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Volume 5 contains first a general introduction to the series in Chapter 1, Chapter 2 deals with terms for people, by gender, age and marital status. Chapters 3 and 4 deal with body parts and with bodily functions and states respectively. Chapter 5 presents terms for health and disease. Chapters 6, 7 and 8 contain a detailed examination of verbs: those describing posture and movement, other physical acts not included elsewhere, and verbs of perception. Chapter 9 examines how body-part metaphors are used in expressions of emotion and cognition. Chapter 10 deals with cognition verbs. Chapter 11 explores ways of describing people – by stature, temperament, emotion and evaluation. As in the other volumes, appendices include an index of reconstructions, a full listing of languages by subgroups, and a series of maps locating languages.
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1 Introduction

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1.1 Aims

This is the fifth in a series of volumes on the lexicon of the Proto Oceanic (POc) language.\(^1\) POc was the immediate ancestor of the Oceanic subgroup of the Austronesian language family. This subgroup consists of all the Austronesian languages of Melanesia east of 136° E, together with those of Polynesia and (with two exceptions) those of Micronesia—more than 450 languages in all (see Map 1).\(^2\) Extensive arguments for the existence of Oceanic as a clearly demarcated branch of Austronesian were first put forward by Otto Dempwolff in the 1920s, and the validity of the subgroup is now recognised by virtually all scholars working in Austronesian historical linguistics.

The development and break-up of the POc language and speech community were stages in a truly remarkable chapter in human prehistory—the colonisation by Austronesian speakers of the Indo-Pacific region in the period after about 2000 BC. The outcome was the largest of the world’s well-established language families and (until the expansion of Indo-European after Columbus) the most widespread. The Austronesian family comprises more than 1,000 distinct languages. Its eastern and western outliers, Madagascar and Easter Island, are two-thirds of a world apart, and its northernmost extensions, Hawai‘i and Taiwan, are separated by 70 degrees of latitude from its southernmost outpost, Stewart Island in New Zealand.

It is likely that the divergence of Oceanic from its nearest relatives, which are the Austronesian languages spoken around Cenderawasih Bay and in South Halmahera (Blust 1978a), began when Austronesian speakers from the Cenderawasih Bay area moved eastwards along the north coast of New Guinea and into the Bismarck Archipelago. There is a strong school of opinion that associates the subsequent break-up of POc with the rapid colonisation of Island Melanesia and the central Pacific by bearers of the Lapita culture between about 1200 and 900 BC (see Map 2 and volume 2, chapter 2).

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\(^1\) The project has been jointly directed by Andrew Pawley and Malcolm Ross, with research assistance from Meredith Osmond, in the Department of Linguistics, formerly of the Research School of Pacific and Asian Studies, now of the College of Asia and the Pacific, at the Australian National University. Originally, five volumes were planned, but the large amount of material has required this to be increased to seven (see p3).

The Austronesian language family and major subgroups
The present project aims to bring together a large corpus of lexical reconstructions for POc, with supporting cognate sets, organised according to semantic fields and using a standard orthography for POc. We hope that it will be a useful resource for culture historians, archaeologists and others interested in the prehistory of the Pacific region. The comparative lexical material should also be a rich source of data for various kinds of purely linguistic research, e.g. on semantic change and subgrouping in the more than 450 daughter languages.

Volume 1 of *The lexicon of Proto Oceanic* deals with material culture. Volumes 2, 3 and 4 examine relevant sets of cognate terms in order to gain insights into how POc speakers viewed their environment. Volume 2 deals with the geophysical or inanimate environment, volumes 3 and 4 treat plants and animals respectively. The present volume and volume 6 return to terminologies centring on people. This volume is concerned with gender and age, the body, and human conditions and physical and cognitive activities that arise from nature rather than nurture. Volume 6 will concern culturally learned activities, social organisation, belief systems, rituals, recreation and other elements of non-material culture. The seventh and final volume will perform a number of functions. It will treat certain lexical categories, e.g. closed classes of lexical roots, not dealt with in earlier volumes. It will review the main findings of the project concerning the culture and environment of Proto Oceanic speakers and will compare these findings with what archaeology tells us about the way of life and environment of the bearers of the Lapita culture. Volume 7 will also provide an index to the POc and other reconstructions presented in the whole work, as well as an English-to-POc finderlist and a list of all languages cited, together with their subgroups.3

Chapter 2 of the present volume presents reconstructions and supporting cognate sets for terms for people: ‘person’, ‘woman’, ‘man’, age cohort terms from early childhood to old age, terms for people by absence or deprivation of relationship (‘orphan’, ‘unmarried adult’, ‘widow(er)’) and for twins. Kin relationship terms are handled in volume 6 rather than here, as they are a dimension of social organisation.

Chapters 3 to 7 concern terms that have to do with the human body. Chapter 3 presents terms for the parts of the body and bodily substances, both substances of which the body is made up and which it emits. Chapter 4 is dedicated to conditions and activities of the human body, ranging from processes that occur spontaneously (sweating, breathing, snoring) to deliberate activities like eating, drinking and copulating. In between these extremes are numerous events with lesser degrees of agentivity, like sleeping, belching, yawning, defecating, laughing and crying. Chapter 5 is entitled ‘Health and disease’ and gives some insight into the diseases recognised and labelled by POc speakers. Chapter 6 investigates how Oceanic languages talk about posture and movement, the latter including not only human locomotion but also how people cause other people and things to move: raising and lowering, pulling, pushing and putting, various modes of carrying, and so on. Chapter 7 gives terms for a miscellany of activities performed with the body and its parts: working, gesturing, seizing and holding, treading, bathing and washing, waiting and hiding.

Chapters 8 to 11 deal with various aspects of the human mind. Chapter 8 presents terms for the five senses: seeing, hearing, smelling, tasting and perceiving by touch. Chapter 9 investigates the structure and semantics of body-part metaphors in Oceanic languages, as these

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3 This Introduction incorporates much of the material in the Introductions to Volumes 1–4. We replicate this material here in order that each volume can be used independently. The introduction to volume 3, however, introduced a fresh presentation of the subgrouping of Oceanic languages, and this is retained here.
Map 2  Geographical limits of historically known Oceanic speakers and of presently documented Lapita sites
evidently formed an integral part of the POc terminologies handled in Chapters 10 and 11. Chapter 10 examines terms for various aspects of cognition (knowing and thinking, truth, memory, deciding, agreeing, choosing and learning) and their organisation in POc. The final chapter, Chapter 11, presents terms that human beings use to describe one another with respect to their physical qualities, temperaments, emotions, desires and evaluations.

1.2 The relation of the current project to previous work

Reconstructions of POc phonology and lexicon began with Dempwolff’s pioneering work in the 1920s and 1930s. Dempwolff’s dictionary of reconstructions attributed to Proto Austronesian (PAn) (Dempwolff 1938)—but equivalent in modern terms to Proto Malayo-Polynesian (PMP)—contains some 600 reconstructions with reflexes in Oceanic languages.

Since the 1950s, POc and other early Oceanic interstage languages have been the subject of a considerable body of research. However, relatively few new reconstructions safely attributable to POc were added to Dempwolff’s material until the 1970s. In 1969 George Grace made available as a working paper a compilation of reconstructions from various sources amounting to some 700 distinct items, attributed either to POc or to early Oceanic interstages. These materials were presented in a new orthography for POc, based largely on Biggs’ (1965) orthography for an interstage he called Proto Eastern Oceanic. Updated compilations of Oceanic cognate sets were produced at the University of Hawai‘i in the period 1977–1983 as part of a project directed by Grace and Pawley. These compilations and the supporting data are problematic in various respects and we have made only limited use of them.

Comparative lexical studies have been carried out for several lower-order subgroups of Oceanic: for Proto Polynesian by Biggs (resulting in Walsh & Biggs 1966, Biggs, Walsh & Waqa 1970 and subsequent versions of the POLLEX file, including Biggs & Clark 1993, Clark & Biggs 2006 and Greenhill & Clark 2011); for Proto Micronesian by scholars associated with the University of Hawai‘i (Bender et al. 1983, 2003); for the ancestor of the Banks and Torres languages by Alexandre François (several unpublished manuscripts); for Proto North and Central Vanuatu by Clark (Clark 1996, 2009); for Proto Southern Vanuatu by Lynch (1978b, 1996, 2001c); for New Caledonia by Ozone-Rivierre (1992), Haudricourt & Ozone-Rivierre (1982) and Geraghty (1989); for Proto SE Solomonic by Levy (1980) and Lichtenberk (1988); for Proto Central Pacific by Hockett (1976), Geraghty (1983, 1986, 1996, together with a number of unpublished papers); for Proto Eastern Oceanic by Biggs (1965), Cashmore (1969), Levy (1970), and Geraghty (1990); and for Proto Central Papuan by Pawley (1975), Lynch (1978a, 1980), and Ross (1994).

Robert Blust of the University of Hawai‘i has, in a series of papers (1970, 1980a, 1983-84a, 1986, 1989) published extensive, alphabetically ordered, lexical reconstructions (with supporting cognate sets) for interstages earlier than POc, especially for Proto Austronesian, Proto Malayo-Polynesian and Proto Eastern Malayo-Polynesian. He has also written several papers investigating specific semantic fields (Blust 1980b, 1982b, 1987, 1994). Blust & Trussel have a major work in progress, the Austronesian Comparative Dictionary (ACD), which will bring together all Blust’s reconstructions for Proto Austronesian and lower-order stages.
This is stored in electronic form at the University of Hawai‘i. The version to which we refer dates from 2012.

Several papers predating our project systematically investigated particular semantic domains in the lexicon of POc, e.g. Milke (1958), French-Wright (1983), Pawley (1982, 1985), Pawley & Green (1984), Lichtenberk (1986), Walter (1989), and the various papers in Pawley & Ross (1994). Ross (1988) contains a substantial number of new POc lexical reconstructions, as well as proposed modifications to the reconstructed POc sound system and the orthography. However, previous Oceanic lexical studies were limited both by large gaps in the data, with a distinct bias in favour of ‘Eastern Oceanic’ languages, and by the technical problems of collating large quantities of data. Although most languages in Melanesia remain poorly described, there are now many more dictionaries and extended word lists, particularly for Papua New Guinea, than there were in the 1980s. And developments in computing hardware and software now permit much faster and more precise handling of data than was possible then. A list of sources and a summary of the Project’s collation procedures is found in Appendix 1.

Several compilations of reconstructions have provided valuable points of reference, both inside and outside the Oceanic group. We are indebted particularly to Bender et al. (2003), two editions of *POLLEX* (Biggs & Clark 1993 and Clark & Biggs 2006), Blust & Trussel (ACD), Clark (2009) and Lynch (2001c).

In the course of planning the several volumes of the present project, we came to realise that the form in which preliminary publications were presented—namely as essays, each discussing cognate sets for a particular semantic field at some length—would also be the best form for the presentation of this set of volumes. A discursive treatment of individual terminologies, as opposed, say, to a dictionary-type listing of reconstructions with supporting cognate sets, makes it easier to relate the linguistic comparisons to relevant issues of culture history, language change, and methodology. Hence each of the present volumes has as its core a collection of analytic essays. Some of these have been published or presented elsewhere, but are included here in revised form. In some cases we have updated the earlier versions in the light of subsequent research, and, where appropriate, have inserted cross-references between contributions. Authorship is in some cases something of a problem, as a number of people have had a hand in collating the data, doing the reconstructions, and (re)writing for publication here. In most chapters, however, one person did the research which determined the structure of the terminology, and that person appears as the first or only author, and where another or others had a substantial part in putting together the chapter they appear as the second and further authors.

1.3 Reconstructing the lexicon

The lexical reconstructions presented in these volumes are arrived at using the standard methods of comparative linguistics, which require as preliminaries a subgrouping or internal classification of the languages in question (§1.3.2) and the working out of systematic sound correspondences among cognate vocabulary in contemporary languages (§1.3.3). As well as cognate sets clearly attributable to POc, we have included some cognate sets which at this stage are attributable to various interstage languages, particularly Proto Western and Proto Eastern.

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Oceanic (but see §1.3.2.4 for definitions). We have set out to pay more careful attention to reconstructing the semantics of POc forms than has generally been done in earlier work, treating words not as isolates but as parts of terminologies.

1.3.1 Terminological reconstruction

Our method of doing ‘terminological reconstruction’ is as follows. First, the terminologies of present-day speakers of Oceanic languages are used as the basis for constructing a hypothesis about the semantic structure of a corresponding POc terminology, taking account of (i) ethnographic evidence, i.e. descriptions of the lifestyles of Oceanic communities and (ii) the geographical and physical resources of particular regions of Oceania. For example, by comparing terms in several languages for parts of an outrigger canoe, or for growth stages of a coconut, one can see which concepts recur and so are likely to have been present in POc. Secondly, a search is made for cognate sets from which forms can be reconstructed to match each meaning in this hypothesised terminology. The search is not restricted to members of the Oceanic subgroup; if a term found in an Oceanic language proves to have external (non-Oceanic) cognates, the POc antiquity of that term will be confirmed and additional evidence concerning its meaning will be provided. Thirdly, the hypothesised terminology is re-examined to see if it needs modification in the light of the reconstructions. There are cases, highlighted in the various contributions to these volumes, where we were able to reconstruct a term where we did not expect to do so and conversely, often more significantly, where we were unable to reconstruct a term where we had believed we should be able to. In each case, we have discussed the reasons why our expectations were not met and what this may mean for Oceanic culture history.

Blust (1987:81) distinguishes between conventional ‘semantic reconstruction’, which asks, “What was the probable meaning of protomorpheme X?”, and Dyen and Aberle’s (1974) ‘lexical reconstruction’, where one asks, “What was the protomorpheme which probably meant ‘X’?” At first sight, it might appear that terminological reconstruction is a version of lexical reconstruction. However, there are sharp differences. Lexical reconstruction applies a formal procedure: likely protomeanings are selected from among the glosses of words in available cognate sets, then an algorithm is applied to determine which meaning should be attributed to each set. This procedure may have unsatisfactory results, as Blust points out. Reconstructions may end up with crude and overly simple glosses; or no meaning may be reconstructed for a form because none of the glosses of its reflexes is its protomeaning.

Terminological reconstruction is instead similar to the semantic reconstruction approach. In terminological reconstruction the meanings of protomorphemes are not determined in advance. Instead, cognate sets are collected and their meanings are compared with regard to:

- their specific denotations, where these are known;
- the geographic and genetic distribution of these denotations (i.e. are the glosses from which the protogloss is reconstructed well distributed?);
- any derivational relationships to other reconstructions;
- their place within a working hypothesis of the relevant POc terminology (e.g., are terms complementary — ‘bow’ implies ‘arrow’; ‘seine net’ implies ‘floats’ and ‘weights’? Are there different levels of classification—generic, specific, and so on?).
For example, it proved possible to reconstruct the following POc terms for tying with cords (vol.1:290–293):

POc *buku ‘tie (a knot); fasten’
POc *pʰiita ‘tie by encircling’
POc *paqu(s), *paqu-i- ‘bind, lash; construct (canoe +) by lashing together’
POc *pisi ‘bind up, tie up, wind round, wrap’
POc *kiií ‘tie, bind’

In each of the supporting cognate sets from contemporary languages there are a number of items whose glosses in the dictionaries or word lists are too vague to tell the analyst anything about the specific denotation of the item, and in the case of *kiií this prevents the assignment of a more specific meaning. The verb *buku can be identified as the generic term for tying a knot because of its derivational relationship (by zero derivation) with a noun whose denotation is clearly generic, *buku ‘node (as in bamboo or sugarcane); joint; knuckle; knot in wood, string or rope’ (vol.1:85–86; this volume, §3.6.8.1.2). Reconstruction of the meaning of *pʰiita as ‘tie by encircling’ is supported by the meanings of the Lukep, Takia and Longgu reflexes, respectively ‘tie by encircling’, ‘tie on (as grass-skirt)’, and ‘trap an animal’s leg; tie s.t. around ankle or wrist’: Lukep and Takia are North New Guinea languages, whilst Longgu is SE Solomonic. Reconstruction of the meaning of *paqu(s), *paqu-i- as ‘bind, lash; construct (canoe +) by tying together’ is supported by the meanings of the Takia, Kiribati and Samoan reflexes, respectively ‘tie, bind; construct (a canoe)’, ‘construct (canoe, house)’, and ‘make, construct (wooden objects, canoes +)’: Takia is a North New Guinea language, Kiribati is Micronesian, and Samoan is Polynesian. The meaning of *pisi is similarly reconstructed by reference to the meanings of its Mono-Alu, Mota, Port Sandwich, Nguna and Fijian reflexes.

Often, however, the authors have been less fortunate in the information available to them. For example, Osmond (vol.1:222–225) reconstructs six POc terms broadly glossed as ‘spear’. Multiple terms for implements within one language imply that these items were used extensively and possibly in specialised ways. Can we throw light on these specialised ways? Unfortunately, some of the word lists and dictionaries available give minimal glosses, e.g. ‘spear’, for reflexes of the six reconstructions. What we need to know for each reflex is: what is the level of reference? Is it a term for all spears, or perhaps all pointed projectiles including arrows and darts? Or does it refer to a particular kind of spear? Is it noun or verb or both? If a noun, does it refer to both the instrument and the activity? Most word lists are frustratingly short on detail. For this kind of detail, ethnographies have proved a more fruitful source of information than many word lists.

Another problem is inherent in the dangers of sampling from over 450 languages. The greater the number of languages, the greater are the possible variations in meaning of any given term, and the greater the chances of two languages making the same semantic leaps quite independently. Does our (sometimes quite limited) cognate set provide us with a clear unambiguous gloss, or have we picked up an accidental bias, a secondary or distantly related meaning? Did etymon x refer to fishhook or the material from which the fishhook was made? Did etymon y refer to the slingshot or to the action of turning round and round?
1.3.2 Subgrouping and reconstruction

1.3.2.1 Subgrouping

Although the subgrouping of Austronesian languages, and hypotheses about which protolanguage was spoken where, remain in certain cases somewhat controversial, it is impossible to proceed without making some assumptions about these matters. Figures 1 and 2 are approximate renderings of our subgrouping assumptions. The upper part of the tree, shown in Figure 1, is due to Blust, originally presented in Blust (1977) and repeated with additional supporting evidence in subsequent publications (Blust 1978a, 1982, 1983-84b, 1993a, 2009a). The diagram of the lower (Oceanic) part of the tree in Figure 2 shows nine primary subgroups of Oceanic. Its rake-like structure indicates that no convincing body of shared innovations has been found to allow any of the nine subgroups to be combined into higher-order groupings. Sections 1.3.2.2, 1.3.2.3 and 1.3.2.4 offer some commentary on our subgrouping, and in §1.3.2.4 we explain how we handle the rake-like structure in making reconstructions.

Figure 1  Schematic diagram showing higher-order subgroups of Austronesian languages

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5 For critical overviews of the literature on Austronesian subgrouping, see Ross (1995), Pawley (1999), Adelaar (2005) and Blust (2009a). The CEMP and Central Malayo-Polynesian linkages, and also PEMP, have been called into question, but these issues lie beyond our present scope (Donohue & Grimes 2008, Blust 2009b).
Figure 2. Schematic diagram showing the subgroups of Oceanic Australian languages.
1.3.2.2 Kinds of subgroup

In Figures 1 and 2 each node is either a single language, usually a reconstructed protolanguage, or, in italics, a group of languages.

Where a node is a protolanguage, its descendants form a proper subgroup (in the technical sense in which historical linguists use the term ‘subgroup’). A proper subgroup is identified by innovations shared by its member languages, i.e. it is ‘innovation-defined’ in the terminology of Pawley & Ross (1995). These innovations are assumed to have occurred just once in the subgroup’s protolanguage, i.e. the exclusively shared ancestor of its members. Thus languages of the large Oceanic subgroup of Austronesian share a set of innovations relative to the earlier Austronesian stages shown in Figure 1 (Dempwolff 1934). By inference these innovations occurred in their common ancestor, POc, and the claim that they are innovations is based on a comparison of reconstructed POc with reconstructed PMP. The innovations may be phonological (e.g. PMP *e, pronounced [ə], and PMP *aw both became POc *o), morphological (e.g. POc acquired a morphological distinction between three kinds of possessive relationship: food, drink and default), or lexical (e.g. PMP *limaw ‘citrus fruit’ was replaced by POc *molis).

Italics are used in Figures 1 and 2 to indicate a group of languages which is not a proper subgroup, i.e. has no identifiable exclusively shared parent. Thus Formosan languages in Figure 1 indicates a collection of languages descended (along with PMP) from PAN. They are spoken in Taiwan, but do not form a subgroup. There was no ‘Proto Formosan’, as Formosan languages and language groups are all descended directly from PAN.

Some of the italicised labels in Figures 1 and 2 include the term linkage. A linkage (an ‘innovation-linked group’ in the terminology of Pawley & Ross 1995) is a collection of usually quite closely related languages or dialects, speakers of which were in sufficient contact at one time or another during their history for innovations to pass from one language to the next, often resulting in a pattern such that the domains of various innovations overlap but are not coterminous. A number of Oceanic linkages have been recognised by scholars researching the history of the languages of Fiji (Geraghty 1983), of the Caroline Islands (Jackson 1983), of NW Melanesia (Ross 1988), of the SE Solomons (Lichtenberk 1988, 1994a; Pawley 2011) and of Vanuatu (Tryon 1976, Clark 1985, Lynch 2000a, 2004c, François 2011a, 2014). A linkage may arise in at least three ways, but distinguishing between them is often impossible.

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6 The two very closely related languages Mussau and Tench form a minor exception.
7 Chapter 4 of Lynch (2002) gives a recent account of these innovations.
8 In what follows, ‘language’ is used to mean ‘language or dialect’.
9 One or more innovations may spread right across the languages of the linkage. In this case it becomes virtually impossible to distinguish it from a proper subgroup.
10 Recent work in Indo-European appeals to the concept of linkage: Garrett (2006) suggests that the dialects ancestral to Greek were not dialects of ‘Proto Greek’ but a collection of Nuclear Indo-European dialects drawn together by relations between the communities ancestral to the Greek city states, across which spread the innovations which characterise Ancient Greek.
First, what would otherwise be a proper subgroup may happen to lack exclusively shared innovations, perhaps because the parent did not exist as a unit for long enough to undergo any innovations of its own.\footnote{A situation in which a subgroup is both proper (i.e. defined by exclusive innovations) and a linkage (displaying overlapping patterns of innovations) is of course possible, the exclusively shared innovations having occurred in the parent, the others after the break-up of the parent. It so happens that we have no need of this construct here.}

Second, a linkage may consist of some but not all of the languages descended from a single parent. The Western Oceanic linkage reflects the innovations of POc, but no innovation is common to the whole of Western Oceanic (although the merger of POc *r and *R comes close). However, the languages of its three component linkages—North New Guinea, Papuan Tip and Meso-Melanesian—display complex patterns of overlapping innovations. The Western Oceanic linkage appears to be descended from the dialects of POc that were left behind in the Bismarck Archipelago after speakers of the languages ancestral to the other eight primary subgroups in Figure 2 had moved away to the north or east (Ross 2014, In press). After these departures various innovations occurred. Each arose somewhere in the Western Oceanic dialect network and spread to neighbouring dialects without reaching every dialect in the network.

The third type of linkage is the result of contact among languages descended from more than one immediate parent, indicated in Figure 2 by a dashed line around the relevant groups of languages. An example is the Fijian linkage, which represents the partial resynthesis of the Fiji-based descendants of earlier Western Central Pacific and Eastern Central Pacific linkages after Rotuman and Polynesian had split off from them (Geraghty & Pawley 1981, Geraghty 1983, Pawley 1996b).\footnote{‘Eastern Fijian languages’ in Figure 2 is our label for Geraghty’s (1983) ‘Tokalau Fijian’.} Geraghty reconstructed the history of the Fijian linkage by painstaking analysis of innovations from at least two stages in its history. From the earlier period Western Fijian languages share innovations with Rotuman and Eastern Fijian with Polynesian. From a more recent period Western Fijian and Eastern Fijian languages share innovations with each other, reflecting their reintegration into a single linkage, within which the present Western/Eastern boundary has shifted relative to the (fuzzy) boundary of the earlier period.

For most of the linkages noted in Figures 1 and 2 this kind of analysis is not available. For example, Blust (1993a) argues that CEMP was a linkage. But its history is far from clear. Does CEMP perhaps include some languages that share history with languages to their west and others that share history with those to their north? The North/Central Vanuatu linkage, long assumed to be some sort of genealogical unit, appears to reflect the partial reintegration of at least two dialect networks, North Vanuatu and Central Vanuatu, that probably had not diverged greatly from each other, but the details of this history are difficult to elucidate (Lynch 2000a).\footnote{For a history of scholarly views of the subgrouping of North and Central Vanuatu languages see Clark 2009:§1.3). For arguments supporting a NCV grouping, see Clark (2009: ch.4).}

The languages of a linkage have no identifiable exclusively shared parent. Yet we have found many instances in which a cognate set is limited to one of the linkages in Figures 1 and 2: CEMP, Western Oceanic, New Guinea Oceanic, Southern Oceanic or the reintegrated North and Central Vanuatu linkage. As with PEOc and PROc (§1.3.2.4), we think it is preferable to attribute these reconstructions to a hypothetical protolanguage rather than to a higher node in the tree. Hence there are reconstructions labelled PCEMP, PWoC and so on.
Map 3. Groups of Oceanic languages used in cognate sets
Again these apparent lexical innovations offer only the weakest evidence for the protolanguage to which they are attributed. In addition to the explanations of the kinds offered for PEOc and PROc etyma in §1.3.2.4 it is possible, for example, that an innovatory ‘PWOc’ etymon arose when the Western Oceanic dialect network was still close-knit, and spread from dialect to dialect before the network broke into the two networks ancestral to its present-day first-order subgroups.

1.3.2.3 Further notes on subgroups

This section brings together brief notes on the subgroups in Figure 2 beyond those mentioned in the discussion in §1.3.2.2.

Admiralty is a proper subgroup Ross (1988: ch.9).

Western Oceanic consists of the North New Guinea linkage (NNG), Papuan Tip family (PT), Meso-Melanesian linkage (MM) and the Sarmi/Jayapura (SJ) group (see Map 4). The last-named may belong to the NNG linkage, but this is uncertain Ross (1996b). It is not shown in Figure 2 and its languages do not play a crucial role in reconstruction. It is possible that the NNG and PT groups form a super-group, the New Guinea Oceanic linkage, and so etyma reflected only in NNG and PT languages are attributed to a putative Proto New Guinea Oceanic (Milke 1958, Pawley 1978), and etyma reflected in either NNG or PT (or both) and in MM are labelled PWOc.


Temotu comprises the languages of the Reef Islands, Santa Cruz, Utupua and Vanikoro, located 400 km east of the main Solomons archipelago and to the north of Vanuatu (Map 3). Its identity as a proper subgroup of Oceanic was established by Ross & Næss (2007) and further supported by Næss & Boerger (2008).

The Southern Oceanic linkage as proposed by Lynch (1999, 2000a, 2001b, 2004c) is characterised by complex overlapping innovations, but by none that are reflected in all its member languages and would qualify it as a proper subgroup (see discussion in Lynch, Ross & Crowley 2002:112–114).

Micronesian is a proper subgroup (Jackson 1983, 1986, Bender et al. 2003).

Central Pacific is a proper subgroup, but one defined by only a handful of shared innovations, indicating that the period of unity was short (Geraghty 1996). The high-order subgrouping of Central Pacific is due to Geraghty (1983), except for the position of Rotuman, due to Pawley (1996b). Within Central Pacific is another long recognised proper subgroup, Polynesian, for which Pawley (1996a) lists diagnostic innovations.

1.3.2.4 Criteria for reconstruction

The strength of a lexical reconstruction rests crucially on the distribution of the supporting cognate set across subgroups. The distribution of cognate forms and agreements in their meanings is much more important than the number of cognates. It is enough to make a secure

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14 Because they have only been recently proposed, Temotu and Southern Oceanic do not appear in Figure 1 of volumes 1 and 2.
Map 4  Oceanic language groups in northwest Melanesia: the Admiralties and St Matthias groups and the subgroups of Western Oceanic
reconstruction if a cognate set occurs in just two languages in a family, with agreement in meaning, provided that the two languages belong to different primary subgroups and provided that there is no reason to suspect that the resemblances are due to borrowing or chance. The PMP term *apij ‘twins’ is reflected in several western Malayo-Polynesian languages (e.g. Batak apid ‘twins, double (fused) banana’) but only a single Oceanic reflex is known, namely Roviana avisi ‘twins of the same sex’. Because Roviana belongs to a different first-order branch of Malayo-Polynesian from the western Malayo-Polynesian witnesses and because there is virtually no chance that the agreement is due to borrowing or chance similarity, this distribution is enough to justify the reconstruction of PMP *apij, POc *apic ‘twins’.

The rake-like form of Figure 2 almost certainly reflects the very rapid settlement of Oceania out of the Bismarcks, but it confronts us with a methodological question. If we follow the rubric that we make a reconstruction if a cognate set occurs in languages of just two primary subgroups, then reflexes of an etymon in, say, a SE Solomonic language and a Micronesian language would be sufficient evidence for a POc reconstruction and the absence of reflexes in Admiralty and Western Oceanic would be irrelevant. Given what we know about the location of the POc homeland (in the Bismarcks; vol.2, ch.2) and the early eastward spread of Oceanic speakers, this is too loose a criterion. Instead, we assume two hypothetical nodes not shown in the tree in Figure 2. These are

- Remote Oceanic, comprising Southern Oceanic, Micronesian and Central Pacific;
- Eastern Oceanic, comprising SE Solomonic and Remote Oceanic.

If a cognate set occurs in two or all three of the groups in Remote Oceanic, the reconstruction is attributed to Proto Remote Oceanic (PROc). If a cognate set occurs in one or more of the groups in Remote Oceanic and in SE Solomonic, it is attributed to Proto Eastern Oceanic (PEOc). In this way we acknowledge that such reconstructions may represent an innovation that postdates the spread of the early Oceanic speech community. There are enough PROc and PEOc reconstructions to suggest that such lexical innovations indeed occurred. This in turn provides evidence for Remote Oceanic and Eastern Oceanic subgroups, but evidence that is too weak to be relied on, for at least two reasons. First, it is quite possible that some of our PROc and PEOc reconstructions will be promoted to POc as more Admiralty and Western Oceanic data become available. Second, it is reasonable to assume that some of our PROc and PEOc etyma are of POc antiquity but happen to have been lost in Proto Admiralty and Proto Western Oceanic. Without supporting phonological or morphological evidence we are

15 Bears of the Lapita culture had settled various parts of the Bismarck Archipelago by around 1400 BC (Specht 2007) and colonised the Reefs and Santa Cruz Is. in the Temotu Archipelago, Vanaatu and New Caledonia by about 1000 BC (Green 2003, Green, Jones & Sheppard 2008, Sand 2001). Maybe a century later they settled in Fiji (Nunn et al. 2004, Clark & Anderson 2009). They reached Tonga by 850 BC (Burley & Connaughton 2007), Samoa by 750 BC (Clark and Anderson 2009).
16 We included these nodes in the corresponding tree in Figure 1 of volumes 1 and 2, but this was too easily interpreted as a statement of our views on subgrouping, so we abandon it here and in Appendix 2.
17 The term ‘Eastern Oceanic’ and the search for evidence of an Eastern Oceanic subgroup has a relatively long pedigree in Oceanic linguistics (Biggs 1965, Pawley 1972, 1977, Lynch & Tryon 1985, Geraghty 1990). However, by the time volume 1 of the present work was published in 1998 it was evident that no convincing evidence supported an Eastern Oceanic subgroup. Our use of the term here is more inclusive than most, resembling the ‘Central/Eastern Oceanic’ of Lynch & Tryon (1983) (the 1985 published version is less inclusive) and of Lynch, Ross & Crowley (2002:94–96), who express reservations about its status.
unwilling to treat PROc or PEOc as anything other than convenient hypothetical groups which allow us to retain conservative criteria for a POc reconstruction.

A reconstruction here labelled ‘PROc’ was in volume 1 or 2 labelled ‘PEOc’, but if its supporting data include no SE Solomonic reflexes, it has the same status as a PROc reconstruction in volumes 3 and 4 and the present volume. Two factors have led to the distinction between PEOc and PROc in more recent volumes. One is that the historical separateness of SE Solomonic from both Western Oceanic and the groups treated as Remote Oceanic has become increasingly clear through recent research (Pawley 2009). The other, especially relevant to volume 3, is that the primary biogeographic divide in Oceania is between Near and Remote Oceania (see vol. 2, Map 5), i.e. between the main Solomons archipelago and the Temotu islands. Whether or not a plant name has a SE Solomonic reflex is thus significant. Many plant names do not, and are thus attributed in volume 3 to PROc.

Our criterion for attributing a reconstruction to POc is that the cognate set must occur in at least two out of four criterial groupings: Admiralties (or Yapese or Mussau), Western Oceanic, Temotu and our hypothetical Eastern Oceanic. Both here and at the hypothetical interstages defined above, no reconstruction is made if there are grounds to infer borrowing from one of these groupings to another.\(^{18}\) We also reconstruct an etymon to POc if it is reflected in just one of the four criterial groupings and in a non-Oceanic Austronesian language (a member of one of the subgroups on the left branches in Figure 1), as illustrated above by the reconstruction of POc *apic ‘twins’.

These criteria are identical to those applied in volumes 1 and 2 except for the addition of Temotu (which figures in few cognate sets). The establishment of Temotu as a primary subgroup (Ross & Næss 2007) postdates the publication of volumes 1 and 2.

There are indications that Yapese (a single-language subgroup) and Mussau and Tench (a subgroup with two closely related languages) may be more closely related to Admiralty than to any other Oceanic subgroup,\(^{19}\) and for this reason they are tentatively treated as Admiralty languages for the purposes of reconstruction. That is, the presence of a reflex in one or more of these languages and in Admiralty does not support a POc reconstruction, but the presence of a reflex in one or more of these languages and one of Western Oceanic, Temotu and Eastern Oceanic does support one.

In chapter 2 (§4) of volume 2 Pawley discusses Blust’s (1998b) proposal that the primary split in Oceanic divides Admiralty from a subgroup embracing all other Oceanic languages. Pawley dubs the latter ‘Nuclear Oceanic’. If Blust’s subgrouping were accepted, then an etymon which lacked cognates outside Oceanic would need to be reflected both in an Admiralties language and in a non-Admiralties language for a POc reconstruction to be made. Etyma with reflexes in both Western and Eastern Oceanic, but not in the Admiralties, would be reconstructed as Proto Nuclear Oceanic. Under the criteria outlined above, however, we attribute these reconstructions to POc. These criteria were used in volumes 1 and 2, and we have thought it wise to maintain them throughout the volumes of this work. The reader who wishes to single out reconstructions attributable to a putative Proto Nuclear Oceanic (rather

\(^{18}\) Cases where such an inference can be made occur mostly at the boundary (in the Solomon Islands) between Western and Eastern Oceanic. Borrowing is likely (and is often reflected in unexpected sound correspondences) where an etymon occurs (i) in Western Oceanic and only in SE Solomonic languages or (ii) in SE Solomonic languages and only in the NW Solomonic languages (a subgroup within the Meso-Melanesian linkage of Western Oceanic).

\(^{19}\) On the positions of Yapese and Mussau, see respectively Ross (1996a) and Ross (1988:315–316, 331).
than to POc) can easily recognise them, however. They are those POc reconstructions for which (i) there are no Admiralties reflexes, and (ii) there is no higher-order reconstruction (i.e. PEMP, PCEMP, PMP or PAn), since the latter would be based on cognates outside Oceanic.

1.3.3 Sound correspondences

As we noted above, reconstruction depends on working out the systematic sound correspondences among cognate vocabulary in contemporary languages and on having a working hypothesis about how the sounds of POc have changed and are reflected in modern Oceanic languages. Working out sound correspondences even for twenty languages is a large task, and so we have relied heavily on our own previous work and the work of others. The sound correspondences we have used are those given by Ross (1988) for Western Oceanic and Admiralties; by Levy (1979, 1980) and Lichtenberk (1988) for Cristobal-Malaitan, by Pawley (1972) and Tryon & Hackman (1983) for SE Solomonic; by Ross & Næss (2007) for Temotu; by Tryon (1976) and Clark (2009) for North and Central Vanuatu; by Lynch (1978b, 2001c) for Southern Vanuatu; by Geraghty (1989), Haudricourt & Ozanne-Rivierre (1982), Ozanne-Rivierre (1992, 1995) and Lynch (2015) for New Caledonia; by Jackson (1986) and Bender et al. (2003) for Nuclear Micronesian; by Geraghty (1986) for Central Pacific; by Biggs (1978) for Polynesia; by Ross (1996a) for Yapese; and by Ross (1996b) for Oceanic languages of Irian Jaya.

For non-Oceanic languages we have referred to sound correspondences given by Tsuchida (1976) for Formosan languages; by Zorc (1977, 1986) and Reid (1982) for the Philippines; by Adelaar (1992) and Nothofer (1975) for Malay and Javanese; by Sneddon (1984) for Sulawesi; by Collins (1983) for Central Maluku; and by Blust (1978a) for South Halmahera and Irian Jaya.

We are aware that regular sound correspondences can be interfered with in various ways: by phonetic conditioning that the analyst has not identified (see, e.g., Blust (1996)), by borrowing (for an extreme Oceanic case, see Grace 1996), or, as recent research suggests, by the frequency of an item’s use (Bybee 1994). We have tried at least to note, and sometimes to account for, irregularities in cognate sets.

1.3.4 Proto Oceanic phonology and orthography

1.3.4.1 Reconstructed Proto Oceanic phonology

Work based on the sound correspondences of both Oceanic and non-Oceanic languages has resulted in the reconstructed paradigm of POc phonemes shown in Table 1. The orthography used here and in the POc reconstructions in this work is from Ross (1988), with the addition of *pʷ and *kʷ. The terms ‘oral grade’ and ‘nasal grade’ and the relationship of POc phonology to PMP are discussed in §1.3.4.2.

Table 2 shows two POc orthographies. The first was established by Biggs (1965), for PEOc, and Grace (1969), who applied it to POc. It has been used with a number of variants, separated by a slash in Table 2. The second, introduced by Ross (1988), is the one generally used in this work. One matter not discussed here is POc stress, for which see Lynch (2000b).
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Oceanic languages reflect a set of shared innovations relative to PMP (see Table 3) and it was on the basis of some of these that Dempwolff (1937) first recognised Oceanic as a major Austronesian subgroup. The innovations which occurred over the pre-POC period were mergers and splits, the introduction of new phonemes, and one deletion, as follows:

a) The PMP voiced/voiceless pairs *p, *b and *k, *g merged respectively as early pre-POC *p and *k. Ozanne-Rivierre (1992) suggests that the corresponding *t, *d merger was hindered by their mismatch in point of articulation (dental vs alveolar).

b) The PMP pairs *s, *z and *r merged respectively as pre-POC *s and *d (phonetically probably [r], since Eastern Malayo-Polynesian cognates are liquids).

c) PMP and a number of its descendants had word-medial homorganic nasal + obstruent sequences (not shown in the table). Some instances of the pre-POC word-initial obstruents *p, *t, *k, *d/r; *s and *j also acquired a preceding homorganic nasal (the occurrence of this process is unpredictable and its causes largely unknown). These sequences became the unitary POC prenasalised voiced obstruents.

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1.3.4.2 The Proto Austronesian and Proto Malayo-Polynesian antecedents of Proto Oceanic phonology
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POc *i *o *e *a *u

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e) PMP *h was lost in POc.

f) PMP *e, phonetically [ə], became POc *o, and the PMP word-final diphthongs *-uy(-) *-aw and *-ay were simplified to POc *-i, *-o and *-e respectively, the first two thereby merging with plain vowels.

The combined effect of (a) and (c) is that each of the PMP pairs *p, *b and *k, *g first merged and then split. As a result, for example, PMP *p became either POc *p or POc *b, and the same was true of PMP *b, giving the kind of crossover seen in the initial consonants of these examples:

PMP *panas ‘hot, warm’  POc *panas
PMP *punay ‘wild pigeon’  POc *bune
PMP *baqeRuh ‘new’  POc *paqoRu
PMP *beRek ‘pig’  POc *boRok ‘domestic pig’.

Similarly, either PMP *k or PMP *g could become either POc *k or POc *g. For example,

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20 The PAn phoneme represented here as *L is often written *N by Austronesianists, but *N is reserved here for the morphological feature described in §1.3.3.6.

21 The notation *-uy(-) reflects the fact that there is one known case where the change to *i occurred word-medially: PMP *kamuihu (independent 2PL pronoun) > *kamuyu > POc *kamiu.
An innovation that has come to light during work on these volumes concerns certain PMP trisyllabic roots with *-e- ( *[ə]) as the nucleus of their second syllable. These trisyllables lost *-e- in POc, along with the second consonant of the resulting consonant cluster. Thus PMP *butel ‘wart’ became POc *puti (§ 5.3.2.5). Other etyma where this happened are PMP *buqeni, POc *puni ‘ringworm, Tinea imbricata’ (§ 5.3.3.2), PMP *tuqelan, POc *tuqan ‘bone’ (§ 3.3.4), PMP *baReqaŋ, POc *paRaŋ ‘molar tooth’ (§ 3.4.12.5), PMP *biseqak ‘split’, POc *pisa(k)~ *pisak-i- (vol.1:261), and PMP *ma-udehi, POc *muri ‘be behind’ (vol.2:251 and § 6.5.3), PMP *ma-heyaq ‘shy, embarrassed; ashamed’, POc *maya(q) (§ 11.4.2). The conditioning of this change remains unclear, as it did not affect PMP *maqesak, POc *maosak ‘ripe, cooked’ (vol.1:157), PMP *baqeRu, POc *paqoRu ‘new’ (vol.2:203), PMP *qateluR, POc *qatoluR ‘egg’ (vol.4:278) or PMP *qulej-an, *quloc-a(n) ‘maggoty’ (vol.4:415).22

1.3.5 Proto Oceanic bound verbal morphology23

Because reconstructions in the present volume more often entail POc bound morphemes than those in previous volumes, this section briefly revisits aspects of POc morphology described in chapter 2 (§ 3) of volume 1. This is a consequence of the present volume’s subject matter. Many of the reconstructions in chapter 3 are of nouns denoting inalienably possessed body-parts that entail the direct possession construction, which is described in § 3.1.1.

Chapters 4 and 6–11 are overwhelmingly concerned with the reconstruction of verbs denoting events and states.24 POc had only a rather small class of adjectives (properly, adjectival nouns; Ross 1998), and many states were encoded as verbs. The following subsections deal briefly with the morphology of POc verb stems. The POc verb complex is reconstructed by Pawley (2003). Verbs evidently took a proclitic indexing their subject and, if transitive, an enclitic indexing their object, e.g. POc *i=kiniti=au ‘he pinched me’ (cf. Manam i-ʔint-i-a).

It is not clear how complete the POc clitic sets were. Evidence is strong that an object enclitic occurred only if the object was singular or third person non-singular. If it was first or second person non-singular, the object was probably an independent pronoun (Evans 1995). Something similar may have been true of subject prolocics.

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22 POc *qaco ‘daylight, sun’ (vol.2:153–155) at first sight appears exceptionally to have lost the first consonant of the cluster in PMP *qalejaw, but there is evidence that it in fact reflected a PA variant *qajaw.

23 Much of the material in this section is a reduced version of parts of Ross (2004a), to which the reader is referred for more detail. Ross (2004a) in turn relies heavily on Evans (2003), a book-length detailed treatment of POc bound verbal morphology.

24 The one earlier chapter in which verbs predominate is chapter 9 of volume 1, which concerns verbs of impact, force and change of state.

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1.3.5.1 A-verbs, U-verbs and statives

In English—and many other languages—intransitive verbs can be divided into those which intrinsically only have one participant, like ‘die’, ‘fall’, ‘walk’ and ‘swim’, and those which could have a second but unspecified participant, like ‘eat [s.t.]’, ‘kick [s.o.]’ and ‘hunt [s.t.]’. In English an intransitive verb with a second but unspecified participant usually has the actor as its single argument. One says *John ate* or *John ate the bread*, but not *The bread ate* (meaning that someone ate it). In some Oceanic languages, however, there is a subclass of intransitive verbs which do work like *ate* in *The bread ate*. They denote a semantic relation with a potential second participant, but the subject of the verb is the undergoer, not the actor, as in this sentence:

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‘The sugarcane is being crushed.’ (literally ‘The sugarcane crushes’) (Dixon 1988:204)

This and the following examples are from Boumaa Fijian.

The potential second participant is of course the actor, who emerges in the transitive version of the verb (which in this—but not every—case has the same form as the intransitive).

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‘I’m crushing the sugarcane.’

Intransitive verbs of this kind are here called U-verbs (‘undergoer verbs’). Their existence in Fijian has long been recognised (Arms 1974, Biggs 1974, Foley 1976), and has also been documented for Longgu by Hill (1992) and for Hoava by Davis (2003:113). Evans (2003:26-32) suggests that U-verbs are quite common in Oceanic languages.

Some Oceanic languages, like Fijian, have two other subclasses of intransitive verb. One is the subclass of U-verbs which contains stative or ‘adjectival’ verbs, as in this example:

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‘This dog is black.’

These verbs are stative in the sense that they denote states. In actual use, statives were and are often used inchoatively, i.e. of coming to be in a state. This explains why, for example, *mate* and many of its reflexes mean both ‘be dead’ and ‘die’, as well as ‘be unconscious’ and ‘faint, become unconscious’ (§4.2.1.2). The difference between stative meaning and inchoative meaning was and is made by using a verb in differing grammatical constructions. Specifically, the stative meaning was indicated by a perfective construction, as it is in Sa’a *mae ṭoto* ‘quite dead’ and Manam *mate tina* ‘dead + intensifier’.

Contrasting with U-verbs are A-verbs (‘actor verbs’), which resemble English intransitives

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26 Exceptions are, e.g. *The door closed* and *The vase smashed*.

27 An extensive study of Oceanic stative verbs and adjectives from both typological and diachronic perspectives has been published elsewhere (Ross 1998a, 1998c).
in that the actor is the subject both of the intransitive and of its transitive counterpart.28

a. **au rabe**  
   s:1s kick  
   ‘I’m kicking.’

b. **au rabe-t-a a polo**  
   s:1s kick-tr-o:3s art ball  
   ‘I’m kicking the ball.’

Dixon (1988:205) notes that Boumaa Fijian A-verbs are mostly verbs of motion like ‘go’, ‘jump’, ‘creep’, ‘fly’ etc, whereas U-verbs are mostly verbs of affect: ‘crush’, ‘bend’, ‘fold’, ‘squeeze’, ‘tie up’ etc. The same appears to be true of Longgu (Hill 1992). This is noteworthy, because it means that U-verbs denote semantic relations which one would expect to be prototypically transitive (Hopper and Thompson 1980) (and they do have transitive counterparts, as the sugarcane-crushing example illustrates).

Unfortunately, the data usually do not allow us to distinguish between U- and A-verbs in our glosses of intransitives, but there are a few exceptions, e.g. POc *kilat (U-verb) ‘be seen clearly, discerned, recognised’ (§8.2). In many languages it is not clear whether there are U-verbs. Some sources (e.g. Capell’s 1941 dictionary of Bauan Fijian and Fox’s 1955 dictionary of Gela) often gloss U-verbs as if they were A-verbs.

Oceanic languages have an array of valency-changing morphemes, described in §§1.3.5.2–1.3.5.5, which interact with A- and U-verbs in various ways to shift semantic roles (but only rarely to add a second object). These are all lexical derivations. In other words, they are partially unpredictable, and lack the productivity of a voice system.

1.3.5.2 Transitivising morphology: *-i and *-akin[i]

POc had two transitivising suffixes (or perhaps enclitics), *-i and *-akin[i]. When *-i was added to an A-verb, its valency was increased by the addition of an object. When it was added to a U-verb, the undergoer subject became the object and its valency was increased by the addition of an actor subject, as illustrated in the examples in §1.3.5.1.

It is somewhat inaccurate, however, to talk about “POc *-i”, as the morpheme had a zero alternant. POc verb roots were mostly disyllabic and either consonant-final or vowel-final, that is, (C)V(C)VC or (C)V(C)V. The canonic shape of the root alone determined its transitive form. The transitive of a consonant-final root was formed with *-i, but with a vowel-final root like *wase- ‘share (s.t.) out’ or *kati- ‘husk (s.t.) with teeth’, no transitive suffix occurred and the object enclitic was added directly to the root (Evans 1995, 2003:96-99, 106-118). A probable exception were roots ending in *-a, where the suffix *-i may have occurred between the root and the object enclitic, at least when the enclitic itself began with *a (*=au o:1s, *=a o:3s). In Table 4 are some reconstructed POc A-verbs and U-verbs, both consonant-final and vowel-final, with their corresponding transitives.

POc *-akin[i] was an applicative suffix which increased the valency of an intransitive verb by the addition of an object (or in some cases perhaps simply replaced *-i on a transitive verb that no longer had an intransitive counterpart). Whereas the object of a verb formed with *-i (or zero) was typically a patient or location, however, the object of a verb formed with *-akin[i] typically had some other semantic role. With a verb of movement, for example, it was an entity that accompanied the actor, e.g. Bauan Fijian ðiði ‘run’, ðiðiv-i ‘run to’, ðiðiv-aki

28 Classes of this kind were first reconstructed for POc by Pawley (1973:128), whose A-class and B-class statives correspond respectively to the stative and U-verb classes reconstructed here. He subdivides A-verbs into various semantic subclasses.
run off with (s.t.)' (§6.6). With a verb of cognition or emotion it was a cause or stimulus, e.g. Bauan Fijian *leva ‘be angry’, *leva-i ‘be angry with (s.o)’, *levat-aki ‘be angry about (what s.o. has done)’. With a verb of bodily emission it was the emitted substance, e.g. Bauan Fijian *lua ‘vomit’, *lua-i ‘vomit on s.t.’, *luar-ak-a ‘vomit s.t. up’ (§4.4.4).

We follow Evans (2003) in reconstructing *-akin[i], indicating that the morpheme had two forms, *-aki(n) and *-akini, formally parallel to the alternation between intransitive and transitive forms with consonant-final roots in Table 4 (Clark 1973). Indeed, there is good evidence that *akin[i] was once a verb. The final *-n of the *-aki(n) variant is, however, nowhere preserved. Instead, we find *-aki, *-adi and other such reflexes, reduced in some Oceanic languages (e.g. Tawala [PT]) to -e.

In POc, *-i and *-akin[i] were often added to an intransitive root with a final consonant, like *taŋi ‘weep’, but in many Oceanic languages word-final consonants have been lost, with the result that when the ancient consonant is retained before a transitive affix it is interpreted as part of the suffix, as in Wayan Fijian *taŋ ‘weep’ vs *taŋi- ‘cry for (s.o)’ and *taŋi-akini- ‘cry about (s.t.)’. This has had the consequence that, at least in SE Solomonic and Fijian languages, the inherited consonant has been replaced by another consonant, as in the verbs above derived from Bauan Fijian *leva and *lua.

Table 5 summarises the valency-changing devices putatively used with the three POc verb classes. This situation remains more or less unchanged in many daughter languages. Column 2 indicates a difference between U-verbs and statives: a transitive verb could be formed with *-i from either an A-verb or a U-verb, but a transitive could be formed from a stative only with one of the causative prefixes *pa- and *paka-, which are the topic of the next subsection.

**Table 4** Proto Oceanic transitivising *-i

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<td>*kati ‘husk with teeth’</td>
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<td>U-verbs</td>
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<td>*loŋoR ‘be audible’</td>
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<td>*poli ‘be bought’</td>
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**Table 5** Classes of intransitive verb in Proto Oceanic

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Causativising morphology: *pa- and *paka-

POc causatives were formed with one of the two widely reflected prefixes *pa- and *paka-, usually accompanied by the transitiviser *-i. A given Oceanic language reflects either *pa- or *paka-, but not both. This is curious, as it compels us to reconstruct two POc prefixes with apparently the same function. However, the history of the two forms is well known. In PAn and PMP *pa-ka- causativised stative or non-agentive verbs (*ka- marked a verb stem as stative or non-agentive: see §1.3.5.4), whereas *pa- causativised dynamic, agentive verbs (Zeitoun & Huang 2000, Ross 2015). The fact that their reflexes are in contrast in no known Oceanic language indicates that when POc broke up, the distinction between them had been lost but the two forms continued to coexist.

Table 5 shows that causatives could be formed from all three POc verb classes. Indeed, this was the only way that a transitive verb could be formed from a stative. The causative adds an actor argument, the causer, to the verb, as these Boumaa Fijian examples show. The verb vuli ‘learn’ in (a) is an A-verb, so its actor subject is the same as that of the transitive in (b). The causative in (c) introduces the causer argument o Jone ‘John’, and the actor becomes its object. The object of (b), ‘arithmetic’, is an oblique in both the intransitive of (a) and the causative of (c).

a. au sā vuli (i-na fika)
   S:1S ASP learn PREP-ART arithmetic
   ‘I am learning (about arithmetic).’

b. au sā vuli-ŋa a fika
   S:1S ASP learn-TR:O:3S ART arithmetic
   ‘I am learning arithmetic.’

c. e sā vaʔa-vuli-ŋi au o Jone (i-na fika)
   S:3S ASP CAUS-learn-TR O:1S ART John PREP-ART arithmetic
   ‘John is teaching me (arithmetic).’ (Dixon 1988:50)

In (d) the verb ʔau ‘take, carry’ is a U-verb, so its subject ‘letter’ in (a) becomes the object of the transitive in (b) and of the causative in (c).

d. ʔau yane a ivola
   S:1S take thither ART letter
   ‘The letter is being taken/sent.’

e. ʔaut-a yane a ivola a ʔauravou
   S:1S take-O:3S thither ART letter ART youth
   ‘The youth is taking the letter.’

f. e vaʔa-ʔaut-t-a yane a ivola a marama
   S:1S CAUS-take-O:3S thither ART letter ART woman
   ‘The woman is posting (= causing to be sent) the letter.’ (Dixon 1988:185)

Boumaa Fijian, like many other Oceanic languages, has no ditransitive verbs, so one of the three roles potentially associated with the causative must become an oblique or disappear, as happens in (c) and (f).

The situation described with regard to transitivisation and causativisation in Boumaa Fijian also holds with various complications or simplifications in many other Oceanic languages and
presumably did so in POc.

1.3.5.4 Detransitivising morphology: reduplication, *ma-/ *ka-; *ta- and *paRi-

Detransitivising morphology took four forms in POc: reduplication and the prefixes *ma-/ *ka-, *ta- and *paRi-. Only *paRi- remained as productive in POc as the transitivising and causativising morphology described in the two preceding subsections. It formed reciprocals, and reflexes occasionally appear in the data, and are marked ‘reciprocal’ accordingly.

The other three pieces of detransitivising morphology shared the function of reducing a verb’s valency from two to one. Reduplication turned a transitive into an A-verb (Evans 2003:81–84, 301). This was perhaps the most productive of POc’s detransitizing strategies, as Evans reports a number of languages reflecting an apparent POc *kani-kani (vi) ‘eat’, from *kani (vt) ‘eat’, in competition with inherited *paŋan (vi) ‘eat’, discussed in §1.3.5.5.

On Evans’ analysis (2003:268–279, 300), POc *ma- had several functions. One was to turn a transitive into a U-verb, e.g. POc *ma-kini(t) ‘be stung, have a stinging pain’ (§5.3.2.3), from POc *kini, *kini-i ‘to pinch, nip’ (vol.1:280). Another was to form a stative from a dynamic verb or perhaps a noun, e.g. POc *ma-raqu ‘be thirsty’ (§4.3.3.2), *ma-draRa(q) ‘be bloody, bleed’ (§4.4.1), *ma-ridri ‘be cold’ (§4.8.1), *matakut (vi) ‘be afraid’ (§11.4.1). In this function *ka- alternated with *ma- in POc, the outcome of a productive PMP alternation explained in §1.3.5.5, but it seems that neither was productive by the time POc broke up. The prefix *ma- is also found in a small number of non-stative intransitives with an experiencer subject, and the following are reconstructed in ch.4: POc *ma-soru ‘hiccup’ (§4.3.7.1), *ma-ñawa ‘breathe’ (§4.5.1), *mawap ‘yawn’ (§4.5.6), *ma-turu(R) ‘sleep, be asleep’ (§4.6.1).

The functions of *ta- were similar to those of *ma-, but with three differences. First, a U-verb with *ta- denoted an action or state that had seemingly occurred without the intervention of an agent, whereas *ma- remained unspecified with regard to agency. Second, *ta- appears to have been productive in POc, as it remains productive in some modern languages (Evans 2003:289–300). Reflexes of *ta- crop up in the data, but rarely in reconstructions, e.g. POc *ta-lili ‘be dizzy’ (§5.3.16), *ta-bulo(s) (vi) ‘turn round, turn back’, spontaneous derivative of bulo(s) (vt) ‘turn round, turn back’ (§6.4.2).

1.3.5.5 Malayo-Polynesian fossils: verbal morphology

A number of Malayo-Polynesian fossils occur in the POc reconstructions in this volume. They are fossils in the sense that by the break-up of POc they were apparently fully integrated into the POc stems in which they are reflected, appear only sporadically, and had no productive function. Nonetheless, knowledge of parts of the verbal system of PPM is necessary to understanding how these forms came to be present in POc.29

29 The functions of *paRi- were more complex than this: see Lichtenberk (2000).

30 What we reconstruct as POc is the language at the point that it broke up, i.e. when innovations no longer spread across the whole speech community (Pawley 2008). It is possible, perhaps probable, that the PMP features described in this subsection survived productively in the Austronesian language of those who settled in the Bismarck Archipelago, but lost productivity shortly before the break-up. However, papers by van den Berg & Boerger (2011) and Næss (2015) suggest that a more PMP-like system than we reconstruct continued on beyond the break-up. This raises questions that need further research, but
Table 6 A schematic representation of the English, PMP and POc voice systems
(A = actor, U = undergoer, V = verb)

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<th>English</th>
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<tr>
<td>Transitive</td>
<td>active voice</td>
<td>undergoer voice</td>
<td>transitive</td>
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<td>$A_{SUBJ} V U_{OBJ}$</td>
<td>$V A_{GENITIVE} U_{SUBJ}$</td>
<td>$V A_{SUBJ} U_{OBJ}$</td>
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<tr>
<td>Intransitive</td>
<td>passive voice</td>
<td>actor voice</td>
<td>intransitive</td>
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<tr>
<td></td>
<td>$U_{SUBJ} V$ [by A]</td>
<td>$V A_{SUBJ} [U_{OBLIQUE}]$</td>
<td>$V A_{SUBJ} [U_{OBLIQUE}]$</td>
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The relevant feature of the PMP system is a contrast between two voices.\textsuperscript{31} The English voice system distinguishes between a transitive active voice (e.g. *The chicken bit a mango*) and an intransitive passive voice (*The mango was bitten [by the chicken]*). The PMP voice system was organised differently. It had a transitive undergoer voice, i.e. the undergoer was the subject and the actor was marked as genitive (‘be-bitten of-the chicken the mango’). There was also an intransitive actor voice, i.e. the actor was subject and the undergoer, if any, was in an oblique case (‘bit the chicken [at a mango]’).\textsuperscript{32} This system is maintained in most languages of the Philippines, where specialists have labelled this kind of voice system a ‘focus’ system. The contrast between the English and PMP voice systems is presented in Table 6.

One would predict from this configuration that PMP actor-voice verbs gave rise to POc intransitives, while PMP undergoer-voice verbs became POc transitives, and, as Table 6 implies, this prediction is fulfilled, but with certain qualifications. Table 6 also indicates that at some point between the break-up of PMP and the emergence of POc, transitive clause structure was realigned so that the PMP (undergoer) subject became the POc object and the PMP genitive actor was reanalysed as the subject.

Table 7 shows the parts of the PMP voice paradigm that are relevant to POc. Forms in the grey cells did not survive as verbal morphemes in POc.\textsuperscript{33} PMP had three sets of undergoer voices, marking the subject as semantic patient, location, and instrument or beneficiary respectively. PMP dependent forms occurred after an auxiliary, and it is these that have become the default POc forms.

Table 7 The PMP voice morphology (partial) ($\sqrt{}$ = verb root)

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<th>independent</th>
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<td>Actor voice or intransitive</td>
<td>$\sqrt{\text{*}um}\sqrt{}$</td>
<td>$\sqrt{\text{*}um-in}\sqrt{}$</td>
<td>$\sqrt{\text{*}i}$</td>
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<td>Undergoer voice (patient)</td>
<td>$\sqrt{\text{*}en}$</td>
<td>$\sqrt{\text{in}\sqrt{}\text{ana}}$</td>
<td>$\sqrt{\text{*}a}$</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Undergoer voice (location)</td>
<td>$\sqrt{\text{i-an}}$</td>
<td>$\sqrt{\text{in}\sqrt{}\text{ana}}$</td>
<td>$\sqrt{\text{i}}$</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Undergoer voice (instrument/beneficiary)</td>
<td>$\sqrt{\text{i-an}}$</td>
<td>$\sqrt{\text{in}\sqrt{}\text{ana}}$</td>
<td>$\sqrt{\text{i-ani}}$</td>
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\textsuperscript{31} We think it unlikely that the answers will have a radical effect on our reconstructions.

\textsuperscript{32} A wider-ranging account of the PMP verbal system and its development up to the break-up of POc is given in Lynch et al. (2002:57–63).

\textsuperscript{33} The pseudo-English glosses do not work well, as ‘be-bitten’ is English intransitive passive, whereas the PMP verb form was transitive.

\textsuperscript{33} All PMP independent undergoer voice forms also functioned as nominalisers, and $\sqrt{\text{in}\sqrt{}\text{ana}}, \sqrt{\text{in}\sqrt{}\text{ana}}$ and $\sqrt{\text{i-an}}$ retained this (apparently productive) function in POc. $\sqrt{\text{en}}$ is reflected only as a fossil.
The typical POc intransitive is a plain or reduplicated root reflecting the PMP actor voice dependent form. The patient and location undergoer voice forms merged at some pre-POc stage, so that the location form \(^*\}\text{-}\text{i}\) became the POc transitive suffix, as described in §1.3.5.2. The PMP instrument/beneficiary undergoer voice form \(^*\}\text{-}\text{ani}\) became a POc applicative \(*-\text{ani}\), reflected in various Admiralties languages and Meso-Melanesian languages of New Ireland.\(^3\) However, in a far larger number of Oceanic languages it has been replaced by POc \(*-\text{akin[i]}\), the origin of which is far from obvious, despite widespread reflexes in non-Oceanic Malayo-Polynesian languages (Evans 2003:157–170, Ross 2002).

The PMP dependent forms mentioned in the previous paragraph evidently remained productive in POc. The evidence suggests that the PMP independent forms that survived into POc were restricted in function and that the undergoer voice forms \(^*\}\text{-}\text{an}\) and \(*\text{\langle in\rangle}\) did not participate in realignment, becoming passives in scattered Oceanic languages.\(^3\)

Thus in clauses where these forms occurred, the PMP transitive construction \(\text{V A}\) \(\text{GENITIVE}\) \(\text{U}\) \(\text{SUBJ}\) noted in Table 6 became \(\text{V U}\) \(\text{SUBJ}\). Allomorphs of the PMP actor voice form \(*\text{\langle um\rangle}\), meanwhile, survived as a fossil in various POc verbs, listed in Table 8. There were several such allomorphs. The infix \(*\text{\langle um\rangle}\) itself does not appear in POc forms, with two possible grey-shaded WOc exceptions. Instead, the survivors are allomorphs that are more readily reanalysed as part of the root. With a vowel-initial root, infix \(*\text{\langle um\rangle}\) became prefix \(*\text{\langle um\rangle}\), and with a labial-initial root, infix \(*\text{\langle um\rangle}\) also became \(*\text{\langle m\rangle}\) but here replacing the initial labial. There is just one example of the latter, at the bottom of Table 8.\(^3\)

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<th>Root forms</th>
<th>Forms reflecting (*\text{\langle um\rangle})</th>
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<tr>
<td>POc (*\text{inum-i-}) (VT) ‘drink’</td>
<td>POc (<em>\text{m\text{-}inum}) (vi) (&lt; \text{</em>\text{um\text{-}inum}}) (\S 4.3.2.1)</td>
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<tr>
<td>PAN (*\text{utaq}) ‘vomit’</td>
<td>POc (<em>\text{m\text{-}utaq}) (vi) (&lt; \text{</em>\text{(u)m\text{-}utaq}}) (\S 4.4.4)</td>
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<tr>
<td>POc (*\text{ase}) ‘breathe’</td>
<td>POc (<em>\text{m\text{-}ase}) (&lt; \text{</em>\text{(u)m\text{-}ase}}) (\S 4.5.1)</td>
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<tr>
<td>POc (\text{\langle k\rangle\text{asio}}) ‘sneeze’</td>
<td>PROc (<em>\text{m\text{-}at(i,u)a}) (&lt; \text{</em>\text{um\text{-}at(i,u)a}}) (\S 4.5.9)</td>
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<td>PMP (*\text{qa\text{\langle p\rangle}}) ‘gape etc’</td>
<td>POc (<em>\text{m\text{-}a\text{\langle p\rangle}}) (&lt; \text{</em>\text{g\text{-}um\text{-}a\text{\langle p\rangle}}) (\S 4.5.5)</td>
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<td>PMP (*\text{hipi}) ‘dream’</td>
<td>POc (<em>\text{m\text{-}ip}) (&lt; \text{</em>\text{(u)m\text{-}ip}}) (\S 4.6.3)</td>
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<tr>
<td>POc (*\text{turu-}) ‘knee, joint’</td>
<td>PWOc (<em>\text{t\text{-}dru\text{-}u\text{\langle kneel\rangle}}) (&lt; \text{</em>\text{um\text{-}ur\text{-}u\text{\langle kneel\rangle}}) (\S 6.2.4.2)</td>
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<tr>
<td>POc (*\text{kip}\text{\langle u,i\rangle\text{su}}) ‘spit’</td>
<td>PWOc (<em>\text{k\text{-}amu\text{-}\text{\langle kip\rangle\text{\langle u,i\rangle\text{su}}}}) (&lt; \text{</em>\text{k\text{-}amu\text{-}\text{\langle kip\rangle\text{\langle u,i\rangle\text{su}}}}) (\S 4.4.3)</td>
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<tr>
<td>POc (*\text{pun\text{-}\text{\langle i\rangle\text{su}}}) ‘hide’</td>
<td>POc (<em>\text{m\text{-}uni}) (&lt; \text{</em>\text{m\text{-}uni}}) (\S 7.7.2)</td>
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\(^34\) Wolff (1973) and others since have reconstructed the PAN/PMP suffix as \(*\text{-\text{\langle an\rangle}}\), reflected in Puyuma and Paiwan (both Formosan) and in Philippine languages, but PMP \(*\text{-\text{\langle an\rangle}}\) can be reconstructed with confidence, as it is reflected in Tsou, Saara, Saisiyat, Atayal and Seedig (all Formosan) and in Oceanic languages. There is also paradigmatic evidence for \(*\text{-\text{\langle an\rangle}}\) (Ross 2009:300–301).

\(^35\) Reflexes of POc \(*\text{-\text{\langle an\rangle}}\) are found in the Admiralties languages Lou, Titan, Kele, Loniu and Nyindrou and in Meso-Melanesian languages of New Ireland Tigak, Kara, Tabar, Lihir, Barok, Patpatar and Tolai.

\(^36\) Passives reflecting an allomorph of \(*\text{-\text{\langle an\rangle}}\) are found in Bola (MM), Nakanai (MM), and Natügu (TM) (van den Berg & Boerger 2011). Passives reflecting \(*\text{-\text{\langle an\rangle}}\) occur in Bari-Vitu (MM) (van den Berg 2007), Kara (MM) (Schlie 1984, Dryer 2013), Raga (NCV) (Walsh 1966, Crowley 2002b), Abma (NCV) (Schneider 2010:56–57, 2011).

\(^37\) POc \(*\text{\langle m\rangle\text{-\text{\langle uni\rangle}}})\) may reflect \(*\text{N + \text{\langle uni\rangle}}\) (§1.3.5.6) rather than \(*\text{\langle m\rangle\text{-\text{\langle uni\rangle}}})\).
two possible grey-shaded WOc exceptions. Instead, the survivors are allomorphs that are more readily reanalysed as part of the root. With a vowel-initial root, infix *um become prefix *[u]m-, and with a labial-initial root, infix *am also became *m- but here replacing the initial labial. There is just one example of the latter, at the bottom of Table 8.38

Not surprisingly, the perfective infix *in occurs less often in lexicalised forms. The two possible cases are shown in Table 9, neither of them entirely convincing.

1.3.5.6 Malayo-Polynesian fossils: verbal derivations

PMP also had certain derivational prefixes that were attached to roots to form stems to which the voice morphology of Table 7 then applied. Two of these, *ka- and *paN-, play a significant role in POc reconstruction.

The POc detransitivising morpheme *ma-, at least in its stative function (§1.3.5.4), reflected an ancient (pre-PAn) combination of *um intransitive + *ka- stative. As a result POc has occasional *ka-/*ma- alternants, e.g. POc *ka-(r,R)ayo ‘be dry, be low tide’ vs *[ma]Rayo ‘become withered’ (vol.2:220) and POc *ka-uRi- vs POc *ma-wiRi, both ‘left-hand, be on the left; left side or direction’ (§3.6.3).

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<th>Forms reflecting *paN-</th>
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<td>POc *kani (VT) ‘eat’</td>
<td>POc *pajanj (VT)</td>
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<td>PMP *gaga[p,b] ‘gape etc’</td>
<td>POc *pajangap</td>
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<td>PMP *takaw ‘steal’</td>
<td>POc *panako</td>
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<tr>
<td>POc *ronjoR ‘hear’</td>
<td>POc *panonioR</td>
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<td>PMP *getaq ‘eat raw’</td>
<td>POc *panoda ‘gather shellfish’</td>
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<td>POc *sop-i ‘suck’</td>
<td>POc *ño-ñoop</td>
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<td>POc *k[i,u]su ‘spit’</td>
<td>PWOc *η[i,u]su</td>
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<td>POc *tari ‘wait’</td>
<td>Motu nari</td>
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<td>PMP *qinit ‘heat, warmth’ POc *manjini(t) ‘become warm’</td>
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<td>POc *ma-raqu ‘be thirsty’ POc *madraqu</td>
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<tr>
<td>POc *ma-ridri(y) ‘(s.o.) be cold’ POc *madridriŋ</td>
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<td>PAn *diRi ‘stand’ POc *madriRi</td>
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38 POc *muni may reflect *N + puni (§1.3.5.6) rather than *m-uni.
More widely reflected is the PMP verb-deriving prefix \textit{\textsuperscript{*}paN-} and its allomorph \textit{\textsuperscript{*}N-}. Its history and function are unclear, other than that it formed dynamic verbs. It is barely present in Formosan languages, but ubiquitous in conservative Malayo-Polynesian languages.$^{39}$ The \textit{\textsuperscript{*}N} symbol here indicates a process that replaces a root-initial voiceless obstruent with a homorganic nasal, and places a homorganic nasal before a voiced obstruent and \textit{\textsuperscript{*}-ŋ} before a root-initial vowel (Blust 2004). Reflexes of both \textit{\textsuperscript{*}paN-} and \textit{\textsuperscript{*}N-} occur in POc, with no discernible conditioning or difference in function. Systemically, a PMP stem with \textit{\textsuperscript{*}paN-} or \textit{\textsuperscript{*}N-} occupied the dependent actor-voice slot in Table 7, i.e. the slot from which POc intransitives were derived. The corresponding PMP independent actor-voice form was \textit{\textsuperscript{*}maN-}, which, like \textit{\textsuperscript{*}um-}, is rarely reflected in POc. Reconstructed POc verbs that include these morphemes are shown in Table 10.

### 1.4 Conventions common to the series

#### 1.4.1 Presentation of reconstructions

Each of the contributions to these volumes concerns a particular POc ‘terminology’. Generally, each contribution begins with an introduction to the issues raised by the reconstruction of its particular terminology, and the bulk of each contribution consists of reconstructed etyma with supporting data and a commentary on matters of meaning and form.

The reconstruction of POc \textit{\textsuperscript{*}ma\textit{\textsuperscript{s}aki(t)}} (v) ‘be in pain, sick’; (N) ‘sickness’ below, adapted from Chapter 5, shows how reconstructions and supporting cognate sets are presented. Above it is a superordinate (PMP) reconstruction drawn from Blust’s Austronesian Comparative Dictionary (\textit{ACD}; see §1.2). Below it are supporting reflexes. Chapters vary in the degree to which lower-order reconstructions like PSV \textit{\textsuperscript{*}a\textit{-misa}} below are included. Lower-order reconstructions are sometimes given to clarify the relationship of reflexes to the higher-order reconstruction: Southern Vanuatu languages, for example, have undergone so much phonological change that a Proto Southern Vanuatu reconstruction helps explicate the relationship between Southern Vanuatu reflexes and the POc reconstruction. Sometimes a lower-order reconstruction displays an extension of meaning or some other semantic change.

**PMP \textit{\textsuperscript{*}masakit} ‘be in pain, be sick’ (\textit{ACD})**

**POc \textit{\textsuperscript{*}ma\textit{\textsuperscript{s}aki(t)}} (v) ‘be in pain, sick’; (N) ‘sickness’**

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<td>NNG:</td>
<td>Gitua</td>
<td>\textit{mazai}</td>
<td>‘sick’</td>
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<td>NNG:</td>
<td>Kaulong</td>
<td>\textit{sahi}</td>
<td>‘sick, sickness’</td>
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<td>NNG:</td>
<td>Mapos Buang</td>
<td>\textit{rak}</td>
<td>‘sick’</td>
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<tr>
<td>NNG:</td>
<td>Sengseng</td>
<td>\textit{sahi}</td>
<td>‘sick’ ($h$ reflects \textit{\textsuperscript{*}g})</td>
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<tr>
<td>MM:</td>
<td>Vitu</td>
<td>\textit{madayi}</td>
<td>‘sick’</td>
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<td>MM:</td>
<td>Tigak</td>
<td>\textit{masak}</td>
<td>‘be in pain’</td>
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<tr>
<td>MM:</td>
<td>Tolai</td>
<td>\textit{maki}</td>
<td>(N) ‘pain, ache’, (vi) ‘to ache, be sore’</td>
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<tr>
<td>SES:</td>
<td>Gela</td>
<td>(\textit{va})\textit{hayi}</td>
<td>‘be in pain; be ill, have malaria’</td>
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<td>SES:</td>
<td>Talise</td>
<td>\textit{masaye}</td>
<td>‘sick’</td>
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$^{39}$ Kaufman (2009) suggests that a trigger for its proliferation was the ambiguity of multifunctional PMP \textit{\textsuperscript{*}ma-}, which occurred on both stative and dynamic verbs.
Introduction

SES: Tolo *masahe* ‘sick, ill; illness, disease’
SES: Kwaio * mataʔi* ‘fever, malaria’
SES: To’aba’ita * mataʔi* (vi) ‘be sick’
SES: Arosi *(mara)mataʔi* ‘to feel malaria coming on’
SES: Arosi * mataʔi* ‘to have fever, malaria, be feverish’
SES: Sa’a * mataʔi* (vi) ‘malaria, to have malaria’
NCV: Dorig * msåy* ‘fever’
NCV: Unua * mesaxit* ‘sick’

PSV *a-misa* ‘sick, be in pain’ (Lynch 2001) (vowel metathesis)

SV: Lenakel *a-mha* ‘be sick, in pain’
SV: Kwamera *a-misa* ‘be sick, in pain’
SV: Anejom * e-mtha* ‘be sick, in pain’
Mic: Ponapean *metek* ‘be painful’
Mic: Woleaian *metax* ‘sick, sickness, in pain’
Pn: Tongan *mahaki* ‘sickness, disease, ailment’ (first element in many compounds)
    (Pn: Rennellose *masaki* ‘sickness’ (first element in many compounds))
    (Pn: Samoan *maʔi* ‘be sick; fall ill’ (first element in many compounds))
Pn: Tuvaluan *mahaki* ‘illness’
Pn: Maori *mahaki* ‘ill; sick person; cutaneous disease’

Because our supporting data are drawn from such a wide range of languages, the convention is adopted of prefixing each language name with the abbreviation for the genealogical or geographic group to which the language belongs, so that the distribution of a cognate set is more immediately obvious. Table 11 is a key to the labels. Figure 2 shows the positions of these groups in the Oceanic tree. We have sought to be consistent in always listing these groups in the same order, but contributors vary in the ordering of languages within groups.

Lynch’s recent research on Southern Oceanic (§1.3.2.3) renders the NCV group mildly anomalous, although there is no doubt that it reflects an integrated dialect network. There are a number of etyma whose reflexes are confined to North and Central Vanuatu, and so we continue to include ‘Proto North/Central Vanuatu’ reconstructions, even though these perhaps represent a Southern Oceanic term that has been lost in southern Vanuatu and New Caledonia. Where the distribution of reflexes requires it, the chapters in this volume include reconstructions for PROc and for PSOc. Etyma with these distributions were attributed to PEOc in volumes 1 and 2, but the distributions are transparent, thanks to the presence of the group labels in cognate sets.

In the interests of space we have not given the history of the reconstructions themselves, as this would often require commentary on the modifications made by others and by us, and on why we have made them. Where a reconstruction is not new, we have tried to give its earliest source, e.g. ‘ACD’ above, but this is difficult when earlier reconstructions differ in form and meaning.

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40 e.g. *mahaki-kili* ‘skin disease’, *mahaki-mata* ‘eye disease’, *mahaki hela* ‘asthma’, *mahaki moa* ‘epilepsy, be epileptic’.
41 e.g. *masaki tinåθe* ‘stomach ache, masaki tuʔa* ‘backache’, *masaki niho* ‘toothache’, *masaki yotoi* ‘epilepsy; flinching sickness’.
In general, the contributions to these volumes are concerned with items reconstructable in POc, PWOc, PEOc, PROc and occasionally Proto New Guinea Oceanic (PNGOc). Etyma for PWOc, PNGOc and PEOc are reconstructed because these may well also be POc etyma for which known reflexes are not well distributed (see discussion in §1.3.2.4). Reconstructions for lower-order interstages are increasingly likely to reflect POc etyma and may be the results of cultural change as Oceanic speakers moved further out into the Pacific.

Contributors to these volumes have usually not sought to make fresh reconstructions at interstages superordinate to POc. What they have done, however, is to cite other scholars’ reconstructions for higher-order interstages, as these represent a summary of the non-Oceanic evidence in support of a given POc reconstruction. These interstages are shown in Figure 1, together with their abbreviations.

Sometimes non-Oceanic evidence has been found to support a POc reconstruction where no reconstruction at a higher-level interstage has previously been made. In this case a new higher-order reconstruction is made, and the non-Oceanic evidence is given in a footnote.

Whilst we have tried to use the internal organisation of the lexicons of Oceanic languages themselves as a guide in setting the boundaries of each terminology, we have inevitably taken decisions which differ from those that others might have made. There are, obviously, overlaps and connections between various semantic domains and therefore between the contributions here. We have done our best to provide cross-references, but we have sometimes duplicated information rather than ask the reader repeatedly to look elsewhere in the book. Indexes at the end of each volume and in the final volume are intended to make it easier to use the volumes collectively as a work of reference.
1.4.2 Data

Data sources are listed in Appendix 1.

For some reconstructed etyma only a representative sample of reflexes is given. We have endeavoured to ensure, however, that in each case this sample not only is geographically and genetically representative, but also provides evidence to justify the shape of the reconstruction. Where only a few reflexes are known to us, this is usually noted.

Although there are accepted or standard orthographies for a number of the languages from which data are cited here, all data are transcribed as far as possible into a standard phonemic orthography based on that used by Ross (1988:3–4) in order to facilitate comparison. This means, for example, that the j of the German-based orthographies of Yabem and Gedaged becomes y, Yabem c becomes ?, Gedaged z becomes l and so on; the ng of English-based orthographies becomes ñ; and Fijian g, q and c become ŋ, g and ḍ respectively.

The following symbols have more or less their usual IPA values:

- Voiceless bilabial or (less often) labio-dental fricative
- Voiced bilabial or (less often) labio-dental fricative
- Voiceless alveolar or palatal affricate
- Voiced alveolar or palatal affricate
- Palatal glide
- Prenasalised voiced alveolar trill (as in Fijian)
- Rounded mid front vowel
- Rounded high front vowel

Other superscripts and diacritics are as follows:

- Contrastive long vowels are represented by a macron, e.g. ā;
- Contrastive vowel nasalisation is represented by a tilde, e.g. ā;
- Labialisation is marked by a superscript w, e.g. ā;
- Velarisation is marked by a superscript u, e.g. ā;
- Contrastive aspiration is marked by a superscript h, e.g. ā;
- Apicolabials are represented by the corresponding apical symbol and the linguolabial diacritic (the ‘seagull’), e.g. ā;
- Retroflexes are represented by the corresponding apical symbol with a dot beneath, e.g. ā.

42 The main reason for retaining Ross’ orthography was that the electronic files initially used in this project were drawn in large part from those used in the research reported in Ross (1988).
Except for inflexional morphemes, non-cognate portions of reflexes, i.e. derivational morphemes and non-cognate parts of compounds, are shown in parentheses (…). Where an inflexional morpheme is an affix or clitic and can readily be omitted, its omission is indicated by a hyphen at the beginning or end of the base. This applies particularly to possessor suffixes on directly possessed nouns (vol.1, ch.2, §3.2). Where an inflexional morpheme cannot readily be omitted, then it is separated from its base by a hyphen. This may happen because of complicated morphophonemics or because the morpheme is always present, like the adjectival -n in some NNG and Admiralties languages and prefixed reflexes of the POc article *na in scattered languages. When a reflex is itself polymorphemic (i.e. the morphemes reflect morphemes present in the reconstructed etymon) or contains a reduplication, the morphemes or reduplicates are also separated by a hyphen.

Languages from which data are cited in this volume are listed in Appendix B in their subgroups (proper or otherwise), together with an index allowing the reader to find the subgroup to which a given language belongs. Appendix B also includes alternative language names. The difficulty of deciding where the borderline between dialect and language lies, combined with the fact that these volumes contain work by a number of contributors, has resulted in some inconsistency in the naming of dialects in the cognate sets. Some occur in the form ‘Lukep (Pono)’, i.e. the Pono dialect of the Lukep language, whilst others are represented simply by the dialect name, e.g. Iduna, noted in Appendix B as ‘Iduna (= dialect of Bwaidoga)’.

1.4.3 Conventions used in representing reconstructions

Reconstructions are marked with an asterisk, e.g. *manuka ‘ulcer, sore, wound’, a standard convention in historical linguistics. POc reconstructions, and also PWOc and PNGOc reconstructions, are given in the orthography of §1.3.4. For reconstructions at higher-order interstages the orthographies are those used by Blust in his various publications and the ACD. Reconstructions at lower-order interstages are given in the standard orthography used for data (§4.2). Geraghty’s (1986) PCP orthography, for example, based on Standard Fijian spelling, is converted into our standard orthography in the same way as Fijian spelling is. In practice, this means that the orthographies for PEOc, PROc and PCP are the same as for POc, except that a distinction between *p and *v is recognised and *R is generally absent from PCP. Biggs and Clark’s PPh reconstructions are in any case written in an orthography identical to our standard. Bracketing and segmentation conventions in protoforms are shown in Table 12.

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<td>[x]</td>
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<td>[x,y]</td>
<td>the item is reconstructable in two forms, one with x and one with y</td>
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<td>x-y</td>
<td>x and y are separate morphemes</td>
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<tr>
<td>x-</td>
<td>x takes an enclitic or a suffix</td>
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<tr>
<td>*x</td>
<td>x is an infix</td>
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43 Geraghty (1990:91) records a small number of cases where certain Fijian dialects retain POc *R as l, indicating that it was retained sporadically in PCP. It is always lost in his ‘Tokalau Fijian’ and in Polynesian.
PMP final consonants are usually retained in POc in absolute word-final position. In many cases decisive evidence for retention or loss can be found in those Oceanic languages that usually retain final consonants. However, there are some cases where it is uncertain whether POc kept the PMP finals. This is so when a PMP etymon is not attested in an Oceanic language that consistently retains POc final consonants. An example is *-d in PMP *palahud ‘go down to the sea or coast’, a term reflected in Oceanic only in languages that regularly lose POc final consonants. In such cases the consonant is reconstructed in parentheses, e.g. POc *palau(r) ‘go to sea, make a sea voyage’.

In presenting words that display anomalies of form, it is often necessary to posit an expected form. For example, the Longgu term dau ‘hang down; drop anchor’ is presented in support of POc *tau(r) ‘hang, be suspended’ (§6.2.4.3). Given the reconstruction, however, we would expect the Longgu form to be tau. In this volume we use a less widely employed convention and mark expected forms with a dagger, e.g. ‘-d- for †t-’ or ‘†tau’, to distinguish them both from reconstructions and real data.

Sometimes we need to refer to a reconstructed form that one would expect as the regular reflex of an established POc etymon, but which does not occur because an irregular sound change has occurred. In such cases the dagger and asterisk conventions are used together. For example, in §3.3.9, we reconstruct PNCV *kaRo ‘vine, rope; vein’. It is descended, however, from POc *waRo(c) ‘vine, creeper; string, rope; vein, tendon’, and the expected PNCV form, referred to in our discussion there, would be †*waRo. The dagger marks it as expected but not attested to.

When historical linguists compile cognate sets they commonly retain word for word the glosses given in the sources from which the items are taken. However, again in the interests of standardisation, we have often reworded (and sometimes abbreviated) the glosses of our sources, while preserving the meaning. Where glosses were in a language other than English we have translated them. In the interests of space and legibility, and because data often have multiple sources, we have given the source of a reflex only when it is not included in the listings in Appendix A.

Sometimes we use the convention of providing no gloss beside the items in a cognate set whose gloss is identical to that of the POc (or other lower-order) reconstruction at the head of the set, i.e. the reconstruction which they reflect.

Where necessary, we use ‘(n)’ to indicate that a gloss is a noun, and ‘(v)’, ‘(vi)’, or ‘(vt)’ to indicate that it is a verb, intransitive verb or transitive verb. Because in many environments transitive verbs were regularly formed from the intransitive stem by adding the suffix *-i- (§1.3.5.2), in many cases the intransitive and transitive verbs are simply shown in sequence, e.g. POc *qalo(p), *qalop-i- ‘beckon with the palm downward, wave’. In such cases, the first verb is always intransitive, the second (in *-i-) transitive.

Within glosses we use the conventional abbreviations ‘k.o.’ (as in ‘k.o. yam’) for ‘kind of’, ‘s.o.’ for ‘someone’ and ‘s.t.’ for ‘something’.

In putting together cognate sets we have quite often found possible cognates which do not quite ‘fit’ the set: they display unexplained phonological irregularities or their meaning is just a little too different from the rest of the set for us to assume cognacy. Rather than eliminate them we often include them below the cognate set under the rubric ‘cf. also’.

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Another convention sometimes used for this purpose is a double asterisk, e.g. **tau: we prefer the dagger on aesthetic grounds.
1.5 Indexes

This volume has three indexes. The first, as in volumes 1–4, is an index of reconstructions arranged by their protolanguages. The second, as in volumes 3 and 4, is an alphabetical list of reconstructions. The third is an index to the English glosses.
2 People: gender, age cohorts and marital status

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2.1 Introduction

A volume entitled ‘Body and mind’ and devoted to the human person would not be complete without a chapter on words for people. This chapter, however, is restricted to terms for people classified by gender, age cohort and marital status. Terms for kinship and affinal relations and for social rank and leadership will be included in volume 6.

In §2.2 terms for ‘person’ are presented, in §2.3 and §2.4 terms for people classified respectively by gender and by age cohort, in §2.5 terms for people who lack a certain kinship relation, i.e. a woman with no children, a child with no parents, and an adult who has not married or whose spouse has died. In §2.6 terms for twins are given.

Terms for ‘person’, ‘man’, ‘woman’ and ‘child’ are readily reconstructable. It is evident that Oceanic languages had a number of other terms related to age, and status based on marriage and childbearing. In all Oceanic societies the transition, for both male and female, from childhood to adolescence or marriageable age, and then from the single to the married state, is observed both terminologically and ceremonially (Pawley 1982b:269-70).

In Manam (NNG), for example, boys are called nat until around 15 years of age. When their hair has been cut (second stage of initiation) they are called amuna. This will continue until they marry, when they become tamoat. In old age men are called imanei and finally ikamoan (Böhm 1983:239).

A small girl in Manam is also called nat. As a young marriageable woman she is barasi. A married woman is called aine. If she remains unmarried she is called kosikosi; if her husband dies the term for a widow is pijar. When she is around 50 years old she is designated ain molmolu. An old woman is ain ikib or manei. Manam also has terms for a woman’s status in terms of number of children: biau ‘woman with one child’, pagar ‘woman with two or more children’, kupi ‘childless or sterile woman’ (Böhm 1983, wordlist).

In To’aba’ita (SES), wane is the male gender marker and kini or ai the female. Wela is the name for a child regardless of sex, even if one quite big, as long as not married. A newly-married man is wane fālu, a newly-married woman kini fālu. A married person is g“auli?i wane or g“auli?i ai. The addition of -?a to these last two terms means they are ‘somewhat old’ (Lichtenberk 2008).
2.2 Person

There are five POc reconstructions whose reflexes suggest a meaning ‘person’ (Pawley 1985):

- *tau ‘person in any form, including ghosts and supernatural person-like beings’
- *tam-ataq ‘living person’ (contrasting with *tau-mate ‘dead person’)
- *qata ‘person’
- *tinoni ‘person, people’
- *k’o(a(i)- ‘person’

Reflexes of these terms show differences in geographical distribution. Languages of the Southeast and Northwest Solomons reflect *tinoni ‘person, people’ (this distribution may be due to local contact), while languages of Vanuatu and New Caledonia have reflexes of POc *qata. POc *tau- and *qata- are also frequently used in compounds.

2.2.1 POc *tau

PAAn *Cau ‘person’ is a well attested reconstruction, continued as PMP and POc *tau. Reflexes of POc *tau occur in three structural contexts:

- as an independent lexical item, typically meaning ‘man’ or ‘person’ (§2.2.1.1);
- as the first item of a compound (§2.2.1.2);
- as the root of a pronominal form (§2.2.1.3).

The evidence for each of these is discussed below.

### 2.2.1.1 Unbound reflexes of POc *tau ‘person’

In some North New Guinea and Papuan Tip languages (and perhaps in Gela), a reflex of POc *tau may stand alone. Elsewhere reflexes are found only in compounds or pronominals. POc *tau occurred in a considerable number of compounds, and it was a natural process for one of these compounds to become the basic term for ‘person’, displacing *tau, especially because ‘living person’ was always in opposition to ‘spirit, ghost’. In Mussau, for example, where tau occurs in compounds, the standalone form for ‘person’ is tau-matu, i.e. a compound has replaced tau.

The gloss offered below from Pawley (1985) takes account of the three types of reflex mentioned above.

PAAn *Cau ‘person’ (ACD)

POc *tau ‘person in any form, including ghosts and supernatural person-like beings’ (Pawley 1985)

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<td>tu</td>
<td>‘man’</td>
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<td>NNG: Akolet-V</td>
<td>a-to</td>
<td>‘man’</td>
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<td>PT: Molima</td>
<td>(tomo)tau</td>
<td>‘person; men’</td>
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<td></td>
<td>(ʔoloto) tau</td>
<td>‘human being’ (ʔoloto ‘man’)</td>
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<td>PT: Kilivila</td>
<td>tau</td>
<td>‘man’</td>
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<td>PT: Misima</td>
<td>tau</td>
<td>‘man; male of any age; male (of animals)’</td>
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<td>PT: Sudest</td>
<td>tau</td>
<td>‘people’ (lolo ‘person’)</td>
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PT: Sinaugoro  
PT: Motu  
PT: Dawawa

PT: *tau  

‘man, male in general’

‘the body; a man’

‘person’

cf. also:

SES: Gela  

‘spouse’

Bender et al. (2003) reconstruct PMic *tau ‘person’, but it appears that Micronesian reflexes only occur in the compounds listed here. The first element of the reflexes below is different in form from the reflexes of prefixed PMic *tawu-, which remain productive in a number of languages, as illustrated in §2.2.1.2.

