prefix is called 'GENERAL PREFIX'. With transitive imperative forms the prefix refers to third person object. The form of the prefix is: *i-* with consonant initial stems (147), and *t-* or *a-* with vowel initial stems (27), (162), (164) and (308); cf. Derbyshire 1979:149-151.

18.5 Voice. See passive (sect. 5), causative (sect. 6), and reflexive (sect. 4).

18.6 Other categories. There are suffixes which indicate nonfinite verbal forms, that is, the derived nominals and pseudo nominals. They include *-ry* 'NOMINALIZER' and *-topo/-toh* 'thing/place NOMINALIZER'. (See sect. 15.4 for the full range of nominalization possibilities.)

- (377) *j-yto-ry* *moro*
l-go-NOMLZR *that*
 'That was my going.' ('I was going.')

- (378) *wa- toh* *moro*
dance-NOMLZR *that*
 'That was the place/time to dance.'

18.7 Incorporation of nominal elements into the verb. One type of incorporation involves noun stems cooccurring with derivational suffixes to form verb stems; e.g. *opi* 'medicine'; *epinoñōko* 'giving medicine to' (a transitive verb, the object of which is the recipient of the action).

-*noh* 'administer'

- (379) eo epinoh- nōko mokyro mana
uncle give medicine to-CONT that one 3 +be +PRES
'He is giving medicine to my uncle.'

-*pa* 'benefactive'

- (380) napi 'vegetable (sweet potato)';
inahpāko 'feeding (someone)'

-*to* 'enhance'

- (381) *amity* 'string'; *taky amih-to-Ũko* 'stringing a bow'.

Certain body parts follow this pattern of verbalization, as with derivational suffixes such as:

-*po* 'cause to sever or leave'

- (382) *oma* 'hand'; *ema-Ũko* 'throwing';
ema-po-Ũko 'dropping' or 'losing'

-*ka*, -*hka* 'extract with force'

- (383) *ipihpyry* 'its skin'; *ipi-ka-Ũko* 'skinning'
esena-ry 'his throat'; *esena-hka-Ũko* 'strangling'

-*ta* 'produce'

- (384) *munu* 'blood'; *mū-ta-Ũko* 'bleeding'

Incorporation occurs with other possessed nouns:

-*a* 'bear or reproduce'

- (385) *i-mūku-ru* 'his/her child (male)';
imūkua-Ũko 'bearing a child'

-*hma* 'benefactive'

- (386) *epe* 'his friend' (i.e. originally 'trading partner');
epe-hma-Ũko 'paying it'

akoro-ny 'younger sibling of same sex' or
'another set of similar things';

akore-hma-Ũko 'helping'

-*kah* 'weave'

- (387) epe 'his friend';
 epe-kah-nōko 'buying it'

19 Adjective phrase structure

There are no adjectival phrases as such. See sect. 15.3 for possibilities relating to modifiers in noun phrases.

20 Adverb phrase structure

An adverbial phrase may consist of an adverb followed by one or more particles.

- (388) axī kuhse n-yto-Ũ toto
 fast very 3-go- IP 3PL
 'They went very fast.'
- (389) zumo-hxo mokyro pitiko rokene
 bigger that one little only
 'That fellow (is) only a little bigger.'

21 PARTICLES

Particles follow words of any class other than the ideophone, and never occur as free forms or in isolation. They are noninflected, nonderived words and can be divided into three subclasses on the basis of function and position of occurrence in relation to other particles in a sequence:

- i) modifying particles, which usually occur first in any such sequence and normally modify a noun or adverb;
- ii) discourse particles, which usually occur between the modifying and verification particles in any sequence and whose normal function is to relate the phrase or sentence in which they occur to some other part of the discourse;
- iii) verification particles, which generally occur last in any particle sequence and whose function is to express the attitude or relationship of the speaker to what he is saying.

21.1 Modifying particles. Modifying particles are sentence particles in the sense that their function is limited to the sentence in which they occur. For additional treatment of modifying particles see sect. 15.3, where noun phrase particles are described. Certain particles could be included in more than one class: e.g. *nymyry* 'genuine' freely occurs modifying nouns or adjectives/adverbs: *kure nymyry* 'genuinely good', *umūkuru nymyry* 'my genuine son', *wewe nymyry* 'real wood'.

