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## Oct02 Introduction and Table of Contents

## Introduction

Oct02 is an artlang which is monocategorial but not isolating-there's plenty of inflectional morphology. Each non-conjoining word can be a complete sentence by itself, so speech is divided into utterances. The agreement morphology, which uses variables, allows word order to be determined by pragmatics (which have yet to be investigated). No phonology is provided.

## Person Terminology

In the (hypothetical) native terminology, 3rd person is 4 th person and inclusive person is 3rd person.

- The 1st person 1 refers to the speaker(s).
- The $2 n d$ person 2 refers to the addressee(s).
- The Inclusive person $1+2$ is the union of 1 st and $2 n d$ persons.
- Each of the above is termed local.
- The 3rd person 3 refers to non-local entities.
- There is also a Content Question Q marker.


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## 1 Oct02 Morphology Overview

### 1.1 Word Structure

Since Oct02 has only one word category, every word has the following morphological slots, with the semantics of empty slots under Unfilled:

| Word Structure |  |  |  |
| ---: | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Order | Description | Unfilled | Layer |
| 0. | Person of possessum or agent | unspecified | Agreement |
| 1. | Reciprocal | default |  |
| 2. | Conjunction | none |  |
| 3. | Polarity | positive |  |
| 4. | Aspect and Mood | imperfective |  |
| 5. | Auxiliary | none |  |
| 6. | Case | existence |  |
| 7. | Derivation | none | Stem |
| 8. | Noun Lexeme | required |  |
| 9. | Quantity and Reference Type | definite |  |
| 10. | Person of possessor or patient | unspecified | Agreement |

### 1.1.1 Noun Lexemes

We will start with the noun slot [8], which is filled in every word. There are five types of noun lexemes:

- Substantives refer mainly to physical entities; examples are "cat", "water", and "hand".
- Relationals refer to relationships, such as "inside" and "mother".
- Adjectives refer to qualities, such as "hot".
- Gerunds are nominal forms of verbs and refer to situations; examples are "eat" and "read".
- Numbers refer to quantities, such as "5" and "many".

A derivation [7] can change the noun's type, such as making an adjective into a count or mass substantive, such as "hot" into "the hot one".

### 1.1.2 Person and Role

These types differ in how they interact with the inflections. In particular, the semantics of the person slots [10] and [0] differ according to the noun type. When an adjective is static, the suffix role is the perceiver while when it's dynamic, the suffix role is the cause.

| Argument Structures |  |  |
| :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Name | Prefix Role | Suffix Role |
| Substantive | Possessum | Possessor |
| Relational | Locatee | Location |
| Number | Part | Whole |
| Adjective | Descriptee | Perceiver or Cause |
| Gerund | Patient | Agent |

Note: For kinship relationals, the location and locatee could instead be described as possessor and possessum, respectively, as in 1-father-2 "I'm your father.".

The reciprocal marker [1] causes both persons to have both roles. Note that a few word stems are already reciprocal and don't need the marker.

### 1.1.3 Cases and Huxiliaries

Gerunds are not the only way actions can be specified. At present, all the marked cases [6] except for the locative make the word dynamic. With an adjective, entry to or exit from a state can be specified, and with a substantive, motion to, from, or via a location can be specified. There are also cases for change of possession, existence, and purpose.

The auxiliaries [5] include action modifiers such as the conative, potential, habitual, singulative, and autocausative.

### 1.1.4 Quantity

Slot [9] does two things: specify the word's type of reference and specify number, amount, or degree, depending on the noun type. First, quantity is relevant and marked only when the word is indefinite. A non-referential word is marked as existential(?) while the slot is unfilled when the word is definite.

The semantics of the quantity markers varies according to the noun type. Quantity marks number for countable substantives and kinship relationals and amount for mass substantives while marking degree when the noun is a static or dynamic adjective. When the noun is a gerund, the number of occurrences is specified.