PMic *tau ‘person’ (Bender et al. 2003), *tau-mate ‘dead person’, *tau-tubʷa ‘spirit of a deceased person’

Mic: Marshallese  

co(tubʷ)  

‘spirit’

Mic: Chuukese  

sō(tupʷ)  

‘not visible person, departed, dead’

sō(pe)  

‘ghost’

sō(mae)  

‘corpse’

Mic: Puluwatese  

hō(tupʷ)  

‘departed person, ghost’

hō(mae)  

‘bad ghost of departed person’

Mic: Carolinian  

sō(tubʷ), sō(mae)  

‘respectful term for one who is dead’

sō(pe)  

‘respectful term for ghost or spirit’

Mic: Pulo Annian  

ou(tubʷa)  

‘spirit, god’

2.2.1.2 Compounds formed with POc *tau ‘person who…, person from…’

Compounding with *tau- dates back at least to PMP times, as PMP *tau-mataq shows. Section 2.2.2 is dedicated to POc *tam’ataq ‘living human being’, as it was probably no longer a compound but a single lexeme. Oft reflected early Oceanic compounds with *tau- include POc *tau-mate ‘dead person’ (§2.2.2.2), POc *tau-paqoRu ‘young person of marriageable age’ (§2.4.3), and PEOc *tau-tasik ‘expert fisherman or sailor’ (vol.1:207 and below). The terms for ‘man’ in Meso-Melanesian languages in the extreme north of New Ireland—Lavongai tauan and Tiang tawon—are evidently cognate with Sinaugoro tauyani— ‘body’ and reflect a PWOc compound *tau-(q,k)ani.

Compounding with reflexes of POc *tau- ‘person who…, person from…’, where the second element is typically a verb or a placename, is still somewhat productive in a number of modern languages, and we infer that it was productive in POc. Reflexes of the prefix are listed first, then sample compounds from languages where it is in more frequent use.

SE Solomonic languages do not figure among the examples below, but there is an indication that at least the ‘person from…’ sense was once productive in SE Solomonic, as the fossilised forms Sa’a au-henue ‘be resident in a place, native of a place; inhabitant of a place’ and Arosi au-henua ‘man of the place’ are found, both reflecting POc *tau-pamua, where *pamua meant roughly ‘inhabited place, community’ (vol.1:18, 62; vol.2:40, 295; Pawley 2005).
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PAn *Cau ‘person’ (ACD)

POc *tau- ‘person who VERBS, person from PLACENAME’

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<td>PT: Kukuya</td>
<td>tau-</td>
<td>‘person who …’</td>
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| PT: Motu | tau | ‘person from …’ (e.g. tau erema ‘an Ereema man’)
| MM: Nakanai | tau- | ‘man, person, used only in connection with sibling and village affiliation, and in expressions showing relations between two or more persons’
| MM: Teop | to- | ‘person who …’ |

PMic *tawu- ‘master, expert’ (Bender et al. 2003)

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<td>Mic: Ponapean</td>
<td>sow-</td>
<td>‘expert at’</td>
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<td>Mic: Carolinian</td>
<td>sowu-</td>
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<td>‘master, expert’</td>
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<td>Mic: Puluwatese</td>
<td>hawu-</td>
<td>‘expert, master, lord’</td>
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PPn *tau- ‘person who …, person from …’

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**Mussau (Adm)**

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<td>tau ni-nama-nama</td>
<td>[person NOM-REDUP-eat] ‘person who eats a lot’</td>
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<td>tau ni-kini</td>
<td>[person NOM-sing] ‘person who likes to sing’</td>
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<td>tau yai-nuny-norru anna</td>
<td>[person CSTR-AGENT-REDUP-hear think] ‘servant’ (lit. ‘person who hears wishes’)</td>
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<td>tau yai-nama y asi</td>
<td>[person CSTR-AGENT-eat LIG-taro] ‘person who eats taro’</td>
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<tr>
<td>tau yai-sasa tee-ira</td>
<td>[person CSTR-AGENT-bad with-O:3r] ‘their enemies’ (lit. ‘people who do bad with them’)</td>
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<tr>
<td>tau ni-tam aikaia</td>
<td>[person NOM-NEGATIVE, VERB believe] ‘unbeliever’</td>
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**Kukuya (PT)**

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<td>tau vivenena</td>
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<td>tau nonona</td>
<td>‘one who hears, listener’</td>
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<td>tau nuauya</td>
<td>‘one who understands, wise man’ etc.</td>
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**Tawala (PT)**

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<td>tu-danene</td>
<td>‘thief’</td>
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1 The gloss is from Chowning (2014). We have no examples.
tu-dayadayabu ‘poor people’

**Gumawana (PT)**
- to-kani-giloilo ‘one who eats very little’ (kani ‘eat’, giloilo ‘hermit crab’)
- to-piki ‘stingy person’ (piki ‘stingy’)
- to-vatulukʷana ‘teacher’ (vatulukʷana ‘teach’)
- to-yausa ‘spy’ (yausa (V) ‘spy’)

**Iduna (PT)**
- to-bogau ‘sorcerer’ (bogau ‘sorcery’)
- to-bonaʔabi ‘obedient person’ (bonaʔabi ‘obedience’)
- to-dibumuhiga ‘hard worker’ (dibumuhiga ‘diligence’)
- to-faha ‘gardener’ (faha (V) ‘plant’)
- to-faisewa ‘worker’ (faisewa (V) ‘work’)

**Dawawa (PT)**
- tau-noya ‘slave’ (noya ‘work’)
- tau-paka ‘owner’ (paka ‘garden’)
- tau-suku ‘victim as a result of payback’
- tau-waisamasamani ‘accuser’ (wai-CAUSATIVE, samana (V) ‘report’)

**Misima (PT)**
- to-gulagula ‘poor person’ (gulagula ‘be poor’)
- to-honi ‘greedy person’ (honi ‘be greedy’)
- to-kewakewa ‘people who come to feast’ (who bring a pig) (kewa ‘carry on pole’)
- to-losidai ‘drummers; (men who) beat drums’ (sidai ‘hand drum’)
- to-pahepahenapu ‘advisor; wise man’ (pahenapu ‘exhort, advise’)

**Teop (MM)**
- to kikira ‘keeper’ (kikira ‘take care of’)
- to kiu ‘workman, servant’ (kiu ‘work’)
- to rarare ‘judge’ (rare (N) ‘judge’)
- to suga ‘rebel’ (suga ‘neglect’)

**Puluwatese (Mic)**
- hav-eyikɔ ‘sorcerer who chants to stop rain’ (yeyikɔ ‘chant spell to stop rain’)
- hav-fai ‘one who treats injuries’ (fai ‘be bruised’, (N) ‘bruise’)
- hav-hefe ‘traditional medical practitioner’ (hefe ‘traditional medicine’)
- hav-kāpuŋ ‘judge’ (kāpuŋ (V) ‘judge’)
- hav-kkwaiyiŋ ‘housebuilder’ (kkwai ‘build’, yĩ ‘house’)
- hav-p*e ‘diviner’ (p*e ‘to divine’)

**Carolinian (Mic)**
- sɔu-xekkay ‘person who laughs a lot’ (ghekkay ‘laugh’)
- sɔu-kkəl ‘singer’ (kkəl ‘sing’)
- sɔu-safey ‘traditional medical practitioner’ (safey ‘traditional medicine’)
- sɔu-m̲ɛer ‘gentleman’ (m̲ɛ ‘lei, flower garland’)
- sɔu-fiʃ ‘priest, counsellor’ (fiʃ ‘preach, give advice’)
- sɔu-fiyouw ‘warrior’ (fiyouw ‘fight’)

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`sou-mās` ‘thief’

**Woleaian (Mic)**

- `tau-yeŋaŋ` ‘expert, good worker’ (yeŋaŋ ‘work’)
- `tau-rix` ‘good runner’ (rix ‘run’)
- `tau-yaf` ‘swimmer’ (yaf ‘swim’)
- `tau-furewa` ‘canoe-builder’ (wa ‘canoe’)
- `tau-fita` ‘skilled fisherman’ (fita ‘fishing’)
- `tau-fitex` ‘person who fights continuously’ (fitex ‘war’)

**Bauan (Fij)**

- `dau bati` ‘specialist in tattooing’ (bati ‘tooth, tattooing instrument’)
- `dau lali` ‘drummer’ (lali ‘hand drum’)

**Samoan (Pn)**

- `tau-fanua` ‘commoner; land-owner’ (fanua ‘land’)
- `tau-tai` ‘master fisherman’ (tai ‘sea’)
- `tau-uta` ‘landlubber’ (uta ‘island’)
- `tau-malae` ‘host, person who received (important) visitors’ (malae ‘village green’)

**Rennellese (Pn)**

- `tau-hane` ‘house owner’
- `tau-manaha` ‘chief/owner of a settlement’ (manaha ‘exogamous patrilineal descent group’)
- `tau-hinayano` ‘clever or learned (person)’ (hinayano ‘thought’)
- `tau-kese` ‘unrelated person, enemy’ (kese ‘strange, varied, deceitful’)

### 2.2.1.3 Pronouns formed with POc *tau-*

POc *tau-* occurs as the root of pronominal forms only in Western Oceanic languages. Its basic PWOc function was to form emphatic free pronouns corresponding to English pronouns formed with *-self* in sentences like *He did it himself*. It apparently did not form reflexives. However, in a few Papuan Tip languages (indicated below) emphatic forms reflecting *tau-* have lost their emphatic value and have displaced inherited free pronouns either throughout the paradigm or, in Duau, in just the third person, or, in Bunama, in the first and third persons.

**PWOc *tau-* EMPHATIC PRONOUN FORMATIVE**

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Pronominals formed with POc *\textit{tau}- usually treat it as a directly possessed root (§3.1.1), as in Yabem, Bunama and Dawawa below. Just two languages appear to use indirect possession with the default alienable possession classifier, Sinaugoro \textit{ɣ}-e- and Babatana na-.

The Bunama set is the ordinary free pronoun set. Note that Bunama retains inherited second-person free pronouns, but replaces first- and third-person pronouns with the emphatics.

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2.2.2 POc *\textit{tam}’ataq ‘living person’ and POc *\textit{tau-mate} ‘dead person’

POc *\textit{tam}’ataq reflects PMP *\textit{tau-mataq}, literally ‘live person’, from *\textit{tau} ‘person’ (§2.2.1.1) and *\textit{mataq} ‘raw, new, green’ (vol.1:155). It was thus the antonym of POc *\textit{tau-mate} ‘dead person’ (*\textit{mate} ‘die, dead’, §4.2.1.2) and the two were among the many compounds with *\textit{tau} discussed in §2.2.1.2.

2.2.2.1 POc *\textit{tam}’ataq ‘living person’

It seems likely that POc *\textit{tam}’ataq had already become a synonym of monosyllabic *\textit{tau} (§2.2.1.1) in the sense ‘living person’. In several major subgroups – Admiralties, North New Guinea, Fijian, Polynesian – reflexes of *\textit{ta-m’ataq} are the general term for a human being.
There has been some debate about the form of this reconstruction. Almost all its reflexes point to POc *tam-*ataq (or *tamataq, as the labial feature of *mʷ has been unstable throughout the history of Oceanic), but scholars have pointed to Mussau taumata as reflecting POc *tau-mataq, the regular reflex of PMP *tau-mataq ‘person’. Either both forms occurred in POc dialects or, as Blust (1981:235) implies, the change from *tau-mataq to *tam-*ataq had not occurred by the time Mussau (one of two members of a putative small first-order subgroup of Oceanic) separated from the rest of Oceanic. The discussion is in fact perhaps without foundation. The change entailed the coarticulation of the rounding gesture of *u in *tau-mataq with the following *m, giving rise to *mʷ. No one suggests that the change was a regular one: it isn’t reflected in known reflexes of *tau-mate. Rather, it was a lexically specific change in an oft used word. According to the data available to us, the Mussau term for ‘person’ is taumatu, not taumata, and taumatu is not a reflex of POc †*tau-mataq, so the reconstruction of the POc form *tam-*ataq is uncontested.

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<th>PMP *tau-mataq ‘person’ (Dempwolff, Blust 1993a)</th>
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<td>POc *tam-*ataq ‘human being, especially in ordinary living form’ (Pawley 1985) (*mataq ‘raw, new, green’) (vol.1:155)</td>
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<td>Adm: Loniu amat ‘human being, person, often used to refer only to males’</td>
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<td>Adm: Bipi xamak ‘person’</td>
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<td>Adm: Nyindrou dramak ‘person’</td>
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<td>NNG: Manam tamoata ‘man, mankind’</td>
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<td>NNG: Wogo xamata ‘person’</td>
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<td>NNG: Mangap-Mbula tomoto ‘man’</td>
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<td>NNG: Sio tamota ‘person; man (generic)’</td>
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<td>NNG: Tuam tamot ‘man’</td>
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<td>NNG: Gedaged tamol ‘man, male, human being’</td>
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<td>NNG: Megiar tamot ‘man’</td>
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<td>PT: Dobu tomota ‘people; human race’</td>
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<td>PT: Kiriwina tomota ‘people; person’</td>
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<td>MM: Notsi tamot ‘man’</td>
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<td>MM: Lihir tomat ‘man; husband’</td>
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<td>MM: Sursurunga tom ‘one characterised by.. /one whose job is..’</td>
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<td>MM: Nehan tamat ‘person, man’</td>
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<td>MM: Haku tamata ‘man; husband’</td>
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<td>MM: Banoni tamata ‘man’</td>
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<td>SV: Lenakel (ie)ram- ‘chief’</td>
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<td>Fij: Wayan tamata ‘human being, person’</td>
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<td>Fij: Bauan tamata ‘human being, people in general’</td>
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<th>PPN *tamata ‘man(kind); person’ (POLLEX)</th>
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<td>Pn: Niuean tamata ‘person, human, mankind’</td>
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<td>Pn: Rennellese tamata ‘man, person’</td>
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<td>Pn: Samoan tamata ‘human of either sex’</td>
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2 For discussion, see Blust (1984) and Lynch (2002).
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cf. also:

Adm: Mussau taumatu ‘person, human being’

2.2.2.2 POc *tau-mate ‘dead person’

POc *tau-mate ‘corpse’, from tau ‘person’ (§2.2.1.2) and mate ‘die’ (§4.2.1.2) is reconstructed on the basis of WOc and Micronesian reflexes. However, given the ubiquity of compounds with *tau (§2.2.1.2), it is possible that the term was innovated independently in each of the two areas. The NCV terms are not fully cognate, as they appear to reflect *qata rather than *tau as their first element (§2.2.3.2).

POc *tau-mate ‘dead person’ (tau ‘person’ + mate ‘die, dead’)

PT: Muyuw toumat ‘dead person’
PT: Kilivila tomatata ‘corpse, dead person’
PT: Molima tomate ‘dead person’
PT: Misima tomate ‘dead person; person who has just died’
MM: Roviana tomate- ‘corpse; ghost, spirit’

PMic *tau-mate ‘dead person’

Mic: Chuukese sōme ‘corpse’
Mic: Puluwatese hōme ‘bad ghost of departed person’

cf. also

NCV: Mota tamate ‘a dead man; a ghost, a dead man in separation from his body...’
NCV: Mwotlap tmat ‘corpse’
NCV: Nokuku temate ‘spirit’
NCV: Paamese temate ‘spirit of dead’

2.2.3 POc *qata ‘person’

There is another reconstruction, POc *qata, whose reflexes mean ‘human being’. Like *tau (§2.2.1) it is reflected both as an independent noun and as the first part of a number of compounds.

2.2.3.1 Unbound reflexes of POc *qata ‘person’

In a 1972b note, repeated in the ACD, Blust reconstructs PMP *qata with the meaning ‘outsiders, alien people’. He lists reflexes that include terms of self-designation from Negrito people in Northern Luzon, terms meaning ‘slave’ in a geographically restricted area from the southern Philippines to the Lesser Sundas, and a wide but discontinuous set of terms from Sumatra to Maluku that simply denote ‘man, person’. He includes no Oceanic cognates. He concludes that ‘outsiders, alien people’ is the prior PMP meaning with ‘person’ as a semantic neutralisation in scattered areas.

Putative reflexes of POc *qata meaning ‘person’ occur in Vanuatu and New Caledonia. No Oceanic reflexes carry the Malayo-Polynesian meaning ‘outsider’ except the possible New Caledonian reflexes listed under ‘cf. also’, because they reflect *qataC rather than *qata. A
reasonable inference is that they reflect a compound consisting originally of *qata and another morpheme. If so, then their meaning does not necessarily attest to the meaning of POc *qata.

There are also apparent reflexes of POc *qata which mean ‘soul, spirit’, but François (2013) points out that in NCV languages these reflexes are inalienably possessed and have remained separate from reflexes of *qata ‘person’. The homophony is accidental. POc *qata ‘person’ reflects PMP *qaRta ‘outsiders, alien people’, and POc *qata(r) ‘image, reflection, soul, spirit’ reflects PMP *qatad ‘appearance, mark’ (§3.9.1).

The North New Guinea reflexes of *qata ‘person’ below function as an emphatic (‘he did it himself’; cf. §2.2.1.3).

PMP *qaRta ‘outsiders, alien people’ (Blust 1972b, ACD)

POc *qata ‘person’ (François 2013)

POC: Numbami ata ‘self’
POC: Kawiwa ate ‘self’
POC: Hote (Misim) da ‘self’

PNCV *qata ‘individual, person, human being’ (Clark 2009, François 2013)

NCG: Lehali n-at ‘person’ (François 2013)
NCG: Loyop n-at ‘person’ (François 2013)
NCG: Volow n-at ‘person’ (François 2013)
NCG: Mwoatap n-et ‘person’ (François 2013)
NCG: Raga atatu ‘person’
NCG: Namakir at ‘person’
NCG: S Efate n-at ‘person; someone (indefinite but nonspecific)’
SV: Anejom n-at ‘person, fellow’
NCG: Nemi kac ‘man’
NCG: Jave kac ‘man’
NCG: Nelêmwa ak ‘man’
NCG: axa-t ‘man, male’
NCG: Iaai at ‘person’
cf. also:
NCG: Pije kaca ‘stranger, foreigner’
NCG: Fwái kaya ‘stranger, foreigner’
NCG: Jave kaya ‘stranger, foreigner’
NCG: Nemi kaca ‘stranger, foreigner’
NCG: Xarácùù ka ‘stranger, foreigner’ (Grace 1972).

2.2.3.2 Compounds formed with POc *qata ‘person’

A number of POc compounds had *qata ‘person’ as their first element. They differ from those that had *tau- as their first element. Whereas *tau- is roughly translated ‘person who …’ (§2.2.1.2), compounds with *qata- simply denote a person (as *tamataq ‘living person’ does; §2.2.2.1) and gender- and age-based categories of human beings. In this section those compounds that denote people in general are presented. Compounds denoting gender-based categories are POc *qata-muqane ‘man, male’ (§2.3.1) and POc *qata-pine ‘woman, female’ (§2.3.2). Those denoting age-based categories—they are not widely reflected—are
Proto SE Solomonic *qata-natu ‘child’ and Proto North–Central Vanuatu *ta-marayai ‘old man’ (§2.4.6). The sense of POc *qata-mate ‘malevolent spirit of a dead person’ suggests that it almost certainly reflects POc *qata(r) ‘image, reflection, soul, spirit’, not POc *qata ‘person’.

François (2013) points out that where a term for a category or people begins with *ta-, this is potentially ambiguous between an origin in *qata- and one in *tau-. However, as just noted, there seems to be a systematic difference in meaning between *tau- and *qata-. There is also a phonological difference, as *tau- is usually reflected as tau- or to-, and the diphthong *-au- is reflected even in Micronesian languages where there has been substantial phonological change. Prefixed *qata-, on the other hand, is reflected as ta- when it loses its first syllable, as it often does.

Most of the following are restricted to a local group of languages. Only PROc *[qa]ta-maquri ‘living person’ (*maqrip ‘be alive’; §4.2.1.1) spans a large piece of Oceania, but it has few reflexes and may reflect parallel innovations.

PROc *[qa]ta-maquri ‘living person’

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<td>‘man alive’ (cf. tamate ‘man dead’)</td>
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<td>NCV</td>
<td>Nguna</td>
<td>na-tam’oli</td>
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<td>‘human being’</td>
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<td>S Efate</td>
<td>n-atem’ol</td>
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<td>‘person’ (*m’ol ‘be alive’)</td>
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<td>Fij</td>
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<td>famori</td>
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The second element of Proto Torres-Banks *(qa)ta-dunu ‘individual, person’ reflects PNCV *dunu ‘true, real’ (Clark 2009).

PNCV *(qa)ta-dunu ‘individual, person’ (François 2013)

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The identity of the second elements of the Proto South Vanuatu terms below is unknown (Lynch 2004b).

PSV *n-ata-mama(q), *i-ata-mama(q) ‘person’

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PSV *n-ata-mimi(q), *i-ata-mimi(q) ‘person’

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2.2.4 POc *tinoni ‘person, people’

Reflexes of POc *tinoni are limited to two subgroups. Apart from Vitu off the north coast of New Britain, all languages listed here are from the Northwest Solomons or the Southeast Solomons where the term apparently has now become the general term for a human being. Its limited range makes it difficult to establish its POc meaning.

As with English ‘man’, reflexes of both *ta-mataq and *tinoni may sometimes be used as a term for people in general and sometimes for males only.

PEMP *tinoni ‘man, male’

POc *tinoni ‘person, people’

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<td>MM: Solos</td>
<td>tinon</td>
<td>‘man; husband’</td>
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<td>MM: Papapana</td>
<td>sinoni</td>
<td>‘husband’</td>
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<td>MM: Nduke</td>
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<td>‘man, mankind, person’</td>
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<td>‘man, human being, person (living)’</td>
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<td>SES: Sa’a</td>
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<td>‘man; human being’</td>
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2.2.5 POc *kʷa(i) ‘person’

The reconstruction of POc *kʷa(i) ‘person’ is somewhat speculative. This morpheme appears to have meant ‘a person belonging to a certain group’, and was followed by a modifier indicating the identity of that group. It is reflected in this function or something close to it in the Iduna, To’aba’ita, Arosi, Nguna, Bauan and Wayan Fijian terms and perhaps in the plural form PPhn *ka-kai. The reconstruction is speculative in two respects. First, in Western Oceanic languages in particular, there are numerous forms beginning with ka- which denote a category of person, and we have taken these to be reflexes of *ka. Some of them may well have other origins. Where possible the modifier that follows the reflex of *ka- is identified. Second, the form of the reconstruction is uncertain. POc *kʷa- is reflected as far east as Bugotu (with exceptions in Medebur and Bola), switching to *kʷai- from Malaita and Makira eastward. Reconstruction of initial *kʷ-, rather than *k-, is also uncertain. POc *kʷ was an unstable phoneme that is reflected as kʷ only in Papuan Tip languages and Western Fijian (Ross 2011). In these and some other languages *kʷa sometimes becomes *ko. Among the reflexes below, Iduna kʷa-na and Wayan koi are thus consistent with the reconstruction of POc kʷa(i). Indeed, we have no other explanation for them (other than the possibility that the set below

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3 PEMP *tinoni is reconstructed on the basis of the Oceanic reflexes here and two West New Guinea reflexes, Biak snon ‘man’, Dusner snon ‘male’.

4 We have asked ourselves whether *kʷai- reflects *kʷa qi, where *qi is the marker of nonspecific possession that follows a directly possessed noun. This would mean that *kʷa was directly possessed, as it appears to be in Iduna. But the expected form would then be *kʷaqi, not *kʷai.
includes some non-cognate forms). Proto Malaita-Makira, however, normally reflects POc *kʷ- as *k-, but the forms below instead reflect *y-, casting doubt on the reconstruction of POc *k^-.

POc *kʷa(i) ‘person belonging to a category’ (Pawley 1985: PEOc *kai ‘person’)  
PWOc *kʷa[i] ‘person belonging to a category’

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<td>‘young man’</td>
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<td>NNG: Medebur</td>
<td>kai-dik-waun</td>
<td>‘young man’ (waun ‘new, young’; cf. wai-dik ‘woman’)</td>
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<tr>
<td>NNG: Manam</td>
<td>ka-leti</td>
<td>‘foreigner, white man’</td>
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<td>SJ: Tobati</td>
<td>ha-r</td>
<td>‘person’</td>
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<tr>
<td>SJ: Ormu</td>
<td>ka-ru</td>
<td>‘person’</td>
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<tr>
<td>PT: Iduna</td>
<td>kʷa-na</td>
<td>‘person of group’ (e.g. kʷana-ʔoyaʔoya ‘man of the mountains’, kʷana-koyokoyo ‘poor/bad man’)</td>
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<td>MM: Vitu</td>
<td>kaka</td>
<td>‘person’</td>
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<td>MM: Bulu</td>
<td>kaka-tara</td>
<td>‘person’ (tara ‘mature’)</td>
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<td>MM: Bola</td>
<td>kakai</td>
<td>‘boss’</td>
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<td>MM: Tabar</td>
<td>ka</td>
<td>‘man’</td>
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<td>MM: Madak</td>
<td>ka-dion</td>
<td>‘stranger, foreign -person’</td>
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<td>MM: Sursurunga</td>
<td>ka-li</td>
<td>‘child’ (-lik endearment particle)</td>
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<td>MM: Tangga</td>
<td>ka-lu</td>
<td>‘man’</td>
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<td>MM: Ramoaaina</td>
<td>ka-ulung</td>
<td>‘ignorant person; bush dweller’</td>
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<td>MM: Solos</td>
<td>ka-tun</td>
<td>‘person’ (tun &lt; Proto NW Solomonic *tuna ‘correct, proper’)</td>
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<td>MM: Petats</td>
<td>ka-tun</td>
<td>‘person’ (see Solos ka-tun)</td>
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<td>MM: Halia (Haku)</td>
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<td>‘person’ (see Solos ka-tun)</td>
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<td>MM: Mono-Alu</td>
<td>ka-nega</td>
<td>‘man, husband; big’</td>
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Proto Malaita-Makira *yai ‘person, person belonging to …’

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<td>?ai</td>
<td>‘collectivity’ (e.g. kai ni bulisi ‘police unit’)</td>
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<td>SES: Kwaio</td>
<td>ai</td>
<td>‘person’</td>
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<td>SES: Lau</td>
<td>?ai</td>
<td>‘person, individual, woman’</td>
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<td>SES: Arosi</td>
<td>ai</td>
<td>‘native of place’ (e.g. ai [ni] Wango ‘native of Wango’)</td>
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PNCV *kai-masi ‘sorcerer’ (Clark 2009) (*masi-ŋa ‘love magic’)

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<td>eimasi</td>
<td>‘evil spirit’</td>
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<td>NCV: Nguna</td>
<td>na-kaimasi</td>
<td>‘sorcerer’</td>
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<td>NCV: Nguna</td>
<td>na-kā</td>
<td>‘people (of a particular chief or place)’</td>
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Proto Fijian *kəi *‘person of a place or category specified by the modifier’

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<td>kai</td>
<td>‘person of group’ (e.g. kai Viti ‘Fijian’, kai dolo ‘person of the interior’)</td>
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<td>Fij: Wayan</td>
<td>koi</td>
<td>‘person of a place or category specified by the modifier’ (e.g. koi Niusiladi ‘New Zealander’, koi ata ‘inhabitant of the interior of Viti Levu and other large islands; inlander’)</td>
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PPn *kai ‘person of one place or kind’ (plural: *ka-kai) (Pollex)

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<td>kai-fonua</td>
<td>‘commoner’ (fonua ‘land, territory, place)</td>
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<td>Pn: Samoan</td>
<td>ʔa-ʔai</td>
<td>‘village, town’</td>
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<td>Pn: E Futunan</td>
<td>ka-kai</td>
<td>‘people, nation’</td>
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<tr>
<td>Pn: E Uvean</td>
<td>kai-fenua</td>
<td>‘commoner, peasant’ (fenua ‘land’)</td>
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<td>Pn: Tokelauan</td>
<td>ka-kai</td>
<td>‘village, city, town’</td>
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<td>Pn: Pukapukan</td>
<td>ka-kai</td>
<td>‘all the people of a place’</td>
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<td>Pn: Tahitian</td>
<td>ai-ani</td>
<td>‘a shameless beggar’ (ani ‘hungry’)</td>
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<td>Pn: Māori</td>
<td>kai</td>
<td>‘body, group of blood relatives’</td>
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2.3 People by gender

2.3.1 Man, male

Two POc terms are reconstructable reflecting PMP *ma-Ruqane ‘male, man’. They perhaps occurred in different POc dialects, as no language reflects both. The expected form, POc *maRuqane, is reflected in just a few languages, in the Papuan Tip and Meso-Melanesian linkages of Western Oceanic. Much more widespread is POc *mʷaqane, a curiously truncated variant of *maRuqane.

Blust (1982b) comments that the origin of the truncated form is problematic. Lynch (2002) suggests two possible origins. Both assume that *-R- had been irregularly lost (it is sporadically lost in non-Oceanic languages too, perhaps because tetrasyllabic roots were dispreferred). The first hypothesis says that the *m- of *maRuqane became *mʷ- under the influence of *-u-. For this to be true, *-u- must have been adjacent to *m-, as the two fused as *mʷ- (cf. the discussion of the history of *tamʷata in §2.2.2.1). Lynch suggests that *maRuqane metathesised to †*muRaqane, This would have been followed by loss of *-R-, giving †*muaqane, leading to *mʷaqane.

Lynch also offers an alternative explanation whereby *maRuqane formed a compound *tau-maRuqane, giving rise to *tamʷaRuqane (cf. §2.2.2.1), which was then reanalysed, leaving mʷaRuqane as a separate morpheme with initial *mʷ-. Of the two explanations, the first is more explanatory, as the second fails to explain loss of *-u-. There is in any case
evidence that forms that might be taken to reflect *tau-maRuqane actually reflect *gata-m*aqane.

The few forms that reflect *maRuqane all mean ‘male, man’. There is good evidence that POc *m*aqane had two uses. As an independent noun, it meant ‘male, man’, but as a directly possessed noun (§3.1.1) it meant ‘brother of a woman’. It appears with this sense in the Admiralties and across Remote Oceanic, establishing its POc origin.

PAn *RuqaLay ‘male, man’ (ACD)
PMP *[ma]Ruqanay ‘male, man’ (ACD)
POc *maRuqane ‘man, male’ (Blust 1993a)

PT: Motu maruane (N) ‘male’
MM: Mono-Alu manuale ‘male’ (metathesis)
MM: Lungga marane ‘man’
MM: Vangunu maroani ‘man’

PAn *ma-RuqaLay ‘male, man’ (ACD)
PMP *ma-Ruqanay ‘male, man’

POc *m*aqane ‘man, male; brother (of woman)’ (Milke 1958; *m*ane ‘brother (of woman)’)

Adm: Seimat wawan ‘man as opposed to woman’
Adm: Lou m*ane- ‘brother (woman speaking)’
NNG: Manam m*ane ‘male’
NNG: Terebu maken ‘man’
PT: Molima moane ‘spouse’
MM: Vitu mane ‘young man’
MM: Ramoaaina muana ‘man’
MM: Kia mane ‘man’
MM: Kokota mane ‘man’
SES: Bugotu mane ‘male, male person’
SES: Gela mane ‘male, man, person, native’ (used in compound to identify occupation or place of identity)

SES: Longgu m*anei ‘man, male’
SES: Lau n*ane ‘male’
SES: Kwaiya wane ‘man, male, human being’
SES: Sa’a m*ane ‘male, man, boy’
SES: To’aba’ita wane ‘man, husband; person of unspecified sex’
NCV: Nokuku mane- ‘brother’
NCV: Kiai mane- ‘(elder) brother (of woman)’
NCV: Sakao mana- ‘(man’s) brother’
NCV: Big Nambas m*ana- ‘brother (of woman)’
NCV: Paamese mano- ‘brother (of woman)’
NCV: Lewo m*ene- ‘brother (of woman)’
SV: Sye mano- ‘brother (of woman)’
SV: N Tanna m*ana- ‘brother (of woman)’

*5 ‘May occur alone or in compound as male gender marker or to further identify s.o.’
SV: Whitesands  *nom*  ’man’
SV: Lenakel  *nɔ-m*  ’man, male’
NCal: Nixumwak  *m*  ’brother of woman’ (Lynch 2002)
NCal: Iaai  *mañi-  ’opposite sex sibling’
Mic: Kiribati  *te-m*  ’man, male’
Mic: Marshallese  *m*  ’brother of woman’
Mic: Mokilese  *m*  ’man, male’
Mic: Puluwatese  *m*  ’man, male’
Mic: Carolinian  *m*  ’man, male’
Fij: Bauan  *ηane  ’sibling of opposite sex’
Fij: Wayan  *η*  ’sibling of opposite sex’
Fij: Nadrau  *umane  ’male’ (Lynch 2002)
Pn: Tongan  *(tuo)*  ’brother of woman’
Pn: Samoan  *(tua)*  ’brother or male cousin of woman’

The following POc reconstruction is a compound of *qata  ‘person’ and POc *m*  ’man, male’ (cf. §2.2.3.2), based on numerous reflexes, many of which show reduction of form in various ways, commonly by deleting *qa-. Polynesian languages have deleted *-m*.

Only two widely separated reflexes, Nakanai (MM) and Anejom (SV) share the meaning ‘brother of woman’, but, given that POc *m*  had this sense, it is reasonable to attribute it also to POc *qata-m*.

POc *qata-m*  ’man, male; brother (of woman)’

NNG: Kove  *tamone  ’man’
NNG: Sio  *tanane  ’man, male’
NNG: Mangseng  *to-tomone  ’male (human)’
NNG: Mamusi (Kakuna)  *tamane  ’man, person’
NNG: Numbami  *tamone  ’man’
MM: Vitu  *tamoyane  ’man’ (mane  ‘boy of 12+)’
MM: Bola  *tamuyane  ’young man’
MM: Nakanai  *hatamale  (1)  ’man, male’, (2)  ’brother, woman speaking’
MM: E Kara  *tomekan  ’man’
MM: Vaghua  *taman  ’man’

PSOc *qata-m*  ’man, male’ (Lynch 2004b)

NCV: Hiw  *tɔŋ*  ’male, man, husband’ (François 2013)
NCV: Lehali  *atų*  ’male, man, husband’ (François 2013)
NCV: Volow  *n-tam*  ’male, man, husband’ (François 2013)
NCV: Mwotlap  *na-tam*  ’male, man, husband’ (François 2013)
NCV: Vurūs  *atųm*  ’male, man, husband’ (François 2013)
NCV: Mwesen  *atm*  ’male, man, husband’ (François 2013)
NCV: Raga  *atam*  ’man, male’
NCV: Paamese  *tomane  ’male, masculine’
NCV: Uripiv  *n-orman  ’man, male’
NCV: Port Sandwich  *roman*  ‘cock’
NCV: Namakir  *tam’ai’an*  ‘man, male’

**PSV *n-atam’aqane, *i-atam’aqane ‘man, male’**

SV: Sye  *n-atman*  ‘man, male’
SV: Ura  *y-armon*  ‘man, male’
SV: N Tanna  *i-etemān*  ‘man, male’
SV: Lenakel  *i-eram’ān*  ‘man, male’
SV: SW Tanna  *i-elmān*  ‘man, male’
SV: Anejom  *n-atam’añ*  ‘man, woman’s brother’
Fij: Wayan  *ta’ane*  ‘man, male’
Fij: Bauan  *ta’ane*  ‘male’

**PPn *taqane ‘male’ (POLLEX) (with loss of *-m’a-)**

Pn: Niuean  *tāne*  ‘husband, man, male’
Pn: Tongan  *ta’ane*  ‘male, of animals mainly; to be married, of royalty’
Pn: Samoan  *tāne*  ‘husband; man, male’
Pn: Tikopia  *tāne*  ‘male’
Pn: Maori  *tāne*  ‘male, husband, man (not used of animals)’

There is also reasonable evidence for a shortened form of POc  *qata-m’aqane ‘man, male’* in New Guinea Oceanic, namely PNGOc  *qata-m’aq(a) ‘man, male’.*

**PNGOc *qata-m’aq(a) ‘man, male’**

NNG: Tami  *tamu*  ‘man’
NNG: Mutu  *tamoy*  ‘man’
NNG: Mangap  *tom-tom*  ‘person’
NNG: Dami  *tamo*  ‘married man’
NNG: Medebur  *toma*  ‘person’
NNG: Mapos Buang  *alam*  ‘people; relatives’
SJ: Tarpia  *tamu*  ‘man’

**Proto Markham *yaram ‘man’**

NNG: Mari  *garam*  ‘man’
NNG: Wampur  *garam*  ‘man’
NNG: Sirasira  *garaŋ(gat)*  ‘man’
NNG: Adzera  *garam*  ‘man’
NNG: Gara(gar)  ‘person’
NNG: Musom  *arom*  ‘man’
NNG: Sirak  *arom*  ‘man’
NNG: Wampar  *gara(gab)*  ‘person’
PT: Gapapaiwa  *tomoa*  ‘man’

### 2.3.2 Woman

The terms for ‘woman, female’ present one of the most challenging reconstructive tasks in Austronesian historical linguistics, with a number of terms derived from PAN  *bahi ‘woman,*
female’. (Blust 1982b, ACD). Although POc reflects only two of the many variants reflected in non-Oceanic languages, namely *pine and *papine, it has generated variants of its own. With some exceptions, most in Vanuatu, *pine occurs only in the compounds presented below.

In Bugotu and Gela (both SES) the regular reflex of *papine means ‘opposite-sex sibling’, and across SE Solomonic the term for ‘woman’ reflects POc *paipine, a variant that remains unexplained. In a number of Papuan Tip reflexes of *papine and *paipine initial *p- is replaced by *w-, again an unexplained change.

PAAn *b’inahi ‘woman, female’ (Blust 1982b, ACD)

PMP *b’inahi, *ba-b’inahi ‘woman, female’

POc *pine ‘woman; sister of man’

PT: Iduna vine- ‘woman of (PLACE_NAME)’
     vine(sik’a) ‘widow, widowed woman’
     vine(ulatana) ‘young unmarried girl, teenager’

MM: Vitu vine ‘young girl’ (cf. tavine ‘woman’)

MM: Roviana vine(ki) ‘female’

NCV: Lo Toga (lak’e)vina ‘woman’

NCV: Lehali (n-lak)vēn ‘woman’

NCV: Nokuku le-vina ‘woman’

NCV: Larēvat ne-vēn ‘woman’

NCV: W Ambrym vēn ‘woman’

NCV: Paamese a-hine ‘woman’
     a-hino- ‘sister of man’

NCV: Pt Sandwich pene- ‘sister of man’

NCV: Lewo vine- ‘sister of man’

SV: Ura vi-, vinu- ‘sister of man’

SV: N Tanna vēn- ‘sister of man’

SV: Whitesands na-vēn- ‘sister of man’

SV: Lenakel no-uin- ‘sister of man’

SV: SW Tanna na-uin- ‘sister of man’

SV: Kwamera pini- ‘sister of man’

PPn *fine ‘woman’

Pn: Tongan fine(-motuʔa) ‘elderly woman’
     fine(-mui) ‘young woman’
     fine(-ʔeiki) ‘lady’

Pn: Tikopia fine ‘term of address to wife or between sisters-in-law’

Pn: Maori hine ‘term of address to girl, young woman’

POc *papine ‘woman, female; sister of man’ (Milke 1958)

Adm: Kele pihin ‘woman’

Adm: Lou pein ‘woman’

Adm: Nyindrou bihin ‘young single woman, virgin’

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6 Oceanic forms are derived from PMP *b’inahi, a form of the root *bahi infixed with *〈in〉 PERFECTIVE.
NNG: Roinji  
NNG: Gedaged  
NNG: Manam  
NNG: Woge  
PT: Dobu  
PT: Gapapaiwa  
PT: Sinaugoro  
PT: Motu  
MM: Lavongai  
MM: Tabar  
MM: Barok  
MM: Patpatar  
MM: Tolai  
MM: Siar  
MM: Petats  
MM: Torau  
SES: Bugotu  
SES: Gela  
NCV: Mota  
NCV: Raga  
NCV: Tamambo  
NCV: Kiia  
NCV: Tape  
NCV: Namakir  
SV: Sye  
Fij: Rotuman  
Pn: Tongan  
Pn: Niue  
Pn: E Futunan  
Pn: Pukapukan  
Pn: Rennellese  
Pn: Samoan  
Pn: Tikopia  
POc *paipine ‘woman, female; sister (of man)’  
PT: Suau (Dau)  
PT: Nimoa  
SES: Bugotu  
SES: Gela  
SES: Bauro  
SES: Fagani  
SES: Kahua  
SES: Arosi  
Mic: Kiribati  
Mic: Chuukese  

‘woman’  
‘woman’  
‘woman, female, girl’  
‘woman’  
‘woman’ (w- for †θ-)  
‘woman’ (w- for †v-)  
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‘woman, female’  
‘woman’  
‘woman’  
‘sister of man’  
‘sister of man’  
‘woman, female’  
‘sister of man’  
‘woman, girl, wife’  
‘woman’  
‘woman’  
‘woman’  
‘woman, wife’  
‘woman’  
‘woman’  
‘woman; womanhood; female; left hand or side’
**fēfira-**  
‘sister (of man)’

**faifire**  
‘woman, sister’

Corresponding to *qata-m’aqane ‘man’ (§2.3.1) is POc *qata-pine, a compound of *qata ‘person’ and POc *pine ‘woman, female’ (cf. §2.2.3.2). No five-syllable reflexes of POc †*qata-papine ‘woman, female’ have been found. Like other compounds in *qata-, the first element is often reduced to ta-.  

**POc *qata-pine ‘woman, female’**  

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<td>taïne</td>
<td>‘woman’</td>
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<td>NNG: Sio</td>
<td>taine</td>
<td>‘woman, sister’</td>
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<td>NNG: Ulau-Suain</td>
<td>teïne</td>
<td>‘woman’</td>
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<td>MM: Vitu</td>
<td>tavine</td>
<td>‘woman’</td>
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<td>MM: Bola (Harua)</td>
<td>yatatine</td>
<td>‘woman’</td>
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<td>MM: Nakunai</td>
<td>halavile</td>
<td>‘woman, female’; ‘sister, man speaking’</td>
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<td>MM: Meramere</td>
<td>tavine</td>
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<td>MM: E Kara</td>
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<td>MM: W Kara</td>
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<td>MM: Nalik</td>
<td>rafin</td>
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**PSOc *qata-vine ‘woman, female’** (Lynch 2004b)  

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<td>NCV: Uripiv</td>
<td>n-esavin</td>
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<td>NCV: S Efate</td>
<td>tafin</td>
<td>‘woman servant, slave’</td>
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**PSV *n-atavine, *i-atavine (Lynch 2004b)**  

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<td>n-ahiven</td>
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<td>SV: Ura</td>
<td>y-arvin</td>
<td>‘woman, female’</td>
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<tr>
<td>SV: Anejom</td>
<td>n-ataheñ</td>
<td>‘girl, female; sister of male’</td>
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**Proto Tanna *p-atavine**  

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<td>p-etan</td>
<td>‘woman, female’</td>
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<td>SV: Whitesands</td>
<td>p-ətan</td>
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<tr>
<td>SV: Lenakel</td>
<td>p-əravën</td>
<td>‘woman, female’</td>
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<tr>
<td>SV: SW Tanna</td>
<td>p-ilavën</td>
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**cf. also:**  

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<td>taʔa-hine</td>
<td>‘girl, young woman’ (borrowing)</td>
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<td>Pn: Rennellese</td>
<td>taʔa-hine</td>
<td>‘term of reference for a sister, daughter, niece’</td>
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<tr>
<td>Pn: Samoan</td>
<td>te-ine</td>
<td>‘girl’</td>
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Data from the westerly part of the north coast of New Guinea point to a variant *mapine for *papine:  

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<td>main</td>
<td>‘woman’</td>
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<tr>
<td>NNG: Kairiru</td>
<td>moin</td>
<td>‘woman’</td>
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<tr>
<td>SJ: Tarpia</td>
<td>mupin</td>
<td>‘woman’</td>
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<td>SJ: Sobei</td>
<td>mefne</td>
<td>‘woman’</td>
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<tr>
<td>SJ: Anus</td>
<td>mofin</td>
<td>‘woman’</td>
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This in turn also seems to have formed a compound *(qa)ta-mapine*:

- NNG: Kove *tamine* ‘woman’
- NNG: Ali *tamiñ* ‘woman’
- NNG: Mutu *tamen* ‘woman’
- NNG: Sissano *tameñ* ‘woman’
- NNG: Sera *tameĩŋ* ‘woman’

### 2.4 People by age cohort

#### 2.4.1 Oceanic age cohort terms

There is a framework of single-word terms for age cohorts that seems to have a similar structure in many Oceanic languages. The basic elements are:

1. young person, the age range of which often stretches from birth to adulthood
2. person of marriageable age, typically two terms, female and male
3. fully grown adult
4. mature middle-aged adult, typically two terms, female and male
5. very old person

It is sometimes difficult to align terms from different languages, first because in most dictionaries age cohort terms appear to be incompletely listed, and secondly because dictionaries typically give only relative ages, and definitions like ‘young girl’ are vague. However, the five basic terms in an eight-language sample are laid out in Table 13.8

Several observations are in order. The empty cells in Table 13 marked with ‘…’ might be filled if the data were more complete, but the empty cells marked with ‘—’ are probably artefacts of our representation of gender-related terms. For example, Mutu has *kōŋ* ‘mature person’, but apparently no dedicated terms for ‘mature man’ or ‘mature woman’. To’aba’ita has gender-specific terms for (marriageable) young adults, but apparently no genderless term for ‘young adult’. Numbami and Mwotlap stand out from the other languages in the table in that they have a larger number of gender-specific terms. These are shown with a slash, thus feminine/masculine. Several To’aba’ita terms are basically verbs. Thus *darā* means ‘be a marriageable young man’.

Terms for ‘young person’, labelled ‘1’ in Table 13, typically embrace an age range from birth to the onset of adulthood which is divided into smaller categories by either using the ‘young person’ term with modifiers (Khehek, Numbami, Nehan and Wayan) or using further single-word terms. These are shown in Table 14. The exception here is Mwotlap, where the ‘young person’ term does not include children about six years of age and as a result fewer terms are formed with modifiers.

The basic divisions in Table 14 are (1a) baby, (1b) prepubescent child and (1c) adolescent. This tabulation is not exhaustive. Wayan also has the terms *driadia tabatūtū* ‘infant learning to stand’ and *driadia kakarebareba* ‘toddler’. To’aba’ita has *wela kōkosa* or *wela ʔāʔabu* ‘newborn baby’, *wela kā* ‘baby that can crawl’ and *wela ʔāʔaru* ‘toddler’. Paamese has *tiali*

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7 Exceptions are François (2012) and Pawley & Sayaba (2003).
8 Thanks go to Alexandre François, who provided us with terms in Mwotlap and other Torres/Banks languages.
## Table 13  Age cohort terms in eight Oceanic languages

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| 1 young person | nah        | ekapa/kolapa| pain     | keketiki | welia          | na-
|               |            |             |          |          |               | alm=al/vu-lumyep |            | éhon     |
| 2 young adult  | —          | kolapa asasa| yēr pāyu mamahoho-liki | — | — | — | — | — |
| marriageable young woman | lupup pihiq/pecih | ekapa wowe | nabiu | komadia | thāriʔi | — | atouli | vulau |
| marriageable young man  | lupup kemeṇ | kolapa dewala | — | mamanai-liki | ?alak-a, darā (v) | — | meakoi | saravou |
| 3 fully grown adult | kxikxiŋ | ewesika/tamota | olman | tamat | k̖aiagaŋaʔi, ila ai/ila wane | n-ct liwɔ | ahin, atau/ame | tūdonu |
| 4 mature person | pete luq | — | kōŋ | mahoho | araiʔi | — | — | uabula |
| mature woman | pete pecih | — | — | pipigogo-liki | gʷauliʔi-ai-ʔa (v) | na-mayta | — | — |
| mature man | pete kemeṇ | — | — | mahohontiehe | gʷauliʔi-wane-ʔa (v) | na-tmaiy e | ulmatu | — |
| 5 very old person | — | e-⁰bamoto/ko-⁰bamoto | ka⁰bat | mahohon siounu | — | na-mayta yɔɔyɔ / na-tmaiy e yɔɔyɔ | — | avimavul | tūg-ag⁰ag⁰ |
Table 14  Age cohort terms in eight Oceanic languages from birth to the onset of adulthood

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<tr>
<td>1</td>
<td>young person</td>
<td>nah</td>
<td>ekapa/kolapa</td>
<td>pain</td>
<td>keketiki</td>
<td>wela</td>
<td>na-mʷal/mʷal/m⁻¹lom ye-p</td>
<td>ōhōn</td>
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<td>1a</td>
<td>infant, new-born</td>
<td>n. kepeh nakxiŋ</td>
<td>k. palele</td>
<td>k. p̕ayu, kadaḵ-sa</td>
<td>guama</td>
<td>sikafō/kura-fia</td>
<td>mʷcy, nuttiti</td>
<td>tivava</td>
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<td>1b</td>
<td>small child</td>
<td>n. kepeh</td>
<td>e. kakapi/k. kae, ko-kae</td>
<td>akeake, kuka</td>
<td>k. buloutu</td>
<td>—</td>
<td>mʷntmʷcy</td>
<td>—</td>
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<td></td>
<td>young girl</td>
<td>n. pecihi</td>
<td>e. kakapi</td>
<td>—</td>
<td>k. kuah</td>
<td>tʰāri</td>
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<td>—</td>
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<td></td>
<td>young boy</td>
<td>n. kemeŋ</td>
<td>…</td>
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<td>…</td>
<td>wēvelaniwane</td>
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<td>1c</td>
<td>adolescent, not yet marriageable</td>
<td>n. lupup</td>
<td>k. dewala</td>
<td>ḏēr marani</td>
<td>…</td>
<td>tʰāri, ulufāluzi</td>
<td>—</td>
<td>litetai</td>
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‘infant sitting up’. Mutu apparently singles out children aged around four or five as 
*kukua*. Since the ‘young girl/young boy’ terms in Mwotlap designate young people from 
around six years of age upward, a separate term *nu-nu* denotes children under six. 
Mwotlap also has a term *n-ɛt su* [ART-person little] ‘children’ contrasting with *n-ɛt liwɛ* 
[ART-person big] ‘adults’.

With one exception, there is little cognacy across the eight languages in the tables above, 
yet the categories appear similar, and it is a reasonable inference that POc had such categories. 
The exception is that ‘fully grown adult’ is often designated by the term that means ‘person’. 
The POc term denoting a fully grown adult was thus probably *tamʷata* ‘person’ (§2.2.2.1), 
reflected above in Numbami, Nehan and Wayan. We also hypothesise that where POc age 
cohort terms distinguished gender, they did so using *papine* ‘female’ (§2.3.2) and *mʷaqane* 
‘male’ (§2.3.1) as modifiers. The evidence for this is somewhat circumstantial, but see 
To’aβa’ita ila wane ‘married man’, wēwelani-wane ‘young boy’, Paamese ahiin ‘adult woman’, 
and Wayan driadria tanʷane ‘young boy’.

The lack of cognacy among age cohort terms partly reflects shifts in meaning over time. 
Thus Khehek (Adm) *kxisînung* ‘fully grown adult’ and Wayan (Fij) *driadria* ‘young person’ 
appear to be cognate.

Below, reconstructions for age cohorts are discussed under the headings used in Tables 13 
and 14. Reconstruction in this semantic domain is not easy, as a wealth of local terms for age 
cohorts are found but few terms that have survived across a number of Oceanic primary 
subgroups

2.4.2 Young person from birth to onset of adulthood

The English word ‘child’ has two meanings: (1) offspring and (2) young boy or girl. Thus (1) 
denotes a kin relationship, (2) an age group. The POc term for sense (1), ‘offspring’, is *nätu-*, a 
kin term (see vol.6).

Oceanic languages typically have no single-word term corresponding to English ‘child’ in 
sense (2) but instead have a term for human beings from birth to the onset of adulthood. POc 
*meRa* appears to have been the term denoting this age group. A number of its reflexes are 
glossed simply ‘child’, but we suspect that this is a product of wordlist collecting, where the 
informant is simply asked for the term corresponding to English ‘child’. Evidence that POc 
*meRa* did mean ‘person from birth to adulthood’ is found in the To’aβa’ita and ‘Aɾe’are 
dictionary entries below and in the generalisation of some of its NCV reflexes to mean 
something like English ‘fellow, guy’, i.e. a colloquial way of referring to men in particular.

The origin of POc *meRa* was pointed out to us by Charles Grimes (pers. comm.). In a 
number of CMP languages the term for a newborn is ‘red child’, and in some of these the term 
‘red’ reflects PMP *ma-iRaq* ‘red’ (ACD). In PCEMP and POc this became *meRaq* 
‘red’ (vol.2:206; ACD). The terms below are drawn from a geographically well distributed 
range of CMP languages. The association between ‘red’ and ‘newborn’ seems to have been 
lost in early Oceanic, but POc *meRa* seems to have had the specific meaning ‘newborn’ (see 
Misima and Arosi glosses) and the metonomic usage ‘young person from birth to onset of 
adulthood’.

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9 Our thanks to Charles Grimes for data and notes.
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PCEMP *anak meRaq ‘newborn baby’ (*anak ‘child’, *meRaq ‘red’)

CMP: Hawu  ana mea  ‘newborn, infant’
CMP: Helong  ana mea  ‘newborn, infant, baby (pre-toddler)’
CMP: Tetun  kau mea  ‘newborn, infant’ (kau-k oan ‘very young child’; mea-k/-n ‘gold, rust, reddish’)
CMP: Buru:  an-miha-n  ‘newborn, infant’ (regular truncation of ana-t/-n ‘child, offspring’, miha-t/-n ‘reddish-brown’)

POc *meRa ‘newborn; young person from birth to onset of adulthood’
PT:  Misima  me-melo-na  ‘infant; newborn’ (-o for †-a)
PT:  Motu  mero  ‘child’ (-o for †-a)
PT:  Sinaugoro  mero  ‘child’ (-o for †-a)

PEOc *m’ela ‘newborn; young person from birth to onset of adulthood’ (Cashmore 1969: *m’ela ‘child’)

SES:  Longgu  m’ela  ‘child, young person’
m’ela-kiki  ‘child’ (kiki ‘small’)
SES:  Arosi  m’era  ‘very small child’
SES:  Lau  wela  ‘child, person’
wela åbu  ‘very young infant’ (åbu ‘taboo’)
SES:  Kwaio  wela  ‘child’
SES:  Sa’a  m’ela  ‘child’
SES:  To’aba’ita  wela  ‘child of any age up to young unmarried adult’
SES:  Kwaio  wela  ‘child’
SES:  ‘Are’are  mera  ‘child of any age up to young unmarried adult’
mera masike  ‘child 3–8 years old’ (masike ‘small’)
i’i ni mera  ‘child 8–12 years old’
reoreo ni mera  ‘child 8–15 years old’ (reoreo ‘wild yam’)
sisiri ni mera  ‘child 8–15 years old’
mera haoru  ‘child 12–16 years old’ (haoru ‘new, young’)
mera nanau  ‘male 16–20 years old’ (nanau ‘unmarried male’)
SES:  Arosi  m’era  ‘very small child’

NCV:  *m’era, *m’ara ‘child’ (Clark 2009)
NCV:  Lo Toga  werɔ  ‘baby’
NCV:  Lehali  (sus)wæj  ‘child’
NCV:  Volow  (n-ɛt)m’ɛj  ‘child’
NCV:  Mwotlap  (n-ɛ)t)m’ɛj  ‘child’
NCV:  Mota  m’era  ‘child’
NCV:  Nokuku  m’er  ‘child (of)’ m’er (kekara)  ‘baby’ (kekara ‘red’)
NCV:  Kiai  mera  ‘man, person, human being’
NCV:  NE Ambae  m’era  ‘man’
NCV:  W Ambrym  mere  ‘small, a little bit, young, thin...’,

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10 Given that Fox (1978) also glosses reduplicated m’era m’era as ‘very small child’, we wonder whether his gloss of m’era is erroneous.
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<td>NCV: Uripip</td>
<td><em>mʰeri</em></td>
<td>‘man, fellow, people’</td>
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<td>NCV: Port Sandwich</td>
<td><em>mʰera ur</em></td>
<td>‘bush man’ *(la-ur ‘interior forest’)</td>
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<tr>
<td>NCV: Paamese</td>
<td><em>a-mē</em></td>
<td>‘adult married man in village; larrikin, young man who acts tough’</td>
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<tr>
<td>NCV: Lewo</td>
<td><em>mʰē</em></td>
<td>‘young’</td>
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<tr>
<td>NCV: S Efate</td>
<td><em>na-mʰer</em></td>
<td>‘people’</td>
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<tr>
<td>Pn: Emae</td>
<td><em>mea</em></td>
<td>‘baby’</td>
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It is possible that the apparent PNCV doublet *mʰara* above is the product of reflexes of *mʰera* that have undergone contamination by reflexes of POc *mʰala* ‘young unmarried woman’ (§2.4.3).

A few languages have distinct single-word terms for ‘boy’ and ‘girl’, but they are few and far between. POc seems simply to have used the terms for ‘male’ (§2.3.1) and ‘female’ (§2.3.2) alone or as modifiers to a ‘young person’ term, as in ‘Are’are (SES) *mera māne* ‘boy’ and *mera keni* ‘girl’.

### 2.4.2.1 Baby, infant, newborn

POc apparently had two terms for ‘baby’, *meRa-meRa* and *kʰawaiq*. No language has been found in which they contrast. The use of reduplication in POc for a diminutive or a small version of the denotatum of the root was noted in vol.3:50–51. POc *meRa-meRa* thus meant ‘baby, very young child’, a small version of *mʰera* ‘young person from birth to onset of adulthood’ (§2.4.2). Polynesian reflexes are often modifiers of a reflex of PPn *tama* ‘child’.  

**POc *meRa-meRa* ‘baby, very young child’**

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<td>NNG: Maleu</td>
<td><em>(la)mela-mela</em></td>
<td>‘child’</td>
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<td>PT: Gumawana</td>
<td><em>mᵉya</em></td>
<td>‘a baby’</td>
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<td>PT: Tawala</td>
<td><em>meya-meya</em></td>
<td>‘tiny baby, up to a few months old’ <em>(for †mela-mela)</em></td>
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<td>PT: Dobu</td>
<td><em>(gʰama)meya-meya-na</em></td>
<td>‘baby, suckling’ *(gʰama ‘child’) <em>(for †mela-mela)</em></td>
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<tr>
<td>SES: Arosi</td>
<td><em>mʰera-mᵉra</em></td>
<td>‘very small child’</td>
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<td>NCV: Veraa</td>
<td><em>mʰer-mᵉre</em></td>
<td>‘child’</td>
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<td>NCV: Vurēs</td>
<td><em>mʰir-mʰiær</em></td>
<td>‘child’</td>
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<td>NCV: Mwesen</td>
<td><em>mʰer-mᵉr</em></td>
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<td>NCV: Dorig</td>
<td><em>mᵉr-mᵉr</em></td>
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<td>NCV: Nokuku</td>
<td><em>mᵉr-mᵉra</em></td>
<td>‘child; give birth’</td>
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<td><strong>PNPn <em>tama-mea</em> ‘newborn child’</strong></td>
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<tr>
<td>Pn: Samoan</td>
<td><em>(tama)mea-mea</em></td>
<td>‘newly born baby (from birth to 2 months)’</td>
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<tr>
<td>Pn: Luangiuua</td>
<td><em>(kama)mea</em></td>
<td>‘small’</td>
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<td>Pn: Pileni</td>
<td><em>me-mea</em></td>
<td>‘child, baby’</td>
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11 PPn *tama* ‘child’ is derived from POc *tama*- ‘father’, enshrining a development whereby *tama* came to denote the reciprocal relationship between father and child. Note Gela *tama* ‘prefix of reciprocal relation’, e.g. *tama-dale* ‘father and children’, *tama-kukua* ‘a man and his grandparents’, *tama-vavineni* ‘sister and brother’; Bauan *vei-tama-ni* *(v)* ‘be related as father and child’, *(n)* ‘father and child’.
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Pn: Takuu (tama) meamea ‘baby’
Pn: Rennellese (tama) mea-mea ‘new born child’
Pn: Tikopia me-mēa ‘babe, infant’
Pn: Māori (tama) mea-mea ‘son by a slave wife’

cf. also:

PT: Misima melu-melu ‘young, infant; youngest child’
me-melōna ‘infant; newborn’

POc *kʷawaq seems also to have meant ‘baby, small child’. Initial *kʷ- is reconstructed to account for Dawawa and Misima wa-. In several languages the *-a- of the first syllable is reflected as a rounded vowel. This can be attributed either to *kʷ- or to the *-w- that follows it.

POc *kʷawaq ‘baby, small child’ (Lynch 2004b: Proto Southern Melanesian *kawaq).

PT: Dawawa wawai ‘infant’
PT: Misima wawaya ‘baby, child’
MM: Tinputz koa? ‘child (before puberty), offspring’
MM: Teop kua ‘child’

PSV *kova(q) ‘baby, small child’ (Lynch 2004b)

SV: Lenakel kova ‘baby, small child’
SV: Kwamera kova ‘baby, small child’
NCal: Pije hawak, hyaok ‘child’
NCal: Fwāi haok ‘child’
NCal: Nemi hyaok ‘child’

Proto Central Micronesian *kai(o) ‘newly born, infant’ (Bender et al. 2003)

Mic: Kiribati te-kao ‘umbilical cord’.
Mic: Marshallese kaw ‘foetus, embryo, still-born baby’;
Mic: Chuukese kō-kō ‘baby (up to three months)’
(ni)kkō ‘baby girl’
(wu)kkō ‘baby boy’
Mic: Puluwatese (li)kkō ‘baby girl’
(wu)kkō ‘baby boy’
Mic: Carolinian x̌x̌ ‘baby, infant’
Fij: Wayan -kawa ‘that which is reproduced by a plant or animal:
seed, progeny, offspring, descendants, stock’

2.4.2.2 Child

No term is reconstructable for ‘child’, i.e., a person up to the onset of puberty, although many languages have one-word terms. However, a theme that runs through certain Oceanic subgroups is that the term for ‘child’ consists of what is or once was a term for ‘person’ modified by a term for ‘little’ or it consists just of the term for ‘little’ alone. Forms for ‘little’ were reconstructed in vol.2:193–195:

• POc *liki ‘small’, perhaps only in compounds
• POc *qitik, *qitek ‘small’
• POc *kiki ‘small’
• POc *rikī
• PWOc *siki ‘small’

POc *liki ‘small’ occurs perhaps only in compounds, and is present in the items listed below. The Madak, Sursurunga and Bilur forms apparently reflect PWOc *kʷa[i] (§2.2.5) as their first element, whilst the first element in Patpatar and Proto Polynesian reflects POc *tama- ‘father’, where the child is construed as the small member in the father–child relationship.

POc *-liki ‘small’ (vol.2:194)

| MM: Nakanai       | e-gu-li-iki            | ‘child (not offspring)’ |
|                  | e-gu-liki-liki         | ‘children’              |
| MM: Nalik        | nafna-lili             | ‘child’                 |
| MM: Madak        | kā-lili                | ‘children’              |
| MM: Sursurunga   | ka-lili                | ‘child, baby, person (used of males of any age, but only of female children)’ |
|                  | ka-liliik              | ‘children, guys (colloquial)’ |
| MM: Patpatar     | tama-liki              | ‘baby boy (the small member of the father–child pairing)’ |

There is good evidence that Proto Polynesian distinguished between singular *tama-qiti ‘child’ (< POc *qitik) and plural *tama-riki ‘children’ (< POc *rikī).

POc *qitik ‘small’ (vol.2:193–194)

PPn *tama-qiti ‘child’ (* qiti ‘small’) (POLLEX)

| Pn: Tongan        | tama-siʔi             | ‘child’ (metathesis: PPn *-qiti > Pre-Tongan *-ʔisi > -siʔi) |
| Pn: Samoan        | tama-iti              | ‘children’ |
| Pn: Tokelauan     | tama-iti              | ‘child; offspring; childhood, youth; immature, young’ |
| Pn: Anutan        | tama-ti               | ‘child’ |
| Pn: Emae          | tama-ti-iti           | ‘child’ |
| Pn: Rennellese    | tama-ʔitiʔiti         | ‘child, infant, baby’ |
| Pn: Tahitian      | tama-iti              | ‘a son’ |
| Pn: Pukapukan     | tama-iti              | ‘child’ |
| Pn: Tongarevan    | tama-iti              | ‘male child, son; upper ridgepole’ |
| Pn: Hawai‘ian     | kama-iki              | ‘child’ |
| Pn: Rarotongan    | tama-iti              | ‘boy, child’ |
| Pn: Māori         | tama-iti              | ‘child’ |
| cf. also:         |                      |                      |
| MM: Nehan         | keke-tiki             | ‘child’ |

The Nehan item immediately above appears to reflect *tiki, which may in turn reflect a metathesis of *qitik.
Finally, the items below simply reflect one of the terms for ‘small’.

PT: Tawala  
kiki-  
‘little, young rather than short of height’

MM: Notsi  
*ci  
‘child’ (< PWOc *siki)

MM: Lihir  
*ci  
‘child’ (< PWOc *siki)

2.4.3 Young (unmarried) person

Although Table 14 shows category (1c) ‘adolescent, not yet marriageable’, there is no evidence that POc speakers treated this as a category separate from ‘young unmarried person’. The lower bound of this category was puberty, the upper bound marriage. Note that in Wayan Fijian, for example, the term for (1c) is compound,  

dridria saravou  
i.e. ‘young person’ + ‘marriageable young man’, i.e. (1c) represents an overlap between ‘young person’ and ‘marriageable young man’, post-puberty but not quite old enough for marriage.

The most widely reflected expression for a young (unmarried) person consists of a word for ‘person’ (perhaps POc *tau; §2.2.1.1), sometimes omitted, and a reflex of POc *paqoRu  

‘new, young, recent’). The ‘young, unmarried’ sense was already present in PAn *bajeRuh  

(ACD).

PAn *bajeRuh  ‘new; bachelor’ (ACD)

POc *paqoRu  ‘new, young, recent’ (vol.2:203)

POc *tau paqoRu  ‘young person of marriageable age’ (Pawley 1982a:270)

PT: Motu  
tauhau  
‘youth, young man’ (for †tauharu)

Pn: Tongan  
taupodu  
‘virgin, maiden, an esp. attractive young woman’

Pn: Samoan  
tau pōu  
‘title of village maiden’

Pn: E Futunan  
taupodu  
‘virgin’

Pn: Rennellese  
taupodu  
‘unmarried person’
A second term for an unmarried young person, apparently a young woman, is POc *mʷala. The gloss is based on the agreement of the North New Guinea and North–Central Vanuatu glosses below. PNCV *mʷala-gelo also has a modifier of unknown meaning as its second element, and Clark (2009) concludes that *mʷala-gelo probably denoted a young male. The glosses of his supporting data (below) would equally well support the gloss ‘young adult’, however.
PNCV *m’ala-gelo ‘young person, probably young unmarried man’ (Clark 2009)

NCV: NE Ambae m’alakelo ‘young unmarried person, esp. male’
NCV: Raga m’alagelo ‘young unmarried person from puberty to marriage’
NCV: Apma m’algel ‘young unmarried person from puberty to marriage’
NCV: Uripiv m’elakel ‘young person’
NCV: Nese tavat malakel ‘girl’ (tavat ‘female’)
NCV: Lonwelwol malgel ‘unmarried man’
NCV: Paamese meakoi ‘unmarried man’
NCV: Bieria melekelu ‘unmarried man’

2.4.4 Fully grown adult

As mentioned in §2.4.1 the POc term denoting a full-grown adult was probably *tam’ata ‘person’ (§2.2.2.1).

Wayan Fijian, at least, distinguishes life-stage terms from marriage-related terms (Andrew Pawley, pers. comm.). It is uncertain whether this is true of many Oceanic languages, but the weight of the evidence points in that direction, as languages tend not to have a lifestage (as opposed to kin) term denoting ‘married man’ or ‘married woman’. As most adult men and women in Oceanic communities are married, they are referred to by the unmarked terms for ‘man’ or ‘woman’. These are typically reflexes of *m’aqane/*qatam’aqane (§2.3.1) and *papine/*qatapine (§2.3.2).

2.4.5 Mature person

Most Oceanic languages seem to distinguish at least two stages of mature adulthood, one for people of perhaps 30–50, i.e. vigorous adults with unmarried children, and another for people older than perhaps 50 or 60 and no longer so vigorous. Vigour is probably more important than age here. In Wayan Fijian a still active 60-year-old is uabula, i.e. ‘mature’ rather than ‘old’. A difficulty in the data is that ‘old’ tends to be used indiscriminately in definitions of both categories. Sometimes one category is labelled ‘old’, the other ‘very old’. Sometimes ‘mature’ is used, and this is taken to be an indicator of the younger category.

The most widespread cognate set for a ‘mature person’ reflects POc *matuqa ‘mature, full-grown, ripe, old (person)’. Only reflexes that denote a person are listed here. POc *matuqa was evidently originally a stative verb, and in some languages it occurs as modifier of (the reflex of) a term meaning ‘person’. In the Huon Gulf languages of Western Oceanic, it has become the usual term for ‘man’.

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12 Since Oceanic traditional societies did not count birthdays, these figures are of necessity very approximate. Furthermore, modern increases in life expectancy have almost certainly changed the age ranges which these terms denote.
PAn \(^*\text{Cuqas}\) ‘mature, elder’ (ACD)

PMP \(^*\text{ma-tuqah}\) ‘old (person)’

POc \(^*\text{matuq}\) ‘mature, full-grown, ripe, old (person)’ (vol.2:204)

Proto Huon Gulf \(^*\text{matuy}\) ‘man’
- NNG: Adzera \(\text{marub}\) ‘man’
- NNG: Sukurum \(\text{marub}\) ‘man’
- NNG: Middle Watut \((\text{na})\text{maro}\) ‘man’
- NNG: Unank \((\text{na})\text{maru}\) ‘man’

Proto Hote-Buang \(^*\text{matu}\) ‘man’
- NNG: Hote (Misim) \((\text{ya})\text{malu}\) ‘husband’
- NNG: Mapos Buang \(\text{maluh}\) ‘man’
- NNG: Vehes \(\text{mooy}\) ‘man’
- NNG: Mangga Buang \(\text{moow}\) ‘man’
- NNG: Mumeng (Patep) \(\text{vuy}\) ‘man’
- NNG: Kapin \(\text{muy}\) ‘man’
- SES: Bauro \((\text{ya})\text{maua}\) ‘old woman’
- NCV: Hiw \((\text{ta})\text{moso}\) ‘old person’ \((\text{ta-}<*\text{qata} \text{ ‘person’}, \S 2.2.3)\)
- NCV: Lo Toga \((\text{te})\text{moto}\) ‘old person’ \((\text{te-}<*\text{qata} \text{ ‘person’}, \S 2.2.3)\)
- NCV: Mota \((\text{ta})\text{matua}\) ‘old person’ \((\text{ta-}<*\text{qata} \text{ ‘person’}, \S 2.2.3; \text{matua} ‘fullgrown, ripe’\)
- NCV: Raga \((\text{b}^*\text{at})\text{matua}\) ‘old man’ \((\text{b}^*\text{atu} \text{ ‘head, base, beginning’}, \text{matue} ‘mature, ready to gather, of fruits, nuts, yams, etc.)\)
- NCV: Paamese \(\text{matu}\) ‘s. o. old’
- NCV: Lewo \((\text{yer})\text{marua}\) ‘old person; respectful term for talking about someone’s including one’s own husband’ \((\text{yaru} ‘man, person’, \text{marua} ‘old, mature’)\)
- Fij: Rotuman \(\text{mau}\) ‘fullgrown, adult; old as opposed to young’
- Fij: Wayan \(\text{matua}\) ‘mature, full-grown, adult, ripe’
- Pn: Tongan \(\text{motu}\) ‘old, of people; mature, fully developed; parent’
- Pn: Niuean \(\text{motua}\) ‘be mature, adult’, (n) ‘old age’
- Pn: Samoan \(\text{matua}\) ‘be adult, grown up; be old (person); parent’
- \(\text{lo}\text{-matua}\) ‘old woman’ (also \(\text{lo}\text{-matua}\))
- Pn: E Futunan \(\text{matu}^\text{\text{a}}\) ‘old, of people’
- Pn: Tikopia \((\text{faka})\text{matua}\) ‘mature, grow old; old person; ancestors’

2.4.6 Old person

For ‘old person’ POc \(^*\text{marap}\) (v) ‘grow old’, (n) ‘old person’ and \(^*\text{toban}\) ‘old person’ are tentatively reconstructed.

On evidence from Papuan Tip languages POc \(^*\text{marap}\) was originally a verb. It retains a verbal use in Gapapaiwa. In Muyuw, Kilivila and Budibud it is prefixed with a classifier, \(\text{ta-} / \text{to-}\) for human males \((< \text{POc } \text{*tua- ‘person who…’}, \S 2.2.1.2)\) or \(\text{na-}\) for human females (Lawton 1993:184–185). Prefixal classifiers are generally affixed to modifiers in noun phrases in this group of languages, indicating that the root is a verb ‘be(come) old’.
Final *-p of *mʷarap is regularly reflected in Gapapaiwa and is perhaps also responsible for the rounding of the final vowel in SE Solomonic languages.

The NCV items are listed under ‘cf. also’ because it is uncertain whether they are cognate. François (2013) takes them to reflect *marayai ‘to tremble’ with prefixed *ta- (< *qata ‘person’). If his etymology is correct, then the resemblance of the PNCV reconstruction to the POc reconstruction must be attributed to chance.

POc *mʷarap (v) ‘grow old’; (n) ‘old person’

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<tr>
<th>PT:</th>
<th>Gapapaiwa</th>
<th>morapa</th>
<th>(v) ‘grow old’; (n) ‘old person’</th>
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<td>PT:</td>
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<td>(ta)mwey</td>
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<td>(na)mwey</td>
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<td>Kilivila</td>
<td>(to)mwaya</td>
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<td>(nur)mwaya</td>
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<td>PT:</td>
<td>Budibud</td>
<td>(to)mol</td>
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<td>(na)mol</td>
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<td>PT:</td>
<td>Gumawana</td>
<td>(to)moya</td>
<td>‘old man’ (loan from Kilivila)</td>
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<td>(na)moya</td>
<td>‘old woman’ (loan from Kilivila)</td>
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<td>SES:</td>
<td>Longgu</td>
<td>mwaro</td>
<td>‘old woman’</td>
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<td>SES:</td>
<td>Lau</td>
<td>waro</td>
<td>‘(person) old’</td>
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<td>SES:</td>
<td>Baelelea</td>
<td>ŋʷaro</td>
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<td>Fagani</td>
<td>mʷare(faya)</td>
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<td>SES:</td>
<td>Kahua</td>
<td>mara(haya)</td>
<td>‘old man’</td>
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cf. also:

PNCV *ta-marayai ‘old man’ (lit. ‘quivering person’) (François 2013)

| NCV: | Lehali  | tamajya | ‘old man’ |
|      | Mota    | tamarayai | ‘an old man who shakes’ (marayai ‘to tremble’) |
|      | Mwotlap | tamayye | ‘old man’ |
|      | Lakon   | tamâyæ | ‘old man’ |
|      | NE Ambae | tamarayai | ‘old man’ |
| Mic: | Marshallese | mʷor | ‘old (of things)’ |

POc *tobʷan ‘old woman (? ), old person’ was probably a noun, and its first syllable probably reflects POc *tau- ‘person who… (§2.2.1.2).

POc *tobʷan ‘old woman (? ), old person’

| NNG: | Apalik | tuwun | ‘old woman’ |
| MM:   | Ramoaaina | tabuan | ‘woman’ |
| MM:   | Halia | tohuana | ‘old woman’ |
| SES:  | W Guadalcanal | (tu)tuga | ‘(person) old’ |
| SES:  | Talise | (tuga)tuga | ‘(person) old’ |
| SES:  | Birao | (tuga)tuga | ‘(person) old’ |
| SES:  | Lengo | (tuga)tuga | ‘(person) old’ |
2.5 People by absence of relationship

Kinship relationships will be discussed in vol.6. The terms below denote a person who lacks a particular relationship. English has such terms: ‘orphan’, ‘widow[er]’, ‘spinster’, ‘bachelor’. Oceanic languages have terms with these meanings and more. For example, in Mutu (NNG) we find kakam ‘woman whose child has died’, māⁿ duat ‘man whose child has died’, kulīn ‘man whose sibling has died’ and sīlūn ‘woman whose sibling has died’.

2.5.1 Orphan

Despite the glosses of the data below, we take POc *mad(r)awa to be a stative (adjectival) verb, as suggested by the prefix *ma- (§1.3.5.4). The 3SG agreement marker of Arop-Lukep madu(nu) also suggests that it is an adjective rather than a noun.

POc *mad(r)awa ‘orphaned, separate’

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<td>mād</td>
<td>‘orphan’</td>
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<td>NNG: Arop-Lukep</td>
<td>madu(nu)</td>
<td>‘child with at least one parent dead’</td>
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<td>NNG: Mangap</td>
<td>mōⁿdo</td>
<td>‘orphan’</td>
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<td>NNG: Mangap</td>
<td>mon-mōⁿdo</td>
<td>‘orphans’</td>
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<td>NNG: Siō</td>
<td>mōⁿdo(ro)</td>
<td>‘orphan; illegitimate child; guardian’</td>
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<td>NNG: Numbami</td>
<td>maⁿdawa</td>
<td>‘orphan’</td>
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<tr>
<td>PNCV: *madua</td>
<td>madua</td>
<td>‘orphan; separate’ (Lynch 2004b, Clark 2009)</td>
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<td>NCV: Mota</td>
<td>mamua</td>
<td>‘orphan’</td>
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<tr>
<td>NCV: Mwotlap</td>
<td>na-mⁿdo</td>
<td>‘orphan’</td>
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<td>NCV: Paamese</td>
<td>(ti)marue</td>
<td>‘orphan’</td>
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<td>NCV: Nguna</td>
<td>madua-ki</td>
<td>‘apart from’</td>
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2.5.2 Unmarried person

POc *jamu ‘person without spouse’ evidently denoted spinsters, bachelors, widows and widowers. Regular reflexes are confined to SES and one MM language. Manam amuna appears to be a cognate, but is missing a reflex of initial *j-.

POc *jamu ‘person without spouse’

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<td>MM: Nakanai</td>
<td>samu(ra)</td>
<td>‘an unmarried person of either sex, regardless of previous state’</td>
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<tr>
<td>SES: Gela</td>
<td>samu</td>
<td>‘widow or widower; unmarried girl or boy’</td>
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<td>samu(rau)</td>
<td>‘elderly but unmarried’</td>
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<td>SES: Lenggo</td>
<td>samu</td>
<td>‘widow’</td>
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<tr>
<td>SES: Ghari</td>
<td>camu</td>
<td>‘unmarried (male or female)’</td>
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<tr>
<td>SES: Tolo</td>
<td>camu</td>
<td>‘unmarried (male or female)’</td>
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<tr>
<td>SES: ’Are’are</td>
<td>samu</td>
<td>‘unmarried person’</td>
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SES: Longgu  
**samu**  
‘widow or widower, person whose spouse has died’

cf. also

NNG: Manam  
**amu(na)**  
‘young unmarried man’

### 2.5.3 Widow, widower

Blust *(ACD)* reconstructs two distinct but similar forms for POc, labelling them both ‘widow(er)’. Either they were alternant forms of the same lexeme, or they contrasted with regard to the sex of the denotatum. The one piece of evidence that helps us out here is the contrast between Sori ̃aw  ‘widow’ and ̃ah  ‘widower’. If this contrast is a retention, then we can gloss the reconstructions accordingly. However, Blust is rightly cautious, as pairs that distinguish gender by a change in the wordform are otherwise unheard of in Oceanic languages.

**POc *ñao ‘widow (?)’ (ACD)**

| Adm: Nyindrou | ̃aw | ‘widow, widower’ |
| Adm: Sori | ̃aw | ‘widow’ |
| Adm: Bipi | ̃aw, ̃a-ñaw | ‘widow, widower’ |
| Adm: Khehek | ̃ap | ‘widow, widower’ |
| Adm: Likum | ̃a-ñaw | ‘widow, widower’ |
| Adm: Nali | ̃ao | ‘widow, widower’ |
| Adm: Pak | pi-ñaw | ‘widow’ |
| Adm: Loniu | hi-ñaw | ‘widow’ |
| Adm: Ere | ̃ao | ‘widow, widower’ |
| Adm: Leipon | hi-ñaw | ‘widow’ |
| Adm: Penchal | pati-ñaw | ‘widow’ |
| Adm: Nauna | ̃aw | ‘widow, widower’ |
| SES: Kwaio | ̃ao | ‘widow, widower (also unwed mother); more generally, as a category, includes divorced persons and also unmarried person who is publicly known to have had a sexual affair’ |
| SES: Sa’a | naʔo | ‘widow, widower’ |
| SES: ’Are’are | ̃ao | ‘widower’ |
| SES: Arosi | ̃ao-na | (v) ‘fast after spouse’s death’ |

**POc *ñaro ‘widower (?)’ (ACD: *ñaRo)**

| Adm: Sori | ̃ah | ‘widower’ |
| NNG: Mbula | nora | ‘widow’ (metathesis) |
| NCV: Mota | ̃aro | ‘widow, widower’ |
NCV: Mwotlap \textit{na-nay} ‘widow, widower’

Also reconstructible is PWOc \textit{*kwa}bu(r; R) ‘widow or widower’. One wonders how it differed in meaning from the term above. Fox (1978) gives us a possible clue. After the death of one’s spouse, in Arosi one is \textit{nao}. Only after a lengthy fast from certain foods does one become eligible for remarriage and acquire a new status, Arosi \textit{o}\textsuperscript{h}oura (which does not reflect \textit{*kwa}bu(r; R), however).

PWOc \textit{*kwa}bu(r; R) ‘widow or widower’

| NNG: Dami | \textit{wāb} | ‘widow’ |
| NNG: Takia | \textit{buab} | ‘unmarried (male or female, never married or widowed)’ (initial \textit{b-} unexplained) |
| PT: Kiriwina | \textit{k\textsuperscript{a}buya} | ‘widow’ |
| PT: Gumawana | \textit{kobuya} | ‘widow; be a widow’ |
| PT: Gapapaiwa | \textit{k\textsuperscript{a}pura} | ‘widow’ |
| PT: Dobu | \textit{k\textsuperscript{a}bura} | ‘widow’ (\textit{-r-} for \textit{\textdegree}-\textit{r-}) |
| PT: Motu | \textit{vabu} | ‘widow or widower, esp. during time of mourning’ |
| PT: Sinaugoro | \textit{vabu} | ‘widow; become a widow’ |
| MM: Vitu | \textit{yabu} | ‘widow or widower’ |

2.6 Twins

Three POc terms for ‘twins’ are reconstructed. The first is POc \textit{b\textsuperscript{e}ge} or \textit{boge}. The form is ambiguous, as it takes only a simple sound change to get from one to the other. A second term was based on the POc root \textit{*sa\textsuperscript{a}ŋa} ‘be branching or forked; branch (of tree, river, path), fork, crotch’ (vol.3:96). It occurs in two variants: (a) a reduplicated form, probably \textit{*sa\textsuperscript{a}ŋa-sa\textsuperscript{a}ŋa}, and a stative verb form derived with \textit{*ka-}/*\textit{ma-} (variants of the same prefix: see §1.3.5.4). These terms can be used to identify various objects that carry the meaning ‘two parts of one whole’. Thus they may refer to a double nut or double banana as well as twins. Also reconstructed is POc \textit{*apic} ‘twins of the same sex’.

POc \textit{b\textsuperscript{e}ge} OR \textit{boge} ‘twins’

| NNG: Lukep (Pono) | \textit{boko-boko} | ‘twin’ |
| NNG: Mangap | \textit{bōgo} | ‘divided, twins’ |
| NNG: Numbami | \textit{boboka} | ‘twins’ |
| MM: Bola | \textit{boge} | ‘twins’ |
| MM: Nakanai | \textit{(vi)boge} | ‘(a) twin’ (\textit{vi-} RECIP) |

PMic \textit{*p\textsuperscript{e}exe}, \textit{p\textsuperscript{e}-p\textsuperscript{e}exe} ‘twins’ (Bender et al. 2003)

| Mic: Kiribati | \textit{p\textsuperscript{e}p\textsuperscript{e}\textacute{e}} | ‘twins’ |
| Mic: Mortlockese | \textit{(li)p\textsuperscript{e}e} | ‘twins’ |
| Mic: Carolinian | \textit{(li)p\textsuperscript{e}ey} | ‘twins of the same sex’ |
| Mic: Woleaian | \textit{(ri)p\textsuperscript{e}eye} | ‘twins’ |
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**PMP** *saŋa* ‘bifurcation, to branch’ *(ACD)*

**POc** *saŋa-saŋa* ‘twins’, *ka-/ma-saŋa* ‘to be branching or forked; branch (of tree, river, path), fork, crotch’ *(vol.3:96)*

- **Adm:** Seimat  *saŋa-saŋa* ‘twins’
- **NNG:** Sio  *so-soŋa* ‘twin’
- **MM:** Madak  *xi-soŋ* ‘twins’
- **MM:** Patpatar  *ka-soŋ* ‘twin’
- **MM:** Ramoaaina  *ka-ąŋa* ‘twins’

**PPn** *

- **Pn:** Tongan  *māhaŋa* ‘twins’
- **Pn:** Niuean  *mahaŋa* ‘twins’
- **Pn:** E Futunan  *māsaŋa* ‘twin boy and girl’
- **Pn:** Rennellese  *māsaŋa* ‘twins’
- **Pn:** Samoan  *masaŋa* ‘twin’
- **Pn:** Tikopia  *māsaŋa* ‘twin, twins’
- **Pn:** Maori  *mahaŋa* ‘twin’
- **Pn:** Hawaiian  *mahana* ‘twin’

Finally, Blust *(ACD)* reconstructs POc *apic* ‘twins of the same sex’. Only one Oceanic reflex is known. This is perhaps because the sense is so specialised that other cognates have not been collected.

**PAn** *Sabij* ‘twins of the same sex’ *(ACD)*

**POc** *apic* ‘twins of the same sex’ *(ACD)*

- **MM:** Roviana  *avisi* ‘twins of the same sex’
3 The human body

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3.1 Introduction

Body part terms such as those for head, eye, nose, arm, leg, and breast, are among the most stable of all lexemes.¹ For this reason they are included by linguists in the ‘basic vocabulary’ used, for example, to measure relationships among languages lexicostatistically.

In Oceanic languages, as in languages worldwide, body part terms are used metaphorically, for instance in landscape features, where nose sometimes means cape, mouth means hole or entrance, and belly means central part. It is probably also universal that body part terms are used to refer to location in space, to top, middle, bottom, front, back, left and right. In Oceanic languages internal organs, particularly the liver, are used in expressions of emotion and other mental states where, for instance, ‘to be startled’ is expressed as ‘one’s liver leaps’ or similar.

Glossing reconstructions has sometimes been tricky. There are two interacting reasons for this. One is that some POc terms appear—on the basis of their reflexes—to have had a different denotation from English terms for a similar area of the body. For example, POc *qase- evidently denoted both the lower jaw (the hinged bone and its covering of skin) and the chin (the external shape of the lowest and frontmost part of the lower jaw) (§3.4.13). Interacting with this is the fact that the English glosses of Oceanic terms are often imprecise, or give a false appearance of precision as when a reflex of *qase- is glossed ‘chin’. This is especially true of words found in wordlists, but it is also true of several of the dictionaries used. Sometimes it is solely the English glosses that are at fault. This is the case with the four POc terms for the region of the neck, the throat and the voice, where glosses remain a little vague because of imprecision in the English glosses in the cognate sets (§3.4.14).

Contents are organised into the body (§3.2), materials that occur throughout the body (blood, flesh etc) (§3.3), then the parts of the body: the head (§3.4), the trunk (§3.5), the limbs (§3.6), the internal organs (§3.7), substances eliminated by the body (§3.8) and two incorporeal parts, shadow/reflection and name (§3.9), which are treated grammatically in many Oceanic languages as if they were body parts (they are directly possessed).

3.1.1 Direct possession

Most Oceanic languages outside Polynesia make a grammatical distinction between directly and indirectly possessed nouns, and this distinction is reconstructable for Proto Oceanic

¹ We are grateful to Paul Geraghty who has commented on an earlier version of this chapter and made a number of additions to the data.
(Lichtenberk 1985). As discussed briefly in vol.1:32, a directly possessed (= monovalent) noun takes a suffix indicating its possessor (e.g. POc *qaqe- ‘leg’: *qaqe-gu ‘my leg’, *qaqe-mu ‘your (singular) leg’, *qaqe-ña ‘his/her leg’ etc), whereas an indirectly possessed (zero-valency) noun requires no suffix. Directly possessed nouns are said to be inalienably possessed, that is, they are items that usually do not exist without a possessor. They include body parts of human beings and animals (‘hand’, ‘nose’, ‘tail’, ‘wing/fin’ etc), parts of plants (‘fruit’, ‘bark’, ‘branch’ etc), relational local nouns (§3.1.2), and kin terms (‘father’, ‘same-sex sibling’ etc). However, the converse is not true: not all kin and body part terms are directly possessed. In many Oceanic languages, a monovalent noun must have a possessor suffix or, if the possessor is nonspecific, be linked in some way to that possessor. This linkage may reflect the POc linker *qi (e.g. POc *pasu qi mata- ‘ridge of eye’ = ‘eyebrow ridge’; §3.4.9.3), but in many languages the linker is lost and a compound occurs (e.g. Nguna vasu-mata ‘eyebrow’). In other languages *qi has been replaced by a reflex of *ni, which occurred with a zero-valency possessor noun. It is not clear whether the possessor suffix or the linker was obligatory in Proto Oceanic (Ross 1998a reconstructs the construction with *qi).

Directly possessed nouns are here marked with a following hyphen, e.g. *qaqe- ‘leg’, in order to indicate that a possessor suffix was/is usually present.

### 3.1.2 Relational local nouns
Above it was mentioned that across languages body part terms are often used to refer to spatial locations. Some body part terms have undergone varying degrees of grammaticisation in Oceanic languages, a process that had started in Proto Oceanic. Certain terms were used not only to denote a body part but also as local nouns that denoted a spatial relationship to a person or object. Local nouns were a grammatical category in Proto Oceanic (and remain so in many Oceanic languages). They were introduced by the POc preposition *i. For example, *Rumaq ‘house’ also functioned as a local noun, and *i Rumaq meant ‘at home’ (on the grammar of local nouns see vol.2:224–229).

Relational local nouns were directly possessed and their possessor was the person or object in relation to which a location was being established. Thus POc *mata- ‘eye, face’ also served as a relational local noun meaning ‘front’, so that *i mata-gu (*-gu ‘my’) meant ‘in front of me’ and *i mata-ña Rumaq meant ‘in front of the house’ (*-ña ‘his/her/its’). The grammar of relational local nouns is discussed in more detail in vol.2:235–236. Lexical items that served as relational local nouns, many but not all of which also denoted body parts, are reconstructed in vol.2:237–257.

Body part nouns which almost certainly also functioned as relational local nouns were POc *qulu- ‘head, head hair’, (N LOC) ‘top part’ (§3.4.1), *nako- ‘face’, (N LOC) ‘front’ (§3.4.7), *[pʰa]/*aRa- ‘cheek, side of head’, (N LOC) ‘side’ (§3.4.8), *mata- ‘eye, face’, (N LOC) ‘front’ (§3.4.9.1), *[bʰa]/*[bʰa]- ‘belly, hollow space’, (N LOC) ‘inside’ (§3.7.4).

Occasionally the reverse process seems to have taken place, so that a relational local noun has extended its meaning to denote a body part. Thus a reflex of POc *sirij ‘side’ (vol.2:246) also denotes ‘rib cage’ in Dami (NNG) (§3.5.6). POc *qaro- seems primarily to have been a relational local noun meaning ‘front’ (vol.2:247) but some of its reflexes now also denote the face of a person (§3.4.7). Similarly POc *murij- ‘back part, rear, behind, space to the rear of,

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2 Terms for parts of animals are reconstructed in volume 4 (ch.2, §66; ch.5, §7; ch.6, §2); terms for parts of plants in chapter 5 of volume 3; and relational local nouns in volume 2 (ch.8, §2.3).
time after; (canoe) stern; space outside’ (vol.2:251) was clearly a relational local noun, some
reflexes of which now denote a person’s back (§3.5.1). Whether *takuRu- ‘back’, (N LOC)
‘back’ (§3.5.1 and vol.2:253) was originally a local noun or denoted a body part is difficult to
determine.