Some particles seem to fit in the sentence particle set: *rokene* 'only' and *pyra* 'negative', but may under certain circumstances also be significant as a discourse particle: *masarātupa rokene* 'false rubber only'. The focus is on the lack of the object of search — in the particular discourse context, there was only false rubber, not the real thing for which they were searching.

The sentence (modifying) particles are listed and illustrated below.

hko pyra 'not quite as'

- (390) zuaro hko pyra ase
 3+know quite NEG 1+be+PRES
 'I don't know it quite (as well as someone else does).'

hxo 'degree superlative, intensifier'

- (391) mame ty- rato- ke pyra hxo hano,
 then ADJVZR-knife-POSSN. ADJ NEG degree 1+be+IP
 āko mokyro akono
 say+CONT that one brother in law
 '“I don't have any knife at all,” said brother-in-law.'

kuhse 'to a superlative degree'

- (392) i-mūku-ru aypyra kuhse
 3-son- POSSN NEG SUPERL
 'His son (did not do) anything at all.'

nymyry 'genuine'

- (393) opotu nymyry a- htao aypyra kahpyry
 fast water genuine be-if nothing ugly
 exi-ry toh asakororo
 be- NOMLZR 3PL both
 'If the water had been really fast, there would be nothing left of either of them.'

pohto 'somewhat, medium quantifier'

- (394) tuhke pohto rokē toh n-exi-ase,
 many somewhat only 3PL 3-be- RP
 wa- toh- tao
 dance-NOMLZR-at
 'There were not too many at the dance place.'

pukuro 'medium quantifier'

- (395) anusasame pukuro rokene
sweet medium only
'(It was) just medium sweet.'

kokonie pukuro
night medium degree
'evening'
rokene 'only'
- (396) asakoro rokē airiki
two only bacaba (fruit)
'There were only two bacaba fruit.'
rukukuh 'superlatively, uniquely'
- (397) kure rukukuh nae
good SUPERL 3+be+PRES
'It is really good.'
tiko 'diminutive'
- (398) t- akoh-se kae tiko
NF-cut- CMPL high DIMIN
'It was cut quite high.'
imo 'augmentative'
- (399) okoi imo t- otapa-se ey-a
snake big NF-kill- CMPL 3- by
'A big snake was killed by him.'
komo 'collective'
- (400) oēxiry komo
'your (pl) daughter'
Ūpo 'devalued'
- (401) upō po
'used clothes'
hne 'homogeneous group'
- (402) moro hne kure kynako
those GRP good 3+be+IP
'Those were good.'

21.2 Discourse particles. Discourse particles are optional phrase constituents that follow a head word (or head complex like a possession noun phrase) from

any of the major word classes. The primary scope of the discourse particle is the head word it governs and it usually relates that word to some other part of the discourse.

The discourse particles are listed and illustrated below. They are taken from a concordance of 28,000 morphemes from Apalai texts. (The concordance was prepared at the University of Oklahoma Computer Support for Linguistics Field Research which was partially supported by National Science Foundation Grant GS-1605.)

aporo 'first in time', 'temporary duration of activity or state';
the event it modifies precedes some other event.

- (403) kana anymy- ase aporo, araku kotyxi
fish 1+catch-RP first fish species fish species

pahxina enara rokene
fish species those only
'First I caught fish, *araku*, *kotyxi*, and *pahxina*,
just those (species).'

- (404) oepu- ase taro-na aporo, pakeimo opi ē-
1+come-RP here-to first early medicine drink-
se aporo
PURP first

'At first I came here early to drink some medicine first.'

- (405) motu- ke pyra aporo
motor-INST NEG temporarily
'Temporarily without an outboard motor.'

- (406) mame se se se i-paixi- ry aporo
then (approaching) 3-sister-POSSN first
'Then someone approached, (it was) her sister first.'

hkotano 'rather (it is...)', i.e. correction of something said or implied.

- (407) ywy kara exi- ase repe moxiā hkotano
I be+NEG 1+be-RP but those rather
'It wasn't I, rather it was they.'

mā 'title or discourse topic marker'

The whole clause is marked as a title or thematic sentence which is to be elaborated in succeeding sentences. A variant form is *mya* 'title marker (joking mood)'.

