

Caquinte Information Structure

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Languages can differ syntactically in ways beyond word order or conditions for omitting pronouns. They can vary in how ideas are distributed over lexical categories, over predicates and arguments, over clauses, and over sentences. [...] We can strive to capture glimpses of how speakers package their thoughts, what they choose to say and how they choose to say it. (Mithun 2014:38)

One of the more interesting facts about human language is that we can use different forms to refer to the same thing, and the same form can be used to refer to many different things. Yet people somehow manage to understand one another [...] The question then is: what do speakers/writers know that enables them to choose an appropriate form to refer to a particular object and what do hearers/readers know that enables them to identify correctly the intended referent of a particular form?

(Gundel et al. 1993:274)

To presuppose something is to take it for granted, or at least to act as if one takes it for granted, as background information – as *common ground* among the participants in a conversation. What is most distinctive about this propositional attitude is that it is a social or public attitude: one presupposes ϕ only if one presupposes that others presuppose it as well. (Stalnaker 2002:701, emphasis in original)

...the structure of a sentence reflects in systematic and theoretically interesting ways a speaker's assumptions about the hearer's state of knowledge and consciousness at the time of an utterance. This relationship between speaker assumptions and the formal structure of the sentence is taken to be governed by rules and conventions of sentence grammar, in a grammatical component that I call INFORMATION STRUCTURE, using a term introduced by Halliday (1967). In the information-structure component of language, propositions as conceptual representations of states of affairs undergo pragmatic structuring according to the utterance contexts in which these states of affairs are to be communicated. Such PRAGMATICALLY STRUCTURED PROPOSITIONS are then expressed as formal objects with morphosyntactic and prosodic structure. (Lambrecht 1994:xiii, emphasis in original)

1 Introduction

- This presentation describes a cluster of related phenomena in Caquinte (Arawak, Peru) necessary to be explicit about the presuppositions that form the common ground between speakers of Caquinte, and the implicatures and entailments that arise from their utterances
- As with any natural language, a variety of conventionalizations at the level of discourse allow speakers to correctly track reference, and thus understand each other more generally
- These empirical issues and the mechanisms that motivate them underly much of the linguistic theory (Why does something move? Why does a feature bundle consist of what it does?)

- They are also at the heart of learning to be a fluent, native-sounding speaker of a language
- Nevertheless, reference grammars of South American languages often lack much of the information necessary for getting even a sense of these empirical issues

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- Roadmap:
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1.1 Sociolinguistic and Project Background and Data

- Caquinte is spoken by some 300-400 individuals in the headwaters of the Mipaya (Cusco) and Pogeni (Junín) rivers in the tropical Andean foothills of southeastern Peru
 - The language belongs to the Kampan branch of the Arawak language family
- Caquintes first entered into sustained contact with non-indigenous outsiders in 1976, with the arrival of members of the Summer Institute of Linguistics

- Traditionally, Caquintes were in tense relations with neighboring Asháninkas and Yines
 - Through the mid-20th century, warriors from both groups conducted raids in that murdered Caquinte warriors, enslaved Caquinte women and children, and destroyed material goods and garden plots
- Confined to the Pogeni headwaters probably from the mid-19th century, Caquintes migrated into the Mipaya headwaters in the mid-1950s
 - These Caquintes began intermarrying with Matsigenkas (Arawak), and those remaining on the Pogeni began intermarrying with Asháninkas
 - Very few living Caquintes have no Matsigenka or Asháninka ancestor, resulting in intense social pressures on Caquinte speakers and linguistic pressures on Caquinte grammar
- Since 2006 the Spanish oil and natural gas company Repsol has been operative in Caquinte territory, leading to some good but many bad social consequences
- I conduct fieldwork in Kitepámpani, a community of ~100 individuals (~35 adults)
 - 2011: preliminary fieldtrip to Kite via Cusco, where the current Caquinte schoolteacher was then studying
 - 2014-present: 7-10 weeks per year living and researching in Kite
- Data for this presentation comes from a corpus of more than 6,000 lines of segmented, glossed, and translated text organized in FieldWorks Language Explorer (FLEX)
 - Texts were authored by Antonina Salazar Torres (Tentereitoki), Joy Salazar Torres, and Emilia Sergio Salazar (Pootyoga) in Kitepámpani

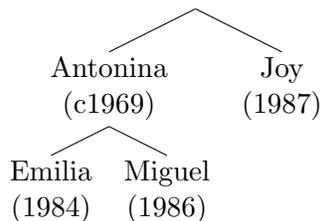


Figure 1: Speaker Genealogy

- Texts are predominantly monologic personal histories or traditional myths
- Texts are both oral written
 - * Oral texts were recorded, transcribed first by me, then in collaboration with a consultant, typed, and then reviewed and translated into Spanish with native speaker and schoolteacher Miguel Sergio Salazar (Kontyapasa)
 - * Written texts were handwritten by native speakers, reviewed and typed in consultation with the original author, and then reviewed and translated into Spanish with Miguel Sergio Salazar
- English translations here are my own, based principally on the original Caquinte
 - * Spanish translations are problematic because it is not my native language nor that of translator Miguel Sergio

- A large quantity of dialogic and more broadly conversational data remains to be processed!
- Previous published linguistic study of Caquinte is Swift’s (1988) morphosyntactic sketch and Castillo Ramirez’s (2017) undergraduate thesis on noun phrase syntax
 - Some of the ideas presented here go back to O’Hagan (2015a)

1.2 Relevant Grammatical Details

- Caquinte is a polysynthetic, strongly headmarking, mainly agglutinative language
- Basic word order is VSO (see §2) and a sentence need not exhibit overt DP arguments
- Verbal categories include:
 - Obligatory: person (specifically subject agreement) and reality status (Michael 2014)
 - Non-obligatory: causatives, applicatives, reciprocals, pluractionals, plurals, directionals, markers of associated motion, aspect, and “adverbial” categories (e.g., *-aman* ‘early in the morning’)
- Person is expressed on the verb via prefixes and suffixes (Table 1)
 - Intransitive verbs exhibit two paradigms of subject agreement (O’Hagan 2015b)
 - Object agreement and suffixal intransitive subject agreement paradigms are similar

Table 1: Caquinte Verbal Person-Markers

	A/S	P	S
1	<i>n(o)-</i>	<i>-na</i>	<i>-na</i>
1INCL	<i>a-, Ø-</i>	<i>-ahi</i>	<i>-ahi</i>
2	<i>p(i)-</i>	<i>-Npi</i>	<i>-Npi</i>
3M	<i>i-, y-, ir(i)-</i>	-ri	-Ø
3F	<i>o-, Ø-</i>	-ro	-Ø

Part I

“Topic” (or Presuppositions)

[...] a theory whose main premise is that different determiners and pronominal forms conventionally signal different cognitive statuses (information about location in memory and attention state), thereby enabling the addressee to restrict the set of possible referents. [...] It is widely recognized that the form of referring expressions, like such other aspects of language as word order and sentence intonation, depends on the assumed cognitive status of the referent, i.e. on assumptions that a coöperative [sic] speaker can reasonably make regarding the addressee’s knowledge and attention state in the particular context in which the expression is used [...] (Gundel et al. 1993:275)

2 Basic Word Order and Demonstratives

- ‘Basic’ word order is here considered the word order attested when no referent is in the common ground (i.e., these referents are being introduced into the common ground)

- intransitive = VS (2a,d)
- transitive = VAP (i.e., VSO) (1)

- (1) Ari otiakero Shomoshiki inkomerikanate...

ari o- tig -a -k -i -ro Shomoshiki Ø- iNkomerikana -te
 so 3F.S- cook -EP -PFV -REAL:ACT -3F.O Shomoshiki 3F.P- chili.pepper -POSS

Shomoshiki cooked her *aji* peppers... (naa22)

- Postverbal arguments are also attested when the referent is: 1) in the common ground; and 2) is also construed as the continuation of a recently foregrounded referent (2g)

- (2) a. ... “Ipeaka **nirihanite**.”

i- peg -a -k -a no- irihani -te
 3M.S- go.out.of.view -EP -PFV -REAL:MID 3M.P- son -POSS

“My son has gotten lost.”

- b. “Arikanpa tinpinake ontaniki otsenpigepohakageti.”

ari =ka =Npa tinpina -k -i -Ø o- Nta =niki o-
 so =EPIST =INCNGR lose.path -PFV -REAL:ACT -3S 3F- DEM:DIST =ADVZ 3F.S-
tseNpi -Ø -ge -poh -a -k -a =geti
 mountain -VBLZR -DISTR -ALL -EP -PFV -REAL:MID =SUB

“He is probably astray over there in the mountains.”

- c. Arikea osheki oshimanpohankaka, iraka...

ari =kea osheki o- shimanpohank -a -k -a Ø- irag -a -k
 so =SC much 3F.S- be.sad -EP -PFV -REAL:MID 3F.S- cry -EP -PFV
 -a
 -REAL:MID

And so she was very sad, she cried...