3.2 The body

Modern Oceanic languages typically have separate monomorphemic lexical items with the
following semantic ranges:

1) the whole body, seen as the complete skin and its contents, and also used of the skin as a
whole (§3.2.1);

2) the trunk or torso—the body without the head and with or without the legs; the main part
of something, e.g. the hull of a canoe (§3.2.2);

3) a dead body, corpse (§2.2.2.2).

Meaning 1 also contrasts on a whole/part parameter with meaning 4:

4) the skin of a human being or animal, as well as the bark of a tree, the rind of a fruit or the
peeled skin of a fruit or tuber, i.e. a surface covering that can be lifted off piecemeal
(§3.3.5);

And on an exterior/interior parameter with meaning 5:

5) (in some languages) the interior of the body, the inner spiritual part of the person (§9.2.2).

Below are examples of terms for the five listed categories.

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<td>-ajo</td>
<td>ajo ni mate</td>
<td>-taba</td>
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Mota tarapei is parenthesised because it is not clear that its definition (‘body, shape, appearance’) is close to meaning 1. To’aba’ita has a gap under ‘corpse’, as Lichtenberk (2008) lists only terms for the corpse wrapped in a mat ready for burial. Wayan Fijian is slightly exceptional, in that it clearly retains the four semantic categories but apparently renders ‘corpse’ phrasally, and uses the same morpheme -taba in both ‘skin’ terms, distinguishing them by reduplication.

To’aba’ita has a gap under meaning 5, ‘interior, spiritual part’. Terms with this meaning are often reflexes of POc *lalo- ‘inside; seat of thoughts and emotions’ or its short variant POc *lo- ‘inside’ (vol.2:237–238, §9.2.2). To’aba’ita has a reflex of this term, namely lalo-, but it is limited to spatial uses. The reflex of *lalo-/lo- with meaning 5 is used in a number of
languages in body-part expressions that label emotional and cognitive states, but in some languages it is replaced partly or entirely by other body-part terms, and this is true of To'aba'ita. Meaning 5 is further discussed in ch.9, where *lalo- is reconstructed.

Terms for these categories presumably also occurred in POc, but POc terms for meanings 1 and 2 have proven somewhat elusive.

The story with regard to meanings 1, 2 and 5 appears to be one of reassignment of forms from one meaning to another, especially in PEOc, where (i) *popo-, *tini- and *pata- no longer appeared in these meanings; (ii) *tubuq(-atj) reflexes shifted from meaning 2 to ‘spirit being’; and (iii) *[q]abe- took over meaning 2. Further discussion is provided in the relevant sections below.

3.2.1 The ‘complete skin’, metonymically the body

Two PWOc terms are reconstructable for meaning 1, the whole body, viewed as the complete skin, often with its contents. The glosses of their reflexes do not allow a semantic distinction between PWOc *popo- and *tini-. The latter is better distributed, but Eastern Oceanic cognates have been found for neither, and a POc term is not reconstructable.

Discussing what is clearly the same concept in Lelek, a dialect of Madak of New Ireland, Richard Eves (1998:26) writes,

As in some parts of Melanesia, where there is no generic term for the body as such, when the Lelek speak of the body they speak of the skin, labantuxu. ... This is not to say that there is no conceptualisation of the body but merely that the skin comes to stand for the body as a whole.

PWOc *popo- ‘the complete skin, often used metonymically of the whole body’

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<th>‘body’</th>
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<td>PT:</td>
<td>Iduna</td>
<td>wowo-</td>
<td>‘skin, body of person’</td>
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<td>Molima</td>
<td>wowo-</td>
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<td>Gumasi</td>
<td>wowo-</td>
<td>‘a person’s body’</td>
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<td>oo-</td>
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<td>PT:</td>
<td>Kiriwina</td>
<td>vovo-</td>
<td>‘body’ (used as seat of physical feelings: ‘body happy, tired, lazy, excited, feverish etc’)</td>
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<td>MM:</td>
<td>Nakanai</td>
<td>vovo-</td>
<td>‘skin of the entire body, the body as a whole’</td>
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PWOc *tini- ‘the complete skin, often used metonymically of the whole body’

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<th>NNG:</th>
<th>Gedaged</th>
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<th>‘body, stem, trunk, torso, hull; substance, matter; that which is capable of feeling’</th>
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<tr>
<td>NNG:</td>
<td>Takia</td>
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<td>‘skin, body, outward part, surface, also indicates whole person’</td>
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<td>NNG:</td>
<td>Bariai</td>
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The human body

The formal relationship, if any, between PWOc *tini- above and PPn *tino ‘body, trunk of tree, hull of canoe’ below (approximating to sense 2) is unclear, and the resemblance may be due to chance. The same is true of the relationship between PPn *tino and POc *tinoni ‘man, person’ (§2.2.4).

PPn *tino ‘body, trunk of tree, hull of canoe’

- Pn: Tongan sino ‘body, trunk of a tree, hull of canoe’
- Pn: Niuean tino ‘body, human or animal’
- Pn: Samoan tino ‘whole body’
- Pn: Tikopia tino ‘body of person or animal, trunk of tree, hull of canoe’
- Pn: Rennellese tino ‘body, trunk of tree, hull of canoe’
- Pn: Hawaiian kino ‘body, person, individual’

cf. also:
- SES: Bugotu tono- ‘body’
- SES: Gela tono- ‘trunk of body; headless corpse’

3.2.2 The trunk

It is not clear prima facie whether terms with meaning 2, ‘trunk’, originally meant ‘the main part of something’, so that the main part of a human being was perceived to be the trunk, or whether they originally denoted the human trunk and were applied analogously to other objects like the trunk of a tree or the main part of a canoe or the tubers of a yam plant. However, the two terms reconstructed below imply the former.

POc *pata-, *pataŋ ‘trunk of human body; corpse; tree trunk’ is more widely reflected as ‘tree trunk’ than ‘human trunk’ (vol.3:89), implying that an extension of meaning to include the human torso may have occurred independently in the Admiralties and Micronesia.

PMP *bataj ‘tree trunk, fallen tree, log; stem of a plant; body; corpse’ (Dempwolff 1938, ACD)

POc *pata-, *pataŋ ‘trunk of human body; corpse; tree trunk’.

- Adm: Lou pata- ‘trunk, stem’
- NNG: Mutu pata- ‘trunk of body, middle of body’
- NNG: Bariai pati- ‘corpse’
- MM: Nakanai vata- ‘corpse’

PMic *fata, fata-ŋa ‘tree trunk’ (Bender et al. 2003)

Mic: Chuukes (ɾē)fasiŋ ‘torso, trunk’

POc *tubuq-aŋ reflects a nominalisation of the POc verb *tubuq ‘grow, thrive, swell’ (vol.1:134), an origin that implies a wider original sense closer to the Iduna gloss ‘body, growth, fullness’ than simply to ‘body’. Indeed, it may be that POc *pata-, *pataŋ above and
POc *tubuq-a(ŋ) differed subtly in meaning. Getting at the meaning of *tubuq-a(ŋ) is difficult, partly because of inadequate glosses in sources, and partly because in PEOc the meaning had shifted to ‘spirit being’, where meaning 2 was perhaps assumed by PEOc *[ŋ]abe- below. This in its turn had shifted in PNCV to meaning 5, the inner spiritual part of a person.

PMP *tubuq ‘grow, thrive, swell’

POc *tubuq-a(ŋ) ‘body, substance’ (-aŋ NOM)

Adm: Seimat tupua- ‘body’
Adm: Loniu (peti)tupuwe ‘body’
PT: Iduna tupua- ‘body, growth, fullness’
PT: Wedau tupua- ‘body, substance, material’
PT: Gapapaiwa tupua- ‘body’
PT: Dawawa tubuya- ‘body’

PEOc *tubuqa ‘spirit being (possibly guardian spirit)’

SES: To’aba’ita ðūfā ‘one’s protective, guardian spirit’
NCV: Nguna na-tupua ‘spirit’
Fij: Lau tupua ‘spirit or ghost’

PPn *tupuqa ‘supernatural being, demon’ (POLLEX)

Pn: Tongan tupua ‘ancient, venerable’
Pn: Niuean tupua ‘giant, evil spirit, demon, ancient gods’
Pn: Samoan tupua ‘idol, image’
Pn: Anutan tupua ‘spirit’
Pn: Tuvalu tupua ‘god; pre-christian wooden gods’
Pn: E Futunan tupua ‘stars marking months of year’
Pn: W Futunan tupua ‘image, idol, sign’
Pn: K’marangi- dubua ‘jealousy, jealous’
Pn: Ifira-Mele tupua ‘small supernatural people in the bush’
Pn: Luangiuia kipa ‘devil’
Pn: Sikaiana tupua ‘devil, demon’
Pn: Takau tupa ‘bogey-man, monster’
Pn: Tikopia tupua ‘traditional supernatural being, spirit’
Pn: Tokelauan tupua ‘idol; guardian spirit; riddle’
Pn: Tuamotuan tupua ‘supernatural being’
Pn: Marquesan tupua ‘wizard’
Pn: Mangarevan tupua ‘demon, monster; sage, chief’
Pn: Tahitian tupua ‘supernatural beings’
Pn: Pukapukan tupua ‘a demon, ogre; creature, monster’
Pn: Rarotongan tupua ‘goblin, monster, demon’
Pn: Hawai’ian kupua ‘supernatural being, being with magic powers’
Pn: Māori tupua ‘goblin, demon, one versed in magic’

The following set is based on reflexes from two subgroups, SES terms emphasising bulk or mass of a body and NCV terms emphasising a body’s less tangible aspects.
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PEOc */q]abe-* ‘body’
PSES */q]abe- ‘body, bulk’

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<td>laba</td>
<td>‘body, bulk’</td>
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<td>SES: Sa’a</td>
<td>sapa-(-)</td>
<td>‘body, trunk, mass’</td>
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<td>SES: Arosi</td>
<td>aha, sapa-</td>
<td>‘body of a man, trunk of a tree’</td>
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<td>SES: ‘Are’are</td>
<td>rape-</td>
<td>‘body, bulk, shape, appearance’</td>
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PNCV */abe-* ‘body incl. spiritual and other less tangible aspects’

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<td>epe-</td>
<td>‘body and soul’</td>
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<td>ape-</td>
<td>‘s.t. within a man which is the seat of feeling’</td>
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<td>NCV: Kiai</td>
<td>ape-</td>
<td>‘spirit of person killed’</td>
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<td>NCV: Tamambo</td>
<td>ebe-</td>
<td>‘body’</td>
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<td>NCV: Araki</td>
<td>epe-</td>
<td>‘body, especially with relation to health’</td>
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<td>NCV: Paamese</td>
<td>ave-</td>
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3.3 Bodily materials

This section contains terms for the ‘materials’ or ‘substances’ which speakers perceive as making up the human body: flesh (§3.3.1), fat (§3.3.2), blood (§3.3.3), bones (§3.3.4), skin (§3.3.5), hair (§3.3.7–8) and all the cord-like bits (veins, arteries, sinews and tendons, §3.3.9) that appear when an animal is being cut up. Treated separately under §3.8 are substances emitted by the body.

3.3.1 Flesh

POc *pisiko denoted human and animal flesh and muscle, as well as cooked meat.

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<td>aisi</td>
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<td>wiso</td>
<td>‘flesh, meat, muscle’</td>
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<td>PT: Dawawa</td>
<td>visio</td>
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<td>PT: Dobu</td>
<td>esio</td>
<td>‘flesh, muscle’</td>
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<td>PT: Kukuya</td>
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<td>voa</td>
<td>‘flesh’ (for †vio)</td>
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<td>PT: Sinaugoro</td>
<td>viriyo</td>
<td>‘flesh, muscle’</td>
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<td>PT: Motu</td>
<td>hidio</td>
<td>‘flesh’</td>
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<td>‘flesh’</td>
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<td>SES: Sa’a</td>
<td>hasi¿o-</td>
<td>‘flesh of body’</td>
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<td>SES: Arosi</td>
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<td>visiyo</td>
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<td>NCV: Namakir</td>
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PSV *na-vVsaya- ‘meat, flesh’ (Lynch 2001c)

SV: Lenakel  nu-vhakə ‘meat, flesh’
SV: Anejom  no-hoθye ‘meat, flesh’
NCal: Nêlêmwa  perak ‘flesh, meat’
NCal: Iaai  vi- ‘flesh’
Mic: Woleian  fitixo ‘flesh’
Mic: Puluwatse  fitiko ‘flesh, meat, muscle’
Fij: Bauan  viðiko ‘flesh, the lean of meat (as against uro ‘the fat’)’
Fij: Wayan  viðiko ‘flesh (of animals and people, not fruit), muscles’

3.3.2 Fat

POc *jiji ‘meat, fat, grease’ is reconstructed. The frequent mentions of ‘meat’ in the data below may be read as references to the edible parts of an animal.

Another term applied to ‘fat, grease’ is POc *moñak ‘fat, oil, cream, coconut cream; tasty’ (vol.3:372).

PAn *Sesi ‘flesh, meat’ (ACD)

PMP *hesi ‘flesh, meat’ (ACD)

POc *jiji ‘meat, fat, grease’

Adm: Seimat  xixi ‘flesh’ (jujue, xuxue ‘fat, grease’)
Adm: Titan  eic ‘slip, slide’
NNG: Numbami  didi ‘pig fat’
NNG: Kaiwa  sisi ‘meat’
NNG: Vehes  jiji- ‘meat’
NNG: Mapos Buang  zzi ‘grease, fat’
NNG: Wampur  zi ‘meat’
PT: Kuni  sisi ‘meat, fish’
PT: Mekeo  tiiti ‘meat’ (t for †s)
MM: Konomala  sis ‘meat’
MM: Label  sis ‘fish’
MM: Siar  sis ‘meat’
MM: Nehan  hihi(an) ‘fat, grease’

3.3.3 Blood

The POc term for blood was *draRa(q). Reflexes are found in all major subgroups except SE Solomonic and Polynesian. In a number of languages the term for ‘red’ is based on the term for ‘blood’ (vol.2:209).

PAn *daRaq ‘blood’ (Dyen 1953)

POc *draRa(q) ‘blood’

Adm: Mussau  rae- ‘blood’
              ra(i)-ra(ia) ‘red’
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<td>NCV: Mwoitap</td>
<td>na-daj</td>
<td>‘blood’</td>
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<td>NCV: Mota</td>
<td>nara-</td>
<td>‘blood, bleed’</td>
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<td>NCV: Tamambo</td>
<td>dae-</td>
<td>‘blood’</td>
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<td>NCV: Lonwolwol</td>
<td>dā-, rā-</td>
<td>‘blood’</td>
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PSV *na-də(q,V) ‘blood’ (no specific possessor), *na-da(a) ‘blood’ (specific possessor) (Lynch 2001c)\(^3\)

SV: Lenakel | na-ta | ‘blood’ (no specific possessor)

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\(^3\) PSV had two terms for both ‘blood’ and ‘excrement’, one of which involves a specific possessor while the other refers to the substance in isolation without being linked to any possessor (Lynch 2001c:259).
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SV: Kwamera
- *ne-ta* ‘blood’ (no specific possessor)
- *ne-te* ‘blood’ (specific possessor)

NCal: Nêlêmwâ
- *dā-* ‘blood’

NCal: Nyelâyu
- *(u)rā-* ‘blood’

NCal: Nengone
- *da-* ‘blood’

NCal: Iaai
- *da* ‘blood’

Mic: Carolinian
- *cā-* ‘blood, to bleed’

Mic: Woleaian
- *cçā-* ‘blood, be red, bloody’

Mic: Marshallese
- *raḥ* ‘blood’

Fij: Bauan
- *drā-* ‘blood’

cf. also:

MM: Roviana
- *ehara-* ‘blood, bleed’

SES: Gela
- *ŋara-* ‘blood’

3.3.4 Bone

Two POc forms are reconstructed for ‘bone’, *tuqa/-tuq- and *suRi-. The former appears to be the formally irregular continuation of PMP *tuqelan. The expected POc form is †*tuqolan*, but we are inferring that the medial *-e-* of *tuqelan, phonetically schwa, was first lost, and the resulting *-ql-* sequence was then simplified to *-q-*.

POc *suRi- on the other hand is evidently a POc innovation. Certain SE Solomonic and Polynesian languages reflect both, with a difference in meaning. In SE Solomonic languages apparent reflexes of *tuqa- mean ‘leg’ (listed under ‘cf. also’) and reflexes of *suRi- mean ‘bone’. Lau (SES) has *suli-* ‘bone’ and what looks like a reflex of *tuqa- in *ua-sifo ‘bone marrow’, but forms with *ua- are not listed elsewhere in Fox (1974). PPn *tuqa meant ‘back’, whilst POc *suRi- is continued as ‘bone’ in Polynesian languages.

The areas in which reflexes of each term occur (in the meaning ‘bone’) are interlaced across the Pacific, as follows:

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<tr>
<th><em>tuqa-</em></th>
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<td>NGOc (= NNG, PT)</td>
<td>Adm</td>
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<td>Parts of MM</td>
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<td>Mic</td>
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<td>W and E Fijian</td>
<td>E Fijian, Pn</td>
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The interlacing is particularly intricate in Meso-Melanesian languages and in Fiji. The distribution of reflexes in Meso-Melanesian is shown below. Where individual languages are shown, these are in italics. The languages constituting the Bali-Vitu, Willaumez, Tungag/Nalik and Madak groups are listed in Appendix B. Reflexes of the two terms are split across the tiny Tabar group. They are also split across the St George linkage, but this is less surprising, as ‘St George’ is a large group, of which southern New Ireland microgroups and languages, as well

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4 Blust (ACD) takes *tuqelan ‘bone’ to have no Oceanic reflexes but reconstructs POc *tuqa with the sense ‘back’. Our data do not support this as the primary gloss.

5 Blust (1993a, 2009) reconstructed PCEMP *zuRi ‘bone’ as parent of POc *suRi, but the ACD now attributes its CMP reflexes to PMP *duRi ‘thorn, splinter, fishbone’, continued as POc *(dr)rjuRi ‘thorn’ (vol.1:125).
as NW Solomonic, are probably first-order subgroups. Reflexes are also split within NW Solomonic, in particular cutting across the Nehan/N Bougainville (NNB) subgroup.7

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<tr>
<th>*tuqa-</th>
<th>*suRi-</th>
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<td>Bali-Vitu, Willaumez</td>
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<td>Tungag/Nalik</td>
<td>Tabar: Tabar</td>
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<td>Tabar: Notsi, Lihir</td>
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<td>Patpatar, Label, Kandas, Konomala, Siar</td>
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<tr>
<td>NW: Taiof, Hahon, Tinputz</td>
<td>NW Solomonic:</td>
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<td>New Georgia</td>
<td>NNB: Nehan, Buka, Teop</td>
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Why did POc have two different words for ‘bone’? There are two clues to a difference in meaning. The first is, as noted above, that *tuqa- reflexes in SE Solomonic and in some E Fijian languages mean ‘leg’. The second is that in a few languages reflexes of *suRi also denote a bone needle (vol.1:87). Do these facts perhaps mean that *suRi referred principally to finer bones, *tuqan to larger bones or to all bones? The evidence is hardly compelling, as reflexes of both terms are used of the spine in a few languages. An answer of a different kind is that the two terms were used in different POc dialects. This would entail the inference that the Meso-Melanesian and Fijian linkages each emerged from at least two different dialects. That genealogically separated dialects may become integrated into a new dialect chain is shown by Geraghty’s (1983) work on Fijian dialects. In the case of the Meso-Melanesian groups located on New Ireland (those other than Bali-Vitu, Willaumez and NW Solomonic) there is some independent evidence of such a history (Ross 1988:306–307).

Some Polynesian reflexes of POc *tuqan refer rather to the rough or outer side of a body part, although some compounds refer to backbone or to other prominent bony ridges such as the shin. Lihir (MM) displays two reflexes of *tuqan, meaning ‘bone’ and ‘back’ respectively, and the Tangga reflex has both senses. It is of interest that the unrelated Lau (SES) term ʔogi- also means ‘a bone, the back, the outside of a thing’.

The final *-n of *tuqan is reflected among the reflexes below as final -n or pre-final -n- in the PT languages Muyuw and Kilivila and the MM languages Lavongai, Tigak, Kara, Tiang, Nalik and Taiof.

PAAn *CuqelaL ‘bone’ (ACD)
PMP *tuqelan ‘bone’ (ACD)
POe *tuqan, *tuqa- ‘bone’

| NNG: Sio | (i)tuka- | ‘bone’ |
| NNG: Tami | tuka-tuk | ‘bone’ |
| NNG: Kove | tua-tua- | ‘bone’ |
| NNG: Tuam | tua- | ‘bone’ |

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6 The Patpatar microgroup includes the Patpatar, Minigir and Tolai languages, the Label microgroup Label and Bilir, the Kandas microgroup Kandas and Ramaoaina, the Buka microgroup Solos, Halia and Selau.

7 A significant part of NW Solomonic is missing from the list because Torau, Mono-Alu, Nduke, and the Santa Isabel languages reflect *suma ‘bone’.
NNG: Gitua  tua-  ‘bone’
NNG: Lukep  tuk-  ‘nape’
NNG: Roinji  tua-  ‘bone’
NNG: Wab  tua-  ‘bone’
NNG: Dami  tua-  ‘bone’
NNG: Bilbil  tua-  ‘bone’
NNG: Gedaged  tiwo-  ‘bony skeleton’
NNG: Ulau-Suain  tua-  ‘bone’
NNG: Kela  (ŋa)tua-  ‘bone’
NNG: Numbami  tua-tua-  ‘bone’
NNG: Yabem  (ŋa)tek“a-  ‘bone’
NNG: Bukawa  (ŋa)k“a-  ‘bone’
PT: Tubetube  tua-  ‘bone’
PT: Muyuw  (tou)tun  ‘bone’
PT: Kiliwila  (to)tuane  ‘bone’
PT: Misima  tua-tua-  ‘bone’
MM: Vitu  toen  ‘bone’
MM: Bola  tuya-  ‘bone’
MM: Nakanai  tuha-  ‘bone; rib’
MM: Meramera  tua-tua-  ‘bone’
MM: Lavongai  tuan  ‘bone’
MM: Tigak  tuan  ‘bone’
MM: E Kara  tun  ‘bone’
MM: Tiang  tuon  ‘bone’
MM: Nalik  ruon  ‘bone’
MM: Lihir  tio-  ‘bone’
MM: tuatua-  ‘(s.o.’s) back’
MM: Notsi  tui-  ‘bone’
MM: Sursurunga  tua-  ‘bone’
MM: Tangga  tua-  ‘bone; back (of a human being or any large animal)’
MM: Taiof  tuana  ‘bone’
MM: Hahon  coa-  ‘bone’
MM: Tinputz  soa-  ‘bone’
MM: Uruava  tua-  ‘bone’
SES: Lau  uas(ifo)  ‘bone marrow’ (sifo ‘descend’)
Mic: Woleian  sū-  ‘bone, body’
Fij: Wayan  -tua  ‘bone’
Fij: Vunua Levu  dua  ‘leg’

PPlu *tuqa ‘back’ (POLLEX)

Pn: Tongan  tuʔa  ‘back, space or place or time behind or beyond’
     tuʔa hivi  ‘ridge’
Pn: Niuean  tua  ‘back’
Pn: Rennellese  tuʔa  ‘back’
Pn: Samoan  tua  ‘rougher, tougher side of a thing; back’
     tua sivi  ‘ridge of backbone, chain of hills etc’
Reflexes of PPN *tua ‘back, outer side’ can be used in compounds to identify a part of the body that is seen as the outer or upper side of a limb or other body part, (cf. alo ‘smooth, soft side of a thing < POc *qarop, §3.4.7). The emphasis here has almost entirely moved from bone or bony parts, apart from single examples from Samoa (shin), Tikopia (shoulder blade) and Hawaiian (shin).

Tongan  
*tuʔa kia  ‘nape of neck’  
*tuʔa mata  ‘eyelid’  
*tuʔa nima  ‘back of hand’

Niuean  
*tua ulu  ‘back of neck, nape’  
tua mata  ‘eyelid’  
tua lima  ‘back of hand’  
tua hui  ‘instep’  
tua pale  ‘lower abdomen, pubic area’

Samoan  
*tuā ua  ‘back of neck’  
*tuā ulu  ‘back of head’  
*tuā mata  ‘eyebrow’  
*tuā lima  ‘outer surface of upper limb from hand to shoulder’

tua sivi-vae  ‘shin’

Rennellese  
*tuʔa uʔa  ‘nape of neck’  
*tuʔa mata  ‘eyebrow, eyelid’  
*tuʔa gima  ‘back of hand’  
*tuʔa baʔe  ‘top of foot’  
*tuʔa teʔa  ‘top of thigh’  
*tuʔa soni  ‘female pubic area’  
*tuʔa uge  ‘male pubic area’

Tikopia  
*tua rima  ‘back of the hand’  
tua kapakau  ‘shoulder blade’  
*tua vae  ‘top of foot’
Hawaiian  
\[ \text{ku-a-po?i-maka} \quad \text{‘eyelid’} \]
\[ \text{ku-a-maha} \quad \text{‘back of the temple of the head’} \]
\[ \text{kuu-ʔau-lima} \quad \text{‘arm below the elbow’} \]
\[ \text{kuu-ʔau-wā-wae} \quad \text{‘leg, shinbone’} \]

Three sets of seemingly irregular reflexes of POc *suRi ‘bone’ are listed under ‘cf. also’ below. One consists of Vitiaz Strait (NNG) reflexes of Proto Korap and pre-Mangap *tura-; a second of Papuan Tip reflexes of Proto PT *turiya ‘bone’. These may be irregular reflexes of *suRi- reflecting replacement of the initial consonant through contamination by *tuqan. The third set consists of the Nyindrou and Micronesian terms, which reflect POc *(dr,r)uRi ‘thorn’ (vol.3:125). It seems that this may reflect a transfer of meaning from *suRi- to the formally similar *(dr,r)uRi.

POc *suRi- ‘bone’ (Milke 1965)
\begin{tabular}{ll}
Adm: & Mussau  
& riu-  
& riu ʰ ąsọŋo  
& ‘bone’  
& rib (ąsọŋo ‘rafter’)  
MM: & Seimat  
& kui-  
& ‘bone’  
MM: & Tabar  
& ciri-  
& ‘bone’  
MM: & Patpatar  
& suru-  
& ‘bone’  
MM: & Minigir  
& suru-  
& ‘bone’  
MM: & Tolai  
& uru-  
& ‘bone’  
MM: & Label  
& sur  
& ‘bone’  
MM: & Bilur  
& uri-  
& ‘bone’  
MM: & Kandas  
& sur  
& ‘bone’  
& suru-  
& ‘(s.o.’s) back’  
MM: & Ramoaaina  
& uru-  
& ‘bone’  
MM: & Konomala  
& su-  
& ‘bone’  
MM: & Siar  
& suru-  
& ‘bone’  
MM: & Nehan  
& hiro  
& ‘bone’  
MM: & Solos  
& tinou  
& ‘bone’  
MM: & Petats  
& tino  
& ‘bone’  
MM: & Halia (Haku)  
& siło  
& ‘bone’  
MM: & Selau  
& cinu  
& ‘bone’  
MM: & Teop  
& sino  
& ‘bone’  
MM: & Papapana  
& sino  
& ‘bone’  
MM: & Varisi  
& uri-  
& ‘bone’  
MM: & Hoava  
& su-suRI-  
& ‘bone’  
MM: & Roviana  
& su-suRI-  
& ‘bone’  
SES: & Bugotu  
& huli-  
& ‘bone’  
SES: & Gela  
& huli-  
& ‘the body; a bone’  
SES: & Tolo  
& sulI-  
& ‘bone’  
SES: & Lau  
& sulI-  
& ‘a bone; the back’  
SES: & Kwaio  
& sulI-  
& ‘bone, backbone, skeleton’  
SES: & ’Are’are  
& sulI-  
& ‘bone’  
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The human body

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<td>Woleaian</td>
<td>šū</td>
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3.3.5 Skin

There is a semantic difference between PWOc *tini- ‘body, skin’ above, which denoted the whole skin and metonymically the body, and the reconstructions in this section, which refer only to skin itself, including the skins of animals and fruit as well as tree bark (vol.3:120). A number of languages (Mota, Micronesian and Polynesian) show -i- for expected -u- in the first syllable.

PMP *kulit ‘skin’ (Dempwolff 1938)
POc *kulit ‘skin (of people, animals, fruit), bark (of trees)’ (vol.3:120)

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<th>‘skin’ (Smythe)</th>
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<td>Adm:</td>
<td>Loniu</td>
<td>kuli(hi)</td>
<td>‘bark, skin’</td>
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The next reconstruction, POc *pinut ‘skin, bark’ closely resembles two POc terms that have been reconstructed for ‘coconut husk’, doublets *punut and *p'enu(t) (vol.3:376–377). However, most languages have separate terms for ‘skin’ and ‘coconut husk’. Only in some NCV languages and in Misima and Lihir in the set above is an inclusive term found. It seems that the resemblance of POc *pinut ‘skin bark’ to the terms for coconut husk is fortuitous, as with the exception of the Manam term the cognate set below agrees on *-i- as the nucleus of the first syllable, whilst almost all reflexes of *punut and *p'enu(t) agree on *-u- and *-e-
respectively. A less likely possibility is that POc *pinut was a doublet of *punut and meant ‘skin, rind’.

POc *pinut ‘skin, bark’

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<td>NNG: Manam</td>
<td>unu</td>
<td>‘skin, complexion’</td>
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<tr>
<td>PT: Muyuw</td>
<td>(kalei)vin</td>
<td>‘skin, bark’</td>
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<tr>
<td>MM: Ramoaaina</td>
<td>pin</td>
<td>‘skin, of human beings only’</td>
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<tr>
<td>SES: Sa’a</td>
<td>hinu</td>
<td>‘shell of shellfish; bark’</td>
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PNCV *vinuti ‘skin, husk, rind’ (Clark 2009)

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<td>vinitiu</td>
<td>‘skin, bark, husk, rind, shell’</td>
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<td>‘husk, rind’</td>
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3.3.6 Scar

Reflexes of POc *kira(s) ‘scar’, which continues PMP *kiras, have been noted in only a handful of languages, but they are distributed across three subgroups.

PMP *kiras ‘scar’ (ACD)

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<td>MM: Roviana</td>
<td>kira-</td>
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<td>SES: Gela</td>
<td>kira-</td>
<td>‘scar’</td>
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<tr>
<td>SES: Longgu</td>
<td>kira-</td>
<td>‘scar’</td>
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<tr>
<td>Pt: Samoan</td>
<td>(mā)ʔila</td>
<td>‘scar’</td>
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cf. also:

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<tr>
<td>SES: Lau</td>
<td>kida-</td>
<td>‘scar of wound or sore’</td>
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A second term for ‘scar’, continuing PMP *bilat, is reflected in the data only in the Papuan Tip and SE Solomonic subgroups.

PMP *bilat ‘scar’ (ACD)

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<td>pire</td>
<td>‘scar’</td>
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<tr>
<td>SES: Lau</td>
<td>fi-fila-</td>
<td>‘white scar’</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>SES: Kwaio</td>
<td>fila-</td>
<td>‘scar’</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>SES: ‘Are’are</td>
<td>hira-hira-</td>
<td>(N,V) ‘scar, cut’</td>
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<tr>
<td>SES: Arosi</td>
<td>hira-</td>
<td>‘scar’</td>
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3.3.7 Head hair

As noted in §3.3.8 Oceanic languages typically distinguish terms for head hair and body hair. However, the two POc forms *puRu ‘head hair’ (below) and *pulu ‘body hair’ (§3.3.8) are similar, and some contemporary forms could reflect either. In a number of languages of
Melanesia bird feathers are denoted by a reflex of POc *puRu or POc *ipu- ‘head hair, feather’ (both below).

Although there are many reflexes of *puRu, they are with one exception limited to two major subgroups, Admiralties and Meso-Melanesian. The exception is Gela (SES) vuvulu-. Since POc *-R- and *-l- have merged in Gela, this form almost certainly reflects a conflation of POc *pulu- ‘body hair’ (§3.3.8) and POc *puRu- ‘head hair’, an inference supported by its gloss, which includes ‘head hair’, ‘feathers’ and ‘body hair’.

POc *puRu- ‘head hair; feather’

| Adm: Mussau | ū(u)-uru- | ‘(head) hair’ (ū- ‘hair’, -ŋ- LIGATURE, uru ‘head’) | ū(gila) | ‘feather’ |
| Adm: Tenis | u(gira) | ‘feather’ |
| MM: Vitu | puru-puru | ‘beard’ |
| MM: Lavongai | ugu(i) | ‘(head) hair; feather’ |
| MM: Tigak | ugu(i) | ‘(head) hair; feather’ |
| MM: E Kara | fui- | ‘(head) hair’ |
| MM: Nalik | fur | ‘(head) hair; feather’ |
| MM: Notsi | ul | ‘(head) hair’ | ul | ‘feather’ |
| MM: Tabar | vuru- | ‘(head) hair’ | vuru-vuru | ‘feather’ |
| MM: Petats | hulu- | ‘(head) hair’ |
| MM: Halia | hulu- | ‘(head/ body) hair’ |
| MM: Selau | wuru- | ‘(head) hair’ |
| MM: Taiof | funu- | ‘(head) hair; feather’ |
| MM: Teop | vumu- | ‘(head/ body) hair; feather’ |
| MM: Banoni | punu- | ‘(head/ body) hair’ |
| MM: Piva | vunu- | ‘(head) hair’ |
| MM: Uruava | uru- | ‘(head) hair’ |
| MM: Ririo | (vu)vre- | ‘hair’ |
| MM: Babatana | vuru(ŋu) | ‘(head) hair’ |
| MM: Lungga | vuru(ŋu) | ‘feather’ |
| MM: Nduke | (vu)vuru- | ‘(head) hair’ |
| MM: Simbo | vuru(ŋu) | ‘hair’ | vuru(ŋuna) | ‘feather’ |
| MM: Blablanga | fru(ta) | ‘hair’ |
| MM: Maringe | na-fru(ta) | ‘hair’ |
| SES: Gela | vuvulu- | ‘hair of head; hair of body; feather’ |

POc *ipu- ‘head hair, feather’ (ACD)

| PT: Kukuya | (mata)ivu- | ‘eyelash’ |
| MM: Bulu | ivu- | ‘(head) hair’ |
| MM: Harua | ivu- | ‘(head) hair; feather’ |

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9 This form could also reflect POc *pulu- ‘body hair’ (§3.3.8), but the gloss suggests that it reflects POc *puRu-.
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| MM: Nakanai | ivu- | ‘(head) hair, plumage of a bird’ |
| MM: Patpatar | hiī- | ‘(head) hair; feather’ |
| MM: Tolai | ivu- | ‘feather’ |
| MM: Raluaaina | ivu- | ‘hair of the human body or of animals; fur, feathers, plumage, bristle’ |
| MM: Label | ih | ‘(head) hair’ (ih-a-mani ‘feather of a bird’ |
| MM: Bilur | eu- | ‘head’ |
| MM: Kandas | iū- | ‘(head) hair’ |
| MM: Siar | (i)ufi- | ‘(head) hair’ |
| MM: Tinputz | uvi- | ‘(head/body) hair; feather’ |
| SES: Lau | ifi- | ‘hair’ |
| SES: Lau | ifi(la) | ‘hairy, covered with cast hairs’ |
| SES: Kwaio | ifi- | ‘hair’ |
| SES: Kwaio | ifi-ʔai | ‘let hair grow long in mourning’ |
| SES: 'Are’are | ihu- | ‘hair, feather’ |
| SES: Sa’a | ihu- | ‘hair, feather’ |
| SES: Sa’a | ihu-i menu | ‘a bird’s feather’ |
| SES: Sa’a | ihu i pẹ eu | ‘a hair of the head’ |
| SES: Arosi | (war)ihu- | ‘hair; feathers’ |

POhc *raun* ‘leaf, head hair’ (vol.3:103) is used to refer also to ‘head hair’, typically in subgroups where reflexes of *puRu* are not found. This sense was evidently present in POhc, as it is also reflected in non-Oceanic CEMP witnesses.

PMP *dahun* ‘leaf’ (Dempwolff 1938)
PCEMP *daun* ‘leaf, head hair’ (ACD)

POc *raun* ‘leaf, head hair’

| NNG: Kove | laun(i) | ‘head hair’ |
| NNG: Bariai | (i)laun | ‘head hair’ |
| NNG: Tuam | rau- | ‘head hair’ |
| NNG: Malai | rau- | ‘head hair’ |
| NNG: Gitua | rau- | ‘head hair’ |
| NNG: Kilenge | lau-lau(a) | ‘head hair’ |
| NNG: Mangap | ru(lau) | ‘head hair’ |
| NNG: Lukep | raun | ‘head hair’ |
| NNG: Malasanga | rauna- | ‘head hair’ |

PT: Motu | rau- | ‘leaf’ |
| SES: Sa’a | rau- | ‘leaf’ |

Fij: Bauan | drau- | ‘leaf of a tree, hair of the head’ |
| Fij: Wayan | -rō | ‘leaf of a tree, hair of the head’ |

POc *qulu- with primary meaning ‘head’ also includes ‘hair of the head’ as part of its extended meaning (§3.4.1).
3.3.7.1 Grey hair

A separate term, POc *qupan, denoted grey hair. Although it is not widely reflected in the Oceanic data, it continues a PAn etymon.

**PAn** *qubaL ‘grey hair’ (ACD)

**PMP** *quban ‘grey hair’ (ACD)

**POc** *qupan ‘grey hair’

- **Adm:** Lou *kup-kup* ‘white hair, as of the elderly’
- **Adm:** Seimat *kūh ‘greyhaired’ (k- for †θ)
- **MM:** Maringe *ufa ‘greying (hair), have grey hair, become grey’
- **SES:** Gela *uva- ‘grey hair’

**PMic** *wua- ‘grey hair’ (Bender et al., 2003)

- **Mic:** Kiribati *ia- ‘grey or greying hair’
- **Mic:** Chuukese *wou-wa-ɾ ‘grey hair, white hair’

**PPn** *sina, reflecting POc *sinaR ‘to shine’ (vol.2:299), denoted grey or white hair, and Pn *sinā (etymologically *sina-a) meant ‘be white- or grey-haired’, a distinction lost in languages that have neutralised short and long vowels.

**PPn** *sina ‘white or grey hair’, *sinā ‘be white- or grey-haired’

- **Pn:** Tongan *hinā ‘grey or white, of hair’ (< PPn sinā)
- **Pn:** Niuean *hina ‘grey-haired, white-haired’
- **Pn:** Samoan *sina ‘white or grey hair’
- **Pn:** Samoan *sinā ‘be white- or grey-haired’ (< PPn sinā)
- **Pn:** Rennellese *sina ‘grey hair’
- **Pn:** Tikopia *sina ‘grey-haired’
- **Pn:** Maori *hina ‘grey-haired’
- **Pn:** Tahitian *hina-hina ‘grey-haired, white-haired’
- **Pn:** Hawaiian *hina ‘grey-haired, white-haired’

3.3.7.2 Bald

Of the reconstructions below only *p’alala is certainly attributable to POc. POc *(p’a)p’ata is reconstructed tentatively, as explained below. The other reconstructions are apparently post-POc innovations.

**POc** *p’alala ‘bald’

- **Adm:** Mussau *vāla ‘bald’
- **Adm:** Loniu *pala- ‘head’
- **NNG:** Manam *palala ‘bald head’
- **MM:** Nakanai *lela ‘bald’
- **MM:** Tangga *palal ‘bald’

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10 This form may reflect PMP *palpal ‘bald’ (Dempwolff 1938). If it does, however, it is irregular, as the expected POc form would be †*papal.
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SES: Bugotu palala ‘be bald; ridge, crest, top of hill’
SES: Lau falai ‘bald’ (-i unexpected)
SES: Sa’a halai (vi) ‘be bald’, (n) ‘a bald person’ (-i unexpected)
NCV: Nahavaq pal ‘bald’ (John Lynch, pers. comm.)
NCV: Nisvai parpal ‘bald’ (John Lynch, pers. comm.)
Mic: Puluwatese pal ‘be bald’

The reconstruction of POc *\(p^\alpha a)p^\alpha ata\) ‘bald’ is tentative. Pije \(h^\alpha ata\) reflects a reduplicated form \(p^\alpha a-p^\alpha ata\). Otherwise the correspondence with Sudest \(v^\alpha ata\) is regular. The forms listed under ‘cf. also’, however, do not reflect *-t- regularly.

POc *\(p^\alpha a)p^\alpha ata\) ‘bald’ (?)

PT: Sudest \(v^\alpha ata\) ‘bald’
NCal: Pije \(h^\alpha ata\) ‘bald’

cf. also:
NCV: Mwotlap \(p^\alpha as\) ‘bald’
NCV: Mota \(p^\alpha asa-\) ‘bald, a bald person’
SV: Lenakel \(a-p^\alpha a\) ‘bald’
SV: Kwamera \(a-p^\alpha a\) ‘bald’

PWOc \(b^\alpha(a,e)ka\) ‘bald’

PT: Muyuw \(bak\) ‘bald’
PT: Kilivila \(baka-\) ‘bald’
MM: Tabar \(piaka-\) ‘bald head’ (-ia- unexpected)
MM: Tolai \(peka\) ‘bald-headed’ (-ea- unexpected)
MM: Nehan \(peke\) ‘bald’
MM: Teop \(peka\) ‘bald’
MM: Tinputz \(peka\) ‘bald’
MM: Roviana \(paka-\) ‘crown of head’ (paka batu ‘bald’)

PNCV \(m^\alpha asu\) ‘bald’ (Clark 2009)

NCV: Raga \(mahu\) ‘hairless’
NCV: NE Ambae \(m^\alpha aho\) ‘hairless’
NCV: Lewo \(m^\alpha u\) ‘bald’
NCV: Namakir \(m^\alpha eh\) ‘bald’

3.3.8 Body hair

Many Oceanic languages have distinct terms for body hair and head hair, although the two reconstructions, POc *\(pulu-\) ‘body hair’ (below) and POc *\(puRu-\) ‘head hair’ (§3.3.7), are similar, with some cognates that could reflect either. Reflexes of *\(pulu-\) also denote animal fur.
Reflexes of both *pulu- and *puRu- denote bird feathers.11 In a number of languages of Melanesia, however, bird feathers are denoted by a reflex of POc *ipu- ‘head hair, feather’ (§3.3.7; for feathers, see vol.4:273–274).

POc evidently also had a separate term for pubic hair (see below).

PMP *bulu- ‘body hair; fur; feather; down; floss on plant stems; color; type, kind’ (ACD); ‘hair, plumage’ (Dahl 1981). Ross 1988 has PAn/PMP *bulu ‘body hair’.

POc *pulu- ‘body hair, fur, feathers’ (ACD)

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<td>vulu(k)</td>
<td>‘hair; feathers’</td>
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<td>NNG: Kove</td>
<td>ulu-</td>
<td>‘taboo marker made of decorative fringe’ (Goulden 1982)</td>
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<td>PT: Sudest</td>
<td>vuli-vuli(ye)</td>
<td>‘body hair’</td>
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<td>PT: Dobu</td>
<td>unu-unu-</td>
<td>‘animal and body hair’</td>
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<td>PT: Kilivila</td>
<td>unu-unu-</td>
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<td>PT: Roro</td>
<td>bui-</td>
<td>‘body hair’</td>
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<td>PT: Motu</td>
<td>hui-</td>
<td>‘hair’</td>
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<td>MM: Vitu</td>
<td>vulu(k-)</td>
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<td>ulu-</td>
<td>‘(head/body) hair’</td>
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<td>MM: Halia</td>
<td>hulu-</td>
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<td>MM: Teop</td>
<td>vunu-</td>
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<td>punu-</td>
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<td>MM: Varisi</td>
<td>pulu-</td>
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<td>MM: Simbo</td>
<td>pu-pulu-</td>
<td>‘body hair excluding pubic and underarm hair’</td>
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<td>MM: Babatana</td>
<td>pulu-</td>
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<td>MM: Laghu</td>
<td>pulu-</td>
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PEOc *pulu- ‘body hair, fur, feathers’ (Biggs 1965)

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<td>SES: Gela</td>
<td>vulu(hagi)</td>
<td>‘hair of head; hair of body; feather’</td>
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<td>SES: Sa’a</td>
<td>hulu</td>
<td>‘be hairy’</td>
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<td>hulu motaʔa</td>
<td>‘hairy; rough and prickly, of the backs of certain leaves’</td>
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<td>SES: ’Are’are</td>
<td>hulu motaʔa</td>
<td>‘hairy’</td>
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<td>SES: Arosi</td>
<td>huru-</td>
<td>‘the hair of the body’</td>
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<td>huru-rere</td>
<td>‘downy hair on a child; hair on the legs and arms’</td>
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11 A number of modern languages have a compound that implies the presence of the POc phrase *pulu qi manuk ‘*pulu of bird’, i.e. ‘feathers’ (Motu (PT) manu hui(na) and the Polynesian languages Nukuoro hulu manu, Anuta puru o manu, Hawaiian hulu manu).

12 In Vitu -k has been added to certain inalienables (van den Berg & Bachet 2006), perhaps reflecting the POc free noun suffix *-ki, added to inalienables that were not possessed (Ross 2001:273–274).

13 The gloss suggests that this form reflects a conflation of POc *pulu- ‘body hair’ and POc *puRu- ‘head hair’ (§3.3.7) resulting from a merger of the reflexes of POc *-l- and *-R-.

14 Laghu pulu- could also reflect POc *puRu ‘head hair’, but the sense ‘pubic hair’ suggests that it reflects *pulu.
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The cognate set below arguably reflects two functions of POc reduplication. The first derived a noun that denotes a multiplicity of an object, in this case many hairs. The second, sometimes with the addition of *-ka or *-a, forms an adjectival noun that denotes a property (this process formed various colour terms: vol.2:206, 210). It is possible that some or all of these terms are not direct reflexes of POc etyma, but reflect later derivations by these processes.

PMP *bulu-bulu ‘hairy; hair-like growths; plants with hair-like growths’ (ACD)
POc *pulu-pulu ‘body hair’; *pulu-pulu[-ka] ‘hairy’

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<td>PT: Mekeo</td>
<td>pui-pui-</td>
<td>pui-pui-</td>
<td>‘body hair’</td>
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<td>PT: Dobu</td>
<td>umu-umu</td>
<td>umu-umu-</td>
<td>‘body hair, excluding head hair; animal hair’</td>
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<td>MM: Roviana</td>
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<td>‘hairy (body)’</td>
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<td>MM: Hoava</td>
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<td>‘hair’</td>
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<td>‘hair of the body’</td>
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<tr>
<td>SES: Gela</td>
<td>vulu-vulu</td>
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<td>‘species of water plant; a plant: Amaranthus’</td>
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<td>SES: Arosi</td>
<td>huru-huru-ʔa</td>
<td>huru-huru-ʔa</td>
<td>‘hairy’</td>
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<tr>
<td>Pn: Tongan</td>
<td>fulu-fulu</td>
<td>fulu-fulu</td>
<td>‘hair (esp. on the body), fur, feathers; having hair, fur or feathers (growing on it); (of timber) rough, undressed, unplaned’</td>
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<td>Pn: Niuean</td>
<td>fulu-fulu</td>
<td>fulu-fulu</td>
<td>‘be hairy’</td>
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<td>Pn: Samoan</td>
<td>fulu-fulu</td>
<td>fulu-fulu</td>
<td>‘fine short hair, down; fur’</td>
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<td>Pn: Rennellese</td>
<td>hugu-hugu</td>
<td>hugu-hugu</td>
<td>‘hairy; to grow, as hair or feathers; be tattered, as an unfinished mat; have spines, as a balloon fish’</td>
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</table>
Many Oceanic languages have no dedicated term for pubic hair and use a reflex of POc *pulu ‘body hair’ (§3.3.8), sometimes with a modifier. However, POc *koRo ‘pubic hair’ is evidenced by widely distributed reflexes.

POc *koRo ‘pubic hair’ (Geraghty 1990: PEOc)

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<td>koro-</td>
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<td>PT: Iduna</td>
<td>(mata)ʔolo-ʔolo-</td>
<td>‘eyelash’ (mata- ‘eye’)</td>
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<tr>
<td>PT: Gapapaiwa</td>
<td>(igi)korō-</td>
<td>‘male pubic hair’ (igi- ‘male genitals)’</td>
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<td>MM: Bola</td>
<td>koro</td>
<td>‘public; pubic hair’</td>
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<td>MM: Nakanai</td>
<td>koro(ma)</td>
<td>‘pubic hair’</td>
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<td>‘pubic hair’</td>
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<tr>
<td>SES: Arosi</td>
<td>koro</td>
<td>‘male pubic hair; vulva’</td>
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POc *korō ‘pubic hair’ (Bender et al., 2003)

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<td>kkor, kkora-</td>
<td>‘underarm hair’</td>
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<tr>
<td>Mic: Puluwatese</td>
<td>kor</td>
<td>‘pubic or underarm hair’</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Mic: Carolinian</td>
<td>xōr</td>
<td>‘pubic hair’</td>
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<tr>
<td>Mic: Woleai</td>
<td>xōzo-, xozo-</td>
<td>‘pubic hair’</td>
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<tr>
<td>Mic: Pulo Annian</td>
<td>xolo</td>
<td>‘pubic hair’</td>
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3.3.9 Veins, arteries, sinews and tendons

The gloss of POc *uRat, which includes blood vessels, sinews and tendons, reflects their common cord-like structure rather than their bodily function. This is even more true of the following term, POc *waRo(c) ‘generic term for vines and creepers; vein, string, rope’, which applies to animal and human anatomy by extension.

POc *uRat ‘blood vessel, sinew, tendon’ (ACD)

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<tr>
<td>PMic *uRat</td>
<td>‘artery, blood vessel, vein; muscle; nerve; sinew; tendon’ (ACD)</td>
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PAn *huRac ‘artery, blood vessel, vein; muscle; nerve; sinew; tendon’ (ACD)

PMP *uRat ‘artery, blood vessel, vein; muscle; nerve; sinew; tendon; fibre; vein of a leaf’ (ACD)

Adm: Mussau | ueta- | ‘vein, vessel; tendon’ |
NNG: Wogeo | urat(a) | ‘vein’ |
NNG: Kis | ula- | ‘vein’ |
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MM: Bali uratt(a) ‘vein’
MM: Bulu ula- ‘vein’
MM: Tigak guat ‘vein’ (metathesis for †ugat)
MM: Tolai urat ‘coconut-fibre; gristle; ligament; sinew; tendon’
MM: Lamasong uat ‘meat’
MM: Sursurunga (i)ruat ‘vein’ (metathesis for †urati)
MM: Roviana ru-ruata- ‘vein or artery’ (metathesis for †urata)
MM: Babatanu rota- ‘vein, artery, nerve’ (metathesis for †urata)
SES: Bugotu ula- ‘tendon; sinew; vein’
SES: Gela ula- ‘vein’
SES: Kwaio ula-ula ‘blood vessel, vein’
SES: Sa’a ule-ule ‘sinew, tendon’

PNCV *uRati ‘vein’ (Clark 2009)
NCV: Raga wesi- ‘vein’
NCV: Kiai aresi- ‘blood vessel’

PSV *na-ur ‘vein, artery, sinew’ (Lynch 2001c)
SV: N Tanna noa-nou ‘vein, artery, sinew’
NCal: Nixumwak wat(t) ‘sinew, vein’

PMic *ua ‘tendon, vein’
Mic: Kiribati te-ia ‘vein’
Mic: Carolinian wā, wā- ‘veins, arteries’
Mic: Chuukese wā, wara- ‘artery, tendon, nerve, sinew, vein of’
Mic: Puluwatese wā- ‘vein or artery of’
Fij: Rotuman ua-ua- ‘sinew, tendon or large nerve; vein or artery (Polynesian loan)
Fij: Bauan ua- ‘vein; muscle’
Pn: Tongan uoua ‘sinew, tendon, muscle, ligament’
Pn: Samoan ua-ua ‘ligament, tendon. sinew, vein, pulse’
Pn: Rennellese ua ‘artery; pulse’
Pn: Tikopia ua ‘neck, external throat’
Pn: Maori ua ‘sinew; vein, artery’
cf. also:
Fij: Rotuman ua-ua- ‘sinew, tendon or large nerve; vein or artery (Polynesian loan)

It appears that *uRat was the usual POc term for cord-like parts of the internal anatomy. It can be inferred that *waRo(c) primarily denoted vines and creepers, as this is its most widespread sense (vol.3:74), but was used colloquially of cord-like parts of anatomical items. Below are listed only reflexes of POc *waRo(c) that are glossed with an anatomical term. Given its wide distribution, the extension from ‘vine, creeper’ to veins and tendons was evidently already present in POc. NCV reflexes (under ‘cf. also’) indicate an idiosyncratic change whereby POc *waRo(c) became PNCV *kaRo instead of expected †*waRo. Micronesian languages apparently reflect contamination of POc *waRo(c) ‘vein, string’ (vol.3:74) by POc *wakaR ‘root’ (vol.3:99) with the result that the data point to the
reconstruction of PMic *waka (Bender et al. 2003) rather than expected †*wa(r)o. Outright conflation has occurred only in Pulo Annian, however, where wāxa/waxa- means both ‘vein, sinew, artery’ and ‘root’. Other Micronesian languages keep reflexes of PMic *waka ‘vein, artery, sinew’ separate from those of PMic *wakal/wakara ‘root’ because *-r- is usually reflected as -r- in the latter (vol.3:99).

POc *waRo(c) ‘generic term for vines and creepers; string, rope; vein, tendon’

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Pmic *waka ‘vein, artery, sinew’ (Bender et al. 2003)

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cf. also:

PNCV *kaRo ‘vine, rope; vein’ (Clark 2009)

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3.4 The head and its parts

There is a large collection of POc terms denoting the head and its parts. Terms for parts of the head denote the forehead, brain, back of head (and nape), top of head (and fontanelle), face and side of face (or cheek), eye, eyelash/eyebrow, eyebrow ridge, eyelid, eyeball, ear, nose, nostril, mouth (outer and inner), lips, tongue, teeth (in general, molar and canine), gums, chin/jaw, beard, neck, throat and voice.

There are several terms for the head itself, their cognate sets and glosses suggesting differences in their semantic range. The fact that POc *qulu- (§3.4.1) also had a number of metaphorical senses (‘chief’, ‘headwaters’, ‘prow of a boat’, ‘first-born’), as well as the more specialised sense of ‘hair of the head’ and a use as a relational local noun meaning ‘top’ suggests that part of its meaning was the position of the head as the highest point of the body. The glosses of *bʷatu(k), on the other hand, appear to focus on its shape (§3.4.2).

3.4.1 *qulu ‘head’

The most widespread term for the head is *qulu. Blust (ACD) comments

Although only the meaning ‘head’ can be assigned to PAn *quluh, PMP *quluh clearly had a number of meanings in addition to its primary use as a body-part label. Physical extensions of this primary sense include applications to the tops of trees, mountains and the like, and to the handles of bladed implements such as knives and axes. Somewhat more striking are widespread reflexes of *quluh in the meaning ‘headwaters of a river’, probably in the construction *qulu ni wahiR. ... Reflexes of *quluh apply not only to the upper part of objects, but also to the front part of objects (‘prow of a boat’) and to priority in time (‘first’, ‘first-born’).

Its meaning in POc clearly included such metaphorical extensions.

PAAn *quluh ‘head’ (ACD)
PMP *quluh ‘head; top part; leader, chief; headwaters; handle of a bladed implement; prow of a boat; first, first-born’ (ACD)
POc *qulu- ‘head; leader; hair of the head’, (N LOC) ‘top part’

Adm: Tenis  utu- ‘head’
Adm: Drehet  ulu (bo) ‘headwaters of a river’
Adm: Nauna  kulu-n (puli) ‘peak of a mountain’
NNG: Sio  (i)kulu- ‘head, brain’
NNG: Adzera  (guzu)uru- ‘skull’
NNG: Dangal  utu- ‘head; brain’
NNG: Mapos-Buang  utu- ‘head’
PT: Kukuya  umumu- ‘head’
PT: Muyuw  kumu- ‘head’
PT: Molima  ḫumu- ḫumu- ‘head, forehead; (river) source’
PT: Kilivila  kulu-kulu- ‘hair’
PT: Wedau  umu- ‘skull, head’
MM: Sursurunga (lulu- ‘head’
MM: Tangga (paka)ulu- ‘head’
MM: Patpatar ulu- ‘head; skull’
MM: Ramoaaina ulu ‘head, hair, top, apex, crown’
MM: Tolai ulu- ‘head’
MM: Nehan lu- ‘head’
MM: Simbo ulu ‘above, overhead; over’
MM: Marinege ulu ‘at the head of, in front of, before’
nulu ‘leader, leading person or thing, in the first position’
SES: Gela ulu- ‘head, except of a chief; eastern end, upper end’
SES: Bugotu ulu- ‘head, top end’
SES: Lau ulu(nao) ‘first-born, elder, senior’ (nao ‘first’)
SES: ’Are’are uru ‘cloud, heaven, sky, top’
SES: Sa’a ulu(one) ‘the sandy tract immediately above the beach’ (one ‘sand’)
NCV: Mota ulu(i) ‘hair; feathers’
NCV: NE Ambae ulu ‘above, top of, height (of person)’
NCV: Raga ilu- ‘hair’
Mic: Kosraean ulu- ‘top’
Mic: Chuukese wîr ‘extreme part, top’
Mic: Puluwatase wil ‘budding leaf, tree top’
Fij: Rotuman ulu-ŋa ‘top, summit of s.t. high (tree, house, hill, etc)’
Fij: Wayan -ulu ‘head, hair of head’
Fij: Bauan ulu- ‘head, hair of head, top’
ulu (matua) ‘woman’s first-born child’ ulu (taŋa) ‘head or upper part of a river’
Pn *gulu ‘head, hair of head’
Pn: Tongan ʔulu- ‘head (lit. or fig.), upper end’
  ʔulu (?i ?ufi) ‘yam-top’
Pn: Niuean ulu- ‘head, hair’
  ulu(aki) ‘first-born’ (aki ordinalising particle)
Pn: Rennellese ʔugu ‘head, hair of head; head person’
Pn: Samoan ulu ‘head, hair’
  ulu (matua) ‘first-born, eldest child’
Pn: Tikopia uru ‘head; crest; top’
Pn: Maori uru ‘head, in the singular; chief; top, upper end; point, of a weapon, etc; hair of the head, in the plural’
PAn *gulu-gulu ‘head-end, upper part’ (ACD)
POc *gulo-gulo ‘upper part of s.t.’
PT: Molima ʔumu-ʔumu ‘head’
  ʔumu-ʔumu(na) ‘upper part of head; forehead; source of a river’
MM: Roviana ul-ulu- ‘high, lofty’
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3.4.2 *pʷatu(k) ‘outer shell, skull’, *bʷatu(k) ‘head, top of’ and *pʷau- ‘head’

The three POc terms reconstructed below, *pʷatu(k) ‘outer shell, skull’, *bʷatu(k) ‘head, top of’, and *pʷau- ‘head’, represent a solution to a reconstructive conundrum. We are confronted by two overlapping pairs of reconstructions. The first pair, *pʷatu(k) and *bʷatu(k), are very similar in form. They are also close enough in meaning that some reflexes of *pʷatu(k) mean ‘head’ rather than ‘skull’. The second pair, *bʷatu(k) and *pʷau-, both mean ‘head’, and form a puzzling parallel to POc *pʷatu[ka]- ‘elbow, knee; joint, node’ (§ 3.6.8.1.1).

We turn first to *pʷatu(k) and *bʷatu(k).

3.4.2.1 *pʷatu(k) (vs *bʷatu(k))

Dempwolff (1938) reconstructed PMP *batuk and glossed it as ‘skull’. Blust (ACD) retains this gloss, but with a comment that it is problematic, as the only non-Oceanic reflexes are:

- wMP: Malay *batuk ‘husk and shell of coconut’
- wMP: Javanese *batuk ‘forehead’
- CMP : Tetun *ulu-n fatu(-k) ‘skull, bones of the head’
- CMP : Kisa *ulu waku-n ‘head’

The glosses above suggest the possibility that PMP *batuk meant ‘outer shell’, whether of the skull or of, say, a nut. The CMP terms, in which *ulu- reflects PMP *quluh ‘head’ (§ 3.4.1), thus had the literal sense ‘shell of head’, leading to the likelihood that the directly inherited POc reflex of PMP *batuk was not POc *bʷatu(k) ‘head’ but POc *pʷatu(k) ‘outer shell, skull’ below.15 It is also possible that this *pʷatu shares history with POc *pʷatu[ka]- ‘elbow, knee; joint, node’ (§ 3.6.8.1.1), particularly if the latter referred specifically to the knee-cap, itself an outer shell—but we have no direct evidence of this at the moment.

It seems unlikely, however, that the formal and semantic similarity of *pʷatu(k) and *bʷatu(k) is due to chance, and more probable that both ultimately reflect PMP *batuk ‘outer shell’, with *bʷatu(k) an indirect reflex—perhaps a loan from a language that retained PMP *b-, perhaps the outcome of a piece of word-play or of some process that the data do not reveal. Such splits in pre-Oceanic etymology did occur occasionally, as attested by the split of PMP *buaq ‘fruit’ into POc *puaq ‘fruit’ (vol.3:115) and POc *buaq ‘betelnut, areca palm’ (vol.3:393; see the summary of Blust’s ACD discussion there). However, there is no non-Oceanic evidence of such a split. The cognate set supporting *pʷatu(k) is given below, and that supporting *bʷatu(k) in § 3.4.2.2.

In the New Ireland languages Tigak, Kara and Lihir and Bougainville languages from Taiof to Uruava below, the reflex of *pʷatu means ‘head’. This may reflect contamination by *bʷatu(k) or simple semantic shift.16 Under ‘cf. also’ below are reflexes of Proto Central Micronesian *fatuku ‘head’, where *f- is the regular reflex of POc *p-, not *pʷ-, but these

15 This inference seems more plausible than Blust’s (ACD) that the CMP items reflect PMP *batu ‘stone’ rather than PMP *batuk.

16 An alternative is that we have misread the sound correspondence, as there are very few Bougainville reflexes of terms that include *bʷ-.
forms are also odd in reflecting final POc \(^*\)-\(k\) with a following echo vowel. These are thus not regular reflexes and may reflect borrowing from an unknown source that retained POc final consonants.

Also below is a cognate set reflecting POc \(^*p\)\(\acute{w}\)\(atu\) \(^*p\)\(\acute{w}\)\(atu(k)\) ‘hard, strong, firm’. We take this to be a reduplication of \(^*p\)\(\acute{w}\)\(atu(k)\) ‘outer shell, skull’, an inference supported by both form (POc attributes were commonly formed by reduplication; vol.2:206–220) and meaning.

In two instances below, Bariai \((eau)\ pat\) ‘coconut shell container for water’ and Takia \(pat-pat\) ‘strong, hard’, there is homophony with the term for ‘stone’, \(pat\) in both cases, reflecting POc \(^*patu\) ‘stone, rock’ (vol.2:62–63). We take this to be the result of chance. In languages where \(^*p\)\(\widetilde{w}\) and \(^*p\)- are differently reflected, reflexes of \(^*p\)\(\acute{w}\)\(atu\) and \(^*patu\) are not homophonous, as indicated in parentheses below.

PMP \(^*batuk\) ‘outer shell, skull’ (Dempwolff 1938: ‘skull’; \(\text{ACD}\))

POC \(^*p\)\(\acute{w}\)\(atu(k)\) ‘outer shell, skull’

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Proto Central Micronesian \(^*futuku\) ‘head’ (Bender et al. 2003)

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POc \(^{*}pʼ\text{atu}\)pat\(^{*}\) ‘hard, strong, firm’

NNG: Takia  pat-pat  ‘strong, hard’ (cf. pat ‘stone’)

PT: Dobu  patu-patu  ‘hard, of fat, sago’

PT: Kukuya  vatu-  ‘strong, hard ??’\(^{17}\)

SES: Bugotu  patu  ‘hard, firm, taut’

SES: Gela  patu  ‘hard, to make firm’ (cf. vatu ‘stone’, vatula ‘skull’)

SES: ‘Are’are  pau-pau  ‘hard’ (cf. hau ‘stone’, pau- ‘skull’)

3.4.22 \(^{*}bʼ\text{atu(k)}\) and \(^{*}pʼ\text{au-}\)

As noted in §3.4.2, \(^{*}bʼ\text{atu(k)}\) and \(^{*}pʼ\text{au-}\) both mean ‘head’, and form a puzzling parallel to POc \(^{*}pʼ\text{atu[ka]}\)- ‘elbow, knee; joint, node’ and PSOc \(^{*}bʼ\text{au-}\) ‘knee’ (§3.6.8.1.1). The two pairs overlap conceptually, as reflexes of both entail the sense ‘knob, node, joint’. Formally, all four reconstructions begin with a labiovelar consonant \(^{*}bʼ\) or \(^{*}pʼ\), and have the same vowels, but the first member of each pair has a medial \(^{*}-t\)- where the second member doesn’t. Moreover, the members of each pair disagree in the voicing of the initial labiovelar. The first pair displays \(^{*}bʼw\)/\(^{*}pʼw\)-, the second pair the reverse.

Are any of the four reconstructions related to each other? Near-homophony between terms for head/skull and knee/elbow occurs across subgroups and echoes a polysemy between terms for ‘head’ and ‘knee’ in Tarascan (a Mexican isolate), in several Mayan languages where the term for knee, nah ch’ehk, is literally ‘head (nah) of lower leg’, and in Finnish where the term for elbow, kynärpää, is literally ‘head (paa) of cubit’ (Anderson 1978:354-355). Anderson suggests the polysemy is based on structural similarity (rounded boniness?).

A fairly exhaustive listing of known reflexes is given here and in §3.6.8.1.1 as a basis for answering the questions these forms raise. There are several possible answers, of course. The similarities between the four forms may be due to chance, or the four forms may reflect one or more etyma that have undergone a formal and semantic split, and/or the modern forms may reflect contamination of one form by another formally and semantically similar form.

The most conservative response has been chosen here: to make four separate reconstructions, as there is sufficient semantic and formal consistency within each set to justify this. There are several other reasons for this choice.

Lynch (2002) merges POc \(^{*}bʼ\text{atu(k)}\) ‘head, top of’ and POc \(^{*}pʼ\text{atu[ka]}\)- ‘elbow, knee; joint, node’ into a single set, but the initial labiovelar correspondences do not justify the merger. All reflexes of POc \(^{*}pʼ\text{atu[ka]}\)- in §3.6.8.1.1 reflect \(^{*}pʼ\)-. All the reflexes of POc \(^{*}bʼ\text{atu(k)}\) below reflect \(^{*}bʼ\)-. Lynch also merges POc \(^{*}pʼ\text{au-}\) ‘head’ and PSOc \(^{*}bʼ\text{au-}\) ‘knee’, and for this there is formal support. The non-Southern Oceanic reflexes of POc \(^{*}pʼ\text{au-}\) are regular, but the Southern Oceanic (NCV, SV and NCal) reflexes point to PSOc \(^{*}bʼ\text{au-}\) ‘head’, i.e. the same form as PSOc \(^{*}bʼ\text{au-}\) ‘knee, joint’. If these two sets reflected a single etymon, however, one would expect some of its reflexes to mean both ‘head’ and ‘joint’. In fact this happens only in Sye (SV), where no-\(^{*}\)pu occurs in both sets. It thus seems safer to infer that in Sye the reflexes of the two etyma have merged, whilst other languages have kept them separate. It could also be inferred, however, that PSOc \(^{*}bʼ\text{au-}\) ‘head’ is a reflex of POc \(^{*}pʼ\text{au-}\) ‘head’ whose initial \(^{*}bʼ\)- reflects contamination from PSOc \(^{*}bʼ\text{au-}\) ‘knee, joint’.

\(^{17}\) Only found in BPMs in our data.
This leaves the question, Did POc *pʰau- ‘head’ and PSOc *bʰau- ‘knee’ arise respectively from POc *bʰatu(k) ‘head, top of’ and POc *pʰau[ka]- ‘elbow, knee; joint, node’ through loss of *-t-? Perhaps, but it seems unlikely, first because loss of *-t- has not otherwise been observed in POc etyma, and second because the seemingly shortened forms reflect initial consonants with the opposite voicing value from the forms with *-t-. This gives us four different etyma that display intriguing semantic and formal relationships that remain unexplained.

Further comments on this cognate set follow it below.

? PMP *batuk ‘skull’ (Dempwolff 1938, ACD) (but see text above)

POc *bʰatu(k) ‘head; top (of s.t.)’

| Adm: Seimat | patu- | ‘head’ |
| Adm: Lou | potu- | ‘head’ |
| Adm: Baluan | patu- | ‘head’ |
| Adm: Ponam | batu- | ‘head’ |
| Adm: Nyindrou | batu- | ‘head’ |
| NNG: Bing | batu- | ‘head’ |
| MM: Vaghua | bac | ‘chieftain’ |
| MM: Värisi | batu | ‘chieftain’ |
| MM: Ririo | boc | ‘chieftain’ |
| MM: Sisiqa | bōtu | ‘head’ |
| MM: Sengga | botu- | ‘head’ |
| MM: Lungga | batu- | ‘head’ |
| MM: Nduke | batu- | ‘head’ |
| MM: Roviana | batu- | ‘head’ |
| | (pala)batu | ‘married man, elder; chieftain’ (pala meaning unknown) |
| SES: Lau | gʰau- | ‘head, top’ |
| | gʰou | ‘head, top, lump’ |
| SES: To’aaba’ita | gʰau | ‘head, top’ |
| | gū(ʔi) | ‘head of, top of’ |
| SES: Kwaio | gou- | ‘head, top, important part’ |
| SES: ’Are’are | pau- | ‘head’ |
| SES: Arosi | bʰau- | ‘head; chief, leader; knob; headland’ |
| SES: Sa’a | pʰau(-) | ‘head, top, chief’ |
| TM: Nembrío | baro | ‘head’ |
| TM: Vano | basa | ‘head’ |
| TM: Tanambili | (vala)base | ‘head’ |

PNCV *bʰatu- ‘head’, *bʰatu ‘club’ (Clark 2009)

| NCV: Mota | pʰati- | ‘knob, head’ |
| | pʰat | ‘knob, knob-stick, thick stick’ |
| | pʰat(panei) | ‘shoulder’ (lit. ‘head/knob of arm’) |
| NCV: Mwotlap | bʰt | ‘head, club’ |
| NCV: Nokuku | potu- | ‘head’ |
| NCV: Valpei | pʰatu- | ‘head’ |
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Reflexes of POc *b’atu(k) ‘head’ are also used metaphorically to refer to the upper part of things, e.g. Mota *p’at parei ‘shoulder’ (‘head of arm’). From the SE Solomons eastward there are reflexes with extended senses such as ‘lump’ and ‘knob’, and what appears to be a further extension to denote a weapon with a large knob on the end (‘knobstick’, ‘club’). Polynesian reflexes have either the latter meaning or denote a lump on the human body or a tree.

Note that Malaita-Makira (SES) languages lose POc *-t- regularly. Hence Lau g’au- etc are taken above to reflect *b’attu-. The items in the set below are from languages where *-t- is retained: its absence, along with reflexes of initial *p’- indicates that these items reflect POc *p’au-, not *b’attu-.

The items listed under ‘cf. also’ below do not reflect *p’au- regularly and have unexpected senses.

POc *p’au- ‘head’

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<td>pawa-</td>
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<td>NNG:</td>
<td>(i)p’o-</td>
<td>‘head’</td>
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MM: Torau  *pau-*  ‘head’
MM: Kia  *pau-*  ‘head’
MM: Kokota  *pau-*  ‘head’
MM: Maringe  *p'a?u-*  ‘head’
SES: Bugotu  *pau-*  ‘head’

**PSoC *b'au-* ‘head’** (Lynch 2004a)

| NCV: Nakanamanga  | *p'au-*  | ‘head’ |
| NCV: Nguna  | *na-p'au-*  | ‘head’ |
| NCV: S Efate  | *p'a-*  | ‘head’ |
| SV: Sye  | *no-*pu-*  | ‘head’ |
| SV: Ura  | *no-*pu-*  | ‘head’ |
| NCal: Caaàc  | *b'a-*  | ‘head’ |
| NCal: Nyelâyu  | *b'ā-*  | ‘head’ |
| NCal: Pwapwâ  | *g'a-*  | ‘head’ |
| NCal: Ajië  | *g'ā-*  | ‘head’ |
| NCal: Xârâcùù  | *b'a-*  | ‘head, summit’ |
| NCal: Iaai  | *ba-*  | ‘head’ |

cf. also:

| PT: Gumawana  | bo-bou-  | ‘fontanelle’ |
| PT: Roro  | *pau-*  | ‘forehead’ |
| PT: Kuni  | *bau-*  | ‘shoulder’ |

### 3.4.3 Forehead

Three PSoC terms for ‘forehead’ are reconstructed, only one of which, *rage-*, has a PAn antecedent. PSoC *dram*a-, reflected in Adm, NNG, MM and Mic, was evidently an Oceanic innovation. PSoC *p(u,o)le-* has a more limited basis, with reflexes from the Admiralties and a cluster of north Bougainville languages. Its medial vowel is uncertain. To our knowledge no contemporary language has two of these terms side by side, suggesting that they reflect dialectal variation in very early Oceanic.

**PAn *daqey ‘forehead’** (Ross 1988)

**POc *rage- ‘forehead’**

| MM: Lihir  | lake-  | ‘forehead’ |
| MM: Tinputz  | nai-  | ‘forehead’ |
| MM: Teop  | nae-  | ‘forehead’ |
| MM: Papapana  | nai-  | ‘forehead’ |
| MM: Uruava  | rae-  | ‘forehead’ |
| MM: Torau  | rae-  | ‘forehead’ |
| MM: Mono-Alu  | lae-  | ‘forehead’ |
| MM: Kia  | rae-  | ‘forehead’ |
| MM: Laghu  | rae-  | ‘forehead’ |

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18 Bugotu *pau* appears to have no other SES cognates and is perhaps borrowed from Maringe.
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MM: Roviana rae- ‘forehead’
SES: Gela rae- ‘forehead’
SES: Arosi rae- (VT) ‘move head forward, look forward, peering’
NCV: Raga rae- ‘forehead’
NCV: NE Ambae rae- ‘forehead’
NCV: Tamambo rae- ‘forehead’
NCV: Nguna na-rae- ‘forehead, face; in front of a person’
Fij: Wayan -rā ‘forehead’
Fij: Bauan (ya)dre- ‘forehead’ (ya- prefix added to some body part terms)

PPn *lage ‘forehead’ (POLLEX)
  Pn: Tongan laʔe ‘forehead’
  Pn: E Uvean laʔe ‘forehead’
  Pn: Tikopia rae ‘forehead’ (also muja-rae)
  Pn: Maori rae ‘forehead’
  Pn: Hawaiian lae ‘forehead’

cf. also:
  Adm: Mussau (pati)laka- ‘forehead’
  MM: Lamasong (pat)lak ‘skull’
  MM: Madak (pat)lakuat ‘skull’
  SES: Bugotu lāqe ‘forehead’

POc *dram*a- ‘forehead’
  Adm: Seimat kawa- ‘forehead (includes all front of head)’
  Adm: Wuvulu xawa- ‘forehead’
  NNG: Poeng rama- ‘forehead’

  NNG: Tuam damo- ‘forehead’
  NNG: Gitua damo- ‘forehead’
  NNG: Si o dam*a- ‘forehead’
  NNG: Malasanga damo- ‘forehead’
  NNG: Mindiri dem*a- ‘forehead’
  NNG: Ham dama- ‘forehead’
  NNG: Gedaged damo- ‘cape, forehead’
  NNG: Manam dam*a- ‘forehead’
  NNG: Bam damo- ‘forehead’
  NNG: Wogo dam*a- ‘mountain’
  NNG: Kaeip dam*a- ‘forehead’
  NNG: Sissano rama- ‘forehead’
  NNG: Sera rama(tal) ‘forehead’
  PT: Misima lam*a- ‘forehead’
  MM: Vitu dama- ‘forehead’
  MM: Bali dama- ‘forehead’
MM: Bulu *dama-* ‘forehead’
MM: Nakanai *gama-* ‘head’
Mic: Woleian *sim*<sup>e</sup> ‘head, forehead’
Mic: Puluwatese *rám*<sup>e</sup> ‘forehead’

cf. also:
NNG: Mapos Buang *daba-* ‘forehead’
PT: Kilivila *daba-* ‘head, forehead, brain’
PT: Gumawana *daba-* ‘forehead’

POc *<i>p(u,o)le</i>-* ‘forehead’
Adm: Lou *<i>pule</i>*- ‘forehead’
Adm: Drehet *<i>p</i>ili-* ‘forehead’
Adm: Loniu *(taha)pule-* ‘forehead’
MM: Solos *pone-* ‘forehead’
MM: Petats *pole-* ‘forehead’
MM: Haku *pole-* ‘forehead’
MM: Halia *pole-* ‘forehead’

3.4.4 Brain

Two distinct meanings, ‘brain’ and ‘pith’, are carried by the same term in sporadic reflexes of both POc *<i>qutok</i>* (vol.3:374) and POc *<i>paraq</i>* (vol.3:373). Non-Oceanic evidence indicates that *<i>qutok</i>* was the inherited term for the brain, whilst the use of *<i>paraq</i>* for brain represents an extension of its earlier meaning, ‘coconut embryo’. The link between brain and coconut embryo is further supported by the Mussau terms *laŋasi* ‘brain’, *laŋasi niu* ‘pith of young coconut’ and Niuean *uho-niu*, originally referring to ‘the spongy heart of sprouting coconut’, but by extension also to ‘brain’. It is also noteworthy that brain and bone marrow are referred to by one term, *hara*, in Motu, and *oso- in ‘Are’are.

A comparison of Blust’s (<i>ACD</i>) non-Oceanic reflexes of PMP *<i>hutek</i>* with those of POc *<i>qutok</i>* shows that the latter certainly denoted the brain and probably also bone marrow, and (non-Oceanic) Ambonese reflexes are consistent with the hypothesis that it was also used for the pith of plants. The sporadic occurrence of reflexes of POc *<i>paraq</i>* that denote the brain (vol.3:373), however, may be the result of independent parallel innovation. That is, the ‘brain’ sense of *<i>paraq</i>* may not have been present in POc.

The forms listed under ‘cf. also’ display phonological irregularities. The SES forms have a medial consonant where none is expected, as POc <i>*r</i> is lost in these languages. Tikopia has initial *-k- where no consonant is expected.

PMP *<i>hutek</i>* ‘brain, marrow’ (<i>ACD</i>)<sup>19</sup>
POc *<i>qutok</i>*, *<i>quto</i>- ‘brain, pith, marrow’ (vol.3:374–375)

NNG: Bariai *(i)uto-uto- ‘brain’
NNG: Gitua *uto ‘pith, centre of tree (particularly sago)’

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<sup>19</sup> Blust (<i>ACD</i>) treats PMP *<i>hutek</i>* and POc *<i>qutok</i>* as ‘a remarkable chance similarity’, but the fact that final *-k* is reflected in Lenakel speaks against this interpretation and in favour of an idiosyncratic acquisition of POc initial *<i>q</i>*.
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NNG: Lukep  
  kuto-  
  ‘head’

NNG: Malasanga  
  koto-  
  ‘head’

NNG: Kis  
  ut  
  ‘brain’

NNG: Kaiep  
  uto(y)  
  ‘brain’

NNG: Kela  
  koto-  
  ‘brain’

NNG: Mapos Buang  
  yuto-  
  ‘brain’

PT: Suau (Saliba)  
  uto-  
  ‘brain’

PT: Motu  
  (au) uto-  
  ‘pith’ (au ‘tree’)

SES: Sa’a  
  uwo  
  ‘inner skin of rattan cane, pith’

SES: Arosi  
  uwo  
  ‘flesh, edible part of a yam’

NCV: Mota  
  uto-i  
  ‘pith; inner part, if hard, within bark’

PSV *na-vutoy ‘brain’ (Lynch 2001c)

SV: Anejom  
  n-hutu(ma)  
  ‘brains’

SV: N Tanna  
  no-uta-  
  ‘brains’

SV: Lenakel  
  (neno)urですか  
  ‘brain’

NCal: Iaai  
  haec  
  ‘brain’

Fij: Bauan  
  uto-  
  ‘core, heart, pith of a tree’

PPn *quto ‘brain, pith of a tree, spongy mass in sprouting coconut’ (vol.3:375)

Pn: Tongan  
  ?uto  
  ‘brain; spongy heart of sprouting coconut’

Pn: Rennellese  
  ?uto  
  ‘sponge, as of coconut’

Pn: Samoan  
  uto  
  ‘spongy substance in old coconut’

Pn: Rarotongan  
  uto  
  ‘coconut that has germinated; kernel or white
spongy substance found inside a spongy coconut’

cf. also:

SES: Sa’a  
  uto-  
  ‘pith’

SES: Are’are  
  oso-  
  ‘brains, bone marrow’

SES: Oroha  
  oso-  
  ‘brain’

Pn: Tikopia  
  kuto  
  ‘brain’

PMP *para ‘coconut embryo’ (ACD)

POc *paraq ‘spongy mass inside sprouting coconut’; possibly also ‘brain’

Adm: Titan  
  pare-  
  ‘brain, sprout’

Adm: Wuvulu  
  faxa-  
  ‘coconut pith; brain’

NNG: Bariai  
  para  
  ‘sprout (v)’

NNG: Bariai  
  para-ŋa  
  ‘brain’ (-ŋa NOM)

PT: Sinaugoro  
  vara-  
  ‘brain; inner part of coconut’

A further term is reconstructable for PWOc.

PWOc *s(i,e)ma- ‘brain’

NNG: Manam  
  sema-  
  ‘brain, head’

MM: Patpatar  
  sima-  
  ‘brain’

MM: Tolai  
  ima-  
  ‘brain’
3.4.5 Back of head, nape

The change of meaning in reflexes in Santa Isabel languages below (from Kia to Maringe) may be due to similarity of shape, i.e. from 'back of head' to 'headland' to 'island'. PNGOc *g(i,e)ju- is evidently an irregular reflex of POc *k(i,e)ju-.

POc *k(i,e)ju- ‘back of head, base of skull, occiput, nape’ (Ross 1988: ‘naire’)

NNG: Mindiri  
  kudu-  ‘nape’

NNG: Bilbil  
  udu-  ‘back of head’

NNG: Manam  
  kuzi-  ‘back of head’ (metathesis)

NNG: Wogeo  
  kuzu-  ‘back of head’

PT: Molima  
  ṭedu- ṭedu-  ‘back of the head’

PT: Dobu  
  ṭedu- ṭedu-  ‘base of skull’

PT: Ubir  
  etu  ‘occiput’

PT: Bwaidoga  
  ṭedu- ṭedu-  ‘base of skull’

PT: Lala  
  etu  ‘back of head’

MM: Lihir  
  kicie-  ‘back of head’

MM: Vitu  
  kidu-  ‘back of head; elbow’

MM: Bali  
  kidu-  ‘back of head’

MM: Bulu  
  kidu-kidu-  ‘back of head’

MM: Bola  
  kidu-  ‘back of head’

MM: Harua  
  kidu-  ‘back of head’

MM: Nakanai  
  kisu-  ‘back of neck, nape’

MM: Taiof  
  a-iru-  ‘back of head’

MM: Uruava  
  idu-  ‘back of head’

MM: Torau  
  idu-  ‘back of head’

MM: Varisi  
  kuzu-  ‘head’

MM: Ririo  
  kuzu-  ‘head’

MM: Babatana  
  kuzu-  ‘skull’

MM: Roviana  
  kizu-  ‘back of head’

MM: Nduke  
  kizu-  ‘back of head’

MM: Kia  
  yizu  ‘island’

MM: Kokota  
  yizu  ‘island’

MM: Laghu  
  yizu  ‘island’

MM: Blablanga (gi)yizu  ‘headland’

MM: Marine (giu)yizu  ‘headland, point of land’

Mic: Wolealian  
  xu  ‘back of head’

PCP *keju- ‘back of head’ (Geraghty 1986)

Fij: Rotuman  ṭecu  ‘back of head’

Fij: Bauan  kesu-  ‘back of head’
The following forms appear to reflect a PNGOc innovation whereby *k- was irregularly replaced by *g-.

PNGOc *g(ī,e)ju- ‘back of head, base of skull, occiput, nape’

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<td>PT: Motu</td>
<td>gedu-</td>
<td>‘back of head, heel’</td>
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3.4.6 Top of head, fontanelle

In a number of languages the term for the fontanelle is a reflex of POc *mañawa, which was evidently a verb meaning ‘breathe, rest, be alive’, but also occurred as a noun with the senses ‘breath’, ‘life’ and ‘fontanelle’. The full cognate set for this term is presented in §4.5.1, where it is discussed in some detail. Here just those reflexes that include the sense ‘fontanelle’ are given. Note that the fontanelle provides a visible pulse in a young baby and is thus representative of life. The extension from ‘breath’ via ‘pulse’ to fontanelle is thus a natural one. The fontanelle is regarded in some parts of Oceania (e.g. Arosi) as where the soul entered and departed from the body.

PAn *LiSawa ‘breathe, breath’ (ACD)
PMP *mañihawa ‘breathe; breath’ (Ross 1988, ACD)
POc *mañawa (v) ‘breathe, rest, be alive’; (n) ‘breath, life, fontanelle’

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<th>Adm: Lou</th>
<th>mein</th>
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<td>PT: Kiriwina</td>
<td>mola-</td>
<td>‘fontanelle’ (-o- for †-a-)</td>
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<td>MM: Tolai</td>
<td>mana-manaug</td>
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<td>SES: Arosi</td>
<td>manawa</td>
<td>‘breathe, rest, pant; breath, lungs, fontanelle’</td>
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<td>‘breath, breathe; palpitate, pulsate; rest from work’</td>
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<td>‘anterior fontanelle’</td>
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<td>Pn: Marquesan</td>
<td>menava</td>
<td>‘breath, anterior fontanelle’</td>
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cf. also:

**Fij: Bauan** mana-manā ‘fontanelle’

POc *manawa*- ‘fontanelle, forehead’ is apparently a doublet of POc *mañawa*, related to it by an irregular sound change *ñ* > *ŋ*. Some reflexes of *manawa*- denote the forehead rather than the fontanelle, presumably as a result of a metonymic usage extending reference to the whole of the front part of the top of the head.

**POc *manawa*- ‘fontanelle, forehead’**

- MM: Lamasong *maŋa-* ‘forehead’
- MM: Madak *maŋ* ‘forehead’
- SES: Sa’a *maŋo(-)* ‘breathe; breath, chest’
- SES: Lau *maŋo(-)* ‘breathe; pulse; fontanelle’
- SES: Tō’aba’ita *maŋo* ‘breath, breathing; soul; pulse’

**PMic *maŋo*- ‘top of head, fontanelle’ (Bender et al., 2003)**

- Mic: Kiribati *maŋo-* ‘fontanelle’
- Mic: Woleaian *maŋo-* ‘forehead’
- Mic: Carolinian *mōŋ* ‘forehead’
- Fij: Bauan mana-manā ‘fontanelle’

It is possible that *tubuŋa* ‘crown of head’ is a nominalisation (with -ŋa) of POc *tubuŋ* ‘grow, swell’ (vol.1:134; vol.3:366), where the hair on the crown is compared to the first appearance of plants above ground.

**POc *tubuŋa* ‘crown of head’**

- PT: Sinaugoro *tubua* ‘highest point on the head’
- PT: Motu *tubua* ‘crown of head, top of anything’
- Fij: Rotuman *fupuŋa* ‘crown of head’

**3.4.7 Face**

Although two POc terms, *nako-* and *garop-*, are listed here, *garop-* was principally a spatial term (a relational local noun; §3.1.2) referring to ‘front, face, the side usually seen’ (vol.2:247) whereas *nako-* denoted the body part containing facial features and was only secondarily a spatial term. A third term POc *mata-* (§3.4.9.1 and vol.2:249) was apparently also commonly used to refer to ‘face’ as well as ‘eyes’.

**POc *nako*- ‘face’, (N LOC) ‘front’ (vol.2:250)**

- Adm: Pak *nogo(gi)* ‘front, before, face’
- NNG: Gitua *nago-* ‘face’
- NNG: Tami *nao-* ‘front, face’
- NNG: Takia *nao-* ‘face’
- PT: Kukuya *nao* ‘front’
- MM: Lavongai *no-* ‘forehead, frontside’
- MM: Tigak *no-* ‘forehead, frontside’
MM: W Kara  
no-  
‘forehead’

MM: Nalik  
no-  
‘forehead’

SES: Gela  
nayo  
‘front, before, face’

SES: Bugotu  
nayo  
‘before, in front, first’

SES: Lau  
nao-  
‘face, front’

SES: Kwaio  
naʔo  
‘before, in front of’

SES: Sa’a  
naʔo  
‘front, before, face’

NCV: Mota  
nayo(i)  
‘face, front, cutting edge’

NCV: NE Ambae  
nako-  
‘face, front’

NCV: Tamambo  
nayo-  
‘face’

NCV: Paamese  
nā-  
‘face, front’

cf. also:

MM:  Nakanai  
lagu-  
‘face; forward, in front’ (g for †k)

Reflexes of POc *qarop consistently refer to ‘front, face, the side usually seen’ and are sometimes contrasted with reflexes of POc *muri- ‘back’ (§3.1.2, vol.2:251). In this sense they are often used to refer to parts of the body other than the face. Evidence for final *-p lies in phrases such as Tongan ʔao斐-vae and Samoan alofi-vae, both ‘sole of foot’, where -i- reflects the PPn linker *qi (Hooper 1985).

PAn *qadəp ‘front, face’ (Blust 1997)

POc *qarop ‘face’, (N LOC) ‘front, the side usually seen’ (vol.2:247)

Adm: Mussau  
alο-  
‘(front of?) neck’

Adm: Lou  
kar  
‘palm, sole’ (kar-men ‘of hand’, kar-ke ‘of foot’)

NNG: Manam  
arο  
‘space in front’

NNG: Kairi  
arο  
‘in front of (s.t.)’

PT: Dawawa  
karo  
‘in front’

PT: Kilivila  
kayo  
‘front of neck, throat’

SES: Sa’a  
saro  
(vi) ‘to face, turn oneself, (N) ‘breast’

SES: ’Are’are  
ʔaroʔaro-  
’troat’

NCal: Pwaamei  
kala(n)  
‘front side’

Fij:  Rotuman  
arο  
‘front, side or surface usually seen; palm of hand etc’ (possible Polynesian loan)

Pn: Tongan  
ʔao  
‘front, esp. of a person, private parts, genitals’

ʔaоф-i  
‘lining (of house, garment etc)’

Pn: Rennellese  
ʔago  
‘front, coastline, front of human chest’

ʔаго baʔe  
‘back of knee or thigh’

ʔаго hi gima  
‘palm of hand, inner surface of arm’

Pn: Samoan  
alο  
‘smooth soft side of a thing, the front as opposed to tua the back; stomach, belly’

Pn: Tikopia  
arο  
‘inner part, lining; concave face opp. to tua ‘back of s.t.; stomach, womb’

Pn: Maori  
arο  
‘front of body; pubic area of females’

Pn: Hawaiian  
alο  
‘front, face; inner surface; front of human chest’
3.4.8 Side of face, cheek, temple

Two POc etyma, *\([p^\prime]a\)\[p^\prime]aRa- ‘cheek, side of face’ and *\(baba\[R,L]\)- ‘cheek’ appear to reflect Blust’s PCEMP *\(papaR\) ‘cheek’ (ACD). However, two comments are in order. First, PCEMP *\(papaR\) is supported by only one non-Oceanic reflex (Buru *\(papa-n\) ‘cheek’), with the consequence that there is no independent attestation of PCEMP *\(-R\)- or of the vowel following it. Second, POc doublets are rare, and it is possible that the two etyma have different origins. Both have reflexes that simply mean ‘side’, but it is common for POc relational local nouns to be derived from human body part terms (cf. POc *\(b^\prime\)\(a(l,o,a)\)- ‘belly, inside’, vol.2:239; *\(qaro\)- ‘face, front’, vol.2:247; *\(mata\)- ‘eye, front’, vol.2:249). A stronger possibility is that POc *\(baba\[R,L]\)- is indeed a doublet, created through contamination by POc *\(baban\) ‘flat, board, plank of boat’ (vol.1:185–186) because of its reference to a bone with a flat surface. Reflexes of POc *\(baban\) are sometimes used in this sense (cf. To’aba’ita *\(baba-leqo\), Maori *\(papa-\ahuahua\), both ‘shoulder blade’), and it is possible that PEPn *\(papa\-ari\(ja\) ‘cheek’ reflects such a compound.\(^{20}\)

PCEMP *\(papaR\) ‘cheek’ (ACD)

POc *\([p^\prime]a\)[p^\prime]aRa- ‘cheek, side of face’; (N \(L\)OC) ‘side’ (vol.2:244-245)

MM: Nalik \(par, p\_\_\_\_\_\_\) ‘side’
MM: Kandas \(papori\) ‘side’
MM: Minigir \(papara\) ‘side’
MM: Tolai \(papar, papara\) ‘side’
MM: Taiof \(p\_\_\_\_\_\) ‘side’
MM: Mono-Alu \(papala\) ‘side’
MM: Tinputz \(p\_\_\_\_\_\) ‘cheek, brim’
MM: Varisi \(pa-para-\) ‘cheek’
MM: Vaghua \(pa-para-\) ‘cheek’
MM: Nduke \(pa-para-\) ‘cheek’
MM: Roviana \(pa-para-\) ‘side of face, cheek’
NCV: S Efate \(m^\prime\)\(ar, p^\prime\)\(ar\) ‘side of face’
cf also:
SJ: Sobei \(popa\) ‘cheek’

PCEMP *\(papaR\) ‘cheek’ (ACD)

POc *\(baba\[R,L]\)- ‘cheek’

NNG: Manam \(baba\) ‘flat; palm of hand, sole of foot’
NNG: Rauto \(vava\) ‘side’
NNG: Maenge \(vava\) ‘side’
NNG: Poeng \(vava\) ‘side’
SES: Lau \(babali-\) ‘cheek’
SES: To’aba’ita \(babali-\) ‘cheek’ (cf. *\(baba-leqo\) ‘shoulder blade’)
SES: Kwaio \(bab\) ‘side, cheek’ (for †\(babali\)-)
SES: Sa’a \(papali-\) ‘cheek’

\(^{20}\) The meaning of PEPn *\(-ari\(ja\) is unknown, but note NNG: Bukawa \(a\_\_\_\_\_\) \(a\_\_\_\_\) ‘cheek’.
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SES: 'Are’are papari- ‘cheek’
SES: Arosi baba- ‘cheek’
babari- ‘temples’
Fij: Bauan baba- ‘side of s.t.; cheekbone; side of canoe’

cf. also:
NNG: Manam papaki- ‘temple’

Proto Central/Eastern Polynesian *papa-ariña ‘cheek’ (POLLEX) (PPn *papa ‘flat hard surface’)
Pn: Maori pāpāriŋa ‘cheek’ (cf. papa-āhuahua ‘shoulder blade’)
Pn: Tahitian pāpāriʔa ‘cheek’
Pn: Tuamotuan pāpāriŋa ‘cheek’
Pn: Hawaiian papa-āriŋa ‘cheek’ (lina ‘soft’?)