- (408) kokonie osema akoroka-ase mā
 yesterday path 1 +clear-RP title
 'Yesterday I cleared a path.'
- (409) isapokara mūku-ru nomo- no kairē taka mā
 lizard baby-POSSN 3 +enter- IP mosq. net into title
 'A baby jakuraru lizard entered the mosquito net.'
- (410) mūpo-jana toh kyn-exi-ne mā. On-ene-pyra
 rat- people 3PL 3- be-DP title 3- see-NEG
 ase repe yrome mose ekaro-Ũko
 1 +be +PRES FRUST CNJ that one tell- CONT
 na
 3 +be +PRES
 'Once there were some rat people. I didn't see them,
 but that one is telling it.'
- (411) sakura ē- no mya. ē- se ropa ke
 drink 1 +drink-IP title drink-PURP again (?)
 yto-Ũko ropa ase
 go-CONT again 1 +be +PRES
 'I drank sakura. I'm going back again to drink again.'
rahkene 'consummation, finally completed action, fulfilled expectation'
- (412) mame t- oeh- se ropa yna rahkene
 then NF-arrive- CMPL again 1 +3 finally
 'Then we came back again (at end of set of actions).'
- reh / rehne* 'expectation of a response' (*ne* is dropped sentence medially)
- (413) moro reh ōty komo
 that expect 2 +meat +POSSN PL
 'Here is some meat for you.'
- (414) n-os- ereh- no hxo rehne
 3-REFLX-scare-IP INTNSF expect
 'He must have really frightened himself.'
- rehta* 'attention holder'.
- (415) onoky rehta mano
 who ATTN 2 +be +PRES
 'Who are you?'

- (416) oty ropa rehta ano
 what again ATTN 1 +be +PRES
 'What else shall I tell?'

repe 'but, contrary to expectation, frustrative'

- (417) kaikuxi-jana apuru-ru se
 jaguar- people lock up-NOMLZR want
 kyn-exi-ne repe
 3- be-DP FRUST
 'He wanted to capture the jaguar people but (was not able to).'

ro 'continuity or sameness (of an object or action).'

- (418) tuhke ro kyn-ako
 many still 3- be +IP
 'There were still many.'

- (419) xia ro ynan-oepy-ase ropa
 here still 1 +3-come-RP again
 'We came back to here again.'

rohxo 'even more, INTNSF'

- (420) ynan-opi- ase rohxo repe, arypyra masarātupa
 1 +3- look for-RP INTNSF FRUST be +NEG tree species
 rokene
 only
 'We looked even more for (rubber) but there was not any, only
 the *masarātupa* tree.'

ropa a) 'repetition', 'a second or subsequent item or action
 in opposition to a previous one'

b) 'return to a former state or location', 'reference to previous
 object, state, or action'

- (421) oty ropa exi-Ũko nae?
 what REPET be- CONT there is
 'What else is going to happen?'

roropa 'a second or subsequent item or action, likewise'

- (422) mamao roropa kyn-exi-ne repe
 fruit also 3- be-DP FRUST
 'There was also papaya there, but ...'

roro 'alone, only just'

- (423) ywy roro koih a- Vko
 I alone paddle do-CONT
 'I (was) the only one paddling.'

21.3 Verification particles. The function of these is to express the speaker's evaluation of, or his relation to, his utterance: i.e. his claim to knowledge or uncertainty, impatience, irritation or honorifics, emphasis or pity. The verification particles are listed and illustrated below. For some of these forms further testing is needed to ascertain their precise range of meaning.

hko 'speaker's claim to knowledge (EVALUATION)'

- (424) zuaro kuh ase hko, kase repe
 know CERT 1+be+PRES quite sure said FRUST
 ' "I am quite sure I know it", he said (but it didn't happen that way.)'

- (425) omoro hko
 you EVALUATION
 'You are the one to decide (and I know it).'

hkotoko 'possibly'

- (426) serae hkotoko axikāko tareme mana
 today perhaps carve+CONT maybe 3+be+PRES
 'Perhaps he is carving (canoe) today.'

hro 'response marker to question or situation', 'obviously'

- (427) opi toto orih-mato hro
 medicine 3PL kill-NOMLZR RESP
 'The poison was deadly to them.'