- d. Okantirokea **orihanite**: “Iinani, aato piraga.”

o- kaN -t -i -ro =kea Ø- orihani -te iinani aato pi-
 3F.S- say -EP -REAL:ACT -3F.O =SC 3F.P- daughter -POSS mother NEG:IRR 2S-
irag -a
 cry -REAL:MID

Then her daughter said to her: “Mother, don’t cry.”

- e. “Intsihate amenavetavakenpari.”

iNtsiha =te a- amen -a -ve -t -av -a -k -e -Npa -ri
 come.on =xxx 1INCL- watch -EP -FRUST -EP -DIR -EP -PFV -IRR -MID -3M.O

“Come on, we’re going to look for him.”

- f. “Aatogeti ikoraketahi, arikea antsake tinpinake.”

aato =geti i- korake -t -ah -i ari =kea a- N- tsa
 NEG:IRR =SUB 3M.S- come -EP -REG -REAL:ACT so =SC 1INCL- IRR- know
-k -e tinpina -k -i -Ø
 -PFV -IRR lose.path -PFV -REAL:MID -3S

“If he doesn’t come back, then we’ll know that he has lost his way.”

g. Ari ogishinehahiro oniinanite, ari ochookahiahi **roatinpa**.

ari Ø- ogishineh -ah -i -ro on- iinani -te ari o-
 so 3F.S- make.happy -REG -REAL:ACT -3F.O 3F.P- mother -POSS so 3F.S-
chooka -hig -ah -i roatiNpa
 EXST -PL -REG -REAL:ACT 3F.PRO

And so she made her mother happy, and they lived [there]. (ama40-46)

- Once a referent denoted by a noun is in the common ground, that noun is modified by the spatially medial demonstrative, which inflects for the gender of the referent

PROXIMAL	<i>ka</i>
MEDIAL	<i>ra</i>
DISTAL	<i>Nta</i>

Table 2: Caquinte Demonstratives

- As with (2g), these postverbal arguments are interpreted as ‘continuation topics’ (3)

(3) CONTEXT: A tortoise speaks to a tapir, who is the subject of the preceding sentence.

a. “Metohake, ometohanakeri inchatopoa.”

metoh -a -k -i o- metoh -an -a -k -i -ri
 die -EP -PFV -REAL:ACT 3F.S- kill -ABL -EP -PFV -REAL:ACT -3M.O
iNchato -poa
 tree -trunk

“He’s dead, a tree trunk killed him.”

b. Ari itankorehanahi **irira tanpishinari**.

ari i- taNkoreh -an -ah -i iri- ra taNpishinari
 so 3M.S- come.to -ABL -REG -REAL:ACT 3M- DEM:MED tapir

And so the tapir came to. (kev93-94)

- The main characters of traditional narratives are often introduced in this way

(4) Imaika nontsavetanteri **irira kamaarini**.

imaika no- N- tsavetaN -t -e -ri iri- ra kamaarini
 now 1S- IRR- tell.story.about -EP -IRR -3M.O 3M- DEM:MED snake

Now I am going to tell a story about the snake. (**kam1**)

- Most generally, we can say that a noun modified by a demonstrative denotes a referent in the common ground

3 Changes in Basic Word Order

- There are two preverbal argument positions for information-structurally ‘highlighted’ referents
(ARGUMENT) (ADVERB) (NEGATION) (ADVERB)/(ARGUMENT) VERB (SUBJECT) (OBJECT)

Figure 2: Caquinte Clause Structure

- In the simplest case, a single subject or object precedes the verb
 - Preverbal arguments modified by the medial demonstrative *ra* and coindexed on the verb are construed as ‘switch topics’
 - * The foregrounding of a referent that was not immediately previously foregrounded
 - Both subjects (5) and objects (6) may occur in this position

(5) CONTEXT: A human receives a surprise visit from a collared peccary transformed into a human. The peccary wants to establish a kin relation.

a. Yohokavakeneri isheka aisa kachohari.

i- ohok -av -a -k -i -nV -ri i- sheka aisa
 3M.S- give -DIR -EP -PFV -REAL:ACT -APPL:REC -3M.O 3M.P- food and
kachohari
 manioc.beer

He gave him [i.e., the collared peccary] his food and manioc beer.

b. **Iira imoroiroki** ikantiri kakinte: “Nonpeakenpi anianishi.”

iri- ra imoroiroki i- kaN -t -i -ri kakiNte no-
 3M- DEM:MED collared.peccary 3M.S- say -EP -REAL:ACT -3M.O person 1S-
 N- *peg -a -k -e -Npi anianishi*
 IRR- treat.as -EP -PFV -IRR -2O brother-in-law.ME

The collared peccary said to the person: “I’m going to treat you as my brother-in-law.” (imo10-11)

(6) CONTEXT: A Caquinte man has taken on a tyrannical role in a community.

a. Nonoshikatsintahikitanaka niraanaka aaaa choiiii choiiii joaaan joaaan.

no- noshik -a -tsiNtahiki -t -an -a -k -a no- irag -an -a
 1S- pull -EP -CL:intertwined -EP -ABL -EP -PFV -REAL:MID 1S- cry -ABL -EP
-k -a aaaa choiiii choiiii joaaan joaaan
 -PFV -REAL:MID ONOM

We were pulled around intertwined, and we cried *aaaa choiii choiii joaaan joaaan*.

b. **Ora igetyo** ... oshitikanakero ota ishitikantahitaka ogonkorinakiki.

o- ra igetyo ... o- shitik -an -a -k -i -ro
 3F- DEM:MED sister.FE ... 3F.S- tie.w/one.loop -ABL -EP -PFV -REAL:ACT -3F.O
o- tsa i- shitik -aN -t -a -hi -t -ak
 3F.P- liana 3M.S- tie.w/one.loop -APPL:INSTR -EP -EP -NREF -EP -PFV
-a o- gonkorinaki =ki
 -REAL:MID 3F.P- neck =LOC

They tied my sister X on her neck with manufactured rope. (naa44-45)

- The presence of adverbs in such clauses demonstrates that this argument position is fairly peripheral to the clause (7)

(7) Irira hagitya **osheki** ishimanpohankanaka...

iri- ra hagitya osheki i- shimaNpohaNk -an -a -k -a
 3M- DEM:MED Spix's.guan much 3M.S- be.sad -ABL -EP -PFV -REAL:MID

The Spix's guan was very sad... (hag173)

- Negation also occurs between these peripheral arguments and the verb (8)

(8) Irira ohaaite **tee** inkamantanakerohi itsiohite.

iri- ra o- haai -te tee i- N- kamaN -t -an -a
 3M- DEM:PROX 3F.P- brother.FE -POSS NEG:REAL 3M.S- IRR- tell -EP -ABL -EP
-k -i -ro -hi i- tsiohi -te
 -PFV -IRR -3F.O -NEG:REAL 3M.P- sister.ME -POSS

Her brother didn't tell his sister. (pik267)

4 One Series of Pronouns

- Caquinte distinguishes four series of pronouns (Table 3)

Table 3: Caquinte Independent Pronouns

1	<i>naatiNpa</i>	<i>naageNti</i>	<i>naro</i>	<i>narotake</i>
1INCL	<i>aatiNpa</i>	<i>aageNti</i>	<i>aro</i>	<i>arotake</i>
2	<i>aviatiNpa</i>	<i>avigeNti</i>	<i>aviro</i>	<i>avirotake</i>
3M	<i>iriatinpa</i>	<i>irigeNti</i>	<i>irio</i>	<i>iriotake</i>
3F	<i>(i/o)roatiNpa</i>	<i>irogeNti</i>	<i>iro</i>	<i>irotake</i>

- The *-tiNpa* pronouns have the same distribution as nouns modified by the demonstrative *ra*
 - They can appear postverbally, denoting referents that are continuation topics (9)

(9) CONTEXT: A young Caquinte woman appears in Kitepámpani asking for permission from the community president to live there permanently.

a. ... ikanti: “Taa opahita pikoraketashitake akaniki?”

i- kaN -t -i taa o- pahi -t -a pi- korake -t
 3M.S- say -EP -REAL:ACT WH 3F.S- LIGHT -EP -REAL:MID 2S- come -EP

-ashi -t -ak -i aka =niki
 -APPL:PURP -EP -PFV -REAL:ACT here =AVBZ

... and he said: “Why have you come here?”

- b. Nokantiri **naatinpa**: “Noshiaka.”

no- kaN -t -i -ri naatiNpa no- shig -a -k -a
 1S- say -EP -REAL:ACT -3M.O 1.PRO 1S- fun -EP -PFV -REAL:MID

I said: “I’ve run away.”

- c. “Noninke nonchookatahe akaniki Kitepanpaniki.”

no- niN -k -i no- N- chooka -t -ah -e aka =niki
 1S- want -PFV -REAL:ACT 1S- IRR- EXST -EP -REG -IRR here =ADVZ
Kitepanpani =ki
 Kitepámpani =LOC

“I want to live here in Kitepámpani.”