### 1.1.5 Hspect, Mood, Polarity, and Conjunctions

The remaining slots are conjunction [2], polarity [3], and aspect-mood [4].
There are three aspects: perfective, used for completed situations, imperfective, used for situations that have started but not completed, and prospective, used for situations that haven't started. There is also a jussive mood.

The polarities are positive, negative, and interrogative; note that for indefinite nouns, zero quantity is preferred to negative polarity marking.

The conjunctions include conjunctives, disjunctives, and conditionals.

### 1.2 Syntax

Words with marked conjunctions and/or 3rd person marking are the only words that can't stand alone as utterances, since relating words is the purpose of these markers. There are no syntactical reasons for any particular word order within an utterance other than, possibly, temporal sequence.

## 2 Oct02 Basic Morphology

### 2.1 Person and Number

With regard to inflection, there are five marked persons, the native numbering of which doesn't correspond to that of traditional Latin usage. However, for convenience, the Latin style is used here. The notation is:

| Person \& Number Descriptions |  |
| :--- | :--- |
| Name | Description |
| 1st person | speaker(s) and possibly associated persons |
| 2nd person | addressee(s) and possibly associated persons |
| Inclusive person | the union of 1 and 2 |
| 3rd person | coreference of non-local entities (i.e. none of the above) |
| Content Question | entities whose identification is requested |

### 2.1.1 Person and Number Hffixes

The same tags are used for both slots. Unlike nouns, the 1st and 2nd persons can only be singular, dual, or plural. The Inclusive person can be dual or plural. The 3rd and interrogative persons don't distinguish number.

| Local Person \& Number Affixes |  |  |  |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Singular | Dual | Plural | Name |
| 1 | 1 Du | 1 PL | 1st person |
| 2 | 2Du | 2PL | 2nd person |
|  | $1+2$ | $1+2 \mathrm{PL}$ | Inclusive person |

The content question person affix is Q .

### 2.1.2 Person Examples

(2.1.2a) cat
(2.1.2b) cat-1
(2.1.2c) 2-cat
"The cat exists." or "The cats exist."
"The cat is mine." or "The cats are mine."
"You are the cat."
(2.1.2d) hunger-1+2PL "We all are hungry."
(2.1.2e) Q-hunger-2Du "What are you 2 hungry for?"

### 2.1.3 Reflexive and Reciprocal

A word can be reflexive, indicated by using the same person marking in both person slots.
(2.1.3a) 1-anger-1 "I'm angry at myself."

The reciprocal prefix is Rcp.

### 2.2 Quantity Marking

Scalar relationals, such as "near", act like adjectives, but other relationals act like countable substantives. Numbers don't generally take quantity marking.

| Quantity Suffixes |  |  |  |  |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Tags | Name | Gerunds | Substantives |  |
|  |  |  | Mass |  |
|  |  | (definite) | (definite) | (definite) |
| SQ | Scalar Question | how many times? | how many? | how much? |
| SG | Singular | once | one |  |
| Du | Dual | twice | two |  |


| PC | Paucal | a few times | a few | little |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| PL | Plural | many times | many | much |
| Sat | Satisfactive | enough times | enough | enough |
|  |  | too few times | too few | too little |
| Sat + NOT |  | EXC | Excessive | too many times |
|  | too many |  |  |  |
| EXC + NOT |  | few enough times | few enough | little enough |
| Nul | Nullar | zero times | zero | no |
| EXI | Existential | at least once | at least one | some |
| PगR | Partial | not every time | not every | not all |
| UNI | Universal | every time | every | all |

### 2.2.1 Quantity Examples

(2.2.1a) cat-SG "There's a cat."
(2.2.1b) cat-Du-1 "I have 2 cats."

### 2.3 Derivations

The productive derivations include making adjectives into count CNT and mass MAS substantives (the use of quantity with adjectives will be covered in the scalar morphology chapter).
(2.3a) CNT-hunger-PL-1 "I have many hungry ones."
(2.3b) hunger-PL-1 "I'm very hungry."