- (428) m-epy- no
 2-bathe-IP 'Did you bathe?'

ȳ, epy hro
 AFFIRM bathe RESP 'Yes, I sure did.'

ka 'impatience (with imperative)'

- (429) eneh- ko ka
bring it-IMP IMPATIENCE
'Bring it and hurry up about it.'

ke / keh 'ameliorative or polite form' (with imperative, question, etc.)

- (430) kana ke anỹ- ko
fish POLITE catch-IMP
'Catch some fish, please.'

- (431) oty keh popyra nae
what POLITE bad there is
'I wonder what is wrong.'

kene 'at this point in time relative to speaker', 'immediacy'

- (432) oeh- no kene
I +come-IP just
'I have just arrived.'

- (433) eropa kene
let's go now
'Let's go now.'

kěty 'irritation', occurs with imperatives or questions

- (434) oty kěty
what IRRITATION
'What is it?'

- (435) eropa kěty
let's go IRRITATION
'Come on!'

kuh 'certainty'

- (436) ajana kuh kyn-exi-ne
Wayana CERT 3- be-DP
'He was definitely Wayana.'

myhene 'pity for person in trouble'

- (437) mame yto- ko japyry poko- na tiko myhene
then 3 +go-HIS tree side of-to DIMIN pity

hxo

INTNSF

'Then he went up a topless tree, poor guy.'

pahne 'ameliorative (with imperative)'

- (438) ene- xi pahne
1+see-IMP AMELIORATIVE
'Let me see please.'
- (439) n-ekuh-no pahne
3-try- IMP AMELIORATIVE
'Let him try it.'

pāna 'uncertainty, doubt'

- (440) kure pāna ma repe
good UNCERT 2+be+PRES FRUST
'I trust you are fine.'

pāpa 'moderately emphatic, with slight irritation'
(occurs with imperative forms)

- (441) t- yri-ko pāpa
GEN.PREF-put-IMP EMPH
'Put it there, will you!'

puh / *puhko* 'eye witness evaluation' (in certain contexts)

- (442) moro puh t- onah- se rohke
that EYEWITNESS NF-finish-CMPL only
'I could tell it was all gone.'
- (443) otāto puhko ke eroh-nōko nae
how many EYEWITNESS POLITE work-CONT 3+be+PRES
'How many did you see working?'

sātā 'promise or oath, truly' (spoken lightly or with humor)

- (444) t- ypyre-ke sātā ase rahkene
ADJVZR-arrow-POSSN.ADJ truly 1+be+PRES really
'I certainly do own an arrow.'

tano 'deduction' or 'assumption'

- (445) m-otuh-no tano
2-eat- IP DEDUCT
'You must have eaten.'
- (446) i-se pyra tā m-ase
3-want NEG DEDUCT 2- be+PRES
'You apparently do not want any.'

toko 'evidently'

- (447) t- oyto-se toko
 NF-go-CMPL EVIDENTLY
 '(He) evidently left.'

ty 'emphatic and without regard for the opinion of the recipient of the order'

- (448) oseh- ko ty
 2+come-IMP EMPH
 'Come here! (whether you want to or not)'

22 PHONOLOGY

22.1 Syllable structure. Syllables consist of a nuclear vowel, V, with or without initial and/or final consonantal margins, C. Syllable patterns are thus V, VC, CV, and CVC. The predominant pattern is CV. This fact, together with considerations of stress placement, leads to the interpretation of nonsyllabic high vocoids as consonants w [u] and y [i].

22.2 Segmental phonology

Consonants. There are twelve consonants represented in the orthography as (with corresponding phonetic values in parentheses): p, t, k, h [ʔ], m, n, z, s, x [š], r [ř], w, and j [y].

p, t, k, and h are normally voiceless, unaspirated stops at bilabial, alveolar, velar and glottal points of articulation respectively: *pone* ['pone] 'piranha'; *taky* ['taki] 'bow'; *ihmo* ['i'mo] 'egg.'

p shows no significant allophonic variation.

t has a palatalized form preceding and following i. The palatalization of t results in an alveopalatal affricate [č]: *plukO* [pi'čiko] 'small'.