The following may be from PMP *balan/POc *p’ala(y) ‘side, part’ (vol.2:245) + POc *qase ‘chin, jaw’ (§3.4.13).

PNCV *balase ‘jawbone (of pig), chin, cheek’ (*ase ‘chin, jaw’)
NCV: Mota palasa-i ‘cheek’ (palasa ‘jawbone of a pig’)
NCV: NE Ambae balahe- ‘cheek’

POc *tabal ‘side of head’
MM: Bulu tabala- ‘side of head’ (for †taba. Borrowed from Bali?)
MM: Bola tabala- ‘side of head’
SES: Arosi aba- ‘half, part, side’

PMic *tapa- ‘cheek’ (Bender et al., 2003)
Mic: Woleaian tap ‘cheek, face’
Mic: Chuukese sap ‘face, present a side in a given direction (with directional suffixes)’

3.4.9 The eye and its parts

3.4.9.1 Eye

POc *mata- ‘eye, face’ appears to have served both as a noun denoting the eye (as a body part) and as a relational local noun denoting the ‘front’ side of a person or object (vol.2:249).

PAn *maCa ‘eye; face’ (Blust 1999a)

POc *mata- ‘eye, face’

Adm: Mussau mata- ‘eye, face’
Adm: Tenis mata- ‘eye’
Adm: Lou mara- ‘eye, face, front’
NNG: Adzera mara- ‘eye’
NNG: Numbami mata- ‘eye’
PT: Kilivila mata(la) ‘eye, face, appearance of anything’
PT: Motu mata- ‘eye’
PT: Dobu mata- ‘eye’
Eyelash, eyebrow hair

The glosses below suggest that ‘eyelash’ and ‘eyebrow hair’ were denoted by a single POc term, *pulu qi mata*- literally ‘hair of eye’. POc *pulu-* was the term for body hair (§3.3.8) as opposed to head hair. On *qi*, see Hooper (1985), Ross (1998a) and §3.1.1.

PMP *bulu ni mata* ‘eyelash’

POc *pulu qi mata*- ‘eyelash, eyebrow hair’ (ACD:*pulu ni mata-)

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<td>vulu-vulu-i mata</td>
<td>‘eye lashes’</td>
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<td>NCV: NE Ambae</td>
<td>vulu-vulu-si mata-</td>
<td>‘eyebrow, eyelash’</td>
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<td>Fij: Wayan</td>
<td>vulu-vulu-ni-mata</td>
<td>‘eyelash’</td>
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<td>Pn: Tongan</td>
<td>fulu-fulu ki laumata</td>
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<td>Pn: Tikopia</td>
<td>fulu-fulu mata</td>
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Kukuya mata-ivu ‘eyelash’ is a conceptually similar term, but ivu reflects *ipu ‘hair’ (§3.3.7).

Numbami (NNG) has mata-lami ‘eyelash’ and Nyindrou (Adm) has lami mada- ‘eyelash, eyebrow’, each containing an apparent reflex of POc *Ramut ‘fine, hair-like roots’ (vol.3:101).

The next set probably shows metaphoric use of a term also used to describe the fringe-like leaflets of a coconut branch (see Arosi, Sa’a, 'Are’are hisi, Lau fisi). Note that in MM and SES languages the possessor follows the possessed whilst in PT languages the order is reversed.

POc *pisa(n)-mata ‘eyelash’

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3.4.9.3 Eyebrow ridge

Widely distributed reflexes of POc *pasu- denote ‘eyebrow’, but scattered among them are reflexes meaning ‘forehead’ and, in Vanuatu, also ‘cheek’. Ancestral to the POc term is PMP *pasu(n), which Blust (ACD) glosses ‘cheek bone’. However, in addition to ‘cheek’ the non-Oceanic reflexes have meanings as varied as ‘prominent cheek bones’, ‘upper jawbone’, ‘bridge of the nose’. The common denominator across both Malayo-Polynesian and Oceanic glosses seems to be ‘facial bony ridge’ and this may well have been its extended sense at both interstages. However, its narrower PMP meaning does indeed seem to have been ‘cheek bone’. This was perhaps also its narrower POc gloss, with a semantic shift to ‘eyebrow ridge’, then ‘eyebrow’, in various daughter-languages. In this light, complex expressions for ‘eyebrow’ below which include a reflex of POc * mata- ‘eye’ (§3.4.9.1) apparently meant ‘ridge of eye’, i.e. ‘eyebrow ridge’, as opposed to other facial ridges, particularly the cheek bone.

The compound forms in Loniu, Port Sandwich, Nguna, Iaai and Rotuman all point to POc *pasu-mata-, but Nokuku pus-pusa-n meta- contains a suffix -n which reflects either POc *-ña ‘his, her, its’ or *ni, a morpheme that marked the following noun phrase as the nonspecific possessor of an indirectly possessed noun, e.g. POc * pusu ni mata- ‘ridge of eye’. This reconstruction is odd, however, as POc *pasu- was directly possessed, and the nonspecific possessor of a directly possessed noun was introduced by *qi (Ross 1998a; also §3.1.1), i.e. the expected form is POc * pasu qi mata-. In a number of languages the reflex of *ni has displaced *qi, and Nokuku may be one of these.

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PMP *pasu[ŋ] ‘cheek bone’ (ACD)

POc *pasu- ‘facial bony ridge, especially cheek bone’; POc *pasu-mata- or *pasu qi mata- ‘eyebrow ridge’

| Adm: Loniu | pusu-mata- | ‘eyebrow, eyelash’ (mata- ‘eye’) |
| PT: Dobu | asu- | ‘forehead’ |
| PT: Sinaugoro | varu-raye | ‘lift eyebrows to say “yes”’ (raye ‘go up’) |

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PT: E Mekeo *paku- ‘forehead’
MM: Bulu *varu- ‘forehead’
MM: Bileki *vasu- ‘forehead’
MM: Nakaini *varu- ‘forehead’
SES: Bugotu *vahu- ‘forehead, temple’
SES: Gela *vau-vahu- ‘eyebrow’
SES: Arosi *hasu-hasu- ‘eyebrow’

PSOc *vasu ‘eyebrow’ (Lynch 2004a: Clark 2009: PNCV *vazu)
NCV: Nokuku *pus-pusa-n meta- ‘eyebrow’ (meta- ‘eye’)  
NCV: Tamambo *vasu- ‘eyebrow’
NCV: NE Ambae *vahu- ‘forehead above the eye, incl. eyebrow’
NCV: Raga *vahu- ‘cheek’
NCV: Uripiv *vasu- ‘cheek’
NCV: Port Sandwich *vos-mara- ‘eyebrow’ (mara- ‘eye’)  
NCV: Nguna *na-vasu-mata ‘eyebrow’  
NCV: NE Ambae *vinu-i mata- ‘eyelid’ (*vunu- ‘skin, bark’)  
NCV: Raga *vahu- ‘cheek’
NCV: Uripiv *vasu- ‘cheek’
NCV: Port Sandwich *vos-mara- ‘eyebrow’ (mara- ‘eye’)  
NCV: Nguna *na-vasu-mata ‘eyebrow’  
NCV: NE Ambae *vinu-i mata- ‘eyelid’ (*vunu- ‘skin, bark’)  
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NCV: NE Ambae *vinu-i mata- ‘eyelid’ (*vunu- ‘skin, bark’)  
NCV: Raga *vahu- ‘cheek’
NCV: Uripiv *vasu- ‘cheek’
NCV: Port Sandwich *vos-mara- ‘eyebrow’ (mara- ‘eye’)  
NCV: Nguna *na-vasu-mata ‘eyebrow’  
NCV: NE Ambae *vinu-i mata- ‘eyelid’ (*vunu- ‘skin, bark’)  
NCV: Raga *vahu- ‘cheek’
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NCV: Port Sandwich *vos-mara- ‘eyebrow’ (mara- ‘eye’)  
NCV: Nguna *na-vasu-mata ‘eyebrow’  
NCV: NE Ambae *vinu-i mata- ‘eyelid’ (*vunu- ‘skin, bark’)  
NCV: Raga *vahu- ‘cheek’

PMic *fasu ‘eyebrow’ (Bender et al., 2003)
Mic: Marshallese *yāt ‘eyebrow’
Mic: Woleaian *fāt ‘eyebrow’
Mic: Sonsorolese *fati ‘eyebrow’
Mic: Carolinian *fāt ‘eyebrow’
Fij: Rotuman *haes-mafa ‘eyebrow’
Fij: Bauan *va-hu ‘eyebrows’

3.4.9.4 Eyelid

Although a possible PEOc compound can be reconstructed from SES and NE Ambae terms which translate literally as ‘eye skin’, there is little consistency of form across the Oceanic region, with a range of terms being used in place of ‘skin’ including ‘cover’, ‘husk’, and ‘leaf’. PEOc *pinu-pinu is a reduplicated reflex of POc *pinut ‘skin, bark’ (§3.3.5).

PEOc *pinu-pinu ni mata ‘eyelid’

PT: Motu mata kopi- ‘eyelid’ (kopi ‘skin’)  
PT: Wedau mata opi- ‘eyelid’
PT: Dobu mata ?ap’a?ap’ara ‘eyelids’ (?ap’a?ap’ara ‘sugarcane with dried leaves’)

MM: Tolai pil-pil na mata ‘eyelid’ (pil ‘to peel, shell, remove rind’)  
MM: Roviana pokoko-poko mata- ‘eyelids’ (pokoko-poko- ‘husk of certain grains, ear of corn’)  
SES: Kwaio fe-felu i mā- ‘eyelid’ (*p(*))īlit ‘peel by hand’
NCV: Tamambo  
**buroyi mata**- ‘eyelids’ (*burohi ‘to cover over with s.t. hard’)

Pn: Tongan  
**lau-mata** ‘eyelid’ (*lau ‘flat surface’)

Pn: Niuean  
**lau-mata** ‘eyelid’ (*lau ‘flat surface’)

Separate terms for upper and lower lids are found in Bauan Fijian, Samoan and Tikopia, but they appear to be independently created descriptions.

Fij: Bauan  
**dakudaku ni mata** ‘upper eyelid’ (*daku ‘back of a person or thing’)

Pn: Samoan  
**laumata aluha** ‘upper eyelid’ (*luha ‘top, upper surface’)

Pn: Tikopia  
**tua mata** ‘upper eyelid’ (*tua ‘back, outer side’)

**raro mata** ‘lower eyelid’ (*raro ‘down, below’)

3.4.9.5  Eyeball

The eyeball is sometimes referred to by compounds which include a term meaning something like the kernel or flesh or substance of the eye. Reflexes of POc *kanon* ‘flesh, meat, coconut flesh’ (vol.3:370) combined with reflexes of *mata* ‘eye’ are used to refer to ‘eyeball’ in a number of languages, pointing to POc *kanon qi mata* ‘eyeball’.

POc *kanon qi mata* ‘eyeball’

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<td>mata anín-a</td>
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<td>mata- ano-na</td>
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<td>Pn: Tongan</td>
<td>kanoʔi-mata</td>
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Other compounds, similar in meaning but varying in form, include:

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<td>NNG: Kove</td>
<td>mata kaliro</td>
<td>‘eyeball’ (*kaliro ‘breadfruit seed’)</td>
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<td>SES: Kwai0</td>
<td>lodona mā-</td>
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<td>NCV: Tamambo</td>
<td>tolui mata-</td>
<td>‘eyeball’ (*tolu ‘testicles, toltoa ‘egg’)</td>
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<td>Fij: Bauan</td>
<td>yoloka ni mata</td>
<td>‘eyeball’ (*yoloka ‘egg’)</td>
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<td>Pn: Niuean</td>
<td>tega-mata</td>
<td>‘eyeball’ (*tega ‘seed’)</td>
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<td>Pn: Samoan</td>
<td>ʔʔo-i-mata</td>
<td>‘eyeball’ (*ʔʔo ‘tuber, corm’)</td>
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<td>Pn: Tikopia</td>
<td>kafi mata</td>
<td>‘eyeball’ (*kafi ‘lump of flesh’; cf. kanofi)</td>
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3.4.10  Ear

POc *taliŋa*- was not only the term for ‘ear’ but also the generic term for mushrooms and fleshy fungi (vol.3:78). The association between the two was presumably based either on visual similarity or on the fact that fungi often grow on trees in the rain forest just as ears appear to grow on the side of the human head. That the association had a conceptual basis is attested by the fact that in certain Oceanic languages where the term for ‘ear’ is not a reflex of POc *taliŋa*, the ‘ear’ term is still the generic term for fungi.
PAn *Caliña ‘ear; k.o. tree fungus’ (ACD)
PMP *taliña ‘ear; k.o. tree fungus’ (ACD)
Poc *taliña- ‘ear’; *taliña ‘generic term for mushrooms and fleshy fungi’

Adm: Aua alia- ‘ear’
Adm: Wuvulu alia- ‘ear’
Adm: Mussau taliña- ‘ear’
      taliña niŋii ‘mushroom’
Adm: Tenis tariña- ‘ear’
Adm: Lou telija- ‘ear’
NNG: Poeng taliŋ ‘mushroom’
NNG: Kove taliña- ‘ear’
NNG: Gitua taliña- ‘ear’
NNG: Lukep taliña- ‘ear’
NNG: Gedaged tiliŋ ‘ear’
PT: Kiliivila taiga(la) ‘ear’
PT: Motu taim- ‘ear; gill fins of fish’
PT: E Mekeo aina- ‘ear’
MM: Vitu taliŋa- ‘ear’
MM: Bali taliŋa- ‘ear’
MM: Nakanai taliga ‘small edible fungus’
MM: Notsi taliŋa ‘ear’
MM: Patpatar taliŋa- ‘ear’
MM: Tolai taliŋa- ‘ear’
MM: Roviana taliŋa- ‘ear’
SES: Gela taliŋa ‘fungus; wax in ear’
SES: Kwaio aliaŋ ‘ear; mushroom; fish fin’
SES: ’Are’are arina- ‘ear’
SES: Sa’a aliŋe- ‘ear; wing of flying fish; large fungi, some edible, growing on logs’
NCV: Port Sandwich ‘dariŋa(n) ‘ear, fin’
NCV: Nguna na-daliga ‘ear’
SV: Sye n-teho- ‘ear’
SV: Anejom n-ticŋa- ‘ear; initial element in various compounds denoting mushrooms’
Mic: Woleaian tariŋa- ‘ear; mushroom’
Mic: Carolinian sariŋ ‘ear’
Fij: Rotuman faliŋa ‘ears; pectoral fins of fish; toadstool or fungus’
Fij: Bauan daliga- ‘ear’
      daliga ni kalou mushroom’ (lit. ‘god’s ear’)
Fij: Wayan taliŋa ‘ear’
Pn: Tongan telija ‘ear’
Pn: Rennellese tagiŋa ‘ear; side fins of fish’
Pn: Samoan taliŋa ‘ear; name given to several types of fungus’
Pn: Tikopia tariŋa ‘ear’
3.4.11 The nose and its parts

3.4.11.1 Nose

POc *icuŋ ‘nose’ probably also had the senses ‘cape of land’ (vol.2:47) and ‘canoe prow’ (vol.1:189).

PMP *ijuŋ ‘nose’ (ACD)

POc *icun ‘nose’ (vol.1:189)

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<td>NNG:</td>
<td>Manam</td>
<td>su(sukuri) ‘nose’</td>
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<td>PT:</td>
<td>Lala</td>
<td>iđu- ‘nose’</td>
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<td>PT:</td>
<td>Motu</td>
<td>uđu- ‘nose, beak, mouth’</td>
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<td>Vitu</td>
<td>(y)jidu- ‘nose’</td>
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<td>Bulu</td>
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<td>Nduke</td>
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<td>Roviana isu-</td>
<td>‘face’ (for †isuju), ‘nose’</td>
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<td>Lau</td>
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<td>SES:</td>
<td>Arosi</td>
<td>isu-isu- ‘nose ornament, made of clam shell’</td>
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<td>SV:</td>
<td>Lenakel (-n)haŋa</td>
<td>‘nose’ (second element in various compounds; Lynch 2001c)</td>
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<td>Kwamera (nopa)-seŋi</td>
<td>‘nose’</td>
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<td>Rotuman</td>
<td>isu- ‘nose; projection, cape of land; point, tip, head of match’</td>
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<td>Bauan</td>
<td>udu- ‘nose’</td>
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<td>ihu- ‘nose, trunk (of an elephant)’</td>
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<td>Pn:</td>
<td>Samoan</td>
<td>isu- ‘nose’</td>
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<td>Pn:</td>
<td>Rennellese isu-isu</td>
<td>‘be inquisitive, put one’s nose into other people’s affairs’</td>
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<td>Pn:</td>
<td>Tikopia</td>
<td>isu- ‘nose, beak, swelling on top of beak of doves; axe handle top, beneath the butt end of the blade’</td>
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<td>Pn:</td>
<td>Maori</td>
<td>ihu- ‘nose, beak, pointed end, tip’</td>
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<td>Pn:</td>
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<td>isu- ‘nose; bow of a canoe, etc’</td>
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Pn: Hawaiian  *ihu*  ‘nose, snout, beak, bill, trunk of an elephant, toe of a shoe; a kiss, prow or bow of a canoe or ship; thick end of pearl-shell Shank’

There is also evidence for POc *b*w*a(l,R)usu- ‘nose’. Its SE Solomonic and Micronesian reflexes form part of the evidence on which Blust (1984, 2010) bases his Malaitan-Micronesian subgroup. In the context of the additional cognates listed here, his Proto Malaitan-Micronesian *p*aRusu- is less convincing as a uniquely shared innovation. Blust dismisses Lou *pursu- as a ‘chance resemblance’ on the grounds that Lou *-r- does not reflect *-R- (it reflects *-R-). The -l- of the MM reflexes here also fails to agree with the Micronesian reflexes as the former reflect POc *-l-, the latter POc *-R- (the SES cognates reflect either *-l- or *-R-). Whatever the reason for these discrepancies, it is difficult to attribute the resemblances across the set to chance.

This set is rendered more difficult by the presence of a number of look-alikes in NCV languages (a sample is given under ‘cf. also’). Of these, the most attention grabbing is Sowa (Pentecost) *b*w*a-ŋsu- (Tryon 1976), where nearby Apma has *ŋsu-, presumably reflecting POc *ŋuʒu- ‘external mouth, lips, snout, beak’ (§3.4.12.1) and suggesting that Sowa *b*w*a-ŋsu-reflects *b*w*a+ *ŋuʒu-. This in turn raises the question whether the same *b*w*a- occurs in the reconstruction below, but the evidence does not allow a clear answer. Araki *ŋalsu-, Aore *kalsu-, Lendamboi *na-gars- and Nisvai *na-gursu- are typical of the Santo and Malakula forms which complicate the picture yet more. None of them reflects *b*w*a-, but Araki and Aore include the sequence *lsu-, perhaps cognate with *lisu-, the term for ‘nose’ in Maewo languages. Is it also cognate with the MM and SES forms? One cannot be sure.

POc *b*w*a(l,R)usu- ‘nose’ (PEOc *b*w*aRucu: Geraghty 1990)

| MM: Konomala | *bulsu- | ‘nose’ |
| MM: Minigir | *bilausu- | ‘nose’ |
| MM: Tolai | *bilau- | ‘nose’ |
| MM: Label | *bulsu- | ‘nose’ |

PSES *b*w*a(l,R)usu- ‘nose’

| SES: Longgu | *b*alasu- | ‘nose’ |
| SES: Lau | *g*alusu- | ‘nose’ |
| SES: Sa’a | *p*alusu- | ‘nose, nostril, beak of bird, snout of pig’ |
| SES: Arosi | *b*arisu- | ‘nose, beak of bird’ |
| NCV: Sakao | e-ðelhö- | ‘nose’ (< *balsu; Clark 2009) |

PMic *p*aSu- ‘nose’ (Bender et al., 2003)

| Mic: Kiribati | *p*airi- | ‘nose’ |
| Mic: Chuukese | *p*iti- | ‘nose’ |
| Mic: Carolinian | *b*iti- | ‘nose’ |
| Mic: Puluwatese | *p*iti- | ‘nose’ |

cf. also:

Adm: Lou *pursu- ‘nose, snout, beak’ (*r- for expected -l-)
NCV: Sowa *b*w*a-ŋsu- ‘nose’ (Tryon 1976)
NCV: Araki *ŋalsu- ‘nose’
NCV: Aore *kalsu- ‘nose’ (Tryon 1976)
NCV: Lendamboi *na-gars- ‘nose’ (John Lynch, pers.comm.)
NCV: Nisvai *na-gursu- ‘nose’ (John Lynch, pers.comm.)

3.4.11.2 Channel above the upper lip

Although a number of reflexes of POc *ŋoroŋorok are glossed ‘nose’ (and by extension ‘cape’; vol 2:48), the term apparently referred in POc times to ‘channel above upper lip’, its meaning transferred independently in daughter-languages. Given their formal and semantic similarity it is reasonable to infer that PNCV *ŋori reflects POc *ŋoroŋorok, despite the irregular final vowel. We take *ŋoroŋorok to be a reduplicated form of the noun *ŋorok ‘snot’ (§3.8.3) and/or the verb *ŋorok ‘grunt, growl, snore’ (§4.5.3).

POc *ŋoroŋorok ‘channel above upper lip’ (cf. *ŋorok ‘snot’; vol.2:48)

Adm: Loniu ŋo- ‘nose, beak’
NNG: Sio i-ŋoŋoro- ‘nose’
NNG: Notsi ɲul-ɲul ‘nose’
MM: Tangga ŋoroŋoro- ‘nose’
MM: Patpatar ɲar-ɲaro- ‘nose’
MM: Roviana ɲoŋoro isu ‘nostril’
SES: Lau ɲo-ŋora(-) ‘nose, nostrils, snout; headland’
SES: Arosi ɲora-ɲora- ‘lips, snout; cape; space above lips’

PNCV *ŋori ‘channel above upper lip’ (Clark 2009: ‘edge, upper lip’)

NCV: Mota ɲor .getLocalizedObject() ‘mucus of nose’
NCV: Araki ɲori-ɲori- .getLocalizedObject() ‘upper lip; place between nose and upper lip’
NCV: Urupiv ɲor .getLocalizedObject() ‘upper lip of person or animal’
NCV: Paamese ɲoli- .getLocalizedObject() ‘edge, exposed surface’
NCV: S Efate na-ɲor .getLocalizedObject() ‘nose’
NCV: Nguna na-ɲori- .getLocalizedObject() ‘moustache’

3.4.11.3 Nostrils

The nostrils are typically described in Oceanic languages as ‘mouths of nose’ or ‘holes of nose’.

Adm: Nyindrou muni no- ‘nostril’ (lit. ‘hole nose’)
NNG: Bariai muni- i-baba ‘nostril’ (lit. ‘nose its-mouth’)
NNG: Dami ɲu- ku ‘nostril’ (lit. ‘nose hole’)
NNG: Takia ɲudu- awa-n ‘nostril’ (lit. ‘nose mouth-its’)
PT: Iduna kabu-ʔawa- ‘nostril’ (lit. ‘nose-mouth’)
PT: Tawala niu domo-na ‘nostril’ (lit. ‘nose hole-its’)
NCV: Lonwolwol bələ-n ɡohu- ‘nostril’ (lit. ‘hole-its nose’)

PNPn used the phrase *poŋa qi isu, literally ‘orifice of nose’:

PNPn *poŋa qi isu ‘nostril’

Pn: Samoan poŋa-i-isu ‘bridge of nose’
Pn: E Futunan poŋa ʔi isu ‘nostril’
3.4.12 The mouth and its parts

Four POc terms referring to the mouth have been reconstructed: *ŋuju-, *[pʰa]pʰa(q), *qawa and *maŋa. POc *ŋuju- probably referred to the external mouth and lips, its reflexes sometimes extending to bird’s beak or nose, while POc *[pʰa]pʰa(q) referred to the inner mouth or opening and *qawa perhaps had the broader meaning ‘opening into a passage or channel’. POc *maŋa may have referred more broadly to an opening. Other extensions of its meaning are to a particularly shaped opening such as a slit or vagina, or opening as in a passage through a reef.

3.4.12.1 External mouth

Blust (ACD) glosses PAn *ŋusuq ‘nasal area, snout’. We add ‘mouth’ here, as glosses referring to ‘mouth’ are found across Austronesian subgroups.

PAn *ŋusuq ‘nasal area, snout; mouth’ (ACD)

POc *ŋuju- ‘external mouth, lips, snout, beak’ (PWOc *ŋuju ‘carved prow’: vol.1:189)

Adm: Lou ŋusu- ‘lip’
Adm: Mussau ŋusu- ‘nose’; (vt) ‘to smell’
Adm: Tenis nuso(no) ‘nose’
Adm: Loniu (pɔʔɔŋ)ŋusu ‘lip’ (pɔʔɔ ‘within’)
NNG: Gitua ŋuzu ‘smell’
NNG: Takia ŋudu(n) ‘nose’
MM: W Kara ŋusu- ‘mouth’
MM: Nalik ŋus ‘mouth’
MM: Bulu ŋutu- ‘lips; beak’
MM: Notsi ŋuce- ‘mouth’
MM: Madak ŋus ‘mouth’
MM: Tangga ŋisa- ‘mouth’
MM: Roviana ŋuzu- ‘mouth’
SES: Lau ŋida- ‘lips, snout’
SES: Kwaio ŋidu- ‘lips, bill of a bird, snout’
SES: Sa’a ŋidu-, ŋudu- ‘lip’
NCV: Neve’ei ŋus-ŋus ‘breathe’
NCV: Uripiv o-ŋus ‘sniff’
Fij: Bauan ŋusu ‘mouth’
Fij: Wayan ŋusu ‘external mouth of a person or animal’
Fij: Rotuman nucu ‘mouth’ (n- for †ŋ-)

PPn *ŋutu ‘mouth, beak’ (POLLEX)

Pn: Tongan ŋutu ‘mouth, beak, orifice’
Pn: Rennellese ŋutu ‘mouth’
The human body

Pn: Samoan ŋutu ‘mouth, beak’  
Pn: Tikopia ŋutu ‘mouth’  
Pn: Maori ŋutu ‘beak, lip, mouth of harbour, rim’  
Pn: Hawaiian nuku ‘beak, snout, mouth of harbour’

PPn *lau-ŋutu ‘lips’ (lau ‘particle found before a number of bases, most of which refer to flat and thin objects’)

Pn: Tongan lou-ŋutu ‘lips’  
Pn: Rennellese gau-ŋutu ‘lip’  
Pn: Samoan lau-ŋutu ‘lips’  
Pn: Tikopia rau-ŋutu ‘lip’

3.4.12.2 Lips

The data support two POc reconstructions for ‘lips’, *[pi]piRi- and *[bi]biRi-, both reflecting PAn *biRbiR, PMP *bibiR. As noted in vol.2 (p18), PMP *b became either POc *p or POc *b, in initial position more commonly *p-. In almost every instance Oceanic cognates reflect either POc *p- or POc *b-, but not both. In this instance, however, PMP *bibiR has given rise to two etyma, POc *[pi]piRi- and POc *[bi]biRi-. We have no explanation for PWOc *b- in this instance.

PAn *biRbiR ‘lip’ (ACD)  
PMP *bibiR ‘lip; labia of the vulva; eyelid’ (ACD)  
POc *[pi]piRi- ‘lip’ (ACD)

NNG: Biliau fari- ‘lips’ (-a- for †-i- unexplained)  
NNG: Mindiri fari- ‘lips’ (-a- for †-i- unexplained)  
NNG: Takia fari(n) ‘lips’ (-a- for †-i- unexplained)  
NNG: Gedaged fili(ŋa)- ‘lips, snout’  
PT: Mekeo fift- ‘lips’  
PT: W Mekeo pipi- ‘lips’  
MM: Siar pir(lo) ‘lips’  
MM: Hoava pipi- ‘vulva’  
SES: Kwaio fe-felu (ŋidu-) ‘lip’  
SES: ’Are’are hihi- ‘labia’  
NCV: NE Ambae viviri (siyona) ‘lips’ (siyona ‘lips incl. skin above and below’)  
NCV: Araki (huri) vivi ‘lips’ (huri ‘skin’)

POc *[bi]biRi- ‘lips’

NNG: Bam buri- ‘lips’  
NNG: Wogeo biri- ‘lips’  
NNG: Kaiep biri- ‘lips’  
NNG: Kairiru bri ‘lips’  
NNG: Ulau bri- ‘lips’  
NNG: Ali pri(ŋ) ‘lips’
PT: Motu bibi- ‘lips
PT: Lala bibi(ʔa) ‘lips’
PT: Kilivila bili(-balo) ‘lips’ (Senft has bilu-bilo)
Fij: Bauan bebe- ‘vagina’

cf. also:
NNG: Matukar bru- ‘lips’
MM: Roviana beru- ‘lips, rim of a bottle etc’ (unexpected vowels)

3.4.12.3 Inner mouth

Terms for the inner mouth denote the opening and the cavity rather than the lips, and are often used of the opening and inside of a vessel.

PMP *(bahaq)bahaq ‘mouth, opening’ (ACD)\(^\text{21}\)
POc *[pʷa]/pʷa(q) ‘(inner) mouth’

Adm: Mussau pā ‘mouth; hole in a pot, canoe etc’
Adm: Loniu pʷaha- ‘mouth’
MM: Vitu hava- ‘mouth’
MM: E Kara fə- ‘mouth’
MM: Patpatar ha- ‘mouth’
MM: Label paha- ‘mouth’
MM: Tolai papa ‘open’
SES: Longgu vava ‘speak’
SES: Lau fafā ‘open mouth wide’

PNCV *vʷavʷa ‘(open) mouth’ (Clark 2009)

NCV: Nokuku wowa- ‘mouth’
wawa ‘opening’
NCV: Tamambo wawa- ‘inside of mouth’
NCV: Araki vava- ‘mouth, esp. inside’
NCV: Raga (lol)vʷa ‘inside of mouth’ (lol ‘inside’)
vʷavʷa ‘open the mouth’
SV: Lenakel noua ‘inside of mouth’
NCal: Nemi hwa ‘mouth’
Pn: Rennellese haha(ŋa) (v) ‘open, as a shell’
Pn: Tahitian vaha ‘mouth’
Pn: Maori waha ‘mouth, entrance’
Pn: Hawaiian waha ‘mouth; opening; inner surface of a bowl; open top of a canoe’

cf. also:
PT: Molima vava ‘jaw’
MM: Nakanai (si)vava ‘chin, jaw’

\(^\text{21}\) Blust (ACD) reconstructs *bahaq, but his discussion implies that reduplication occurred in early Malayo-Polynesian as a result of reduction to *baq.
POc *qawa ‘mouth, opening’

Adm: Seimat  awa  ‘mouth’
Adm: Kaniet  awa  ‘mouth’
NNG: Malai  avo(m)  ‘mouth’
NNG: Gitua  awa  ‘mouth’
NNG: Tuam  avo  ‘mouth’
NNG: Kilenge  awa  ‘mouth’
NNG: Sio  (i)kawa  ‘mouth’
NNG: Gedaged  auan  ‘mouth; beak, snout, muzzle’
NNG: Takia  awa(n)  ‘mouth’
NNG: Manam  aoa  ‘mouth’
NNG: Wogeo  vawa  ‘mouth’
PT: Maisin  kava-  ‘mouth’
PT: Pawiwa  kawa  ‘mouth’
PT: Molima  ?awa  ‘door; mouth; eye of a needle’
PT: Dobu  ?awa  ‘mouth’
PT: Bwaidoga  awa  ‘passage or opening, e.g. the opening of the mouth, or a passage through two reefs’
PT: Kukuya  awa  ‘mouth; door opening’
MM: Vitu  yava-  ‘mouth’
MM: Bali  yava  ‘mouth’
MM: Bilur  ava  ‘mouth’
MM: Ramoaaina  ava  ‘mouth’
NCV: NE Ambae  kawa  ‘mouth’
Mic: Carolinian  aya  ‘mouth’
Mic: Woleai  yaw(a)  ‘mouth’
Mic: Puluwatese  yew-  ‘mouth, bill of a bird, largest eye of a coconut’

PPn *awa ‘channel, passage through reef’

Pt: Tongan  ava  ‘passage, opening’ (for ?awa)
Pt: Tokelauan  ava  ‘passage through reef’
Pt: Rapanui  aba  ‘channel, crack, crevice, ditch’

Finally, some Oceanic languages have a term for ‘mouth’ that reflects POc *mana(p) (v) ‘to open wide, gape’, (N) ‘open mouth; gap, space’. The supporting cognate set is given in §4.5.5. POc *mana(p) in its turn reflected PMP *qumana[p,b] ‘gape, open the mouth wide’ (where *<um> was the PMP actor voice infix; §1.3.5.5). Blust (ACD) attributes two of these reflexes, Arosi mana ‘an opening, mouth’ and Bauan Fijian mana ‘vagina’, to PMP *majaq ‘slit, crevice’ (ACD). However, the glosses of the set of Oceanic reflexes in §4.5.5 include a range of meanings centring on ‘opening, aperture’ (‘mouth’, ‘vagina’, ‘space between earth and sky’), pointing to a more probable origin in PMP *qumana[p,b] rather than PMP *majaq. But, since the two PMP terms would have had near-identical POc reflexes, one could argue that the cognate set supporting POc *mana(p) reflects a conflation of the two terms.

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22 In vol.2:111 PPn *awa was incorrectly listed as a reflex of POc *sawa(n,ŋ) ‘channel, passage’ with unexplained loss of *s-.
There are two related POc reconstructions for ‘tongue’, *maya- and a compound that includes it, *kara-maya-. The origin of *kara- in the latter is unknown.

Most reflexes of *maya- entail a reduction of *-ay- or *-ya- to -e-, but the Bariai, Kilivila and Roro reflexes point to *maya-. The compound is reconstructed as *kara-maya- rather than *kara-mea-, on the model of *maya-.

PCEMP *maya ‘tongue’ (Blust 1993a)

POc *maya- ‘tongue’

NNG: Kove mae- ‘tongue’
NNG: Bariai mae- ‘tongue’
NNG: Lukep me- ‘tongue’
NNG: Manam me-me- ‘tongue’
NNG: Ormu (ma)me- ‘tongue’
PT: Dobu meya- ‘tongue’
PT: Kilivila maye- ‘tongue’
PT: Kukuya mea- ‘tongue’
PT: Roro maya- ‘tongue’
MM: Petats mea- ‘tongue’
MM: Banoni mea- ‘tongue’
MM: Torau mea- ‘tongue’
MM: Roviana mea- ‘tongue’
SES: Lau mea- ‘tongue’
SES: Kwaio mea- ‘tongue’
SES: Sa’a mea- ‘tongue’
NCV: NE Ambae mea- ‘tongue’
NCV: Raga mea- ‘tongue’
NCV: Tamambo me-me- ‘tongue’
SV: Lenakel na-mə- ‘tongue’
Fij: Bauan (ya)me- ‘tongue’ (ya- prefix added to some body part terms)
Fij: Wayan -mē ‘tongue’

POc *kara-maya- ‘tongue’

Adm: Lou kar-me- ‘tongue’
Adm: Loniu (pala)keʔi-me- ‘tongue’ (pala ‘head’)
MM: Nakanai kala-mea- ‘tongue’
MM: Notsi kali-mə- ‘tongue’
MM: Tabar kara-me- ‘tongue’
MM: Lihir kala-me- ‘tongue’
MM: Sursurunga ker-me- ‘tongue’
MM: Patpatar kara-me- ‘tongue’
MM: Minigir kara-mea- ‘tongue’
MM: Tolai kara-mea- ‘tongue’
MM: Bilur kara-mea- ‘tongue’
Andrew Pawley (pers. comm.) suggests that the item below is of Meso-Melanesian origin and has been borrowed into the Guadalcanal-Gelic subgroup of SE Solomonic.

PMM *lap(e,i)- ‘tongue’
- MM: Vitu lave- ‘tongue’
- MM: Kia lapi- ‘tongue’
- MM: Kokota lapi- ‘tongue’
- MM: Maringe glapi- ‘tongue’
- SES: Gela lapi- ‘tongue, flame’
- SES: Bugotu ḍlapi- ‘tongue’
- SES: W Guadalcanal lapi- ‘tongue’
- SES: Talise lapi- ‘tongue’
- SES: Birao lapi- ‘tongue’

3.4.12.5 Teeth
POc *nipo- and POc *lipo- ‘tooth’ coexisted. Both *n- and *l- forms are reconstructable at least as far back as PA, and both must be attributed to POc. The fact that the two forms have existed side by side for such a long time is intriguing, as there is no difference in meaning. Kwaio is the only language among the data sources that reflects both.

In a number of languages the term for teeth is a reflex of POc *ŋisi or *ŋiŋisa, both glossed ‘bare one’s teeth, grin’. Since these forms were evidently verbs, they are discussed in §4.7.2.

PA *nipen ‘tooth’ (Blust 1999a)
POc *nipo- ‘tooth’
- NNG: Kaiwa nivo- ‘tooth’
- NNG: Numbami niwo- ‘tooth’
- PT: Tawala niwo- ‘tooth’
- MM: Mono-Alu niho- ‘tooth’
- SES: Kwaio nifo-, lifo- ‘tooth’
- SES: Sa’a niho- ‘tooth, tusk’
- SES: ’Are’are niho- ‘tooth’
- Pn: Tongan nifo ‘tooth’
- Pn: Rennellese niho ‘tooth’
- Pn: Samoan nifo ‘tooth’
  (ʔau)nifo ‘gums’ (ʔau- ‘classifying prefix used esp. with bases referring to long and often narrow things; also to sets or clusters of things’)
- Pn: Tikopia nifo ‘tooth, of man or animal’
- Pn: Hawaiian niho ‘tooth, crab claw, insect nippers’
cf. also:

PT: Kukuya *niho- ‘tooth’ (h for †p)

PAn *lipen ‘tooth’ (Blust 2011)

POc *lipo- ‘tooth’

Adm: Wuvulu *lifo- ‘tooth’
Adm: Aua *lifo- ‘tooth’
Adm: Seimat *leho- ‘tongue’ (Smythe)
Adm: Ponam *life- ‘tooth’
Adm: Baluan *lip- ‘tooth’ (Smythe)
NNG: Kove *luo- ‘tooth’
NNG: Bariai *(i)luo- ‘tooth’
NNG: Tuam *livo- ‘tooth’
NNG: Malai *livo- ‘tooth’
NNG: Gitua *livo- ‘tooth’
NNG: Malalamai *liwo(m) ‘tooth’
NNG: Bilibil *liwo(n) ‘tooth’
NNG: Gedaged *liwo- ‘tooth’
PT: Wedau *ivo- ‘tooth’
MM: Meramera *livo- ‘tooth’
MM: W Kara *lifo- ‘tooth’
MM: Nakanai *livo- ‘tooth’
MM: Tiang *lio- ‘tooth’
MM: Petats *lihu- ‘teeth’
MM: Nduke *livo- ‘tooth’
MM: Roviana *livo- ‘tooth’
SES: Gela *livo- ‘tooth’
SES: Tolo *livo- ‘tooth’
SES: Lau *lifo- ‘tusk, tooth, porpoise teeth used as money’
SES: Kwaio *nifo-, *lifo- ‘tooth’
SES: Arosi *riho- ‘tooth, tusk’
NCV: NE Ambae *livo- ‘tooth, tusk’
NCV: Raga *livo- ‘tooth’
NCV: Paamese *loho- ‘tooth’

PSV *na-livo- ‘incisor tooth’ (Lynch 2001c)

SV: Sye *nelve- ‘incisor tooth’
SV: Lenakel *nelu- ‘tooth’
SV: Anejom *nicho- ‘tooth’
NCal: Iaai *niu ‘tooth’

All three reconstructions for ‘molar tooth’ are based on limited cognate sets.
PMP *baReqaŋ ‘molar tooth’ (ACD)
POc *paRa(ŋ) ‘molar tooth’

NNG: Lukep (Pono) para- ‘place of molars’
NNG: Tuam parara- ‘molar tooth’
SES: Arosi hara- ‘mouth; jawbone; double tooth, molar; tusk’

cf. also:
Adm: Lou areŋa- ‘molar tooth’
MM: Minigir pala- ‘teeth’
MM: Tolai pala(ŋie)- ‘teeth (ŋie-‘mouth’)

With regard to the relationship between PMP *baReqaŋ and POc *paRa(ŋ) Blust (ACD) notes that medial *-e- in a trisyllable is retained in PAn *baqeRu > POc *paqoRu ‘new’. The suggested loss of PMP *e and reduction of the resulting consonant cluster in POc *paRaŋ ‘molar tooth’ may indicate very specific conditions for deletion of *e between PMP and POc. Alternatively, the resemblance of Arosi hara to phonetically and semantically similar forms in non-Oceanic languages may be due to chance.

However, the occurrence of the Lukep and Tuam forms alongside Arosi hara- indicates that the resemblance is not fortuitous.

Two further vaguely similar reconstructions for ‘molar tooth’ can be reconstructed. In the set reflecting *ŋaRo- the gloss of Misima nalu- ‘gums’ suggests that it reflects POc *ŋado- ‘gums’ (§3.4.12.6), but this is probably a case of contamination of one form by the other. Note in any case that two reflexes of PWOc *m’ao- ‘molar tooth’ below instead denote the gums, i.e. this is perhaps a fairly common extension of meaning.

POc *ŋaRo- ‘molar tooth’

Adm: Mussau yalu-yalu- ‘tooth’
NNG: Kairiru yaro- ‘tooth’
NNG: Kove ŋaro- ‘molars’ (r for †h)
PT: Misima nalu- ‘gums’
Pn: Tongan ŋao ‘molars’
Pn: Samoan ŋao ‘molar tooth’

PWOc *m’ao- ‘molar tooth’

NNG: Gedaged (ga)mau- ‘molars’
NNG: Takia (ga)ma- ‘molar tooth’
PT: Kukuya moa- ‘gums’ (metathesis)
PT: Motu mão- ‘gums’
MM: Bola-Harua mao- ‘molar tooth’
MM: Nakanai (bigo)mu- ‘molar teeth’

The POc term for ‘canine tooth’, *bati, is also used for a boar’s tusks (vol.4:266).
POc *bati ‘canine tooth, tusk’

NNG: Gedaged bali ‘canine tooth of dog; ornamental band for forehead made of dog’s teeth’

PSOc *bati- ‘tusk, upper canine tooth’ (Lynch 2004a)

NCV: Mota pati(u)- ‘upper tusk in a boar’
NCV: Uripiv bati- ‘upper canine tooth, of pig, porpoise or person’
NCV: Araki p*ari- ‘molar’
NCV: Raga basi- ‘fang’
NCV: Namakir bati- ‘tooth, pig’s tusk; seed’
SV: Sye ne-(m)pati- ‘canine tooth, tusk. horn, crab’s pincer’
SV: Ura na-bare ‘tusk’
SV: Kwamera na-pati- ‘tusk, horn’
SV: Anjom ni-pat ‘tusk, horn; tusked pig’
NCal: Pije pae(hwa-) ‘tooth’
NCal: Nemi paye(hwa-) ‘tooth’
Fij: Bauan bati- ‘tooth; any sharp edge’

cf. also:
PT: Lala asi-ʔasi ‘molar’ (? for †b-)

Some reflexes of PNGOc *jona ‘(boar’s) tusk’ (vol.4:267) refer also to teeth.

3.4.12.6 Gums

POc *ŋado- ‘gums’ bears an obvious resemblance to *ŋaRo- ‘molar tooth’ above, but the difference in medial consonant and in gloss indicate that they are distinct.

POc *ŋado- ‘gums, palate’

MM: Nakanai gago- ‘gums’
NCV: Mota (ma)ŋaro- ‘gums, palate’
NCV: NE Ambae ŋado- ‘gum’
NCV: Raga ŋado- ‘gums’

PMic *ŋaco- ‘palate, gums’ (Bender et al., 2003)

Mic: Kiribati ŋaro- ‘the gum’
Mic: Marshallese ŋaro-ŋaro- ‘toothless’
Mic: Carolinian ŋōs ‘hard palate, roof of the mouth’
Mic: Woleaian ŋaso- ‘gum, hard palate’
Fij: Wayan ŋadro ‘inner mouth, palate’
Fif: Bauan ŋadro- ‘palate’

3.4.13 Chin, jaw and beard

Austronesian languages usually lack separate words for ‘chin’, i.e. the outward shape of the lowest and frontmost part of the lower jaw, and the lower ‘jaw’ itself. They are typically denoted in Oceanic languages by a reflex of POc *qase- or by a compound that apparently
contains a reflex of POc *qase-. PPn *kau-gahe ‘cheek, chin, jawbone’ is evidently such a compound. PPn *kau meant ‘edge, side’, and *kau-gahe presumably once meant ‘edge of jaw’, i.e. ‘chin’, but with the loss of PPn *gahe ‘jaw’, *kau-gahe came to subsume ‘chin’ and ‘jaw’. Another possible compound, POc *(k,g)abase- ‘chin; jawbone’, is discussed below.

The term for ‘beard’, POc *kumi-, was clearly distinct from the term for ‘chin, jaw’, but its meaning has been extended to include the latter in a number of languages.

**PMP *qazay ‘chin, jaw’ (ACD)**

**POc */qase/qase- ‘chin, jaw’ (Ross 1988, ACD)**

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<td></td>
<td>are patu</td>
<td>‘jawbone’ (patu ‘stone’?)</td>
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<td>(η)aše</td>
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<td>PT: Tawala</td>
<td>ah-ahe-</td>
<td>‘jawbone, chin’</td>
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<td>PT: Dobu</td>
<td>ʔaše-ʔaše-</td>
<td>‘cheek, jaw’</td>
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<td>PT: Motu</td>
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<td>ake-</td>
<td>‘jaw, chin, mouth’</td>
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<td>MM: Simbo</td>
<td>ase-</td>
<td>‘jaw; lip, rim, edge’</td>
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<td>lā-lāte-</td>
<td>‘beard’</td>
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<td>SES: Sa’a</td>
<td>sate, sa-sate-</td>
<td>‘human jaw, chin’</td>
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<td>SES: ‘Are’are</td>
<td>ra-rate-</td>
<td>‘jaw, chin, beard’</td>
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<td>NCV: Nokuku</td>
<td>ase-</td>
<td>‘chin’</td>
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<td>NCV: Tamambo</td>
<td>ase-</td>
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<td>na-yse-</td>
<td>‘jaw’ (John Lynch, pers. comm.)</td>
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<td>NCV: Nguna</td>
<td>na-asî-</td>
<td>‘jaw, chin’</td>
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<td>ãete-</td>
<td>‘chin’</td>
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<tr>
<td>Mic: Puluwatese</td>
<td>yêt</td>
<td>‘chin, especially its bottom’</td>
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Mic: Woleaian  yat(e)  ‘chin, jaw’
Pn: Tongan  kou-qahe  ‘cheek, chin, jawbone’ (POLLEX) (*kau ‘edge, side’)
Pn: Samoan  ?au-vae  ‘jaw, chin’
Pn: Tikopia  kau-ae  ‘jaw, chin’
Pn: K’marangi  kau-wae  ‘cheek’
Pn: Maori  kau-wae  ‘jaw, chin’

POc *(k,g)abase-  ‘chin; jawbone’ at first sight appears to have been a compound of *(k,g)abV (meaning unknown) and *qase-  ‘chin, jaw’, but only the Lou and Baluan reflexes straightforwardly reflect the reconstructed vowels (and disagree on the initial consonant). Bipi and the Meso-Melanesian reflexes instead reflect a possible POc *(k,g)abesi- or *(k,g)abise-, suggesting that the POc form was a trisyllable with perhaps three different vowels (apparently *a, *i and *e) which underwent various metatheses and/or assimilations.

POc *(k,g)abase- ~ *(k,g)abesi- ~ *(k,g)abise-‘chin, jawbone’

Adm: Lou  kapase-  ‘chin, jaw’
Adm: Loniu  kepase-  ‘chin’
Adm: Baluan  gabase-  ‘chin’ (Smythe)
Adm: Bipi  gabise-  ‘chin’
PT: Kilivila  gabula-  ‘chin, beard’
MM: Meramera  abeso-  ‘chin; jawbone’
MM: Tangiga  kemese-  ‘jawbone’
MM: Minigir  kabesa-  ‘chin’ (vowel metathesis)
MM: Label  kabesi-  ‘chin’
MM: Siar  kabes  ‘chin’

There is a well-attested form for ‘beard’.

PMP *kumis  ‘beard’ (Blust 2011)

POc *kumi-  ‘beard’

PT: Molima  umi-  ‘lower chin, lower jaw, lower part of beak’
PT: Dobu  ?umi-  ‘beard, moustache, chin’
PT: Kukuya  umi-  ‘chin’
PT: Kilivila  kim(la)  ‘jaw’
MM: Vitu  yumi-  ‘lips’
MM: Bola-Harua  kumi-  ‘chin’
MM: Roviana  yumi-  ‘beard’
SES: Gela  yumi-  ‘beard’
SES: Talise  yumi-  ‘beard’
PNCV *kum’i-  ‘beard’ (Clark 2009)

NCV: Tamambo  yumi-  ‘beard’
NCV: Raga  gum’mi-  ‘beard’
NCV: NE Ambae  kumi-  ‘beard, moustache’
NCV: Araki  humi-  ‘beard’
SV: Kwamera  
Fij: Bauan  
Pt: Niuean  
Pt: Tongan  
Pt: Maori

Kumu-kumu  ‘chin, beard’
Kumu-kumu  ‘chin’
Kumu-kumu  ‘chin’
Kumu-kumu  ‘beard’

cf. also:

MM: Bali  
Pij: Rotuman

Um-i  ‘lips’
Kum-kumu  ‘chin, beard’ (Pt borrowing)

3.4.14 Neck, throat, voice

Modern Oceanic languages typically have four separate monomorphemic lexical items denoting parts of the neck region: ‘neck’ (viewed from the outside), ‘voice’, ‘throat’ (inside the neck) and ‘nape’ (back of neck/base of skull’). For ‘nape’, see §3.4.5. Examples of the first three terms are given below. Some languages also have monomorphemic terms for the Adam’s apple and the gullet, but sources typically omit these meanings.

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The most detailed source available to us is Pawley & Sayaba’s (2003) dictionary of Wayan Fijian, according to which -domo ‘neck’ is also used for voice, overlapping semantically with -li- (both terms are also used of animal vocalisations). Doubtless overlaps of the kind indicated by the definitions of the Wayan terms also occur in other Oceanic languages but are not recorded by our sources. The only language here to collapse two of these terms is To’aba’ita, where the meaning of lua-, originally ‘neck’ (from POc *Ruqa-), has been extended to ‘throat’, presumably after a period of overlap.

Evidently POc also had a three-way distinction among ‘neck’, ‘voice’ and ‘throat’, but four terms are reconstructed. The assignment of the first three is straightforward, but the meaning of *kadro- is problematic (see below).

*Ruqa- ‘neck’
*[qa]li- ‘voice’
*[qa]li-goR ‘throat’
*kadro- ‘neck ?’

*Ruqa-‘neck’ has largely retained its meaning throughout all subgroups, although isolated terms have extended or relocated reference to nearby body parts.

POc *Ruqa- ‘neck’
Adm: Wuvulu  ua- ‘neck’
Adm: Aua  ua-  ‘neck’
NNG: Wab  lua-  ‘neck’
NNG: Biliau  rua-  ‘neck’
NNG: Dami  (ua)lua-  ‘neck’
NNG: Sengseng  huwa-  ‘shoulder’
PT: Wedau  ua-  ‘neck’ (for †rua-)
MM: Lihir  lua-  ‘neck’
MM: Bilur  a-rua-  ‘neck’
MM: Roviana  rua-  ‘neck’
SES: Bugotu  lua-  (N) ‘neck’; (V) ‘utter, emit, of sound; vomit’
SES: Gela lua-  (N) ‘neck’; (V) ‘burst out’
SES: Lau  lua-  ‘neck’
SES: Sa’a  lue  ‘neck, throat’ (in compounds e.g. lue niʔae  ‘back of knee’, ukuuku [channel] i lue ‘wind-pipe’, suli tolai lue ‘collarbone’)

SES: Arosi  rua-  ‘chin, jaw’
NCV: NE Ambae  ua-  ‘neck’
NCV: Araki  ua-  ‘neck’

PSV *n(a)-ua-  ‘neck’ (Lynch pers. comm.)
SV: N Tanna  n-ua-  ‘nape of neck’
SV: Lenakel  n-ua-  ‘top of shoulder near the neck’
SV: SW Tanna  n-ua-  ‘shoulder and part of neck’
SV: Kwamera  n-ua-  ‘neck’
Mic: Carolinian  iwa-  ‘neck; jaw and jowls’
Mic: Woleaian  uiwa-  ‘neck’
Fij: Yasawa  ua  ‘neck’
Pn: Niuean  ua  ‘neck’
Pn: Tongan  uʔa  ‘neck’
Pn: E Uvean  uʔa  ‘neck, throat’
Pn: Samoan  ua  ‘neck’
Pn: Tikopia  ua  ‘neck, throat (external)’
Pn: Tahitian  ua  ‘neck’

POc */qa/liŋa-  ‘voice’ is reflected in languages as far east as the southeast Solomons, but its reflexes are not found further east. East and south of the Solomons, the term for voice is a reflex of POc */qa/liŋoR  ‘throat’.

Even closely related languages vary as to whether *qa- is included.\(^{24}\)

POC */qa/liŋa-  ‘voice’
Adm: Mussau  liŋi(ŋ-alo)  ‘voice’
NNG: Wogeo  valiŋa  ‘voice’
NNG: Kove  liŋe-  ‘voice’
NNG: Tuam  aliŋa-  ‘voice’
NNG: Mangap  kalŋa-  ‘voice, speech’

\(^{24}\) For a brief discussion of *qa-, see §3.5.3.
Reflexes of *
[qa]liqoR
mean ‘neck’ or ‘throat’ in languages as far east as the southeast Solomons, but in languages further east refer consistently to ‘voice’. Initial *
qa-
in *
[qa]liqoR
is reflected only in NNG and PT (i.e. NGOc) languages. PNCV *
le(q)o
‘word, speech, voice’ and PPn *
leqo
‘voice’ are reflexes of POc *
[qa]liqoR
‘neck, throat’. PNCV *
daleqo
‘neck, throat; voice’ remains unaccounted for, other than to note its similarity to POc *
[qa]liqoR
‘neck, throat’.

POc *
[qa]liqoR
‘throat’

NNG: Malalamai  

NNG: Malasanga  

PT: Motu  

MM: Vitu  

MM: Bali  

MM: Bulu  

MM: Bola-Harua  

MM: Nakanai  

MM: Petats  

MM: Roviana  

SES: W G’canal  

SES: Talise  

SES: Malango  

SES: Ghari  

SES: Lengo  

SES: Bauro  

SES: Kahua  

PNCV *
le(q)o
‘word, speech, voice’ (Clark 2009) cf. *
daqlo
‘neck, throat; voice’

NCV: Mota  

NCV: Raga  

NCV: Uripiv  

NCV: NE Ambae  

NCV: Araki  

NCV: Tamambo
Fij: Rotuman *lio ‘voice’
Fij: Wayan *lio ‘voice of person or animal’
Pn: Niuean *leqo ‘voice’
Pn: Tongan *leʔo ‘voice, sound’
Pn: Rennellese *geʔo ‘voice, sound, noise’
Pn: Samoan *leo ‘voice’
Pn: Tikopia *reo ‘voice, esp. in speech’

The relationship, if any, between POc *qailiation ‘neck, throat’ and PNCV *daleqo- ‘neck, throat; voice’ is not understood.

PNCV *daleqo- ‘neck, throat; voice’ (Clark 2009)

NCV: Lōyōp n-dolo- ‘neck’
NCV: Mwoṭlap ne-nlo- ‘neck’
NCV: Nokuku ʔalo- ‘neck’
NCV: Ninde ne-dele- ‘neck’
NCV: Uripiv drrela- ‘voice, noise’
NCV: Paamese ree- ‘voice’ (hi-ree ‘neck, throat’)
NCV: Port Sandwich dṛ-dṛo- ‘throat’ (drae- ‘voice, noise’)
NCV: Namakir doloʔo- ‘voice, language, sound’
NCV: Nguna (na-kau)dalo- ‘neck’ (kau ‘handle’), (na-daleo ‘voice’)  

POc *kadro- ‘neck’ has reflexes only in Mussau and Western Oceanic, and seems to have referred to the neck region generally, to judge from the compound terms for its parts in Mussau and Motu. Thus it appears to have been a (near-)synonym of POc *Ruqa-.

POc *kadro- ‘neck’?

Adm: Mussau alo- ‘neck, voice’
      (taue-ŋ)alo- ‘throat’
NNG: Roinji aro(tua-) ‘neck’
NNG: Bam aro(buku-) ‘neck’
PT: Motu yado- ‘throat, voice, speech’
      yado baubau ‘windpipe’ (baubau ‘bamboo pipe’)
      yado rourou ‘Adam’s apple’ (rourou ‘noise’?)
PT: Lala ato- ‘neck, throat’
PT: Roro ako- ‘throat, neck’
MM: Patpatar kado- ‘neck’
MM: Laghu yado(ai) ‘neck’

Pn: Niuean kō-kō- ‘throat’
Pn: Tongan kō-kō- ‘windpipe of a fowl’
Pn: Pukapukan kolo-kolo ‘throat, double chin’
Pn: Mangareva koro-koro ‘pronounced external larynx, tumour on larynx’
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Pn: Tuamotu  
* koro-koro  
‘gular pouch of male frigate bird’

Pn: Maori  
* koro-koro  
‘throat’

cf. also:

Adm: Loniu  
* kolu  
‘throat’

MM: Nakanai  
* golu  
‘throat’

(bari)golu  
‘throat, windpipe’

MM: E Kara  
* kolo(ma)  
‘neck’

MM: Roviana  
* koro-koro(na)-  
‘lungs’

§3.5  Parts of the trunk

Terms for the trunk itself are given alongside those for ‘body’ in §3.2.2. Terms for the parts of the torso or trunk are arranged such that those for the back are presented first, followed by those for parts of the trunk moving from the top (shoulder) to the bottom (buttocks and genitalia).

3.5.1  Back

POc *takuRu-  ‘back’ clearly denoted a location, i.e. the posterior surface of an object, and specifically the posterior surface of the human body. But did it also denote the spine as a body part? The answer appears to be ‘no’, in that very few glosses of its reflexes include ‘spine’ or ‘backbone’ (often encoded with a compound involving the term for ‘bone’), and Oceanic languages typically have separate terms for back and backbone.

Another reconstruction sometimes used to refer to the back as a body part is the relational local noun POc *muri-[ ] ‘back part, rear, behind, space to the rear of, time after; (canoe) stern; space outside’ (§3.1.2 and vol.2:251).

POc *takuRu-  (N, N LOC)  ‘back’ (vol.2:253)

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| Adm: Titan | lákulo- | ‘(s.o.’s) back’ (l- for expected †t-)
| NNG: Sio  | taulo-  | ‘behind’                           |
| PT: Gumasi | tulu-  | ‘(s.o.’s) back’                     |
| PT: Molima | tulu-  | ‘(s.o.’s) back’                     |
| PT: Dawawa | tauri- | ‘back of s.t.; s.o.’s back’         |
| MM: Nakanai | turo-  | ‘spinal column’                    |
| MM: Minigir | tauru- | ‘(s.o.’s) back’                     |
| MM: Bilur  | taru-   | ‘(s.o.’s) back’                     |
| MM: Taiof  | taru-   | ‘(s.o.’s) back’                     |
| MM: Kia    | tayuru- | ‘back of s.t.; s.o.’s back’         |
| MM: Kokota | tagru-  | ‘back of s.t.; s.o.’s back’         |
| NCV: Mota  | tawur, tawuru- | ‘behind, the hinder part, back’ |
| NCV: Raga  | a-tayu- | ‘behind’                           |
| NCV: Namakir | tak  | ‘back, backwards, behind’           |
| SV: Kwamera | taku(tā) | ‘back, backside’                    |
| NCal: Nemi | dai    | (N) ‘back’                          |
| NCal: Jawe | jai    | ‘back’                              |
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3.5.2 Flat of back

No POc term is reconstructable for ‘flat of back’. PPN *papa in *papa-a-tuqa below reflects POc *haban ‘flat object or surface; board, plank, canoe strake’ (vol.1:58, 185).25

PPN *papa-a-tuqa ‘small/flat of back’ (*papa ‘flat surface’, *-a- ‘linker’, *tuqa ‘back’) (POLLEX)

Pn: Tongan papa-tuʔa ‘flat of back’
Pn: Samoan papa-a-tua ‘small of back’
Pn: Pukapukan papa-a-tua ‘lower back’
Pn: Tuamotuan papa-tua ‘small of back’
Pn: Tahitian papa-tua homu ‘shell on back of turtle’

3.5.3 Shoulder

POc *[qa]paRa- ‘shoulder’ has usually been reconstructed as a straightforward trisyllable (i.e. *[qa]para), but well distributed reflexes (Gitua, Nakanai, Halia, Selau, Torau, Mono-Alu, Nduke, Lungga, Gela, Big Nambas) lack initial *[qa]. The same is true of a number of non-Oceanic reflexes listed in the ACD. POc *[qa]paRa- is thus one of a small number of trisyllabic body part nouns which consist of a disyllabic root (the most common form of POc roots) and apparently had forms with and without POc *[qa]. Other forms of this kind are POc *[qa]liŋa- ‘voice’, POc *[qa]liŋoR ‘neck, throat’ (both §3.4.14) and POc *[qa]numu ‘shadow of person, likeness, reflection’ (§3.9.1). Whilst we can describe this pattern, we do not know its function or why alternants apparently survived side by side over a long period.26

As noted in §3.4.2 some Oceanic languages refer to the shoulder as the ‘head/knob of arm’, but we cannot say how old this expression is.

25 The gloss ‘flat object or surface’ was omitted in volume 1.
26 A few nouns which label plants or animals display the same pattern: PWOc *[qa]pwasu ‘taro leaves’ (?) (vol.3:269), PEOc *[qa]paRi ‘canarium almond’ (vol.3:315), POc *[qa]paRi ‘surgeonfish’ (vol.4:103), POc *[qa]mpe ‘caterpillar or k.o. sea cucumber’ (vol.4:206), POc *[qa]xawan ‘strangler fig’ (vol.3:303), POc *[qa]paR ‘sago gnub, edible’ (vol.4:404), POc *[qa]liŋ ‘tapestry turban shell’ (vol.4:182), POc *[qa]liŋoP ‘centipede’ (vol.4:406). Some of these are reconstructed without the *qa-less alternant, but reflexes reflect absence of *qa-. The only discernible regularity regarding the presence or absence of *qa- in reflexes is that it is apparently always absent in Gela, with a tendency towards absence in other Guadalcanal languages and in New Ireland languages—but absences also occur elsewhere.
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PAn */[qa]baRa ‘shoulder’ (ACD)

POc */[qa]paRa- ‘shoulder’

Adm: Loniu  keheya- ‘shoulder’
NNG: Tuam  avara- ‘shoulder’
NNG: Malai  avara- ‘shoulder’
NNG: Gitua  bara- ‘carry on shoulder’
PT:  Ubir  abara- ‘shoulder’
PT:  Gapapiwa  kavara- ‘shoulder’
PT:  Bwaidoga  avala- ‘his shoulder; carry something on the shoulder’
PT:  Molima  ?avana- ‘shoulder’
    avala- ‘carry, esp. on the shoulder’
PT:  Bunama  ahara- ‘shoulder’ (-r- for †-l-)
MM:  Nakanai  pala- ‘shoulder’
MM:  Minigir  (ul)avara- ‘shoulder’ (ul ‘head’)
MM:  Kandas  kabara ‘shoulder’
MM:  Halia  (Haku)  hala-hala- ‘shoulder’
MM:  Torau  a- ‘shoulder’
MM:  Mono-Alu  fala- ‘shoulder’
MM:  Roviana  avara- ‘shoulder’
MM:  Nduke  vara- ‘shoulder’
MM:  Lungga  vara- ‘shoulder’
MM:  Laghu  fara- ‘shoulder’
SES:  Gela  vala- ‘shoulder; collarbone’
SES:  ‘Are’are  ahara- ‘shoulder’
SES:  Sa’a  ahala- ‘shoulder’
SES:  Arosi  ?abara ‘shoulder’
NCV: Big Nambas  vo- ‘shoulder’ (John Lynch, pers. comm.)
NCV:  Neve’ei  na-?avera- ‘wing’ (John Lynch, pers. comm.)
NCV:  Namakir  ?ovari- ‘wing’ (John Lynch, pers. comm.)
Mic:  Chuukese  afara- ‘shoulder (of human, animal, bottle)’
Mic:  Woleatia  yafa-z ‘shoulder’
Mic:  Puluwatese  (yajy)far ‘shoulder, load carried on the shoulder’
cf. also:
Adm:  Mussau  papapa- ‘shoulder’
NNG:  Kove  wala- ‘shoulder’

A second term is reconstructable for PWOc. Initial y- or l- in some reflexes is epenthetic following loss of *k-.

PWOc *kaRo ‘shoulder’

NNG: Gedaged  yalo- ‘shoulder’
NNG: Matukar  yaro- ‘shoulder’
NNG: Megiar  yaro- ‘shoulder’
PT:  Paiwa  yaro(bebana) ‘shoulder’
PT:  Kukuya  yano-yano- ‘shoulder’ (-n- is regular reflex of *-R-)
PT:  Motu  laro-laro- ‘shoulder blade’ (*yaro)
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POc *bʰae- ‘armpit’

NNG: Kove voe ‘armpit’
NNG: Bariai bae ‘armpit’
MM: Vitu bai(k-) ‘armpit’
MM: Patpatar bave- ‘armpit’
SES: Gela abe-abe ‘armpit’ (metathesis)
SES: Lau gʰae-gʰae- ‘armpit’
SES: Are’are pae-pae ‘armpit’
SES: Kwaio gʰ-a-gʰae- ‘armpit’
SES: Sa’a pʰae-pʰae- ‘armpit’
SES: Arosi bʰae-bʰae- ‘armpit’

POc *qapi-ŋa ‘armpit’ was a nominalisation (*-ŋa) of POc *qapi(n), *qapin-i- ‘hold or carry under the arm’ (§6.6.2.10).

PMP *qabin ‘hold or carry under the arm’ (ACD)

POc *qapi-ŋa ‘armpit’ (Geraghty 1983: PEOc *qavi-ŋa)

NCV: Mota viña-i ‘armpit’
NCV: Raga (mal)aviña- ‘armpit’
NCV: Paamese hiño- ‘armpit’
Pn: Niuean afine ‘armpit’ (n for ŋŋ)
Pn: Tongan fāʔefine ‘armpit’ (initial f- irregular)
Pn: Rennellese ?ahiña ‘armpit’
Pn: E Futunan lafiña ‘armpit’
Pn: Tikopia afiña ‘armpit’

3.5.5 Chest

POc *[Ruma]/Ruma- ‘chest’ is perhaps derived from POc *Rumag ‘house’ (vol.1:48). If a Lapita house is viewed as underlyingly a rough-hewn wooden framework (see the illustration on p53 of vol.1), then the metaphorical extension of ‘house’ to the chest cavity as a whole, bounded by the rib cage and the spine, is visually quite obvious. The same metaphor led to the

27 Final *-k- probably the Vitu reflex of POc *-ki ‘not possessed’. See footnote 12.
extension of a reflex of POc *kaso ‘rafters’ to the upper rib cage reflected in PPN *kaso-kaso (§3.5.6).

POc */Ruma]/Ruma- ‘chest’

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<td>PT: Molima</td>
<td>luma-luma-</td>
<td>‘chest’</td>
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<td>PT: Dobu</td>
<td>luma-luma-</td>
<td>‘chest’</td>
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<td>MM: Petats</td>
<td>lu-luma-</td>
<td>‘chest’</td>
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<td>MM: Halia</td>
<td>lum-luma-</td>
<td>‘chest’</td>
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<td>NCV: Araki</td>
<td>juma-</td>
<td>‘chest, sternum’</td>
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<tr>
<td>NCV: Nguna</td>
<td>na-rum&quot;a-</td>
<td>‘ribs, chest’</td>
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<td>NCV: Atchin</td>
<td>ruma-</td>
<td>‘chest’</td>
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<tr>
<td>Pn: Tongan</td>
<td>uma</td>
<td>‘shoulder’</td>
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<tr>
<td>Pn: Samoan</td>
<td>uma</td>
<td>‘a wide chest’</td>
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<tr>
<td>Pn: Tikopia</td>
<td>uma</td>
<td>‘chest, breast area in general’</td>
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<tr>
<td>Pn: Maori</td>
<td>uma</td>
<td>‘breast, chest’</td>
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The term below appears to be a reduplication of the PPN *fata ‘shelf’, but the semantic connection, if any, is not obvious.

PPN *fata-fata ‘chest’

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<td>fata-fata</td>
<td>‘chest’</td>
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<td>Pn: Tongan</td>
<td>fata-fata</td>
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<td>Pn: Rennellese</td>
<td>hata-hata</td>
<td>‘chest’</td>
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<tr>
<td>Pn: Samoan</td>
<td>fata-fata</td>
<td>‘chest cavity’</td>
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<tr>
<td>Pn: Tikopia</td>
<td>fata-fata</td>
<td>‘chest’</td>
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3.5.6 Rib cage

Probably there was no POc word that meant ‘rib’. Instead, POc speakers, like the speakers of a good many Oceanic languages, had a term for ‘rib cage’, and used a composite term meaning ‘bone of rib cage’ or ‘bone of side’ for rib.28

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<td>Adm: Nyindrou</td>
<td>&quot;druwi kabeDe-</td>
<td>‘rib’ [bone side]</td>
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<tr>
<td>NNG: Takia</td>
<td>girae- tatu</td>
<td>‘rib’ [side- bone]</td>
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<td>NNG: Dami</td>
<td>siri- tua</td>
<td>‘rib’ [side- bone]</td>
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<tr>
<td>NNG: Labu</td>
<td>ape alugu</td>
<td>‘rib’ [side bone]</td>
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<td>MM: Patpatar</td>
<td>sur dade</td>
<td>‘rib’ [bone rib.cage]</td>
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<tr>
<td>MM: Roviana</td>
<td>susuri ragaraga</td>
<td>‘rib’ [bone rib.cage]</td>
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<td>SES: Kwaio</td>
<td>suli kalao-</td>
<td>‘rib’ [bone rib.cage-]</td>
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<tr>
<td>Fij: Bauan</td>
<td>sui ni sarisari-</td>
<td>‘rib’ [bone of rib.cage-]</td>
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<tr>
<td>Pn: Niuean</td>
<td>hui kahokaho</td>
<td>‘side rib, rib bone’ [bone rib.cage]</td>
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<tr>
<td>Pn: Samoan</td>
<td>ivi ?aso/?aso</td>
<td>‘rib’ [bone rib.cage]</td>
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<tr>
<td>Pn: Tikopia</td>
<td>ivi kasokaso</td>
<td>‘short ribs under arms’ [bone rib.cage]</td>
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<td>Pn: Sikaiana</td>
<td>ivi vakavaka</td>
<td>‘rib’ [bone rib.cage]</td>
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28 A term with the gloss ‘rib’ does occur in a number of sources. In some cases at least this appears to be an error for ‘ribs’ or ‘rib cage’.

As the glosses of some of the terms above imply, at least some Oceanic speakers evidently perceive the rib cage as two ‘sides’ of ribs (such that a rib is a ‘bone of side’). Thus Dami *siri* above reflects POc *siriŋ ‘side’ (vol.2:246). The best candidate for reconstruction with the meaning ‘side of ribs’ is POc *kabe- ‘(lower?) rib cage, side’. Whether this also meant ‘side’ in a generalised locative sense is not clear.

POc *kabe- ‘one side of rib cage’

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<td>kabe(de-)</td>
<td>‘side, ribs’</td>
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<td>NNG: Mapos Buang</td>
<td>k-be-</td>
<td>‘side, rib’</td>
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<tr>
<td>NNG: Labu</td>
<td>ape</td>
<td>‘side, rib cage’</td>
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<td>PT: Gapapaiwa</td>
<td>yaba-yaba-</td>
<td>‘ribs’</td>
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<tr>
<td>MM: Nehan</td>
<td>kap-kapa-</td>
<td>‘side of body, ribs’</td>
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However, POc *kabe- is apparently not reflected in Eastern Oceanic languages. Here, certain more localised reconstructions are possible. If Bola *karo- ‘ribs, side’ is cognate with PSES *[garo]garo- ‘ribs, side’ below, then POc *garo- can be reconstructed, but the available evidence is not strong. The Maringe term is probably borrowed from a SES source.

PSES *[garo]garo- ‘one side of rib cage’

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<td>gao-garo-</td>
<td>‘ribs’</td>
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<td>SES: Ghari</td>
<td>garo-</td>
<td>‘ribs’</td>
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<td>SES: Lau</td>
<td>ga-garo-</td>
<td>‘ribs, side of a person’</td>
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<td>SES: ’Are’are</td>
<td>karo-</td>
<td>‘rib, flank, side, loins, of humans’</td>
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<td>SES: Sa’a</td>
<td>karo-karo-</td>
<td>‘ribs’</td>
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<td>SES: Arosi</td>
<td>garo-garo-</td>
<td>‘side, ribs, of a man’</td>
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<td>garo-</td>
<td>‘side of a house’</td>
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<td>‘ribs, side’</td>
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<td>MM: Maringe</td>
<td>ga-garo-</td>
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There is a small set of terms in NGOc languages that displays formal similarities to the set above, but it is unlikely that the two sets are cognate.

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<td>girı-gira-</td>
<td>‘rib’</td>
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<tr>
<td>NNG: Takia</td>
<td>girane-</td>
<td>‘side (of boat, rib cage, garden, mountain)’</td>
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<tr>
<td>NNG: Manam</td>
<td>garana</td>
<td>‘rib cage’</td>
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<tr>
<td>PT: Dawawa</td>
<td>girı-giri</td>
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Some languages distinguish between the (upper, shorter) ribs of the chest (Arosi *rakerake-toʔo, Wayan Fijian -saro) and the (lower, longer) ribs at the side and bottom of the rib cage (Arosi *garogaro-, Wayan Fijian -sakesake), and this distinction may have been present in POc. In the Arosi term *rakerake-toʔo ‘upper rib cage’, toʔo means ‘true’. That is, one side of the upper rib cage is the ‘true rakerake’, whilst rakerake- alone is the whole side of ribs. The implication here is that *rage/rage- denoted a side of the upper rib cage, but was also used to mean a whole side of the rib cage. However, this supposition requires confirmation with more data.
**The human body**

POc */rage/rage- ‘one side of the upper rib cage’ OR ‘one side of the rib cage’ (?)

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<td>rak, rake-</td>
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<td>NNG: Sio</td>
<td>rage(mi)</td>
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<td>MM: Ramoaaina</td>
<td>rei-</td>
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<td>MM: Roviana</td>
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<td>SES: Arosi</td>
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<td>‘side’</td>
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<td>Mic: Woleaian</td>
<td>ẓaxe-ẓaxe, ẓaxe-ẓexe-</td>
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<td>riki-rikii-</td>
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<td>MM: Banoni</td>
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Two PPn terms are reconstructable, namely *kaso-kaso ‘ribs, upper side’ and *kao-kao ‘ribs, flank, side (of a canoe), upper side of person’. Despite their formal similarity, the evidence indicates two unrelated terms with very similar meanings. PPn *kaso-kaso is almost certainly derived from POc *kaso ‘rafter’ (vol.1:53). If Mwotlap (NCV) na-yayah ‘ribs’ is cognate, then the term is of PROc antiquity.

**PPn *kaso-kaso ‘ribs, upper side’**

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<td>ivi kasokaso</td>
<td>‘rib’ (‘bone of rib cage’)</td>
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<tr>
<td>Pn: Niuean</td>
<td>kahokaho</td>
<td>‘side of a person’s body (refers to the area under the arm and above the hips)’</td>
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<td>Pn: Pukapuka</td>
<td>ivi kuyokayo</td>
<td>‘rib’ (‘bone of rib cage’)</td>
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<td>Pn: Samoan</td>
<td>ivi ñasoʔaso</td>
<td>‘rib’ (‘bone of rib cage’)</td>
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<tr>
<td>Pn: Tikopia</td>
<td>ivi kasokaso</td>
<td>‘short ribs under arms’ (‘bone of rib cage’)</td>
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<td>Pn: Tokelau</td>
<td>ivi kahokaho</td>
<td>‘rib’ (‘bone of rib cage’)</td>
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<td>Pn: Tuvalu</td>
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<tr>
<td>Pn: Tongan</td>
<td>kahoki</td>
<td>‘rafters, ribs of umbrella, spokes of wheel’</td>
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**PPn *kao-kao ‘ribs, flank, side (of a canoe), upper side of person’ (POLLEX)**

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<td>kaokao</td>
<td>‘side of a boat or ship, or of a cart etc’</td>
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<td>Pn: Samoan</td>
<td>ñaoʔao</td>
<td>‘inner sides of canoe; armpit’</td>
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<td>kaokao</td>
<td>‘armpit’</td>
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<td>Pn: E Futunan</td>
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<td>‘side of canoe’</td>
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<td>Pn: Ifira-Mele</td>
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<td>‘side, ribs’</td>
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<td>Pn: K’tmarangi</td>
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<td>‘side’</td>
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<tr>
<td>Pn: Tuvalu</td>
<td>kaokao</td>
<td>‘side, coast ; armpit’</td>
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<tr>
<td>Pn: Luangiu</td>
<td>ñaoʔao</td>
<td>‘ribs’</td>
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<td>Pn: Pileni</td>
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<td>‘side’</td>
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<tr>
<td>Pn: Rennellese</td>
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<td>‘side (human, animal)’</td>
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<tr>
<td>Pn: Tikopia</td>
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<td>‘ribs, flank’</td>
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Breast

POc *susu- was polysemous, its meaning commonly extending to ‘milk’. The root *susu evidently also formed a verb ‘suck (at the breast)’ (see §4.3.2.3), but *susu- ‘breast’ was formally distinct from it as it was a directly possessed noun, i.e. it took a possessor suffix.

PAn *susu ‘breast’ (Blust 1999a)

POc *susu- ‘breast, milk’; *susu ‘suckle’

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<td>NNG: Mindiri</td>
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<td>yuy</td>
<td>‘breast’</td>
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<td>NNG: Numbami</td>
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<td>NNG: Buang</td>
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<td>NNG: Mumeng (Dambi)</td>
<td>lul</td>
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<td>PT: Muyuw</td>
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<td>hahu-</td>
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<td>PT: Dobu</td>
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<td>PT: Gapapaiwa</td>
<td>susu-</td>
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<td>MM: Nakanai</td>
<td>susu-</td>
<td>‘breast, milk’</td>
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<td>MM: Tigak</td>
<td>susu-</td>
<td>‘breast’</td>
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<td>MM: Nalik</td>
<td>sus</td>
<td>‘breast; suck’</td>
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<td>u-na-</td>
<td>‘breast’</td>
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<td>‘breasts, milk’</td>
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<td>SES: Gela</td>
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NCV: Raga *huhu-‘breast’
NCV: Tamambo *susu-‘breast, milk’
SV: Kwamera *na-s‘breast’
SV: Anejom *ne-θεθ, na-θεθ-‘breast’
NCal: Drehu *θi‘breast’
Mic: Woleian *tutu-‘breast’
Fij: Bauan *siû-‘breast’
Fij: Wayan *-ðiðu‘breast’
Fij: Rotuman *susu‘breast’
Pt: Tongan *huhu (v) ‘suck the breast’, (n) ‘breast’
Pt: Samoan *susu (v) ‘suck the breast’, (n) ‘breast’

3.5.8 Nipple
‘Nipple’ was denoted by a phrase that combined the terms for ‘eye’ and ‘breast’ with a linking particle. Daughter languages display a variety of linkers, but in POc the linker was probably *qi, as this was used with a directly possessed possessum (§3.1.1).

PMP *mata ni susu ‘nipple’ (eye + breast) (ACD in a note on PWMP *qulu ni susu)
POc *mata qi susu ‘nipple’

3.5.9 Belly
PAn *tiaN, ancestral to POc *tia-‘belly’, also provided the base for POc *tian-an ‘pregnant’, discussed in §4.2.2.3. This suggests that POc *tia- referred principally to the external shape of the belly. Terms for the corresponding internal organ, the stomach, are presented in §3.7.4.

In the comparative literature reflexes of POc *tia- are sometimes confused with those of POc *taqe- ‘faeces’ or POc *tinaqe- ‘intestines’, but slight formal resemblance between *tia- and the two latter terms is due to chance.

PAn *tiaL ‘belly’ (Blust 1999a)
POc *tia- ‘belly’
PT: Tubetube dia- ‘belly’ (d- for ūt-)
PT: Molima dia- ‘intestines’ (d- for ūt-)
MM: Nakanai tia- ‘belly’
MM: Meramera tia- ‘belly’
MM: Tolai tia- ‘belly, skin of the stomach; part of the body from ribs to thighs’
MM: Torau tia- ‘belly’
MM: Roviana tia- ‘abdomen’
SES: Sa’a ie- ‘belly, stomach, bowels, womb’
SES: Ulawa ia- ‘belly, stomach, bowels, womb’
PNCV *tia- ‘belly’ (Clark 2009)
NCV: Nokuku tia- ‘belly’
NCV: Merei tia- ‘belly’
NCV: Ninde ni-sia- ‘belly’
NCV: Namakir tia- ‘belly’
PMic *tia- ‘stomach, belly, abdomen’
Mic: Marshallese çuy, ciye- ‘belly, stomach, innards’
Mic: Pulo Annian ðia, ðia- ‘stomach’
Mic: Ulithian sie- ‘stomach’

Reflexes of POc *kap’əa are the most widespread terms for ‘belly’ in NNG, but there is evidence from one SE Solomonic language that the term is of POc antiquity.

POc *kap’əa ‘belly’ (ACD)
NNG Mamusi kapə- ‘belly’
NNG Atui kopo- ‘belly’
NNG: Kove apo- ‘belly’
NNG: Bariai (i)apa- ‘belly’
NNG: Tuam apo- ‘belly’
NNG: Gitua apəa- ‘belly; pregnant’
NNG: Malalamai apo(m) ‘belly; intestines’
NNG: Maleu apəa- ‘belly’
NNG: Sio kapəa- ‘belly’
NNG: Mangap Mb. kopo(no) ‘belly’
NNG: Barim kau(n) ‘belly’
NNG: Lukep kapo(no) ‘belly’
NNG: Malasanga kapo- ‘belly’
NNG: Hote kapo- ‘belly’
PT: Dawawa kapo- ‘belly’
SES: Sa’a apəa- ‘belly’
cf. also:
Adm: Lou kopu(ŋə) ‘satiated’
Mic: Ponapean kapet ‘belly, guts’
3.5.10 Navel, umbilical cord

Four reconstructions for ‘navel, umbilical cord’, apparently formally related, are candidates for POc status: *puso-, *piso-, *b’ito-, *buto-. Although reasons for this proliferation of forms are far from clear, we suggest that there were two POc forms, *puso- (from PMP *pusej) (§3.5.10.1) and *b’ito- (§3.5.10.2), and that forms reflecting apparent **piso- and **buto- are descended from *puso- and *b’ito- respectively. They are accounted for as follows:

A Because POc *puso- and POc *b’ito- were similar in form and meaning, contamination affected the vowel of the first syllable, so items reflecting apparent **piso- actually reflect *puso- but with the vowel from *b’ito-.29

B The direct evidence for *b’ito- of POc *b’ito- is Drehet p’itie, Tamambo b’ito-. However, b’ was an unstable phoneme. In some languages rounding was lost and *b’ito- became *bito-; in others rounding spread to the following vowel, giving forms that seem to reflect **buto-.

To maintain clarity in the face of the complications here, each of the two reconstructions is assigned its own subsection, and have listed forms that appear to reflect **piso- and **buto- separately from *puso- and *b’ito-. A third subsection handles **b’i(iso- and **buso-, displaying a conflation that cannot be assigned unambiguously to either of the reconstructed POc forms.

3.5.10.1 POc *puso- ‘navel, umbilical cord’

PMP *pusej ‘navel’ (ACD: PWMP *talih pusej ‘umbilicus, navel cord’)

POc *puso- ‘navel, umbilical cord’

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<td>NNG: Uvol</td>
<td>uto-</td>
<td>‘navel’</td>
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<td>PT: Gumasi</td>
<td>puso-</td>
<td>‘a person’s navel; twine wound round magical leaves on a net used to call fish’</td>
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<td>PT: Sinaugoro</td>
<td>uro-</td>
<td>‘cord of navel’</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>PT: Kilivila</td>
<td>puso-</td>
<td>‘navel, umbilical cord’</td>
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<td>PT: Suau (Daui)</td>
<td>huso-</td>
<td>‘navel’</td>
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| PT: Roro | poto- | ‘navel’ (also reflects *buso-)
| PT: Mekeo | fuko- | ‘navel’ |
| MM: Bali | puso- | ‘navel’ |
| MM: Vitu | pudo | ‘navel’ |

**piso- ‘navel, umbilical cord’ < POc *puso- via contamination by *b’ito- |

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<td>NNG: Kove</td>
<td>piso-</td>
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29 A double asterisk (**) is used here for forms that appear to be reconstructable but which we explain here as due to post-POc changes.

30 A more complicated explanation involving vowel dissimilation is also possible, but there is no other evidence for this in POc.
NNG: Malai  
NNG: Gitua  
NNG: Sio  
NNG: Lukep  
NNG: Roinji  
NNG: Wab  
NNG: Bilibil  
NNG: Akolet  
Fij: Bauan

The following, all from the southern Huon Gulf, reflect either *puso- or **piso-.

NNG: Vehe  
NNG: Mangga  
NNG: Mapos Buang  
NNG: Mumeng Patep  
NNG: Mumeng Zenag  
NNG: Piu

3.5.10.2 POc *b'ito- ‘navel, umbilical cord’

Lenakel napraŋa ‘navel’, under *buto- below, implies that POc *b'ito- should be reconstructed with final *-ŋ. In the absence of corroboratory evidence, we have not reconstructed the final consonant, but note the possibility of doing so.

POc *b'ito- ‘navel, umbilical cord’ (Blust 1984: *bito)

Adm: Mussau  
Adm: Drehet  
MM: Tigak  
MM: Patpatar  
MM: Tolai  
MM: Torau  
NCV: Tamambo  
NCal: Drehu  
Pn: Niuean  
Pn: Tongan  
Pn: Rennellese  
Pn: Pukapukan  
Pn: Samoan  
Pn: Tokelauan  
Pn: Tikopia  
Pn: Tahitian  
Pn: Hawaiian

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**buto-** ‘navel, umbilical cord’ (Biggs 1965: PEOc; Milke 1968, ACD) < POC *b’ito- via rounding spread

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<td>Adm: Loniu</td>
<td>(ko)putu-</td>
<td>‘navel’</td>
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<td>NNG: Manam</td>
<td>buto-</td>
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<td>NNG: Wogeo</td>
<td>buto-</td>
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<td>‘umbilical cord’</td>
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<td>MM: Kia</td>
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<td>SES: Lengo</td>
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<td>SES: Longgu</td>
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<td>SES: Kwaio</td>
<td>bō-, bou-</td>
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<td>NCV: Mota</td>
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<tr>
<td>NCV: NE Ambae</td>
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**PSV *na-butoji-** ‘navel’ (Lynch 2001c)

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<td>SV: Lenakel</td>
<td>nφŋəŋ</td>
<td>‘navel’ (&lt; *butoŋ)</td>
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<td>na-preŋji, na-pureŋji-</td>
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<td>NCal: Iaai</td>
<td>bi-bikV-</td>
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**PMic *p’uto ‘navel’** (Bender et al., 2003)

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<td>p’ūs</td>
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<td>Mic: Woleaian</td>
<td>p’ūse</td>
<td>‘navel’</td>
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<td>Fij: Rotuman</td>
<td>pufa</td>
<td>‘navel, umbilical cord’</td>
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<tr>
<td>Fij: Wayan</td>
<td>boto</td>
<td>‘navel’ (wāwā ni boto ‘umbilical cord’)</td>
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cf. also:

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<td>MM: Banoni</td>
<td>pocu-</td>
<td>‘navel’ (reflects *potu-)</td>
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3.5.10.3 Conflated forms

Here are presented forms that appear to reflect a conflation of \(*puso-\) and \(*b'ito-\) and cannot be readily assigned to either. Thus \(*^{b\text{\textcircled{i}}0iso-}\) and \(*buso-\), the former with WOc reflexes only, take \(*b\text{\textcircled{i}}w-\) from \(*b'ito-\) and \(*-s-\) from \(*puso-\).\(^{31}\)

PWOc \(*^{b\text{\textcircled{i}}0iso-}\) ‘navel, umbilical cord’

| NNG: Nenaya | bisu- | ‘navel’ |
| NNG: Biliau | biso- | ‘navel’ |
| NNG: Mindiri | besu(o-n-foko-n) | ‘navel’ |
| NNG: Gedaged | biso- | ‘navel, umbilical cord’ |
| NNG: Kaiwa | biso- | ‘navel’ |
| MM: Solos | biso- | ‘navel’ |

POc \(*buso-\) ‘navel, umbilical cord’ (Milke 1965: PNGOc)

| NNG: Malasanga | boso- | ‘navel’ |
| NNG: Singorakai | busu- | ‘navel’ |
| NNG: Biliau | buso- | ‘navel’ |
| NNG: Megiar | boso- | ‘navel’ |
| NNG: Takia | boso- | ‘navel, umbilical cord’ |
| NNG: Numbami | busu(la) | ‘navel, umbilical cord’ |
| PT: Kukuya | buo- | ‘navel’ |
| PT: Gapapaiwa | buo- | ‘navel, umbilical cord’ |
| PT: Tawala | buho(ho)- | ‘navel, umbilical cord’ |
| MM: Bulu | buro- | ‘navel’ |
| MM: Nakanai | buso- | ‘navel, umbilical cord’ |
| MM: Meramera | boso- | ‘navel’ |
| MM: Halia-Haku | buso(so)- | ‘navel’ |
| MM: Selau | busu- | ‘navel’ |
| SES: W G’canal | boso- | ‘navel’ |
| SES: Lau | buto- | ‘navel’ |
| SES: Kwara’ae | buta- | ‘navel’ |

3.5.11 Lower abdomen

There are PROc and PPn terms for the lower abdomen, below the navel, but single words for this part of the body have not been found further west.