- d. Ikanti **iriatinpa**: “Kameetsa.”

i- kaN -t -i iriatiNpa kameetsa
 3M.S- say -EP -REAL:ACT 3M.PRO that’s.fine

He said: “That’s fine.” (tsh129-132)

– They can appear preverbally, denoting referents that are switch topics (10 & 11)

- (10) CONTEXT: The moon and the star find a beautiful woman bathing at the river.

- a. Inhakameetsatakaro ogameetsare irorihite ontihavenahavaeka omae.

i- nehakameetsa -t -ak -a -ro o- kameetsa -re
 3M.S- find.attractive -EP -PFV -REAL:MID -3F.O 3F.P- be.beautiful -NOMZ
irorihite =te Ø- ontih -a -venaha -vae -k -a o- mae
 because.F =xx 3F.S- braid -EP -CL:(hair.type) -DISTR -PFV -REAL:MID 3F.S- hair

They found her beauty attractive because her hair was long and braided.

- b. Kotankitsi **roatinpa** tee onintehi.

kotaNkitsi roatiNpa tee o- niN -t -e -hi
 but 3F.PRO NEG:REAL 3F.S- want -EP -IRR -NEG:REAL

But she wasn’t interested. (kat15-16)

- (11) CONTEXT: A woman abandons her husband for her own brother.

- a. Kenpehi yamenakotahiro irimankigare, **iroatinpa** tee onkenkehaherihi...

kenpehi i- amen -ako -t -ah -i -ro iri- maNkigare
 near 3M.S- watch -APPL:INDR -EP -REG -REAL:ACT -3F.O 3M.P- spouse
iroatiNpa tee o- N- kenkeh -ah -e -ri -hi
 3F.PRO NEG:REAL 3F.S- IRR- think.about -REG -IRR -3M.O -NEG:REAL

He watched her from afar, but she didn’t think about him...

- b. Tee kapichahi onkatsimaterihi, **iriatinpa** osheki ipintsatakaro.

tee kapichahi o- N- katsima -t -e -ri -hi
 NEG:REAL small.amount 3F.S- IRR- hate -EPC -IRR -3M.O -NEG:REAL
iriatiNpa osheki i- piNtsa -t -ak -a -ro
 3M.PRO much 3M.S- love -EP -PFV -REAL:MID -3F.O

She couldn’t stand him, but he on the other hand loved her very much. (okp5-6)

- They can modify a noun, appearing preminally (12)

(12) CONTEXT: A woman goes to visit her new daughter-in-law (a ground dove).

a. Onehapohirokea ovatyageo nohatanatsi aintochapaki.

o- neh -a -poh -i -ro =kea o- vatyageo noha
 3F.S- see -EP -ALL -REAL:ACT -3M.O =SC 3F.P- daughter-in-law.FE masticate
-t -an -atsi -Ø aintochapaki
 -EP -ABL -HAB -3S manioc

She saw her daughter-in-law masticating manioc.

b. Arikea iroatinpa heento ogichokotihavakerikea maasano korakehiankitsika.

ari =kea iroatinpa heento Ø- ogi- chokoti -hig -av -a -k
 so =SC 3F.PRO ground.dove.sp. 3F.S- CAUS- sit -PL -DIR -EP -PFV
-i -ri =kea maasano korake -hig -ankitsi =ka
 -REAL:ACT -3M.O =SC all come -PL -INTR.SE:PFV =REL

Then the ground dove had all those who had come sit down. (has56-57)

5 Demonstrative Suffixes

5.1 -ga

- The suffix *-ga* attaches to the medial demonstrative *ra* and functions to bring a referent into the common ground
- The relevant referent may, strictly speaking, never have been in the common ground, as is traceable from the openings of interactions between individuals who have never spoken (13)

(13) CONTEXT: An early woman, who has been raised eating dirt, comes across a tayra (in human form) in the forest drinking honey. He offers her a gourd full of honey to drink, but she is unable to finish it because it continues to replenish itself. She asks him why his foodstuffs are so plentiful, and, after he responds, follows up with the question in (13a). Neither her father nor either her or his choices of food have been previously mentioned.

a. ... “Oraga ishekagekaka aapani?”

o- ra -ga i- sheka -ge -k -a =ka aapani
 3F- DEM:MED -CG:ACT 3M.S- eat -DISTR -PFV -REAL:MID =REL father

... “What about what my father eats?”

b. “Tee onkenpetenparohi okatika pishekatakaka aviatinpa.”

tee o- N- kenpe -t -e -Npa -ro -hi o- ka
 NEG:REAL 3F.S- IRR- be.like -EP -IRR -MID -3F.O -NEG:REAL 3F- DEM:PROX
-tika pi- sheka -t -ak -a =ka aviatinpa
 -POINT 2S- eat -EP -PFV -REAL:MID =REL 2.PRO

“It’s not like this that you’re eating.” (tsp30-31)

- The relevant referent also may have been in the common ground, but be construed as no longer being in it at the time of utterance (14)¹

(14) ... “Oraga pohokakenaka noshekataka inkaharankitika, ari iro shekatsi?”

o- ra -ga pi- ohok -a -k -i -na =ka no- sheka -t
 3F- DEM:MED -CG:ACT 2S- give -EP -PFV -REAL:ACT -1O =REL 1S- eat -EP
-a =ka iNkaharaNki -Ø -t -i =ka ari iro sheka -tsi
 -REAL:MID =REL previously -VBZ -EP -REAL:ACT =REL so 3F.PRO food -ALIEN

... “What about what you gave me that I ate from earlier, is that food?” (tsp39)

- The suffix *-ga* does not occur only in interrogatives, but also in declaratives

(15) CONTEXT: A mother plans to raise her son so that he will become a powerful shaman, initially being the one to prepare his ayahuasca and tobacco for him, his two most potent drugs. He later goes to live with Matsigenkas on the Picha River. (The previous mention of tobacco is in line 53 of this text.)

- a. ... ari yoanakegeti ontaniki Pichaki, iriatinpa yagavehaka itsinakahiro isantomaritsate, ipeakaaharo.

ari i- og -an -a -k -i =geti o- Nta =niki Picha =ki
 so 3M.S- go -ABL -EP -PFV -REAL:ACT =SUB 3F- DEM:DIST =ADVZ Picha =LOC
iriatinpa i- agaveh -a -k -a i- tsinak -ah -i -ro
 3M.PRO 3M.S- be.able -EP -PFV -REAL:MID 3M.S- crush -REG -REAL:ACT -3F.O
i- santomaritsa -te i- peakag -ah -a -ro
 3M.P- ayahuasca -POSS 3M.S- manufacture -REG -REAL:MID -3F.O

... when he went over there to Picha, he was able to crush his own ayahuasca, he made it.

- b. Oraga sheri ovatsatavakeneritari iriinanite opihatakeneri tsogepironakiki.

o- ra -ga sheri Ø- ovatsa -t -av -a -k
 3F- DEM:MED -CG:ACT tobacco 3F.S- prepare(.tobacco) -EP -DIR -EP -PFV
-i -nV -ri =tari iri- iinani -te o-
 -REAL:ACT -APPL:REC -3M.O =CNGR 3M.P- mother -POSS 3F.S-
piha -t -ak -i -nV -ri tsogepiro
 put(.in.small.hole) -EP -PFV -REAL:ACT -APPL:REC -3M.O bamboo
-naki =ki
 -CN:round.open.top =LOC

The tobacco his mother prepared for him, putting it into bamboo stalks and giving it to him. (ama162-163)

5.2 *-tika*

- The suffix *-tika* attaches to all three demonstratives and often occurs when speakers point

(16) a. ... “Hero okatika notsovironakite.” PROXIMAL

¹Regarding this sentence, MSS has the intuition that, when *-ga* is present, it is as if the woman has given the food back to the tayra, whereas if *-ga* is not present, it is as if the woman still has the food.

he -ro o- ka -tika no- tsovironaki -te
 PRES -3F 3F- DEM:PROX -POINT 1P- house -POSS

... “Here is my house.” (has26)

- b. ... “Taa opahi oratika?” MEDIAL

taa o- pahī o- ra -tika
 WH 3F.S- LIGHT 3F- DEM:MED -POINT

... “What is that?” (kon82)

- c. ... “Irintatika irigenti heokarihite.” DISTAL

iri- Nta -tika irigenti heokarihite
 3M- DEM:DIST -POINT 3M.PRO spirit.type

... “That is a *heokarihite* spirit.” (ttk355)

- The suffix *-tika* also occurs in instances in which switches in topic involve a referent that is at the periphery of the common ground

(17) CONTEXT: A vampire bat marries several sisters successively, killing each one to drink their blood and blaming each death on their recklessness at a mystical swamp named Tsonkamonki. The vampire bat returns to the sisters’ parents each time he needs a new wife. The following scene occurs when the vampire bat returns for his second wife. Significant back-and-forth occurs between the father, the vampire bat, and the second daughter, but the mother has not been mentioned since line 85, when the vampire bat had come for his first wife.