### 2.4 Aspect and Mood

In a non-subordinate word, the aspects imply absolute time: imperfective is present, perfective is past, and prospective is future.

| Temporal Prefixes |  |  |
| :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Tags | Name | Group |
|  | Imperfective |  |
| PRF | Perfective | Aspect |
| PRo | Prospective |  |
| Jus | Jussive | Mood |

(2.4a) Q-PRF-eat-2 "What did you eat?"
(2.4b) PRF-knock-Du-1 "I knocked twice."

### 2.5 Case

The currently known marked cases are

| Case Prefixes |  |
| :--- | :--- |
| Tag | Description |
| INS | Instrumental |
| LOC | Locative |
| ALLL | Allative |
| ABL | Ablative |
| PER | Perlative |
| BEN | Benefactive |
| MमL | Malefactive |
| ACQ | Acquisitive |
| DEQ | Dequisitive |
| CREA | Creative |
| DEST | Destructive |

### 2.5.1 Instrumental

Of these, the instrumental is the most important, as it essentially converts words with body part nouns into the actions associated with the nouns (or the most useful action, when there are multiple possibilities). An example is Ins-eye "see".
(2.5.1a) 2-Ins-ear-1 "I hear you."
(2.5.1b) PRo-Ins-foot-1+2 "We're going to walk."

### 2.5.2 State Changes

Creative and destructive mark changes to the existence of the entities denoted by the noun while acquisitive and dequisitive mark changes to possession.

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(2.5.2a) PRF-ACQ-cat-SG-1 "I got a cat."
(2.5.2b) CrEA-box-SG-1 "I'm making a box."
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Allative, ablative, and perlative mark motion to, from, or via the entity denoted (when the noun is a scalar adjective, the allative and ablative mark an increase or decrease of the denoted state--this may change).
(2.5.2c) 1-PRO-FLLL-home-1 "I'm going to go home."

### 2.5.3 Help and Harm

The benefactive and malefactive mark the entity as one helped or harmed.
(2.5.3a) PRF-BEN-CNT-hunger-SG-2 "You helped a hungry one."

### 2.5.4 Locative

Finally, the locative is static and marks the noun as the location of an entity or situation (it has no scalar usage).
(2.5.4a) 1-Loc-home-1 "I'm at home."

### 2.6 Polarity

| Polarity Prefixes |  |
| :--- | :--- |
| Tags | Polarity |
|  | Positive |
| NOT | Negative |
| PQ | Interrogative |

(2.6a) 1-PQ-PRF-Ins-ear-2 "Did you hear me?"

### 2.7 Auxiliaries

| Auxiliary Prefixes |  |  |
| :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Tags | Name | Description |
| CON | Conative | attempted action |
| POT | Potential | ability of the agent |
| HAB | Habitual |  |
| SING | Singulative | one step of a unitizable process |
| Juto | Autocausative | (lexical) |

(2.7a) 1-Not-PRF-Auto-Ins-ear-2 "You didn't listen to me."
(2.7b) PRF-Sing-Ins-foot-1 "I took a step."
(2.7c) 1PL-Pot-Ins-ear-Q "Who can hear us?"

## 3 Oct02 Multiword Morphology

### 3.1 Variables

Variables are used for the 3rd person; there are, currently, four known variables: З , 3B, 3C, and 3D. Note that, due to the flexible word order, there can be no distinction between assignment and reference.

### 3.1.1 Examples

Note: in subsequent English translations, singular or plural will be used arbitrarily for definite references.
(3.1.1a) 3Д-man 3B-cat-SG-3A 3B-black
"The man exists. He has a cat. It's black."
"The man's cat is black."
(3.1.1b) ЗД-cat 3B-fish-ExI 3B-hunger-3म
"The cat is hungry for fish."

### 3.2 Copula

The copula lexeme Cop is needed whenever the complement requires multiple words.
(3.2a) 2-Not-cat-ExI
"You're not a cat."
(3.2b) 2-NoT-Cop-3म 3Д-cat-ExI 3Д-black
"You're not a black cat."