PROc \(*kona-\) ‘lower abdomen’

| NCV: NE Ambae | (taku)hona- | ‘gall bladder’ (taku ‘behind’)
| Fij: Rotuman | tona- | ‘lower part of abdomen’

\(^{31}\) Note that the converse conflation, taking \(*p-\) from \(*puso-\) and \(*-t-\) from \(*b\text{\textcircled{i}}t\text{\textcircled{o}}-\), i.e. \(†^{*}puto/pito\), is not attested.
### Buttocks

The reconstruction of a POc term for ‘buttocks’ encounters difficulties similar to those discussed in association with the reconstruction of terms for ‘navel’ (§3.5.10). Three POc forms are supported: *bɔisi-, *bako- and *buri ‘buttocks’. The reconstructed forms begin with a labial or labiovelar and have medial *-s-, *-t- or *-r-.

Unfortunately the data are insufficient to tell a story that would unite any of the cognate sets below, but it is perhaps no coincidence that POc *bɔisi- ‘buttocks, anus’ was identical in form to POc *bɔisi ‘fart’ (§4.3.7.3).

**POc *bɔisi- ‘buttocks, anus’**

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<tr>
<th>PT</th>
<th>NCV: Nguna</th>
<th>NCV: SW Bay</th>
<th>NCV: Nāti</th>
<th>NCV: S Efate</th>
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<tr>
<td>MM:</td>
<td>Petats</td>
<td>na-pisi-</td>
<td>mi-*bis</td>
<td>ne-*pis</td>
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<td>MM:</td>
<td>Teop</td>
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<td>MM:</td>
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<td>Patpatar</td>
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<td>MM:</td>
<td>Tolai</td>
<td>biti-</td>
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**POc *bako- ‘buttocks’**

| MM:  | Lavongai | voto- |
| MM:  | | 'buttocks' |

**POc *buri- ‘buttocks, bottom’** (Lynch 2004a)

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<tr>
<th>NCV:</th>
<th>Mota</th>
<th>Raga</th>
<th>Paamese</th>
<th>Lewo</th>
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<tr>
<td></td>
<td>p'ote-</td>
<td>boro-</td>
<td>voto-</td>
<td>p'ere-</td>
<td>boh(ni-)</td>
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<tr>
<td></td>
<td>'buttock'</td>
<td>'buttocks, bottom'</td>
<td>'buttocks, bottom'</td>
<td>'buttocks'</td>
<td>'base'</td>
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NCal: Pije *puo(ho-n) ‘buttocks’
NCal: Nemi *pue(ho-n) ‘buttocks’
Mic: Kiribati *poto ‘tree trunk, stock, base, foundation’
cf. also:
NNG: Mangap Mbula *putu- ‘buttocks’
MM: Siar *putu-tu- ‘buttocks’
POc *buru ‘buttocks’
MM: Tolai *buru-buru- ‘buttocks’
SES: Gela *(ka)buru- ‘buttocks, loins’
SES: Tolo *boro- ‘bottom (of anything)’
NCV: NE Ambae *boro- ‘buttocks, bottom’
Mic: Woleian *buzu(a) ‘buttocks, hip’

3.5.13 Genitalia
POc *kʷala- denoted the male genitals.

MM: Nehan *kolo ‘testicles’
MM: Halia *kol ‘testicles’
Fij: Bauan *gala ‘scrotum’
Fij: Wayan *gʷala ‘male genitals, testicles’
Fij: Rotuman *kala ‘penis’
Pn: Tikopia *kala ‘male genitalia’

3.5.13.1 Penis
POc *quti- ‘penis’ continues a PAn etymon, and is widely reflected in Oceanic. However, it is not reflected in Micronesian or Polynesian languages and has been replaced throughout Polynesia and parts of Micronesia by reflexes of PROc *ule- ‘penis’.

PAn *qutil ‘penis’ (ACD)
POc *quti- ‘penis’
Adm: Loniu *uti- ‘penis’
Adm: Seimat *uti- ‘penis’
NNG: Malai *uti- ‘penis’
NNG: Sio *kuti- ‘penis’
NNG: Roinji *yuli- ‘penis’
NNG: Wab *uli- ‘penis’
NNG: Manam *uti- ‘penis’
NNG: Ali *uti(g) ‘penis’

32 We cannot locate the source of Ozanne-Rivierre’s cited reconstruction.
The human body

NNG: Gedaged  *uti*-'penis; handle; point'
NNG: Hote  *uli(ŋ)*-‘penis’
PT: Motu  *usi*-‘penis’
PT: Dobu  *ʔusi*-‘penis’
PT: Kilivila  *kusi*-‘penis’
PT: Kukuya  *ui*-‘penis’
PT: Muyuw  *kus* ‘penis’
MM: Nakanai  *huti*-'penis’

MM: Tigak  *uti*-'penis’
MM: Mono-Alu  *uti*-'penis’
SES: W G’canal  *uti*-'penis’
SES: Talise  *uti*-'penis’
SES: Longgu  *ui*-'penis’
TM: Buma  *ise*-'penis’
TM: Asumboa  *kue*-'penis’
NCV: Raga  *usi*-'penis’
NCV: Nguna  *na-uti*-'penis, after circumcision’
SV: N Tanna  *(n)usu*-'penis’
SV: Kwamera  *(k’a-n)ihi*-'penis’
NCal: Drehu  *ku* ‘penis’
Fij: Bauan  *uti*-'penis’

PROc *ule*- ‘penis’ *(ACD)*

PMic *wule* ‘penis’

Mic: Marshallese  *wol* ‘penis’
Mic: Mokilese  *wil* ‘penis’
Mic: Chuukese  *wuru*-'penis’

PPn *ule* ‘penis’ *(POLLEX)*

Pn: Tongan  *ule* ‘penis’
Pn: Niuean  *ule* ‘male genitals’ (vulgar. Respectful term is euphemistic: *fī-uho*)
Pn: Samoan  *ule* ‘penis’ (not in decent use)
Pn: Rennellese  *uge* ‘penis’
Pn: Anutan  *ure* ‘penis’
Pn: Rarotongan  *ure* ‘*membrum virile*; used figuratively to denote a man or a male’
Pn: Tikopia  *ure* ‘penis’
Pn: Maori  *ure* ‘*membrum virile*; man, male; courage’
Pn: Hawaiian  *ule* ‘penis; tenon for a mortise: pointed end of a post which enters the crotch of a rafter’

3.5.13.2 Scrotum and testicles

There are two reconstructions for scrotum and/or testicles. POc *lasoR* is widely reflected.
POc *lasoR ‘scrotum and/or testicles’

Adm: Mussau  laso-  ‘testicles’
NNG: Tami  laso-  ‘scrotum’
PT: Mekeo  lako-  ‘penis’
PT: Kuni  ado-  ‘penis’
MM: Sursurunga  losa-  ‘scrotum’ (metathesis)
SES: Lau  lato-  ‘testicles’
SES: ’Are’are  rato-  ‘testicles’
SES: Kwaio  lato-  ‘testicles’
NCV: Tamambo  laso-  ‘testicles’
NCV: Araki  laso-  ‘testicles’
NCV: Raga  laho-  ‘testicles and/or scrotum’
Pn: Tongan  laho  ‘scrotum and testicles’
Pn: Maori  raho  ‘testicles’; ‘labia majora’

Reflexes of POc *k’awa- are much more restricted, but their distribution nonetheless supports the reconstruction.

POc *k’awa- ‘scrotum, testicles’

NNG: Poeng  kava-  ‘scrotum’
PT: Molima  kowa-  ‘scrotum’
PT: Dobu  k’awa-  ‘testicles’
SES: Gela  koa-  ‘testicles’

3.5.13.3 Female genitalia

POc *puki- ‘vagina’ and PPN *tole- ‘female genitalia’ can each be derived from a PMP term, but in the case of *tole- only if some phonological deformation is allowed in the derivation, perhaps as a result of euphemism.

PAn *puki ‘vulva’ (ACD)

POc *puki- ‘vagina’

Adm: Titan  βi-  ‘female genitals’
NNG: Gitua  pu yi-  ‘vulva’ (Goulden 1996)
NNG: Kilenge  pu i-  ‘vulva’ (Goulden 1996)
NNG: Buang  v i-  ‘vagina’
NNG: Mumeng-Patep  v wi-  ‘vagina’
NNG: Mangseng  pi-  ‘vagina’
NNG: Poeng  pi-  ‘vagina’
PT: Gumawana  ui-  ‘vagina’
PT: Ubir  vi-  ‘vagina’
PT: Kilivila  vi-  ‘vagina’
PT: Maisin  ui-  ‘vagina’
Such deformation seems to underlie the three PMP forms reconstructed by Blust (ACD). If PPn *tole is indeed cognate with one of these, then it reflects yet another variant, PMP †*telay.

PMP *tel, *tila, *tilay ‘female genitalia’ (ACD)

POc (?) *tole- ‘female genitalia’

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<td>NCal: Nêlêmwa</td>
<td>cāla(t)</td>
<td>‘clitoris, vulva’</td>
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<td>NCal: Nemi</td>
<td>cane-</td>
<td>‘clitoris, vulva’</td>
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<td>NCal: Cêmuhi</td>
<td>ēne-</td>
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PPn *tole ‘female genitals’ (POLLEX)

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<td>Pn: Niuean</td>
<td>tole</td>
<td>‘a woman’s private parts’</td>
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<tr>
<td>Pn: Tongan</td>
<td>tole</td>
<td>‘private parts of a woman’</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Pn: Pukapukan</td>
<td>tole</td>
<td>‘vagina’</td>
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<tr>
<td>Pn: Samoan</td>
<td>tole</td>
<td>‘clitoris’</td>
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<tr>
<td>Pn: Maori</td>
<td>tore</td>
<td>‘external female sex organs’</td>
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<td>MM: Nakanai</td>
<td>tiri-</td>
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<td>Mic: Woleaian</td>
<td>tora-</td>
<td>‘genitals’</td>
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<tr>
<td>Fij: Bauan</td>
<td>tele-</td>
<td>‘female genitals’</td>
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POc (?) *keRe- is not well attested, and may be due to chance resemblance.

POc (?) *keRe- ‘female genitals’

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<td>NNG: Kove</td>
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<td>‘female genitals’</td>
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<td>SES: Gela</td>
<td>kele-</td>
<td>‘vagina’</td>
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<tr>
<td>SES: Ghari</td>
<td>kele-</td>
<td>‘vagina’</td>
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In Central Pacific languages a reflex of POc *buku- ‘mound, knob, joint’ (§3.6.8.1.2; vol.1:85, vol.2:50) is used to refer to the genital area (probably a metonym based on the mons veneris).

PCP *buku ‘female genitals’

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<td>Fij: Vanua Levu</td>
<td>buku-</td>
<td>‘female genitals’</td>
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<tr>
<td>Pn: Tikopia</td>
<td>puku</td>
<td>‘male genitals’</td>
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<td>Pn: Mangarevan</td>
<td>puku</td>
<td>‘clitoris’</td>
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<td>Pn: Rapanui</td>
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<td>‘pubes’</td>
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3.6 Limbs

Terms relating to the limbs are ordered as follows. First come terms associated with the arms and hands, then terms associated with the legs and feet, and finally terms associated with both pairs of limbs (finger/toe, finger-/toenail, elbow/knee and palm/sole).
3.6.1 Hand, arm

The monomorphemic POc terms listed below evidently referred to the hand and arm as one unit, although some languages limit their reflex to the hand and lower arm (e.g. Iduna (PT) *fowa-na nima- [scrotum-its arm-] ‘muscle of lower arm’), and POc *[l,n]ima- may well have had the more specific POc sense ‘forearm and hand’ as well as the larger sense ‘arm and hand’. Monomorphemic terms for parts of the arm are much harder to find, but terms for ‘upper arm’ and ‘hand’ are reconstructed in §3.6.2.

Reflexes of POc *lima and *nima ‘hand’ are numerous throughout the Austronesian world, most referring at the same time to ‘five’.

Reflexes of the Meso-Melanesian and Eastern Oceanic subgroups largely support *l-, while those from the Admiralties support *n-. The NNG and PT subgroups show no clear pattern. Either *l- was sometimes nasalised to n- before a nasal-initial syllable, or both forms existed as doublets in POc.

PAn */qa]lima ‘hand’ (Blust 1999a)
PMP *lima ‘hand’
POc *lima-, *nima- ‘forearm and hand, arm and hand; five’

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<td>Adm: Mussau</td>
<td>nima-</td>
<td>‘hand, arm’</td>
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<tr>
<td>Adm: Tenis</td>
<td>uma-</td>
<td>‘hand’</td>
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<tr>
<td>Adm: Loniu</td>
<td>nime-</td>
<td>‘hand’</td>
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<tr>
<td>NNG: Kove</td>
<td>lima-, nima-</td>
<td>‘hand’</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>NNG: Malai</td>
<td>nima-</td>
<td>‘arm’</td>
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<td>NNG: Gitua</td>
<td>nima-</td>
<td>‘hand’</td>
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<td>NNG: Bilbil</td>
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<td>NNG: Gedaged</td>
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<td>NNG: Medebur</td>
<td>nima-</td>
<td>‘hand’</td>
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<td>NNG: Bam</td>
<td>lima-</td>
<td>‘hand’</td>
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<td>NNG: Wogeo</td>
<td>lima-</td>
<td>‘hand’</td>
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<tr>
<td>SJ: Sobei</td>
<td>ima-</td>
<td>‘hand’</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>PT: Dobu</td>
<td>nima-</td>
<td>‘complete arm, upper arm and hand’</td>
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<tr>
<td>PT: Kukuya</td>
<td>nima-</td>
<td>‘arm, handle, hand’</td>
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<tr>
<td>PT: Muyuw</td>
<td>nim</td>
<td>‘hand, arm’</td>
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<tr>
<td>PT: Motu</td>
<td>ima-</td>
<td>‘arm, hand; five’</td>
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<tr>
<td>PT: Lala</td>
<td>ima-</td>
<td>‘lower arm’ (you ‘upper arm’)</td>
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<td>MM: Vitu</td>
<td>lima-</td>
<td>‘hand, arm’</td>
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<td>lima-</td>
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<td>lima-</td>
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<td>MM: Tangga</td>
<td>nima-</td>
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A second form, POc *paRa ‘hand, arm’ is reconstructable, based on non-Oceanic cognates together with cognates from Central Vanuatu. Blust (ACD) writes that it is possible that these forms should be assigned to PMP */qəbaRa ‘shoulder’ with parallel semantic shifts that create the illusion of an independent comparison, but he regards this hypothesis as unlikely. We agree with him, as there are a number of reflexes of POc */qəpaRa ‘shoulder’ which lack the first syllable, and all consistently denote ‘shoulder’. The gloss ‘arm, hand’ here suggests that PMP *baRa/POc *paRa was a distinct if nearly homophonous etymon.

It is possible that PMP *paRada/POc *paKara ‘handle of an axe or adze’ has played some role in the history of this form. Western Oceanic and SE Solomonic reflexes are trisyllabic, but Clark (2009) reconstructs PNCV *vara ‘handle’. The disyllabic form may be the result of contamination by *vara ‘hand, arm’, and may in turn have led to the preservation of the latter. But this is a speculation.

PMP *baRa ‘hand, arm’ (ACD)
POc *paRa- ‘hand, arm’ (ACD: ‘hand’)
PNCV *vara- ‘hand, arm’ (Clark 2009)
NCV: Paamese  *hē-*  ‘limb’
NCV: Ngunu  *na-aru-*  ‘hand, arm’

The use of reflexes of POc *banic* and *kaba-* for ‘arm’ in some daughter languages is an extension of their core meaning ‘wing’ (vol.4:132–133, 275). We add ‘arm, hand’ to the glosses of ‘wing’ reconstructions with a question mark, as it is possible that extensions of meaning to ‘arm’ have occurred independently in daughter languages.

PMP *pani(j) ‘wing’ (ACD)
POc *banic* ‘wing, fin (probably pectoral); (?) arm, hand’
  Adm: Wuvulu  *pani-*  ‘hand’
  Adm: Aua  *pani-*  ‘hand, fin’
  Adm: Kaniet  *pani-*  ‘wing, hand, fin’ (Dempwolff)
  NNG: Takia  *bani-*  ‘forelegs, hand and arm’
  PT: Balawaia  *vane-*  ‘wing, fin’
  MM: Vitu  *baniit-*  ‘upper arm, wing’ (van den Berg)

PNCV *bani-* ‘wing, armlet; (?) arm, hand’ (Clark 2009)
  NCV: Mota  *pani(-u)*  ‘hand and arm of person, wing of bird, pectoral fin of fish, shoulder of pig’
  NCV: Raga  *bani-*  ‘k.o. bracelet’
  NNG: Bukawa  *aba-*  ‘arm (whole limb from shoulder to hand)’
  PT: Iduna  *aba-*  ‘do by hand’ (PREFIX)
  PT: Gumawana  *aba-*  ‘forearm’
  MM: Uruava  *kabe-*  ‘hand’
  SES: Lau  ʔ*aba-*  ‘arm, foreleg, wing, frond’
  SES: Kwaio  ʔ*aba-*  ‘arm, leaf’

PMP *kapak ‘wings; flutter’ (Dempwolff 1938)
POc *kaba-* ‘wing; (?) arm, hand’
  NNG: Bukawa  *aba-*  ‘hand’
  PT: Iduna  *aba-*  ‘do by hand’ (PREFIX)
  PT: Gumawana  *aba-*  ‘forearm’
  MM: Uruava  *kabe-*  ‘hand’
  SES: Lau  ʔ*aba-*  ‘arm, foreleg, wing, frond’
  SES: Kwaio  ʔ*aba-*  ‘arm, leaf’

3.6.2  Parts of the arm

Terms for the elbow, the fingers and fingernails and the palm of the hand are discussed in §3.6.8 together with the corresponding parts of the leg.

Oceanic languages typically distinguish terminologically between the upper arm (from shoulder to elbow), the forearm (from elbow to wrist), the wrist, and the hand, but the terms referring to them are often compounds or phrases. There is some evidence, however, that POc *nima/lima* denoted in its more specific sense the forearm and hand, whilst early Oceanic speakers also had single-word terms for the upper arm and for the hand.

PWOc *towas ‘upper arm’ (?)
  NNG: Takia  *tuo-*  ‘arm (whole limb from shoulder to hand)’
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| NNG: Kairiru | tawo- | ‘arm’ |
| PT: Misima | (nima)tovaha | ‘top part of the arm’ |
| MM: Torau | tua- | ‘hand’ |

#### PAn *kamay* ‘hand’ (ACD)

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#### POc *minV*- ‘hand’

| Adm: Nyindrou | mine- | ‘hand’ |
| Adm: Lou | mina- | ‘hand’ |
| NNG: Mangseng | meni- | ‘hand, arm’ |
| NNG: Bebeli | mini- | ‘hand’ |
| NNG: Atui | mini- | ‘hand’ |

#### 3.6.3 Left hand and right hand

The three POc terms for ‘left-hand’, *kauRi, *mawiRi and *mauRi, reflect a single PAn/PMP root *wiRi ‘left’. POc *kauRi reflects PMP *ka-wiRi, where *ka- formed a stative verb (‘be on the left’). PMP *ma-wiRi was the actor voice form of this verb, and is reflected in POc *mawiRi and its variant *mauRi. The POc forms *mawiRi and *mauRi are reconstructed separately below, but it is quite likely that at least some of the forms listed under *mauRi are descended from *mawiRi, the sound change *-wi- to *-u- having occurred independently in various languages.

The pairs *kawanan/*mawan an ‘right’ and *kataqu/*mataqu, also ‘right’, below, have similar origins, but here the unaffixed roots *wanan and *taqu evidently also survived into POc (Evans 2001:343).

It is probable that at least the terms in *ma- were also used as verbs in POc. Grammatical information about their reflexes is hard to find, but Lichtenberk (2008) glosses To’aba’ita (SES) *mauli as an intransitive verb ‘be on the left’, which is also used attributively (e.g. *maa mauli nau [eye be.on.left I] ‘my left eye’). The attributive use of stative verbs is normal in Oceanic languages (Ross 1998a). However, there is evidence that these terms also functioned as nouns in phrasal constructions, as in Kwaio (SES) *gula i mooi [side LINKER left] ‘lefthand side’ and Wayan Fijian *lima i matau [hand LINKER right] ‘right hand’. Both phrasal expressions reflect the POc nonspecific possessor construction where the item after *qi was a noun (§3.1.1). For example, the Wayan example reflects POc *lima qi mataqu, lit. ‘hand on/of/at right’.

Note that in the glosses below, hyphenated ‘left-hand’ and ‘right-hand’ indicate that the term appears to be an adjective or a stative verb.
PAn *ka-wiRi ‘be on the left’ (ACD)
PMP *ka-wiRi ‘be on the left’
POc *kauRi- ‘left-hand, be on the left’

PT: Motu \textit{kauri} ‘left-handed’
PT: Lala \textit{(e)ʔali} ‘left side’
PT: Molima \textit{keli} ‘left hand, left-handed’
PT: Gumasi \textit{ke-keli} ‘left-hand’
MM: Notsi \textit{kayal} ‘left-hand’
MM: Tabar \textit{keari} ‘left-hand’
Pn: Rarotongan \textit{kauī} ‘left, on the left side’
Pn: Tahitian \textit{ʔauī} ‘left-handed’

PMP *ma-wiRi ‘be on the left’
POc *mawiRi ‘left-hand, be on the left; left side or direction’

Adm: Wuvulu \textit{mawi-} ‘left (side)’
Adm: Seimat \textit{(kala)maw} ‘left side, left-handed’
Adm: Leipon \textit{(ka)maw} ‘left (side)’
SJ: Sobei \textit{mawar} ‘left hand’
MM: Tolai \textit{maira} ‘left, as opposed to right; left hand’
MM: Kia \textit{mairi} ‘left’
MM: Maringe \textit{mairi} ‘left side or direction’
SES: Talise \textit{maili} ‘left side’
SES: Tolo \textit{maili} ‘left (direction)’

PNCV *mawiri ‘left hand, left side’ (Clark 2009)

NCV: Raga \textit{mʷairi} ‘left hand, left side’
NCV: N Efate \textit{mawiri} ‘left side’
NCV: NE Ambae \textit{mawiri} ‘left’
SV: Anejom \textit{mʷau} ‘left-handed’
SV: N Tanna \textit{maul} ‘left hand’
NCal: Nélémwa \textit{mʷa} ‘left hand’
Fij: Bauan \textit{mawī} ‘be left-handed’
\hspace{1cm} \textit{i-mawī} ‘left-hand side; left’
\hspace{1cm} \textit{i-mawī} (ADV) ‘on the left’
Pn: Rarotongan \textit{mauī} ‘left, on the left side or hand’
Pn: Maori \textit{mauī} ‘left, on the left hand; left hand’

POc *mauRi- ‘left hand; left side or direction’

PT: Bwaidoga \textit{(ai)mauli} ‘left (side)’
PT: Dobu \textit{ma-maula} ‘left hand, left handed’
MM: Vitu \textit{mauri} ‘left (side)’
SES: Ghari \textit{mauli} ‘left’
SES: Gela \textit{mauli} ‘left hand’
SES: Tō’aba’ita \textit{mauli} ‘be on the left, left-hand’
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SES: Lau mau, mouli ‘left hand; left handed’
(i)mouli ‘on the left’

SES: Kwaio (gula i) mooli- ‘left side’ [side of left hand]

TM: Buma mouro ‘left hand’

NCV: N Efate mauri ‘left hand’

NCV: Uripiv mair ‘left hand, left side’

Mic: Nauruan (eda)mauw ‘left side’
Mic: Kiribati mai(ŋ) ‘left hand’
Mic: Ponapean mcy(ŋ) ‘left hand’

Pn: Rennellese mau ‘right, right hand’

cf. also:
MM: Nakanai meru- ‘on the left, left-handed’ (r for †l)
SV: Lenakel mu ‘left-handed’

PAn *wanaN ‘right (side, hand, direction)’ likewise is reflected in three POc forms *wanan, *kawan and *mawan, all ‘right side’.

PAn *wanaL ‘right (side, hand, direction)’ (Blust 1999a, ACD)

POc *wana ‘right side, right-hand’

NNG: Gedaged way ‘right hand, right side, dextral’
NNG: Biliiu wan ‘right-hand’
NNG: Malalamai wana ‘right-hand’
NNG: Lukep wana ‘right-hand’
NNG: Megiar wana ‘right-hand’
NNG: Manam wana ‘right (side), right hand’
NNG: Wgogwog wana ‘right (side)’
NNG: Medebur wa ‘right-hand’
NNG: Bam wana ‘right-hand’

PAn *ka-wanaL ‘be to the right’ (ACD)

POc *kawan ‘right side’ (Evans 2001)

NNG: Bebeli kiwana ‘right hand’
PT: Misima awo ‘right side’
MM: Tami kawana ‘right hand’ (metathesised < *kanaw)an)

PAn *ma-wanaL ‘be to the right’

POc *manwan ‘right side’ (Evans 2001)

Adm: Seimat manau ‘right side’ (metathesised < *manawan)
Adm: Mussau muena ‘right side’
NNG: Ali maway ‘right side’
NNG: Kairiru mouw ‘right side’
MM: Tigak muan ‘right side’
MM: Kara ma-muwon ‘right side’
MM: Notsi mua ‘right side’
Evolved in the same threefold way are POc *taqu, POc *ka-taqu and POc *ma-taqu, all ‘right hand’, with the added twist that *ma-taqu metathesised to PSOc *ma-tuqa.

PAn *taqu ‘right side’ (ACD)
POc *taqu ‘right hand’
- NNG: Kove tau- ‘right hand’
- MM: Tangga to- ‘right hand’
- MM: Tolai (lima) tu- ‘right hand’

POc *kataqu ‘be on the right; right hand’
- PT: Kukuya atei ‘right, on the right hand’
- PT: Molima atai ‘right hand, be right-handed’
- PT: Kilivila ka-kata ‘right side’
- PT: Dobu ?atai ‘right hand’
- Pn: Hawaiian ?ākau ‘right’

PMP *ma-taqu ‘right side’ (Blust 1993a, ACD)
POc *mataqu ‘right-hand’
- Adm: Wuvulu maʔau ‘right’
- Adm: Aua maʔau ‘right’
- MM: Petats matou ‘right’
- MM: Teop matou- ‘right (hand)’
- MM: Mono matou ‘right’
- MM: Kia mautu ‘right’
- MM: Roviana mato- ‘right’
- Fij: Bauan matau ‘be right-handed’
  i-matau ‘right-hand side; right’
- Fij: Wayan matau (ADJ) ‘right’, (N) ‘right side’
  i-matau (ADV) ‘on the right’
  (lima i) matau ‘right hand’ [hand of right side]
- Pn: Tongan mataʔu- ‘be right-handed, right side’
- Pn: Niuean matau ‘right’
- Pn: Samoan matau ‘right’
- Pn: Maori matau ‘right’

PSOc *matuqa ‘right hand, right side’ (vowel metathesis, for †*mataqu; Clark 2009: PNCV)33
- NCV: Mota matua- ‘right hand, belonging to the right hand’
- NCV: Araki marua- ‘right hand’
- NCV: NE Ambae matue ‘right’
- SV: Lenakel m*atu- ‘be right-handed’

33 We owe to John Lynch the insight that this was a PSOc innovation.
3.6.4 Leg, foot

Proto Oceanic speakers evidently used a single term for the leg and foot.

Blust (ACD) reconstructs both PAn *qaqay and PAn *waqay, and the two forms are both continued in Oceanic. POc *waiqe- is reflected in Fijian and Polynesian and *qaqe- in Admiralties, Western Oceanic and SE Solomonic languages. There are no reflexes in Micronesia or Vanuatu. No language has reflexes of both forms.

PAn *qaqay ‘foot, leg’ (ACD)

POc *waiqe- ‘leg, foot’

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<td>‘leg, foot’ (toes excluded)</td>
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<td>Adm: Kaniet</td>
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<td>NNG: Malasanga</td>
<td>kae-</td>
<td>‘leg’</td>
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<td>NNG: Numbami</td>
<td>ae-</td>
<td>‘leg, foot’</td>
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<td>PT: Dobu</td>
<td>′ae-</td>
<td>‘leg, foot and thigh as complete portion of the body’</td>
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<td>PT: Molima</td>
<td>ae-</td>
<td>‘leg, foot’</td>
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<td>PT: Motu</td>
<td>ae-</td>
<td>‘leg incl. foot’</td>
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<td>PT: Roro</td>
<td>ae-</td>
<td>‘lower leg, foot’</td>
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<td>MM: Ramoaaina</td>
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PAn *waqay ‘foot, leg’ (ACD)

POc *waiqe- ‘leg, foot’

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<td>Fij: Wayan</td>
<td>-we</td>
<td>‘footprint’</td>
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34 Bam ve- and Wogo vai- are regular reflexes of POc *qaqe. Cf. Wogo vawa- ‘mouth’ < POc *qawar-, valipa- ‘voice’ < POc *qaliipa-, vato ‘thatch’ < POc *qatop.
-(ma)wē ‘footprint’

PPn *waqe ‘leg, foot’ (Pollex)

Pn: Niuean vē ‘leg, foot’
Pn: Tongan vaʔe ‘foot, leg, wheel of car etc’
Pn: Rennellese baʔe ‘leg, foot’
Pn: Samoan vae ‘lower limb, incl. foot’
Pn: Tikopia vae ‘leg, foot’
Pn: Hawaiian wae ‘leg’

3.6.5 Parts of the leg and foot

Terms for the toes and toenails and the sole and top of the foot are discussed in §3.6.8 together with the corresponding parts of the arm. A set of terms denoting the knee is discussed in §3.6.5.2, whilst terms denoting both elbow and knee are presented in §3.6.8.1.

3.6.5.1 Thigh

The Proto Oceanic term for thigh was POc *paqa(l).

POc *paqa(l) ‘thigh’ (Ross 1988)

NNG: Wampur haga- ‘leg’
NNG: Adzera faga- ‘leg’
NNG: Dangal faga- ‘foot’ fa- ‘thigh’
NNG: Kaiwa va- ‘leg’
NNG: Vehes vaya- ‘leg’
NNG: Buang vaha- ‘leg’
NNG: Mumeng K vaya- ‘leg’
NNG: Kapin vaya- ‘leg’
PT: Paiwa vaya- ‘thigh’
MM: Bola vaya- ‘leg’
MM: Nakanai vaha- ‘leg’
MM: Lavongai vakal ‘thigh’
MM: Konomala fa- ‘leg’
MM: Label ha- ‘leg’
MM: Sursurunga paua- ‘thigh’
MM: Patpatar paua- ‘thigh’
SES: Lau sa-safa- ‘thigh’ (metathesis)
SES: Kwaio la-lafa- ‘thigh’ (metathesis)
SES: Sa’a sa-saha- ‘thigh, lap’ (metathesis)
NCV: Namakir va-a- ‘thigh’
NCV: NE Ambae bala- ‘thigh’
SV: Sye n-va- ‘thigh’
SV: Kwamera nu-va- ‘thigh’
NCal: Nemi pā- ‘thigh’
NCal: Kumak pā- ‘thigh’
Terms meaning both ‘knee’ and ‘elbow’ are presented in §3.6.8.1. Other terms, presented here, appear originally to have meant ‘knee’, but are in some languages also applied to ‘elbow’.

More than one POc term beginning with *tu- is reconstructable with the meaning ‘knee’. Blust (ACD) reconstructs POc *tur. POc *turu- is also attested. PWOc *tuku- is reasonably well attested. A number of NW Solomonic languages reflect *tuju- (Banoni, Piva cuju- ‘knee’, Lungga, Nduke tu-tuju ‘knee, elbow’, Vangunu, Roviana tuuju-tuju ‘knee, elbow’).

The relationships among these forms are only partially understood. The histories of PWOc *tuku- and NW Solomonic *tuju- are not known, but we can show how POc *tur and *turu- are related.

The PAn form for ‘knee’ was *tuduS (ACD). PAn *tu became PMP *h, and a regular metathesis whereby PAn -*CVS became PMP *-hVC gave rise to PMP *tuhud ‘knee’. By regular sound change this became POc *tur (ACD), reflexes of which are shown below. Some of these reflexes are reduplicated as a means of creating the preferred canonic form, a disyllable, from monosyllabic *tur. The preferred strategy for creating a (suffixed) directly possessed noun (§3.1.1) from a root with a final consonant was to replace the final consonant with the suffix, as many reconstructions in this chapter illustrate, but in the case of monosyllabic *tur, a supporting vowel was added instead, giving disyllabic *turu-, a change which seems to have occurred at an earlier interstage than POc as Blust (ACD) reconstructs *turu- to PCEMP.  

There were very few monosyllabic POc nouns, so we do not know whether this was a general POc strategy for creating disyllabic directly possessed nouns from monosyllabic roots. Blust (ACD) rejects (rightly, in our view) an alternative analysis whereby POc *turu- continues PAn *tuduS via PMP †*tuduh. His grounds are (i) that -CVS metathesis was regular and (ii) that PMP †*tuduh is not reflected in western MP languages.

Final -t reflects Proto Huon Gulf *-c, a formative added to directly possessed nouns lacking a possessor (Ross 1988:144) which was apparently an irregular reflex of POc *-ki (Ross 2001).
nima-tutu- ‘elbow’ [arm-joint-]

PT: Kukuya ae-tutu- ‘knee’ [leg-joint-]
MM: Mono-Alu tü- ‘knee’
MM: Simbo tu-tu ‘knee’
Fij: Rotuman ñu ‘knee’

PAn *tuduS ‘knee’ (ACD)
PMP *tuhud ‘knee’ (ACD)
PCEMP *turú ‘knee’ (ACD)
POc *turú- ‘knee, joint’

NNG: Takia turu- ‘knee’
NNG: Lukep turu- ‘knee’
NNG: Malasanga turu- ‘knee’
NNG: Bing turu- ‘knee’
PT: Saliba turi- ‘knee’ (Capell 1943)
MM: Vitu tu-tur ‘knee’
MM: Bali turu- ‘knee’
MM: Bulu tu-tulu- ‘knee’
MM: Bola turu- ‘knee’
MM: Nakanai tulu- ‘knee’
MM: Meramera (pa)tulu- ‘knee’
SES: Bugotu tu-turu- ‘knee, joint’
SES: Lau uru-uru- ‘knee’
SES: Sa’a uru-uru- ‘knee’ (uru ‘to bend the knee’)
NCV: Pt. Sandwich (ciki)dür ‘knee down’
Mic: Woleaian suzu- ‘knee, knee’
Fij: Bauan duru ‘knee’

duru-duru ni lija ‘elbow’ [joint of arm]

Pn: Tongan tui ‘knee’
Pn: Tikopia turi ‘knee’
Pn: Samoan tuli ‘joint’
tuli-lima ‘elbow’ [joint-arm]
tuli-vae ‘knee’ [joint-leg]
tuli-ulu ‘back of neck’ [joint-head]

PWOc *tuku- ‘knee, elbow’

NNG: Sio tuku- ‘knee’
NNG: Nenaya tugu- ‘knee’ (g for †k)
NNG: Medebrur tuku- ‘knee’
NNG: Manam tuku- ‘knee’ (k for †p)
MM: Petats tuk-tuk(rako) ‘knee’
MM: Halia tuku(numu) ‘elbow’
tuku(numu) ‘knee’
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3.6.5.3  Calf and shin

The calf is referred to by a compound meaning ‘liver of leg’ in widespread languages.

POc *gate qi [q,w]aqay ‘calf’

Adm: Mussau  
atea keke- ‘calf’ [liver leg-]

NNG: Bukawa  
gahi- ate ‘calf’ [leg- liver]

NNG: Numbami  
ae- ate ‘calf’ [leg- liver]

NNG: Sio  
kate- ‘calf; liver’

PPn *gate qi wage ‘calf muscles of lower leg’

Pn: Tongan  
ʔate ʔi vaʔe ‘calf’ [liver of leg]

Pn: Samoan  
ate vae ‘calf’ [liver leg]

Pn: Rennellese  
ʔate baʔe ‘calf, esp. back side of the calf’ [liver leg]

Pn: Maori  
ate-ate ‘calf’

Western Oceanic languages have a set of semantically related compounds for the calf. In some languages the calf is ‘scrotum of leg’ or ‘testicle of leg’. In others ‘nut of leg’ is found, noting that ‘nut’, ‘seed’ and ‘testicle’ are often glosses of the same term in Oceanic languages. In a number of Papuan Tip languages it is ‘roe of leg’, where the term for ‘roe’ reflects POc *biRa- (vol.4:129).

NNG: Takia  
ŋie- laben ‘calf’ [leg- scrotum]

NNG: Dami  
y-e fāt ‘calf’ [leg- testicle]

PT: Iduna  
fowa- age ‘calf’ [scrotum- leg]

MM: Ramoaaina  
talia na kaki- ‘calf’ [nut of leg]

PT: Gapapaiwa  
kae-bire- ‘calf’ [leg-roe-]

PT: Tawala  
ae-bile- ‘calf’ [leg-roe-]

PT: Ubir  
a- firi-n ‘calf’ [leg- roe-its]

PT: Misima  
ae-bilabila ‘calf’ [leg-roe-]

Languages from Papuan Tip and Polynesia use the metaphor of a ridge to refer to the shin bone, albeit in non-cognate terms.

PT: Dobu  
ʔae-b*ate-b*atete ‘shin and shinbone’ [leg-ridge]

Pn: Tongan  
hivi ʔi vaʔe ‘shin’ [ridge of leg]

Pn: Samoan  
tua-sivi-vae ‘shin’ [ridge-bone-leg]

3.6.5.4  Heel

Blust reconstructs PMP *tiked ‘heel’ (ACD), but no Oceanic reflexes have been found. Instead there are compounds. In NW Melanesia, the usual expression appears to be ‘occiput of foot’, using a reflex of POc *k(i,e)ju-/PNGOc *g(i,e)ju- ‘back of head, occiput’ (§3.4.5). Of the reflexes below, only Nakanai kisu and Ubir etu- are independently attested in the data with the back of the head as denotatum, but there is little doubt that all the items listed are reflexes thereof. In Tawala the reduplicated form, encoding ‘little occiput’, lacks a reflex of *g(i,e)ju-, probably once present as it is in closely related Gumawana.

37 Ramoaaina talia ‘nut of Terminalia catappa’, reflecting POc *talise (vol.3:324).
POc *k(i,e)jju (qi) gape ‘heel’ (lit. ‘occiput/nape of foot’)

Adm: Nyindrou kusu- kati ‘heel’ [occiput-X foot]38
PT: Gumawana ae-gedu-gedu- ‘heel’ [foot-REDUP-occiput-X]
PT: Tawala kedi-kedu- ‘heel’ [REDUP-occiput-X]
PT: Ubir a- etu- ‘heel’ [foot-occiput-X]
MM: Nakanai vaha-kisu- ‘heel’ [foot-occiput-X]

Takia speakers use the semantically corresponding expression nje- buro-n [leg-X occiput-its].
In at least some Oceanic languages the corresponding expression is ‘back of foot’, using
the relational local noun POc *muri[-] ‘back part, rear, behind, space to the rear of, time after;
(canoe) stern; space outside’ (vol.2:251) or its variant *buri- (vol.2:253).

POc *[m,b]uri (qi) (w,q)aqe ‘heel’ (ACD) (lit. ‘back of foot’)

MM: Bukawa gahi bu ‘heel’ [foot back]
SES: Lau buri ?ae ‘heel’ [back foot]
Pn: Rennellese mugi wae ‘heel’ [back foot]
Pn: K’marangi muali wae ‘heel’ [back foot]

3.6.6 Footprint

The addition of *-kV to the Nyindrou, Manam and Mota reflexes of POc *m^ale- ‘footprint’ is
unexplained, but the addition of -ŋ(V) in the Neve’ei and Tape reflexes implies that *m^ale-
was at some point a verb, to which nominalising *-ga was then added.

POc *m^ale- ‘footprint’

Adm: Nyindrou m^ele(ke) ‘trace, impression’
m^ele(ke kati-) ‘footprint’ (kati- ‘foot, leg’)
NNG: Manam male(ka)- ‘track; footprint’

NCV: Mota male(ka)-i ‘sole of foot, foot, footprint, track’
NCV: Kiai malele- ‘mark (trace left by)’
NCV: Raga malele- ‘footprint’
NCV: Apma male- ‘mark (of burn, cut)’
NCV: Port Sandwich mele- ‘footprint’
NCV: Neve’ei ne-m^ele(ŋ) ‘footprint’
NCV: Tape m^el(ge tili-) ‘footprint’ (tili- = ‘leg’)
NCV: Namakir m^ale-(lao-) ‘heel’ (lao- ‘foot’)
NCV: Nguna na-m^ele- ‘foot’
na-m^ele-(aru) ‘palm, hand’ (aru ‘hand, arm’)
NCV: S Efate na-m^le-(natu-) ‘footprint’ (natu- ‘foot’)

PSV *na-m^i(i,la)- ‘track (of s.t.), footprint’ SV:
Lenalek na-mwvi- ‘footprint’

In a number of WOc languages the term for footprint is ‘back of leg’, or more logically

38 X represents the human possessor of the heel.
‘after foot’, with a reflex of *muri- or *buri- ‘back, be after’ (vol.2:311-312). Note that this compound means ‘heel’ in some Oceanic languages (§3.6.5).

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<td>MM: Nakai</td>
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<td>MM: Meramera</td>
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Some Polynesian languages use a term meaning ‘standing-place of foot’ to refer to ‘footprint’.

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3.6.7 Groin, crotch

The POc term for the crotch was *sanya-, which was also used for a forked stick or branch.

PMP *sanya ‘bifurcation, to branch’ (ACD) (vol.3:96)

POc *sanya- ‘crotch; fork (in tree), forked stick or branch’

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<td>crotch; fork in tree, straddle</td>
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<td>Adm: Lou</td>
<td>say</td>
<td>crotch</td>
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<td>NNG: Gedaged</td>
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<td>crotch, groin, bifurcation, fork</td>
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<td>PT: Iduna</td>
<td>haya-haya-</td>
<td>spread legs; groin; fork (in branch)</td>
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<td>MM: Nakai</td>
<td>sala-</td>
<td>thigh, groin</td>
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<td>MM: Tabar</td>
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<td>a crotch; fork of the legs</td>
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<td>Fij: Bauan</td>
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<td>Pn: Tongan</td>
<td>(ma)haña</td>
<td>branch, fork, crotch</td>
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3.6.8 Parts common to arm/hand and leg/foot

Note that ‘armpit’ is treated as part of the trunk (§3.5.4).

3.6.8.1 Elbow and knee

This section has two parts to facilitate crossreferencing, particularly between the formally similar pairs of terms in §3.4.2 and §3.6.8.1.1.

POc also had terms that specifically denoted the knee. For these, see §3.6.5.2.
POc *p\textsuperscript{\textcircled{c}}atu[ka]- ‘elbow, knee; joint, node’

The formal aspects of the two terms reconstructed here are discussed at length in §3.4.2. POc *p\textsuperscript{\textcircled{c}}atu[ka]- was evidently the general term for a knee or elbow joint, but not hip or shoulder. The seemingly optional *-ka- that is reflected in some members of the cognate set remains unexplained, unless, as mentioned in §3.4.2, *p\textsuperscript{\textcircled{c}}atu[ka]- originally meant ‘kneecap’ and is identical with putative *p\textsuperscript{\textcircled{c}}atu(h) ‘outer shell, skull’.

POc *p\textsuperscript{\textcircled{c}}atu[ka]- ‘elbow, knee; joint, node’

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Whether and how PSOc *b\textsuperscript{\textcircled{w}}au- ‘knee, joint’ is related to POc *p\textsuperscript{\textcircled{c}}atu[ka]- ‘elbow, knee; joint, node’ is not known. See the discussion in §3.4.2.

PSOc *b\textsuperscript{\textcircled{w}}au- ‘knee, joint’ (Lynch 2004a)

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<td>Araki</td>
<td>Raga</td>
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<td>nu-b\textsuperscript{\textcircled{w}}u-k, nə-b\textsuperscript{\textcircled{w}}ən</td>
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<td>b\textsuperscript{\textcircled{w}}au-</td>
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Fijian examples include levu-ka- ‘middle’, tolō-ka- ‘trunk’, vatu-ka- ‘shape’ (P. Geraghty, pers. comm.)

Glosses in Fox (1978) show no semantic difference between p\textsuperscript{\textcircled{w}}a-ruru- ‘elbow, knee’ and ruru- ‘elbow, knee’.
### The human body

| SV: Sye | no-“pu(noru) | ‘shoulder’ (lit. ‘head of arm’) |
| NCal: Nyelâyu | bu- | ‘joint’ |
| NCal: Xârâcûû | b’â(xê) | ‘knee’ (xê ‘hand, foot’) |
| NCal: Iaai | bo(xulu) | ‘joint’ |

#### 3.6.8.1.2 Other terms for joint, elbow and knee

Reflexes of POc *buku* ‘mound, knob, joint’ are also used in a number of Oceanic languages to refer to the elbow and/or knee. However, it is clear that *buku* focussed on the shape of the referent, whereas the central meaning of the terms reconstructed in §3.6.8.1.1 was the knee or elbow joint itself.

As elbows are more corner-like than knees, POc *s[í,ú]ku*, reflecting a PMP term that also meant ‘corner’, may have referred specifically to ‘elbow’.

**PMP *buku* ‘node, joint, joint’ (ACD)**

| POc *buku* ‘mound, knob, joint; (?) elbow, knee’ |
|------------------|------------------|
| NNG: Manam | buku | ‘mountain, knuckle’ |
| NNG: Wogo | buku- | ‘knee’ |
| MM: Nakanai | buku(a) | ‘swollen, protruding’ |
| MM: Nalik | buk-buk | ‘knee’ |
| MM: Patpatar | buku- | ‘joint, elbow, knee’ |
| MM: Minigir | buku-buku- | ‘elbow, knee’ |
| MM: Tolai | buk na kau- buk na lima- | ‘elbow’ |
| MM: Siar | buk | ‘elbow’ |
| MM: Babatana | pu-puku- | ‘elbow, knee’ |
| MM: Blablanga | pu-puku- | ‘knee’ |
| NCV: Mota | puyii- | ‘hip joints’ |
| Mic: Chuukese | p’ïki- | ‘node, joint, knot, knee’ |
| Mic: Puluwatese | p’ikiw | ‘knee’ |
| Mic: Kosraean | fuku- | ‘joint’ |
| Fij: Bauan | buku | ‘anything knotted or humped’ |
| Fij: Wayan | buku | ‘knot; node; hinge’ |

**PMP *siku* ‘elbow, corner’ (Dempwolff)**

| POc *s[í,ú]ku* ‘elbow, knee, angle’ |
|------------------|------------------|
| NNG: Buang | ruku- | ‘knee’ |
| NNG: Mindiri | sakü- | ‘elbow’ |
| NNG: Bilbil | suk-suk | ‘elbow’ |
| NNG: Gedaged | suck-suk | ‘elbow; sharp turn in a road’ |
| NNG: Kilenge | suku- | ‘knee’ |
| PT: E Mekeo | kiu(a) | ‘elbow’ |

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41 Thus POc *buku* is glossed ‘node (as in bamboo or sugarcane); joint; knuckle; knot in wood, string or rope’ in vol.1:85; ‘mound, knob, joint’; possibly also ‘hill’ in vol.2:51; and its PCP reflex denotes ‘female genitals’ in §3.5.13.3.
PT: Lala  

PT: Kuni  

MM: Tiang  

MM: Varisi  

SES: 'Are'are  

SES: Sa’a  

NCV: Raga  

NCV: Tamambo  

NCV: Araki  

NCV: NE Ambae  

Fij: Nadrau  

PPn *siku  ‘extremity, end; tail (esp. of fish)’ (POLLEX)  

Pn: Tongan  

Pn: E Futunan  

3.6.8.2 Fingers and toes, finger- and toenails  

Where data are from dictionaries rather than from wordlists, it is clear that the same term is typically used in Oceanic languages for ‘fingernail’, ‘toenail’ and ‘claw (of quadruped or bird)’, and this was presumably the case in POc too. However, wordlist sources tend to show a term only for ‘fingernail’.  

POc *kuku- apparently also denoted ‘finger’. Both non-Oceanic (ACD) and Oceanic reflexes attest to this.

PMP *kuSkuS  ‘claw, talon, fingernail’ (ACD)  

POC *kuku- ‘finger, fingernail, toenail, claw (of quadruped or bird)’  

Adm: Lou  

NNG: Mangap-Mbula  

NNG: Lukpe (Pono)  

NNG: Malasanga  

NNG: Wab  

NNG: Bilbil  

NNG: Matukar  

NNG: Kaiwa  

NNG: Medebur  

NNG: Wogeo  

NNG: Numbami  

MM: Vitu  

MM: Bali  

MM: Bola  

MM: Nakana  

MM: Meramera  

kuku(buli)  ‘fingernail’  

‘thumb’  

‘finger’  

‘finger, toe, nail, claw’  

‘finger’
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<td>SES: Bugotu</td>
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<td>‘hoof, claw’</td>
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PWOc *ka(p,p[W]a)- ‘fingernail, toenail, claw (of quadruped or bird)’

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<td>(karu)kapi</td>
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<td>‘little finger’</td>
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The index finger (forefinger) in many Oceanic languages is denoted by a form that is identical with or includes the verb ‘point’. Indeed, *tusu- ‘forefinger’ is derived from a PMP term meaning ‘point’. In the Papuan Tip area forefinger terms sometimes allude to the fact that one dips the forefinger into food in order to taste it: Dawawa buta-remo (buta ‘salt’, remo ‘taste’), Tawala habaya-lemu (habaya ‘cooking pot’, lemu ‘taste’). Terms for the other digits are not reconstructable, but the thumb is ‘big digit’ in a number of languages: Misima gigi-bwaya (gigi ‘finger, toe’, bwaya ‘big’), PNCV *bisu-laba (*bisu ‘finger’, *labu ‘big’; Clark 2009), Wayan kiku-levu (levu ‘big’).

### PMP *tuzuq ‘point at, point out, give directions’ (ACD)

### POc *tusu- (N) ‘forefinger’; *tusuq-i- (VT) ‘point at’

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<td>MM: Nakanai</td>
<td>tur-i</td>
<td>‘point to, point out’</td>
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<td>MM: Tolai</td>
<td>tu</td>
<td>(VT) ‘show, point at’</td>
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<td>MM: Kia</td>
<td>tuhu</td>
<td>‘point with finger’</td>
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<td>tuhuʔ-i</td>
<td>(VT) ‘point’</td>
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<td>Pn: Samoan</td>
<td>tusi</td>
<td>‘point with finger’</td>
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<td>Pn: Tikopia</td>
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<td>‘point, trace with finger; write’</td>
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### PPN *mata a lima ‘finger’ (mata ‘point, tip’, lima ‘hand’)

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### 3.6.8.3 Palm of hand and sole of foot

PMP *palaj ‘palm of hand, sole of foot’ is widely reflected in western Malayo-Polynesian languages, but only a single Oceanic reflex occurs in the data. Most Oceanic languages support POc *kap-ar.

### PMP *palaj ‘palm of hand, sole of foot’ (ACD)

### POc *pala(j) ‘palm of hand, sole of foot’ (ACD)

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<td>(ima) pala-pala-</td>
<td>‘palm’ (ima ‘hand’)</td>
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(ae) pala-pala- ‘sole’ (ae ‘leg’)

POc *lap’ar ‘palm of hand, sole of foot’ appears superficially to reflect PAn *da(m)paN ‘palm of hand, sole of foot’, but the latter would give rise to POc †*ra(p,b)an, so this is probably a chance resemblance.

POc *lap’ar ‘palm of hand, sole of foot’

Adm: Mussau  
lapa-lapa  ‘(hand) palm; (foot) sole’ (lapalapa nima ‘palm’, lapalapa keke ‘sole’)

PT: Molima  
(ae) yapa-yapa(na) ‘sole of foot’ (y~ for ŋ)

PT: Kukuya  
(nima) yapa-yapa ‘palm of hand’ (n~ for ŋ)

PT: Wedau  
(ae) yapa-yapa ‘sole of foot’

MM: Tolai  
lapara ‘main part of hand, incl. back and palm but not fingers; instep’

MM: Patpatar  
lapar ‘sole of foot, palm of hand’

MM: Sursurunga  
lapra- ‘sole of foot, palm of hand’

Neither of these reconstructions has reflexes in Eastern Oceanic. The most common term in Eastern Oceanic, found also in the Admiralties, is a compound meaning ‘face of hand/foot’, containing a reflex of POc *qarop ‘front, face’ (vol.2:247) plus the term for hand or foot, contrasting with ‘back of hand/foot’ for the back of the hand and top of the foot (§3.6.8.4).

POc *qarop qi [n,l]ima ‘palm of hand’

Adm: Lou  
kar mena ‘palm of hand’

NCV: NE Ambae  
qaqai lima(na) ‘palm of hand’

Pn: Tongan  
ʔaof-i-nima ‘palm of hand’

Pn: Rennellese  
ʔagoh-i-gima ‘palm of hand, inner surface of arm’

Pn: Samoan  
alof-i-lima ‘palm of hand’

Pn: Tikopia  
arof-i-rima ‘palm of hand’

POc *qarop qi qaqe ‘sole of foot’ (lit. ‘front of foot’) (qi LINKER)

Adm: Lou  
kar-ke- ‘sole’

PnPn *qarof-i-waqe ‘sole of foot’ (POLLEX)

Pn: Tongan  
ʔaof-i-waʔe ‘sole of foot’ (lit. ‘front/face of foot’)

Pn: E Futunan  
ʔalof-i-waʔe ‘sole of foot’

Pn: Samoan  
alof-i vae ‘sole of foot’

Pn: Tikopia  
arof-i vae ‘sole of foot’

3.6.8.4 Back of hand and top of foot

The top of the foot was apparently the ‘back of foot’ in POc, as it is in geographically distant modern languages. This seems odd in European thinking, until it is recognised that Oceanic

PAn *dapaN is reconstructed on the basis of (Formosan) Tsou capha ‘foot’, Saaroa sapale ‘foot’, Thao sapa ‘sole, footprint’, Pazih su-sapal ‘sole’ and (Philippine) Ilokano, Bikol, Pangasinan dapan ‘sole’ (among other reflexes).
speakers view feet and hands analogously: the palm of the hand and sole of the foot are perceived as ‘face, front’ (§3.6.8.3), the back of the hand and top of the foot as ‘back’.

NNG: Hote *dum sanye-* ‘top of foot’ [back foot-]
NNG: Takia *gi-e- patu-n* ‘top of foot’ [foot-back-its]
PT: Gumawana *ae-tolu-* ‘top of foot’ [foot-back-]
PT: Kukuya *ae upu-* ‘top of foot’ [foot-back-]
MM: Siar *tar-un keke-* ‘top of foot’ [back foot-]

PpPn *tuqa a waqe* ‘top of foot’ [back-foot]

Pn: Tongan *tuʔa vaʔe* ‘top of the foot’
Pn: Rennellese *tuʔə baʔe* ‘top of foot’
Pn: Tikopia *tua vae* ‘top of foot’

Note that this term was distinct from POc *[m,b]uri (w,q)aqe* ‘heel’ (§3.6.5.2) (lit. ‘back of foot’). POc *[m,b]uri* was a relational local noun denoting the back of something (§3.1.2), but the terms for ‘back’ in ‘top of foot’ phrases denote a person’s back.

### 3.7 Internal organs

#### 3.7.1 Internal organs in general

The internal organs are listed here roughly in order from the top of the trunk to the bottom. There is a certain amount of evidence that POc *gate*- ‘liver’, regarded as the seat of the emotions and the centre of one’s being (§3.7.6), also served as a collective term for the internal organs. This is clear in terms from Nakanai (MM), where the liver itself is specified by adding a modifier (*kuru*) to the more general term *hate-*, reflecting POc *gate-*.  

*hate-* ‘liver or solar plexus (seat of emotion); internal organs in general; sometimes spleen’

*la hate kuru* ‘liver’ (*kuru* ‘dark-coloured’)

The terms below reveal a similar pattern: the reflex of *gate-* denotes the internal organs, and various modifiers indicate the specific organ (see also the terms for ‘lungs’ in §3.7.3).

- Kwaio *lae-, lae-fou* ‘liver’  
  *lae-fula, lae-fulo* ‘lungs and heart (conceived of as a single unit)’

- Sa’a *sae- *sae huto-huto* ‘lungs’ (= ‘frothy liver’)

- ’Are’are *rae- *rae nisu-na* ‘lung’ (*nisu- ‘opening, outlet’)
  *rae ṭoʔoʔoḥu-na* ‘lung’ (*ʔoʔoʔo- ‘chest’ ??)

- Bauan *yate- *yate balavu* ‘the liver, considered as the seat of cowardice and courage’
  *yate vuso* ‘lungs’ (*vuso ‘to froth’)

- Niuean *ate* ‘liver’
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ate-fua ‘liver’ (fua ‘fruit’)
ate-loa ‘spleen’ (loa ‘long’)
ate-pili ‘spleen’ (pili ‘sticky’)
ate-pala ‘lungs’ (pala ‘wet’)
ate-vili ‘heart’ (vili ‘spin’)

3.7.2 Heart

Blust (ACD) reconstructs POc *buaq ‘areca nut and palm; heart’. The only reflex listed in the ACD with the meaning ‘heart’ is Tolai buai-, which is in fact a reflex of PWOc *busa(q) ‘heart’, as -s- is lost in Tolai. However, Vitu, Bola and Nakanai have bua- ‘heart’, and these are regular reflexes of POc *buaq, not of *busa(q).

PMP* buaq ‘fruit; areca nut and palm; heart’ (ACD)

POc *buaq ‘areca nut and palm; heart’ (ACD)

MM: Vitu bua- ‘heart’
MM: Bola bua- ‘heart’
MM: Nakanai bua- ‘heart’

The two reconstructions below, POc *pu(s,c)o ‘heart’ and PWOc *busa(q) ‘heart’ are similar in form (and *busa(q) is similar to *buaq above), and there is no semantic difference between them. The reflexes of both mean ‘heart’ with an occasional instance of ‘liver’. This is presumably an outcome of the fact that both the heart and the liver are regarded as seats of the emotions by speakers of various Oceanic languages. Where similar forms occur with similar meanings, there may be contamination of one by the other, and Wogeo buso- and Malai pus-pusa- both seem to illustrate this.

No convincing explanation can be offered for the fact that there are two terms, but note (i) that POc *puso- is also one of the forms reconstructed for ‘navel’ (§3.5.10) and (ii) that POc *puco(q) and POc *busa are both terms for ‘foam’ (vol.2:96–97) and that each has a PMP antecedent. Whilst it is easier to explain (i) as a semantic shift, it is more difficult to explain away (ii), the fact that the same two forms occur for both ‘foam’ and ‘heart’. One of the reconstructed terms for ‘lungs’ (§3.7.3) includes a word meaning ‘foam’ and, as the heart and lungs are in close relationship anatomically, it may be that an early meaning shift has occurred here.

POc *pu(s,c)o- ‘heart’

MM: Patpatar puso-puso ‘heart’
NCV: Nokuku wiso- ‘heart, liver’
NCV: Araki (ma)vusa- ‘heart; innards, guts’
NCV: Paamese (hei)huse- ‘heart’
NCV: Namakir wus ‘heart’

43 The full gloss in the ACD is ‘fruit; areca palm and nut; grain; berry; seed; nut; endosperm of a sprouting coconut; kidney; heart; finger; calf of the leg; testicle; various insects; scar tissue; roe; bud; flower; blossom; bear fruit; words, speech, or songs; meaning, contents of discussion; numeral classifier for roundish objects; buttock; Adam’s apple; nipple of the breast; button; marble; tattooing’

44 The reconstruction in vol.2 (p97) is *puso. but the external evidence suggests *puco(q).
PWOc *busa(q) ‘heart’

NNG: Manam (a)buro- ‘heart’
NNG: Wogeo buso- ‘liver’
NNG: Malai pus-pusa- ‘heart’
NNG: Adzera (mugu)buza(n) ‘liver’
NNG: Mumeng (Patep) b’ola- ‘heart’
MM: Bulu (yate)bura-bur(a) ‘liver’
MM: Tigak vusa- ‘heart’
MM: E Kara vusa- ‘heart’
MM: W Kara busa- ‘heart’
MM: Notsi buca- ‘heart’
MM: Lihir buos ‘heart’
MM: Tangga bus-busa- ‘heart’
MM: Tolai buai- ‘heart’
MM: Bilur buai- ‘heart’

cf. also:
MM: Kia busaka ‘blood, bleed’

3.7.3 Lungs

Three reconstructions for ‘lungs’ are offered below. The first of these is technically unusual in that two possible pre-Oceanic source etyma can be posited, PAn *baRaq ‘lung’ and PMP *para ‘coconut embryo’, and therefore two alternative POc forms, *paRa(q) ‘lung’ and *paraq ‘spongy mass…’. At first sight it seems obvious to propose that PAn *baRaq ‘lung’ is ancestral to this cognate set below. However, the Micronesian reflexes listed below are interpreted by Bender et al. (2003) as containing a reflex PMic *fara ‘core (of breadfruit, coconut, pandanus)’, which reflects POc *paraq ‘spongy mass inside sprouting coconut; brain’ (vol.3:373). The Micronesian reflexes other than Marshallese have an additional element, and it is reasonable to infer that this reflects POc *uRat/PMic *ua ‘veins, arteries, tendons’, reflecting a possible (but not firmly reconstructable) POc *paraq qi uRat, meaning approximately ‘spongy mass of innards’, i.e. ‘lungs’. This does not mean that PAn *baRaq ‘lung’ has played no role in the derivation of Oceanic forms, but that at least in a number of early Oceanic languages POc *paRa(q) and *paraq were conflated.45

PAn *baRaq ‘lung’ (ACD) or PMP *para ‘coconut embryo’ (ACD)
POc *paRa(q) ‘lung’ or POc *paraq ‘spongy mass inside sprouting coconut; brain’
PEOc *vaRa- ‘lungs’ (Geraghty 1990)
NCV: Mota vara-i ‘liver, breast’
NCV: Port Sandwich na-var ‘liver’
SV: Sye ne-vre- ‘lungs’
PMic *fār[a,e]- ‘lungs’ (Bender et al. 2003)
Mic: Marshallese yar ‘lungs’

45 There is no non-Oceanic evidence for the final *-q of POc *paraq ‘spongy mass…’, and its apparent presence may be the result of conflations with *paRa(q) ‘lung’.
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Mic: Chuukese *fara(wa) ‘lungs’
Mic: Puluwatese *fara(wa) ‘lungs’
Mic: Carolinian *fare(wa), fare(wae) ‘lungs’
Mic: Woleaian *faZe(wa) ‘native sponge’
cf. also:
NNG: Bariai boroio ‘lungs’

Reflexes of PAn *baRaq/PMP *para are found only in languages of Vanuatu and Micronesia. Its place has often been taken elsewhere in Oceanic by compound expressions. Two of these can be reconstructed to POc, both compounds including reflexes of *qate- ‘liver’ (§3.7.6), which was apparently also used collectively to denote the major organs. The literal meaning of the first compound was ‘frothy liver’. Its second element was a reduplicated version of *busaq or *puco(q) ‘froth, foam’ (cf §3.7.2, and see footnote 44, p181). The reduplication formed an adjective (vol.2:206) ‘frothy’, referring to the appearance of the lungs when an animal is butchered. In several of the languages in the next set, the second element on its own has come to refer to ‘lungs’.

POc *qate busa-busaq and *qate puco(q)-puco(q) ‘lungs’ (lit. ‘frothy liver’)
PT: Iduna ase-buwa-buwa-na ‘lungs’ (ase- ‘liver’, buwa-buwa- ‘?’)
MM: E Kara vuso- ‘lungs’ (Schlie & Schlie 1993)
MM: Teop vu-vuha ‘lungs’ (vuha ‘breath’)
MM: Maringe p’oco ‘lungs; sponge’
SES: Sa’a sae huto-huto ‘lungs’ (sae ‘liver’, huto-huto ‘frothy’)
NCV: Tamambo vuso- ‘lungs’
Fij: Bauan yate-vuso ‘lungs’ (yate ‘liver’, vuso ‘froth’)
Fij: Wayan ate-vuso ‘lungs’ (ate ‘liver’, vuso ‘froth, foam’)

The following items are variations on the same semantic theme:
NNG: Bukawa (ŋ)ate gasop ‘lungs’ (ŋate ‘liver’, gasop ‘spittle’)
PT: Dobu nua buso-buso ‘lungs’ (nua ‘mind, thought, will, wish’, buso-buso ‘froth, foam’)
Fij: Bauan yate-mawa ‘lungs’ (yate- ‘liver’, mawa ‘steam’)

The second element of the second compound reflects *maRaqa(n) ‘light of weight’, referring to the apparent lightness of the sponge-like material which makes up the lungs.

POc *[qate] maRaqa(n) ‘lungs’ (*qate ‘liver’; *maRaqa(n) ‘light in weight’) (vol.2:214)
PT: Sudest ya-maiya- ‘lungs’ (maiya ‘lightweight’)
MM: Patpatar kāt ma-maka-n ‘lungs’ (ma-maka- ‘lightweight’)
SES: Gela mala-mala- ‘lungs’
NCV: NE Ambae ate ma-marae- ‘lung’
Pn: Tongan maʔa-maʔa ‘lungs; light (in weight)’
Pn: Niuean mā-mā ‘lungs; light in weight’
Pn: Pukapukan mā-mā ‘lungs; light in weight’
Pn: Samoan mā-mā ‘lungs; light in weight’
Pn: Mangaia ate mā-mā ‘lungs’
Pn: Hawaiian  
ake-mā-mā  ‘lung’

cf. also:
Fij: Rotuman  
maʔ-maʔa  ‘lungs’ (Polynesian loan)
Pn: Hawaiian  
ake-makani  ‘lung’ (lit. ‘wind liver’)

Araki (NCV) uses a similar, albeit non-cognate, metaphor, mavusa salesale, literally ‘innards/heart light in weight’ to refer to lungs.

### 3.7.4 Stomach

POc speakers probably made a terminological distinction between the stomach, i.e. the internal organ that they found when they butchered a pig, and the belly, i.e. a part of the body as viewed from outside. Terms for stomach are presented here, and terms for belly in §3.5.9.

POc *tobʷa* has reflexes meaning ‘stomach’ across all major subgroups other than NNG, MM and Pn. In some languages it also refers to a bag or basket, and this appears to have been its primary meaning, allowing derivation of the senses ‘bay’ and ‘area of sea enclosed by barrier reef’ (landscape features that depend on some other feature of the ‘bag’ metaphor; vol.2:46) and ‘stomach’, which appears bag-like when an animal is butchered. Reflexes with all these meanings are listed below. The Malakula reflexes under ‘cf. also’ point to a form *tobʷa(k,q)ə*-, but we do not yet understand whether such reflexes are conservative or innovatory.

POC *kete* ‘abdomen’ evidently reflects the same metaphor applied to a different form, as it reflects PROc *kete* ‘basket’ (vol.1:78).

POC *tobʷa*- ‘stomach (internal organ)’ (cf *tobʷa* ‘bag; bay, harbour’)

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PNCV *tobʷa* ‘stomach, belly’ (Clark 2009: tabʷa)

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PSV *na-tapu-* ‘stomach, belly’

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<td>SV:</td>
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46 POc *tobʷa* ‘bag’ should have been included in vol.1, ch. 4, §2.3, but it was omitted there.
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SV: SW Tanna  \textit{təpu-} ‘stomach, belly’
SV: Kwamera  \textit{təpu-} ‘stomach, belly’
Fij: Bauan  \textit{toba} ‘bay or gulf’

cf also:

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PCP *\textit{kete} ‘abdomen; basket’ (from PROc *\textit{kete} ‘basket’)

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POc *\textit{bəl(o,a)-} ‘stomach; hollow space’; (N LOC) ‘inside’

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<td>Tangga</td>
<td>\textit{bala-} ‘belly; navel; inside’</td>
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The principal PPn term for the stomach was *manawa ‘belly, stomach’, reflecting POc *
*mañawa (v) ‘breathe, rest, be alive’; (n) ‘breath, life, fontanelle’. The history of terms descended from POc *
*mañawa is complex and is discussed with a fuller set of reflexes in §4.5.1. We speculate that the semantic shift that gave rise to the meaning ‘belly, stomach’ may have first followed a path suggested by Blust (ACD): ‘…from the notion “breath; to breathe” there is a link to the “breath soul”, and from this to “soul; inner self, mind, feelings”…’. As the stomach is regarded as the seat of the emotions in some Oceanic cultures, it is only a short step from here to ‘stomach’. Nonetheless, the evidence amassed in ch.9 indicates that *
*mañawa did not occur in POc body-part metaphors denoting emotions, and that the changes that led to the meaning ‘belly, stomach’ occurred long after the break-up of POc. Three non-Polynesian reflexes with a meaning relating to the stomach are listed under ‘cf. also’. We take the Kiribati term to reflect Polynesian influence and the Papuan Tip terms to reflect a localised innovation that happens to be similar to Polynesian.

PAn *LiŠawa ‘breathe, breath’ (ACD)
PMP *
*mañihawa ‘breathe; breath’ (Ross 1988, ACD)
POc *
*mañawa (v) ‘breathe, rest, be alive’; (n) ‘breath, life, fontanelle’

PPn *manawa ‘belly, stomach’ (POLLEX)\(^{47}\)

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\(^{47}\) Cf. PPn *mānawa ‘breathe; breath’ (§3.4.6, §4.5.1).
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Pn: Mangarevan manava ‘innards’
Pn: Tuamotuan manava ‘stomach’
Pn: Māori manawa ‘belly, bowels; anterior fontanel; mind, spirit; affections, feelings, disposition’
    manawa-nui ‘stout-hearted’
    manawa-kino ‘appréhensive’
Pn: Rapanui manaba ‘abdomen, belly, stomach’

cf. also:
PT: Wedau manawa- ‘belly, abdomen’
PT: Gapapaiwa manawa- ‘stomach’
Mic: Kiribati te-manawa- ‘pit of the stomach’

A similar semantic shift apparently derived PPn *galo ‘belly’ from PCP *galo ‘soul’. Note that this etymon is distinct from POc *garop ‘face, front’ (§3.4.7).

PCP *galo ‘spirit, soul, insides’
Fij: Bauan yalo ‘spirit, soul’
Fij: Wayan alo ‘insides, inner part of body; heart, soul’

PPn *galo ‘belly, bowels; front, soft side of a thing’ (cf. tua ‘back, outer side’)

Pn: Niuean alo-alo ‘belly, bowels’
Pn: Tongan ?alo ‘belly (of fish)’
Pn: E Uvean ?alo ‘stomach (of chief)’
Pn: Rennellese ?ago ‘front; front of the human chest; interior’
Pn: Samoan alo ‘belly (of fish or chief)’
Pn: Tikopia aro, aro-aro ‘belly, stomach, womb; interior’
Pn: Maori aro ‘bowels’
Pn: Anutan aro-aro ‘belly, bowels’

3.7.5 Intestines

A number of reflexes of the terms reconstructed for belly or stomach in §3.7.4 are glossed ‘intestines’ or ‘guts’. In some instances it is obvious that the term so glossed is a compound that includes a word for belly or stomach, but others may be the result of inadequate data collection. The same is true of terms in this section. It is not easy to identify the internal organs unless one has a butchered animal to refer to.

The most widely reflected POc etymon for intestines is *tinaqe, derived from a PAn nominalisation formed by infixing */in/ into PAn *Caqi ‘faeces’.48 Its reflexes have become relational local nouns in a few languages (§3.1.2 and vol.2:239).

PAn *Cinaqi ‘guts’ (Blust 1999a)
POc *tinaqe ‘intestines’ (vol.2:239)
    Adm: Mussau tine- ‘intestines’
    Adm: Drehet kxine- ‘inner part, inside’

48 If */in/ was a nominaliser, then *Caqi would also be expected to have served as a verb (‘defecate’), but there is no evidence of this.
Blust (ACD) reconstructs PWMP *isaw and suggests that it may have referred exclusively to animal intestines. The Oceanic evidence suggests a more general gloss ‘innards, guts’ for POc *iso-. Some of its Polynesian reflexes include the senses ‘umbilical cord’ and ‘pith’, suggesting semantic contamination by the formally somewhat similar *puso- ‘navel, umbilical cord’ (§3.5.10.1) and/or POc *quto- ‘brain, pith, marrow’ (vol.3:374–375).

PMP *isaw ‘intestines’ (ACD: PWMP)

POc *iso- ‘innards, guts’

Pn: Niuean uho ‘core, centre’
Pn: Tongan uho ‘pith, navel cord’
Pn: Rennellese uso ‘heart, seat of affections, centre’
Pn: Samoan uso ‘pith, umbilical cord’
Pn: Tikopia iso ‘spongy interior of sprouting coconut; umbilical cord’
Pn: Rarotongan iʔo ‘core, marrow; umbilical cord’
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3.7.6 Liver

The liver was evidently regarded by Proto Oceanic speakers as the centre of one’s being, the place in which feelings, emotions, desires, understanding, and knowledge were located (see the discussion in §9.2.1 of terms for emotions that refer to the liver). In terms of physical body parts, although POc *qate evidently refers primarily to ‘liver’, its meaning is frequently broadened in daughter languages to include other internal organs: ‘heart’, ‘chest’ and, less commonly, ‘lungs’ and ‘spleen’ (§3.7.1).

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\begin{array}{ll}
\text{PAn} & *q\text{aCay} \quad \text{‘liver’ (ACD)} \\
\text{PMP} & *q\text{atay} \quad \text{‘liver; seat of the emotions, inner self: core, mind, will, desire, feeling, intelligence, understanding; to want or wish; hollow of the palm of the hand or sole of the foot’} \\
\text{POc} & *q\text{ate} \quad \text{‘liver; seat of the emotions’ (ACD)}
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<td>‘the core of a thing; carcass skinned, feathers removed; meat of an egg; peeled yam or orange; kernel of nut; think, suppose’</td>
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<td>’Are’are</td>
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<td>‘the liver, considered as the seat of cowardice and courage, hence yate levu ‘coward’ (‘big liver’), yate dei, yate lialia ‘courageous (‘firm, unwavering/mad liver, foolish liver’)’</td>
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<td>‘liver, in man a seat of emotions in traditional belief’</td>
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Pn: Maori
ate
‘liver; the seat of the affections; heart; emotion; spirit, high feeling’
ate-ate
‘bosom’

Pn: Hawaiian
ake
‘liver; to desire, yearn (the emotions and intelligence were thought to be centered within the body)’

3.7.7 Gall bladder

Blust (ACD) reconstructs POc *gasu ‘gall bladder’, but notes that it almost certainly does not reflect PAn *qapeju ‘gall, gall bladder’.49 Its reconstruction here as *gasun with final *-n (reflected in Lukep and Nehan) confirms that he is correct.

POc *gasun ‘gall, gall bladder, octopus sepia’ (ACD)

Adm: Mussau kasu-
‘gall, gall bladder’
Adm: Wuvulu aku-
‘gall, gall bladder’
Adm: Aua aru-
‘gall, gall bladder’
Adm: Seimat axu-
‘gall, gall bladder’
Adm: Penchal kasu-
‘gall, gall bladder’
Adm: Bipi asu-
‘gall, gall bladder’
NNG: Kove asu-
‘gall bladder’
NNG: Bariai asu-
‘gall, gall bladder’
NNG: Lukep kasunu-
‘gall bladder’
NNG: Mangap kasunu-
‘gall bladder’
PT: Motu audu-
‘gall’
MM: E Kara yas-
‘gall bladder’
MM: Nehan kasunu-
‘gall bladder’
SES: Gela ahu-
‘gall’
SES: Ghari asu-
‘bile’
SES: Longgu zasu-
‘gall bladder’
SES: Lau susu-
‘gall bladder; ink of cuttlefish’
Mic: Kiribati ari-
‘gall, gall bladder; bitter; bitterness’
Mic: Marshallese at-
‘gall bladder; seat of brave emotions; seat of ambition; bile’
Mic: Puluwatese yêt-
‘spleen, gall bladder; formerly the human spleen was cooked and used to poison a foe’
Fij: Rotuman hasu-
‘gall bladder’ (for †asu-)
Pn: Tongan ṣahu-
‘gall, gall bladder’
Pn: Niuean ahu-
‘spleen’
Pn: Samoan au-
‘liver, (esp. of pig)’
au(-ona)
‘gall-bladder; bile’ (ona ‘poisonous, bitter’)

49He writes, ‘Since PMP *qalejaw ‘day’ apparently has become POc *qajo …, it is conceivable that a parallel change in PAn *qapeju ‘gall, gall bladder’ could have given rise to the forms cited here. … [T]his hypothesis fails to explain why languages such as Bipi, Lindrou, Likum, Papitalai, Pak, Penchal, and Nauna, which distinguish PAn/POc *s from *j, point to POc *s as the medial consonant in this form. PAn *qapeju and POc *gasu thus appear to have no historical connection.’
3.7.8 Spleen

The spleen is a significant organ in many Oceanic communities because malaria may lead to its enlargement, leading on occasion to its fatal rupture. Some languages have a word with a meaning relating to an enlarged spleen, e.g. Titan (Adm) map ‘condition of having an enlarged spleen’ (sn), Iduna (PT) kʷada ‘enlarged spleen’, Gela (SES) bila ‘enlarged spleen’.

Although not widely attested in the data, there is sufficient representation across subgroups to attribute *bila- ‘spleen’ to POc.

POc *bila- ‘spleen’

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<tr>
<td>SES: Gela</td>
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<td>‘big belly, enlarged spleen’</td>
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Two metaphoric expressions for ‘spleen’ have been reconstructed for PPn: *gate-loa (‘long liver’) and *gate-pili (‘sticky liver’). Bauan Fijian yate balavu echoes the former, with a non-cognate term for ‘long’.

PPn *gate-loa ‘spleen (PPn *gate ‘liver’, *loa ‘long’) (POLLEX)

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PPn *gate-pili ‘spleen’ (PPn *gate ‘liver’, *pili ‘sticky, adhere to’) (POLLEX)

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3.7.9 Kidney

A term for ‘kidney’ cannot be reconstructed with any certainty. In many Oceanic languages the term for kidney is a metaphor that makes reference to an object that is perceived as kidney-shaped, typically a fruit or nut, or is preceded by a classifier for such objects. For instance, reflexes of POc *puaq ‘fruit’ occur in Adm, SES, NCV and Pn terms.

The most frequent metaphor equates a kidney with a Tahitian chestnut (*Inocarpus fagifer*), and this points to a possible reconstruction. One POc term for the Tahitian chestnut was *ipi (vol.3:318) and a very few languages reflect this or a reduplicated form *ip(i)-ipi in the sense of kidney.
POc *ip(i)-ipi ‘kidney’ (?)

NNG: Lukep (Pono) ipip ‘Tahitian chestnut; kidney’
NNG: Mangap ipip ‘Tahitian chestnut; kidney’
Fij: Rotuman ififi ‘kidneys; testicles; small bunch or cluster, as of fruit’
Fij: Bauan ivi ‘kidney; Tahitian chestnut, Inocarpus’
Pn: Niuean fiu-ifi ‘kidney’ (lit. ‘fruit of Tahitian chestnut’)
Pn: E Futunan ifi-ifi ‘kidney’

There are also several other terms arising from the same metaphor, reflecting POc *mabʷe ‘Tahitian chestnut’ (vol.3:319).

SES: Arosi kora i mabʷe ‘kidneys’ (‘fruit of Tahitian chestnut’)
NCV: Mota wo mʷake-mʷake ‘kidney (woai ‘globular object, fruit, nut’, mʷake ‘Tahitian chestnut’)
NCV: Raga mʷabʷe ‘kidney’
Pn: Rapanui mape ‘kidney’
Pn: Tahitian māpē ‘Tahitian chestnut; kidney’

A Tolai (MM) term is ela ‘chestnut tree; the kidneys’. In this instance it is not clear which was the original meaning.

Reflexes of POc *giri-giri ‘coral, coral rubble’ (vol.2:64) have in places varied their meaning to ‘pebble’ and thence to pebble-shaped objects like kidneys (Paul Geraghty, pers. comm.). Thus we find:

SES: Lau ligi-ligi ‘kidneys’ (metathesis)
Fij: Wayan (mō)gili-gili ‘kidney’
Fij: Nadrogā gili-gili ‘kidney’

Examples embodying other metaphors for the kidneys based on shape are listed below. Where known the reconstructed POc antecedent of each element is given.

PT: Motu nadi-nadi ‘kidneys; small stone, seed’ (nadi ‘stone’)
MM: Tolai likā- ‘kidneys; slingstone’
MM: Teop pauna ‘kidney; banana’ (*baqun ‘banana cultivar’, vol. 3:279)
MM: Kia subuna ‘kidney’ (also ‘seed, tablet’)
SES: Gela vua ni kola ‘kidneys’ (*puaq ‘fruit’, *koRa ‘wild mango’, vol.3:341)
SES: Tolo piu(na) ‘kidney; seed’
SES: Arosi hua i ʔai ‘kidneys’ (*puaq ‘fruit’, *kayu ‘tree’, vol.3:71)
SES: Sa’a hoi daŋo ‘kidney’ (*puaq ‘fruit’, daŋo ‘tree, wood’)
fattu gaʔo ‘kidney’ (gaʔo ‘fat, lard’)

50 In many languages of Vanuatu, evident reflexes of *mabʷe mean ‘liver’, resulting in the reconstruction of PNCV *mʷabʷe ‘liver’ (Clark 2009) and PSV *mabʷV- ‘liver’ (Lynch 2001).
3.7.10 Bladder

There is ample evidence for a POc compound meaning ‘bladder’ consisting of a first element that meant something like ‘bag’, ‘basket’ (in several languages a reflex of *tanya ‘small bag’, vol.1:79) or similar round container and a second element mimi[q,s] ‘urine’ (§4.4.7), sometimes joined by a linker POc *qi or *ni.

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<td>Koro-mimi-</td>
<td>‘bladder’ (Koro-Koro ‘lungs’)</td>
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<td><strong>SES:</strong></td>
<td>Kei ni mimi-</td>
<td>‘bladder’ (Kei ‘round basket for food’)</td>
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<td>Hau mimi-</td>
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<td><strong>NCV:</strong></td>
<td>Tanya mere-</td>
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<td>Kato ni mī</td>
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<td>Hōpū-mimi</td>
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POc *p(i,u)pupu- is reflected in Meso-Melanesian and Southern Oceanic.

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Reflexes of PWOc *p*(a,o)ti- ‘bladder’ are well distributed across Western Oceanic languages.

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3.7.11 Uterus, placenta and amniotic fluid

No POc term is reconstructable for the uterus, but it is noteworthy that in scattered languages the term for ‘stomach’ is used, sometimes with a qualifier, e.g. ‘stomach of child’.

There is, however, a term for the placenta, POc *tapuni-. The loss of -n- or -ni- in a majority of reflexes may reflect reanalysis of -ni as a verbal transitive suffix. Robert Blust (pers. comm.) suggests that the practice of burying the placenta described in the Kwaio gloss prepares the way for the extension of meaning to the transitive verb ‘bury, conceal’ reflected in Arosi, leading to the resultant deletion of transitivising -ni from the noun form.

PMP *tambuni ‘afterbirth, placenta’ (ACD)

POc *tapuni- ‘placenta’

SES: Gela tavu- ‘placenta’
SES: Longgu tavu- ‘placenta’
SES: Kwaio afuni- ‘placenta; in pagan childbirth must be buried under mother’s bed in childbirth hut to avoid supernatural danger to her’
SES: Arosi ʔahui ahuni- (v) ‘bury, cover, conceal, hide’
SES: Sa’a ahui- ‘placenta’
NCV: Tamambo tavu- ‘placenta’
NCal: Nélémwa jap ‘placenta’
NCal: Iaai koü ‘placenta’
Mic: Woleaian sōh- ‘placenta’
Mic: Mokilese cou- ‘placenta’

PPn *fanua, reflecting PMP *bamua and POc *panua ‘inhabited area or territory’ (vol.1:62), referred also to the placenta.

PPn *fanua ‘placenta’

Pn: Tongan fonua ‘placenta’
Pn: Samoan fanua ‘afterbirth’
Pn: Pukapukan wenua ‘placenta’
Pn: Rennellese henua ‘afterbirth’
Pn: Marquesan henua ‘afterbirth’
Pn: K’marangi henua ‘afterbirth’
Pn: Maori whenua ‘afterbirth’
Pn: Rapanui henua ‘womb’

Terms for amniotic fluid are few and far between in the data sources, but those that occur have to do with ‘water’. Gela mbeimbeti ‘amniotic fluid’ is a reduplicated form of mbeti ‘fresh water’. The only reconstruction for ‘amniotic fluid’ is PPn *lamu, which is a reflex of POc */dr;r/anum ‘fresh water’ and also meant ‘bathe or wash in fresh water’ (POLLEX).

51 The unetymological ʔ- here perhaps results from a transcription error.
3.8 Bodily emissions

This topic of this section is substances that are emitted by the body (as opposed to those of which the body is composed; §3.3). They are listed in the same order as the body parts in §§3.4–3.5 with which their emission is associated, that is, roughly in order from the top of the trunk to the bottom. Verbs associated with bodily emissions are presented in §4.4.

The POC term for pus is presented in §5.3.2.2 in association with terms that have to do with health and sickness. A multiplicity of terms for the action of spitting and for spittle are included in §4.4.3. They are there rather than here because the terms for saliva/spittle appear to be derived from verbs of spitting. However, a possible compound for ‘saliva’ is mentioned in §3.8.4. Similarly the POC term for ‘sweat’ (both verb and noun) was originally a verb (*ma-qono) and is also to be found in §4.4.6. Terms for ‘urine’ and ‘urinate’ also employ the same roots and are located in §4.4.7.

3.8.1 Tears

Terms for ‘tears’ are typically compounds, as in PEOc *suRu qi mata ‘tears’, literally ‘fluid of eye’ or PROc *wai(R) ni mata, literally ‘water of eye’, in which the first item denotes a fluid and the second reflects POC *mata ‘eye’ (§3.4.9.1). Because the ‘fluid’ item has been replaced at various times, some members of the cognate sets below may be outcomes of independent replacement. Thus PPN *lo-qi-mata ‘tears’ is well attested, suggesting that Hawaiian wai maka and Marquesan vai-mata may reflect local innovations independent of PROc *wai(R) ni mata. (On *qi, see §3.1.1, Hooper 1985, Ross 1998a.)

PEOc *suRu qi mata ‘tears’ (POC *suroq ‘juice, fluid’)

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<tr>
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<th>Lau</th>
<th>sulu i mā</th>
<th>‘tears’ (sulu ‘liquid, oil, juice, sap’)</th>
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<td>Nume</td>
<td>sur-mata</td>
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<td>Uripiv</td>
<td>sue-n-mete-k</td>
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52 POC *suroq ‘sap, soup, drinkable liquid derived from plants, fruits or trees’ (vol.3:369). POC *waiR ‘water’ (vol.2:57).
NCV: Paamese  

sii-meto  ‘tears’

PROc *wai(R) ni mata ‘tears’ (POc *wai ‘water’)

NCV: NE Ambae  
wai ni mata  ‘tears’

Fij: Wayan  
wai ni mata  ‘tears’

Fij: Bauan  
wai ni mata  ‘tears’

Pn: Hawaiian  
wai maka  ‘tears’

Pn: Marquesan  
vai-mata  ‘tears’

PPn *lo-qi-mata ‘tears’ (pollex) (lo- perhaps from PPn *lolo ‘coconut oil’ or from *lolo (v) ‘flood, submerge’)

Pn: Tongan  
lo-ʔ-i--mata  ‘tear(s)’

Pn: Samoan  
lo-i-mata  ‘a tear’

Pn: E Futunan  
lo-ʔ-i--mata  ‘tears’

Pn: E Uvean  
lo-i-mata  ‘a tear’

Pn: K’marangi  
ro-i-mata  ‘a tear’

Pn: Tikopia  
ro-i-mata  ‘tear(s)’

Pn: Pukapukan  
lo-i-mata  ‘a tear’

Pn: Rennellese  
go-ʔi--mata  ‘a tear’

Pn: Sikaiana  
lo-i-mata  ‘a tear’

Pn: Tahitian  
ro-i-mata  ‘a tear’

Pn: Tuamotuan  
ro-i-mata  ‘tear(s)’

Pn: Māori  
ro-i-mata  ‘tear(s)’

The Roviana and Bugotu phrases below reflect a semantically similar compound.

MM: Roviana  
kolo mata  ‘tears’ (kolo ‘water, liquid’)

SES: Bugotu  
kodo i mata  ‘tears’ (kodo ‘oil, liquid’)

The terms below represent somewhat different phrasal strategies for expressing ‘tears’.

Bileki ma-sali apparently reflects a stative form of POc *sali ‘to flow’ (vol.2:94), where ma- is the stative prefix (ma- does not reflect *mata- ‘eye’).

PT: Motu  
iruru-mata  ‘tears’ (iruru ‘track left by movement of s.t.’)

MM: Bileki  
ma-sali  ‘tear drops’

MM: Babatana  
sosopoe-mate  ‘tears’ (sosopoe ‘to drip, a drop’)

3.8.2 Earwax and deafness

The association between earwax and deafness in the glosses of POc *tul(i,e) below is an obvious one, but the cognate set raises the question, What did POc *tul(i,e) mean? ‘Earwax’ or ‘deaf’ or both?3 A key to the answer lies in the fact that ‘he is deaf’ is usually expressed in the Oceanic languages of New Guinea and the Bismarcks as ‘his ears are deaf_blocked_closed’, i.e. by an expression in which ‘ears’ is the subject. In Dobu and Muyuw, at least, reflexes of

Blust (ACD) asks the same question with regard to PMP *tuli. Because there are other terms for ‘deaf’ but not for ‘earwax’, he concludes that it meant the latter, and that an extension to ‘deaf’ has happened more than once at various times and places.
*tul(i,e) are also the predicate of such a construction, i.e. ‘his ears are earwaxed’. Thus if *tul(i,e) was used as a noun, it meant ‘earwax’ (and perhaps ‘deafness’); if it was used as a verb with ‘ears’ as subject, then it meant ‘be deaf’. In PPn the sense ‘deaf’ was retained and ‘earwax’ became *taqe-tuli ‘excrement of deafness’. Samoan has a compound verb fa'ia-taliña-tuli ‘turn a deaf ear’ [lit. ‘cause ear deaf’].

Another term for ‘deaf’ was POc *p’apo (§5.3.14), but this appears to have meant ‘deaf and dumb’.

PMP *tuli, *tilu ‘earwax’ (ACD)
POc *tul(i,e) ‘earwax; be deaf’ (ACD: *tule ‘earwax’, *tuli ‘deaf’) 54

NNG: Mangap  tili  ‘earwax’
PT: Dobu (tena) tui  ‘deafness’ [ear be.deaf]
PT: Kilivila  tuli  ‘deaf, crazy’
PT: Muyuw  tay  ‘deaf (of ears)’
PT: Misima  tui  ‘deaf’
MM: Nakanai  tule  ‘earwax’
NCV: Mota  tul  ‘earwax’
NCV: NE Ambae  dule  ‘earwax’
NCV: Paamese  a-ruli  ‘earwax’
NCV: Nakanamanga  tūle  ‘earwax’
Fij: Bauan  dule  ‘earwax’
Fij: Wayan  tule  ‘earwax’
Fij: Rotuman  fuli  ‘be deaf’

PPn *tuli ‘deaf’, *taqe-tuli ‘earwax’ (POLLEX) (*taqe- ‘excrement’; §3.8.6)

Pn: Tongan  tuli  ‘deaf’
    teʔe-tuli  ‘wax in the ear’
Pn: Samoan  tuli  ‘deaf’
    tae-tuli  ‘earwax’
Pn: Tikopia  tuli  ‘deaf’
    tae-tuli  ‘earwax’
Pn: Rennellese  tugi  ‘deaf, hard of hearing’
    tae-tugi  ‘earwax’
Pn: Anutan  tu-turi  ‘deaf’
    tae-turi  ‘earwax’
Pn: Hawaiian  kuli  ‘deaf’
    kō-kuli  ‘earwax’
Pn: Māori  turi  ‘deaf’
    tae-turi  ‘earwax’

3.8.3 Snot, nasal mucus

Three POc terms for ‘snot’ are reconstructed. It seems probable that POc *ŋorok ‘snot’ is historically the same root as *ŋorok ‘grunt, growl, snore’ (§4.5.3) and the root of POc *ŋoro-

54 Although Blust (ACD) glosses these POc reconstructions as shown here, he labels them as doublets, implying that they are alterant forms with the same meaning, i.e. both ‘earwax’ and ‘deaf’.
yorok ‘channel above upper lip’ (§3.4.11), the more so as the visible manifestation of snot is above the upper lip of small children. Wayan Fijian distinguishes three kinds of mucus: drove ‘phlegm, thick mucus in the throat or lungs’, a reflex of POc *(dr)dap(e,i) below; dak’a ‘snot’; and drak’a ‘white mucus secreted by the eye’, but it is impossible to provide more specific glosses for the POc reconstructions below.