- a. Ari yovetsataro irorihanite, ikantiro: “Paaheri notinerihaniki.”

ari i- ovetsa -t -ak -a -ro iri- orihani -te i- kaN -t
 so 3M.S- speak -EP -PFV -REAL:MID -3F.O 3M.P- daughter -POSS 3M.S- say -EP
-i -ro pi- ag -ah -e -ri no- tinerihaniki
 -REAL:ACT -3F.O 2S- live.with -REG -IRR -3M.O 1P- son-in-law

And so he spoke to his daughter, saying to her: “Go back and live with my son-in-law.”

- b. Oroatinpa okanti: “Intsiha, naatinpa kenkevarovaekena.”

oroatinpa o- kaN -t -i intsiha naatinpa kenkevarovae -k
 3F.PRO 3F.S- say -EP -REAL:ACT sure 1.PRO be.of.age -DISTR -PFV
-i -na
 -REAL:ACT -1S

She said: “Sure, I’m very much of age.”

- c. “Irosati namenakitero metohakeroka nogetyote.”

irosati no- amen -a -ki -t -e -ro metoh -a -k -i -ro
 then 1S- see -EP -AM -EP -IRR -3F.O kill -EP -PFV -REAL:ACT -3F.O
 =ka no- igetyo -te
 =REL 1P- sister.FE -POSS

“And then I’ll go and see who killed my sister.”

- d. Ari yohokakeneri.

ari i- ohok -a -k -i -nV -ri
 so 3M.S- give -EP -PFV -REAL:ACT -APPL:REC -3M.O

And so he gave her to him.

- e. Irira pinchinchiki ikantiri igoonkinitē: “Noanahe notsovironakiteki, oratika porihanite nontsipatanahenparo.”

iri- ra piNchiNchi i- kaN -t -i -ri i- kooNkini
 3M- DEM:MED vampire.bat 3M.S- say -EP -REAL:ACT -3M.O 3M.P- father-in-law
-te no- og -an -ah -e no- tsovironaki -te =ki o- ra
 -POSS 1S- go -ABL -REG -IRR 1P- house -POSS =LOC 3F- DEM:MED
-tika *pi- orihani -te no- N- tsipa -t -an -ah -e -Npa*
 -CG:REACT 1P- daughter -POSS 1S- IRR- accompany -EP -ABL -REG -IRR -MID
-ro
 -3F.O

The vampire bat said to his father-in-law: “I am going to go back to my house, I’ll accompany your daughter.”

- f. Irira oraapanite ikanti: “Intsiha.”

iri- ra or- aapani -te i- kaN -t -i iNtsiha
 3M- DEM:MED 3F.P- father -POSS 3M.S- say -EP -REAL:ACT sure

Her father said: “Sure.”

- g. Oratika oniinanite tee onintehi oanahehi, okanti: “Aato ogi orihani, ometohitanarotsi Tsonkamonki.”

o- ra -tika on- iinani -te tee o- niN -t -e
 3F- DEM:MED -CG:REACT 3F.P- mother -POSS NEG:REAL -3F.S- want -EP -IRR
-hi Ø- og -an -ah -e -hi o- kaN -t -i
 -NEG:REAL 3F.S- go -ABL -REG -IRR -NEG:REAL 3F.S- say -EP -REAL:ACT
aato Ø- og -i orihani o- metoh -it -a -na
 NEG:IRR 3F.S- go -REAL:ACT daughter 3F.S- kill -APPL:MAL -REAL:MID -1O
-ro -tsi Tsonkamonki
 -3F.O -lest Tsonkamonki

Her mother didn’t want her to go back, and she said: “My daughter won’t go, lest Tsonkamonki kill her.” (pik136-142)

5.3 Differentiation Among Set Members (-Npani)

- When a set of referents is introduced into the common ground, they may be differentiated between via the suffix -Npani (18)

- This suffix attaches to demonstratives, -tiNpa pronouns, and adverbs (e.g., imaika ‘now’)
- It often – but need not – involve a relation of contrast (18)

- (18) a. ... “Pishekatari emooki aisa shimoto?”

pi- sheka -t -a -ri emooki aisa shimoto
 2S- eat -EP -REAL:MID -3M.O grub.sp. and grub.sp.

... “Do you eat *emooki* grub and *shimoto* grub?”

- b. ... “Heehe, noshekatari emooki, **iriranpani shimoto** tee noshekatēnparihi.”

heehe no- sheka -t -a -ri emooki iri- ra -Npani shimoto
 yes 1S- eat -EP -REAL:MID -3M.O grub.sp. 3M- DEM:MED -CNTR grub.sp.
tee no- sheka -t -e -Npa -ri -hi
 NEG:REAL 1S- eat -EP -IRR -MID -3M.O -NEG:REAL
 ... “Yes, I eat *emooki* grub, but I don’t eat *shimoto* grub.” (ptk253-254)

- All members of the relevant set need not be overtly expressed, but may be construed as already being in the common ground (19 & 20)

(19) CONTEXT: A man is suspicious of his vampire bat brother-in-law, and wants to stay up through the night to see what he is up to.

a. ...okantiri: “Nontineokitanaha.”

o- kaN -t -i -ri no- N- tineoki -t -an -ah -e
 3F.S- say -EP -REAL:ACT -3M.O 1S- IRR- sleep -EP -ABL -REG -IRR
 ...she said to him: “I am going to go back to sleep.”

b. Iriatinpa ikantiro: “Intsiha, **naatinpanpani** aato notineokiti.”

iriatiNpa i- kaN -t -i -ro iNtsiha naatiNpa -Npani aato
 3M.PRO 3M.S- say -EP -REAL:ACT -3F.O go.ahead 1.PRO -CNTR NEG:IRR
no- tineoki -t -i
 1S- sleep -EP -REAL:ACT
 He said to her: “Go ahead, I’m not going to sleep.” (pik109-110)

(20) CONTEXT: Vampire bat does not want his new wife to see the blood of his previous wives in his private clay pot.

a. “Hero okatika choomo pintiantakenpaka.”

he -ro o- ka -tika choomo pi- N- tig -aN -t -ak
 PRES -F 3F.S- DEM:PROX -POINT clay.pot 2S- IRR- cook -APPL:INSTR -EP -PFV
-e -Npa =ka
 -IRR -MID =REL
 “Here is a (clay) pot for you to cook with.”

b. “**Ontatikanpani** choomo irogenti nashi naatinpa.”

o- Nta -tika -Npani choomo irogeNti no- ashi naatiNpa
 3F.S- DEM:DIST -POINT -CNTR clay.pot 3F.PRO 1P- POSS 1.PRO
 “That (clay) pot is mine.” (pik151-152)

- When the set is relatively large, and there is no explicit contrast between two referents, *-Npani* appears with each referent (21)

(21) CONTEXT: a powerful female shaman speaks with her son-in-law about what all of the previously mentioned characters in the narrative will transform into.

a. ...okanti: “**Iriranpani** kavavaantoni inpeanakenpa kavavaantoshitsaki.”

o- kaN -t -i iri- ra -Npani kavavaaNtoni i- N-
 3F.S- say -EP -REAL:ACT 3M- DEM:MED -CNTR rat.sp. 3M.S- IRR-
peg -an -a -k -e -Npa kavavaaNtoshitsaki
 transform -ABL -EP -PFV -IRR -MID rat.sp.(animal)

...she said: “The rat will transform into a true *kavavaantoshitsaki* rat.”

- b. Ari irira kavavaantoni ipeanaka kavavaantoshitsaki.

ari iri- ra kavavaaNtoni i- peg -an -a -k -a
 so 3M- DEM:MED rat.sp. 3M.S- transform -ABL -EP -PFV -REAL:MID
kavavaaNtoshitsaki
 rat.sp.(animal)

And so the rat transformed into a true *kavavaantoshitsaki* rat.

- c. Irira Poshontyo Tsorintsoripiori yovetsatanakaro, ikantiro: “**Naatinpanpani** aato pipeakagana, naatinpa kakinte.”

iri- ra PoshonTyo TsorinTsoripiori i- ovetsa -t -an -a -k
 3M- DEM:MED Old Axe 3M.S- speak -EP -ABL -EP -PFV
-a -ro i- kaN -t -i -ro naatiNpa -Npani aato pi-
 -REAL:MID -3F.O 3M.S- say -EP -REAL:ACT -3F.O 1.PRO -CNTR NEG:IRR 2S-
peg -akag -a -na naatiNpa kakinte
 transform -CAUS -REAL:MID -1O 1.PRO person

Old Axe spoke to her, saying to her: “Don’t transform me, I’m a person.”

- d. Aisa ovetsatanaka, okanti: “**Iriranpani** nomankigare inpeanakenpa pamakavirivakitsate.”

aisa Ø- ovetsa -t -an -a -k -a o- kaN -t -i iri-
 again 3F.S- speak -EP -ABL -EP -PFV -REAL:MID 3F.S- say -EP -REAL:ACT 3M-
ra -Npani no- maNkigare i- N- peg -an -a -k -e -Npa
 DEM:MED -CNTR 1P- spouse 3M.S- IRR- transform -ABL -EP -PFV -IRR -MID
pamakavirivakitsate
 eagle.sp.