### 3.3 Subordination and Time

In a main clause, the temporal reference point TRP is the time of utterance; this makes the aspects act like absolute tenses. The aspect of a subordinate word can indicate relative time.

### 3.3.1 Restrictive, Non-restrictive, and Temporal Clauses

Here is a restrictive example:
(3.3.1a) 3み-cat-SG 3म-PRF-INs-eye-1 3д-black
"The cat I saw was black."
Compare to the following, which is only pragmatically different:
(3.3.1b) 3Д-cat-SG 3д-black 3म-PRF-Ins-eye-1
"I saw a black cat."
Since Oct02 doesn't have formal clauses, telling the different kinds apart is a bit difficult for the translator (the pragmatics has not really been investigated).
(3.3.1c) 3Д-boy 3B-PRF-Ins-fork-SG 3B-H LL-clean-3म 3C-pie-SG 3C-PRF-eat-3म
"The boy is cleaning a fork he ate a pie with."
"The boy is cleaning a fork (he ate a pie with it)."
"The boy is cleaning a fork, having eaten a pie with it."

### 3.3.2 Purpose Utterances

The benefactive and malefactive cases can be used in subordinate action words to indicate purpose for and against.
(3.3.2a) 3д-boy 3B-Pro-Ins-fork-SG 3B-HLL-clean-3Д 3C-pie-SG 3C-Pro-BEN-eat-3A "The boy is cleaning a fork in order to eat a pie with it."

### 3.4 Complements

In evidential on modal word with possessum or patient unspecified can act as a matrix predicate with another predicate in the utterance being the complement (although it may not be clear which word is the complement's predicate). The modals include the deontics and the volitives. The evidentials include perception words, the epistemics, and some specifically evidential words.

### 3.4.1 Perception

In instrumental perception word can be used as an auxiliary specifying the TRP of the complement.

In (3.4.1a), the effective tense of the complement is the imperfect.
(3.4.1a) зд-boy 3B-fork-PL 3B-fLL-clean-3Д PRF-Ins-eye-1
"The boy was cleaning a large number of forks."
"I saw the boy cleaning a large number of forks."
"I've seen the boy cleaning a large number of forks."
In (3.4.1b), the effective tense of the complement is the future perfect (i.e. the cleaning is complete before the seeing occurs).
(3.4.1b) 3म-boy 3B-fork-PL 3B-PRF-ALLL-clean-3A PRo-Ins-eye-2
"The boy will have cleaned a large number of forks."
"You'll see that the boy has cleaned a large number of forks."

### 3.4.2 Evidential Words

The auxiliary MEM makes the TRP definite past and the auxiliary Exp makes the TRP definite future; aspect is not marked on these when used as auxiliaries.

| Evidential Lexemes |  |  |
| :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Tag | Name | Description |
| MEM | Remembered | the possessor remembers |
| EXP | Expected | the possessor expects |
| WIT | Witnessed | $=$ perception by participant or witness |
| REP | Reported | the possessor has been told by participant or witness |
| EN | Epistemic Necessity | as judged by the possessor |
| EP | Epistemic Possibility | as judged by the possessor |

（3．4．2a）зд－boy 3B－fork－PL 3B－fLL－clean－3म MEM－1
＂The boy was cleaning a large number of forks．＂
＂I remember the boy cleaning a large number of forks．＂
（3．4．2b）3д－boy 3B－fork 3B－PRO－HLL－clean－3A PRF－REP－1
＂The boy told me he would clean the forks．＂
（3．4．2c）зд－boy 3B－fork 3B－PRF－д $\llcorner$ L－clean－3д EN－1
＂The boy must have cleaned the forks．＂

## 3．4．3 Modal Auxiliaries

| Modal Lexemes |  |  |
| :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Tag | Name | Glosses |
| DN | Deontic Necessity | ＂require＂，＂must＂ |
| DP | Deontic Possibility | ＂permit＂，＂may＂ |
| UN | Volitive Necessity | ＂want＂ |
| UP | Volitive Possibility |  |