k has a morphophonemically conditioned voiced variant [g] which occurs at morpheme boundaries after elision of a final unstressed vowel and preceding morpheme initial stressed a: *yōko ase* [i. 'tō. 'ga.se] 'I am going.'

m and n are nasal continuants normally produced at bilabial and alveolar points of articulation respectively: *moe* ['moe] 'far'; *nuno* ['nuno] 'moon'.

m exhibits no significant variation; n has a palatalized form preceding and following i: *kokonie* [koko'ñie] 'yesterday'; *inapyry* [iñā'piři] 'his vegetables or fruit'

z is a voiced alveolar fricative: *zery* ['zeři] 'tooth.'

s and x are voiceless fricatives produced at alveolar and alveopalatal points of articulation respectively: *seny* ['seni] 'here'; *kurehxo* [ku'reʔʂo] 'very good.'

r is an alveolar flap: *rato* ['rato] 'knife.'

w and j are nonsyllabic vocoids produced at bilabial and alveolar points of articulation respectively: *wāko* ['wāko] 'dancing'; *jeny* ['yeni] 'his mother.'

w is the nonsyllabic counterpart of u being a voiced high close back rounded vocoid.

j is the nonsyllabic counterpart of i being a voiced high close front unrounded vocoid.

Vowels. There are six oral and six nasal vowels: i, ī, y (i), ŷ (ī), u, ū, e, ē, a, ā, o, ō.

i and its nasal counterpart ī are regularly high close front unrounded vocoids: *ipyty* [i'piti] 'his wife'; *ipary* [i'paɾi] 'his back'.

y and its nasal counterpart ŷ are normally high close central unrounded vocoids: *epýko* [e'piko] 'bathing'; *epyko* [e'piko] 'bath'.

In stressed syllables preceding a, y sometimes has a [g] (voiced fricative quality: *oya* [oya] or [oga] 'to you'. (It is a 3-vowel sequence [o.'i.a]).

u and its nasal counterpart ū are regularly high close back rounded vocoids: *upupuru* [upu'puɾu] 'my foot'; *ūsehpo* [ū'se'po] 'hair'.

e and its nasal counterpart ē are normally mid-front unrounded vocoids ranging from close to open: *eneko* [e'neko] 'look'; *enēko* [e'nēko] 'looking'; e usually occurs in open form [ɛ] in nonstressed syllables before p; *epe* [ɛpe] 'friend'.

a and its nasal counterpart ā are regularly low open central unrounded vocoids: *etako* [e'tako] 'listen'; *etāko* [e'tāko] 'listening'.

o and its nasal counterpart ō are normally low back rounded vocoids ranging from close to open: *aroko* [a'ʔoko] 'take'; *arōko* [a'ʔōko] 'taking'; o generally occurs open [ɔ] in final syllables and closed in reduplicated syllables; *toto* [toto] 'they'; *kuto* [kuto] 'frog'.

22.3 Borrowed segments from Portuguese: f [p] bilabial voiceless fricative, especially used in names borrowed from Portuguese culture: *firipe* [pi'ʔipi] 'Felipe'; b [b] bilabial voiced stop: *berē* [be'rē] 'Belem' city.

22.4 Phonotactics. Distribution of phonemes within the syllables is as follows. All consonants occur in the initial C slot of CV and CVC syllables.

Only *h* and *x* are found in the syllable final non-word final *C* position; *otuhkose* [otuʔkose] 'eat'; *kōxtapānōko* ['kōštāpā'nōko] or ['kōšitāpā'nōko] 'becoming chilly'. All vowels may occur in the *V* slot of *V* and *CV* syllables, and all oral vowels and the nasalized low central vowel occur in closed syllables: *tāhpome* [tāh'pome] 'old-man-like'. All consonant-vowel sequences occur with the exception of the following: *w* plus *u*; *j* plus *i*; *s* or *z* plus *i*; *x* plus *y*.

Consonant clusters result from the juxtaposition of syllable-final with syllable-initial consonants. Glottal stop has been found to precede all syllable-initial consonants except *j*. A wide variety of two and three vowel sequences have been recorded (in which each vowel occurs in a separate syllable): *nae* 'have'; *oeary* 'your cord'; *oeonary* 'your nose'.

There are apparently no restrictions as to syllable combinations within words, except that *VC* and *CVC* syllables have not been found in word final position, except for one case of a *CVC* syllable in this position: *tam* 'grandfather'.