Again she spoke, saying: “My husband will transform into the *pamakavirivakitsate* eagle.”

- e. Ari ipeanaka, ovetsatsitanaka aisa, okanti: “**Oratikanpani** norihanite onpeanakenpa ochotentega,” opeanaka.

ari i- peg -an -a -k -a Ø- ovetsa -itsi -t -an
 so 3M.S- transform -ABL -EP -PFV -REAL:MID 3F.S- speak -APPL:MAL -EP -ABL
-a -k -a aisa o- kaN -t -i o- ra -tika
 -EP -PFV -REAL:MID again 3F.S- say -EP -REAL:ACT 3F- DEM:MED -POINT
-Npani no- orihani -te o- N- peg -an -a -k -e -Npa
 -CNTR 1P- daughter -POSS 3F.S- IRR- transform -ABL -EP -PFV -IRR -MID
ochoteNtega o- peg -an -a -k -a
 flower 3F.S- transform -ABL -EP -PFV -REAL:MID

And so he transformed, and immediately she spoke again, saying: “My daughter will transform into a flower,” and she transformed. (ptk295-299)

Part II

Text Interlude: *Poshontyo tsorintsoripiori aisati kavavaantoni* ‘Old Axe and Rat’

The story begins with Old Axe and Rat going off deep into the forest to hunt. They come across a house near a river, with many beautiful women about. Old Axe approaches one woman swimming in the river, and asks immediately for her father. She asks more about where he has come from, and explains that her father is very irascible, and would possibly not be amenable to Old Axe’s visit. Nevertheless, after some time passes, Old Axe manages to visit the woman’s father, who is pleased that he has come, indicating that he will now treat him as his slave (*aahanirentsi*). After two days, Rat, who had accompanied Old Axe there, grows tired of the situation, and asks why they can’t leave. Old Axe arranges another conversation with the woman’s father, and before the conversation takes place he conspires with the woman – they plan to marry, and plot as to how Old Axe will locate the woman, as they look similar but have different postures. (They are concerned the woman’s father will ask Old Axe to choose between various of his daughters at once, which he later does.) When Old Axe finally speaks with the woman’s father, he indicates that he will give his daughter to him only if he agrees to clear him a new garden. Old Axe agrees, and the man, pleased with this, gives him necessary tools. At this point the narrative picks up.

- (22) a. Ari yohokavakeneri kotsiro, poshontyo, ikantiri: “Imaika poanake pinkatsiketenaro.”
ari i- ohok -av -a -k -i -nV -ri kotsiro poshontyo i-
 so 3M.S- give -DIR -EP -PFV -REAL:ACT -APPL:REC -3M.O machete axe 3M.S-
kaN -t -i -ri imaika pi- og -an -a -k -e pi- N- katsike -t
 say -EP -REAL:ACT -3M.O now 2S- go -ABL -EP -PFV -IRR 2S- IRR- clear(.land) -EP
-e -na -ro
 -IRR -1O -3F.O

And so he gave him a machete, an axe, saying to him: “Now go and clear it for me.”

- b. Ari yoanake ikatsiketapohiro itsipatakari kavavaantoni.
ari i- og -an -a -k -i i- katsike -t -apoh -i -ro
 so 3M.S- go -ABL -EP -PFV -REAL:ACT 3M.S- clear(.land) -EP -ALL -REAL:ACT -3F.O
i- tsipa -t -ak -a -ri kavavaantoni
 3M.S- accompany -EP -PFV -REAL:MID -3M.O rat.sp.

And so he went and when he arrived he cleared it alongside the *kavavaantoni* rat.

- c. Irira kakinte ari ikahemahiakero irorihanitepae, ikantiro: “Orihanipae, pinkorakehiake, noninke novetsahiakenpi.”

iri- ra kakinte ari i- kahem -a -hig -a -k -i -ro iri-
 3M- DEM:MED person so 3M.S- shout -EP -PL -EP -PFV -REAL:ACT -3F.O 3M.P-
orihani -te =pae i- kaN -t -i -ro orihani =pae pi- N- korake
 daughter -POSS =PL 3M.S- say -EP -REAL:ACT -3F.O daughter =PL 2S- IRR- come
-hig -a -k -e no- niN -k -i no- ovetsa -hig -a -k -e -Npi
 -PL -EP -PFV -IRR 1S- want -PFV -REAL:ACT 1S- speak -PL -EP -PFV -IRR -2O

The man shouted at his daughters, saying to them: “Daughters, come, I want to speak with you.”

- d. Ari okorakehiake, ikantiro: “Inkaharanki ikoraketake kakinte, ikankena, ikanti.”

ari o- korake -hig -a -k -i i- kaN -t -i -ro
 so 3F.S- come -PL -EP -PFV -REAL:ACT 3M.S- say -EP -REAL:ACT -3F.O
inKaharaNki i- korake -t -ak -i kaN -k -i
 recently 3M.S- come -EP -PFV -REAL:ACT person 3M.S- say -PFV -REAL:ACT
-na i- kaN -t -i
 -1O 3M.S- say -EP -REAL:ACT

And so they came, and he said to them: “Recently a man came, and he talked to me, saying:”

- e. “Pohokakenaro porihanite.”

pi- ohok -a -k -e -na -ro pi- orihani -te
 2S- give -EP -PFV -IRR -1O -3F.O 2P- daughter -POSS

“Give me your daughter.”

- f. “Naatinpa nokantiri:”

naatiNpa no- kaN -t -i -ri
 1.PRO 1S- say -EP -REAL:ACT -3M.O

“I said to him:”

- g. “Heehe, pinteronkakenarogeti nonigankitehire nagavehake nohokakenpiro.”

heehe pi- N- teroNk -a -k -e -na -ro =geti no- nigaNkitehi -re no-
 yes 2S- IRR- finish -EP -PFV -IRR -1O -3F.O =SUB 1P- garden -POSS 1S-
agaveh -a -k -e no- ohok -a -k -e -Npi -ro
 be.able -EP -PFV -IRR 1S- give -EP -PFV -IRR -2O -3F.O

“Yes, when you finish my garden for me I will be able to give her to you.”

- h. “Aisa nokantiri: ‘Aatogeti piteronkanaro aato nohokinpiro.’”

aisa no- kaN -t -i -ri aato =geti pi- teroNk -i -na -ro
 also 1S- say -EP -REAL:ACT -3M.O NEG:IRR =SUB 2S- finish -REAL:ACT -1O -3F.O
aato no- ohok -i -Npi -ro
 NEG:IRR 1S- give -REAL:ACT -2O -3F.O

“And I also said to him: ‘If you don’t finish it for me, I won’t give her to you.’”

- i. Aisa ikantiro: “Orihanipae, pinkorakehiake osavinkagitetanahegeti.”

aisa i- kaN -t -i -ro orihani =pae pi- N- korake -hig -a -k
 also 3M.S- say -EP -REAL:ACT -3F.O daughter =PL 2S- IRR- come -PL -EP -PFV
-e o- saviNkagite -t -an -ah -e =geti
 -IRR 3F.S- rise(.sun) -EP -ABL -REG -IRR =SUB

And he also said to them: “Daughters, come when the sun rises again.”

- j. “Pinkatintiihiake kameetsanihite irira kakinte, kerokaka inintakeka, iramenahiakenpi kameetsanihite keroka ininkeka irimankigakenpaka.”

pi- N- katintii -hig -a -k -e kameetsa =nihi =te iri- ra
 2S- IRR- stand.in.line -PL -EP -PFV -IRR PURP =PURP =xxx 3M- DEM:MED
kakiNte ke -ro =ka =ka i- niN -t -ak -i =ka iri- amen
 person WH -F =INDEF =REL 3M.S- want -EP -PFV -REAL:ACT =REL 3M.S.IRR- see
-a -hig -a -k -e -Npi kameetsa =nihi =te ke -ro =ka i- niN -k
 -EP -PL -EP -PFV -IRR -2O PURP =PURP =? WH -F =INDEF 3M.S- want -PFV
-i =ka iri- manKiga -k -e -Npa =ka
 -REAL:ACT =REL 3M.S.IRR- marry -PFV -IRR -MID =REL

“You’ll stand in a line so that the man, whichever one of you that he likes, he will see you so that he will marry whichever one he likes.”

- k. Oroatinpahia okantahianake: “Kameetsavaeke, nonkorakehiake osavinkagitetanahegeti.”

oroatiNpa -hia o- kaN -t -a -hig -an -a -k -i kameetsa -vae -k
 3F.PRO -PL 3F.S- say -EP -EP -PL -ABL -EP -PFV -REAL:ACT be.good -DISTR -PFV
-i -Ø no- N- korake -hig -a -k -e o- savinkagite -t -an -ah
 -REAL:ACT -3S 1S- IRR- come -PL -EP -PFV -IRR 3F.S- rise(.sun) -EP -ABL -REG
-e =geti
 -IRR =SUB

And they said: “That’s very good, we will come back when the sun rises again.”