POc *yorok ‘snot; grunt, growl, snore’

NGG: Amara (o)ŋur ‘nasal mucus’
NGG: Arawe (la)ŋur-ŋur ‘nasal mucus’
NGG: Malalamai ŋor-ŋoro ‘nasal mucus’
NGG: Sio ŋo-ŋolo ‘nasal mucus’
NGG: Mandak ŋo-ŋo ‘nasal mucus’
MM: Tongga ŋor(lo) ‘nasal mucus’
MM: Babatana ŋuru ‘mucus, nasal discharge’
MM: Roviana ŋuru ‘discharge of mucus from nose’
NCV: Mota ŋor ‘mucus of nose’

cf. also:

NGG: Biliau ŋur-ŋur ‘cold, sick’
PT: Molima nelu ‘nasal mucus’
PT: Dobu nelu ‘nasal mucus’
PT: Wedau neru(bai) ‘nasal mucus’
PT: Kukuya nenu ‘snot’
PT: Motu kuru ‘nasal mucus’

POc *b‘aŋoR ‘snot’

Adm: Lou punjop ‘nasal mucus’
Adm: Titan b‘uŋa(tut) ‘mucus, snot’
NGG: Ali paŋur ‘nasal mucus’
NGG: Tumleo paŋur ‘nasal mucus’
NGG: Sissano pakur ‘nasal mucus’
PT: Iduna b‘ana ‘phlegm’
MM: Vitu baranjoŋo ‘snot’ (metathesis)
MM: Sursurunga biŋ ‘nasal mucus’ (?vowel)
SES: Longgu b‘aŋo(i) ‘snot’
SES: Lau g‘aŋo ‘mucus in nose’
SES: Sa’a p‘aŋo- ‘mucus in the nose’
SES: To’aba’ita g‘aŋo- ‘nasal mucus’
SES: Arosi b‘aŋo ‘nasal mucus’
SES: ‘Are’are pano ‘nasal mucus’
NCV: Duidui g‘aŋo ‘nose’
NCV: Baetora b‘aŋo ‘nose’

POc *(dr)dap(e,i) ‘snot, nasal mucus’

MM: Tabar dave ‘snot’
Other NCV languages refer to ‘nasal mucus’ with reflexes of POc *suRuq ‘juice, fluid’ (Lolovoli suru, NE Ambae suru).

PPn *isu-peqe ‘nasal mucus’ (POLLEX) (lit. ‘overripe nose?’)

PN: Tongan  ihu-pēde  ‘nasal mucus’ (pēde ‘overripe, of breadfruit’)
PN: E Futunan  isi pēde  ‘dirty nose, snot’
PN: Pukapukan  yū-pē  ‘nasal mucus’
PN: Rennellese  isi-pēde  ‘nasal mucus’
PN: Samoan  isi-pē  ‘nasal mucus’
PN: Tikopia  su-pē  ‘mucus from the nose’
PN: Tokelauan  isi-pē  ‘snot’

No form is reconstructed to account for the following terms but it seems likely that they are somehow related to PAn *Siŋus/PMP *hiŋus ‘sniff, sniffle (as with a runny nose)’ (ACD).

ADM: Mussau  maŋusa  ‘snot’ (gusu ‘nose, to smell’)
ADM: Lou  roŋus  ‘snot’ (aŋus ‘blow the nose’)
NNG: Buang  aŋ’is  ‘mucus, nasal secretion; slimy sap’
NNG: Mangseng  īŋus  ‘snot’
NNG: Atui  e-ŋus  ‘snot’
NNG: Bebeli  musu  ‘snot’
MM: Meramera  ŭoso  ‘snot’
MM: Solos  niŋus  ‘snot’
MM: Petats  liŋus  ‘snot’

3.8.4 Saliva

Most terms for ‘saliva’ appear specifically to denote spittle, and are found in §4.4.3, as they are identical with or derived from a verb meaning ‘spit’. However, it is possible that POc speakers labelled saliva ‘water of mouth’, as this expression is found at widespread locations. It is, however, such an obvious compound that it may have arisen independently at different times and places.

ADM: Drehet  weyi p’ehea  ‘saliva’ [water mouth]
NNG: Poeng  kao-men  ‘saliva’ [mouth- water]
NCAL: Nemi  we-hwa-  ‘saliva’ [water-mouth-]
3.8.5 Semen, smegma

Blust (ACD) reconstructs PMP *biRas or *biRaq ‘semen, smegma’, both resulting in POc *biRa, but each rests on a single non-Oceanic reflex55 plus the Oceanic reflexes below whose meanings most consistently denote stale or unwanted material such as sediment left after processing. No Oceanic reflex denotes ‘semen’, but Polynesian reflexes include reference to smegma (penile mucus) and vaginal mucus, suggesting that these were among its POc denotations.

PMP *biRas, *biRaq ‘semen, smegma’ (ACD)

POc *biRa (1) ‘roe, fish eggs’; (2) ‘sediment, dregs’; (3) ‘smegma’(?)

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<td>bila</td>
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<td>‘fat, grease, lard’</td>
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<td>SES: Lau</td>
<td>bila</td>
<td>(1) ‘stale, musty’; (2) ‘body smell’; (3) ‘sediment in washing tapioca’</td>
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<td>SES: Kwaio</td>
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<td>‘rotten or decaying vegetable matter’</td>
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<td>SES: Arosi</td>
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<td>‘dregs, starch, sediment as in making tapioca’</td>
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<td>NCV: Mota</td>
<td>pia(i)</td>
<td>‘coagulated vegetable sap’</td>
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<td>Fij: Bauan</td>
<td>bia-bia</td>
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PPn *pia/pia ‘sticky secretion’ (POLLEX)

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<td>piapia</td>
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<td>PN: Pukapukan</td>
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<td>(1) ‘white substance found in sexual organs of both sexes’ (2) ‘starch’</td>
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<td>PN: Rarotongan</td>
<td>piapia</td>
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<td>PN: Rennellese</td>
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<td>PN: Samoan</td>
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<td>‘smegma, secretion of the sexual organs’</td>
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<td>PN: Tikopia</td>
<td>pia</td>
<td>‘mucus secretions associated with sexual intercourse’</td>
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<td>‘gum or exudation of trees’</td>
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<td>‘discharge from eyes; smegma’</td>
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<td>PN: Marquesan</td>
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POc *moro ‘mucus, semen’

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<td>molo-</td>
<td>‘semen, nasal mucus’</td>
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<td>Fij: E Fijian56</td>
<td>moro</td>
<td>‘white mucus under foreskin’</td>
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Euphemistic labels for semen seem to be quite common, and PCP *sī perhaps originated in this way.

55 PMP *biRas rests on Sangir bihaseʔ ‘semen, smegma, vaginal fluid’, *biRaq on Maranao bigaʔ ‘semen, sperm, egg’.

56 Paul Geraghty, pers. comm., language not identified.
PCP *sī *‘semen, that which spurts out’

Fij: Bauan sī- *‘semen’
Fij: Wayan -sī *‘semen’
Pn: Tongan hī *‘semen’
Pn: Samoan sī *‘semen, vaginal fluid, traditionally believed also to be part of what makes babies’ (Andrew Pawley, pers. comm.)
Pn: Tuvaluan hī *‘spurt’
Pn: Tongarevan hī *‘gushing flow of water, blood or other liquid’
Pn: Tahitian hī *‘flux, the bloody flux’
Pn: Maori hī *‘have diarrhoea’
Pn: Hawaiian hī *‘dysentery, diarrhoea’

NCV languages use reflexes of POc *suRuq ‘juice, fluid’ to refer to a range of bodily fluids including variously snot, tears and semen: (Avava a-sur *‘semen’, Raga hu- *‘oil, liquid, juice, semen’). Some languages refer to semen euphemistically as ‘his water’, e.g. Nyindrou (Adm) g’a ta-n [water PREP-his], ’Are’are (SES) wai-na [water-his]. Other euphemisms include Lukep (NNG) goreng (from POc *g(o.u)reŋ *‘coconut milk, coconut cream’; vol.3:372), Kwaio bula-bula- *‘saliva’ and Lonwolwol (NCV) atu- *‘seed’

3.8.6 Faeces, excrement

Two terms are reconstructed. POc *taqe- *‘faeces’ was primarily a noun. POc *pekas was a verb, ‘defecate’, but seems also to have been used as a noun meaning ‘faeces’. The cognate set reflecting *pekas is given in §4.4.8.

PAn *Caqi ‘faeces’ (Given in acd without supporting evidence.)

POc *taqe- *‘faeces’

Adm: Lou te *‘faeces, defecate’
Adm: Loniu te *‘faeces’
Adm: Mussau teka *‘faeces, to defecate’
NNG: Bukawa taʔ *‘faeces; stomach’
NNG: Kilenge tae *‘faeces’
NNG: Kove tahe *‘faeces’
NNG: Gedaged taen *‘dung, excrement; ashes, remnant; entrails’
PT: Lala kaʔe *‘faeces’
PT: Motu taye *‘excrement’
PT: Wedau tae *‘excrement’
MM: Vitu taye- *‘excrement’
MM: Bali taye *‘excrement’
MM: Bulu taye *‘excrement’
MM: Bola taye *‘excrement’
MM: Bola Harua taye *‘excrement’
MM: Nakanai ta-ae *‘excrement’
MM: Meramera tae *‘excrement’
MM: Lavongai tai *‘excrement’
The following point to a PMM variant:

### PMM *tak(e,i) ‘excrement’

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<td>MM: Lihir</td>
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<td>MM: Siar</td>
<td>(man)tek</td>
<td>‘excrement’</td>
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<td>MM: Tomoip</td>
<td>tek</td>
<td>‘excrement’</td>
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### 3.9 Incorporeal parts

This section presents reconstructions for ‘incorporeal parts’, i.e. nouns denoting concepts that, despite their lack of physicality, are treated as if they were body parts, i.e. are directly possessed.
3.9.1 Shadow, reflection, image, likeness

It is clear from the glosses below that POc *[qa]nunu and POc *qata(r) meant more than ‘shadow, reflection, image’. They also denoted a person’s soul/spirit/personality.\textsuperscript{57}

PAn *qaLiju ‘shadow, reflection’ (ACD)
PMP *qaninu ‘shadow, reflection’ (ACD)

POc *[qa]nunu ‘shadow of person, likeness, reflection’

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<td>kunu-</td>
<td>‘one’s own shadow, reflection, image, soul, personality’</td>
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<td>NNG: Manam</td>
<td>anunu(ka)</td>
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<td>NNG: Kove</td>
<td>anunu-</td>
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<td>NNG: Kaulong</td>
<td>enu-</td>
<td>‘shadow, reflection, image; ghost, soul, (inner) substance’</td>
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<td>NNG: Poeng</td>
<td>kannu-</td>
<td>‘shadow, reflection (of a person); spirit (within a person)’</td>
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<td>NNG: Mapos Buang</td>
<td>qnu-</td>
<td>‘shadow, image; spirit which may leave the body in sleep; ancestor’</td>
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<td>NNG: Patep</td>
<td>knu-</td>
<td>‘shadow, image; (person’s) spirit’</td>
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<td>NNG: Yabem</td>
<td>kanu?</td>
<td>‘darkness, shadow’</td>
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<td>NNG: Aria</td>
<td>ano-</td>
<td>‘spirit, soul; shadow; breath’</td>
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<td>PT: Kilivila</td>
<td>ʔamnu-ʔanunu-</td>
<td>‘shadow of person’ (ʔ for †k)</td>
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<td>PT: Molima</td>
<td>ʔamunu-</td>
<td>‘shadow, reflection’</td>
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<td>PT: Kukuya</td>
<td>anua-</td>
<td>‘shadow of a person, image, reflection; centre of feeling or emotion’</td>
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<td>PT: Iduna</td>
<td>anunu-</td>
<td>‘shadow, reflection; soul; ancestor ten generations back’</td>
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<td>PT: Misima</td>
<td>kakamu</td>
<td>‘shadow, image’</td>
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<td>MM: Vitu</td>
<td>hanunuk</td>
<td>‘shadow, reflection’</td>
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<td>Proto Willaumez *hanu-</td>
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<td>‘soul, shadow, reflection’ (Goodenough 1997)</td>
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<td>xamu-</td>
<td>‘soul, shadow, reflection’</td>
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<td>MM: Nakanai</td>
<td>halulu-</td>
<td>‘shadow, reflection, occasionally spirit of a human being’</td>
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<td>MM: Tolai</td>
<td>no-</td>
<td>(vl,vt) ‘to shade, shadow’</td>
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<td>MM: Nduke</td>
<td>nuni-</td>
<td>‘shadow’</td>
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<td>MM: E Kara</td>
<td>ʔəlu-</td>
<td>‘shadow’ (sl- for †n-)</td>
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<td>SES: Kwaio</td>
<td>nunu(-)</td>
<td>‘shadow, image, picture’</td>
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<td>SES: Lau</td>
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<td>‘shadow, shade; likeness, image’</td>
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<td>nunu-</td>
<td>‘shadow of persons, reflection, likeness, soul, consciousness’</td>
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<td>nū-, nunu</td>
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<td>SES: Arosi</td>
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<td>‘image, shape, reflection’</td>
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\textsuperscript{57} This aspect of POc *[qa]nunu or *qata(r) is not investigated here, as it properly belongs in volume 6.
PSOc *"mumu ‘shadow, image, reflection, soul’ (Lynch 2004a)

NCV: Mota nunua-i ‘the mental impression of sound or force, rather than actual impression, but taken to be real’
NCV: Mwotlap nini- ‘shadow, reflection’
NCV: Nokuku mun, muniu- ‘shadow’
NCV: Tamambo mnuu- ‘reflection, picture, photo’
NCV: Raga mnu- ‘shadow, picture, representation’
NCV: Paamese ninu- ‘spirit, soul, shadow’
SV: Kwamera nanu(mu) ‘spirit, ghost; shadow, reflection; likeness’
NCV: Mota nuni- ‘shadow’
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It is not clear what the meaning difference between *\[q\]a\(a\)nu and *\[q\]ata may have been, but it is possible that the basic sense of the former was ‘shadow’, of the latter ‘image’ or ‘soul’.

PMP *qatad ‘appearance, mark’ (Dempwolff 1938, Dahl 1981)

POe *qata ‘image, reflection, soul, spirit’

TM: Buma ata ‘soul, spirit’
TM: Tanema ae ‘soul, spirit’
NCV: Mota at(a)i ‘soul’
NCV: Lehlali n-eta-n ‘soul (of s.o.)’ (François 2013)
NCV: Namakir ?ata- ‘(person’s) spirit’
NCV: Iaai hata- ‘mark, shadow’

Fij: Rotuman qa ‘make a mark or impression’

PPn *qata ‘spirit, soul, shadow, reflection’ (POLLEX)

PN: Tongan ?ata ‘image, shadow, reflection’
PN: Niuean ata ‘shadow, reflection’
PN: Samoaan ata ‘shadow, reflection’
PN: Rennellese ?ata ‘shadow, reflection; ghost, spiritual self’
PN: Tikopia ata ‘shadow, reflection, representation of person or spirit’
PN: W Uvean ata ‘reflection, spirit (of dead), soul’
PN: W Futunan ata ‘soul, image’
PN: Emae ata ‘soul, spirit’
PN: Hawaiian aka ‘shadow, reflection, image, likeness’

3.9.2 Name

Oceanic terms for ‘name’ are also usually directly possessed. Two similar POc forms, */q\(a\)ca(n,\(\eta\))*\(/q\(a\)ca-\(n\)\)/\(\*i\(s\),\(c\)a\(n\))*\(/*i\(s\),\(c\)a-\(n\)*, are reconstructable. To our knowledge, no language has reflexes of both, but quite commonly where one language reflects */q\(a\)ca(n,\(\eta\)), its close relative reflects */\(i\(s\),\(c\)a\(n\)\)\((e.g. Tuam vs Malai, Suau vs Kakabai, Tigak vs Tolai, Mwotlap vs Araki). We have no explanation for this.
Reconstructing the initial consonant of POc *[^q]aca[n,ŋ] ‘name’ has proved problematic. The PMP form was evidently *[ŋ]ajan, with the loss of initial *ŋ- occurring prior to POc. Proto Eastern Admiralties reflexes actually reflect PEAd *nq-, and reflexes of ‘name’ have the same initials as other *nq-initial items. Evidence that *q- is not an Admiralties innovation, however, lies with Apalik kasanŋ. John Lynch adds that evidence from Tanna languages suggests that *q was ancestral to these forms too (pers. comm. and see also Lynch 2001c:120).

PAAn *[ŋ]ajan ‘name’ (Blust 1999a)
PMP *[ŋ]ajan ‘name’ (ACD)
POc *[ŋ]acaŋ, *[ŋ]aca- ‘name’

| Adm: Wuvulu | aka- | ‘name’ |
| Adm: Seimat | axa- | ‘name’ |
| Adm: Ere | njira- | ‘name’ (ŋ-<*n- ‘ART’+*q-) |
| Adm: Lou | njar- | ‘name’ (ŋ-<*n- ‘ART’+*q-) |
| Adm: Bipi | kasa- | ‘name’ |
| Adm: Loniu | njaʔa-, pilinjaʔa- | ‘name’ (ŋ-<*n- ‘ART’+*q-) |
| NNG: Apalik | kasanŋ | ‘name’ |
| NNG: Kove | eza- | ‘name’ |
| NNG: Manam | ara- | ‘name’ |
| NNG: Kairiru | asa- | ‘name’ |
| NNG: Kawai | are- | ‘name’ |
| NNG: Numbami | ase- | ‘name’ |
| NNG: Hote | athon | ‘name’ |
| PT: Motu | lada- | ‘name’ (l- is regular accretion) |
| PT: Mekeo | aka- | ‘name’ |
| PT: Kuni | ada- | ‘name’ |
| PT: Suau (Dawi) | asa- | ‘name’ |
| PT: Dobu | esa- | ‘name’ |
| PT: Misima | ala- | ‘name’ |
| MM: Nehan | haŋa- | ‘name’ |
| MM: Tigak | nasa- | ‘name’ (ŋ- is regular accretion) |
| MM: Taiof | asanŋ | ‘name’ |
| MM: Tabar | asa- | ‘name’ |
| MM: Tangga | asa- | ‘name’ |
| MM: Nehan | haŋa- | ‘name’ |
| MM: Banoni | vasanŋa- | ‘name’ (v- is regular accretion) |
| MM: Kokota | n-anŋa- | ‘name’ |
| SES: Gela | aha- | ‘name’ |
| SES: Kwaio | lata- | ‘name, reputation’ (l- is regular accretion) |
| SES: ‘Are’are | rata- | ‘name’ (r- is regular accretion) |
| SES: Sa’a | sata- | ‘name’ (s- is regular accretion) |
| SES: Arosi | ata- | ‘name’ |
| NCV: Mwotlap | na-ha- | ‘(his) name’ |
| NCV: Loyopol | n-sa- | ‘(his) name’ |
| SV: Kwamera | n-ahay | ‘name’ |
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The Dami/Matukar/Takia form yara- appears to reflect *i(s,c)aŋa- rather than the expected *i(s,c)a-, i.e. the consonant-final form with an extension to accommodate the possessor suffix.

POc *i(s,c)aŋ, *i(s,c)a- ‘name’

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<td>ya-k</td>
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4 Bodily conditions and activities

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4.1 Introduction

This chapter is complementary to chapter 3 on the human body. Whereas the latter is devoted to the nouns that label the parts of the body, the present chapter is dedicated to events and states that are associated with the body’s natural processes. Events in this context include both processes that occur spontaneously (sweating, breathing, snoring) and deliberate activities like eating, drinking and copulating. In between these two extremes are numerous events the agentivity of which is open to question: sleeping, belching, yawning, defecating, laughing, crying and so on.

The chapter begins with events and states relating to life, death and reproduction (§2). These are followed by events and states that have to do with eating, drinking and the digestive organs (§3). Then follow events concerned with the emission or elimination of bodily substances (§4), with breathing and the respiratory organs (§5), with sleeping and waking (§6), with physical responses to emotion, pain or cold (§7), and with body temperature (§8). A separate chapter, ch.5, deals with terms relating to sickness and health. The line drawn between this chapter and ch.5 is at times somewhat arbitrary. Terms denoting itching, dizziness and pain are handled in ch.5.

One might think because the subject matter of this chapter deals with aspects of the life of all human beings, culture would impinge less here that in other areas of the lexicon. Perhaps this is true, but there are a surprising number of points in this chapter where culture, broadly conceived, is encapsulated in lexical choices. Although there was a general POc term for drinking, drinking was also subdivided into two different physical acts (§3.2.1). One was pouring liquid down the throat without the vessel touching the lips, a practice which probably has its roots in drinking coconut water from a small hole in the shell. The other was sipping and slurping liquid directly from a vessel. Similarly, chewing and sucking also each constituted more than one activity, depending on what was chewed (§3.1.2) or what was sucked on (§3.2.2–3). Certain sucking noises served as signals of refusal or attention-getting (§§3.6.1–2), whilst kissing appears to have lacked a distinct label. In Central Pacific languages what other languages commonly conceive as the states of being hungry, thirsty and sleepy are commonly conceived as desires: ‘want to eat’ (§3.3.1), ‘want to drink’ (§3.3.2) and ‘want to sleep’ (§6.2.1).
4.2 Living, dying, reproducing and growing

4.2.1 Living, dying and being healthy

The principal POc verbs for ‘be alive’ and ‘die, be dead’ have an interesting and complementary range of meanings. The verb *maqurip is glossed ‘be alive, live, flourish; be in good health, recover health’, whilst *mate is glossed ‘be dead, die; be unconscious, numb, paralysed, lose consciousness; die, of fire or light’. These ranges of meaning are continued in many modern Oceanic languages.

Like many verbs denoting states, both these verbs and their reflexes may also be used inchoatively, i.e. of coming to be in a state (§1.3.5.1). This explains why *maqurip and many of its reflexes mean both ‘be in good health’ and ‘recover health’, and why *mate and many of its reflexes mean both ‘be dead’ and ‘die’, as well as ‘be unconscious’ and ‘faint, become unconscious’.

The semantically interesting feature of these two verbs is that they were used not only to denote living and dying, but that they were also used of a person’s state of health or consciousness. Someone in good health or recovering their health was labelled *maqurip ‘alive’ or ‘coming alive’. Someone unconscious or fainting was labelled *mate ‘dead’ or ‘dying’.

4.2.1.1 Being alive

Two POc intransitive verbs had the meaning ‘be alive’. One, POc *mañawa ‘breath, breathe, be alive; fontanel; rest’ evidently had the central meaning ‘breathe’ and is presented with a detailed discussion in §5.1. The other, *maqurip had the central meaning ‘be alive’ but, as mentioned above, it inherited a wider set of meanings from PMP *qudip which Blust (ACD) describes as ‘a dominance of vitality as manifested in growth, flourishing, and being healthy, fresh (of plants), or green (of plants, wood)’.

PAn *qudip ‘life, alive’ (ACD)
POc *maqurip ‘be alive, live, flourish; be in good health, recover health’

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<td>NNG: Manam</td>
<td>muauri-uri</td>
<td>‘living’</td>
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<td>NNG: Poeng</td>
<td>mauli</td>
<td>‘alive, have life’</td>
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<td>PT: Sinaugoro</td>
<td>mayuli</td>
<td>‘live, be alive’</td>
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<td>PT: Motu</td>
<td>mauri</td>
<td>(N) ‘life’, (VI) ‘be alive’</td>
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<td>MM: Vitu</td>
<td>mayuri</td>
<td>‘living’</td>
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<td>MM: Bulu</td>
<td>mayuli(ka)</td>
<td>‘living’</td>
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<tr>
<td>MM: Nakanai</td>
<td>mahuli</td>
<td>‘be in good health; come to life’</td>
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<td>mahuli-huli</td>
<td>‘be in good health; come to life; to live, survive (of a sickly baby or the victim of an attack)’</td>
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<td>SES: Gela</td>
<td>mauri</td>
<td>‘living; green, blue; real, solid’</td>
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<td>SES: Longgu</td>
<td>mauri</td>
<td>‘live, grow, be alive’</td>
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<tr>
<td>SES: Sa’a</td>
<td>mauri</td>
<td>(VI) ‘live, be alive, recover health’</td>
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SES: Lau *mouri* ‘be alive’
SES: Kwaio *mauli* ‘alive’
SES: Arosi *mauri* ‘be in good health, live, flourish’
NCV: Mota *maur* ‘live, remain alive’
NCV: Kiai *mauri* ‘live; life, soul’
NCV: Raga *mauri* ‘grow’
NCV: Uripiv *-maur* ‘alive, growing’
NCV: Ninde *maux* ‘be healthy, grow; take root, sprout’
NCV: W Ambrym *mau* ‘be alive, be growing (of plants), get well (after sickness)’
NCV: Paamese *maul* ‘well, alive; be growing (of plants), get well (after sickness); health’
NCV: Nguna *mauri* ‘live, alive, healthy’
SV: Sye *o-murep* ‘alive’
SV: Anejom *u-mu* ‘alive’
NCal: Ajie *mɔrɔ* ‘well; health’ (Polynesian loan)
NCal: Xârâcùù *muru* ‘well; health’
NCal: Iaai *mʷəəṭ* ‘alive’

PMic *mauri* ‘alive’ (Bender et al. 2003)

Mic: Kiribati *maiu* ‘be alive, live, be in comfortable condition of mind or body’

Mic: Marshallese *mōur* ‘live; life; existence; alive; recover; exist; cured’

Mic: Woleaian *maur* ‘be fresh, green, alive (as of plants)’

Mic: Mokilese *mōwɔr* ‘be alive, fresh, raw; life’

Mic: Ponapean *mōwɔr* ‘alive, raw’

Mic: Pulo Annian *mai̧li* ‘be alive (of plants), green’

Fij: Rotuman *mauri* ‘live, be alive; be going (of clock, engine etc.); be alight (of fire, lamp); living; life’

Pn: Tongan *moʔui* ‘to live, be living or alive; be in health; recover (esp. from a serious illness)’

Pn: Samoan *mauli* ‘seat of the emotions (localised in the solar plexus)’

Pn: *maʔutʔi* ‘life principle or spark; be alive, brought back to life; in good health; to grow well or thrive’

Pn: Tikopia *mauri* (N) ‘spirit, life principle; vitality of man or animal; essence of material objects’

Pn: Pukapukan *mauli* ‘soul, spirit’

Pn: Rarotongan *mauri* ‘life principle, spirit; set of the emotions; spirit, ghost’

Pn: Maori *mauri* (N) ‘life principle, source of emotions’

The coexistence of PPN *maquri* ‘live, alive’ continuing POc *maqurip* above and PPN *ola* ‘be alive, well, healthy; recover from illness’ poses a semantic question. Why would two PPN terms coexist for what is apparently the same concept? The answer may be found in the comparison of Wayan Fijian *dola* with PPN *sola* ‘flee, escape danger’. The Wayan gloss
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reads (1) ‘be alive, living, live’; (2) ‘survive, escape danger’; (3) ‘recover from illness’; (4) ‘be healthy, well’; (5) ‘(of living things) grow, thrive, flourish’. Meaning 2, ‘survive, escape danger’, accords with PPn *sola whose reflexes consistently mean ‘flee’. What Wayan includes within one term PPn evidently separated into *sola ‘flee, escape danger’ and *ola ‘be alive, well, healthy, recover from illness’, with almost no overlap of meaning.

Many Polynesian languages retain reflexes of both POc *maqurip and PPn *ola. Each Polynesian language distinguishes the two terms by various subtleties of meaning. Eastern Polynesian languages tend to use reflexes of *maqurip to denote matters of the spirit and consciousness while *ola reflexes are concerned more with physical health.

PPn *ola ‘be alive, well, healthy; recover from illness’

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<td>‘life, health’</td>
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<tr>
<td>Tongan</td>
<td>ola</td>
<td>‘recover from illness, be successful’</td>
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<td>Rennellese</td>
<td>oga</td>
<td>‘restore to health’</td>
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<tr>
<td>Pukapukan</td>
<td>ola</td>
<td>‘flourish, live, life’</td>
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<tr>
<td>Tikopia</td>
<td>ola</td>
<td>1) ‘spirit; soul; life’; 2) ‘vital essence of plants’; 3) (v) ‘live, come to life, survive’</td>
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Cf. also:

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<tr>
<td>SES: Gela</td>
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<td>‘living, life, to live; be in good health’; (VT) ‘to make live, to save’</td>
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<tr>
<td>Fij: Rotuman</td>
<td>ora</td>
<td>‘improve (of an invalid)’ (loan from Polynesian)</td>
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POc *sola ‘escape, flee, run away’

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<td>NNG: Takia</td>
<td>sola</td>
<td>‘run way, flee, escape’</td>
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PCP *sola ‘survive, escape danger’

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<td>Fij: Wayan</td>
<td>sola</td>
<td>‘be alive, living, live; survive, escape danger; recover from illness; be healthy, well; (of living things) grow, thrive, flourish’</td>
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PPn *sola ‘flee, escape danger’

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<td>‘flee, escape, run away’</td>
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<td>Samoan</td>
<td>sola</td>
<td>‘run away, escape’</td>
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<tr>
<td>Tikopia</td>
<td>sola</td>
<td>‘run away, flee, escape, evade’</td>
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4.2.1.2 Dying and being dead

Reflexes of PAn *ma-aCay, PMP *m-atay ‘die, dead’ have from very early times carried a number of extended meanings. POc *mate evidently included among its meanings ‘be unconscious, numb, paralysed’, as noted in §4.2.1, and if reduplicated, ‘be weak or ill’. But

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1 This reduplicated usage appears to reflect lexicalisation of reduplication that in POe encoded and in many Oceanic languages encodes the imperfective aspect.
there were further extensions in meaning, some of them apparently already present in POc. The tabulation below presents an analysis of the meanings of verbal reflexes of POc *mate in Mangap (NNG) -mēte, Gela (SES) mate, To’aba’ita (SES) mae and Wayan Fijian mate as they are given in dictionaries of these languages (Bugenhagen & Bugenhagen 2007, Fox 1955, Lichtenberk 2008, Pawley & Sayaba 2003).

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<tr>
<th>Mangap -mēte</th>
<th>Gela mate</th>
<th>To’aba’ita mae</th>
<th>Wayan Fijian mate</th>
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<tr>
<td>person, animal</td>
<td>die, be dead</td>
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<td>person</td>
<td>become unconscious</td>
<td>be unconscious, fainted</td>
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<td>be starving</td>
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<td>animal</td>
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<td>cricketer</td>
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<td>be out</td>
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<td>body part</td>
<td>be paralysed</td>
<td>be paralysed</td>
<td>be paralysed</td>
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<td></td>
<td>be numb</td>
<td>be numb</td>
<td>—</td>
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<tr>
<td>plant, tree</td>
<td>dry up</td>
<td>withered, dry</td>
<td>—</td>
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<tr>
<td>storm, wind, sea</td>
<td>die down</td>
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<td>—</td>
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<td></td>
<td>become calm</td>
<td>without movement (referent unspecified)</td>
<td>be calm</td>
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<tr>
<td>fire, plan, project, work</td>
<td>go out</td>
<td>extinguished, gone out</td>
<td>go out</td>
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<td></td>
<td>cease</td>
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<td>engine</td>
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<td>pudding</td>
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<td>—</td>
<td>be thoroughly mashed</td>
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The extensions of meaning shown above vary somewhat across the four languages, but we suspect that the differences are not as great as they appear from the tabulation, i.e. that some senses have been omitted from the dictionary glosses. The tabulation suggests that ‘be[come] paralysed (of a body-part), ‘die down, be[come] calm (of storm, wind or sea)’ and ‘go out (of fire)’ are senses that were present in POc, and the glosses of reflexes in the cognate set below indicate that ‘be[come] unconscious’, and ‘be[come] numb’ should be added to these. As the glosses of a number of reflexes below indicate, POc *mate apparently also participated in a metaphor parallel to English ‘to die for’, i.e. ‘to desire strongly’ (see §11.5). Note that ‘be[come]’ in these glosses reflects the typical situation in Oceanic languages whereby the aspect marker(s) that accompany a verb denoting a property indicate(s) whether it is to be taken statively or inchoatively.

Omitted from the table are a nominal sense of To’aba’ita mae, namely ‘k.o. evil spirit in the bush, used by its possessor to kill people’ and nominal senses of Wayan Fijian mate: ‘death’, ‘paralysis’, ‘failure to work, malfunction’ and ‘sickness, disease, ailment’. The latter simply
reflect a zero nominalisation strategy. Their correspondents in Mangap and To’aba’ita are formed with nominalising suffixes.

**PAn** *ma-aCay* ‘die, dead; eclipse of sun or moon’ *(ACD)*

**PMP** *m-atay* ‘die, be dead; be unconscious, numb, paralysed; go out (of fire or light)’ *(ACD)*

**POc** *mate* ‘die, be dead; be unconscious, numb, paralysed; die down, be calm (of storm, wind or sea); go out (of fire or light)’

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<td>Adm:</td>
<td>Bipi</td>
<td>mak</td>
<td>‘die; dead’</td>
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<td>Titan</td>
<td>mate-y</td>
<td>‘die; dead’</td>
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<td>Adm:</td>
<td>Lou</td>
<td>mat</td>
<td>‘die; dead’</td>
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<td>Adm:</td>
<td>Mussau</td>
<td>mate</td>
<td>‘dead; die’</td>
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<td>Tami</td>
<td>mat</td>
<td>‘die’</td>
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<td>NNG:</td>
<td>Mangap</td>
<td>mète</td>
<td>‘die’, etc (see table above)</td>
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<td>NNG:</td>
<td>Lukep</td>
<td>-mate</td>
<td>‘die’</td>
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<td>NNG:</td>
<td>Bariai</td>
<td>mate</td>
<td>‘die, faint, become unconscious, be done’</td>
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<td>NNG:</td>
<td>Kove</td>
<td>-mate</td>
<td>‘die’</td>
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<td>Gitua</td>
<td>mate</td>
<td>‘die’</td>
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<td>Poeng</td>
<td>mate</td>
<td>‘die, desire, have feeling for’</td>
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<td>NNG:</td>
<td>Gedaged</td>
<td>-mat</td>
<td>‘die; go out (fire), stop (motor); yearn, crave, desire, lust after’</td>
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<td>NNG:</td>
<td>Takia</td>
<td>-mat</td>
<td>‘die, be dead; want, long for’</td>
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<td>Manam</td>
<td>-mate</td>
<td>‘die’</td>
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<td>NNG:</td>
<td>Numbami</td>
<td>-mata</td>
<td>‘be sick, get sick, be incapacitated; die (of fire)’</td>
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<td>NNG:</td>
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<td>-máde</td>
<td>‘die, faint, be paralysed; long for’</td>
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<td>PT:</td>
<td>Dobu</td>
<td>mate</td>
<td>‘die, faint, be comatose’</td>
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<td>PT:</td>
<td>Misima</td>
<td>mati</td>
<td>‘(be) dead (especially of trees)’</td>
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<td>Sinaugoro</td>
<td>mase</td>
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<td>mase-kava</td>
<td>‘die a natural death without cause’</td>
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<td>PT:</td>
<td>Motu</td>
<td>mase</td>
<td>‘die’; <em>(ADVERB OF INTENSITY)</em> ‘very’</td>
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<td>Vitu</td>
<td>mate</td>
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<td>MM:</td>
<td>Tabar</td>
<td>mate</td>
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<td>Bilur</td>
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<td>(a)mat</td>
<td>‘kill’</td>
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<tr>
<td>MM:</td>
<td>Tolai</td>
<td>mat</td>
<td>‘die, be extinguished of light or fire’</td>
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<td>mat-mat</td>
<td>‘to faint’</td>
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<tr>
<td>MM:</td>
<td>Ramoaainaa</td>
<td>mat</td>
<td>‘die, faint, be unconscious’</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>MM:</td>
<td>Tinputz</td>
<td>mæt</td>
<td>*(v) ‘die, be ill’; (n) ‘death, contagious disease’</td>
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<td>MM:</td>
<td>Banoni</td>
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<td>(va)mate(a)</td>
<td>‘kill’</td>
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MM: Piva mate ‘die’
MM: Mono Alu mate ‘die’
(ha)mate ‘kill’
MM: Nduke mate ‘die’
(va)mate(a) ‘kill’
MM: Roviana mate ‘die, dead’
(va)mate(a) ‘kill’
MM: Hoava mate ‘die, be dead’
(va)mate ‘kill’
(to)mate ‘(dead) spirit’
SES: Gela mate ‘die’, etc (see table above)
SES: W G’canal mate ‘die’
SES: Longgu mae ‘die’
SES: Lau mae ‘die, faint, be unconscious, numb, without motion’
SES: To’aba’ita mae ‘die’, etc (see table above)
SES: Kwaio mae ‘die’
SES: ‘Are’are mae ‘die, unconscious, faint, paralysed, numb’
SES: Sa’a mae ‘die, be ill, become unconscious, be numb’
SES: Arosi mae ‘die, death; be numb, unable to move, unconscious’
NCV: Mota mate ‘die; be faint and appear to die’
NCV: W Ambrym mer ‘die, be dead; numb, unconscious, apparently dead’
NCV: Nguna mate ‘dead; unconscious; die (of light or fire)’
SV: Sye mah ‘die’
SV: Kwamera e-mha ‘die, be unconscious’
SV: Anejom mas ‘die’
NCal: Iaai mök ‘die’
PMic *mate ‘die, lose consciousness’ (Bender et al. 2003)
Mic: Kiribati mate ‘dead, paralysed, unconscious’
Mic: Woleatian mas ‘be dead, die’
Mic: Chuukese mae ‘die, lose consciousness’
Mic: Carolinian mae ‘die’
Fij: Wayan mate ‘die’, etc (see table above)
Fij: Bauan mate ‘death, disease, sickness; to die, be sick’
Pn: Tongan mate ‘dead’
Pn: Rennellese mate ‘be dead, dying, unconscious, faint, exhausted, paralysed’
Pn: Samoan mate ‘die; dead, of water’
Pn: Tikopia mate ‘die, lose consciousness’

PMP *m-atay m-atay ‘to die in throngs; be on the verge of death’ (ACD)
POc *mate-mate ‘die; be weak, sickly; die or suffer in numbers’
NNG: Manam mate mate ‘die (iterative), to suffer’
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PT: Motu  
*mase mase*  ‘used as an intensive with *hebiri* (‘sit or stand close together’), or *hesede* (‘crowded’, ‘jostle’ etc.)

SES: Gela  
*mate mate*  ‘to overcome’

SES: Sa’a  
*mae-mae*  ‘die, be ill, become unconscious, be numb’

SES: Arosi  
*mae-mae*  ‘very weak, wasting; infirmity, weakness’

NCV: Lonwolwol  
*mer-mer*  ‘be faint; to faint, be half-hearted’

Fij: Wayan  
*mate-mate*  ‘be weak, do poorly; die in an epidemic’

Fij: Bauan  
*mate mate*  ‘sickly’

Pn: Rennellese  
*mate mate*  ‘die or be taken or caught in numbers; sickly; shallow, failing, of streams’

Pn: Maori  
*mate mate*  ‘be weak, exhausted, as from sickness or grief; be nearly out, as a fire’


4.2.2 Reproducing

4.2.2.1 Copulating

Two terms are reconstructable for sexual intercourse, POc *qait, *qait-i- and PEOc *pai(s), *pais-i-.

The first of these appears to continue PMP *ayu[t,d], which Blust (ACD) reconstructs to PWMP because he lacks Oceanic reflexes. If POc *qait does represent a continuation, albeit with irregular prepended *q-, then *ayu[t,d] is promoted to PMP. POLLEX attributes the Polynesian reflexes of this etymon to POc *saqit (PPn *haqi), but the initial sound correspondences reflect PPn *q-, not *h-. Kwaio l- and Bauan Fijian ð- ultimately reflect accretion of *[y]* before initial *a- after loss of *q- (Lichtenberk 1988, Geraghty 1983).

Two POc forms are reconstructable: intransitive *qait ‘copulate’, with a non-singular subject, and transitive *qait-i- ‘have sexual intercourse with s.o.’, with a singular subject.

PMP *ayu[t,d] ‘copulate, have sexual intercourse’ (ACD: PWMP)

POc *qait (vi) ‘copulate’, (n) ‘copulation, sexual intercourse’, *qait-i- ‘have sexual intercourse with’ (ACD)

Adm: Mussau  
*ai-ora*  ‘copulate’

Adm: Lou  
*iet*  ‘copulate’

Adm: Loniu  
*it-i*  (VT) ‘have sexual intercourse with’

Adm: Titan  
*it-i*  ‘copulate’

NNG: Gedaged  
*ai*  ‘copulate’

NNG: Nenaya  
*yai-*  ‘copulate’

NNG: Gitua  
*yai-i*  ‘copulate’

PT: Wedau  
*kait-i*  ‘copulate’

PT: Gumawana  
*kaita*  ‘copulate’

**kais-i-*  (VT) ‘have sexual intercourse with’

PT: Kilivila  
*keita*  ‘sexual intercourse, of people or animals’

PT: Motu  
*ya-yai-a*  (VT) ‘have sexual intercourse with’

MM: Patpatar  
*-es*  ‘copulate’
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MM: Mono Alu  
MM: Teop  
SES: Kwaio  

PSV *a-ic-i ‘copulate’ (Lynch 2002)  

SV: Sye  
SV: SW Tanna  
SV: Kwamera  
Fij: Bauan  

SV: Sye   
SV: SW Tanna   
SV: Kwamera   
Fij: Bauan   

MM: Mono Alu ait-i ‘copulate (of humans)’  
MM: Teop isi ‘copulate’  
SES: Kwaio laʔi ‘copulate’  
SES: Kwaio laʔi- (vt) ‘have sexual intercourse with’  

PSV *a-ic-i ‘copulate’ (Lynch 2002)  

SV: Sye isi ‘copulate’  
SV: SW Tanna eis ‘copulate’  
SV: Kwamera eh-i ‘copulate’  
Fij: Bauan dǝi ‘copulate’  

Fij: Bauan dait-a (vt) ‘have sexual intercourse with’  

PPn *qai, *qait-i ‘copulate’ (POLLEX: *hai)  

Pn: Rennellese ʔei ‘copulate’  
Pn: Rapanui ʔai ‘coition’  
Pn: Hawaiian ai ‘coition; copulate’  
Pn: Maori ait-i-a (vt) ‘have sexual intercourse with’  

Pn: Rennellese ʔei ‘copulate’  
Pn: Rapanui ʔai ‘coition’  
Pn: Hawaiian ai ‘coition; copulate’  
Pn: Maori ait-i-a (vt) ‘have sexual intercourse with’  

cf. also:  
NNG: Yabem  
NNG: Kove  

NNG: Kove ɣahe ‘copulate’ (-h- < *-R-)  

The reciprocal forms in the set below reflect the addition of reflexes of POc *paRi-RECIP to *qai(t)/*qait-i ‘have sexual intercourse (with s.o.).’ The reflexes are few enough to suggest that these are local formations, and that the POc form is not necessarily reconstructable. Indeed, as reciprocals with *paRi- were typically intransitive, only the Tawala form, reflecting POc intransitive *qait, appears to be a direct descendant of the likely POc form *paRi-qait. The Samoic–Outlier forms all reflect loss of *-a-, i.e. *fe-qiti for expected †*fe-qaiti.  

POc *paRi-qait ‘copulate, have sexual intercourse with one another’  

PT: Tawala wi-cita ‘copulate’  
SES: W G’canal (vai)vet-i ‘copulate’  
SES: Malasanga (vai)hait-i ‘copulate’  

PNPn *fe-qiti ‘copulate’  

Pn: Samoanfeit-i ‘copulate’  
Pn: E Uvean feis-i ‘copulate’  
Pn: Rennellese heʔit-iʔaki ‘copulate’  
Pn: Tuvaluanfeit-i ‘copulate’  

Bender et al. (2003) imply that the Micronesian reflexes below may reflect an interrogative verb meaning ‘do what?’ , and POLLEX reconstructs PnPn *fai ‘do, make’, homophonous with *fai ‘copulate’ as in Tongan and Samoan.  

It is not clear whether the South Vanuatu forms below are cognate or not.  

PEOc *pai(s), *pais-i- ‘copulate’  

SES: Talise vaidi ‘copulate’  
SES: Birau vai-vaidi ‘copulate’  
SES: Malango vaidi ‘copulate’
Mic: Chuukese  fe, fē- (VI, VT) ‘copulate, have sexual intercourse with’
Mic: Carolinian  fe, fē- (VI, VT) copulate, have sexual intercourse with’
Mic: Woleaian  fē, fē- (VI, VT) copulate, have sexual intercourse with’

PPn *fai ‘copulate’ (POLLEX)

Pn: Tongan  fai (VI) (1) ‘do’; (2) ‘copulate’
Pn: Samoan  fai (1) ‘do’; (2) ‘copulate, cohabit with’
Pn: Rennelise  hai ‘copulate’
Pn: Pukapukan  wai ‘copulate’
Pn: Tuvaluan  fai ‘copulate’

cf. also
SV: Sye  evis ‘copulate’ (Lynch 2002: PSV *a-ivi(cf) ‘copulate’)
SV: Anejom  ī ‘copulate’

The following PMP reconstructions by Blust (ACD) have respectively one and two known Oceanic reflexes. PMP *duluR was perhaps already a euphemism for copulation, as Blust (ACD) records Cebuano (C Philippines) dulug ‘sleep with someone’. Note, however, that the initial consonants do not correspond: the expected POc root is †*ruLuR or *druluR.

PMP *kiu[d,t,q] ‘thrusting movement of pelvis, as in sexual intercourse; sexual intercourse’ (ACD)
POc *kiu(C) ‘movement in coitus’

NNG: Gedaged  kiu ‘movement in coitus’
PMP *duluR ‘accompany, go together with’ (ACD: PWMP)
POc *duluR-i ‘accompany s.o.’, *paRi-dulu(R) ‘go/be together’
Fij: Wayan  vī-dulu ‘copulate (pural subject)’
     dulu-ki ‘copulate with s.o.’
Fij: Bauan  vei-dulu ‘copulate (pural subject)’

4.2.2.2 Sexual desire

No term can be reconstructed here, but a number of languages use their term for ‘itchy’ (§5.3.2.4), either alone or in a body-part metaphor (ch.9) to mean ‘sexually excited’.

NNG: Gedaged  magagau (vt) ‘itch, lust after’
NNG: Buang  ayo nuv nuv [insides itchy] ‘covet, desire, lustful’
NNG: Yabem  ŋahlem ŋakala? [insides itching] ‘covetous, desirous of sexual intercourse’
NNG: Bukawa  ŋalom ŋagala? [insides itchy] ‘lustfulness’
Pn: Rennellise  manego ‘itch, sore; be sexually titillated’
Pn: Hawaiian  maneʔo ‘itch, itchy; ticklish; sexually titillated’

4.2.2.3 Being pregnant

POc *tian-an ‘pregnant’ is derived from PAn *tiaN ‘belly’, which also gave rise to POc *tia- ‘belly’ (§3.5.9). It is rather easy to mistake a reflex of *tian-an for a reflex of *tia-. For example, Loniu tiyan is a reflex of POc *tian-an ‘pregnant’, not of POc *tia- ‘belly’, as POc final *-VC is normally lost in Admiralties languages.
It is possible that some reflexes of POc *tian-an have been conflated with a reflex of POc *tina-ña ‘his/her mother; big, biggest’, discussed in vol.2:195, and as a result have lost the first *-a-. A pregnant woman is naturally described as a woman with a large belly (e.g. Nyindrou [Adm] drine-ni tinan [belly-her go big] ‘her belly is getting big; she is pregnant’), and, for example, Siar tinan ‘pregnant’ has the form that is expected of a reflex of *tina-ña rather than of *tian-an.

POc *tian-an ‘belly, (be) pregnant’

Adm: Loniu tiyan (vi) ‘give birth’
NNG: Manam tine-ŋaki (vt) ‘conceive a child’
              tine-tine ‘be pregnant’
                     tine ‘belly, bowels; be pregnant’
NNG: Kairiru tyen ‘pregnant’ (tie- ‘belly’)
NNG: Ulau-Suain tiañ ‘pregnant’
NNG: Sera tian ‘pregnant’
PT: Misima liyan ‘pregnant’ (l- for †t-)
PT: Sinaugoro diana ‘pregnant’ (d- for †t-)
MM: Lihir tian ‘pregnant’
MM: Madak tanan ‘pregnant’
MM: Patpatar tianan ‘pregnant’
MM: Siar tian ‘pregnant’
MM: Tolai (Matupit) tianan (vi) ‘to be in an advanced state of’
             pregnancy (tia- ‘belly’)
SES: Lau ïana ‘pregnant, of a woman; enlarged stomach, of a man’
SES: To’aba’ita iana (vi) ‘be pregnant’
NCV: Mota tiana ‘be pregnant’
SV: Lenakel sinan ‘pregnant’
Mic: Woleaian siyar ‘conceive, be pregnant’

4.2.2.4 Giving birth

Although there is clear external support for POc *pañaRu ‘give birth’, all Oceanic subgroups apart from Polynesian have adopted other terms. PPn *fanau evidently could be used in both an active ‘give birth’ and stative ‘be born’ sense.

PMP *pañaRu ‘give birth’ (ACD)

POc *pañaRu ‘give birth’ (Blust 1978b:47: POc *pañaRu(d,k)).

PPn *fanau ‘give birth; be born’; *fānau (N) ‘offspring’

Pn: Niuean fanau ‘give birth, bring forth, lay (eggs)’
       fānau ‘children’
Pn: Tongan fanau (vi) ‘have a child/children’
       fānau ‘children, offspring’
Pn: Rennellese hānau ‘children’
Pn: Pukapukan wānau ‘be born; give birth’
Pn: Samoan fānau ‘be born, give birth; offspring (collectively)’
Pn: Tikopia $\textit{fanau}$ ‘give birth; be born’
Pn: Ellicean $\textit{fānau}$ ‘set of siblings; give birth, be born’
Pn: E Futunan $\textit{fānau}$ ‘offspring; to be born’
Pn: E Uvean $\textit{fānau}$ ‘offspring’
Pn: Hawaiian $\textit{hānau}$ ‘give birth, lay (egg); born; offspring’
Pn: Maori $\varphiānau$ ‘extended family, born, give birth’
Pn: Mele Fila $\textit{fānau}$ ‘bear, give birth’
Pn: Tahitian $\textit{fānau}$ ‘give birth to, bear’
Pn: Takuu $\textit{fānau}$ ‘give birth; group of siblings’
Pn: Tokelauan $\textit{fānau}$ ‘give birth; offspring, children’
Pn: Tuamotuan $\textit{hānau}$ ‘born, to be, give birth to’
Pn: W Uvean $\textit{fānau}$ ‘bear children’

Nominalised forms carry a range of associated meanings:

Pn: Samoan $\textit{fanau}-ŋa$ ‘delivery, childbirth, labour’
Pn: Tikopia $\textit{fanau}-ŋa$ ‘family; food for rite over new-born first child’
Pn: Maori $\varphiānau-ŋa$ ‘kinsman, relation’
Pn: Hawaiian $\textit{hanau-na}$ ‘generation, ancestry, birth; relation’

The two following reconstructions, $^*\textit{pasu}[su]$ ‘(mother) give birth’ and $^*\textit{pusa}$ ‘(baby) be born’ raise a number of questions. If metathesis was ever involved in assumed forms $^*\textit{pasu}$ and $^*\textit{pusa}$, evidence from Gela and Bugotu shows that there is now clear separation of form and meaning.

The form of $^*\textit{pasu}[su]$ suggests that it reflects $^*\textit{pa-susu}$, i.e. causative prefix + ‘suck’. POc $^*\textit{susu}$ meant ‘suck’² ($\S\ 4.3.2.3$) and $^*\textit{pa-susu}$ meant ‘suckle, feed (baby) at the breast’, i.e. ‘cause to suck’. Two questions arise:

A. Does $^*\textit{pasu}[su]$ reflect $^*\textit{pa-susu}$, derived from the latter by metonymy?

B. If yes, were $^*\textit{pasu}[su]$ ‘give birth’ and $^*\textit{pa-susu}$ ‘suckle’ a single verb in POc?

There are two sets of evidence, and they are in conflict. First, reflexes of $^*\textit{pa-susu}$ ‘suckle’ in §4.3.2.3 all reflect the disyllabic root $^*\textit{susu}$, whereas several reflexes of $^*\textit{pasu}[su]$ ‘give birth’ do not reflect the disyllabic root and instead reflect POc $^*\textit{pasu}$. What is more, in several languages (Hote, Tinputz, Bugotu, Gela, Tolo) the form for ‘breast’ is different enough from the portion of the verb that reflects $^*\textit{su}[su]$ to indicate that POc $^*\textit{pasusu}$ ‘give birth’ was not (or was no longer) derivationally related to POc $^*\textit{susu}$ ‘breast’. These facts suggest rather strongly that the answer to question B is ‘no’, $^*\textit{pasu}[su]$ and $^*\textit{pa-susu}$ were not a single verb in POc.

The opposing set of evidence is as follows. In Southeast Solomonic and Central Pacific the POc causative prefix $^*\textit{pa}$- has been replaced by reflexes of $^*\textit{paka}$-, the causative form that originally occurred with statives, and so the Arosi, Wayan and Bauan forms appear transparently to reflect $^*\textit{pa-susu}$, pointing to an affirmative answer to question B. Further, in certain other languages (Arop-Lukep, Teop, Mota, Raga) the reflex of the $^*\textit{susu}$ part of POc $^*\textit{pasusu}$ ‘give birth’ is identical with the reflex of POc $^*\textit{susu}$ ‘breast’, or nearly so.

² The root $^*\textit{susu}$ also formed the directly possessed noun ‘breast, milk’ ($\S\ 3.5.7$).
How can this conflict be resolved? The answer is a little complicated. The evidence for POc *pasu ‘give birth’ is well enough distributed (Hote, Bugotu, Gela, Paamese) to suggest that it was a separate verb from *pa-susu ‘suckle’, and the first set of evidence indicates that it had no derivational relationship to *susu- ‘breast’. To account for the second set of evidence, however, we infer that in certain languages the reflex of the *-susu part of *pasusu ‘give birth’ was (by chance?) similar enough to the reflex of *susu- ‘breast’ for reanalysis by folk etymology to take place, so that the reflex of *pa- was reanalysed as the causative prefix and the reflex of the *-susu as ‘breast’.

Thus we answer question B above in the negative. We have no definitive evidence regarding question A.

POc *pasu[su] ‘give birth’

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<td>pasui</td>
<td>‘give birth’ (sui- ‘breast’)</td>
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<td>NNG: Hote</td>
<td>vadu</td>
<td>‘bear child, give birth; bear fruit’ (sum ‘breast’)</td>
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<td>MM: Tinputz</td>
<td>vahu</td>
<td>‘give birth’ (sisi ‘breast’)</td>
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<td>MM: Teop</td>
<td>vahuhu</td>
<td>‘give birth’ (huhu- ‘breast’)</td>
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<td>MM: Siar</td>
<td>asus</td>
<td>‘give birth’ (susu- ‘breast’)</td>
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<td>SES: Bugotu</td>
<td>vahu</td>
<td>‘bring forth, give birth to’ (susu ‘breast’)</td>
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<td>SES: Gela</td>
<td>vahu</td>
<td>(vt) ‘bear, give birth to; be born’ (susu, luhu ‘breast’)</td>
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<td>SES: Tolo</td>
<td>vasu</td>
<td>‘give birth, deliver (child), lay (egg)’ (sus ‘breast’)</td>
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<td>SES: Arosi</td>
<td>haʔa-susu</td>
<td>‘beget a child, lay an egg’ (haʔa- CAUSATIVE, susu- ‘breast’)</td>
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PNCV *va-susu ‘give birth, lay egg’ (Clark 2009)

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<td>vasus</td>
<td>‘give birth, said of both sexes’ (susi ‘breast’)</td>
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<td>NCV: Raga</td>
<td>bahuhu</td>
<td>‘bring forth young, lay eggs’ (huhu- ‘breast’)</td>
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<td>NCV: Paamese</td>
<td>vasu</td>
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<td>Fij: Bauan</td>
<td>vaka-suðu</td>
<td>‘bring forth young’ (suðu ‘breast’, suðu ‘be born, suck the breast’)</td>
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<td>Fij: Wayan</td>
<td>vaka-suðu</td>
<td>‘give birth’ (suðu ‘breast, suðu ‘be born, give birth’)</td>
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Although POc *pusa ‘be born’ is straightforwardly reconstructable, Oceanic languages also reflect several forms that are similar in that they have an initial labial followed by *-u- or *-o- and a medial apical, but they cannot be readily accounted for. Their resemblances have arisen by chance, and are listed below.

POc *pusa ‘be born’

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<td>pura</td>
<td>‘(baby) be born; come, arrive’</td>
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<td>MM: Nakanai</td>
<td>(ta)posa</td>
<td>‘to be born’</td>
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<td>(ta)posa(la)</td>
<td>(n) ‘birth of a child’</td>
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<td>MM: Nehan</td>
<td>poha</td>
<td>‘give birth, be born’</td>
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<td>MM: Petats</td>
<td>posa</td>
<td>‘(baby) be born’</td>
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<td>MM: Halia</td>
<td>posa</td>
<td>‘bear a child, give birth, lay an egg’</td>
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SES: Bugotu  
   *vuha*  
   ‘be born; begin, become, appear’

SES: Gela  
   *vuha*  
   ‘be born, become’  
   Also *vahu*

SES: Lengo  
   *vuða*  
   ‘be born’

SES: Longgu  
   *vuta*  
   (vi) ‘be born’

SES: Lau  
   *futa*  
   ‘be born, originate, create’
   *futala*  
   (n) ‘birth’

SES: Baegu  
   *futa*  
   ‘line/kin’

SES: Sa’a  
   *hute*  
   ‘be born’

SES: Kwaio  
   *futa*  
   ‘be born, be related by kinship; appear, come out’

SES: Arosi  
   *huta*  
   ‘be born’

SES: To’aba’ita  
   *futa*  
   (vi) ‘be born’
   *futalā*  
   (n) ‘birth’
   *faŋa-futa*  
   (vi) ‘bear a child, give birth’
   *faŋa-futā*  
   (vt) ‘bear a child, give birth’

**cf. also:**

MM: Lamasong  
   *pasik*  
   ‘(baby) be born’

MM: Madak  
   *pisik*  
   ‘(baby) be born’

Fij: Bauan  
   *vusa*  
   ‘a group, tribe, either of people or animals etc.’

POc *puta* and Proto Meso-Melanesian *pʰoda* ‘be born’ are evidently irregular variants of POc *pusa(k) ‘be born’.

?? POc *puta* ‘(baby) be born’

MM: Tangga  
   *fut*  
   ‘(baby) be born’

MM: Bilur  
   *putai*  
   ‘(baby) be born’

NCV: Mota  
   *wota*  
   ‘be born, come into being’

NCV: Mwotlap  
   *wot*  
   ‘be born’

**cf. also:**

Adm: Seimat  
   *pet, petipet*  
   (vi) ‘be born’  
   (*p*- reflects *b-*)

Proto Meso-Melanesian *pʰoda* ‘(baby) be born’

MM: Bulu  
   *poda*  
   ‘(baby) be born’

MM: Bola  
   *poda*  
   ‘(baby) be born’

MM: Uruava  
   *podo*  
   ‘(baby) be born’

MM: Torau  
   *podo*  
   ‘(baby) be born’

MM: Mono Alu  
   *poro*  
   ‘(baby) be born’

MM: Babatana  
   *podo*  
   ‘(baby) be born’

MM: Roviana  
   *podo*  
   ‘(baby) be born’

**cf. also:**

NCV: Raga  
   *vora*  
   ‘be born, happen, become’

NCV: Tamambo  
   *vora*  
   ‘be born’
4.2.3 Growing

A number of PT and Mic reflexes of POc *tubuq ‘grow, swell’ (vol.1:134), evidently used of humans, animals and plants, are glossed ‘be born’. Some Polynesian reflexes, although retaining the central meaning ‘grow’, extend it to include ‘originate’, ‘issue’, and ‘be descended from’, all ideas associated with birth.

PMP *tu(m)buq ‘grow, thrive, swell’
POc *tubuq ‘grow, swell’

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<td>Numbami tubu</td>
<td>‘grow, fatten’</td>
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<td>Roinji tubu</td>
<td>‘(plant) grow’</td>
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<td>NNG:</td>
<td>Kove tuvu-tu</td>
<td>‘grow’ (tuvu ‘physique’; pa-tu ‘grow a child’)</td>
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<td>Dobu tubua (vi)</td>
<td>‘be born’</td>
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<td>Bwaidoga tubuya</td>
<td>‘grow large, swell’</td>
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<td>Gapapaiwa tupua</td>
<td>‘be born’</td>
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<td>Motu tubu</td>
<td>‘grow; ferment; swell’</td>
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<td>Nakanai tubu</td>
<td>‘be fat, grow’</td>
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<td>Ramoaaina tubu</td>
<td>‘grow (principally of men and animals, not trees)’</td>
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<td>Mota tobo</td>
<td>‘have the belly full’</td>
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<td>Port Sandwich ruₚ</td>
<td>‘grow’</td>
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<td>SV:</td>
<td>Anejom a-top</td>
<td>‘grow, swell up’</td>
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PMic *(t(i,u)p)*ʷu ‘be born, bear young’ (Bender et al., 2003)

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<td>Puluwatese wupu(tiw)</td>
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<td>Satawalese upu(to)</td>
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<td>Mic:</td>
<td>Woleaian suʃu</td>
<td>‘be born’</td>
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<td>Fij:</td>
<td>Rotuman fupu</td>
<td>‘grow, increase’</td>
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<td>Fij:</td>
<td>Wayan tubu</td>
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<td>Fij:</td>
<td>Bauan tubu</td>
<td>‘grow, increase, spring up, of plants’</td>
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PPn *tupu ‘grow’ (POLLEX)

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<td>‘grow, sprout; be descended from’</td>
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<td>Samoan tupu</td>
<td>‘grow’</td>
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<td>Pn:</td>
<td>Tikopia tupu</td>
<td>‘grow’</td>
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<td>Pn:</td>
<td>Maori tupu</td>
<td>‘grow; spring, issue, begin’</td>
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4.3 Ingestion and related activities and states

4.3.1 Eating and chewing

In this section are presented reconstructed verbs which have to do with the ingestion of solids. A pair of verbs meaning ‘eat’ is given in §4.3.1.1. This is followed by verbs of chewing, which fall into two categories, namely chewing something as part of the process of eating (§4.3.1.2), and chewing something in order to extract its ingestible content, after which the chewed remains are spat out (§4.3.1.3). The latter category includes general verbs of chewing without eating and verbs denoting the culturally significant activity of chewing betelnut.

4.3.1.1 Eating

Across the world’s languages the verbs for ingestion tend to be exceptional in their lexical and grammatical behaviour. A typical transitive verb like English hit (as in The man hit the dog) has a volitional agent as its subject (the man) and an affected patient as its object (the dog). English eat and drink, on the other hand, can occur quite naturally in both transitive and intransitive constructions, e.g. The man ate the banana vs. The man ate, whereas it requires considerable ingenuity to think up possible contexts for intransitive The man hit (cf Næss 2009:35). The apparent reason that ‘eat’ and ‘drink’ allow a transitive/intransitive alternation in many languages is that they do not have the kind of meaning that is typically encoded by a transitive construction (Newman 2009:6). Certainly the person who eats or drinks is normally a volitional agent, and there is a sense in which what is eaten is an affected patient. But unlike verbs meaning ‘hit’, or even ‘destroy’, where the fate of the patient is part of what is profiled by the verb, ‘eat’ and ‘drink’ verbs primarily profile the agent and the effect of the activity on the agent (rather than on the patient), and this is what allows them to be used in intransitive as well as transitive constructions (Newman 2009:5, Næss 2009:27–28).

In some languages this distinction is carried further, as there are separate verbs for transitive ‘eat (something specified)’ and intransitive ‘eat’ (where what is eaten remains unprofiled) (Newman 2009:4, Næss 2009:29). One may say, with Newman (2009:5), that these reflect different conceptualisations of the ingestion activity, one which includes the ingested patient in its semantic profile (the transitive) and one which excludes it and profiles only the activity of ingestion (the intransitive). There are a number of Oceanic languages which have separate verbs for transitive and intransitive ‘eat’. The forms of these pairs of verbs are cognate with each other, and so it may be inferred that Proto Oceanic also made this distinction. Proto Malayo-Polynesian distinguished between transitive forms which consisted of the root plus a suffix or prefix, and an intransitive form with an actor subject. The intransitive form was marked with the prefix *paN-, where *-N- combined with the root-initial consonant to produce a nasal consonant. Although there are several reconstructed Proto Oceanic verbs that include a reflex of intransitive *paN-, just one of these reconstructed verbs with *paN- forms a pair with a corresponding reconstructed transitive. This is the pair meaning ‘eat’, POc *pañan ‘eat’ (vi) vs *kani ‘eat’ (vt). They reflect the Proto Malayo-Polynesian forms *pañan ‘eat’ (vi) and *kaen-i ‘eat (vt), where *pañan is derived from *paN- + the root *kaen ‘eat’,3 and *kaen-i includes the location undergoer voice suffix *-i, which became the POc transitive suffix *-i.

3 The expected PMP form is †*pañanen, but all known reflexes point to *pañan.
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As the data above are from primary subgroups of Oceanic, this intransitive/transitive pair evidently occurred in Proto Oceanic. The fact that this appears to be the only intransitive/transitive pair retained in modern Oceanic languages reflects the tendency for languages to encode intransitive and transitive ‘eat’ separately. This in turn reflects the centrality of eating in human life.

The forms *paŋan* and *kani* are treated separately below, as in many Oceanic languages one of them has displaced the other. More frequently, *kani* has replaced *paŋan*. The latter is not reflected at all (with the exception of certain forms described below) in New Guinea Oceanic (NNG and PT), Northwest Solomonic, North/Central Vanuatu, Central Pacific or Micronesian.

People in traditional Oceanic-speaking villages ate one cooked meal a day, usually after the day’s work, and this presumably was also true of POc speakers. The meal typically consisted of starchy staples, made more appetising by the addition of coconut milk, leafy vegetables and sometimes some meat or fish (vol.3:36). The lexicons of Oceanic languages thus usually distinguish two main categories of ingredient, and POc evidently did so too. The relevant terms are:

- POc *kanan*: starchy staples, including yams, taro, sweet potatoes and other root crops, cooking bananas and breadfruit (vol.3:40–41);
- POc *tamaji*: the additional ingredients: coconut milk, leafy vegetables and protein foods (meat, fish, shellfish) (vol.3:43).

The general meaning of *paŋan* and *kani* was ‘eat’, but Ross (vol.3:36–40) concludes that they also had the specific meaning ‘eat starchy staples’. There are three kinds of evidence for this. First, *kanan* ‘starchy staples’ is a nominalisation of the base also found in *kani*. Secondly, in Oceanic languages for which there is detailed information about verbs of eating, there is usually at least one other ‘eat’ verb, with the meaning ‘eat starch and protein food together’. Sometimes there is also a verb meaning ‘eat meat’, ‘eat fish’ or ‘eat protein food’ and less often one meaning ‘eat greens alone’ or ‘eat (s.t.) as an accompaniment to starchy food’ (vol.3:39–41). Significantly, however, there is almost never a separate verb meaning ‘eat starchy food’, implying that this was the more specific sense of *paŋan*/kani. Thirdly, on the
rare occasions that a verb meaning ‘eat starch’ is found, it is the general verb of eating combined with an element indicating that nothing else (other than starch) is eaten, e.g. Anejom (SV) *top*-'hay ‘eat starch without additions’, literally ‘just eat’, where *top* means ‘only’ and *hay* is the general verb ‘eat’ (< POc *payan*); Arosi (SES) *ŋau-konjari* ‘eat one thing without relish’, where *ŋau* is the general verb ‘eat’ (< POc *ŋau* ‘chew and eat’, §4.3.1.2) and *konjari* is ‘empty’.

There is a semantic association whereby terms for ‘sharp’ (referring to a blade, not a point) are derived from the verb ‘eat’ or ‘chew’. Reflexes of *payan*, often reduplicated, mean ‘sharp’ in a number of Meso-Melanesian and Southeast Solomonic languages, while reflexes of *kani* mean ‘sharp’ in a number of Northwest Solomonic, Micronesian and Polynesian languages. Isolated instances also occur in reflexes of the verbs of gnawing *ŋau* (Kwaid) and *ŋasi(i,u)* (Hoava, Vangunu) (§4.3.1.2). Although this semantic extension of ‘eat’ seems rather an obvious one, it is not among those listed as occurring crosslinguistically by Newman (2009).

A number of the reflexes of *payan* with the sense ‘sharp’ display reduplication. This appears to have been an early Oceanic strategy for forming adjectives from members of other word classes. Colour adjectives, for example, were often reduplicated nouns (vol.2:207–210). This strategy did not occur with reflexes of *kani* that mean ‘sharp’, evidently because reduplication formed actor-subject intransitive verbs from transitives.

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<td><em>payan</em> (vi) ‘eat’; <em>[paŋa]-payan</em> ‘sharp’ (vol.1: 29 ff, vol.3:39)</td>
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<td>SJ: Sobei</td>
<td>pana</td>
<td>‘eat’</td>
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<td>aŋan</td>
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<td>ŋan</td>
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<td>‘eat, have a meal; food, properly vegetable food’</td>
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<td>‘fruit; mollusc in its shell’</td>
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<td>va-vaja-lua</td>
<td>‘sharpen, sharp’</td>
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POc *kani[-] (VT) ‘eat (s.t. starchy), eat (in general)’

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<td>hana(ha)</td>
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<td>SES: Arosi</td>
<td>ᵇaŋ-i</td>
<td>(vt) ‘feed; a pet, adopted animal’</td>
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<td>veveve</td>
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<td>SV: Anejom</td>
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Adm: Seimat | ani- | (vt) ‘eat’ |
Adm: Loniu | yani- | (vt) ‘eat’ |
NNG: Kove | -ani | ‘eat’ |
NNG: Bariai | -an | ‘eat’ |
NNG: Kilenge | -kan | ‘eat’ |
NNG: Sio | -kan | ‘burn’ |
NNG: Barim | -kan | ‘eat, burn’ |
NNG: Lukep | -kan(su) | ‘eat’ |
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SES: Kwaio ʔani-a (vt) ‘eat s.t.’
SES: To’aba’ita ʔani-a (vt) ‘eat s.t.’
TM: Asumbooa ka (vt) ‘eat s.t.’
TM: Buma e (vt) ‘eat s.t.’
NCV: Mota yan ‘eat’
NCV: Tamambo yani- (vt) ‘eat s.t.’ yani-yani (vi) ‘eat’
NCV: Big Nambas xan ‘eat; sharp’
NCV: Nahavaq ʔan ‘eat’
NCV: Pt Sandwich xani ‘eat’
NCV: N Efate kani ‘eat’
SV: Sye eni (vt) ‘eat s.t.’
SV: Ura eni (vt) ‘eat s.t.’
SV: Lenakel kon (vt) ‘eat s.t.’
SV: Kwamera ani ‘eat’
SV: Anejom yin (vt) ‘eat s.t.’
NCal: Voh-Koné cani ‘eat starchy food’
NCal: Xàràcùù kë ‘eat starchy food’
NCal: Iaai han ‘eat’
PMic *kanji- ‘eat (s.t.)’; *ka-kanji ‘sharp’ (Bender et al., 2003)
Mic: Kiribati kaŋ ‘eat (more than one thing)’
Mic: KANJ ‘sharp’
Mic: Marshallese kaŋ ‘eat’
Mic: KANJ ‘sharp’
Mic: Woleaian xañi- (vt) ‘eat s.t.’
Mic: Chuukese aeri- (vt) ‘eat s.t.’
Mic: KANJ ‘sharp’
Mic: Carolinian anji- (vt) ‘eat s.t.’
Mic: KANJ ‘sharp’
Mic: Ponapean kaŋ (vt) ‘eat s.t.’
Mic: KANJ ‘sharp’
Fij: Bauan kani-a (vt) ‘eat s.t.’

Pn: Tongan kai ‘eat, to bite (at bait); to experience, enjoy, suffer’
Pn: Samoan ʔai ‘eat; food; bite, grip’
Pn: E Futunan kai ‘eat; food’
Pn: Tuvalu kai ‘eat; food; sharp’
There is a small collection of oddments derived from *pəŋan which do not fit into the
cognate sets above. The most intriguing of these is Arosi (SES) maŋa (vt) ‘eat’, (N) ‘bits of
food in the crevices of the teeth after eating’. It appears to reflect PMP *maŋan (Blust 1983–
84), the independent intransitive form corresponding with dependent PAn *pəŋan (cf
§1.3.5.5). Only a few Proto Malayo-Polynesian independent intransitive forms survived into
Proto Oceanic, and the history of this form (and why there is just one known Oceanic reflex)
is a mystery.

Less mysterious are PROc *va-vaŋan-i (vt) ‘feed’ and PPn *fāŋai ‘feed, provide food for’,
both causative verbs with a root reflecting POc *pəŋan (vt) ‘eat’. It happens that the POc
causative prefix was *pa-, giving a causative form *pa-vaŋan-i, where *-i was the transitive
suffix. The suffix is reflected in Wayan and also accounts (i) for the retention of root-final -n in
Mota, which would have been lost if it was word-final and (ii) for the final *-i of PPn *fāŋai. It
appears that the repeated syllable *pa- has been reduced by haplology in Mota and Rotuman,
perhaps because reflexes of the root *pəŋan have no function in these languages outside the
causative (as noted above, in the sense ‘eat’ reflexes of the root *pəŋan have been replaced by
reflexes of *kani). PPn *fāŋai reflects two idiosyncratic innovations. The first is the
replacement of †*fafa- by *fā-. The second is the loss of POc *-n-, already noted above with
regard to PPn *kai ‘eat’.

POC *pəŋan ‘eat’

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| PPN *fafaŋa (vt) ‘feed (animal)’
| Pn: Tongan | fafaŋa | ‘feed (animal)’                               |
| Pn: Samoan | fafaŋa  | ‘feed (animal)’                               |
| PPN *fāŋa-i ‘feed, provide food for (animal, person)’ (POLLEX)
| Pn: Niuean | fāŋa-i  | ‘feed (animal, person)’                       |
| Pn: Tikopia | fāŋa-i  | ‘feed (people, pets, plants), give solid food as opposed to fāū ‘feed with breast milk’ |
| Pn: Maori  | fāŋa-i  | ‘feed, nourish, bring up (animal, person)’    |
| Pn: Hawaiian | hāŋa-i | ‘raise, feed, nourish (animal, person)’       |

It was remarked above that POc *pəŋan and *kani both probably had ‘eat starchy food’ as
their more specific meaning. Modern Oceanic languages typically have at least one other ‘eat’
verb, with the meaning ‘eat starch and protein food together’. As the sample below shows,
reconstruction of the POc term is impossible, but the concept must have been lexicalised in
POc.

PROc *va-vaŋan-i ‘feed (animal, person)’

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Pn: Tikopia | kai | ‘food; eat; bite, as edged tool; be sharp, abrasive; swallow, engulf’ |
Pn: Anutan  | kai | ‘eat; food’                                |
Pn: Rennellese | ka-kai | ‘sharp (as a knife)’                     |
Pn: Pukapukan | kai | ‘eat; food’                                |

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NNG: Mapos Buang -ṛm ‘eat mixed food including meat’
PT: Gumawana goba ‘eat yam and one other thing at the same time’
PT: Iduna -kuda-taŋula ‘eat starchy vegetables and meat together’ (-
kuda chew, taŋula ‘banana leaf under food’)
MM: Madak omon ‘eat meat with’
MM: Patpatar gama ‘mix meat with starchy food’
MM: Ramoaaina nainji ‘eat starch and meat together’
SES: Arosi mamu ‘eat two kinds of food together’

Also widespread is the concept ‘eat meat/fish alone’:

NNG: Labu -hunhu ‘eat meat only’
PT: Iduna -a-ḳayaḳaya ‘eat meat alone’ (ḳayaḳaya- ‘white’)
MM: Sursurunga gemnai ‘eat (s.t.) as an accompaniment to starchy
food’ (gemgem ‘meat, meat animals’)
MM: Ramoaaina bet ‘eat meat alone’
SES: Gela gona, gona-gona ‘eat fish without vegetables’
SES: Arosi ñonari ‘eat only fish’
SV: Anejom leley ‘eat meat or fish without starch’
SV: Sye elat ‘eat meat or fish’

The concept ‘eat meat/fish alone’ was possibly already lexicalised in POc, as */q,k]oda(q), but
meaning occurs only in Roviana (MM) and as a subsidiary meaning in Wayan Fijian. More
usually the reflexes mean ‘eat s.t. raw’, where the ‘something’ seems most frequently to be
meat or fish (contra the gloss ‘raw seafood; eat raw seafood’ in vol.4:438, footnote 6).

PAn *qetaq ‘eat s.t. raw’ (ACD)
PCEMP *qentaq ‘eat s.t. raw’ (ACD)
POc */q,k]oda(q) ‘eat s.t. raw’ (ACD) (Blust 1972a; Lichtenberk 1994b:269; ACD)4

4 Reconstruction of the form *koda(q) is required by the Woleaian, Pulo Annian and Fijian reflexes.
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Fij: Bauan Fijian  *koda*  ‘eat raw meat’
Fij: Wayan Fijian  *koda*  ‘eat raw fish or shellfish; eat fish or meat by itself’

Pn: Tongan  *ʔota*  ‘raw, uncooked, mostly of meat, fish, shell-fish, or eggs; eat raw fish or shell-fish’
Pn: Niuean  *ota*  ‘eat raw; a dish of raw fish fixed with coconut cream’
Pn: Samoan  *ota*  ‘pickle (fish for eating raw); dish of pickled raw fish’
Pn: Tuvaluan  *ota*  ‘raw fish or fruit; eat fish raw’
Pn: Maori  *ota*  ‘unripe, uncooked; eat raw or in an uncooked state’

Meat or fish was a less frequent food ingredient than starchy staples, but it was clearly valued, as the occurrence of verbs meaning ‘crave for meat/fish’ indicates:

PT: Iduna  *-onanaga*  ‘crave for meat’
MM: Patpatar  *bite, bui*  ‘crave for meat’
SV: Sye  *-ayot*  ‘hungry for meat’ (lit. ‘itch’)
Fij: Wayan  *tovi*  ‘crave for meat or fish’

Terms for ‘eat greens alone’ are rarer, probably reflecting the fact that Oceanic speakers rarely eat leafy vegetables without any other food:

MM: Ramoaaina  *odo*  ‘eat greens alone’
SES: Arosi  *ŋau-kokona*  ‘eat only greens’ (*kokona* ‘smooth, slippery’)
Pn: Tongan  *hamu*  ‘eat vegetables only’

PPn *samu* seems to have meant something like ‘eat one food only’, and in Nuclear Polynesian (reflexes other than Tongan and Niuean) ‘eat protein food only’. If the Gedaged terms below are cognate, then POc *samu* is reconstructable, perhaps with the sense ‘eat food that adds relish to staples’. In the Gedaged area this typically consists of green vegetables, with a small quantity of fish as a possible addition.

NNG: Gedaged  *samu*  ‘eat fruit flesh’ (Milke 1961)
          *samu(n)*  ‘savoury kinds of food that add relish to staples’ (Mager 1952)

PPn *samu* ‘eat one food only’ (POLLEX)

Pn: Tongan  *hamu*  ‘eat vegetables only’
Pn: Niuean  *(kai)*hamu  ‘eat meat without vegetables’
Pn: Anutan  *(kai)*tamu  ‘eat fish only’
Pn: E Uvean  *hamu(kō)*  ‘eat one food only’
Pn: E Futunan  *samu(kō)*  ‘eat one food only (fish without vegetables or vice versa)’
Pn: Tuvalu  *hamu*  ‘eat only one food at a time’
Pn: Emae  *(kai)*samu  ‘eat meat only’

It is difficult to know if POc *kamu* meant more than just ‘eat’. The reflexes below that are glossed ‘chew (betelnut)’ all occur in the Southeast Solomonic area, and the Rennellese and
Tikopia terms must be borrowings from a Southeast Solomonic language as betelnut has never been a part of Polynesian culture.

POc *kamu ‘eat’

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<td>(vi, vt) ‘eat’</td>
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<td>SES: Lau</td>
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4.3.1.2 Chewing and then eating, gnawing

Chewing is conceptualised in many Oceanic languages as two separate activities: chewing with the intention of eating, and chewing something of which the residue will afterwards be spat out. The object of the latter, either implied or specified, is typically sugarcane or betelnut. This section is concerned with chewing and eating, whilst chewing without eating is discussed in §4.3.1.3.

Lichtenberk (1994) and Ross, Clark and Osmond (vol.1:238) comment on the phonaesthetic pattern *kʷV[f,r,s]V* in POc terms meaning ‘scrape’. A similar pattern, but with initial *ŋ-, appears to be present in chewing verbs such as POc *ŋari(s)*, *ŋaris-i- ‘gnaw, of animals’ in this section and POc *ŋasu* (vi), *ŋasi (vt) ‘chew (betelnut, sugarcane), bite into’ and PNNG *ŋuru ‘chew (sugarcane)’ in §4.3.1.3, as well as a multiplicity of similar but not fully cognate forms which are listed under ‘cf. also’ beneath the *ŋari(s)/ŋaris-i- and *ŋas (vi)/ŋas-i (vt) sets. The primary chew-and-eat verb POc *ŋau ‘chew and eat’ also begins with *ŋ-.

Two POc verb roots are reconstructed for ‘chew and eat’, *ŋau ‘chew and eat’ and POc *ŋari(s) ‘gnaw’, *ŋaris-i- ‘gnaw (s.t.), of animals’. The semantic distinction is clear in Polynesian reflexes where *ŋari- terms refer to gnawing or nibbling by animals, particularly rats, while reflexes of *ŋau refer to human chewing/eating. A number of reflexes of the latter have become a general term for ‘eat’.

POc *ŋau ‘chew and eat’

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POc *ŋari(s), *ŋaris-i- ‘gnaw, nibble, (perhaps of animals)’

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PMic *ŋari, *ŋari-ti ‘nibble, gnaw, crunch’ (Bender et al., 2003)

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PPn *ɣali ‘nibble, gnaw’ (POLLEX)

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cf. also:

MM: Roviana ŋuri-ŋurih-i ‘gnaw’ (-h- < POc *-s-)
SES: To’aba’ita ŋor- ‘of animals, gnaw, gnaw at s.t.’
SES: Sa’a ŋero (vi) ‘chew, nibble, of rats’

4.3.1.3 Chewing without swallowing

Seven terms are reconstructed for chewing without swallowing:

1. POc *ŋas (vt), *ŋas-i- (vt) ‘chew (betelnut), suck and chew (sugarcane), bite into’
2. PNNG *ŋuru ‘suck and chew (sugarcane)’
3. POc *qusi- ‘suck and chew (sugarcane)’
4. POc *mamaq (vi), *mamaq-i- (vt) ‘chew, masticate but not swallow’
5. POc *meme (vi), *[me]me-i- (vt) ‘premasticate food for baby’
6. POc *jamu (vi), *jam-i- (vt) ‘chew (betelnut)’ (Ross 1988:78)
7. ?? PEOc *dramu (vi), *dram-i- (vt) ‘chew’

With so many POc terms for the same or similar activities, one would expect them to have had different uses. Among the glosses of their reflexes one can distinguish general terms that make no reference to what is chewed, specialist terms used for chewing betelnut or sugarcane, and terms that refer to premasticating food for a baby. However, it is difficult to attribute specific meanings to the POc reconstructions because reflexes have undergone meaning shifts. A small complication is that ‘chew betelnut’ was a meaning in the wordlists elicited by Ross, but it is possible that terms thus glossed are also used for other kinds of chewing.

Betelnut chewing is singled out in many Oceanic languages because of its social significance. Betelnut is a stimulant, Areca catechu, POc *buauq (vol.3:391–395), chewed throughout lowland New Guinea and NW Island Melanesia.

Palms are grown in village groves or singly near houses. The seed may be chewed alone, but usually people chew a quid consisting of the seed, lime and a catkin or leaf of Piper betle [POc *[pu-]pulu]…. Chewing the seed induces salivation, and if lime is present it turns the chewed mass bright red. Some people swallow all but the initial burst of saliva, whilst others spit out the red masticate. Initially, chewing leads to a very short-lived dizziness, followed by a sense of renewed wakefulness. In Papua New Guinea and parts of the Solomons chewing betelnut is a social ritual when people meet. Convention requires that the host offer betelnut to visitors …. (vol.3:392)

So ‘chewing betelnut’ entails a semantic frame which includes not only the physical practices but also the assertion of social solidarity associated with chewing.

Betelnut is not chewed in Vanuatu, Fiji, Polynesia or Micronesia, where a similar social function is performed by kava-drinking (kava is made from Piper methysticum).

Another common activity in NW Melanesian villages is chewing a piece of sugarcane, Saccharum officinarum, POc *topu (vol.3:389–391).

The jointed, fibrous stalks contain sucrete, obtained by cutting off a stem and chopping it into convenient lengths which are sucked and chewed as a refreshing snack. When the sugar has been sucked out, the rubbish is spat out. (vol.3:390)

It has proven easier to identify POc terms for chewing sugarcane than for chewing betelnut.
Reflexes of *ŋas*/*ŋas-i- and *mamaq*/*mamaq-i- are geographically interlaced in the North New Guinea and Meso-Melanesian clusters of Western Oceanic, whilst the former prevails in Southeast Solomonic, the latter in Vanuatu and the Central Pacific. It is difficult to infer a difference in meaning between them from the glosses of their reflexes. Glosses of the reflexes of *ŋas*/*ŋas-i- refer to both betelnut and sugarcane, but the term has reflexes only in the betelnut-chewing region, suggesting that it was used mainly of chewing betelnut. Glosses of Western Oceanic reflexes of *mamaq*/*mamaq-i- refer only to betelnut-chewing, but there are also reflexes outside the betelnut-chewing region, which tend to denote chewing without swallowing and in NCV and Polynesian sometimes refer specifically to premasticating food to be fed to a baby.

If the canonic derivation of POc verbs from PMP reduplicated monosyllables is applied (Blust 1977b; see also vol.2:25) to *ŋas*/*ŋas-i-, the expected intransitive form is †*ŋa-ŋas, but this is nowhere reflected, perhaps because the verb’s general meaning typically required an object specifying what was chewed. However, Banoni and Maringe *ŋasa both reflect the Proto NW Solomonic final echo vowel *-a, pointing to an earlier intransitive *ŋas.

It is tempting to attribute Hoava *ŋahu and Vangunu *ŋasu, both ‘sharp’ (under ‘cf. also’ below), to this set, extending the observation that words for ‘sharp’ are sometimes derived from eating verbs (§4.3.1.1). However, two features speak against this. First, *ŋasi- is not semantically a verb of eating. Second, final -u is non-etymological. From this perspective, Mono-Alu *ŋasu ‘chew (betelnut)’ is also not a regular reflex of POc *ŋas or *ŋasi-. Loss of initial *ŋ- is regular, but final -u appears to reflect blending of regular pre-Mono-Alu †*ŋasa (the expected reflex of POc *ŋas) with a reflex of putative *ŋasu ‘sharp’ (of unknown antiquity).

PMP *ŋasŋas ‘crush with the teeth’ (ACD)
POc *ŋas (VI), *ŋas-i- (VT) ‘chew (betelnut), suck and chew (sugarcane), bite into’

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<td>gari</td>
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6 Neither is reflected in the Papuan Tip cluster, the third section of Western Oceanic.
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MM: Tinputz *nah ‘chew (betelnut)’
MM: Teop *nah ‘chew (betelnut)’
MM: Banoni *ŋasa ‘chew (betelnut)’
MM: Marine *ŋasa ‘chew s.t. tough’
SES: Gela *ŋasi ‘suck, as sugarcane; bite; husk with the teeth, of coconuts’
SES: Lengo (ŋa)ŋadi ‘chew (sugarcane)’
SES: Longgu nasi- (vt) ‘chew s.t. (e.g. sugarcane)’
SES: Kwaio *ŋasi ‘suck on sugar cane’
SES: ’Are’are nasi ‘chew, gnaw’
SES: Sa’a *ŋasi (vt) ‘chew (sugarcane), roll about in the mouth’
SES: Arosi *ŋasi ‘chew (sugarcane)’
SES: To’aiba’ita *ŋasi ‘sugarcane’

cf. also:
MM: Mono Alu *asu ‘chew (betelnut)’
MM: Hoava *ŋahu ‘sharp’
MM: Vangunu *ŋasu ‘sharp’
SES: Bugotu *ŋa-ŋata ‘chew (sugarcane)’
SES: Gela *ŋata-ŋata (vt) ‘chew off’
*ŋata ‘chew’
SES: Longgu *ŋata- (vt) ‘chew something on one side of the mouth’
*ŋata- (vi) ‘chew or grind on one side of the mouth, as when eating a nut’

PNNG *ŋuru is listed here because it manifests the phonaesthetic pattern mentioned in §4.3.1.2.

PNNG *ŋuru ‘suck and chew (sugarcane)’
NNG: Kove *ŋoho ‘chew s.t. hardish or sticky’
NNG: Bola *ŋuru ‘suck, kiss’
NNG: Manga Buang *ŋur ‘chew or suck (sugarcane)’
NNG: Mapos Buang *ŋur ‘chew or suck sugarcane’
NNG: Mumeng (Patep) *ŋul ‘chew (sugarcane)’
NNG: Kapin *ŋul ‘chew (sugarcane)’
NNG: Piu *(a)ŋor ‘chew (sugarcane)’

Blust (acd) offers evidence that Proto Malayo-Polynesian had a term referring specifically to chewing sugarcane. As Oceanic evidence he offers just the Mota reflex, and we have found one further Oceanic cognate.

PMP *ququs ‘chewing on sugarcane’ (acd)
POc *qusi- (vt) ‘suck and chew (sugarcane)’
MM: Nehan *uhu ‘chew (sugarcane etc)’

*qusi is reconstructed here rather than *qusu because *-i was added to verb roots in POc to form transitive verbs. Nehan *uhu is assumed to reflect loss of *-i followed by echo-vowel addition.
POC *mamaq (vi), *mamaq-i- (vṭ) is reconstructed with final *-q on the basis of Tolai, Minigir, Label and Siar -i and Namakir -ʔ.