22.5 Suprasegmentals. Apalai utterances may be segmented into words which are significant both as grammatical and as phonological units. The phonological unit may consist of one or more grammatical words bounded by pause.

- (449) sē pona yto-Ũko ase
 there to go- CONT I+be+PRES 'I'm going there.'
 [/sē.po.na/i.tō.ga.se/]
 (syllables are separated by periods and phonological units
 are marked by slashes)

- (450) m-oeh- no ropa aja
 2-come-IP again mother 'You've come back, Mother.'
 [/moe'.no.ro.pa/a.ya/]

Phonologically, words are sequences of syllables in which the penultimate syllable is stressed: *paruru* [pa'ruʔu] 'banana'. A few words exist which have only one syllable: *Ũ*, *po*. These words may carry stress because of the intrinsic stress which accompanies nasalization or because of elision: *kanawa ae yōko* [kana'wae i'tōko] 'going from the canoe'. Secondary stress falls on closed and on nasal syllables bordered by at least one unstressed syllable: *kōxtapānōko* ['kōštāpā'nōko] 'becoming chilly'. Secondary stress may fall on the initial syllable of words of four or more syllables when it is followed by an unstressed syllable: *xirikozuru* ['širiko'zuʔu] 'grass'. The stress pattern is somewhat flexible when several of the stated factors occur.

Length occurs with nasalization. Nasalized vowels are long in contrast with nonnasalized vowels: *arāta* [a'fā:ta] 'howler monkey'.

In discourse, nasalization and length occur on the final syllable of sentence initial connectives and at the end of utterances which constitute a major transition between thoughts: *mame* [mamē:] 'and then'; *ynanoturuase. te. mame...* [inanotuŕuasē: te mamē:...]. 'We talked. PAUSE. And then...'

- (451) oepy- ase taro-na aporo pakeimo opi
 1+come-RP here-to briefly early medicine

 ê- se aporo. opi êny- ase. te.
 drink-PURP briefly medicine I+drink-RP PAUSE

 moroto-ino.....
 that- after
 'I came here first early to take some medicine. I took it.
 (pause) And then...'

In (451), the final *e* of *êny-ase* is nasalized and lengthened.

The basic intonation patterns are: falling, which occurs sentence final; and level or rising, which occurs at the end of clauses and dislocated phrases within a clause or sentence, when these are not sentence final.

22.6 Morphophonology. A number of generalizations can be made about the system of pronunciation of the language, including certain morphophonological processes:

- (i) Words never begin with a consonant cluster.
- (ii) A sequence of vowel plus nasal consonant in morpheme final position, and preceding another consonant, becomes a nasalized vowel: *anym-se* → *anỹse* 'fished.'
- (iii) Any stop in morpheme final position becomes glottal stop preceding a consonant: *nyk-se* → *nyhse* 'slept.'

The following rule is complementary to rules (ii) and (iii).

- (iv) The morphophonemic change in consonant-final verb stems is a transition vowel *y* [i], central unrounded, occurring epenthetically between the stem final consonant and the vowel initial suffix. Generally, if the final stem vowel is *u*, the transition vowel harmonizes to *u*: *otuk-ase* → *otukuase* 'I ate'; *jy-nyk-ase* → *jynykyase* 'I slept.' However, there are a few idiosyncratic forms such as: *enetuput-ase* → *enetuputyase* 'I recognized it'; *oep-ase* → *oepuase* 'I came.'

- (v) The morpheme final syllables *no*, *ny*, and *my*, when following a nonconsonantal segment, are lost before stops, and the nonconsonantal segment is nasalized: *nytono toto* → *nytō toto* 'they went.'

(vi) Elision of vowels at morpheme junctures is fairly common, with the second vowel becoming dominant if the two are different: *airiki-amuru* → *airik-amuru* 'palm leaf.'

(vii) Any semivowel becomes consonantal when it is bounded on both sides by a vowel or when it is preceded by a *k* or silence and followed by a vowel. The rule operates from left to right *kujujuari* [kuiuiu'aŋi] → [kuyuyu'aŋi] 'bird species'; *wāko* [u'āko] 'dancing'; *kwirikwiri* [ku'iŋiku'iŋi] → ['kwiŋi'kwiŋi] 'bird species'.