- l. Ari oaoaitanahi apaniropae otineokitanahigeti.

ari Ø- og -a -oa -i -t -an -ah -i apaniropae o-
 so 3F.S- go -EP -go.REDUP -i.REDUP -EP -ABL -REG -REAL:ACT some 3F.S-
tineoki -t -an -ah -i =geti
 sleep -EP -ABL -REG -REAL:ACT =SUB

And so some went back to where they were sleeping.

- m. Oratika irorihanite kakinte oanake ameneri Poshontyo Tsorintsoripiori.

o- ra -tika iri- orihani -te kakiNte Ø- og -an -a -k
 3F- DEM:MED -REACT1 3M.P- daughter -POSS person 3F.S- go -ABL -EP -PFV
-i Ø- amen -e -ri Poshontyo Tsorintsoripiori
 -REAL:ACT 3F.S- see IRR -3M.O Old Axe

The man’s daughter went to see Old Axe.

- n. Amenapohiri okahemakotsitari, okantiri: “Kakinte!”

Ø- amen -a -poh -i -ri o- kahem -ako -itsi -t
 3F.S- see -EP -ALL -REAL:ACT -3M.O 3F.S- shout -APPL:INDR -APPL:MAL -EP
-a -ri o- kaN -t -i -ri kakiNte
 -REAL:MID -3M.S 3F.S- say -EP -REAL:ACT -3M.O person

When she arrived she saw him and immediately called out to him, saying to him: “Person!”

- o. Iriatinpa ipitsokanaka, ikantiro: “Taate opahita pinintake?”

iriatiNpa i- pitsok -an -a -k -a i- kaN -t -i
 3M.PRO 3M.S- turn.around -ABL -EP -PFV -REAL:MID 3M.S- say -EP -REAL:ACT
-ro taa =te o- pahi -t -a pi- niN -t -ak -i
 -3F.O WH =? 3F.S- LIGHT -EP -REAL:MID 2S- want -EP -PFV -REAL:ACT

He turned around, saying to her: “What do you want?”

- p. Oroatinpa okanti: “Kaakateha, noninke novetsatenpi.”

oroatiNpa o- kaN -t -i kaaka =te =ha no- niN -k -i no-
 3F.PRO 3F.S- say -EP -REAL:ACT come =xxx =xxx 1S- want -PFV -REAL:ACT 1S-
ovetsa -t -e -Npi
 speak -EP -IRR -2O

She said: “Come here, I want to speak with you.”

- q. Ikorakepohi kenpehi, ikantiro: “Taate opahita?”

i- korake -poh -i keNpehi i- kaN -t -i -ro taa =te o-
 3M.S- come -ALL -REAL:ACT near 3M.S- say -EP -REAL:ACT -3F.O WH =? 3F.S-
pahi -t -a
 LIGHT -EP -REAL:MID

He came near, saying to her: “What is it?”

- r. Okantiri: “Kero pipahitani?”

o- kaN -t -i -ri ke -ro pi- pahi -t -a -ni
 3F.S- say -EP -REAL:ACT -3M.O WH -F 2S- name -EP -REAL:MID -INTERR

She said to him: “What’s your name?”

- s. Iriatinpa ikanti: “Nopahita Poshontyo Tsorintsoripiori.”

iriatiNpa i- kaN -t -i no- pahi -t -a
 3M.PRO 3M.S- say -EP -REAL:ACT 1S- name -EP -REAL:MID
Poshontyo Tsorintsoripiori
 Old Axe

He said: “My name is Old Axe.”

- t. Iroatinpa oshirontimentsitari ihí ihí ihí, okantiri: “Tee onkameetsatehi pivahiro.”

iroatiNpa o- shiron -t -imen -itsi -t -a -ri ihí ihí ihí o-
 3F.PRO 3F.S- laugh -EP -APPL -APPL:MAL -EP -REAL:MID -3M.O hee hee hee 3F.S-
kaN -t -i -ri tee o- N- kameetsa -t -e -hi pi-
 say -EP -REAL:ACT -3M.O NEG:REAL 3F.S- IRR- be.good -EP -IRR -NEG:REAL 1P-
vahiro
 name

She laughed at him hee hee hee, saying to him: “Your name is not good.”

- u. Iriatinpa ikantiro: “Aviatinpate, kero pipahitani?”

iriatiNpa i- kaN -t -i -ro aviatinpa =te ke -ro pi- pahi -t
 3M.PRO 3M.S- say -EP -REAL:ACT -3F.O 2.PRO =xxx WH -F 2S- name -EP
-a -ni
 -REAL:MID -INTERR

He said to her: “And you, what’s your name?”

- v. Oroatinpa okanti: “Nopahita Ochotentega.”

oroatiNpa o- kaN -t -i no- pahi -t -a ochotenTega
 3F.PRO 3F.S- say -EP -REAL:ACT 1S- name -EP -REAL:MID flower
 She said: “My name is Flower.”

- w. “Pameniro tomirishiki, kameetsavaeke, naatinpa narogenti Ochotentega.”

pi- amen -i -ro tomirishi =ki kameetsa -vae -k -i -Ø
 2S- see -REAL:ACT -3F.O forest =LOC be.beautiful -DISTR -PFV -REAL:ACT -3S
naatiNpa narogenti ochotenTega
 1.PRO 1.PRO flower

“You see it in the forest, it’s beautiful, I am Flower.”

- x. Irosati okoakotsitaro, ikantiro: “Iriragate piraapanite, kero ipahitani?”

irosati o- koako -itsi -t -a -ro i- kaN -t -i -ro
 then 3F.S- ask -APPL:MAL -EP -REAL:MID -3F.O 3M.S- say -EP -REAL:ACT -3F.O

iri- ra -ga =te pir- aapani -te ke -ro i- pahi -t -a
 3M- DEM:MED -CG:ACT =xxx 2P- father -POSS WH -F 3M.S- name -EP -REAL:MID
-ni
 -INTERR

And then shortly thereafter he asked her, saying to her: “What about your father, what’s his name?”

- y. Oroatinpa okanti: “Ipahita Pamakavirivakitsate.”

oroatiNpa o- kaN -t -i i- pahi -t -a pamakavirivakitsate
 3F.PRO 3F.S- say -EP -REAL:ACT 3M.S- name -EP -REAL:MID eagle.sp.

She said: “His name is Eagle.”

- z. “Oratika noniinanite irogenti Mararo.”

o- ra -tika non- iinani -te irogenti mararo
 3F- DEM:MED -CG:REACT 1S- mother -POSS 3F.PRO cloud

“And my mother is Cloud.” (ptk60-85)

Part III

“Focus”

An identificational focus represents a subset of the set of contextually or situationally given elements for which the predicate phrase can potentially hold; it is identified as the exhaustive subset of this set for which the predicate phrase actually holds. (Kiss 1998:245)

6 Identificational Focus and Subject Agreement

- Caquinte subject agreement is suppressed in instances of subject extraction
 - Subject focus
 - Subject relative clauses
 - Subject content interrogatives
- Focused subject may also be one of a set of quantificational elements (23 - 25), although these elements do not require the suppression of subject agreement

- (23) Iriatinpa iteronkavakeri, **apanirosano** shianankitsi.

iriatiNpa i- teroNk -av -a -k -i -ri apaniro =sano shig -an
 3M.PRO 3M.S- finish -DIR -EP -PFV -REAL:ACT -3M.O one =EMPH run -ABL
-aNkitsi
 -INTR.SE:PFV

He finished them off, but one escaped. (ttk97)

- (24) CONTEXT: A man uses barbasco poison to fish, but little comes of it.
 a. Arikea yamenitsigevetavakarikea kaharagiteni.

ari =kea i- amen -itsi -ge -ve -t -av -a -k -a
 so =SC 3M.S- look -APPL:MAL -DISTR -FRUST -EP -DIR -EP -PFV -REAL:MID
-ri =kea kahara -gite =ni
 -3M.O =SC empty -CL:ENV =AUG

Then he looked around at them in vain, things were empty.

b. **Aparopae** metohagetanankitsi.

aparopae metoh -a -ge -t -an -aNkitsi
 some die -EP -DISTR -ABL -ABL -INTR.SE:PFV

Only some had died here and there. (shm336-337)

(25) **Osheki** korakehiankitsi.

osheki korake -hig -aNkitsi
 many come -PL -INTR.SE:PFV

Many came. (shm27)

- One set of pronouns – the ‘*irio*’ set (Table 3), or focus pronouns – requires the suppression of subject agreement

(26) “**Aviro**sa amanpivenkena notinerihaniki.”²

aviro =sa amanpiveN -k -i -na no- tinerihaniki
 2.PRO =INFER betray -PFV -REAL.I -1O 1P- nephew

“You betrayed me, nephew!” (ttk587)

- As Kiss’s system allows, Caquinte identificational focus entails exhaustivity (i.e., [+exhaustive]) but not contrast (27)

(27) **CONTEXT:** This text recounts the deeds of a Taataki, a famed Caquinte warrior whose abilities are unique among all Caquintes. This passage comes from the end of the text.

a. Arikea, okameetsagitetanahigeti, yanaakeritari Taataki katonkoniri, teekatsi kehetenparine.

ari =kea o- kameetsa -gite -t -an -ah -i =geti i- anag
 so =SC 3F.S- be.good -CL:ENV -EP -ABL -REG -REAL:ACT =SUB 3M.S- surpass
-a -k -i -ri =tari Taataki katonkoniri teekatsi kehe -t -e
 -EP -PFV -REAL:ACT -3M.O =CNGR Taataki Asháninka no.one be.like -EP -IRR
-Npa -ri -ne
 -MID -3M.O -IRR:AA

Then when there was peace again, Taataki surpassed the Asháninkas, no one equaled him.

b. Maasano ikemakohiakeri.

maasano i- kem -ako -hig -a -k -i -ri
 all 3M.S- heard -APPL:INDR -PL -EP -PFV -REAL:ACT -3M.O

²Context: A man suddenly realizes that his nephew, who was kidnapped by Asháninkas as a boy and raised among them, has betrayed him by bringing Asháninkas to his house that shoot him full of arrows.