PMP *mamaq ‘chew’ (Dempwolff 1938)

POC *mamaq (vi), *mamaq-i- (vṭ) ‘chew, masticate but not swallow’

Adm: Seimat mama-i (vṭ) ‘chew’
NNG: Malai mama(ŋ) ‘betel chew’
NNG: Mindiri mami ‘chew (betelnut)’
NNG: Bilibil -mam ‘chew (betelnut)’
NNG: Gedaged mam (vṭ) ‘chew, especially betel but also food’
NNG: Megiar -mam ‘chew (betelnut)’
NNG: Takia -mam ‘chew (betelnut)’
MM: Vitu mama ‘chew (betelnut)’
MM: Bulu mama ‘chew (betelnut)’
MM: Bola mama ‘chew (betelnut)’
MM: Bola Harua mama ‘betel chew’
MM: Nakanai mama ‘chew (betelnut)’
MM: Meramera mama ‘chew (betelnut)’
MM: Sursurunga ma ‘chew (betelnut)’
MM: Minigir mamai (vṭ) ‘chew (betelnut)’ (-i < *-q)
MM: Tolai mamai (vṭ) ‘chew (betelnut)’ (-i < *-q)
MM: Label mai ‘chew (betelnut)’ (-i < *-q)
MM: Ramoaaina mama ‘chew (betelnut)’
MM: Siar mamai ‘betel chew’ (-i < *-q)
MM: Torau mama ‘chew (betelnut)’
SES: Gela mama (vṭ) ‘chew fine; feed a baby with pap’
SES: Arosi ma-i-ma-i ‘chew (sugarcane)’
NCV: Kiai mama ‘eat pre-chewed taro’, mama-i- ‘feed with pre-chewed taro’
NCV: Raga mama ‘chew, as mothers do for food for children’
NCV: Namakir mama? ‘chew food for baby’
SV: Lenakel a-ma-i ‘chew’
SV: Anejom a-ma-i ‘chew’
Fij: Bauan mamā ‘chew and spit out again, of kava etc’

Pn *mama ‘chew, masticate but not swallow’

Pn: Tongan mama ‘chew, esp. kava root in former times or candlenuts before using as soap, or food to be fed to a baby’
Pn: Rennellese mama ‘chew without swallowing’
Pn: Samoan mama ‘premasticate kava or food for infants’
Pn: Tikopia mama ‘chew but not swallow, as kava root’
Pn: Tahitian mama ‘premasticate kava or food for infants’
Pn: Emae mama ‘chew s.t. until soft’
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Pn: Hawaiian *mama ‘chew, masticate but not swallow’
cf. also:
PT: Roro *momo ‘betel chew’

Vanuatu reflexes of POc *meme (vi), *[me]-i- (vt) have the very specific meaning
‘premasticate food for baby’, where the baby is the object of the transitive form. However,
inspection of the glosses below and the glosses of reflexes of POc *mamaq ‘chew betelnut’
above suggests that there has been some blending of the two terms, whereby one of the two
verbs also takes on the meaning of the other. It seems likely that Vanuatu reflexes preserve the
POc sense, since there is no other POc candidate for the meaning ‘premasticate food for
baby’. No reflex from outside Vanuatu with this meaning has been found.

POc *meme (vi), *[me]-i- (vt) ‘chew; (?) premasticate food for baby’

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<td>‘chew food without swallowing it’</td>
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<td>MM: Sursurunga</td>
<td>meme</td>
<td>‘leftovers or waste from betel nut chewing’</td>
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<td>MM: Ramoaaina</td>
<td>meme</td>
<td>‘chewed betelnut and lime; the red spittle from it’</td>
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<tr>
<td>SES: Lau</td>
<td>meme</td>
<td>‘chew (sugarcane); masticate food generally’</td>
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<td>SES: Kwaio</td>
<td>meme</td>
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<td>meme</td>
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<td>me-i</td>
<td>‘feed (an infant)’</td>
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<td>NCV: Lewo</td>
<td>meme</td>
<td>‘chew food for baby’</td>
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<td>mē-na</td>
<td>‘food chewed by mother for baby’</td>
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<tr>
<td>NCV: Uripiv</td>
<td>-meme-i</td>
<td>‘chew food to make it moist and soft for a baby’</td>
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<td>Mic: Marshallese</td>
<td>meme</td>
<td>‘eat (child speech); chew’</td>
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POc *jamu perhaps meant ‘chew (betelnut)’, as this is its meaning throughout the betelnut-
chewing area. Beyond this area it retains senses related to the fibrous residue remaining after a
plant has been chewed or wrung out. PNCV *zam-an ‘chew, fibrous residue’ appears to have
been a noun reflecting the POc nominalisation *jamu-an, suggesting that the meaning of the
verb at an immediately pre-PNCV stage was something like ‘spit out residue’, a meaning
which is, however, not directly attested. In fact even the verbs in some, if not all, Vanuatu
languages listed appear to be back-formations from the nominalisation. Mota sam-an, Kiai
zama-i-, Uripiv o-jam-jam-e, Ninde sam-e, Rerep jamue, Nguna sam-a-e all appear to reflect
the suffix *-an (*-n is mostly lost in NCV languages).

It is tempting to try to associate POc *jamu with *d(r)amut ‘lime spatula’ (vol.1:77), as the
latter belongs to the paraphernalia of betel-chewing, but the resemblance seems to be a chance
one.

PPn *samu ‘eat scraps’ has the same form as PPn *samu ‘eat one food only’ (§4.3.1.1), but
this is also apparently a chance resemblance.

POc *jamu (vi), *jam-i- (vt) ‘chew (betelnut)’ (Ross 1988:78)

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<td>-jemi</td>
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<td>(ej)jim</td>
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<td>NNG: Kis</td>
<td>(aj)jem</td>
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NNG: Kairiru  
PT: Motu  
MM: Tiang  

PT: Motu  
MM: Tiang  

MM: Roviana  

cf. also:

NNG: Gedaged  
SES: 'Are'are  

The set below appears to reflect an earlier intransitive, POc *ŋamu, corresponding to POc *jamu in the same way as POc *payan (vi) ‘eat’ corresponds to *kani (vt) ‘eat’. Blust (ACD) notes a corresponding Javanese pair, ńamuk-ńamuk (vi)/camuk-camuk (vt) ‘chew on something with the mouth full’.

POc *ŋamu (vi) ‘chew (betelnut?)’ (ACD)

NNG: Gedaged  
SES: ‘Are’are  

‘chew’ (used when speaking to small children)  
‘chew betelnut; chew, masticate’
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Fij: Bauan \textit{namu-namu} (VI) ‘chew and swallow’ \textit{namu-t-a} (VT) ‘chew and swallow’

Tentatively reconstructed PEOc \textit{*dramu} (VI), \textit{*dram}^{-i-} (VT) ‘chew’ below is suspect because the SE Solomonic reflexes other than Gela \textit{dami} could equally well reflect POc \textit{*jamu} (VI), \textit{*jam}^{-i-} (VT). The reflexes of PPn \textit{*lamu} ‘chew’, however, are clearly distinct from those of PPn \textit{*samu} ‘eat scraps’.

?? PEOc \textit{*dramu} (VI), \textit{*dram}^{-i-} (VT) ‘chew’

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<td>\textit{dami}</td>
<td>‘chew (betelnut); betel pepper’</td>
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<td>SES: To’aba’ita</td>
<td>\textit{damu-} (VT)</td>
<td>‘chew s.t. (properly used only of animals)’</td>
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<td>\textit{damu}</td>
<td>‘smack lips’</td>
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<td>\textit{damu}</td>
<td>‘chew (betelnut)’</td>
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<td>SES: Ulawa</td>
<td>\textit{damu} (VI)</td>
<td>‘chew betel’</td>
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<td>SES: Arosi</td>
<td>\textit{damu}</td>
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<td>SES: Bauro</td>
<td>\textit{tamu}</td>
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PPn \textit{*lamu} ‘chew’ (POLLEX)

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<td>‘eat’</td>
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<td>Pn: Rennelise</td>
<td>\textit{gamu-gamu}</td>
<td>‘gobble food noisily’</td>
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<td>Pn: Samoan</td>
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4.3.2 Drinking and sucking

The verbs reconstructed in this section denote the ingestion of liquids. Like eating (§4.3.1.1), drinking in general was evidently expressed in Proto Oceanic by a pair of verbs, intransitive and transitive. There were evidently two lexically encoded manners of drinking. One entailed opening the mouth and pouring liquid from a vessel (often a young coconut) which did not touch the lips (§4.3.2.1.1). The other involved contact between the lips and the drinking vessel and translates roughly as sipping and slurping (§4.3.2.1.2).

Sucking for Proto Oceanic speakers was perhaps not one category but three or four: sucking other than at the mother’s breast in order to drink (§4.3.2.2), sucking at the mother’s breast (§4.3.2.3), sucking at a pipe in order to inhale its smoke (§4.3.2.4), and making sucking noises (in §4.3.6 below). The glosses of sucking verbs often include ‘kiss’, for which Proto Oceanic appears not to have had a dedicated term. The Oceanic way of greeting is or was by pressing the nose to face or limb and sniffing, an action often described as kissing (see POc \textit{*asok} (VI), \textit{*asok-i} (VT) ‘sniff’ in §8.4).

4.3.2.1 Drinking

Just as a pair of Proto Oceanic verbs \textit{pagan} and \textit{kani-}, respectively intransitive and transitive (§4.3.1.1), can be reconstructed for ‘eat’, so too a pair can be reconstructed for ‘drink’: 
*mʷinum (vi) and *inum-i- (vt) (cf §1.3.5.5). Unlike terms for ‘eat’, reflexes of the two ‘drink’ verbs appear never to co-occur in an Oceanic language as an intransitive/transitive pair, and in many languages we find either that a new transitive has been formed from a reflex of intransitive *mʷinum or that a new intransitive has been back-formed from transitive *inum-i-, giving intransitive *inum. Reflexes of the intransitive and transitive do occur, however, in closely related languages. Thus Bauan Fijian ŋunu/ŋunu-v reflects *mʷinum, whilst Boumaa Fijian inu/inum- reflects *inum-i-.

The derivation of the ‘drink’ pair is different from the ‘eat’ pair. The Proto Malayo-Polynesian intransitive of ‘eat’ was formed with *paN-, whereas the intransitive of ‘drink’ was formed with a prefix allomorph of the PMP infix *um-, giving *um-inum (§1.3.5.5). Non-Oceanic languages have sometimes lost initial *u- (e.g. Malay minum), but there is evidence that it was still present at an immediately pre-Proto Oceanic stage, as it caused labialisation of *m-, giving POc *mʷinum rather than *minum (Lynch 2002). This is attested both by reflexes that retain mʷi- and by those that have simplified *mʷi- to mu-.

PMP *um-inum (vi) ‘eat’ (ACD)
POc *mʷinum (vi) ‘drink’ (Lynch 2002)

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<td>mʷinu</td>
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<td>muen</td>
<td>‘drink’</td>
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<td>m-u-mun</td>
<td>(vi) ‘drink’</td>
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<td>můn-i-</td>
<td>(vt) ‘drink’</td>
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<td>můn-i</td>
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<td>můn</td>
<td>‘drink, lap up’</td>
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<td>mun</td>
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<td>min</td>
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<td>PSV *a-mʷu(in(m,mʷ)) ‘drink’ (Lynch 2001c)</td>
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<td>omon-ki</td>
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<td>ŋunu-v-</td>
<td>‘be drunk (by s.o.)’</td>
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PMP *inum ‘drink’ (ACD)
POc *inum (vi), *inum-i- (vt) ‘drink’

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Geraghty (1990) assigns Nakanai liu ‘drink’ to POc *iRup ‘sip (as soup), slurp’ but Bender et al. (2003:29) point out that it reflects POc *inum.
A good many reflexes of POc *inum/*inumi have replaced initial *i- with u-. This is probably the result of anticipating the stressed vowel in *inumi, but may also reflect early analogy with the intransitive form, i.e. *m’inum > *munum, then by analogy *inum > *unum. Because reflexes with u- are readily explained and occur at scattered locations (in languages of East Nusantara as well as in Oceanic; ACD), we take them to reflect idiosyncratic local changes and do not reconstruct POc †*unum.9 These reflexes are:

\[\text{Adm: Seimat} \quad \text{u}n \sp{\text{VI}} \text{‘drink’} \]
\[\text{Adm: Titan} \quad \text{u}n \sp{\text{VT}} \text{‘drink’} \quad \text{(Smythe)} \]
\[\text{NNG: Kove} \quad -\text{un} \text{‘drink’} \]
\[\text{NNG: Bariai} \quad -\text{un} \text{‘drink’} \]
\[\text{MM: Notsi} \quad (n)u\text{n} \text{‘drink’} \]
\[\text{MM: Tabar} \quad u\text{n} \text{‘drink’} \]
\[\text{MM: Lihir} \quad -u\text{n} \text{‘drink’} \]
\[\text{NCV: Mota} \quad u\text{n} \text{‘drink’} \]
\[\text{NCV: Suñwadaga} \quad u\text{n} \text{‘drink’} \]

9 However, Blust (1993a, 2009b) argues that PCEMP/POc *unum should be reconstructed alongside PCEMP/POc *inum because the lack of western Malayo-Polynesian forms reflecting *unum implies that such forms in CEMP languages are not the result of local changes but of the innovation of a PCEMP variant *unum.
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MM: Vitu yínú ‘drink’
MM: Bali yínú-i- (VT) ‘drink’
MM: Bulu yínú ‘drink’
MM: Meramera rínú ‘drink, suck’
SES: Longgu rínú (vi) ‘drink’

4.3.2.1.1 Pouring down the throat

A common Melanesian way of drinking, especially from a young coconut with a hole in the shell, is to tip one’s head back, mouth open, and to pour the coconut water down the throat without the lips touching the coconut. There is evidence that Proto Oceanic speakers had a verb for this action, apparently with the form *gʷagʷa or *gʷaŋʷa. The first form is reflected in Tawala (PT), Hahon and Teop (MM, NW Solomonic), the latter by Sursurunga and Siar (MM, South New Ireland) and Gela (SES). The forms from Solos to Gela all reflect initial *kʷ-, suggesting that the form may have been *kʷagʷa or *kʷaŋʷa. It is possible that the Proto Oceanic form continues PMP *kana ‘be open, as the mouth’ and that the labialisation of the consonants is an Oceanic development, perhaps onomatopoeic. If so, then the Proto Oceanic form was presumably *kʷaŋʷa or *gʷaŋʷa.10

Because this was a traditional manner of drinking, it is unsurprising that a number of reflexes below have the simple gloss ‘drink’.

The items under ‘cf. also’ are listed because it is remotely possible that they are somehow related to the POc form. The two MM forms are from Santa Isabel languages, i.e. very close to Bugotu, and are probably borrowed from there.

PMP *kana ‘be open, as the mouth’ (ACD)
POc *(gʷ, kʷ)a(gʷ, ηʷ)əa ‘drink by pouring down the throat’

PT: Tawala gʷagʷa ‘trickle (water in the hills); drink coconut holding it away from the mouth’
MM: Sursurunga gəŋ (vi) ‘guzzle, drink from something held up above the head’

10 Oceanic specialists will recognise that this reconstruction entails one or perhaps two phonemes not usually reconstructed for Proto Oceanic (cf § 1.3.4.1), namely *gʷ and *ŋʷ. Ross (2011) adds to the Proto Oceanic consonant inventory the phoneme *kʷ, with a decidedly low token frequency and a tendency to appear in contexts where a phonasthetic factor is at play. It would not be surprising if *gʷ and *ŋʷ had also occurred, with even lower token frequency.
Sipping-and-slurping

The terms reconstructed below refer to drinking from a spoon or bowl and contrast semantically with the style of drinking denoted by POc *(gʷ,kʷ)a(gʷ,y)ja ‘drink by pouring down the throat’ in §4.3.2.1.1.

Despite the formal and semantic similarities between POc *iRup/*iRup-i- ‘sip (as soup), slurp’ and POc *soRop/*soRop-i- ‘absorb (liquid), suck up (liquid), sip, slurp’ (§4.3.2.2), the terms have separate origins.

PAn *SiRup ‘sip, as soup or rice wine from a bowl’ (ACD)
PMP *hiRup ‘sip, as soup or rice wine from a bowl’
POc *iRup *(vi), *iRup-i- *(vt) ‘sip (as soup), slurp’ (ACD)

4.3.2.2 Sucking-and-drinking

It was mentioned in §4.3.2 that what in European languages is classed as ‘sucking’ evidently fell into several categories in Proto Oceanic, and continues to do so in modern Oceanic languages. This section is concerned with verbs whose primary meaning is to suck in order to drink. These verbs are often also used figuratively of inanimate substances with the sense ‘absorb (liquid)’.

Three terms reconstructed below, POc *ñoñop/*ñoñop-i- ‘put the face against, kiss, suck, sniff’, POc *ñosop ‘suck (?)’ and POc *sosop/*sosop-i- ‘put lips to, kiss, suck, absorb (moisture)’ are almost certainly derivationally related. The basic PMP form was *sepsep, which by Blust’s (1977) ‘comparative paradigm’ became POc *sosop *(vi), *sosop-i- *(vt). However, parallel with derivation of the intransitive/transitive pair *paŋan/*kani ‘eat’ (§4.3.1.1), PMP would have formed an intransitive/transitive pair *(pa)ŋepsep *(paN +
*sepsep)*sepsep, the first member of which is reflected in Baegu, To’aba’ita and Lau below. Initial *pa- was lost or was perhaps never present (as in Malay and other languages of western Indonesia), giving POc intransitive *ñosop (reflected in Lau noso). With the collapse of the intransitive/transitive morphological contrast in early Oceanic, a new transitive was formed from the resulting disyllable, PSES *nosov-i, the direct ancestor of the Baegu, To’aba’ita and Lau transitive forms. Somewhere in the Malayo-Polynesian dialects ancestral to Proto Oceanic *sepsep also gave rise to a monosyllabic base *sep, from which was formed the intransitive *(pa)ñep, giving pre-POc *ñop, from which by analogy POc *ñoñop was created, followed by a transitive derivation in some daughter-languages.

Blust (ACD) reconstructs PMP *ñepñep, but it has few non-Oceanic reflexes, and it seems likely that the process just described occurred independently in different languages where the systematic morphological relationship between intransitive (*paN- + root) and transitive (reduplicated root) had been lost.

PMP *(pa)ñepsep *sip, suck’ (ACD)

POc *ñoñop (vi) ‘put the face against, kiss, suck, sniff’

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<td>ño</td>
<td>‘smell; sniff’</td>
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<td>NNG: Manam</td>
<td>nono</td>
<td>‘eat (only mangoes); suck’</td>
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<td>MM: Tabar</td>
<td>nop-i</td>
<td>‘suck’</td>
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<td>SES: Longgu</td>
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<td>‘kiss’</td>
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<td>SES: ‘Are’are</td>
<td>nono</td>
<td>‘kiss, place the face against, sniff’</td>
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<td>SES: Sa’a</td>
<td>nono</td>
<td>(vi) ‘place the face against, sniff, kiss’</td>
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<td>SES: Ulawa</td>
<td>nonoh-i-</td>
<td>(vt) ‘place the face against, sniff, kiss’</td>
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<td>SES: Arosi</td>
<td>nono</td>
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<td>(hai)nono</td>
<td>‘kiss’</td>
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PMP *ñepñep *sip, suck’ (Blust 1983-4, ACD)

POc *ñosop (vi), *sop-i- (vt) ‘put lips to, kiss, suck, absorb (moisture)’

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<td>NNG: Hote</td>
<td>-sop-sap</td>
<td>‘lick (face), kiss, smack (lips)’</td>
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<td>NNG: Takia</td>
<td>(awa-)*supi-pi</td>
<td>‘kiss’ (lit. ‘mouth suck’)</td>
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<td>PT: Motu</td>
<td>dodo-</td>
<td>(vt) ‘soak up, absorb’</td>
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The glosses below indicate that making a noise while drawing in liquid or breath was an element of the meaning of POc *soRop/*soRop-i-, and the Sursurunga gloss ‘sniffle’ suggests that this could occur with the nose as well as with the mouth. This is presumably the basis for NCV shifts in meaning to ‘snort’, ‘snore’, ‘grunt’, and ‘growl’. Bugotu and Gela soropi below are almost certainly borrowed from a NW Solomonic language, as the expected reflex is †solo/solov-i-. The items listed under ‘cf. also’ reflect an unexplained initial *t- rather than *s-.

| MM: Sursurunga | so-sp-i | ‘suck’ |
| MM: Tolai (Nodup) | rup-i- | ‘suck’ |
| MM: Nehan | hop | (vi) ‘drown’ |
| SES: Bugotu | sop-i- | ‘suck’ |
| SES: Gela | sop-i | ‘suck; absorb moisture; lick’ |
| | sopi-sopi | ‘suckle’ |
| SES: Kwaio | tō-toto | ‘suck, make sucking noise’ |
| | totof-i- | ‘gulp, suck’ |
| SES: Arosi | toto | (vi) ‘put lips to, drink with lips, suck’ |
| | totoh-i- | (vt) ‘put lips to, drink with lips, suck’ |
| SES: ‘Are’are | totoh-i- | ‘suck, inhale, draw absorb’ |
| SES: Arosi | toto | ‘put lips to, drink with lips, suck; to sip honey (of birds)’ |
| SES: Sa’a | tototoh-i- | (vt) ‘sink into, be absorbed in, of liquids’ |

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**PMP *seRep** ‘absorb, soak up’ (ACD)

**POc *soRop (vi), *soRop-i- (vt)** ‘absorb (liquid), suck up (liquid), sip, slurp, sniff’

**PT:** Dawawa | suruva | ‘rub with nose, kiss’
| | (wai)suruva | ‘kiss’ (wai- RECIP)

**MM:** Sursurunga | soropu(t) | ‘sniffle’

**MM:** Nehan | hirupu | ‘sip’

**MM:** Vaghua | joropo | ‘suck’

**MM:** Varisi | zorope | ‘suck’

**SES:** Bugotu | sorop-i- | (vt) ‘absorb liquid’

**SES:** Gela | sorop-i- | (vt) ‘sip, drink soup noisily; suck sugarcane’

**NCV:** Mota | sorov | ‘make a snorting noise at’

**NCV:** Raga | horov-i | ‘butt, snort as if to bite’

**NCV:** Tamambo | soro | ‘breathe’

**NCV:** Kiai (Tazia) | zorov-i | ‘sleep’

**NCV:** Tolomako | juruv-i | ‘snore’

**NCV:** Namakir | horov | ‘drink noisily’,

**NCV:** Nguna | sorov-i | ‘grunt, oink, growl’

**NCV:** S Efate | srof | ‘suck, breathe in’

cf. also

**NNG:** Mumeng (Patep) | həlup | ‘sip, slurp (liquid); bubble (of liquids or cooking foods)’

**MM:** Ririo | torope | ‘suck’

**MM:** Halia | toropo | ‘sip’
The POc terms *tumu ‘suck’ and *dumu(s)/*dumus-i- ‘suck on, suck up (liquid)’ below evidently denoted sucking and drinking, but we are not able to infer how they may have differed in meaning from the terms above.

POc *tumu ‘suck’

NNG: Mangseng tum ‘suck’
   tumo-ŋ ‘sucking thing; mango’
NNG: Nenaya tum-tum ‘suck’
MM: Tinputz tom ‘suck’
MM: Teop tomo ‘suck, kiss’
NCV: Ninde tum-tum ‘suck’
NCV: Nguna tomi- ‘suck’

POc *dumu(s) (VI), *dumus-i- (VT) ‘suck on, suck up (liquid)’

NNG: Poeng rumu ‘suck (a liquid as through a straw)’
   rume ‘suck (as a baby), soak up’
MM: Ramoaaina dum ‘suck, kiss, sip’

PNCV *dumu-si (VT) ‘suck, sip, taste’ (Clark 2009)

NCV: Mota nim ‘touch with the lips, sip, taste, kiss’,
   nimis ‘take a taste of; sip of’
NCV: Unua -rromj-i ‘kiss, sip’
NCV: Namakir dom ‘suck; smell’,
SV: Kwamera tum-i ‘suck on, savour’
Fij: Bauan domið- (VT) ‘sip, suck, as a child at the breast’
Fij: Wayan tom (VI) ‘suck or drink through a straw or teat’
   tomið-i- (VT) ‘suck s.t. through a straw, etc.’

PNCV *zimi sip, suck, taste’, PPn *ŋoŋo ‘suck liquid from a container’ and PPn *momi ‘swallow, suck’ are more localised terms for sucking in liquid.

PNCV *zimi sip, suck, taste’ (Clark 2009)

NCV: Mota sim ‘sip, suck’ (NCV reflexes show metathesis)
NCV: Raga him ‘suck, sip’
NCV: Tamambo jimi ‘sip’ (old word)
NCV: Kai zim-zim ‘drink meat stock by sucking meat’
   zim-ia ‘drink’
NCV: Lonwolwol himi ‘taste’
NCV: Paamese simi ‘suck water into mouth and spit it out again’

Comparison of the Wayan Fijian term omi- (under ‘cf. also’) with PPn *momi suggests that a POc pair *m-omi (VI)/*omi- (VT) may have occurred, with an origin analogous to that of POc *m'inum (VI)/*inum-i- (VT) ‘drink’ (§1.3.5.5), but there is no solid evidence to support this conjecture.
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PPn *momi ‘swallow, suck’ (Pollen)

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<td>momi ‘sunken mouth as when toothless’</td>
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<td>Pn: E Futunan</td>
<td>momi ‘eat with lips only; suck’</td>
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<td>Pn: Pukapukan</td>
<td>momi ‘swallow; eat till food is gone’</td>
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<td>Pn: Maori</td>
<td>momi ‘suck up, swallow up, suck’</td>
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<td>Pn: Tahitian</td>
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<td>Fij: Wayan</td>
<td>omi- ‘suck (liquid, breast), inhale’</td>
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4.3.2 Sucking the breast and suckling

POc apparently had a pair of near homophones for ‘suck (the breast)’, namely *susup (vi), *susup-i- (vt) and *susu (vi), *susu-i- (vt). POc *susup continues an etymon of PAn antiquity. POc *susu is the root that also occurs as *susu- ‘breast, milk’ (§3.5.7). The forms are so similar that it is tempting to try to combine them into a single cognate set, but the differing transitive forms do not allow this. At the same time, in languages where word-final consonants are lost it is impossible to determine whether the intransitive form reflects *susup or *susu.

The set below reflects POc *susup (vi), *susup-i- (vt) ‘suck (the breast)’. In each language the transitive suffix *-i- has prevented loss of the root-final *-p- attests that this is a reflex of *susup.

PAn *supsup ‘sip, suck’ (ACD)

PMP *cupcup ‘sip, suck’ (ACD)

POc *susup (vi), *susup-i- (vt) ‘suck (the breast)’

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<td>susuh (vt) ‘suck’</td>
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<td>PT: Wedau</td>
<td>yauguy-i- (vt) ‘suck up through a tube’</td>
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<td>SES: Gela</td>
<td>susuv-i (vt) ‘drink from breasts’</td>
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<td>SES: To’aba’ita</td>
<td>susu (vi) ‘suck at the mother’s breast’</td>
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<td>SES: Lau</td>
<td>susuf-i- (vt) ‘suck (the breast)’</td>
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<tr>
<td>SES: Kwaio</td>
<td>susuf-i- (vt) ‘suckle’</td>
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The next set reflects POc *susu (vi), *susu-i- (vt) ‘suck (the breast)’. We know this either because *-p is absent in the transitive form or because—in the Papuan Tip and Meso-Melanesian languages listed below—if POc word-final *-p had been present it would have been retained (as it is in reflexes of *mawap ‘yawn’; cf. §4.5.6).
PMP *susu ‘suck (at the breast)’

POc *susu (vi), *susu-i- (vt) ‘suck (the breast)’

| Adm: Seimat | susu-i- | (vt) ‘suck’ |
| Adm: Titan  | -huhu  | ‘suck at breast, suckle’ |
| PT: Gapapaiwa | susu  | ‘breastfeed; drink by sucking’ |
| PT: Dawawa  | susu  | ‘suck’ |
| PT: Tubetube | susu  | ‘suck’ |
| MM: Tigak   | süt   | ‘suck’ |
| MM: E Kara  | sus   | ‘suck’ |
| MM: Nalik   | sus   | ‘suck’ |
| MM: Patpatar | sus   | ‘suck’ |
| MM: Tolai   | u      | (vi, vt) ‘suck, of children and young animals’ |
| MM: Label   | (h)us  | ‘suck’ |
| MM: Bilur   | u      | ‘suck’ |
| MM: Siar    | sus    | ‘suck’ |
| MM: Sursurunga | sus   | (vi) ‘suck at the breast; ‘milk’ |
| NCV: Nguna  | sus-u-e | ‘suck’ |

The remaining reflexes, listed below, could reflect either etymon, and one can reasonably infer that in many Oceanic languages reflexes of POc *susup and *susu were conflated as a single item when final-consonant loss took place.

POc *susup (vi) OR *susu (vi) ‘suck (the breast)’

| NNG: Kaulong | sus  | ‘suckle, nurse’ |
| NNG: Yalu    | sos   | ‘suck’ |
| NNG: Wampar  | sos   | ‘suck’ |
| NNG: Kapin   | lil   | ‘suck’ |
| MM: Vitu     | düd u  | ‘suck’ |
| MM: Bulu     | ruru  | ‘suck’ |
| MM: Nakanai  | susu  | ‘suck’ |
| MM: Meramera | susu  | ‘suck’ |
| MM: Nehan    | huhu  | ‘nurse at the breast’ |
| SES: Sa’a    | susu  | (vi) ‘suck the breast; have children at the breast’ |
| SES: Arosi   | susu-θ | (v) ‘suck the breast’ |
| NCV: Mota    | sus   | ‘breast; suck’ |
| NCV: Raga    | huhu  | ‘suck’ |
| NCV: Tamambo | susu  | ‘breastfeed’ |
| NCV: Port Sandwich | süs  | ‘suckle’ |
| SV: Anejom   | e-θeθ | ‘suck at breast’ |
| Mic: Carolinian | tūt  | ‘suckle, nurse from the breast’ |
| Mic: Ponapean | tūt  | ‘suckle, nurse’ |

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Blust (ACD) does not reconstruct the sense ‘suck (at the breast)’ for PMP *susu, but it is clear from the data he cites that it can be reconstructed.
Mic: Chuukese ɨ́ṭ, ɨ́ṭṭi- ‘suck (of a nursing child)’
Mic: Pulo Annian ɨ́ti ‘suck mother’s breast’
Fij: Bauan ɨ́su ‘be born, to suck the breast’
Pn: Tongan ɨ́huhu ‘suck (as a baby does) from breast or bottle’
Pn: Samoan ɨ́susu ‘suck (at the breast)’
Pn: E Futunan ɨ́ ‘nurse a baby’

The POc terms for ‘suckle, feed (baby) at the breast’ were *pa-susu-i- or *pa-susu-i-, literally ‘cause to suck’, formed with POc *pa- CAUSATIVE. Conflation of *susup and *susu is probably also reflected here, and some of the terms listed under POc *pa-susu may in fact reflect intransitive *pa-susup.

POc *pa-susup-i- ‘suckle, feed (baby) at the breast’
SES: Kwaio faʔa-susuf-i- ‘suckle’
SES: Lau fā-susuf-i- ‘suckle’
SES: Arosi haʔa-suhi ‘suckle’

PAn *pa-susu ‘give the breast to, nurse a child’ (ACD)

POc *pa-susu (vi), *pa-susu-i- (vt) ‘suckle, feed (baby) at the breast’
Adm: Titan a-súsu-i ‘nurse’
Adm: Nyindrou a-sus ‘nurse, feed breast milk’
PT: Kilivila va-lulu ‘give birth; suckle’
PT: Iduna ve-huhu ‘breastfeed’
PT: Molima ve-susu ‘suckle’
MM: Nakanai vi-susu ‘suckle (a baby)’
MM: Sursurunga asus-i ‘feed at the breast’
MM: Patpatar ha-sus ‘nurse (with breast-milk)’
MM: Teop vā-huhu ‘suckle’
SES: Arosi ha-susu ‘suckle’
Fij: Wayan vā-ɗu-ni ‘suckle (a baby)’
Pn: Samoan faʔa-susu ‘suckle’
Pn: Niuean faka-huhu ‘suckle’

It was noted in §4.2.2.4 that POc *pasu[su] ‘give birth’ bears a striking resemblance to POc *pa-susu ‘suckle’, but concluded that the two POc forms were not (or were no longer) related.

4.3.2.4 Sucking at a pipe to inhale smoke

The reconstruction of PEOc *komo (vi), *komi ‘suck at (a pipe)’ is somewhat tentative, as SE Solomonic reflexes except Bauro omu (listed by Fox 1978) end in -e or -i, presumably a transitive formative, whereas the Polynesian reflexes end in -o rather than u. However, the shared sense of sucking on a pipe implies cognacy.

PEOc *komo (vi), *komi ‘suck at (a pipe)’
SES: Lau ɗome ‘suck at a pipe’
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4.3.3 Being hungry, thirsty, replete

4.3.3.1 Being hungry

POc *pitolon seems originally to have been a noun meaning ‘famine’ or ‘hunger’, derived from PMP *bitil-en, where *-en is a nominaliser. The existence of Tuam, Malai, Lukep pitola, Malasanga butola, all with final -a, suggests that POc may also have had the alternant *pitolan, from PMP *bitil-an, where *-an is also a nominaliser. However, in POc *pitolon appears already to have been used as an adjective or stative verb as well.12

POc also had the term *mʷalum, with a meaning similar to that of *pitolon.

PMP *bitil ‘famine; hunger’ (ACD)
POc *pitolon ‘hunger, famine; be hungry’

Adm: Seimat hitol ‘hunger, be hungry, starved’
NNG: Mutu pitola ‘hungry’
NNG: Mangap petèle ‘hungry’
NNG: Sio putole ‘hungry’
NNG: Tami pitol ‘hungry’
NNG: Takia futol ‘famine’
NNG: Kaiep utol ‘hungry’
PT: Motu hitolo ‘hunger, hungry’
MM: Vitu vitolon(i) ‘hungry’
MM: Nakanai vitoło ‘famine’
MM: Bola vitoło ‘hungry’
MM: Meramera vitoło ‘hungry’
MM: Vitu vitoło ‘hunger, famine’
MM: Tabai vitoło ‘hungry’
MM: Tolai vitołon ‘hunger, hungry’

12 Whereas PMP *-an survived as POc *-an, a nominaliser, PMP *-en survived only as a fossil in a few nouns like *pitolon (§1.3.5.5, footnote 33).
In certain Central Pacific languages the term for ‘be hungry’ is an expression meaning ‘wants to eat’ (cf. ‘want to drink’ for ‘thirsty’ and ‘want to sleep’ for ‘sleepy’; §4.3.3.2, §6.2.1).
Proto Mengen *mate kana ‘hungry’ (lit. ‘die eat’)

NNG: Poeng mateka- (vi) ‘want food, be hungry’
     maitakan-na (adj) ‘hungry’

NNG: Kakuna matekana (adj) ‘hungry’

NNG: Uvol meteana (adj) ‘hungry’

Being thirsty

The root of POc *ma[ra]qu ‘be thirsty’ reflects PMP *laqu ‘thirst, hunger’. Unprefixed POc *raqu has just one known reflex, namely Sio rako-ña. Clark (2009) reconstructs the alternative PNCV forms *marou and *madou. These appear to reflect forms with different POc prefixes, namely *ma-raqu and *maN-raqu, the latter from *maN-raqu. It is difficult to determine exactly what the difference in meaning might have been. POc *ma-raqu would have meant ‘be thirsty, become thirsty’. The presence of *maN- in *madraqu implies some agentivity on the part of the subject, as in English ‘work up a thirst’ (§1.3.5.6).

Blust reconstructs PWMP *laqu, implying an expected POc root †*laqu, but the data unanimously support POc *raqu.

POc */ma/raqu (vi) ‘be thirsty’

NNG: Sio rako(ña), roko(ña) (vi) ‘be thirsty’

NNG: Lukep (Pono) murak (n) ‘thirst’ (metathesis < †maruk < †maraku)

MM: Vitu maraho ‘thirst’

NNG: Bola marohu (adj) ‘thirsty’

MM: Nakani malehu ‘thirsty’

MM: Meramera malou ‘thirsty’

MM: Patpatar maruk (vi) ‘be thirsty’ (metathesis < †maruk)

MM: Ramoaaina maruk (vi) ‘be thirsty’ (metathesis < †maruk)

SES: Sa’a marou (vi) ‘thirst’

SES: Arosi marou ‘be thirsty’

PNCV *marou ‘thirsty’ (Clark 2009)

NCG: Mota marou ‘thirsty’

NCG: Nokuku maro-rou ‘thirsty’

NCG: Paamese maro-roo ‘thirsty’

NCG: Bieria mereu (vi) ‘thirst’

PMic *marewu ‘thirsty’ (Bender et al., 2003)

Mic: Marshallese marew ‘thirsty’

Mic: Mokilese marew ‘thirsty’

NCal: Nêlêmwa māluk ‘thirsty’

Clark & Clark (1995) gloss rako-ña as an intransitive verb, but the presence of the 3SG possessor suffix -ña suggests that it is or has been an adjective (Ross 1998b).
POc *madraq (vi) ‘thirst’

PNcv *madou ‘thirsty’ (Clark 2009)

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<td>NCV: Raga</td>
<td>madou</td>
<td>‘thirsty’</td>
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<tr>
<td>NCV: Port Sandwich</td>
<td>md’dreu</td>
<td>‘thirsty’</td>
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<tr>
<td>NCV: Nguna</td>
<td>matou</td>
<td>‘thirsty’</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>NCV: S Efate</td>
<td>manreu</td>
<td>(vi) ‘thirst’</td>
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A good number of Oceanic languages express the concept of thirst phrasally, as they do for hunger, and we infer that this strategy may have been a POc alternative to the lexical items above. First, Central Pacific languages and certain others reflect an expression that means ‘want to drink’ (cf. ‘want to eat’ for ‘hungry’ and ‘want to sleep’ for ‘sleepy’; §3.3.1, §4.6.2.1)

PCP *via inu ‘thirsty’ (lit. ‘want drink’)

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<td>Fij: Bauan</td>
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PPn *fiu inu ‘thirsty’ (lit. ‘want drink’)

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<td>Pn: Tongan</td>
<td>fie inu-a</td>
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<td>Pn: Nanumea</td>
<td>fiainu</td>
<td>‘thirsty’</td>
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<td>Pn: K’marangi</td>
<td>hieinu</td>
<td>‘thirsty’</td>
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<td>Pn: Takuu</td>
<td>fiunu</td>
<td>‘thirsty’</td>
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cf. also:

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<td>NNG: Takia</td>
<td>you o -mat</td>
<td>‘thirsty’ [water for -die]</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>MM: Nehan</td>
<td>mala inum</td>
<td>‘thirsty’ [want drink]</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>SES: Gela</td>
<td>haga-inu</td>
<td>‘thirsty’ [want-drink]</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>SES: Kwaio</td>
<td>maali goʔu</td>
<td>‘thirsty’ [in.need.of drink]</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Fij: Wayan</td>
<td>mata som</td>
<td>‘thirsty’ [want drink]</td>
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Second, a number of languages use a body-part expression (cf §9.3) in which the body part is the neck or throat.

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<td>Adm: Nyindrou</td>
<td>bale- amar</td>
<td>‘thirsty’ [neck- dry]</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>NNG: Takia</td>
<td>kulagu- itau</td>
<td>‘thirsty’ [throat- blocked]</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>PT: Iduna</td>
<td>ago- gi-tai-na</td>
<td>‘thirsty’ [throat- SBJ:3SG-ebb-PF]</td>
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<tr>
<td>SES: To’aba’ita</td>
<td>lio- e lālāya</td>
<td>‘thirsty’ [throat- SBJ:3SG dry]</td>
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4.3.3.3 Being replete, sated

POc *masuR ‘sated with food or drink’ is supported by well distributed reflexes across Oceania.

PMP *masuR ‘sated, full (of food)’ (Goodenough 1997)\(^{15}\)

POc *masuR ‘sated with food or drink’ (Geraghty 1983; PEOc *mazu)

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<td>Adm: Wuvulu</td>
<td>magu</td>
<td>‘satiated’</td>
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<tr>
<td>MM: Bola</td>
<td>maru</td>
<td>‘sated, full (of food)’</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>MM: Nakanai</td>
<td>maru</td>
<td>‘full (of stomach)’</td>
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\(^{15}\) The source of Goodenough’s citation is unclear.
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MM: Meramera masu ‘sated, full (of food)’
MM: Ramaaina maur ‘full (with food), satisfied’
MM: Siar masor ‘full’
MM: Nehan mah-mahuru (vi) ‘full of food’
MM: Halia masul (vi) ‘full of food’
MM: Teop mahun ‘satisfied/full (up with food)’
SES: Bugotu mahu ‘replete with food, satisfied’
SES: Arosi masu ‘have had enough, be full, replete’

PMic *masu ‘sated with food or drink’ (Bender et al., 2003)
Mic: Marshallese mat ‘full after eating’
Mic: Puluwatese mat ‘sated with food or drink’
Mic: Carolinian mat ‘sated with food or drink’
Mic: Wolaiian matʉ ‘sated with food or drink’
Fij: (dialect unknown) maðu ‘sated’ (Geraghty 1983)
Pn: Tongan mahu ‘productive (of land, soil), have plenty of food’
Pn: Niuean mahu (vi) ‘abound with food’; (s) ‘abundance of food’

4.3.4 Swallowing

Lynch (2001b) draws attention to the strange collection of hypothetically reconstructable POc forms for ‘swallow’—strange because they don’t reflect reconstructed PMP regularly and because they form an unusually large set of apparent variations on a single template.

If it is assumed that every cognate set found reflects a POc form, then the hypothetically reconstructable POc forms are those shown in Table 15. We infer that *topol reflects metathesis of *toloŋ and treat these two forms together.

Table 15 Hypothetical POc forms for ‘swallow’

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<tr>
<th>*p-</th>
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<th>*d-</th>
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<tbody>
<tr>
<td>*-l-, *-ŋ</td>
<td>—</td>
<td>*toloŋ, *tonol</td>
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<tr>
<td>*-l-, *-m</td>
<td>*polom</td>
<td>*tolom</td>
<td>*dolom</td>
<td>*kolom</td>
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<tr>
<td>*-n-, *-m</td>
<td>—</td>
<td>*tonom</td>
<td>*donom</td>
<td>*konom</td>
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<tr>
<td>*-d-, *-m</td>
<td>—</td>
<td>*todom</td>
<td>—</td>
<td>*kodom</td>
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</table>

Earlier reconstructed forms provide some insight into what has happened here. Blust (ACD) reconstructs PCEMP *belen ‘swallow’ and PMP *tilen ‘swallow’. These have final *-n, whereas the possible POc forms tabulated above have *-ŋ or *-m. This apparent idiosyncratic change requires an explanation. A search of the ACD for earlier forms that match the possible POc forms in *-ŋ or *-m yields PMP *teleŋ and *telem, both ‘sink, disappear under water’.

Lynch suggests tentatively that the POc ‘swallow’ forms in *-ŋ or *-m reflect blends of earlier ‘swallow’ forms in *-n with ‘sink’ forms in *-ŋ or *-m or with *inem ‘drink’. This seems

16 *inem ‘drink’ is a rarely reflected variant of *inum (§4.3.2.1).
unlikely, however. When blends occur, there are typically reflexes that retain the meanings of both input forms, but no known Oceanic form for ‘swallow’ also means ‘sink’ or ‘drink’.17

A more probable explanation is to be found in the earlier forms themselves: *belen ‘swallow’ and *tilen ‘swallow’ both end in *-len, giving POc *-lon. The POc consonants *l and *n both probably had an alveolar point of articulation, and the replacement of *-lon by *-lon or *-lon gave the final consonant a velar or bilabial articulation and thus increased its distinctiveness. Obviously, this explanation would be stronger if a parallel change were found in other morphemes. It isn’t. But there are no cases of *-lon amongst our POc reconstructions.

The fact that pre-Oceanic *belen ‘swallow’ and *tilen ‘swallow’ (both containing the early Austronesian root *-len ‘swallow’) have been reconstructed explains the distinction between the first and second columns of Table 15. Under the reasonable assumption that PCEMP *belen was reflected as POc *polo(m), the only peculiarity about the set below is that it is restricted to Polynesia.

PCEMP *belen ‘swallow’ (ACD)
POc *polo(m) (*vt), *polom-i- (*vt) ‘swallow’ (Lynch 2001b)
PnP *folo, *folom-i ‘swallow, ingest’ (POLLEX)

<table>
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<tr>
<th>Pn: Tongan</th>
<th>folo(-ʔi, -a)</th>
<th>‘swallow’</th>
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<td>Pn: Niuean</td>
<td>folo</td>
<td>(vt) ‘swallow (s.t.)’</td>
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<td>fo-folo</td>
<td>‘swallow in one gulp’</td>
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<tr>
<td>Pn: E Futunan</td>
<td>folo</td>
<td>‘swallow, ingest’</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Pn: Rennellese</td>
<td>hogo</td>
<td>‘swallow whole without chewing; take bait; swallowed thing’</td>
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<tr>
<td>Pn: Pileni</td>
<td>folom-ia</td>
<td>‘swallow’</td>
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<td>Pn: Emae</td>
<td>forom-ia</td>
<td>‘swallow’</td>
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<tr>
<td>Pn: Pukapukan</td>
<td>wolo</td>
<td>‘swallow’</td>
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<tr>
<td>Pn: Samoa</td>
<td>folo</td>
<td>‘swallow’</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Pn: Tikopia</td>
<td>foro</td>
<td>‘swallow’</td>
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<tr>
<td>Pn: Tokelauan</td>
<td>folo</td>
<td>‘swallow’</td>
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<tr>
<td>Pn: Maori</td>
<td>horom-i</td>
<td>(vt) ‘swallow, devour (s.t.)’</td>
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cf. also:

Adm: Lou por ‘swallow’(-r- < POc *-r- *-dr-, *-t-)

This brings us to the forms in the four rightmost columns of Table 15. Forms with initial *t- and *k- have one of three medial consonants: expected *-l- and unexpected *-n- or *-d-. Forms with initial *d- have one of two medial consonants: expected *-l- and unexpected *-n-.

It is hardly likely that these forms all occurred in Proto Oceanic, unless a semantic factor like word taboo intervened, and there are no grounds to infer this. Instead, assuming for the moment that PMP *tilen ‘swallow’ gave rise to the Proto Oceanic alternants *tilNG and *tilom, it seems likely from their sporadic distributions that replacements of *-l- by *-n- or *-d- happened independently at different places and times.

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17 The early Austronesian root for ‘sink’ was *-lem, and forms derived from this occur in Oceanic languages: Nyindrou (Adm) -lon ‘sink’, Nakana (MM) tilomu ‘sink, drown’, Sursurunga (MM) lum ‘dive’, lum-i ‘dive to obtain or catch s.t.’, Longgu (SES) lulumi ‘sink’.
Why might these changes have occurred (and recurred)? Again, the reason perhaps has to do with the fact that *t- and *l- had a similar point of articulation. But this cannot be the whole reason, as the resulting combinations in Table 15, e.g. *donom, also have similar or identical points of articulation. Lynch (2000b) shows that stress in Proto Oceanic words fell on the penultimate mora, i.e. *tiløŋ and *tiløm, and on transitives *tiløni and *tilømi. Thus there would have been a strong tendency for the first syllable to be phonetically weakened or deleted, i.e. *[tloŋ], *[tlo'm], *[tlo'ni] and *[tlo'mi], giving the initial cluster *[tl] in some dialects. Possible articulatory outcomes would have been

1. the extension of voicing to *[t], i.e. *[tl] > *[dl];
2. the nasalisation of *[l] under the influence of *[m], i.e. *[tl] > *[tn] or *[dl] > *[dn].

A possible acoustic outcome would have been

3. the mishearing of *[tl] as *[kl] or of *[tl] as *[kn].

Further articulatory outcomes would have been

4. the denasalisation of *[tn] to *[td] or of *[kn] to *[kd].
5. reinterpretation of first-syllable shortened Pre-Oceanic [ə] as /o/, anticipating the stressed vowel, giving *toløŋ, *toløm etc.

This account explains

i) why *-n- and *-d- don’t co-occur with *-p-: there is no *ponom or *podom in Table 15, because the difference in point of articulation between *p and *l means that changes parallel to (1)-(4) did not occur.

ii) why there is a gap in 4.3.2.3 where *dom would occur: *[dd] would result in loss of distinctiveness.

iii) why the first vowel of the forms in 4.3.2.3 is *-o-, not *-i- (as predicted by PMP *tilen).

iv) indirectly why *toløŋ, was metathesised as *tonol: metathesis increased distinctiveness by separating *t from *l.

Just one known Oceanic form reflects the vowels of PMP *tilen. The POc status of the reconstruction has a question mark, as it is possible that the Fijian form has arisen by some other route. It is unlikely—but not impossible—that Fijian has preserved a form not found elsewhere in Oceanic. A number of forms reflecting metathesised PWOc *tonol (p261) also have -i- in their first syllable, but these are presumably local developments.

PMP *tilen ‘swallow’ (ACD)
POc (?) *tilo(m)-*tilom-i ‘swallow’

Fij: Bauan

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<td>tilom-a</td>
<td>(vt) ‘swallow s.t.’</td>
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18 A final CVC syllable had two moras and accordingly received stress.
19 *[dn] could also have arisen though nasalisation, then extension of voicing, i.e. *[tl] > *[tn] > *[dn].
The POc forms *tolo(m)/*tolom-i- and *tonom/*tolom-i- with the vowel replacement proposed in (iii) have the scattered reflexes listed below. Lynch (2001b) points out that Proto New Caledonian *tonom may reflect either POc *tolo or POc *tonom, as *-l- and *-n- have merged.

PMP *tilen ‘swallow’ (ACD)

POc *tolo(m) (VI), *tolom-i- (VT) ‘swallow’ (Lynch 2001b)

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Adm: Seimat</th>
<th>tolo</th>
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<tr>
<td>NCV: Mota</td>
<td>tolo</td>
<td>‘make a noise in the throat; belch’</td>
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Proto New Caledonia *tonom ‘swallow’ (Lynch 2001b)

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<td>NCal: Nêlêmwa</td>
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<td>NCal: Cêmuhî</td>
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<td>NCal: Tîrî</td>
<td>num(î)</td>
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PMP *tilen ‘swallow’ (ACD)

POc *tonol (VI), *tolom-i- (VT) ‘swallow’ (Lynch 2001b)

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<td>-tuluj-i-</td>
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<td>NNG: Medebur</td>
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<td>kluî</td>
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<td>NNG: Numbami</td>
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<td>PT: Saliba</td>
<td>tonor-i</td>
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<td>PT: Dawawa</td>
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<td>a-tleŋ, e-tleŋ</td>
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A metathesised form PWOC *tonol/*tonol-i- is widely reflected in Western Oceanic languages. However, bear in mind that Western Oceanic was a dialect network, and ‘Proto Western Oceanic’ simply refers to the stage when innovations still spread freely across the network. Evidently the metathesised form coexisted with unmetathesised *tonol (VI)/*tonol-i-, as attested by the NNG and PT forms above. Indeed, the Megiar dialect of Takia has -tuluj-i-, whilst the Karkar Island dialects have -tiŋal-i.

A similarly metathesised form occurs in South Efate and South Vanuatu, and coexists with an unmetathesised reflex in Anejom. As metathesised reflexes occur in widely separated Oceanic groups—Western Oceanic and South Vanuatu—one might reconstruct metathesised POc *tonol/*tonol-i-. However, given the absence of reflexes elsewhere in Oceanic, we assume that the metathesised forms in Western Oceanic and South Efate/South Vanuatu reflect separate innovations. The fact that South Efate here groups with South Vanuatu is unsurprising, as South Efate is the closest external relative of the South Vanuatu languages (Lynch 2000a).

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20 These forms have removed an initial *tn- cluster by deleting initial *t-. Cf. footnote 22.
21 Replacement of *t- by Psohoh k- appears to be a case of cluster misinterpretation, noted in (3) earlier.
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PMP *tilen ‘swallow’ (ACD)
POc *tolon (vi), *tolon-i- (VT) ‘swallow’ (Lynch 2001b)
PWOC *tonol (vi), *tonol-i- (VTI) ‘swallow’

NNG: Tami toŋ ‘swallow’
NNG: Avau ŋon ‘swallow’
NNG: Roinji tua ‘swallow’
NNG: Gedaged tegali (VT) ‘swallow, gulp’
NNG: Bilibil -tınil ‘swallow’
NNG: Takia -tınal-i ‘swallow’
NNG: Kaiwa tmul ‘swallow’
NNG: Mangga ŋoon ‘swallow’
NNG: Mapos Buang -ńon ‘swallow’
NNG: Mumeng (Patep) ŋon ‘swallow’
PT: Iduna -tonona ‘swallow’
PT: Gumawana tonol ‘swallow’
PT: Ubir tonan ‘swallow’
PT: Dobu ton ‘swallow’
PT: Misima tinon ‘swallow’
MM: Haku toŋolo ‘swallow’
MM: Mono togon-i ‘throat’

PMP *tilen ‘swallow’ (ACD)
POc *tolon (vi), *tolon-i- (VT) ‘swallow’
Proto S Efate/SV *a-tVŋol-i ‘swallow’ (Lynch 2001b)

NCV: S Efate tnl ‘swallow’
SV: Sye e-tŋol-i ‘swallow’
SV: Ura e-rŋel-i ‘swallow’
SV: Lenakel tŋai ‘swallow’

Forms reflecting the change from POc *tolom to *tono(m) occur in two areas: in North New Guinea, where final *-m is lost, and in SE Solomonic, where the contrast between intransitive and transitive forms is retained, final *-m being retained in transitives.

PMP *tilen ‘swallow’ (ACD)
POc *tolom(m) (vi), *tolom-i- (VT) ‘swallow’ (Lynch 2001b)
PNNG *tono ‘swallow’

NNG: Tuam -tona ‘swallow’

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22 These forms have removed an initial *tn- cluster by deleting initial *t-. Cf. footnote 20.
23 In certain PT languages *l and *ŋ have both become n, so these reflexes are ambiguous as to whether they reflect metathesis or not.
24 In Misima *l and *ŋ have both become n. However, *ŋ is lost word-finally, whereas *l isn’t, so tinon reflects PWOc *tonol.
NNG: Malai -ton ‘swallow’
NNG: Mangap -tene ‘swallow’
NNG: Lukep -tono ‘swallow’
NNG: Malasanga -tona ‘swallow’
NNG: Manam -tono ‘swallow’
NNG: Bam -tuon-i- ‘swallow’
NNG: Wogeo -tune ‘swallow’
NNG: Kaiep -tono-i- ‘swallow’
NNG: Ulau-Suain -tuŋ ‘swallow’
NNG: Ali -tuŋ ‘swallow’
NNG: Sissano -ton ‘swallow’
NNG: Sera ton-ton ‘swallow’

PSES *tono, *tonom-i- ‘swallow’

MM: Maringe tommo ‘swallow’
SES: Lengo tonom-i ‘swallow’
SES: Lau -ono (VI) ‘swallow’
      -onom-i- (VT) ‘swallow’
SES: Arosi -ono (VI) ‘swallow’
      -onom-i- (VT) ‘swallow’
SES: Sa’a ono (VI) ‘swallow’
      -onom-i- (VT) ‘swallow’
SES: Kwaio onom-i- ‘swallow s.t.’
      onom-a- ‘neck’
SES: Dorio ōnom-ā- ‘neck’

Forms reflecting the denasalisation of *-n- in *tono(m) to produce *todom are found in a very limited range of Meso-Melanesian languages.

MM: Vitu todom-i ‘swallow’
MM: Bulu todo ‘swallow’
MM: Bola todo ‘swallow’

The Micronesian set below reflects a hypothetical POc *to(r,R)om rather than *todom, but appears to be an outcome of denasalisation.

PMic *torom-i- ‘suck, sip’ (Bender et al. 2003)

Mic: Kiribati tōm-a ‘taste of, sip (s.t.)’
Mic: Marshallese corom ‘drink up, suck up, absorb’
Mic: Carolinian sorom-i ‘sip through a straw’
Mic: Wolaita sos-soro (VI) ‘suck, drink, sip’
      sorom-i- (VT) ‘drink, sip, suck it’
Mic: Puluwat a horom-i- ‘suck it in (as coffee)’
Mic: Pulo Annian ðolom-i- ‘suck it, drink it with a straw’

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25 In Sissano and Sera n reflects both POc *n and *ŋ.
26 Note metathesis: *tonomo > *tonmo > tommo. This is probably borrowed from Bugotu.
27 Bender et al. reconstruct PMic *Toromi, but the data support *toromi equally well.
Turning now to cases where initial *t- has been voiced to initial *d-, there is again no need to reconstruct these as POc alternants. Forms in d- occur only in NCV languages

PMP *tilen ‘swallow’ (ACD)
POc *tolo(m) (VI), *tolom-i- (VT) ‘swallow’ (Lynch 2001a)

PNCV *dolo (VI), *dolom-i- (VT) ‘swallow’ (Clark 2009)

- NCV: Mota nolo ‘swallow’
- NCV: Raga dolom-i-a ‘swallow’
- NCV: W Ambrym rlum (VI) ‘swallow’
  rolm-e (VT) ‘swallow, swallow up’
- NCV: Uripiv -rolm-i ‘swallow’
- NCV: Neve’ei dulum ‘swallow’
- NCV: Port Sandwich dröm-i ‘swallow’

Forms reflecting a hypothetical *donom appear in Kilivila and in languages scattered through north and central Vanuatu. We take the Vanuatu forms to reflect nasalisation of the *-l- of PNCV *dolo /*dolom-i- above.

- PT: Kilivila donom-i ‘swallow’
- NCV: Tamambo donom-i ‘swallow’
- NCV: NE Ambae dono ‘swallow’
- NCV: Lewo sinom-i ‘swallow’
- NCV: Nguna dinom-i ‘swallow’

Moving to forms in which POc *t- has been replaced by *k-, the Psohoh and NCV terms below almost certainly reflect separate local changes.

- NNG: Psohoh klug-i ‘swallow’ (see footnote 21)
- NCV: Nokuku tolom-i ‘swallow’
- NCV: Kiiai kolom-i- ‘swallow’

A large block of Meso-Melanesian forms appears to reflect a PMM *konom, which itself reflects nasalisation of *-l- as *-n- and acoustic reinterpretation of a *tn- cluster as *kn- (i.e. (2), then (3), above), followed by vowel insertion. Under ‘cf. also’ are listed MM terms for ‘neck’ which appear to be derived from reflexes of PMM *konom.

PMP *tilen ‘swallow’ (ACD)
POc *tolo(m) (VI), *tolom-i- (VT) ‘swallow’ (Lynch 2001b)

PMM *konom (VI), *konom-i- (VT) ‘swallow’ (Lynch 2001b)

- MM: Lavongai konem ‘swallow’
  konomo ‘throat’
- MM: Tigak kanam ‘swallow’
- MM: Tiang konam ‘swallow’
- MM: W Kara kanam ‘swallow’
- MM: Nalik konom ‘swallow’
- MM: Notsi konm-en ‘swallow’
- MM: Tabar konom ‘swallow’
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MM: Lihir konm ‘swallow’
MM: Sursurunga konm-i ‘swallow’
MM: Konomala konem-i ‘swallow’
MM: Patpatar kanam ‘swallow’
MM: Minigir konom-i ‘swallow’
MM: Tolai (Nodup) konome ‘swallow’
MM: Ramoaaaina kanom ‘swallow’
MM: Kandas konoma ‘swallow’
MM: Nehan konomo ‘swallow’
cf. also:
MM: Tabar kono-kono- ‘neck, throat’
MM: Tangga kon-kojo- ‘neck’
MM: Vaghua kan-kana- ‘neck’
MM: Varisi ko-koli- ‘neck’
MM: Ririo ku-kun ‘neck’
MM: Sisiqa ko-kumu- ‘neck’
MM: Babatana kunu ‘swallow’
MM: Banoni ko-kodo mo ‘neck’
SES: Birao kono-kono- ‘neck’
SES: Fagani kono-kono- ‘neck’

Forms reflecting the denasalisation of *-n- in PMM *konom to produce *kodom are also found in Meso-Melanesian languages. The fact that Tolai kodom (below) appears alongside closely related Minigir konomi and Tolai (Nodup dialect) konome indicates that denasalisation is a localised and sporadic phenomenon.

MM: Tolai kodom ‘swallow’
MM: Siar kodom ‘swallow’
MM: Tinputz oromo ‘swallow’
MM: Teop oromo ‘swallow’
MM: Taiof korom ‘swallow’
MM: Banoni ko-kodomo ‘neck’

Forms reflecting a hypothetical POc *sonom (see Table 15) have not been accounted for. The hypothetical form POc *solom is nowhere reflected, implying that *sonom is not a phonologically modified form of POc *tolom. We offer three hypotheses as to its origin, none of them fully satisfactory. First, POc *tilom may have given rise to *silom (*t > s is common before -i- in Oceanic languages), followed by replacement of the vowel as suggested in (5) above. Second, it may reflect a blend of *tolom with an ancestor of PNNG *soŋo ‘chew (betel)’, listed below—but this is unlikely, as Bariai reflects POc *sonom and *soŋo separately. Or it may have a separate but unknown extra-Oceanic origin.

POc *sonom (VI), *sonom-i- (VT) ‘swallow’ (cf. PNNG *soŋo ‘chew betel’ above)
NNG: Bariai -son ‘swallow’
NNG: Gitua son ‘swallow’
PT: Dawawa sonom ‘suck’
PT: Motu (ha)dono-a (VT) ‘swallow, gulp’ (ha- causative prefix)
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| SES: Bugotu | sono | (vi) ‘swallow’ |
| SES: Gela | sono | (vi) ‘swallow’ |
|           | som-i | (vt) ‘swallow’ |
|           | som-ayi | ‘cause to swallow’ |

PNGOc *sono ‘chew (betel)’

| NNG: Tami | sonγ | ‘chew (betel)’ |
| NNG: Kove | (i)sonγ | ‘chew (betel)’ |
| NNG: Bariai | (i)sonγ | ‘chew (betel)’ |
| NNG: Malai | (i)xonγ | ‘chew (betel)’ |
| NNG: Sio | (i)sonγ | ‘chew (betel)’ |
| NNG: Mangap Mb | (i)xenγ | ‘chew (betel)’ |
| NNG: Lukep | (i)sonγ | ‘chew (betel)’ |
| NNG: Roijnji | sonγu | ‘chew (betel)’ |
| NNG: Biliau | sun(ong) | ‘chew (betel)’ |
| NNG: Labu | -sany | ‘chew’ |

There is just one possible reflex of *sonom with denasalisation (i.e. hypothetical *sodom), namely Nakanai sogomu ‘swallow’ (*g < *d[r]), but final -u is unexplained.

The Micronesian set below appears to be formally connected with the sets above, but reflects a hypothetical POc *(w)o(rR)o/*(w)o(rR)omi, which is perhaps explained as an unsourced loan.

Proto Central Micronesian *worom-i ‘swallow’ (Bender et al. 2003)

| Mic: Kiribati | ō-ŋa | ‘swallow (s.t.)’ |
| Mic: Chuukese | worom-i | ‘swallow (s.t.)’ |
| Mic: Woleaian | worom-i | ‘swallow (s.t.)’ |
| Mic: Carolinian | orom-i | ‘swallow (s.t.)’ |
| Mic: Puluwatese | worom-i- | ‘swallow (s.t.)’ |

4.3.5 Other actions performed with the mouth

This section contains a miscellany of actions performed with the mouth, the teeth, the tongue and the lips that do not necessarily entail ingestion.

4.3.5.1 Biting

POc *karati and POc *kati, both meaning ‘bite’ possibly share a single source somewhere in their history. Some of the -r-less NCV terms, especially from islands towards the south, and all the Fijian and Polynesian terms could be reflexes of either, though the short -a- of the Polynesian reflexes probably reflects *kati.
**PAn**: *kaRat ‘bite’ (Blust 1999a)

**POc**: *kaRat (vt), *kaRat-i- (vt) ‘bite’

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**POc**: *kat[-] ‘bite’

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<td>(vt) ‘snap s.t. with the teeth’</td>
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Unambiguous reflexes of POc *koto(p) have been found only in NW Solomonic languages and in one NCV language. However, it is possible that POc *ŋoto (vi), *ŋot-i (vt) ‘bite’ reflects a putative PMP †*[ma]yete[b, p], a possible intransitive form of the same root (of which no non-Oceanic reflexes are known; cf. §1.3.5.5). If so, then the intransitivising function of initial *ŋ- had clearly been lost in Proto Oceanic, as a new transitive was formed by adding the POc transitive suffix *-i to the new root.

PMP *kete[b, p] ‘bite’ (ACD)
POc *koto(p) ‘bite’

MM: Solos (he)koto ‘bite’ (he- ‘causative prefix)
MM: Petats kot ‘bite’
MM: Selau (wi)koto ‘bite’ (wi- ‘causative prefix)
MM: Taiof kot ‘bite’
MM: Hahon koto ‘bite’
MM: Tinputz kot ‘bite’
MM: Teop koto ‘bite’
NCV: Nokuku ko-kot (vi) ‘bite’

PMP †*[ma]yete[b, p] (vi) ‘bite’ (ACD)
POc *ŋoto (vi), *ŋot-i (vt) ‘bite, nibble’

MM: Sursurunga ŋut-ŋut  
(ŋut-i) (vi) ‘bite, nibble, chew’
MM: Nehan ŋoto ‘gnaw, bite on’
NNG: Bariai ŋot ‘gnaw’
SES: Gela ŋo t-i, ŋo t-i ‘gnaw, nibble’
SES: Lengo ŋo t-i ‘bite’
Although Blust (ACD) finds plentiful non-Oceanic data for the reconstruction of PMP *gutgut, the only Oceanic reflexes appear to be in Fijian and Micronesian. Blust’s (1977) canonic derivation of POc verbs from PMP reduplicated monosyllables applies, giving POc *kukut (VI), *kut-i (VT) ‘bite’.

PMP *gutgut ‘front teeth, incisors; gnaw, bite or tear off with the incisors’ (ACD)
POc *kukut (VI), *kut-i (VT) ‘bite’

POc (?) *ŋiri ‘bite’ (?)
NNG: Sio ŋiri ‘bite’
NNG: Bing ŋire-r ‘bite’ (-r is final reduplication)
SES: Bugotu ŋiri (kei) ‘gnash teeth’ (kei ‘tooth’)

4.3.5.2 Licking and tasting
POc *d(r)amʷit(s)/*d(r)amʷis-i- ‘lick, taste’ is well reflected, but poses some small formal puzzles. First, PMic *camʷ(ə,i)-ti ‘lick’ is odd in that *-t- reflects POc *-t- (i.e. hypothetical POc *d(r)amʷ(ə,i)-i-) rather than the *-s- reflected elsewhere. Second, the data suggest that both POc *d(r)amʷis-i- and *d(r)amʷe should be reconstructed as transitives corresponding to intransitive *d(r)amʷi(ə) ‘lick, taste’. It may well be that the two forms co-existed, perhaps in different dialects.

Third, there is a small cognate set reflecting PNGOc *d(r)amʷa/*d(r)amʷar-i- ‘lick’. It is treated as a separate verb rather than being integrated into the first set below, but the two sets cannot be distinguished on the basis of meaning.

POc *d(r)amʷi(s) (VI), *d(r)amʷis-i- (VT), *(d,dr)amʷe (VT) ‘lick, taste’
Adm: Mussau rame ‘lick’
Adm: Lou rem ‘lick’
rem-rem ‘lick, stick out tongue’
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NNG: Bariai dame 'lick'
NNG: Gitua damoz-i 'lick'
NNG: Lukep ramu 'taste (food)'
NNG: Lukep (Pono) -dam-dam 'lick'
NNG: Numbami -domos-i 'lick, kiss'
NNG: Yabem dam'e 'lick, taste'
NNG: Adzera dam'is 'lick'
NNG: Gapapaiwa dami 'taste, feel, sense'
MM: Vitu dame 'lick'
MM: Bulu dame 'lick'
MM: Bola dame 'lick'
MM: Meramera dame 'taste (food)'
MM: Madak dem 'lick'
MM: Sursurunga dami 'lick'
MM: Patpatar dam 'lick'
MM: Ramoaaina dam 'lick'
MM: Tolai dam 'lick, kiss, suck, taste with the tongue'
MM: Halia ram 'lick'
MM: Teop rame 'lick'
MM: Tinputz rem 'lick'
MM: Nehan deme 'lick'
MM: Halia ram 'lick'

PNCV *dam'is-i 'lick, taste' (Clark 2009: *damusi, *damisi)
NCV: Mota namis 'touch with tongue, taste'
NCV: Raga damuh-i 'taste'
NCV: Paamese ramus-i 'lick, taste'
NCV: Nokuku jemis 'lick'
NCV: Nokuku jem-jemes 'taste'
PMic *cam"(a,i)t-i 'lick' (Bender et al., 2003)
Mic: Marshallese ram"-rem" 'lick'
Mic: Marshallese ram"ic 'lick (s.t.)'
Mic: Mokilese sam"-sam" 'lick'
Mic: Ponapean sam"e 'lick (s.t.)'
Fij: Bauan drami (vi) 'lap, lick'
Fij: Bauan dramið- (vt) 'lap, lick'

PNGOc *d(r)am"a (vi), *d(r)am"ar-i- (vt) 'lick'
NNG: Mangseng romo 'taste, lick'
NNG: Mangseng romal 'lick'
NNG: Malasanga rama 'taste (food)'
NNG: Roinji rama 'taste (food)'
NNG: Sio damale- 'lick'
NNG: Manam damula 'lick'
NNG: Dawawa remo 'lick, taste'
Cognates of the next set are evidently derived from POc *mea ‘tongue’ (§3.4.12.4), but no reconstruction is proposed as borrowing across the NW/SE Solomonic boundary cannot be ruled out.

MM: Roviana (me)mea ‘lick’
SES: Lau mea ‘lick’
SES: Sa’a meal-i (vt) ‘lick, taste with the tongue’
SES: Arosi mear-i (vt) ‘lap, as a cat or dog; to lick’

4.3.5.3 Holding in the mouth

Oceanic languages display a number of apparently almost-but-not-quite-cognate forms with a range of meanings that centre on holding in the mouth. The reconstructable POc forms are

*komi ‘close the jaws on s.t., hold s.t. in the mouth’ < PMP *kemi
*ogom (vt), *ogom-i (vt) ‘hold in the mouth’ < PMP *eŋkem (see below)
*gomu ‘keep s.t. in the mouth’
*qumu(R) ‘suck, hold in mouth’
*omu(R) ‘roll food around in the mouth’ < PMP *emuR
*mumu(R) ‘hold in the mouth and suck’ < PMP *muRmuR

Blust’s ACD reveals the reason for this plethora. Proto Malayo-Polynesian also had several such forms, and the analysis in Blust (1988) suggests that they each have their origins in two early (or pre-)Austronesian roots, the first two in *kem, glossed as ‘enclose, cover, grasp’ and the last three in *-muR, glossed as ‘gargle, rinse the mouth’ (ACD). Four of the resulting POc forms share *-om[-], giving rise to possible blending. The third, POc *gomu, has no known non-Oceanic cognates, and appears to be an Oceanic blend of *ogom and *omu(R).

A number of reflexes of POc *komi below contain -u- for -o-. POc *komi is reconstructed as it is the regular continuation of PMP *kemi. Items with -u- reflect a tendency for stressed *-o- to be raised before a sequence of *-m- + high vowel (*-i or *-u; cf. POc *gomu below).

PMP *kemi ‘hold on by biting’ (ACD)

POc *komi ‘close the jaws on s.t., hold s.t. in the mouth’

NCV: Mota kom ‘keep food in mouth, in cheek’
NCV: Tamambo kumi ‘hold in mouth’
NCV: Raga yum-yumi ‘gargle’
SV: Lenakel a-kum’ ‘hold s.t. in the mouth’
SV: Anejom a-kum’ ‘put in the mouth’
Fij: Wayan kum-ti (vt) ‘hold s.t. in the mouth’
Fn: Tongan komi-komi ‘(of biting) be tenacious, refusing to let go’
Fn: Rennellese komi ‘clasp firmly; hold, as in the mouth’
Fn: Maori komi ‘bite, close the jaws on; eat’
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Blust (ACD) also lists PMP *qenkem ‘enclose; hold in the mouth’ as a possible ancestor of the forms below, but the absence of a *q- reflex from the SE Solomonic forms points to PMP *engem, or, considering the root *kem, PMP *enkem.

PMP *enqem (?) ‘hold in the mouth’ (ACD)

POc *ogom (vi), *ogom-i (vt) ‘hold in the mouth’

SES: Gela ogom-i ‘hold a solid in the mouth’
SES: Sa’a okom-i (vi, vt) ‘roll around in the mouth and swallow whole’
SES: Kwaio okom-ia ‘swallow’
SES: To’aaba’ita okom-ia (vt) ‘swallow’

The cognate set below shows irregular replacement of *-o- by PSV *-u-, perhaps as a result of contamination by POc *gumu ‘gargle, rinse mouth’ (§ 4.3.5.4).

POc *gumu ‘keep s.t. in the mouth’

Adm: Mussau gom-gom ‘eat, swallow’
SES: Gela go-gomu ‘keep in mouth’
SES: Lau gomu ‘hold in the mouth, eat with the lips’
NCV: Mota kom ‘keep food in the mouth, in the cheek’
NCV: Kom-kom ‘something kept in the mouth’
NCV: Avava gom ‘put into mouth’
NCV: Nguna go-gom-i ‘keep in mouth’

PSV *a-gum-‘i ‘put or hold in mouth, suck (on)’ (Lynch 2001c)

SV: Sye ankm-i ‘suck’
SV: Ura aymu ‘suck’
SV: Lenakel akum ‘hold s.t. in the mouth’
SV: Kwamera ak-‘m-i ‘suck on, savour, keep in one’s mouth’
SV: Anejom akum ‘put in the mouth’

PAn*gumuR ‘fill the mouth with food or water’ (ACD)

POc *gumu(R) ‘suck, hold in mouth’

Adm: Lou kum ‘suck on something, as a popsicle’
PN: Ontong Java umi ‘smoke’
PN: Rennellese umi ‘suck, hold in mouth’
PN: Sikaiana umi-umi ‘suck, a candy, kiss’
PN: Takuu umi ‘taste, hold to the lips’
PN: W Futuna umi-a ‘suck, nurse’
PN: Rennellese umi ‘suck or hold in the mouth, kiss, smoke’

PMP *emuR ‘hold in the mouth’ (ACD)

POc *omu(R) ‘roll food around in the mouth’

SES: ’Are’are omu ‘roll food in one’s mouth (of toothless people)’
PMP *muRmuR ‘hold in the mouth and suck’ (ACD)
POc *mumu(ŋ) ‘hold in the mouth and suck’

| Adm: Mussau | mumumu | ‘suck’ |
| SES: Lau | mumu | ‘close the lips’ |
| SES: Sa’a | mumu | (vi) ‘close up mouth’ |
| SES: Arosi | mumu | (vi) ‘hold in lips, teeth’ |

cf. also

Fij: Bauan | bubu | ‘suck sugarcane etc.’

4.3.5.4 Rinse mouth

The cognate set below shows occasional irregular replacement of medial *-u- by *-o-, perhaps as a result of contamination by POc *gumu ‘keep s.t. in the mouth’ (§4.3.5.3), and the Micronesian items reflect initial *k- rather than *g-, but the rather specific agreement in meaning persuades us that this is a single set.

PMP *kumuR ‘gargle, rinse mouth’ (ACD)
POc *gumu ‘gargle, rinse mouth’

| PT: Gumawana | (kala)gum-gum | ‘swish water in mouth, rinse out mouth’ |
| PT: Motu | (he)gumu-gumu | ‘gargle’ |
| NCV: Raga | gu-gumu | ‘gargle’ |
| NCV: Uripiv | -kum-kum-e | ‘move something around in mouth; chew noisily’ |
| NCV: Ninde | gum-gum | ‘rinse one’s mouth’ |
| NCV: Namakir | gumu-kum | ‘keep in mouth’ |

PMic *kum”u ‘have liquid in the mouth’ (Bender et al., 2003)

| Mic: Chuukese | kumu-kum | ‘hold or swish a fluid in the mouth’ |
| Mic: Mortlockese | kum”u-kum”u | ‘rinse out mouth’ |
| Mic: Woleai | xum”u-xum”u | ‘put liquid in one’s mouth, suck, slurp’ |
| Pn: Ifira-Mele | kō-komu | ‘have the mouth full of liquid, rinse mouth, wash something around in the mouth’ |
| Pn: Rennellese | kumu-kumu | ‘rinse mouth’ |
| Fij: Rotuman | kumu | ‘hold liquid in the mouth; rinse the mouth with’ |

4.3.6 Actions performed with the lips

The terms in this section denote sucking noises, and it appears that in Proto Oceanic, as in some modern Oceanic languages, two such noises were recognised. The first was a smacking of the lips to express a refusal or dissatisfaction, denoted by POc *misi(k). The second, a kissing noise used to call a dog or pig, or sometimes to attract someone’s attention, was the meaning of POc *[u]jumu*[u]jum-i-. 
4.3.6.1 The sucking noise signal

POc *misi(k) is accompanied below by two formally similar reconstructions, *musi and *m'iti, also meaning ‘suck’ or ‘make a sucking noise’. It is tempting to combine *musi with *misi(k), reconstructing a hypothetical POc *mi'si. The reason for not doing so is that POc *misi(k) has widespread reflexes associated with expressing refusal or dissatisfaction, whereas this element of meaning is missing from reflexes of *musi and *m'iti. Reflexes of *musi and *m'iti have similar meanings, but their forms do not allow one to unite them in a single set.

PMP *misik ‘sucking noise made as a signal to another person’ (ACD)

POc *misi(k) ‘make sucking noise with lips or teeth, as a signal or sign of annoyance’

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<td>misi</td>
<td>‘suck’</td>
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<td>PT: Molima</td>
<td>(lo)misi</td>
<td>‘smack the lips (in rejection)’</td>
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<td>PT: Gumasi</td>
<td>(kala)misi-misi</td>
<td>‘say no by smacking lips’</td>
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<td>MM: Sursurunga</td>
<td>misi(tek)</td>
<td>‘smack the lips, indicating refusal of a request’</td>
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PEOC *misi ‘suck through teeth’ (Geraghty 1983)

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<td>misi-misi</td>
<td>‘make sucking noise with teeth’</td>
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<td>SES: Lau</td>
<td>misi</td>
<td>‘smack the lips; call a dog with sucking sound’</td>
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<td>SES: To’aba’ita</td>
<td>misi-misi</td>
<td>(VI) ‘suck one’s teeth (to dislodge food); smack one’s lips when eating’</td>
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<td>misi-misi-a</td>
<td>(VT) ‘suck at (bones etc.)’</td>
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PMic *misi ‘smack one’s lips’ (Bender et al., 2003)

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<td>‘smack one’s lips, make a loud kissing noise’</td>
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<td>Mic: Carolinian</td>
<td>m-mit</td>
<td>‘noise made by smacking lips or tongue to show dissatisfaction, to make such a noise’</td>
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<td>Fij: Wayan</td>
<td>(kata)misi</td>
<td>‘click the tongue, sucking in air, go tut-tut’</td>
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PPn *misi ‘sound made with the lips’ (POLLEX)

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<td>mihi</td>
<td>(VI) ‘sniff, as when one has a cold’</td>
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<td>Pn: Rennellese</td>
<td>misi-misi</td>
<td>‘make a kissing sound with rounded lips’</td>
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<td>Pn: Samoan</td>
<td>misi</td>
<td>‘smack the lips’</td>
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<tr>
<td>Pn: Tikopia</td>
<td>misi</td>
<td>‘make sucking or chirping sound’ (quieter than miti)</td>
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<td>Pn: Tokelauan</td>
<td>mihi</td>
<td>‘make a tsk with the tongue and teeth to indicate frustration or annoyance’</td>
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cf. also:

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<tr>
<td>Fij: Bauan</td>
<td>misi</td>
<td>‘pick or nibble at (of bats)’</td>
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POc *musu ‘suck, make a sucking or kissing noise’

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<td>NNG: Bilibil</td>
<td>-misi</td>
<td>‘suck’</td>
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<tr>
<td>NNG: Gedaged</td>
<td>musi</td>
<td>(VT) ‘suck, suckle, kiss, touch with the lips, sip, nibble’</td>
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28 *m’- is reconstructed to account for Mapos Buang mul.

29 Blust (ACD) also cites Ponapean metik, mitik ‘kiss’, but the final -k suggests that this is not a native Ponapean term. This leaves no Oceanic evidence for reconstruction of *-k.
‘a puckered kiss to call a dog’
‘drink’
(vi) ‘make a noise as when sucking sugarcane’
‘make sound with lips in calling a dog; put limes- tick to lips in betel chewing’
‘suck’
‘suck’
‘suck’
‘suck; put lips together; the action used for kissing, smoking, drinking from a coconut’
‘make sucking noise with lips’
‘smack lips’
‘kiss, smack lips’
‘spurt breath from lips, make a whistling noise’
‘kiss, nuzzle’
(vi) ‘make a sucking sound with mouth to indicate longing for food’
‘suck, absorb’
‘suck or draw in’
‘sip’
‘suck, kiss; kind of sucking noise made to draw someone’s attention quietly’
‘suck, sip, make sucking sound, chirrup’
‘suck, lick’
‘lick up, undertow’
‘suck in, undertow’
POc *m‘iti ‘suck, make a sucking noise’
NNG:Mapos Buang mul ‘kiss, nuzzle’
MM: Tolai mit-mit (vi) ‘make a sucking sound with mouth to indicate longing for food’
PPn *miti ‘suck, lick up’ (POLLEX); ‘be sucked, be extracted’
POC *isop ‘suck up, inhale’ (ACD)

4.3.6.2 Signalling with a kissing noise

Although some of the terms below are glossed ‘kiss’, it is questionable whether the POc concept was one of kissing, rather than of making a sucking noise to attract attention.

POc *[u]jumu (vi), *[u]jum-i- (vt) ‘suck, kiss, make kissing sound’
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NNG: Tuam usomu ‘suck’
NNG: Malai usome ‘suck’
NNG: Bariai sum-sum-i ‘beckon with a kissing noise’
MM: Bola dumu ‘call a dog by a kissing sound’
MM: Madak sumsu ‘kiss’
MM: Sursurunga usum (vt) [sic] ‘smell (s.t.), sniff’
usm-ai (vt) ‘smell (s.t.), sniff’
SES: Arosi tom-i- ‘suck’
PNCV *zum-i ‘kiss, make kissing sound’ (Clark 2009)
NCV: Mota sum ‘the noise made to call pigs’
NCV: Nokuku jum-i- ‘kiss’
NCV: Kiai -sm ‘kiss’
NCV: Avava (mi)sum ‘attract somebody’s attention by going tssst!’
NCV: Nese jum ‘kiss’
NCV: Port Sandwich cum-i ‘kiss’
cum-i ‘suck’
NCV: Paamese sumu ‘make noise with lips to attract attention’
NCV: Lewo sumu ‘kiss’
yumu-nia ‘make sucking noise’
PSV *a-s(u)mu-i ‘suck’
SV: Anejom a-θmo-i ‘suck’
Fij: Wayan (kata)som ‘signal by a squeaky kissing sound, used to call attention of person or dog’
(kata)som-ii (vt) ‘attract s.o.’s attention by making a squeaky kissing sound’

4.3.7 Other events involving the digestive system

4.3.7.1 Hiccups

A single cognate set covers much of Oceanic.

PAn *sedu ‘hiccup’ (ACD)
POc */ma/soru (vi) ‘to hiccups’

Adm: Titan masol (vi) ‘hiccup’
MM: Roviana so-sori(pi) (vi) ‘hiccup’
SES: Gela marohu (vi) ‘gulp, hiccup’ (metathesis of *s- and *r-)
SES: Longgu toro(go) (vi) ‘hiccup’ (torogo-i ‘a hiccups’)
SES: Arosi toru (vi) ‘hiccup’
SES: Bauro matoru (vi) ‘hiccup’
NCV: Mota masor ‘sob, sobbing’
NCV: Raga mahoru ‘hiccup’ (horu ‘sob’)
NCV: Tamambo masoru ‘hiccup’
NCV: Uripiv -masor (vi) ‘hiccup’
NCV: Nguna m‘asore ‘hiccup’
PMic *maSeru ‘hiccup’ (Bender et al., 2003)

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<td>matar</td>
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<td>Mic: Woleaian</td>
<td>materu</td>
<td>‘hiccup’</td>
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<td>Fij: Rotuman</td>
<td>masori</td>
<td>‘have the hiccups’</td>
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<td>Fij: Bauan</td>
<td>ma-øedru</td>
<td>(N, V) ‘hiccup’ (-e- for †-o-; -dr- for †-r-)</td>
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<tr>
<td>Fij: Wayan</td>
<td>[ma]øedru</td>
<td>‘inhale noisily, suck in air’ (-e- for †-o-; -dr- for †-r-)</td>
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<td>(toko)medru</td>
<td>‘hiccup; make a sharp noise in the throat or chest’ (-e- for †-o-; Θ for -ð-; -dr- for -r-; for toko- cf PPN)</td>
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PnP *toko-mahuru ‘hiccup’

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<td>‘hiccup’</td>
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<td>Pn: Niuean</td>
<td>mohū</td>
<td>‘hiccup’</td>
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<td>Pn: Rennellese</td>
<td>toka-maugu</td>
<td>‘have hiccups’</td>
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<td>Pn: Puapukan</td>
<td>toka-mauli</td>
<td>(N) ‘hiccup’ (final -i reanalysed as from mauli ‘life force’?)</td>
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<td>Pn: Samoan</td>
<td>toko-mauri</td>
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<td>Pn: Maori</td>
<td>toko-mauri</td>
<td>‘hiccup’ (cf toko-hana ‘belch, hiccup’)</td>
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4.3.7.2 Belching

Blust (ACD) reconstructs POc *toRap ‘belch’ on the basis of non-Oceanic evidence and a single Oceanic (Sa’a) reflex. Only two further cognates have been found.

PAn *CeRab (N) ‘belch’ (ACD)

PMP *teRab (N) ‘belch’ (ACD)

POc *toRap ‘belch’ (ACD)

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<td>tɔq</td>
<td>(N) ‘belch’</td>
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<td>SES: Sa’a</td>
<td>ora (lulu)</td>
<td>‘belch’</td>
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<td>NCV: Big Nambas</td>
<td>i-dru</td>
<td>‘belch’</td>
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<td>NCV: Neve’ei</td>
<td>to-tor</td>
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<td>NCV: Nāti</td>
<td>tor</td>
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<td>NCV: Uripiv</td>
<td>e-raro</td>
<td>‘belch’</td>
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<td>Pn: Samoan</td>
<td>to-tō</td>
<td>‘belch’</td>
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Bender et al. (2003) reconstruct PMic *kurer[ae], for which no non-Oceanic cognates are found.

PMic *kurer[ae] ‘to belch’ (Bender et al., 2003)

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<td>kirir</td>
<td>(N,VI) ‘burp, belch’</td>
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<td>Mic: Carolinian</td>
<td>xəɾəɾ</td>
<td>(V) ‘to burp, belch’</td>
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<tr>
<td>Mic: Woleaian</td>
<td>xurere</td>
<td>(V) ‘to burp, belch’</td>
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NCV data provided by John Lynch.
The obstacle to reconstructing a term for ‘belch’ is almost certainly paucity of data. The Roviana (Waterhouse 1949), Bugotu (Ivens 1940), Lau (Fox 1974) and Kwaio (Keesing 1975) dictionaries, for example, include no entry for ‘belch’ or ‘burp’.

4.3.7 Farting

There are a number of terms for ‘fart, break wind’. The most widespread is POc *bʰisi, which seems from some of its glosses to have originally had the sense ‘spurt, splash’. This was perhaps a euphemism which almost replaced the inherited term, POc *(q)utut ‘fart’, for which there is just one known reflex. Other terms are also likely to have arisen via euphemism.

POc *bʰisi ‘to fart’ (ACD: pisi; Lynch 2002: PEOc *bʰisi ‘spurt out, fart’)

- Adm: Mussau pisi ‘to fart, break wind’
- Adm: Loniu isi ‘break wind’
- NNG: Gedaged pis ‘pass gases from the bowels’
- PT: Sinaugoro firi (N) ‘wind, flatulence’
- MM: Nakana i pisi ‘break wind’
- MM: Halia pisi ‘break wind’
- MM: Tangga pis ‘emit wind’
- MM: Tinputz pih ‘break wind’
- MM: Roviana p(in)isi ‘break wind’
- SES: Gela pisi ‘be ejected, of faeces’
- SES: Lau k’isi ‘splash; movements of bowels of a baby’
- SES: Arosi pʰisi ‘spurt, splash’
- SES: Sa’a pʰisi ‘spurt, splash’

PNCV *bʰisi ‘buttocks; to fart’ (Clark 2009)

- NCV: Lewo pʰisi ‘farting noise’
- NCV: Tolomako pisi ‘fart’
- NCV: Big Nambas (i)pʰis ‘break wind’
- SV: Lenakel e-pʰa-pʰas (vi) ‘splash’
- Mic: Puluwatese pʰit ‘let wind (vulgar)’
- Pn: Tongan pʰi ‘splash up, squirt’
- Pn: Rennellesse pʰisi(kia) ‘wet, soak, splash; receive a splash of s.t. in the eye’
- Pn: Samoan pi-pisi ‘gush, spout’

PMP *(q)utut ‘flatulence; to fart’ (ACD)

POc *(q)utut ‘fart’

- MM: Simbo utut-e ‘flatus ventris, wind from the bowels’

POc *(siR[u,i]) (vi) ‘blow, hiss, fart’

- MM: Roviana hiru ‘blow; to rise of wind or a storm’
4.4 Emitting and eliminating substances from the body

In §3.8, terms for the substances emitted by the body are reconstructed. In this section we reconstruct the verbs associated with the emission or elimination of these substances. However, there is no one-to-one correspondence between substance terms and verbs (and this is probably so across languages generally). POc speakers used the same terms, or terms derived from the same roots, for ‘saliva/spittle’ and ‘spit’ (§4.4.3), for ‘perspiration’ and ‘perspire’ (§4.4.6), ‘urine’ and ‘urinate’ (§4.4.7) and in one of two instances for ‘faeces’ (§3.8.6) and ‘defecate’ (§4.4.8). For ‘blood’ there was perhaps no associated verb ‘bleed’. For ‘earwax’ there is no corresponding verb. For ‘tears’ (§3.8.1) the associated verb is ‘weep’ (§4.7.3), but the latter has a wider range of meanings than ‘tears’ and there was in any case apparently no single-word term for tears. Oddly,
the term for ‘snot, nasal mucus’ (§3.8.3) is the root of a verb meaning ‘grunt, growl, snore’ (§3.3.7).

Some verbs associated with the emission of substances from the body are handled in other sections. Vomiting (§4.4.4) is placed under events involving the digestive system, and weeping (§4.7.3) under physical responses to emotion or pain.

Bodily function verbs like ‘sneeze’, ‘yawn’, ‘urinate’ and ‘die’ are intransitive in their simple form. However, a typical POc verb will also have derived transitive forms carrying additional information. With verbs of secretion and excretion the transitive form in *-i took a location as its object (‘he urinated on the ground’), and the transitive form in *-akin[i] marked the product as the object (Evans 2003:197–199).

4.4.1 Bleeding

No POc verb meaning ‘bleed’ can be reconstructed with certainty. POc *ma-draRa(q) (cf POc *draRa(q) ‘blood’, §3.3.3) almost certainly meant ‘bloody’ (*ma- formed property expressions; §1.3.5.4), but it is unclear whether it also had the dynamic verbal sense ‘bleed’, or whether the etymon first acquired this sense in PSOc.

PMP *ma-daRaQ ‘bloody, bleeding; menstruate’ (ACD)
POc *ma-draRa(q) ‘bloody, bleed’
PSOc *ma-daRa ‘bleed’ (Lynch 2001c)

NCV: Mota manara-nara ‘bloody’
NCV: Mwotlap m[a]day ‘bleed’
NCV: W Ambrym mrā ‘flow (of blood)’
NCV: Paamese medā ‘bleed’
NCV: Ngunu madā ‘bleed’
NCV: S Efate mra ‘bleed’

PSV *a-mada[ ] ‘bleed’ (Lynch 2001c)

SV: Sye o-mnre ‘bleed’
SV: Lenakel x-pta ‘bleed’
SV: Kwamera meta ‘bleed’
SV: Anejom ca ‘bleed’

A number of Oceanic languages use a phrase meaning ‘blood flows’, and it is likely that such a phrase was also used in POc.

NNG: Bariai i-siŋ i-lele [his-blood it-flows] ‘he is bleeding’
NNG: Mangap siŋ i-rēre [blood it-flows] ‘it is bleeding’
SES: ’Are’are apu-na e ʔahe [blood-his it flows] ‘he is bleeding’
SES: To’aba’ita ʔabu e ʔoka [blood it flows] ‘it is bleeding’

4.4.2 Menstruating

No reconstructions have been made. Many dictionary terms are euphemisms as in Molima tabu-tabu, Niue gagao fifine ‘woman’s illness’, Tongan fakakelekele ‘make unclean’, ’Are’are

Transitive forms of Longgu, NE Ambae and Boumaa Fijian in the following sets are from Evans 2003:198.
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ʔoni i sihani ‘stay outside (the village)’. Marshallese uses a term ṭetek, an irregular derivation from POc *taqe ‘excrement’. Various terms collected, including Tolo reivula (vula ‘moon’) and Owa fagaifa ‘moon, month, woman’s period’ reflect an association with the moon.

4.4.3 Spitting and spittle

Apart from compounds meaning ‘water of mouth’, i.e. saliva (§3.8.4), POc terms for ‘to spit’ and ‘spittle, saliva’ are remarkably recalcitrant when it comes to formal reconstruction, as two families of reconstructions are found, each containing several sets of related forms. For convenience we refer to them as (1) the *isu and (2) the *supa families. Each set within each family yields a distinct reconstruction attributable to POc or PWOc, a situation which does not allow reconstruction of a single form at the POc interstage.