(viii) /i/ tends to become nonvoiced between nonvoiced segments or in morpheme final position following a nonvoiced segment: *pitiko* [pɪtkO] 'small.'

23 MORPHOLOGY

This is treated in earlier sections.

24 IDEOPHONES

The ideophone is a noninflected onomatopoeic word that denotes an action that is normally expressed by a finite verb form. It is the only class of word that cannot be followed by a postpositional particle. It functions normally as a distinct sentence constituent, carrying the same meaning as that contained in the finite verb of that sentence (i.e. the basic part of the meaning, not including person, tense etc., which are not part of the meaning of the ideophone) (452):

- (452) *apoi-ko* *repe* *kyry*
 grab-HIS *CONTRAEXP* *grabbing (IDEOPH)*
 'But it (the frog) grabbed him instead.'

It may also function as:

- (i) a kind of direct object of the verb *ka* 'say, do', in which case it normally precedes that verb, as in (14);
- (ii) a separate sentence, occurring in isolation (453); and
- (iii) a substitute for a verb, cooccurring with nominals and/or adverbials to constitute a separate sentence, as in ((40) and (47)).

- (453) *kuto* *j-* *akuoh-* *no.* *pyhseky*
 frog *3SIO-take across-* *IP* *jumping(IDEOPH)*
 ' "The frog took me across," (he said). Act of jumping.'

The ideophone may be a single morpheme (e.g. *kyry* 'action of taking hold of') or a sequence of reduplicated forms (e.g. *koe koē koē koē* 'action of

paddling'). In the latter case the number of repeats of the form may be from two to ten or more but it is usually not more than six. Several different ideophones may occur in sequence.

Ideophones also show some variations from the normal phonology of the language. One or two additional phonological units occur: [b], voiced implosive bilabial stop, as in [be] 'dying', [g] voiced velar fricative, and [æ] open central low unrounded vowel, as in [pe.gæ pe.gæ] 'flapping (wings) clumsily'. In the phonotactics, there is a word final consonant h [ʔ] that does not occur elsewhere: sysyh [sisiʔ] 'climbing'. Ideophones are used frequently in everyday conversation and in story telling. Normally they consist of one or two syllable morphemes. The following list is not exhaustive, but presents ideophones which occur in three legends.

<i>be</i>	'dying'
<i>koe koe koe koe</i>	'paddle'
<i>pee</i>	'shoot'
<i>kute kute kute</i>	'(frog) croak'
<i>pyhseky</i>	'jump'
<i>pyh tere</i>	'jump into a canoe'
<i>ti</i>	'arrival of moon'
<i>syriryry</i>	'gliding movement of canoe'
<i>sororo</i>	'moving of canoe in shallow water'
<i>syr̃ tope topō</i>	'falling into the water'
<i>sysyh</i>	'climbing a tree'
<i>kui kui</i>	'screaming'
<i>soko soko</i>	'munching'
<i>seky seky</i>	'creep up'
<i>tā</i>	'hit hard object against another hard object'

<i>wezo wezo</i>	'squeeze through'
<i>popo popo</i>	'flapping of wings'
<i>t̃y t̃y t̃y</i>	'person walking'
<i>pyre pyre</i>	'coming out, appearing'
<i>woe</i>	'lifted up'
<i>toh toh toh toh toh toh</i>	'beat to death'
<i>kuh soro</i>	'finish beating and throw out'
<i>tē rokene</i>	'short time passing'
<i>pore</i>	'arrived'
<i>wyyy</i>	'clearing field'
<i>soko soko soko soko</i>	'digging of debris'
<i>somo</i>	'pick up'
<i>puto</i>	'put dirt on top of, pour out'
<i>tū tū tū</i>	'stamping'
<i>tototo tototo</i>	'bird falling, struggling to flap wings'
<i>wywywywy</i>	'hammock swinging'
<i>uroruro</i>	'trees falling'
<i>tororira</i>	'flute music'
<i>tyry tyry tyry tyry tyry</i>	'gourds rattling'
<i>soposopo</i>	'stepping into water'
<i>tututututu</i>	'fast approach'

kryh

'take hold of'

pupupupu-tyryry

'sound of wind'

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