（3．4．3a）3д－child 3B－broccoli 3B－eat－3म DN
＂The child must eat the broccoli．＂
（3．4．3b）3ヵ－cat 3B－fish 3B－eat－3म Not－DP－1Du
＂We don＇t let the cat eat the fish．＂
（3．4．3c）3月－cat 3B－fish 3B－eat－3म UN－3म
＂The cat wants to eat the fish．＂
（3．4．3d）3み－cat 3B－fish 3B－eat－3д Not－VP－3B
＂The fish doesn＇t want to be eaten by the cat．＂

## 3．5 Conjunctions

| Conjunction Prefixes |  |  |
| :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Tag | Name | Description |
| IF | Conditional |  |


| IND | Ind | all apply |
| :--- | :--- | :--- |
| IOR | Inclusive Or | any apply |
| POR | Preclusive Or | exactly one applies |

## 3．5．1 Coordination

（3．5．1a）3д－kitchen 3B－in－3д 3Д－JND－dog 3Д－JND－cat MEM－1
＂Both the dog and the cat were in the kitchen．＂
（3．5．1b）3み－meat 3み－PrF－eat－3B 3B－Por－dog 3B－Por－cat 3B－Por－self－2
＂Either the dog，the cat，or you ate the meat．＂

## 3．5．2 Contrastive Focus

As with coordination，the same variable is used for multiple entities．In one construction，one entity is positive and the other is negative．In the other construction，two or more entities are interrogative．
（3．5．2a）3Д－meat 3み－PrF－eat－3B 3B－dog 3B－Not－cat
＂It was the dog，not the cat，that ate the meat．＂
（3．5．2b）3म－meat 3म－PRF－eat－3B 3B－PQ－dog 3B－PQ－cat
＂Did the dog or the cat eat the meat？＂

## 3．5．3 Conditionals

（3．5．3a）3д－cat 3み－If－black－Uni 3д－Not－PRo－HLL－found－2
＂If the cat is completely black，you will not find her．＂

## 4 Oct02 Scalar Morphology

## 4．1 Scalar Overview

H scalar is an adjective or relational that denotes a scale of comparison and a direction of comparison．The direction of comparison has 3 possibilities；these are labeled positive，negative，and normative．The term normative refers to a range of neutral values，while positive refers to greater values and negative refers to lesser values．Note that scalar（arithmetic）positives and negatives are not the same as polar（Logical）positive and negative．

The subject of comparison refers to the entity being compared with respect to the scale of comparison and the standard of comparison refers to what it＇s compared to． The various scalar functions differ mainly in how the standard of comparison manifests．

### 4.1.1 Degree Suffixes

In adjective denotes a scale of comparison. Each bilexical adjective has both a positive and a negative lexeme, e.g. "hot" and "cold", while each unilexical adjective has only one lexeme, e.g. "blue". Medium is between paucal (narrow tolerance) and plural (wide tolerance). Neutral is between negative and positive. Maximal applies to positive lexemes while minimal applies to negative lexemes.

| Degree Suffixes |  |  |  |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Tags | Name | Adjectives |  |
|  |  | Bilexical | Unilexical |
|  |  | medium | medium |
| SQ | Scalar Question | how? | how? |
| SG | Singular |  |  |
| DU | Dual |  |  |
| PC | Paucal | slightly | slightly |
| PL | Plural | very | very |
| SAT | Satisfactive | enough | enough |
|  |  |  |  |
| SAT + NOT |  | too |  |
| EXC | Excessive | too |  |
|  |  |  | EXC + NOT |
|  |  | Nullar | neutral |
| NuL | Existential | not neutral | not minimal |
| EXI | Eartial | not max./min. | not maximal |
| PAR | Partial | Unimal | Universal |
| UNI | maximal/minimal | maximal |  |

### 4.1.2 Normatives

There are two ways to get a normative form of a bilexical scalar: one is to use the Nul degree suffix; the other is to use the NoRM derivational prefix immediately before the lexeme. The latter has the advantage of allowing the tolerance suffixes.