Everyone heard of him.

- c. **Irio** santikogitetakaantahiro.

irio *saNtiko* *-gite* *-t* *-akag* *-aN* *-t* *-ah* *-i* *-ro*
3M.PRO be.silent -CL:ENV -EPC -CAUS -ANTIP -EP -REG -REAL.I -3F.O

He brought peace to everything as it had been before. (ttk1122-1124)

- However, an interpretation of contrast is available (28)

- (28) CONTEXT: a woman attempts to poison her captors with manioc beer, and so relies on the custom of not drinking one’s own manioc beer in order to avoid having to drink the poisoned beverage.

- a. ...“Pimire.”

pi- *mir* *-e*
2S- drink -IRR.I

...“Drink.”

- b. Okanti: “**Naatinpa** ashintahatakaro.”

o- *kaN* *-t* *-i* *naatiNpa* *ashiN* *-t* *-a* *-ha* *-t* *-ak* *-a*
3F.S- say -EP -REAL:ACT 1.PRO own -EP -EP -CL:fluid -EP -PFV -REAL:MID
-ro
-3F.O

She says: “But it’s mine.”

- c. “**Aviromekea** ashinkenparome nomirakeme.”

aviro *=me* *=kea* *ashiN* *-t* *-ak* *-e* *-Npa* *-ro* *=me* *no-* *mir* *-a* *-k*
2.PRO =CNTF =SC own -EP -PFV -IRR -MID -3F.O =CNTF 1S- drink -EP -PFV
-e *=me*
-IRR =CNTF

“If it were yours, I would drink.”

- As in (28) above, while *irio* pronouns express identificational focus only, other pronouns may also suppress subject agreement (see §8.1)
- Focus pronouns may fall outside (29) or inside (30) the scope of negation

– This correlates with a position to the left or to the right of the negation, respectively

- (29) “Avironpa miratsine aviatinpa **avirotari** tee pinohatehi.”

aviro *=Npa* *mir* *-atsi* *-ne* *aviatiNpa* *aviro* *=tari* *tee*
2.PRO =INCNGR drink -INTR.SE:IPFV -IRR:AA 2.PRO 2.PRO =CNGR NEG:REAL
pi- *noha* *-t* *-e* *-hi*
2S- masticate -EP -IRR -NEG:REAL

“You drink because you didn’t masticate.” (sis134)

- (30) a. ...“Tee **irio** piraapanite.”

tee irio pir- aapani -te
 NEG:REAL 3M.PRO 2P- father -POSS

...“He’s not your father.”

- b. “Iriratari piraapanite imetohakeri.”

iri- ra =tari pir- aapani -te i- metoh -a -k -i
 3M- DEM:MED =CNGR 2P- father -POSS 3M.S- kill -EP -PFV -REAL:ACT
-ri
 -3M.O

“He killed your father.” (ttk315-316)

- Interestingly, nouns do not occur in this focus position

- When a full noun is required, a coreferential pronoun precedes the verb and the noun follows it (31)

- (31) Ari ikihanakegeti, **irio**kea sotoapohatsi **Katsirinkaiteri**.

ari i- kih -an -a -k -i =geti irio =kea sotog -a -poh
 so 3M.S- enter -ABL -EP -PFV -REAL:ACT =SUB 3M.PRO =SC emerge -EP -ALL
-atsi Katsirinkaiteri
 -INTR.SE:IPFV Katsirinkaiteri

So when he set [i.e., the first sun], Katsirinkaiteri [i.e., our sun] emerged. (kat181)

- This bipartite construction is frequent in responses to questions that contain an identificational focus (32)

- (32) CONTEXT: A man acquires the ability to transform into various flying entities by swooping low over a magical river. Every time he returns to his perch, he asks himself what he will transform into next.

- a. “Taashia nonpeanakenpa?”

taa =shia no- N- peg -an -a -k -e -Npa
 WH =URG 1S- IRR- transform -ABL -EP -PFV -IRR -MID

“What will I transform into?”

- b. “**Irio** nonpeanakenpa **ashiivanti**.”

irio no- N- peg -an -a -k -e -Npa ashiivaNti
 3M.PRO 1S- IRR- transform -ABL -EP -PFV -IRR -MID angel

“I will transform into an angel.” (okp78-79)

7 An Aside on Content Interrogatives

If a sentence part conveys new, nonpresupposed information marked by one or more pitch accents – without expressing exhaustive identification performed on a set of contextually or situationally given entities, it is not an identificational focus but a mere information focus. [...] An information focus is present in every sentence, but not every sentence contains an identificational focus. (Kiss 1998:246)

- Caquinte exhibits no morphosyntactic strategy that uniquely expresses informational focus
- Content interrogatives are formed on an underspecified interrogative pronoun *taa*, which occurs at the beginning of the sentence and often serves as a host for second-position clitics
- It is not obvious that there are instances of responses containing both the questioned argument and the verb of the original question that are information-structurally equivalent to the question (i.e., where the focus would be purely informational)
 - The questioned argument can be construed information-structurally in a variety of ways in the response

- (33) a. ...“**Taa** tanpishitatsi?”
taa taNpishi -t -atsi
 WH be.strong -EP -INTR.SE:IPFV
 ...“Who is strong?”
- b. Oroatinpa okanti: “**Aviatinpa** tanpishitatsi.”
oroatiNpa o- kaN -t -i aviatiNpa taNpishi -t -atsi
 3F.PRO 3F.S- say -EP -REAL:ACT 2.PRO be.strong -EP -INTR.SE:IPFV
 She said: “You are strong.” (kev48-49)
- (34) a. ...“Inani, **taakea** chookatankitsi ontaniki antakeronta?”
iinani taa =kea chooka -t -aNkitsi o- Nta =niki aNtakeronta
 mother WH =SC EXST -EP -INTR.SE:PFV 3F- DEM:DIST =ADVZ other.side.DIST
 ...“Mother, who lives over there on the other side?”
- b. Okantiri: “Chooka oshekini **kakintehia**...”
o- kaN -t -i -ri chooka -Ø osheki =ni kakinte -hia
 3F.S- say -EP -REAL:ACT -3M.O EXST -3S much =AUG person -PL
 She said: “There are many many people...” (ama137-138)
- (35) a. ...“**Taa** katsimatakana?”
taa katsima -t -ak -i -na
 WH hate -EP -PFV -REAL:ACT -1O
 ...“Who hates me?”
- b. Ikanti tanpishinari: “**Naatinpa** katsimatakenpi...”
i- kaN -t -i taNpishinari naatiNpa katsima -t -ak -i
 3M.S- say -EP -REAL:ACT tapir 1.PRO hate -EP -PFV -REAL:ACT
 -Npi
 -2O
 The tapir said: “I hate you...” (kas38-39)
- (36) a. “**Taate** pitsipataka?”
taa =te pi- tsipa -t -ak -a
 WH =xxx 2S- accompany -EP -PFV -REAL:MID
 “Who are you with?”

- b. Oroatinpa okanti: “**Teekatsi** nontsipatenpaka, apaniro notineokitake.”
oroatiNpa o- kaN -t -i teekatsi no- N- tsipa -t -e -Npa
 3F.PRO 3F.S- say -EP -REAL:ACT no.one 1S- IRR- accompany -EP -IRR -MID
 =ka *apaniro no- tineoki -t -ak -i*
 =REL alone 1S- sleep -EP -PFV -REAL:ACT
 She said: “I’m not with anyone, I’m sleeping alone.” (kam37-38)

- (37) a. “**Taate** pipega anianishi?”
taa =te pi- peg -a anianishi
 WH =xxx 2S- transform -REAL:MID brother-in-law.ME

“What do you transform into, brother-in-law?”