### 4.2 Scalar Functions

### 4.2.1 Tolerance

The term tolerance refers to how wide or narrow the normative range is.
Numerous adverbs are used in translating tolerance into English. When the scalar verb is normative, narrow tolerance may be translated as "precisely" and wide tolerance as "roughly". When modifying a superlative, narrow tolerance may be
translated as "by a little" and wide tolerance as "by a lot". Tolerance is medium if unmarked and no scalar measurement adverbial appears.

## (4.2.1a) 3Д-dog-2 3म-NoRM-Large-PL <br> "Your dog's size is roughly neutral."

Both maximal and minimal are translated as "as $X$ as possible", where $X$ is the scalar root's translation.

### 4.2.2 Scalar Questions

A scalar question requests a scalar answer (not necessarily an absolute value), as in "how hot?".
(4.2.2a) 3д-coffee-2 зд-hot-SQ
"How hot is your coffee?"

### 4.2.3 Normal Comparisons

For a normal bilexical scalar, the standard of comparison is always some implicit norm whose value is appropriate to the subject of comparison. A normative scalar indicates that the scalar value is more or less the same as the norm while a positive verb indicates a greater value and a negative verb a lesser value. The normative is formed using the neutral guantity on a positive or negative stem.
(4.2.3a) 3म-water 3Д-Pro-hot-NuL
"The water will be lukewarm."

A relative measurement advenbial is possible.

### 4.2.4 Manner

A manner construction specifies the manner in which an action is performed. Here, the manner is denoted by the scalar word appearing as the matrix with the action verb appearing as the complement. Note that not all scalars are useful as manner adverbials.

## (4.2.4a) 3म-girl Ins-foot-3म fast <br> "The girl is walking fast."

### 4.2.5 Comparatives

A comparative is an explicit comparison and may be one of equality (using a normative) or inequality (using a positive or negative). The scale of comparison may apply to
a. a situation,
b. the manner of an action,
c. the quantity of the subject of comparison,
d. the guantity of an argument that's not the subject of comparison,
e. the number of occurrences, or
$f$. the duration of a situation.
A comparative is distinguished from a normal comparison by the presence of an relational word whose location argument denotes the standard of comparison. The subject of comparison is denoted by the locatee argument. The verb of the adjunct clause is मt "at", "with".
(4.2.5a) 3Д-man 3B-woman 3Д-AT-3B 3ヵ-heavy-PC
"The man is a little heavier than the woman."
(4.2.5b) зд-girl 3B-boy 3д-ДT-3B PRF-Ins-foot-3म fast
"The girl walked faster than the boy."
(4.2.5c) 3д-tuber-PL 3B-fruit-Pc 3д-AT-3B 3C-man 3д-PRF-eat-3C
"The man ate more tubers than fruit."
(4.2.5d) 3C-man 3D-woman 3C-AT-3D 3Д-tuber-PL 3Д-PRF-eat-3C
"The man ate more tubers than the woman."

### 4.2.6 Temporal Comparatives

The subject of comparison's referent may be compared to an earlier or later instance of itself, or it may instead be compared to an earlier or later instance of some other entity. A word marked for aspect must be used whose noun is the copula Cop.
(4.2.6a) 1-PRF-Cop-3म 1-मT-3म 1-heavy
"I'm heavier than who I was."
(4.2.6b) 2-PRO-COP-3A 1-ДT-3A 1-heavy
"I'm heavier than who you will be."

### 4.2.7 SuperLatives

A superlative word selects a subset of some whole according to some scale of comparison, with the personal suffix specifying the whole and the personal prefix
specifying the subset. The whole must be non-singular; the cardinality of the subset may also be specified.