- b. Iriatinpa ikanti: “Nopegasa anianishi **etsikiri**.”
iriatinpa i- kaN -t -i no- peg -a =sa
 3M.PRO 3M.S- say -EP -REAL:ACT 1S- transform -REAL:MID =INFER
anianishi etsikiri
 brother-in-law.ME fish.sp.

He said: “I transform into *etsikiri* fish, brother-in-law.” (imo33-34)

8 Other Sorts of Identificational Focus

8.1 *-geNti* Pronouns

- The *-geNti* pronouns function in many ways like copulas, which Caquinte otherwise lacks (38)

- (38) “Aviatinpa **avigenti** tanpishirimahaka.”

aviatinpa avigenti tanpishi -ri -mahaka
 2.PRO 2.PRO be.strong -NOMZ -TRUE

“You’re the truly strong one.” (kch2.61)

- In contrast, juxtapositions of *-tiNpa* pronouns and a noun are interpreted as appositions (39)

- (39) **Aviatinpa** chaahanikiri, aato pikehetari irika panari.

aviatinpa chaahanikiri aato pi- kehe -t -a -ri iri- ka
 2.PRO child NEG:IRR 2S- be.like -EP -REAL:MID -3M.O 3M- DEM:PROX
panari
 bird.sp.

You children, don’t be like this *panari* bird. (pam391)

- Apparently copular uses of *-geNti* pronouns may be the only pronoun in the clause (40)

- (40) Koramani naatinpahia ikantahigana katonkoniri: “**Avigentihia** Kachomashiri, aisa **avigenti** Pontonisati.”

koramani naatiNpa -hia i- kaN -t -a -hig -a -na katoNkoniri avigenti
 long.ago 1.PRO -PL 3M.S- said -EP -EP -PL -REAL:ACT -1O Asháninka 2.PRO
-hia Kachomashiri aisa avigenti Pontonisati
 -PL Kachomashiri also 2.PRO Pontonisati

Long ago the Ashéninkas said to us: “You are Kachomashiris, also you are Pontonisatis.” (ttk11)

- These *-genti* clauses may appear in object position – contrast (41) & (42)

(41) Yameni-ro imankigare isavihi okahemakotiri ovakoki.³

i- amen -i -ro i- manKigare isavihi o- kahem -ako -t
 3M.S- see -REAL:ACT -3F.O 3M.P- spouse below 3F.S- shout -APPL:INDR -EP
-i -ri o- vako =ki
 -REAL:ACT -3M.O 3F.P- hand =LOC

He saw his wife below and she called to him with her hand. (okp249)

(42) Yamenapohiro **irogenti** irorihanite.⁴

i- amen -a -poh -i -ro irogenti iri- orihani -te
 3M.S- see -EP -ALL -REAL:ACT -3F.O 3F.PRO 3M.P- daughter -POSS

He saw that it was his daughter. (ttk1074)

- These *-genti* clauses may also appear in subject position (43)

(43) Ari notsarakitanake ivoanahi **irigenti** shiranpari.

ari no- tsaraki -t -an -ak -i i- vog -an -ah -i
 so 1S- be.pregnant -EP -ABL -PFV -REAL:ACT 3M.S- be.born -ABL -REG -REAL:ACT
irigenti shiraNpari
 3M.PRO young.male

Then I got pregnant, and a boy was born. (tsh153)

- A focus akin to English *only* is expressed with a *-genti* pronoun coreferential with a noun
- In this construction, the pronoun typically precedes the verb with the noun following it
- When this construction associates with the subject, subject agreement is suppressed, regardless of transitivity, as seen by comparing (44) & (45)

(44) **Irigenti** chookahiatsi **chaahanikiri koontsenene**.

irigenti chooka -hig -atsi chaahanikiri koontsenene
 3M.PRO EXST -PL -INTR.SE:IPFV child Lineated.woodpecker

³Context: A man is up in a tree and his wife comes to him urgently with news that her brother has turned out to be a cannibal that has recently been terrorizing the area, but she can only motion to him.

⁴Context: A man whose daughter was kidnapped by Asháninkas sees a woman in the distance on the beach, but can't make her out, and upon drawing nearer realizes that it is his daughter.

Only the woodpecker’s children remained. (kon92)

- (45) Irirakea pamakavirivakitsate tee irihatehi inkoahaterohi, **irigenti** koahatakerō **shetyaonkani**...

iri- ra =kea pamakavirivakitsate tee iri- ha -t -e
 3M- DEM:MED =SC eagle.sp. NEG:REAL 3M.S.IRR- go -EP -IRR
-hi i- N- kog -a -ha -t -e -ro -hi irigenti
 -NEG:REAL 3M.S- IRR- look.for -EP -CL:fluid -EP -IRR -3F.O -NEG:REAL 3M.PRO
kog -a -ha -t -ak -i -ro shetyaonkani
 look.for -EP -CL:fluid -EP -PFV -REAL:ACT -3F.O Turkey.vulture

The eagle didn’t go to search for her in the water, only the vulture went to search for her... (pam160)

- When this construction associates with the object, object agreement is suppressed (46)

- (46) “**Irigenti** pinintavaetake **kamaarini!**”

irigenti pi- niN -t -a -vae -t -ak -i kamaarini
 3M.PRO 2S- want -EP -EP -DISTR -EP -PFV -REAL:ACT snake

“You only really want a snake!” (kam64)

- When this construction associates with the object and both arguments are nouns, object pronoun and noun appear together before the verb and object agreement is not suppressed, as in (47)

- (47) **Irigenti Tsipirini** ometohanakeri oshiteki chopekishiteki.

irigenti Tsipiri =ni o- metoh -an -a -k -i -ri o-
 3M.PRO Tsipiri =DEC 3F.S- kill -ABL -EP -PFV -REAL:ACT -3M.O 3F.P-
shiteki chopeki -shiteki
 strained.mash plantain -strained.mash

The strained plantain mash had only killed Tsipirini. (tsp146)

- The same construction often occurs in responses to content interrogatives, even when no focus is apparent (48)

- (48) a. “Taashia yamenahitake?”

taa =shia i- amen -a -hi -t -ak -i
 WH =URG 3M.S- see -EP -NREF -EP -PFV -REAL:ACT

“What did you see?”

- b. Arikea ikanti iriatinpa: “**Irigenti** namenake **koontsenene.**”

ari =kea i- kaN -t -i iriatinpa irigenti no- amen -a -k
 so =SC 3M.S- say -EP -REAL:ACT 3M.PRO 3M.PRO 1S- see -EP -PFV
-i koontsenene
 -REAL:ACT Lineated.woodpecker

Then he said: “I saw a woodpecker.” (kon180-181)

8.2 *arigeNti* ‘only’

- Identificational focus over an event is expressed via etymologically related *arigeNti* (49)

- (49) a. Arikea Okitsipokani ikantikea: “Tee nonpegenpahi.”
ari =kea Okitsipokani i- kaN -t -i =kea tee no- N-
 so =SC Okitsipokani 3M.S- say -EP -REAL:ACT =SC NEG:REAL 1S- IRR-
peg -e -Npa -hi
 go.out.of.view -IRR -MID -NEG:REAL
 Then Okitsipokani said: “I didn’t get lost.”
- b. “**Arigenti** notinpinake.”
arigeNti no- tiNpina -k -i
 only 1S- lose.path -PFV -REAL:ACT
 “I only lost the trail.” (okp85-86)

8.3 *iNtati* ‘only’

- (50) Arikea roatinpa otsipatashitakari **intati** aisa iriatinpa itsipatashitaro **intati** irorihite tee intsatehi kovagisherentsi, mana itsipavihitakaro **intati**.

ari =kea roatiNpa o- tsipa -t -ashi -t -ak -a -ri iNtati
 so =SC 3F.PRO 3F.S- accompany -EP -APPL:PURP -EP -PFV -REAL:MID -3M.O only
aisa iriatinpa i- tsipa -t -ashi -t -a -ro iNtati irorihite
 also 3M.PRO 3M.S- accompany -EP -APPL:PURP -EP -REAL:MID -3F.O only because.F
 =te tee i- N- tsa -t -e -hi kovagishe -re -Ntsi mana
 =xxx NEG:REAL 3M.S- IRR- know -EP -IRR -NEG:REAL have.sex -NOMZ -ALIEN instead
i- tsipavihi -t -ak -a -ro iNtati
 3M.S- accompany.as.friend -EP -PFV -REAL:MID -3F.O only

And so she only accompanied him, of her own will, and he only accompanied her of his, because he was not familiar with sex, and instead only accompanied her as a friend. (ama82)

9 Conclusion

- Caquite exhibits a high degree of sensitivity in its word order and morphology to the nature of referents relative to the common ground
- Focus-related phenomena involve comparatively “less” morphology, but interact in important ways with agreement
- Important empirical issues for future research include:
 - Difference between *-tika* and *-ga*
 - Distribution of four series of pronouns
 - Bipartite constructions involving pronouns and nouns
 - Interaction of pronouns, nouns, word order, and agreement
- How much do common ground- and focus-related phenomena belong in a similar module of grammar?

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