The ordinal derivation prefix ORD makes a normal scalar into a superlative.

> (4.2.7a) 3み-cat-Pc 3д-near-1+2 3B-ORD-young-SG-3म 3B-black "The youngest of these cats is black."

### 4.2.8 Satisfactives and Excessives

I satisfactive comparison is used to affirm or question the suitability of the subject of comparison for some actual or potential result, with respect to the scale of comparison while an excessive comparison is used to deny or question the suitability of the subject of comparison for some actual or potential result, with respect to the scale of comparison.
(4.2.8a)

"If a heavy-enough man sits on that old chair, he will break it."

### 4.2.9 Absolute and Relative Measurement Hdverbials

A scalar measurement adverbial is either relative, representing the difference between the value of the subject of comparison and that of the standard of comparison, or absolute, the value of the subject of comparison from O. A measurement adverbial precludes any tolerance or scalar question adverb. Note that some scalars have no possible measurement adverbials.

Hbsolute unit words are derived from substantives using ABS and relative unit words are derived from substantives using Rel. Unit words and any modifying number words don't mark agreement.

$$
\begin{aligned}
& \text { (4.2.9a) 3д-boy 3み-tall REL-riser-SG } \\
& \text { "The boy is } \sim 6 \text { inches taller than normal." } \\
& \text { (4.2.9b) } \text { 3д-boy 3B-girl उд-AT-3B 3म-tall REL-riser-SG } \\
& \text { "The boy is } \sim 6 \text { inches taller than the girl." } \\
& \text { (4.2.9c) } \text { 3म-cat 3म-near-2 3म-ORD-old REL-year-PC } \\
& \text { "That cat is the oldest by a few years." }
\end{aligned}
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For an absolute scalar, an absolute measurement adverbial is required; this is the only difference between an absolute scalar and a normal comparison for which any measurement must be relative.
（4．2．9d）3д－PRF－found－1PL 3み－wall－Sg 3み－tall дBs－riser＂10＂ ＂We encountered a～5－foot tall wall．＂

Measurement adverbials can also be used with mass substantives．
（4．2．9e）зд－PRF－J $\llcorner-h o t-1$ зみ－water JBS－Cup－Du
＂I heated 2 cups of water．＂

## 5 Oct02 Some Lexical Items

## 5．1 Found or Known

## 5．1．1 Basic Usage

The lexeme glossed as＂found＂usually translates better as＂known＂when used as a matrix predicate；otherwise，its basic meaning is the location of some entity is known．
（5．1．1a）3д－cat 3भ－found
＂The cat＇s location is known．＂
（5．1．1b）cat found
＂It is known that the cat exists．＂
（5．1．1c）зみ－cat 3ヵ－PrF－－HLL－found－1
＂I found the cat．＂
（5．1．1d）cat PRF－H HL－found－1
＂I discovered that the cat exists．＂
The same lexeme can be used for＂lost＂．
（5．1．1e）2－PRO－ABL－－found－2＂You＇ll get lost．＂

## 5．1．2 Embedded Questions

A question is embedded when a guestion morpheme appears in the complement．The matrix may or may not be itself a question．
（5．1．2a）3д－meat 3д－PRF－eat－Q found－1
＂I know who ate the meat．＂
（5．1．2b）зд－fish $\quad P Q$－found－PC 3д－large－SQ
＂Does anyone know exactly how large the fish is？＂
（5．1．2c）3д－cat 3д－NoT－found PQ－found－2 3д－PQ－black
＂Do you know if the missing cat is black？＂

### 5.2 Speech Hct Lexemes

At present, all guoted discourse is indirect, using "tell" and "ask". For both if these, the suffix specifies the speaker and the prefix specifies the addressee.
(5.2a) 3म-man 3B-cat-3म 3B-Not-found 1-PrF-tell-3д
"A man told me that his cat is missing."
Discourse pronouns are unknown; however, a null complement can be used.
(5.2b) 1-PRF-ask-2 "You already asked me that."

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