The *isu family includes POc *kanisu, PWOc *kanisu, POc *ŋisu and POc *k(i,u)su. Even these forms are questionable, as daughter languages also reflect the final -isu as -usu or -usi.32 This alternation appears to go back to PEMP, as Serui-Laut kunui reflects *kanusi whilst Wandamen kanisu reflects *kanisu (Blust 1978a:213). A further complication is that Blust reconstructs both the PEMP and POc forms with *q-, but the two EMP forms and Ubir, Motu and Fijian all reflect *k-, as reconstructed here. Polynesian languages reflect an irregular PPn *q-.

PEMP *kanisu or *kanusi or *kanus or *kinus ‘to spit’ (Blust 1978a:213: PEMP *qanus- (i))
POc *kanisu or *kanusi (n) ‘spittle’, (v) ‘spit’

| Admin: | Mussau    | kanusu | ‘to spit’ |
| NNG:   | Kairiru   | qanswo-i | (VT) ‘to spit on’ |
| PT:    | Ubir      | kanu   | ‘saliva’ |
| PT:    | Motu      | kamudi | (vi) ‘to spit; spittle’ |
| PT:    | Wedau     | anu(maina) | ‘spittle’ (maina ‘milk, sap’) |
| MM:    | W Kara    | kanus  | ‘spittle’ |
| MM:    | Tabar     | kinocu | ‘spittle’ |
| MM:    | Sursurunga| kanusi | (VT) ‘spit in a single stream’ |
| MM:    | Tangga    | kanus(lo) | ‘spittle’ |
| NCV:   | Mota      | anus   | ‘spit’ |
| SV:    | N Tanna   | anajh  | ‘spit’ |
| SV:    | Lenakel   | anjhu  | ‘spit’ |
| Fij:   | Nadrau    | kanisu[v-] | (VT) ‘spit on’ (Geraghty 1983:315) |
| Fij:   | Bauan     | kānusi | (VT) ‘spit on’ (Geraghty 1983:137, 161) |

PPn *ganu[s]i ‘to spit’ (POLLEX)

| Pn:   | Tongan | ʔamuhi | (VT) ‘to spit, spit on’ |
| Pn:   | Samoan | anu    | ‘spit’ |
| Pn:   | Emae   | nusi   | ‘spit’ |
| Pn:   | Tikopia | anu   | ‘saliva’ |

32 It is tempting to argue that -usi includes a reflex of the transitive suffix *-i, but the glosses do not support this, and the form would be irregular, the regular form being †-isu-i or †-usu-i.
At first sight the forms below look like reflexes of *kanisu in which *-n- has been replaced by *-m-. However, there is nothing to cause this replacement, and the geographic distribution of the reflexes points to a separate earlier form with *-m-. SE Solomonic forms and Dorig lack *ka-.

POc *kamisu or *kimusu ‘spittle, to spit’

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<td>‘to spit’</td>
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<td>kamic</td>
<td>‘spittle’</td>
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<td>MM: Petats</td>
<td>kinimsus</td>
<td>‘spittle’ ((in) nominaliser)</td>
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<td>MM: Kia</td>
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<td>MM: Kokota</td>
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<td>(k)knisu</td>
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<td>MM: Blablanga</td>
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<td>NCV: Dorig</td>
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POc *ŋusu/*nusu are reconstructed separately from the forms above, as its reflexes can only be derived from *kanisu or *kamisu by positing independent idiosyncratic innovations in NNG and SES languages.

POc *ŋisu or *nisu ‘to spit’

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<td>NNG: Wab</td>
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<td>NNG: Bing</td>
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<td>SES: Gela</td>
<td>(a)ŋusu</td>
<td>(vi, vt) ‘spit’</td>
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<td>SES: Bugotu</td>
<td>(a)ŋusu</td>
<td>‘to spit, spit on; spittle’</td>
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<td>SES: Longgu</td>
<td>ŋisu</td>
<td>‘to spit’</td>
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<td>SES: Lau</td>
<td>ŋis-</td>
<td>‘spittle, to spit’</td>
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<td>SES: Sa’a</td>
<td>ŋis-</td>
<td>(vi) ‘to spit’; ‘saliva’</td>
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<td>SES: Kwaio</td>
<td>nisu</td>
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<td>SES: Arosi</td>
<td>ŋisu, ŋusu</td>
<td>‘spit’</td>
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<td>SES: ‘Are’are</td>
<td>ni-nisua-</td>
<td>‘saliva, foam’</td>
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POc *kisu or *kusu is reconstructed below because it perhaps provides the key to understanding this family of reconstructions.

33 We have chosen to treat Laghu ki-knisu and Blablanga na-pnisu as reflexes of an earlier *kmisu, reflected in Kokota and Maringe, rather than of *kanisu, but nothing depends on this decision.
Alternating POc reconstructions sometimes reflect alternations in PMP verbal morphology (§1.3.5), and this appears to be the most complex case we have encountered. POc *kisu/*kusu evidently reflects a PMP verb, for which, however, no non-Oceanic evidence is known. POc *ŋisu/*ŋusu reflects the intransitive (actor voice) form of the verb, formed by replacing the initial *k- of the root with the homorganic nasal *ŋ- (§1.3.5.6). PWOc *kamisu/*kimusu appears to reflect an alternative form of the intransitive, formed by infixing 〈um〉 after the initial consonant of the root, giving expected POc †*k〈um〉isu or †*k〈um〉usu. Finally, the set *kanisu/*kanusu/*kanusi/*kinusu appears to reflect a nominalisation formed by infixing 〈in〉 after the initial consonant of the root, giving expected POc †*k〈in〉isu or †*k〈in〉usu, the latter reflected in Tabar kinocu. The *-a- vowel in POc *kanisu/*kanusu/*kanusi and PWOc *kamisu is taken to reflect epenthesis, as the infixes were almost certainly not stressed in POc, giving forms like *[k(o)nisu] and *[k(o)misu] (cf. Kokota and Maringe kmisu).

The second family of forms includes POc *supa and *ka-supu, where *ka- appears to reflect the PMP formative *ka- found in stative intransitive verbs (§1.3.5.4). However, this is uncertain, as *ka-supu is not stative in meaning. The Nakanai, Boumaa Fijian and Micronesian reflexes of *ka-supu point to a transitive with an unexplained root-final *-t.34 Here again there are variant forms, but we have no explanation for these: the forms listed below *ka-supu[t-i] under ‘cf. also’ reflect a replacement of *-s- by *-n- (Roinji), by *-t-(Nakanai) or *-(r,R)- (Bulu, Bola, Misima).

PMP *supa(q) ‘to spit, spittle, saliva’ (ACD)

POc *supa ‘to spit’

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<td>SES:</td>
<td>surv</td>
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34 Non-etymological final consonants are often the result of reanalysis of POc *-C-i as *-Ci, then generalisation of one productive variant of *-Ci.
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POc *ka-su-pa[t-i] ‘to spit [on], spittle’
NNG: Kaulong  kusap ‘spit’ (vowel metathesis)
NNG: Tuam  nazuva ‘spittle’
NNG: Malai  kasep ‘saliva, to spit’
NNG: Bukawa  gasup ‘spittle’
NNG: Numbami  kanzuva ‘spit’
NNG: Tuam  ᵃzuba ‘spittle’
NNG: Malai  nazuva ‘spittle’
NNG: Yabem  kas ʊ p ‘saliva, to spit’
NNG: Bukawa  gasup ‘spittle’
NNG: Numbami  kanzuva ‘spit’
NNG: Kaulong  kusap ‘spit’ (vowel metathesis)
NNG: Tuam  nazuva ‘spittle’
NNG: Malai  kasep ‘saliva, to spit’
NNG: Bukawa  gasup ‘spittle’
NNG: Numbami  kanzuva ‘spit’

MM: Nakanai  kavuras-i (VT) ‘to spit a spray into the air’ (metathesis)
MM: Barok  gi-gisip ‘spittle’
MM: Haku  kahus ‘spit’ (metathesis)
MM: Taiof  kisuf ‘spittle’

PMic *ka(sSi)[sS]ifa ‘spit, spittle’ (Bender et al., 2003)
Mic: Chuukese  öttif ‘saliva, spittle’
oöttifa(n) ‘spit’
oöttifa(yiti) ‘spit on’
Mic: Puluwatese  öttuf ‘saliva, sputum’
oöttfe ‘spit’
oöttfe-yiti ‘spit on’
Mic: Carolinian  öttuf ‘saliva, to spit’
Fij: Bauan  kasivi ‘to spit (medicinal leaves, or water)’
Fij: Boumaa  kāsivi-ti- (VT) ‘spit (medicinal leaves, or water)’
cf. also:
PT:  Misima  kuluv-i ‘spit out’
NNG: Roinji  yamup ‘spittle’
MM: Bulu  kalupe ‘spittle’
MM: Bola  kalupe ‘spittle’
MM: Nakanai  katupe ‘spittle’
Fij: Wayan  katasivi-i (vi) ‘spit’; (N) ‘spittle’
katasivi-ti- (VT) ‘spit at s.o.’
katasivi-takini- (VT) ‘spit s.t. out’

Finally, Blust (ACD) reconstructs PMP *qizuR; with just two known Oceanic reflexes:

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35 Wayan katasivi and its derivatives reflect a blend of kata-, which occurs in verbs denoting noises from the mouth (kata-sū ‘hiss “pssst”’, kata-som ‘signal with a squeaky kissing sound’) and PCP *kasivi ‘spit’ (Andrew Pawley, pers. comm.).

36 Blust reconstructs this form as Proto Western Malayo-Polynesian, but we do not believe that this node existed (vol.4, ch.1, §3.2.2). Instead, reconstructions at this interstage represent PMP items of which no CEMP reflexes were known at the time of reconstruction. The presence of Oceanic reflexes here confirms the PMP attribution.
PMP *qizuR ‘saliva, spittle’ (ACD)
POc *qijuR ‘to spit, spittle’

NNG: Tami (ma)kiju- ‘spittle’
NNG: Mangap -kiziu ‘spit’

One further term *puRuk ‘spray water from the mouth; spray a mixture of saliva and masticated medicinal herbs on an ailing body part in curing’ is included with supporting evidence in §5.4.2.1.

4.4.4 Vomiting

Two POc terms have been reconstructed, *[mu]mutaq and *luaq. A number of languages (Lou, Gela, Longgu, To’aba’ita, Kwaio) have reflexes in both sets. Their glosses suggest that *[mu]mutaq simply meant ‘vomit’, whereas *luaq denoted forceful ejection of a substance from the body, as discussed below.

POc *mutaq reflects PMP *um-utaq, i.e. the root preceded by the intransitive actor voice affix (§1.3.5.5).

PAn *utaq ‘vomit’ (ACD)
PCEMP *mutaq (vi) ‘vomit’ (ACD)
POc *[mu]mutaq (vi) ‘vomit’

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<td>Adm: Seimat</td>
<td>mutu-mut</td>
<td>(vi) ‘vomit’</td>
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<td>Adm: Lou</td>
<td>mu-mut</td>
<td>‘to vomit’</td>
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<td>Adm: Loniu</td>
<td>mo-mota-ni</td>
<td>(VT) ‘spit s.t. out, vomit’</td>
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<td>NNG: Mapos Buang</td>
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<td>NNG: Mumeng (Patep)</td>
<td>mutaʔ</td>
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<td>PT: Ubir</td>
<td>mout</td>
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<td>PT: Motu</td>
<td>mu-muta</td>
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<td>MM: Lavongai</td>
<td>mutak</td>
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moa-tani-a  (vt) ‘vomit s.t. up’

SES: Kwaio  moa  ‘vomit’
SES: Sa’a  moa  ‘vomit’
SES: Arosi  moa  ‘feel sick and desire to vomit’
   moa-taʔi  ‘feel sick from s.t.’
NCal: Iaai  mita  ‘vomit’
Mic: Kiribati  mʷu-mʷuta  ‘regurgitation; to vomit, to regurgitate’
Mic: Marshallese  mʷmʷəc  ‘vomit’
Mic: Ponapean  mmʷus  ‘(N) vomit; (v) vomit’
Mic: Puluwatese  mʷmʷuh  ‘(v) vomit’
Mic: Woleaian  mʷmʷute  ‘vomit, throw up’

The Lou, Mangap, Gela, Kwaio and Samoan terms suggest that POc *luaq may have implied a more forceful action of vomiting or spitting, perhaps also including the ejaculation of seminal fluid as in To’aba’ita and Rennellese. As with the verbs of secretion and excretion discussed in §4.4, the transitive form in *-i took a location as its object (*luaq-i ‘vomit on’), and the transitive form in *-akin[i] marked the product as the object (*luaq-akin[i] (vt) ‘vomit s.t. up’).

PMP *liwaq ‘spit out, vomit’ (Dempwolff 1938: *livah)

POc *luaq  (vi) ‘eject forcefully from body; vomit, spit out, (?) discharge seminal fluid’,
*luaq-i  (vt) ‘vomit on’, *luaq-akin[i]  (vt) ‘vomit s.t. up’

Adm: Mussau  luek-i  ‘vomit’ (probably < POc *luaq-aki; Blust 1998:95)
Adm: Lou  luek  ‘spit out’ (as above)
NNG: Mangap  lua-i  ‘spit out of mouth’
NNG: Gitua  lua  ‘vomit’
NNG: Malasanga  -lu-lua  ‘vomit’
NNG: Roinji  lua  ‘vomit’
NNG: Gedaged  -lu  ‘vomit’
NNG: Numbami  lua  ‘vomit’
NNG: Labu  -nu  ‘vomit’
MM: Bali  luaka  ‘vomit’
MM: Nakanai  lua  ‘vomit’
MM: E Kara  luak  ‘vomit’
MM: Halia  lua  ‘vomit’
MM: Petats  lu-lua  ‘vomit’
MM: Roviana  lua  ‘vomit’
SES: Bugotu  lua  ‘vomit’
SES: Gela  lua  ‘burst out’
   lua-lua  ‘boil over, as food cooked in bamboo; to spit out’
   lua-lagi  ‘to spit out’
SES: Longgu  lue  (vi) ‘vomit’
   lue-hi  (vt) ‘vomit on s.t.’
   lue-gini  (vt) ‘vomit s.t. up’
SES: To’aba’ita  lua  (vi) ‘fall out, spill out, drop out; (of man) ejaculate’
   lua-fia  (vt) ‘(of a container) spill contents over s.t.’
### Ejaculation of seminal fluid

No separate term for ejaculation of seminal fluid can be reconstructable, but it seems possible that this was one of the senses of POc *luaq* above (§4.4.4), as this is one of the meanings of the To’aba’ita and Rennellese reflexes of the latter.

### Sweating, perspiring and perspiration

POc *maqono* ‘sweat’ appears from its form (*ma- + disyllabic root) to have originally been a verb, but a number of its reflexes, often reduplicated, are now nouns. The absence or presence of final *-ta*, reflected in ‘Are’are and Maewo, is unexplained.

No extra-Polynesian cognates of PPn *ka-kawa* have been found.

**POc *maqono*[ta] (v?) ‘sweat’**

| MM: Nakanai | maholo | (N) ‘sweat’ |
| MM: Meramera | maono | ‘sweat’ |
| MM: Tolai | maga-magon | (N,V) ‘sweat’ |
| MM: Ramoaaina | mak-magon | (N,V) ‘sweat’ |
| SES: ’Are’are | ma-maonoa | ‘perspire, sweat’ |
| NCV: Raga | ma-maono | (N) ‘sweat’ |
| NCV: Nokuku | me-maon | (N) ‘sweat’ |
| NCV: Ninde | mone | (V) ‘sweat’ |
| NCV: Maewo | ma-maonota | (N) ‘sweat’ |
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NCV: S Efate maono (N) ‘sweat’

PMic *ma-wono ‘perspiration’ (Bender et al. 2003)
Mic: Kiribati ma-onono ‘perspiration’
Mic: Chuukese mo-orô, mo-orôre- ‘perspiration’
Mic: Puluwatese mo-ôniyôn ‘perspiration’
Mic: Pulo Annian ma-ora-ora ‘perspiration’

PPn *ka-kawa ‘sweat, be sweaty’
Pn: Niuean kava-kava ‘to sweat, perspire’
Pn: Tongan ka-kava ‘perspire, perspiration’
Pn: E Futunan ka-kava ‘sweat’
Pn: Samoan ʔa-ʔava ‘be pungent, acrid’
Pn: Maori ka-kawa ‘sweat’

4.4.7 Urinating and urine

PMP *miqmîq ‘urinate, urine’ seems to have had two POc reflexes, (i) the expected form *mimîq and (ii) a form *mimîs(s) in which *-q was replaced by *-s. The final *-s surfaces only in the transitive form *mimîs-i- ‘urinate on’, and it is of course possible that some of the reflexes assigned to *mimîs(s) below in which no final consonant is retained should be assigned to *mimîq and vice versa.

Assignments of forms in which no final consonant is retained are made on the basis of the geographic distribution of reflexes of the two forms. Forms that reflect *-q are located in NNG and PT languages, in the northernmost subgroup of Meso-Melanesian, namely Tungag-Nalik of northern New Ireland, and in scattered NCV languages of Malakula. Forms that reflect *-s are found in Nakanai (MM, Willaumez), in several SE Solomonic languages, in a number of NCV languages from Ambae and Malakula, and in Bauan and Wayan Fijian. Admiralties forms have all lost the final consonant, but are assigned to *mimîq on the assumption that Proto Admiralty separated early from the rest of Oceanic and is more likely to have preserved the conservative form *mimîq. All other forms that have lost the final consonant occur in the region of *mimîs-i- forms and are assumed to reflect *mimîs(s).

But there are complications. Several languages assumed to reflect *mimîq actually reflect a variant *meReq. They are Mussau, Mumeng, Kapin, Lala and Bali—well scattered. A number of South New Ireland languages and Proto NW Solomonic, assumed to reflect *mimîs(s), usually retain POc final consonants, but the relevant reflexes below all have the form mimî, suggesting that the final consonant was irregularly lost in these languages. And finally a number of North/Central Vanuatu and New Caledonian languages reflect PSOc *meRe- ‘urine’, *[me]meRe ‘urinate’, meRes-i- ‘urinate on’.37 This seems to be a variant of POc *mimîs(s) ‘urinate’, *mimîs-i- ‘urinate on s.t.’ which replaces the root *mimîs with the root *meRes.38

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37 The New Caledonian items listed here do not reflect POc *s or *q. John Lynch (pers. comm.) suggests that they should accordingly be assigned to *meRe-, as they regularly lose *R.

38 Clark reconstructs *-r-. We reconstruct *-R- because François (2011) has shown that *R tends more strongly to be lost the further south one moves in the NCV area, and *meRes adheres to this pattern.
It is difficult to offer an explanation of this variation, other than to suggest that euphemism may have led to wordplay. But this does not account for the fact that almost all the forms mentioned above occur in NCV languages, and that closely related languages have in some cases inherited different forms.

PMP *miqmiq ‘urine, urinate’ (ACD)

POc *mimiq ‘urinate’

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<td>‘urinate’</td>
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<td>Hote</td>
<td>momak</td>
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<td>Mumeng (Kumaru)</td>
<td>memk</td>
<td>‘urine’</td>
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<td>Kapin</td>
<td>mane</td>
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<td>Sinaugoro</td>
<td>miyi</td>
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<td>PT:</td>
<td>Lala</td>
<td>memeʔ-iʔa</td>
<td>‘bladder’</td>
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<td>Bali</td>
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<td>Neverver</td>
<td>max-max</td>
<td>‘urinate’ (John Lynch, pers. comm.)</td>
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POc *mimi(s) ‘urinate’, *mimis-i- ‘urinate on s.t.’, *mimis-aki[n]i- ‘pass s.t. in the urine’

| MM:  | Bola | mimi | ‘urinate’ |
| MM:  | Nakanai | mimis-i | ‘urinate’ |
| MM:  | Meramera | mimi | ‘urinate’ |
| MM:  | E Kara | mi | ‘urinate’ |
| MM:  | Tabar | mimi | ‘urinate’ |
| MM:  | Tangga | mimi | ‘urinate’ |
| MM:  | Patpatar | mim | ‘urinate’ |
| MM:  | Minigir | mimi | ‘urinate’ |
| MM:  | Siar | mimi | ‘urinate’ |
| MM:  | Teop | mimi | ‘urine, urinate’ |
| MM:  | Torau | mimi | ‘urine, urinate’ |
| MM:  | Banoni | mimi | ‘urine’ |
| MM:  | Roviana | mimi | ‘urinate’ |
| MM:  | Babatana | mimi- | ‘urine, urinate’ |

39 NCV forms are from John Lynch (pers. comm.).
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SES: Gela  
- *mimi-* ‘urine, urinate’
- *mimih-i* ‘pass urine on s.t.’

SES: Bugotu  
- *mimi-* ‘urine, to urinate’

SES: Longgu  
- *mimit-i* (VT) ‘urinate on s.t.’
- *mimit-αrini-* (VT) ‘pass s.t. in urine’

SES: Arosi  
- *mimi* ‘urinate’
- *mimit-i* (VT) ‘urinate on s.t.’
- *mimit-aʔi* ‘pass s.t. in urine’ (-η- for †-s-)  

SES: Kwaio  
- *mimi-* ‘urine, urinate’

SES: ‘Are’are  
- *mimi* ‘urinate’

SES: Sa’a  
- *mimi* ‘urinate’

SES: To’aba’ita  
- *mimi-* (VT) ‘urinate on s.t.’
- *mimit-ania* (VT) ‘pass s.t. in urine’

NCV: NE Ambae  
- *mimi-* (N, VI) ‘urinate, urine’
- *mimih-i* (VT) ‘urinate on s.t.’
- *mimi-gi(mi)* (VT) ‘urinate s.t.’

NCV: Lendamboi  
- *mamiese* ‘urinate’ (John Lynch, pers. comm.)

NCV: Ninde  
- *mišmis* ‘urinate’ (John Lynch, pers. comm.)

NCV: Avok  
- *mismis* ‘urinate’ (John Lynch, pers. comm.)

NCV: Nasvang  
- *mismis* ‘urinate’ (John Lynch, pers. comm.)

NCV: Nisvai  
- *misbusbus* ‘urinate’ (John Lynch, pers. comm.)

NCV: Maskelynes  
- *mismis* ‘urinate’ (John Lynch, pers. comm.)

NCV: Pt Sandwich  
- *misu* ‘urinate’ (John Lynch, pers. comm.)

NCV: Nahavaq  
- *mis* ‘urinate’ (John Lynch, pers. comm.)

SV: Whitesands  
- *a-mi* ‘urinate’
- *a-mialili* ‘urinate on’

SV: Kwamera  
- *a-mi* ‘urinate’

Fij: Bauan  
- *mī* ‘urine’
- *mimi* ‘urinate’
- *mið-a* (VT) ‘urinate on a place’
- *mið-aka* (VT) ‘urinate s.t., pass urine’

Fij: Wayan  
- *mī* ‘urinate; urine’
- *mimi* ‘flow out as a stream’
- *mið-i-* (VT) ‘urinate on s.t.’
- *mið-akini-* (VT) ‘urinate s.t.’

Pn: Tongan  
- *mimi* ‘urinate, urine’

Pn: Niuean  
- *mimi* ‘urinate’

Pn: Rennellese  
- *mimi* ‘urinate’

Pn: Samoan  
- *mīnī* ‘urinate’

Pn: Tikopia  
- *mī, mīmī* ‘urinate’

Pn: Maori  
- *mimi* ‘urinate’

Pn: Hawaiian  
- *mimi* ‘urine, urinate’

cf. also:

Pn: Samoan  
- *mimi* ‘genitals (male or female)’ (euphemism)
The set of forms below has no known cognates outside New Guinea Oceanic (NNG, PT) and raises several puzzles. If the PNGOc etymon was a trisyllable with final -CV, then its reduction to a disyllable in Wab, Bing and Numbami is puzzling. It would be explained if Sio busali were originally a transitive verb reflecting suffix *-i ‘urinate on’. The PNGOc intransitive root ‘urinate’ would then have been *b̥aju(r,R),\(^{40}\) the transitive *b̥aju(r,R)-i, but the PT forms in final -u do not support this reconstruction, as the default vowel added after an inherited final consonant in Suauic languages (i.e. Tubetube and Suau) is -i, not the attested -u. Furthermore, the sets of forms listed under ‘cf. also’ appear to reflect PPT *b̥asoso and PPT *b̥asi and their relationship to the reconstructed form is not understood.

PNGOc *b̥aju(r,R)(i,u) ‘urinate’

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<th>Form</th>
<th>Meaning</th>
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<td>NNG: Wab</td>
<td>(bud)bud</td>
<td>‘urinate’</td>
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<td>NNG: Bing</td>
<td>buz</td>
<td>‘urinate’</td>
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<tr>
<td>NNG: Numbami</td>
<td>busu</td>
<td>‘urinate, defecate; urine, bladder, defecation, ink (of squid, cuttlefish)’</td>
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\(^{40}\) The indeterminacy of *-(r,R) is present in most PNGOc reconstructions that reflect POc *r or *R as the latter merged in most Western Oceanic languages.
NNG: Sio  
\textit{busali}  
‘urinate’

PT: Dawawa  
\textit{bosuru}  
‘urine, urinate’

PT: Tubetube  
\textit{b^̂asulu}  
‘urinate’

PT: Suau (Daui)  
\textit{bosulu}  
‘urinate’

cf. also:

PT: Gumawana  
\textit{bisoso}  
‘urinate’

\textit{bisoso-e}  
‘urine; urinate on’ (\textit{-e} from POc *-ak[i/n]i)

\textit{b^̂asi}  
‘water’

PT: Dobu  
\textit{b^̂asi}  
‘urinate’

PT: Misima  
\textit{b^̂asoso}  
‘urinate’

\textit{b^̂aesi}  
‘urinate’

PT: Kilivila  
\textit{b^̂esi}  
‘urinate’

PT: Muyuw  
\textit{b^̂eis}  
‘urinate’

4.4.8 Defecating

Like POc *\textit{mimiq}, reflexes of POc *\textit{pekas} are generally intransitive, but can be transitivised when additional information is included (*\textit{pekas-i} ‘defecate on s.t.’, *\textit{pekas-aki[n]i} ‘defecate s.t.’). POc *\textit{taqe} was primarily a noun, ‘faeces’, but is reflected as a verb in some languages (see §3.8.6).

When more than one term is reconstructable, one may be used as a polite term. e.g. in Tikopia \textit{tiko} is the regular word, while \textit{peka} is used in the presence of kin with whom constraint of relationship is observed.

POc *\textit{pekas} ‘defecate; faeces’, \textit{pekas-i} ‘defecate on s.t.’, \textit{pekas-aki[n]i} ‘defecate s.t.’

Adm: Seimat  
\textit{pepe-a}  
‘faeces, defecation’

Adm: Loniu  
\textit{pehe}  
‘defecate’

Adm: Lou  
\textit{pek}  
‘excrete’

Adm: Titan  
\textit{pe}  
‘defecate’

NNG: Manam  
\textit{(ta)beka}  
‘defecate’

NNG: Bariai  
\textit{be-bea}  
‘excrete’

NNG: Kaulong  
\textit{pias}  
‘defecate’

NNG: Labu  
\textit{-pe}  
‘defecate’

PT: Motu  
\textit{heku(kuri)}  
‘diarrhoea’ (\textit{kuri} ‘a little water etc.’)

MM: Tabar  
\textit{peka}  
‘excrete’

MM: Minigir  
\textit{peka}  
‘excrement’

MM: Patpatar  
\textit{pēka}  
‘defecate’

MM: Tolai  
\textit{peke}  
‘excrement, defecate’

MM: Kandas  
\textit{peke}  
‘excrement’

MM: Bilur  
\textit{peke}  
‘excrement’

MM: Mono-Alu  
\textit{pea}  
‘defecate’

MM: Varisi  
\textit{beya}  
‘defecate’

MM: Roviana  
\textit{pea}  
‘defecate’

SES: Bugotu  
\textit{ve-veya}  
(\textit{v}) ‘defecate’, (\textit{n}) ‘excrement’

SES: Longgu  
\textit{veʔa}  
‘defecate’
SES: To’a’ita  feʔa (VI) ‘defecate’
feʔes-i-a (VT) ‘defecate on s.t.’
SES: Sa’a  heʔa (VI) ‘defecate’
heʔas-i (VT) ‘defecate on s.t.’
SES: Arosi  heʔa (VI) ‘defecate’
heʔas-i (VT) ‘defecate on s.t.’
heʔa-ŋaʔi (VT) ‘expel s.t. from the anus’

PSV *a-vetas ‘defecate’ (Lynch 2001)
SV: Sye  evyah ‘defecate’
SV: Ura  ipek ‘defecate’
SV: Lenakel  avhe ‘defecate’
Mic: Kiribati  peka ‘defecate’
Mic: Marshallese  pek ‘semen, sperm’
Mic: Woleaian  pāxe ‘defecate’
paxa ‘excrement, to defecate’
Fij: Bauan  veke ‘excrement, excrete’
Fij: Boumaa  veʔa ‘excrement, excrete’
veʔad-aʔ (VT) ‘defecate on s.t.’
veʔad-aʔin-a (VT) ‘excrete s.t.’
Fij: Wayan  vē-veke (VI) ‘defecate’
vekeʔ- (VT) ‘defecate on s.t.’
vekeʔ-aʔini- (VT) ‘excrete s.t.’

PNPn *feka-feka ‘entrails of fish’
Pn: Samoan  feʔa-feʔa ‘entrails of bonito’
Pn: Tuvaluan  feka-feka ‘gills and gullet of fish’
Pn: Rennellese  heka-heka ‘be smeared, filth-littered’
cf. also:
NNG: Takia  bei ‘defecate, excrete’
MM: E Kara  pes ‘sit to excrete faeces’
MM: Nehan  behe, beh ‘defecate’
MM: Halia  pi ‘defecate’
MM: Tinputz  bebeak ‘excrete’

A number of languages use reflexes of POc *tape ‘to flow’ (vol.2:93), commonly referring to the flow of blood or other liquids, but sometimes referring to excretory functions (Gela tavetoba ‘diarrhoea’, Mota tatave ‘to excrete’).

4.5 Respiration and events involving the respiratory organs

4.5.1 Breathing
POc */maʔanava ‘breathe’ is among a small group of experiential POc verbs beginning with the prefix *ma- where the intransitive subject is a human experiencer (Evans 2003:276; §1.3.5.4). Other *ma- initial verbs discussed here include POc */maʔasoru ‘hiccup’, POc *maʔawap ‘yawn’, and */maʔaturu(R) ‘sleep, to be asleep’.
There is a great deal of variation in the English glosses of reflexes, but much of it falls into place when it is recognised that the inherited core meaning of POc *[ma]ñawa was something like ‘living essence, soul’ of a human being, which included breathing and the beating heart as the physical manifestation of life. ‘Rest’ follows from this: cf. English ‘take a breather’.

Occasional reflexes of POc *[ma]ñawa include reference to the fontanelle. This is a visible pulse in a young baby, reflecting the fact that the baby is alive.

Proto Polynesian has two reflexes of POc *[ma]ñawa, namely PPn *[mā]-[nawa ‘breathe; breath’ and PPn *[manawa ‘belly’. In consequence it is tempting to reconstruct a pair of POc (near-)homophones, but this would probably be a mistake, as the contrast between short and long vowels is a Central Pacific (Fijian and Polynesian) phenomenon. PPn *[mā]- marked an undergoer-subject intransitive verb, and *mānawa was a verb meaning ‘breathe’. The nominal ‘breath’ gloss represents a derivation. PPn *[manawa on the other hand was a noun, ‘belly’.

The two Polynesian sets are kept separate below, even though the reflexes of the two forms are identical in several (especially Eastern Polynesian) languages where the long/short vowel distinction has been lost in this pair of etyma.

PAw *LiSawa ‘breathe, breath’ (ACD)
PMP *[ma]nihawa ‘breathe; breath’ (Ross 1988, ACD)
POc *[ma]ñawa (v) ‘breathe, rest, be alive’; (N) ‘breath, life, fontanelle’

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<td>NNG: Bam</td>
<td>-maneu</td>
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<td>*mañawa</td>
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<td>NCal: Iaai</td>
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PMic *ma-[n,ñ]awa ‘life, alive’ (Bender et al. 2003)

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Mic: Carolinian malaw ‘be alive, live’
Mic: Chuukese maraw ‘life, heath, be alive’
Mic: Woleaian malawa (vi) ‘be alive, give birth to a baby’

PPn *mānava ‘breathe; breath’ (POLLEX)
Pn: Tongan mānava ‘breath, breathe’
Pn: Niuafo’ou mānava ‘breath’
Pn: Niuean faka-manava ‘breath’ (faka- < POc *paka- CAUSATIVE)
Pn: Samoan mānava ‘breathe, breath; palpitate, pulsate; rest from work’
Pn: Anutan mānava ‘breath, to rest’
Pn: E Uvean mānava ‘breath, breathe’
Pn: Tuvalu mānava ‘breathe’
Pn: E Futunan mānava ‘breath, breathe’
Pn: W Futunan manava ‘breathe rapidly as with fright’
Pn: Nukuoro manava ‘breath, breathe’
Pn: Emae mānava ‘breathe’
Pn: Rennellese manaba ‘breathe; breath, fontanelle’
             manaba-ʔaŋa ‘breath, breathing’
             haka-mānaba ‘breath’ (haka- < POc *paka- CAUSATIVE)
Pn: Pileni ma(a)nava ‘rest, breathe’
             māva ‘breathe’
Pn: Luangiua māŋava ‘breath’
Pn: Pukapukan mānava ‘long-winded, good at holding breath under water’
Pn: Sikaiana mānava ‘breath’
Pn: Tikopia mānava ‘breath’
Pn: Tokelauan mānava ‘breath, breathing’
Pn: Takuu mānava ‘breathe’
Pn: Hawaiian manawa ‘anterior fontanelle’
Pn: Marquesan menava ‘breath, anterior fontanelle’
Pn: Tuamotuan manava ‘breath’ (poetic)
Pn: Mōori manawa ‘breath’

PPn *manawa ‘belly’ (POLLEX)
Pn: Tongan manava ‘belly’
Pn: Niuafo’ou manava ‘womb’
Pn: Niuean manava ‘belly’
Pn: Samoan manava ‘belly, abdomen’
Pn: Anutan ma(a)nava ‘belly, stomach’
Pn: E Uvean manava ‘belly, stomach’
Pn: Tuvalu manava ‘belly, seat of the emotions, entrails’
Pn: E Futunan manava ‘belly’
Pn: W Futunan manava ‘belly’
Pn: Rennellese manaba ‘abdomen, navel, navel-cord’
Pn: Pileni manava ‘stomach’
Pn: Luangiua manava ‘belly, seat of the emotions, entrails’
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Pn: Pukapukan  *manava*  ‘abdomen, belly, stomach’  
    *waka-manava*  ‘rest, breathe’  
    *(watu)manava*  ‘heart’

Pn: Sikaiana  *manava*  ‘belly’

Pn: Tikopia  *manava*  ‘belly, stomach’

Pn: Tokelauan  *manava*  ‘belly, abdomen’

Pn: Takuu  *manava*  ‘belly, seat of the emotions, entrails’

Pn: Tahitian  *manava*  ‘belly’

Pn: Mangarevan  *manava*  ‘innards’

Pn: Tuamotuan  *manava*  ‘stomach’

Pn: Māori  *manava*  ‘belly, bowels, heart’

Pn: Rapanui  *manaba*  ‘abdomen, belly, stomach’

The terms below include three cognate forms from north New Ireland languages and possible cognates from the Guadalcanal-Gelic cluster of the Southeast Solomons which differ only in lacking the initial consonant. The forms with *m*- apparently reflect an actor voice form (§1.3.5.5).

POc * /[m]ase*  ‘breathe’?

MM: Tabar  *mase*  ‘breathe’

MM: Lamasong  *mas*  ‘breathe’

MM: Madak  *mas*  ‘breathe’

SES: Bugotu  *ahe*  ‘breathe’  
    *ahe-ahe*  ‘breath’

SES: Gela  *ahe-ahe*  ‘breathe, rest; bosom’

SES: Talise  *ase-ase*  ‘breathe’

SES: Birao  *ase(bona)*  ‘breathe’

SES: Lengo  *aðe-aðe*  ‘breathe’

SES: Longgu  *aðe-aðe*  ‘breathe’

4.5.2 Gasping and panting

There are no well populated cognate sets for ‘gasp’ or ‘pant’, but there are enough data to allow two reconstructions. Only the first, POc *ŋap*  ‘pant, be out of breath’, has known non-Oceanic cognates, and only its Gela reflex is problem-free. Other reflexes display the irregularities indicated in parentheses, and the first three lack a reflex of initial POc *o*-

PMP *ŋap*  ‘gasp for breath’  (ACD)

POc *ŋap*  ‘pant, be out of breath’

NNG: Kove  *ŋave*  ‘pant, as a dog’  (-e unexplained)

NNG: Kaulong  *ŋep*  ‘pant’  (-e- for †-a-)

MM: Sursurunga  *ŋeh-ŋeh*  ‘be out of breath’  (-e- for †-a-)

MM: Tolai  *ŋua*  ‘asthma’ (metathesis)

MM: Roviana  *ŋa*  ‘asthma, bronchitis’  (u- for †o-)

SES: Gela  *ŋa*  ‘be out of breath with running, as in bringing news’
The other reconstruction is POc *ŋaRa, which, despite various meaning extensions in its reflexes, appears to have meant ‘be breathless, pant’ and to have included asthmatic panting.

POc *ŋaRa ‘be breathless, pant’ (Geraghty 1990: PEOc)

- MM: Nehan ŋara ‘breathless, winded’
- MM: Roviana ŋa-ŋara ‘open the mouth, open as shellfish’
- NCV: Mota ŋala ‘be out of breath, pant, be tired’
- NCV: Ninde ŋaxa ‘breathe, be out of breath, asthmatic’
- Fij: Wayan ŋā ‘catch liquid in a container or by holding the mouth open under running water’
- Fij: Bauan ŋā ‘opening of mouth, gaping action; catch water in the mouth and drink it as it runs’

PPn *ŋā ‘breathe, pant’ (Pollex)

- Pn: Tongan ŋā ‘pant, struggle for breath, as with asthma’
- Pn: Rennellese ŋā ‘open the mouth, as a thirsty cormorant or dog’
- Pn:: Tikopia ŋā ‘screech, utter hoarse cry’
- Pn: Rarotongan ŋā ‘pant, gasp’
- Pn: Maori ŋā ‘take breath, breathe; make hoarse harsh noise, screech’
- Pn: Hawaiian nā ‘moan, groan, wail’

cf. also:
- NNG: Sio ŋa-ŋa ‘breathe hard, pant’
- MM: Nakanai lala(hate) ‘breathe, sigh’ (hate ‘liver, innards’)
- MM: Ramoaaina ŋoro-ŋoro ‘pant, be breathless, be out of breath’ (conflates reflexes of *ŋaRa ‘pant’ and *ŋorok ‘grunt’)
- MM: Roviana ŋa-ŋaha ‘pant with exertion’

4.5.3 Snoring

Probably POc *ŋorok ‘grunt, growl, snore’ reflects the same root as *ŋorok ‘snot’ (§3.8.3). A reduplicated form *ŋoro-ŋorok means ‘channel above upper lip’ (§3.4.12).

PMP *ŋorok ‘snore’

POc *ŋorok ‘grunt, growl, snore’

- Adm: Lou ŋur ‘grunt, growl, snore’
- Adm: Mussau ŋō ‘to snore’ (for †ŋol)
- NNG: Takia ŋur ‘snore’
- NNG: Lukep ŋoro ‘breathe’
- NNG: Sio ŋoro ‘snore, gasp for breath’
- NNG: Singorakai ŋuru ‘breathe’
- NNG: Atui ŋorok ‘sleep, lie’
- NNG: Manam ŋoro ‘snore’
- NNG: Ali (ka)ŋor ‘snore’
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MM: Vitu ŋoro ‘sleep’
MM: Nakanai goro ‘snore’ (for †golo)
MM: Meramera ŋolo ‘sleep’
MM: Ramoaina ŋoro-ŋoro ‘pant, be out of breath’
MM: Babatana ŋor(apa) ‘snore’
SES: Gela ŋora ‘(dog) bark’
SES: Lau ŋoro, ŋora ‘snore, growl, snarl’
SES: To’aba’ita ŋora (vi) ‘snore, grunt (pigs)’
SES: Kwaio ŋola ‘snore’
SES: Sa’a ŋora ‘snore, snort, grunt’
NCV: Mota ŋora ‘grunt, snort, snore’
NCV: Tamambo ŋora ‘snore’
Mic: Kiribati ŋō-ŋō ‘snore’
Mic: Marshallese ŋor(tak) ‘snore’
Pn: Tikopia ŋoro ‘snore, snort (as with laughter)’
Pn: Rapanui ŋo-ŋoro ‘snore’
Pn: Mele Fila ŋora ‘snore’
Pn: Maori ŋo-ŋoro ‘snore’
cf also:

Pn: Tongan ŋolo ‘make rattling or rumbling noise in breathing’

4.5.4 Blowing air from the mouth

Several POc verbs of blowing are reconstructable, but most of these refer to the blowing of the wind, and are presented in vol.2:125–127. The only POc verbs which we can say with some confidence denoted a person blowing air from the mouth are the pair *ipu and *upi, which probably have a common origin in PMP *ibut ‘breeze, draught of wind’. We can be reasonably confident about their meaning because their reflexes are used of playing traditional flutes and by extension for the flutes themselves (vol.1:107–108).

PMP *ibut ‘breeze, draught of wind’ (ACD)


NNG: Bing  yu ‘(wind) blow’
NNG: Sissano -iu ‘(wind) blow’
MM: Tinputz  viu ‘(wind) blow’ (metathesis)
MM: Mono  ihu ‘(wind) blow’
MM: Lungga  ivu ‘blow’
MM: Roviana  ivu-a ‘blow on (fire), blow into (conch)’
MM: Maringe  ifu ‘blow’
SES: Bugotu  ifu ‘blow (fire, pan-pipes)’
PCEMP *upi ‘(wind, person) blow’ (Blust, 1993a:180)
POc *upi ‘(wind, person) blow’ (vol.1:107-108, vol.2:125)

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<td>uhi</td>
<td>‘blow on the fire’</td>
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<td>NNG: Mangap</td>
<td>-wi</td>
<td>‘(wind) blow’</td>
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<td>NNG: Apalik</td>
<td>uwi</td>
<td>‘northwest monsoon’</td>
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<td>NNG: Takia</td>
<td>-wi</td>
<td>‘(wind) blow’</td>
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<td>NNG: Yabem</td>
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<td>‘(s.o.) blow’</td>
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<td>(vi) ‘wind’</td>
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<td>MM: Tabar</td>
<td>uvi</td>
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<td>SES: Gela</td>
<td>uvi-uvi</td>
<td>‘blow with the breath, play pipes’</td>
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<td>SES: Lau</td>
<td>ufi</td>
<td>‘blow with the mouth; blow a conch or panpipes’</td>
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<td>SES: To’aba’ita</td>
<td>ūfi-a</td>
<td>(vt) ‘blow into s.t. to produce a sound’</td>
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<td>SES: Arosi</td>
<td>uhi</td>
<td>‘blow, breathe on’</td>
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<td>NCV: Mota</td>
<td>uv</td>
<td>‘blow with the mouth, or of wind’</td>
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<td>NCV: Raga</td>
<td>uvi</td>
<td>‘blow’</td>
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<td>NCV: Paamene</td>
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<td>(vt) ‘blow’</td>
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<tr>
<td>Fij: Wayan</td>
<td>uvi, uvu</td>
<td>(vi) ‘(fire, flute) be blown with the mouth, (ball, balloon) inflated, blown up’</td>
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<td>uvi</td>
<td>(vi) ‘blow s.t. with the mouth’</td>
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The following Eastern Oceanic forms appear to reflect a conflation of PEOc *blur′isi ‘spurt out, fart’ (§4.3.7.3) and *p(u)usi ‘(wind) blow’ (vol.2:126).

PEOc *pus(u)-i- ‘blow s.t. forcefully from the mouth’

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<td>puzu-</td>
<td>‘blow s.t. out’</td>
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<td>NCV: Mota</td>
<td>pu-pus</td>
<td>‘puff out from mouth’</td>
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PCP *pus-i ‘blow energetically’

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<td>Fij: Rotuman</td>
<td>pusi</td>
<td>(vi) ‘to burst, splash’</td>
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PPn *pus-i ‘blow air from the mouth’ (POLLEX)

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<td>puh-i</td>
<td>(vi, vt) ‘blow energetically with the mouth; (of a whale) to spout; to puff, puff at’</td>
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<td>Pn: Niuean</td>
<td>puh-i</td>
<td>(vt) ‘blow, spurt out, spit out’</td>
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<td>Pn: Pukapukan</td>
<td>pu-i</td>
<td>‘blow, spit s.t. out of mouth’</td>
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<tr>
<td>Pn: Rennellese</td>
<td>pus-i</td>
<td>‘(wind) blow, blow (flute)’</td>
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<td>Pn: Tikopia</td>
<td>pus-i</td>
<td>‘spit, squirt, spray from the mouth’</td>
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<td>Pn: Maori</td>
<td>pu-puh-i</td>
<td>‘blow (as the wind, a whale), shoot (a gun)’</td>
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4.5.5 Gaping

Three reconstructions with the same root, POc *(q)anap, denote the notion of gaping or having one’s mouth wide open. In the first set below the root occurs by itself. The other two reflect the affixes *um (§1.3.5.5) and *paN- (§1.3.5.6), both forming dynamic intransitive verbs.

PMP *(q)άνα[p,b] ‘gape, open the mouth wide’ (ACD)

| Adm: Mussau | anâ | ‘gape’ |
| SES: Lau     | ānâ | ‘open mouth wide’ |
| SES: Sa’a    | anâ | ‘to open’ |
| SES: Wayan   | ānâ wawa | ‘open the mouth to speak’ (wawa ‘mouth’) |
| NCV: Mota    | waŋa | ‘open the mouth, gape, gasp’ |
| Fij:         | dhânâ | ‘vagina’ |

PMP *(q)um:άνα[p,b] ‘gape, open the mouth wide’ (*um actor voice)

POc *(mâna(p) (v) ‘to open wide, gape’, (n) ‘open mouth; gap, space’

| MM: Banoni   | maŋo | ‘mouth’ |
| MM: Lungga   | maŋa | ‘mouth’ |
| MM: Kia      | maŋa | ‘mouth’ |
| MM: Kokota   | maŋa | ‘mouth’ |
| SES: Gela    | maŋa | ‘mouth’, voice’ |
| SES: Bugotu  | maŋa | (n) ‘space, time, air’; (v) ‘to be open, of space’ |
| SES: Tolo    | maŋa | ‘an opening, mouth, voice’ |
| SES: Arosi   | maŋa | (n) ‘an opening, mouth’ |
| SES: To’aba’ita | maŋā | ‘air as the space between earth and sky’ |
| NCV: Mota    | maŋa | (n) ‘an opening with lips, mouth’; (v) ‘to open, gape’ |
| NCV: Raga    | maŋa | ‘pant, gape’ |
| NCV: Nguna   | māŋa | ‘open mouth, gape, be amazed’ |
| Fij:         | māŋa | ‘(of the mouth) to be open; (in general) to gape, to be wide open’ |
| Fij:         | māŋa | ‘vagina’ |
| Pn: Tongan   | (faka)maŋa | ‘gape’ |
| Pn: Niuean   | (faka)mamana | ‘open the mouth’ |
| Pn: Samoan   | (faka)maŋa | ‘gape’ |
| Pn: Tikopia  | (faka)man̂a | ‘space between the toes’ |
| Pn: Tokelauan | maŋa | ‘vagina’ |
| Pn: Maori    | maŋa | ‘mouth’ |
PMP *paŋa[p, b] ‘gape, open the mouth wide’ (*paN- actor voice + *qaŋ[p, b])

POc *paŋaŋap ‘open mouth wide, gape’

- NNG: Poeng paŋa ‘open mouth’
- MM: Patpatar paŋaŋa ‘open-mouthed in wonder, yawn’
- MM: Ramoaaina paŋaŋa ‘gape, open the mouth’
- MM: Label paŋaŋah ‘yawn’
- MM: Nehan paŋaŋa ‘open mouth’
- MM: Halia paŋa ‘open mouth’

4.5.6 Yawning

A single cognate set embraces all of Oceanic and indeed all the Austronesian family. Blust (ACD) writes:

Irregular reflexes of PAn *Suab are quite common, particularly in the Oceanic languages. The cognition of such Oceanic forms as Seimat maw (where only /w/ remains from the original stem) with Western Malayo-Polynesian forms such as Kelabit uab is clear from the fairly abundant intermediate forms that reflect PAn *ma-Suab (> ma-huab > ma-uab > mawab).

A perfect parallel is seen in PAn *ma-Seyaq, POc *mayaq ‘shy, ashamed’. In both cases the boundary between the stative prefix *ma- and the stem has been lost in all CEMP witnesses. The only non-CEMP language in which a similar loss of morpheme boundary has taken place is Chamorro (with magap, for expected **magwap ‘yawn’). Following the reanalysis of *ma-uab as *mawab a number of CEMP languages have either introduced a new stative marker, or have reduplicated the first syllable of the new stem. It remains unclear how many of these added syllables (if any) are the result of convergent developments (ACD).

Reduplicated forms of the kind Blust refers to are shown separately below the main cognate set.

PAn *ma-Suab, *Suab (v) yawn, (N) yawning’ (ACD)

PMP *ma-huab ‘(v) yawn, (N) yawning’ (ACD)

PCEMP *mawab ‘(v) yawn, (N) yawning’ (Blust 1993a, ACD)

POc *mawap ‘(v) yawn, (N) yawning’

- Adm: Loniu (yeli)maw ‘yawn’
- Adm: Seimat maw ‘yawn’
- NNG: Sio m³wa ‘yawn’
- NNG: Manam mawa ‘yawn’
- NNG: Wogeo m³awa ‘yawn’
- PT: Molima (lo)m³ava ‘yawn’
- PT: Dobu m³aowa ‘yawn’
- PT: Motu mava-mava (vi) ‘to yawn’
- MM: E Kara mauf ‘yawn’
- MM: Tiang mau ‘yawn’
- MM: Nalik mauf ‘yawn’
- MM: Bilur muiap ‘yawn’
- MM: Roviana mava ‘yawn, breathe upon’
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SES: Sa’a  (ahi)mawa  ‘yawn’
NCV: Mwotlap  (yay)m‘a  ‘yawn’
NCV: Nguna  mo-moa  ‘yawn’

PSV *a-mu(y)av  ‘yawn’ (Lynch 2002)
SV:  Sye  a-m‘ap  ‘yawn’
SV:  Anejom  a-muya  ‘yawn’

PMic *mawa  ‘yawn, be open mouthed’
  Mic:  Kiribati  mawa  ‘out of breath through weariness’
  Mic:  Mortlockese  maw  ‘to yawn’
  Mic:  Chuukese  mma-w  ‘yawn’
  Fij:  Bauan  (lā)mawa  ‘to yawn, gape’
  Fij:  Wayan  māvā  ‘to yawn’
  Pn:  Samoa  māvava  ‘to yawn’
  Pn:  Tikopia  mava  (v)  ‘to yawn’, (N)  ‘inhalation of deep breath’

cf. also:
  MM:  Tolai  mauviap  ‘yawn’

PCEMP *ma-mawab  ‘to yawn’ (ACD)
POc *ma-mawap  ‘to yawn’ (ACD)
  Adm:  Wuvulu  ma-mawa  ‘yawn’
  Adm:  Mussau  ma-mama  ‘to yawn’
  Adm:  Nauna  ma-maw  ‘yawn’
  Adm:  Penchal  ma-maw  ‘yawn’
  NNG:  Mindiri  ma-m‘avi  ‘yawn’
  MM:  Kandas  ma-maup  ‘yawn’
  MM:  Simbo  ma-mava  ‘to yawn’
  SES:  Bauotu  maa-moava  ‘yawn, gape’
  SES:  Lau  ma-maoﬁ  ‘yawn’
  NCV:  Mota  ma-maova  ‘to gape, yawn’
  NCV:  Raga  ma-maoava  ‘to yawn’
  NCV:  Tamambo  (yani) mao-mao  ‘yawn’ (yani ‘eat’) (awa > ao)

PPn *ma-mawa  ‘to yawn’ (POLLEX)
  Pn:  Tongan  ma-mao  ‘to yawn’
  Pn:  Niuean  ma-mao  ‘to yawn’
  Pn:  Rennellese  ma-maba  ‘to yawn’
  Pn:  Tahitian  mama  ‘open, as the mouth’
  Pn:  Maori  (hā)mama  ‘open, gaping, shout’
  Pn:  Hawaiian  (hā)mama  ‘open, gape, yawn’

4.5.7 Coughing

It is difficult to detect any difference in meaning between POc *koso, POc *pukuR/PROc *puRuk and PWOc *kuk(a,u). Rather, POc *pukuR appears to be synonymous with *koso and
to have won out in the Bel group (part of North New Guinea) and in much of SE Solomon. POc *\(\text{kuk}(a,u)\) is intriguing: few reflexes are found, but their distribution indicates a POc origin.

POc *\(\text{koso}\) (vi), *\(\text{koso}-\eta(\alpha)\) (N) ‘cough’

- Adm: Drehet \(\text{ohu}\) (N) ‘cough’
- NNG: Poeng \(\text{koso}\) ‘cough’
- NNG: Medebur \(\text{koso}\) ‘cough’
- NNG: Mapos Buang \(\text{krq}\) ‘cough’ (final -\(q\) irregular)
- NNG: Muneng (Patep) \(\text{kal}s?\) ‘cough, cold, mucus’ (final -\(\bar{s}\) irregular)
- PT: Gapapaiva \(\text{koso-koso}\) ‘cough’
- MM: Patpatar \(\text{kiwonasona}\) (N) ‘cough’ (\(\text{<in>}\) NOMINALISER)
- MM: Tolai \(\text{kaono}\) (N,vi) ‘cough’
- MM: Kandas \(\text{kono}\) ‘cough’
- MM: Sursurunga \(\text{koso}\) ‘cough’
- MM: Konomala \(\text{kus}\) ‘cough’
- MM: Halia \(\text{koso}\) ‘cough, have a cold’
- MM: Teop \(\text{koho}\) ‘cough’
- SES: Gela \(\text{kuh}-\text{kohu}\) (vi) ‘cough’
- MM: Roviana \(\text{koh}\) ‘cough’
- NCV: Tamambo \(\text{yaso(ri)}\) ‘cough out’

POc *\(\text{puk}\) ‘cough’ is evidently a metathesised form of POc *\(\text{puk\text{R}}\).

POc *\(\text{puk\text{R}}\) ‘cough’

- NNG: Biliau \(\text{fu}\) ‘cough’
- NNG: Mindiri \(\text{fo}\)-\(\text{fu}\) ‘cough’
- NNG: Gedaged \(\text{fa}\)-\(\text{fu}\) (vi) ‘to cough’
- \(\text{fa}-\text{fu-k}\) (N) ‘a cough’ (-\(k\) NOMINALISER)
- NNG: Takia \(\text{fu}\)-\(\text{fu}\) ‘cough’
- SES: Gela \(\text{vu}\)-\(\text{y}\) (vi) ‘cough’; (N) ‘a cough, a cold’
- SES: Longgu \(\text{vu}\)-\(\text{u}\) (vi) ‘cough’
- SES: Sa’a \(\text{hu}\)-\(\text{u}\) ‘cough, cold in the head’
- SES: To’aba’ita \(\text{fu}\)-\(\text{u}\) (N) ‘cough’
- SES: Kwaio \(\text{fu}\)-\(\text{u}\) ‘cough, influenza’
- SES: Arosi \(\text{hu}\)-\(\text{u}\) ‘to cough’
- SES: Lau \(\text{fi}\)-\(\text{l}\)-\(\ddot{a}\) ‘a cough, coughing’

PROc *\(\text{puk\text{R}}\) ‘cough’ (François 2011: POc)

PNCV *\(\text{vuru}\) ‘cough’ (Clark 2009)

- NCV: Mota \(\text{vuru}\) ‘cough, disease causing coughing; a charm causing the disease’
- NCV: Mwotlap \(\text{wuj}\) ‘cough’
- NCV: Nokuku \(\text{wir}\) ‘cough’
- NCV: Tamambo \(\text{vuru}\) ‘cough’
4.5.8 Sniffing and blowing one’s nose

Two terms are reconstructed, POc *s(i,u)(r)i(u)(t) ‘sniff, blow nose’ and POc *paŋus, *paŋus-i- ‘blow one’s nose’. The latter almost certainly bears a historical relationship to PAn *Sijus/PMP *hijus ‘sniff, sniffle (as with a runny nose)’ (ACD) and to the terms for ‘snot’ listed at the end of §3.8.3, but it is not clear what the (morphological) relationship is.

POc *s(i,u)(r)i(u)(t) ‘sniff, blow nose’

MM: Nakanai sulu(mago) ‘to sniff, sniffle’ (mago ‘cold in the nose’)
MM: Kokota siri ‘smell (s.t.)’
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MM: Blablanga  siri  ‘smell (s.t.)’
PNCV *s(i,u)r(i,u), *s(i,u)r(i,u)t-i-  ‘blow nose’
NCV: NE Ambae  suru  ‘snot, mucus; have runny nose’
NCV: Nese  sirī  ‘blow nose’
Fij: Wayan  suru  (v) ‘sneeze’
surat-i  (vt) ‘sneeze at s.o.’
Fij: Bauan  suru  (v) ‘sneeze’
surat-a  (vt) ‘sneeze at/on s.o.’

POc *paŋus, *paŋus-i-  ‘blow one’s nose’
Adm: Lou  aŋus  ‘blow the nose’
Adm: Mussau  maŋusa  ‘blow the nose’
NNG: Poeng  paŋus-i  ‘blow (short and vigorously through nose), snort’

PMic *f(a,o)ŋ(o,u)s-i  ‘blow one’s nose’ (Bender et al., 2003)
Mic: Chuukese  fonot-i  (vt) ‘blow one’s nose’
Mic: Mortlock  fonot-i  ‘blow one’s nose’
Mic: Carolinian  (ɔ)fono-fonj  ‘blow one’s nose’
Pn: *fano  ‘blow or speak through nose’ (POLLEX)
Pn: Tuvalu  fano  ‘blow nose’
Pn: Hawaiian  hano  ‘humming-sound, nose-flute’
Pn: Maori  fŋo  ‘having nasal sound’
Pn: Marquesan  hako  ‘hold the nose to block it’
Pn: Tahitian  fão  ‘speech impediment caused by inability to block off nasal passages’
Pn: Tikopia  fano  ‘sniff, smell’
Pn: Tuamotuan  fano  ‘nasal speech impediment, nasal obstruction’
cf. also:
Pn: Samoan  foni  ‘blow the nose’

The set below also appears to reflect POc *paŋus but with an idiosyncratic replacement of POc *
-a- by PCP *-e- and of POc *-o by PCP *-u.

PCP *veŋu  ‘blow one’s nose’
Fij: Rotuman  heŋu  ‘blow one’s nose’
Fij: Bauan  venu  ‘pick one’s nose’ (-n- for †-ŋ-)  
Pn: *fenu  ‘blow nose, snort’ (POLLEX)
Pn: E Futunan  fenu  ‘blow nose’
Pn: Tuamotuan  heŋu-heŋu  ‘sniffle as from sobbing’
Pn: Tahitian  fevu  ‘to snort, breathe short through the nose’
feʔu  ‘sob’
Pn: Maori  ɸeŋu  ‘snort, blow nose’
4.5.9 Sneezing

Forms for ‘sneeze’ can be divided into two main groups:

- a western group embracing the Admiralties, Western Oceanic and SE Solomonic, reflecting putative onomatopoeic POc forms such as *(k)asipeŋ, POc *(k)asige(k) or *(k)asio;
- an eastern group embracing Vanuatu and Micronesia, reflecting PROc *m’at(i,u)a ‘sneeze’.

In addition there are numerous cognate sets too local in extent to be included here.

The reconstructions associated with the western group are prefixed by a question mark because (i) the data support several formally similar but distinct reconstructions; and (ii) the data contain a good many irregularities (shown in parentheses below) in relation to normal sound correspondences. Both phenomena suggest that onomatopoeia (sound symbolism) has been at work, sometimes resisting the effects of regular sound change, sometimes making otherwise arbitrary changes in forms. For example, the MM reflexes below of POc *(k)asipeŋ point to *(k)atipeŋ, i.e. *-s- was at some point replaced by *-t-. The Gela, Lengo and Longgu reflexes below reflect unpredicted loss of *(k)a- and Gela and Lengo reflect apparent resistance to the sound change that lenited *-s- to †h- or †ð-. In each case the innovation (or lack of one) is restricted to a small area.

POc *(k)asipeŋ ‘sneeze’

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<td>-kapuse</td>
<td>(v) ‘sneeze’</td>
<td>(consonant metathesis)</td>
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<td>NNG: Labu</td>
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<td>(-c- for †-s-)</td>
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<td>(-s- for †-h-)</td>
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If the Mussau and Titan forms below are indeed cognate with the NNG forms (the correspondences are regular), then POc *(k)asige(k) can be tentatively reconstructed. All the NNG forms reflect -s-, the fortis reflex of POc *-s-, where a lenis reflex (in languages from
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Lukep to Ham either -γ- or -Θ- is expected. This seems to be an instance of resistance to sound change for the sake of onomatopoeia.

POc *(k)asigne(k) ‘sneeze’

Adm: Mussau asigne ‘sneeze’
Adm: Titan asiŋ ‘sneeze’
Adm: Lou amsi ‘sneeze’ (metathesis of *-s- and *-ŋ-; -m- for †-ŋ-)
NNG: Lukep (Pono) asina, aksina (said when someone else sneezes to keep evil spirits at bay) (metathesis of *ka-)
NNG: Kilenge -kasine ‘sneeze’
NNG: Amara kasjni ‘sneeze’
NNG: Rauto kisji ‘sneeze’
NNG: Aria ginsi ‘sneeze’ (metathesis of *-s- and *-ŋ-)
NNG: Apalik yangsi ‘sneeze’ (metathesis of *-s- and *-ŋ-)
NNG: Tuam -asinek ‘sneeze’
NNG: Malai -esnik ‘sneeze’
NNG: Ham -eskiŋ ‘sneeze’ (metathesis of *k- and *-s-)
NNG: Manan -kinso ‘sneeze’ (metathesis of *-s- and *-ŋ-)
NNG: Bam (i)aksiŋ ‘sneeze’
NNG: Hote -ik kasiŋe ‘sneeze’ (-s- for †-l-)

cf. also:
NNG: Akolet kicim ‘sneeze’
NNG: Mangseng (ia)ksiem ‘sneeze’
NNG: Mumeng (Patep) kəseb ‘sneeze’

What kind of historical relationship exists between POc *(k)asio below and POc *(k)asipeŋ and POc *(k)asigne(k) above is a matter for speculation. POc *(k)asio is self-evidently onomatopoeic. Again -s-, the fortis reflex of POc *-s-, is found where a lenis reflex is expected. Precisely because of its sound symbolism, it is uncertain whether the form existed in POc.

POc *(k)asio ‘sneeze’ (acd: *asio)

Adm: Wuvulu atio ‘sneeze’
NNG: Kis asio ‘sneeze’
NNG: Psohoh kisiu ‘sneeze’
NNG: Uvol -hsi ‘sneeze’ (-h- reflects *k-)
PT: Gumawana -asi ‘sneeze’
PT: Molima kasia ‘sneeze’
PT: Bwaidoga asio ‘sneeze’
PT: Gapapaiwa asio, gasio ‘sneeze’ (alternant forms, g- unexpected)
PT: Tawala hadiyo ‘sneeze’ (h- for †θ-; -d- for †-h-)
PT: Sinaugoro asio (said when someone else sneezes) (-s- for †-r-)
PT: Motu asio(mana) ‘sneeze’ (mana ‘wind?’) (-s- for †-d-)
MM: Meramera asie ‘sneeze’
MM: Lavongai asio(i) ‘sneeze’
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MM: Torau *asi* (getu) ‘sneeze’
MM: Mono-Alu *si* (getu) ‘sneeze’
SES: To’aba’ita *ʔasi* (la) (vi) ‘sneeze’

The set below is also onomatopoeic, and it is open to debate whether the Meso-Melanesian and Polynesian forms reflect a single POc form or are the result of parallel independent innovations. The Nakanai forms are added because they illustrate effects of onomatopoeia. Superficially they appear to belong to this set, but Nakanai -h- reflects POc *-q-, found in none of the forms reconstructed above. Whatever their origins, the Nakanai forms must have acquired -h- through sound symbolism, not by cognacy with forms in any of the western sets presented here.

POc *tise* ‘sneeze’

MM: Roviana *tihe* ‘sneeze’
MM: Kia *tihe* ‘sneeze’
MM: Laghua *tihe* ‘sneeze’
MM: Maringe *cihe* ‘sneeze’
SES: Bugotu *acihe* ‘sneeze’ (loan from Maringe)

PPn *tise* ‘sneeze’

Pn: Niuean *tihe* ‘to sneeze’
Pn: Maori *tihē* ‘sneeze’
Pn: Hawaiian *kihe* ‘sneeze, to sneeze’
Pn: Tuamotuan *(ma)tihe* ‘sneeze’

cf. also:

MM: Nakanai *[ha]tiho, atihe* ‘sneeze’

The eastern group of ‘sneeze’ forms, reflecting PROc *m*-at(i,u)a ‘sneeze’, is perhaps historically related to an onomatopoeic form like those above via an earlier *mu*-atia, where *mu-* reflects the PMP actor-voice (intransitive) affix *(um)*/*(u)m- (§1.3.5.5).

PROc *m*-at(i,u)a ‘sneeze’ (PSOc: Lynch 2001c)

NCV: Mota *matia* ‘sneeze’
NCV: Lewo *m*-orue ‘sneeze’
NCV: Nguna *m*-etu(r) ‘sneeze’
NCV: S Efate *m*-etu ‘sneeze’
SV: Lenakel a-m*-ta* ‘sneeze’
SV: Kwamera a-m*-eta* ‘sneeze’

PMic *m*-aTie ‘to sneeze’ (Bender et al., 2003)

Mic: Kiribati *m*-atie ‘to sneeze’
Mic: Marshallese *m*-aczy ‘to sneeze’
Mic: Chuukese *m*-esi ‘to sneeze’
Mic: Carolinian *m*-m*-usi* ‘to sneeze’
Mic: Woleaian *m*-osiye ‘to sneeze’

cf. also:

Pn: Tongan *mafatua* ‘to sneeze’
Pn: Samoan *māfatua* ‘to sneeze’
4.6 Sleeping and waking

4.6.1 Sleeping

One POc term for sleeping is reconstructed, */ma/turu(R) 'sleep, be asleep', alongside two PWOc terms,*[ma]puta 'sleep' and PWOc *mataip 'be fast asleep'. PEOc *mo(q)e ‘be fast asleep’ and PCP *moze ‘sleep’ are also discussed below.

POc */ma/turu(R) (vi) ‘sleep, to be asleep’ contains the *ma- stative prefix that indicates that the subject is a human experiencer (Evans 2003:276). Only Bali and Blablanga (MM) reflect the root *tuduR alone, whilst Bola, Nakanai and Meramera (all Willaumez languages) add mata ‘eye’ to the root to form ‘sleepy’ (§4.6.2.1).

No reflexes of POc */ma/turu(R) are found in New Guinea Oceanic (NG, PT) languages. In these it is fairly consistently replaced by reflexes of *genop ‘lie’ (§6.2.3), its meaning extended to include both ‘lie’ and ‘sleep. The converse meaning extension whereby a reflex of */ma/turu(R) comes also to mean ‘lie’ is much rarer but is reflected in three New Ireland languages below: Lavongai, Tigak and Tabar.

PAn *tuduR ‘sleep’ (Blust 1999a)
PMP */ma/tuduR, */ma/tiduR ‘sleep’ (Blust 1993)
POc */ma/turu(R) (vi) ‘sleep, to be asleep’ (Blust 1998a: *matiruR)

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SES: Fagani  *mauru*  ‘sleep’
TM: Tanema  *matou*  ‘sleep’
NCV: Mota  *maturu*  ‘close the eyes, have eyes shut, sleep’
NCV: Raga  *maturu*  ‘to sleep’
NCV: Tamambo  *maturu*  ‘sleep’
NCV: N Efate  *maturu*  ‘sleep, lie down’
NCal: Iaai  *mokut*  ‘sleep’

PMic *maturu* ‘sleep’ (Bender et al., 2003)

Mic: Kiribati  *matū*  ‘sleep’
Mic: Marshallese  *mācir*  ‘sleep, asleep’
Mic: Carolinian  *mayiri*  ‘sleep, be asleep’
Mic: Woleaian  *māmē*  ‘sleep’

PWOc  *mataip*  ‘be fast asleep’

PT: Wedau  *matave*  ‘lie down, sleep, be asleep’
PT: Dobu  *(ʔeno)mätayा*  ‘sleep’, as distinct from ‘lie’ *(ʔeno* ‘lie down’)
PT: Iamalele  *(ʔeno)mataivَا*  *(VI) (fall) asleep
mataivَا*  *(ADVERB) (sleep) soundly
PT: Iduna  *(ʔeno)mataiyَا*  ‘sleep heavily, be dead to the world’
MM: Tigak  *matai*  ‘sleep’
MM: Tiang  *mātai*  ‘sleep’
MM: E Kara  *matef*  ‘sleep’
MM: W Kara  *mataif*  ‘sleep’
MM: Nalik  *milaif*  ‘sleep’

How PWOc */ma/puṭa* differed in meaning from POc */ma/ture(R) is not clear. Curiously, the seemingly cognate PPn verb *ma-futa* meant ‘start up, arise, awake from sleep’. Whether the apparent cognacy is real—or with an odd reversal of meaning—or simply a chance resemblance remains unclear.

PWOc  */ma/puṭa* ‘sleep’

PT: Motu  *mahuta*  ‘sleep’
MM: Nakamai  *mavuta*  ‘lie down, sleep’
MM: Meramera  *mavuta*  ‘lie down, sleep’
MM: Lungga  *puta*  ‘sleep’
MM: Nduke  *puta*  ‘sleep’
MM: Roviana  *puta*  ‘sleep’
MM: Hoava  *puta*  ‘sleep’
MM: Laghu  *puta(i)*  ‘sleep’
NCal: Iaai  *mōök*  ‘sleep’

The two reconstructions below, PEOc *mo(q)e*  ‘be fast asleep’ and PCP *moze*  ‘sleep’, are similar in form, but cannot be united. If the reflexes of PEOc *mo(q)e* are cognate with those of PCP *moze*, then the former have undergone unexpected loss of PEOc *-s-*.
PEOc *mo(e) ‘be fast asleep’

SES: Arosi mo(e) ‘stay, sleep with s.o.’

PMic *moe (vt) ‘sleep soundly’ (Bender et al., 2003: ‘sleep’)

Mic: Kiribati mē ‘sleep’
Mic: Mortlockese (kinaj)mē ‘sleep’
Mic: Puluwatese (kona)mē ‘be at peace, comfortable’
Mic: Carolinian (xilasi)mē ‘be sleeping deeply’ (xila ‘reach, attain’)
Mic: Woleaian mē ‘sleep well, sleep soundly’

PCP *moze (N, vi) ‘sleep’ (Geraghty 1983:136)

Fij: Rotuman mole ‘sleep’
Fij: Bauan mode (N,V) ‘sleep’

PPn *mohe (N, vi) ‘sleep’ (POLLEX)

Pn: Niuean mohe ‘sleep’
Pn: Tongan mohe ‘sleep, be asleep; to anchor for the night’
Pn: Rennellese moe ‘sleep, lie down, go to bed, dream, have sexual relations’
Pn: Samoan moe (N,V) ‘sleep’; (v) ‘have sexual intercourse’
Pn: Tikopia moe ‘lie down, sleep’
Pn: Tahitian moe ‘sleep’
Pn: Hawaiian moe ‘sleep, lie down, prostrate oneself as before a chief; sit on eggs’
Pn: Maori moe (N,V) ‘sleep’

4.6.2 Being tired

A number of languages distinguish between ‘sleepy’ (‘eye tired’) and ‘weary’ or ‘exhausted’ (‘body tired’) through the use of body-part metaphors.

Adm: Seimat pulaihian ‘sleepy’ [his.eye tired]

Pn: Niuean tuinonohi ‘exhausted, weary’ [his.skin tired]

PT: Kilivila imama mati-la ‘he is weary’ [tired eye-his]
imama nona ‘he is mentally exhausted’ [tired mind]
imama wolu-la ‘he is utterly weary’ [tired body-his’]

4.6.2.1 Being sleepy

In widely distributed Oceanic languages the idiomatic way of saying ‘I am sleepy’ is a phrase meaning ‘my eyes are sleeping’. In the examples below, the reflex of POc *mata- ‘eye’ is shown with a following hyphen because it takes a possessor suffix (reflecting *-gu ‘my’, *-mu ‘your.S’, *-na ‘her/his’ etc). The verb in each case is glossed ‘sleep’.

NNG: Mangap mata-pot ‘be sleepy, slacken, abate, wane’
PT: Gumawana mata-i-masisi ‘be sleepy’
In a number of languages the phrasal expression has evolved into a compound.

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In yet other languages a different verb is used with ‘eye’, either in a phrase or a compound. The meaning of that verb follows these examples.

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<td>NCV</td>
<td>mata-marayai</td>
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<td>mara-kawa</td>
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And in other languages the meaning of the verb is not given independently in the dictionary. In some languages it is glossed ‘sleepy’, suggesting that an earlier independent meaning may have been lost.

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A number of languages use a phrase meaning ‘wants to sleep’ for ‘sleepy’. Arosi has a desiderative prefix *gasi* that can be used before any verb, hence *gasi mauru* ‘sleepy’ [want sleep]. Some Central Pacific languages do the same thing with a reflex of the desiderative particle *via* (§11.5) and a term for ‘sleep’ (cf. ‘wants to eat’ for ‘hungry’ and ‘wants to drink’ for ‘thirsty’; §§4.3.3.1–2).

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<td>via mođe</td>
<td>(vi) ‘sleepy’</td>
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<td>fie mohe-a</td>
<td>(vi) ‘be sleepy’</td>
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<td>Pn</td>
<td>hia moe</td>
<td>‘sleepy’</td>
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<td>Fij</td>
<td>mata-mođe</td>
<td>‘be sleepy’ (mata- ‘want’)</td>
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4.6.2.2 Being weary, exhausted

Oceanic languages commonly have different terms to express different kinds of bodily tiredness, e.g. 'weak', 'fatigued', 'exhausted'. The Tolai and Bugotu dictionaries, for instance, each list five terms with general meaning 'tired, weary'. Body part metaphors also make fine distinctions in meaning, e.g.

NNG: Yabem əli popo? ‘he is exhausted, worn out (after hard work)’ [his.body shattered]
   əli kituy ‘his body aches, is worn out, exhausted’ [his.-body burns]

POc, PCP and PPn terms are reconstructed.

POc *malu[malumu] ‘weak, tired’ is a partial reduplication of POc *[mal]lumu ‘soft, gentle, easy’ (vol.2:215). The Polynesian reflexes show irregular loss of *-m-.

POC *malu[-malumu] ‘weak, tired’

POC *malu[-malumu]

MM: Ramoaaina malu-malum ‘weak, faint, sick’
MM: Tolai [mal-]malu ‘weak, tired, of a part of the body’
MM: Patpatar mal-maluŋ ‘tired from working; lazy’
Fij: Bauan malu-malumu ‘weak, faint, sick, soft’
PN: Tongan molū ‘soft, tender, flexible’
PN: Niucan molū ‘soft, weak, humble’
PN: Pukapukan malū ‘weak, gentle’
PN: Tikopia malūlū ‘weary; soft, weak, flabby’ (-l- for †-r-)

cf. also:

SES: Arosi marō ‘weary, bodily tired’
NCV: Mota male ‘weak’\footnote{Clark (2009) reconstructs PNCV *malo –*male ‘lazy, tired, weak’. The relationship between this and POc *malu[malumu] is not clear.}
NCV: Namakir molo-mal ‘lazy’

PCP *wai-wai ‘weak, tired’ is apparently a reduplicated reflex of POc *waiR ‘river, fresh water, stream’ (§1.3.5.4). The gloss of Wayan wai-ðala ‘be weak (of kava etc), diluted, melt, dissolve’ points to the connection between water and weakness.

PCP *wai-wai ‘weak, tired’

Fij: Rotuman vai-vai ‘flexible, easily bent’

PN *wai-wai ‘weak, lacking strength’ (POLLEX)

PN: Tongan vaivaia (vi) ‘feel weak’
PN: Samoan ōivai ‘be weak; be tired; be timid, faint-hearted; watery (of a mix); faint, of colours’
PN: Tokelauan vāivai ‘tiredness, weariness, exhaustion’

PPN *fitaq ‘be tired, fatigued’ evidently reflects POc *pita ‘heavy, difficult’, reconstructed below, with the addition of an apparent suffix *-qa (which may reflect the POc adjectivaliser *-ka; Ross 2000).

\footnote{Clark (2009) reconstructs PNCV *malo –*male ‘lazy, tired, weak’. The relationship between this and POc *malu[malumu] is not clear.}
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PPn *fitaga ‘be tired, fatigued’ (POLLEX)

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<td>(faka)fitā</td>
<td>‘become weary’</td>
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<td>Tongan</td>
<td>(fita)fitaʔa</td>
<td>‘to labour, toil’</td>
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<td>E Futunan</td>
<td>fitaʔa</td>
<td>‘fatigued, harassed, tired’</td>
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<td>Samoan</td>
<td>fitā</td>
<td>‘strenuous, difficult’</td>
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<td>Tikopia</td>
<td>fita</td>
<td>‘sated, fed up’</td>
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cf. also:

POc *pita ‘heavy, difficult’

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4.6.3 Dreaming

The two POc forms *nipi and *mipi, both ‘dream’, reflect fossilised combinations of a reflex of the PMP root *hipi ‘dream’ and the PMP voice affixes *‹in› and *‹um› (§1.3.5.5). The fact that both forms are reflected, interspersed with one another across a substantial part of Oceania, indicates that the two forms co-existed in POc.

PMP *h-in-ippi ‘a dream; was dreamt by’ (ACD)

POc *nipi ‘to dream, have a dream’ (Ross 1988)

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<td>Vitu</td>
<td>(manji)nuvi</td>
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<td>Bali</td>
<td>(mone)ni-nipi</td>
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<td>NCal</td>
<td>Nêlêmwa</td>
<td>nivi-t</td>
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PMP *h-um-ippi ‘to dream’ (ACD)

POc *mipi (vi) ‘to dream, have a dream’ (Ross 1988)

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<td>mep-mep</td>
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<td>NNG</td>
<td>Mangap Mb</td>
<td>(i)miu</td>
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NNG: Lukep \( (i)mi \) ‘have a dream’
NNG: Malasanga \( (i)mi \) ‘have a dream’
NNG: Roinji \( m\)ip ‘have a dream’
NNG: Kairiru \( miu \) ‘have a dream’
MM: Tigak \( mi-mi \) ‘have a dream’
MM: E Kara \( m\)if ‘have a dream’
MM: W Kara \( m\)if ‘have a dream’
MM: Tiang \( me-me \) ‘have a dream’
MM: Haku \( mehe \) ‘have a dream’
MM: Maringe \( m\)ifi ‘have a dream’
MM: Sursurunga \( m\)ih ‘have a dream’
Mic: Kiribati \( m\)i (N,V) ‘dream’
Mic: Nauruan \( m\)i ‘dream’

The next set is almost in complementary geographic distribution to the \(*nipi/*mipi\) sets.

POc \(*b,b^{*}o(\mathit{L},R)e\) ‘to dream’ \((\text{Geraghty 1990: } *\mathit{boRe}; \text{Lynch 2002: PEOc } *b^{*}\mathit{oRe})\)

MM: Tabar \( (\text{para})bore \) ‘have a dream’
SES: Lengo \( bole \) ‘dream’
SES: Lau \( (\text{teo})bole \) ‘to dream’ (teo ‘sleep’) \( (\text{teo})bolea \) ‘a dream’
SES: Kwaio \( bole \) ‘dream’
SES: ’Are’are \( (\text{maʔasu}) \text{pore} \) ‘to dream’ \((\text{maʔasu} ‘sleep’)\)
SES: ’Are’are \( (\text{maʔasu}) \text{poreha} \) (N) ‘a dream’
SES: Sa’a \( (\text{maʔahu}) p\text{’ole} \) ‘to dream’ \((\text{maʔahu} ‘sleep’)\)
SES: Arosi \( b\text{’ore} \) ‘dream’
SES: To’a’ab’ita \( (\text{bīŋa})bole \) (vi) ‘dream’ \((\text{bīŋa} ‘sleep’)\)

POc \(*\text{tadora}(q)\) ‘have a dream’

NNG: Sera \( tar-tar \) ‘have a dream’
MM: Meramera \( \text{tada} \) ‘to dream’
MM: Nakanai \( \text{tada} \) ‘to dream’
MM: Taiof \( \text{tora} \) ‘have a dream’
MM: Mono \( (\text{tan})\text{tatara} \) ‘have a dream’
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4.6.4 Waking up and opening the eyes

The POc transitive verb *paŋun ‘wake (s.o.) up’ is of PAn antiquity and has reflexes throughout Oceanic.

PAn *baŋuL (vi) ‘wake up, get out of bed’ (ACD)
PMP *baŋun (vt) ‘wake (s.o.) up, rouse (s.o.) from sleep’ (ACD)
POc *paŋun (vt) ‘wake (s.o.) up’ (ACD)

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<td>NNG: Gitua</td>
<td>va-vano</td>
<td>‘wake s.o. up’</td>
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<td>NNG: Poeng</td>
<td>payoe</td>
<td>‘awaken’</td>
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<td>NNG: Manam</td>
<td>aŋun</td>
<td>‘wake up, bring to life’</td>
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<td>NNG: Numbami</td>
<td>wamuŋu</td>
<td>(vt) ‘arouse, start, awaken’</td>
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<td>PT: Iduna</td>
<td>-lu-vayuna</td>
<td>‘wake s.o. up’</td>
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<td>PT: Sinaugoro</td>
<td>vayo</td>
<td>(vt) ‘wake s.o. up’</td>
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<td>PT: Motu</td>
<td>hao-</td>
<td>‘to awaken, to arouse’,</td>
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<td>PT: Kilivila</td>
<td>vagul-i</td>
<td>(vt) ‘wake up’</td>
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<td>PT: Dobu</td>
<td>(lo)wano-wano</td>
<td>(vt) ‘waken’</td>
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<td>PT: Suau</td>
<td>hano-</td>
<td>‘waken’,</td>
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<td>PT: Bunama</td>
<td>hano</td>
<td>‘awaken’</td>
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<td>MM: Bola Harua</td>
<td>(tari)vano</td>
<td>‘breathe’</td>
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<td>MM: Nakanaia</td>
<td>palo</td>
<td>‘wake (s.o.) up’</td>
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<tr>
<td>MM: Ramoaaina</td>
<td>ta-waaŋun</td>
<td>(vi) ‘be awake’</td>
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<td>MM: Roviana</td>
<td>ła-ŋuu</td>
<td>‘wake s.o. up’</td>
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<td>MM: Patpatar</td>
<td>ła-ŋaŋun</td>
<td>(vi) ‘awaken’ (metathesis)</td>
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<td>MM: Simbo</td>
<td>ła-ŋuŋ-i-</td>
<td>‘wake (s.o.) up’</td>
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<td>MM: Tolai</td>
<td>ta-vaŋun</td>
<td>(s.o.) ‘wake up’</td>
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<td>NCV: Mota</td>
<td>va-vano</td>
<td>‘awaken’</td>
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| PMic *faŋu-ni ‘awakened, awaken’ (Bender et al., 2003)
| Mic: Chuukese | faŋi-faŋ | ‘arouse from sleep, wake s.o. up’ |
| Mic: Satavalese | faŋi-i | ‘awaken (s.o.)’ |
| Mic: Woleaian | faŋu | (vi) ‘be wakened, aroused’ |
| | faŋu-ni | ‘rouse (s.o.), wake s.o. up’ |
| PPN *faŋu ‘awaken s.o.’ (POLLEX)
| Pn: Tongan | fa-ŋu | (vt) ‘to awaken, rouse from sleep’, (vi) ‘call out in order to awaken s.o.’ |
| | faŋu-a | (vi) ‘to be awakened by s.t. (esp. a smell)’ |
| Pn: Niuean | fa-ŋu | (vt) ‘awaken s.o.’ |
A Proto Central Pacific intransitive verb, \(*\text{qadra} 'awaken, be awake'\), is reconstructable, but no POc intransitive verb with this sense has been identified. The reason seems to be that an expression meaning ‘open the eyes’ is used in many languages for ‘wake up’.

**PCP \(*\text{qadra} (\text{vi}) 'awaken, be awake', \(*\text{qadrav-i-} (\text{vt}) 'keep watch over'**

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<td><em>yadra</em></td>
<td>(vi) ‘open the eyes, wake up’</td>
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<td>Fij: Wayan</td>
<td><em>adra</em></td>
<td>(vi) ‘wake up’</td>
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**PPn \(*\text{qara} (\text{vi}) 'wake up, (be) awake' (POLLEX)**

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<td><em>ʔā</em></td>
<td>‘awake’</td>
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<tr>
<td>Samoan</td>
<td><em>ala</em></td>
<td>‘be awake’</td>
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If Lau *ada* ‘open the eyes, use the eyes’ belonged to this set, \(*\text{(q)adra} \) could be reconstructed to PEOc. However, the regular Lau reflex of \(*\text{(q)adra} \) would be *sada* with prothetic s- following loss of \(*\text{q-}\), and Lau *ada* appears instead to be a regular reflex of POc *tadraq ‘look up, see’ (§8.2)).

Polynesian languages use reflexes of POc *Ropok ‘fly’ (§6.3.2.1; vol.4:281) to describe the event that occurs when one is suddenly surprised or woken.

**POc \(*\text{Ropok} ‘to fly, jump’ (vol.4:281)**

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<td><em>ofo</em></td>
<td>(vi) ‘be surprised’; ‘wake up’ (honorific)</td>
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<td>Niuean</td>
<td><em>ofo</em></td>
<td>‘to surprise, cause surprise, be surprised’</td>
</tr>
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<td>E Futunan</td>
<td><em>ofo</em></td>
<td>‘wake up’</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Samoan</td>
<td><em>ofo</em></td>
<td>(vsi) ‘be surprised’</td>
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<tr>
<td>Tikopia</td>
<td><em>ofo</em></td>
<td>‘spring up, appear’</td>
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Pn: Tuamotuan  
oho  
‘wake up, be surprised’
Pn: Maori  
oho  
‘wake up, be surprised’

PMP *bilat ‘open the eyes’ has only one known reflex in Oceanic.

PMP *bilat ‘open the eyes’ (ACD)
POc *bilat ‘open the eyes’ (ACD has *pilat)
SES: ’Are’are  
pira  
‘open one’s eyes wide’

4.6.5 Blinking and closing the eyes

This section is concerned with the momentary action of closing and then opening the eye(s) as in winking or blinking, rather than the initial stage of going to sleep. There is a PMP etymon *kimet, whose Oceanic reflexes are evidently restricted to Central Pacific languages.

PMP *kimet ‘blink, flash’ (Blust 1986)
POc *kimo ‘blink, wink’, *kimo-kimo ‘keep blinking or winking’
Fij: Bauan  
kimo-mo  
‘blink in bright light’
Fij: Wayan  
kimo-mo  
‘(eyes) be half-closed’
kimo-kimo  
‘(eyes) blink constantly, (flame) flicker’
Pn: Tongan  
keno  
(vi) ‘wink, blink’
keno-keno  
(vi) ‘keep winking or blinking’
Pn: Niuean  
keno  
‘blink’
Pn: Pukapukan  
ke-keno  
‘close the eyes’
keno-keno  
‘close (eyes), flicker (flame), wink, blink’
Pn: Samoan  
ʔimo  
‘(eye) blink, (lightning) flash’
Pn: Tikopia  
keno  
‘wink, twinkle, blink’
Pn: Anuta  
keno  
‘close one’s eyes’
cf. also:
Fij: Rotuman  
keno  
‘blink’ (Polynesian loan)

POC *b’i(i,u) ‘close eyes’ (Lynch 2004)
NCV: Tamambo  
belu-belu  
‘close eyes’
NCV: Uripiv  
-p’il  
‘shut eye, blink’
NCV: Lonwolwol  
b’il  
‘close eyes’
NCV: N Efate  
p’il  
‘close eyes’
NCV: Lewo  
p’elu  
‘close eyes’
SV: Lenakel  
a-pul  
‘close eyes, sleep’
SV: Kwamera  
a-pri  
‘sleep, close eyes, wink, blink’
4.7 Physical responses to emotion, pain or cold

4.7.1 Laughing

POc *malip ‘laugh’ has reflexes spread across several major Oceanic subgroups.

PCEMP *malip ‘laugh’ (Blust 1993a, ACD)

POc *malip ‘laugh’ (ACD)

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<td>malini</td>
<td>(vt) ‘laugh at’</td>
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<td>NNG: Tami</td>
<td>(ma)mal</td>
<td>‘laugh’</td>
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<td>NNG: Barim</td>
<td>(i)mal</td>
<td>‘laugh’</td>
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<td>NNG: Lukep</td>
<td>mali(ai)</td>
<td>‘laugh’</td>
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<td>NNG: Malasang</td>
<td>(i)mal</td>
<td>‘laugh’</td>
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<td>NNG: Singorakai</td>
<td>man</td>
<td>‘laugh’</td>
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<td>NNG: Medebur</td>
<td>(ma)mal(to)</td>
<td>‘laugh’</td>
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<td>NNG: Kis</td>
<td>(a)mal</td>
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<td>NNG: Kiaeip</td>
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<td>‘laugh’</td>
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<td>NNG: Hote</td>
<td>malik</td>
<td>‘laugh’ (-k from POc *-p is regular)</td>
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<td>‘laugh’</td>
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<td>‘laugh’</td>
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<tr>
<td>Mic: Woleaian</td>
<td>mmali</td>
<td>‘laugh, smile, grin’</td>
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<tr>
<td>Mic: Puluwatese</td>
<td>mēl</td>
<td>‘laugh, giggle a little, smile’</td>
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PCP *mali ‘laugh, smile, grin’, *mali-mali ‘keep laughing’

| Fij: Wayan  | mali | (vi) ‘laugh, smile, grin’ |
|            | mali-mali | ‘keep laughing’ |
|            | mali-ōākini- | (vt) ‘laugh at’ |
| Pn: Tongan | mali-mali | ‘smile’ |
| Pn: E Futuna | mali-mali | ‘smile, laugh quietly’ |

PEOc *mana below is evidently not a reflex of POc *malip.

PEOc *mana ‘laugh’ (Clark 2009: PNCV)

| SES: Arosi | mana | ‘laugh’ |
| SES: Fagani | mana | ‘laugh’ |
| SES: Bauro  | mana | ‘laugh’ |
| SES: Kahua  | ma-mana | ‘laugh’ |
| NCV: Nokuku | mana | ‘laugh’ |
| NCV: Tamambo | mana | ‘laugh’ |
| NCV: Raga   | mana | ‘laugh, smile’ |
| NCV: Uripiv | -men | ‘laugh’ |
| NCV: W Ambrym | mana | ‘laugh’ |
4.7.2 Grinning

Grinning is closely associated in Oceanic languages with baring the teeth, and in a number of languages the term for 'tooth' is derived from the term for 'grin'. POc *sisi, *ŋiŋi and *ŋisi each have a PMP antecedent. The history of POc *ŋiŋiŋiŋa is discussed below.

Oceanic languages often appear to lack a dedicated verb for smiling. Instead, verbs for 'laugh' or 'grin' are sometimes additionally glossed 'smile'.

PMP *ziziq or *zizir 'grin, show the teeth' (ACD)
POc *sisi 'smile, show one's teeth, bare one's teeth'

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<td>sisi</td>
<td>'draw up (the lips, as when smiling)'</td>
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<td>NNG: Manam</td>
<td>(ao)sisi</td>
<td>'to smile, of long duration' <em>(ao ‘smile, laugh’, sisi ‘skin the bark off a tree’)</em></td>
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<td>NNG: Nenaya</td>
<td>(ma)sisi</td>
<td>'laugh'</td>
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<td>SES: Tolo</td>
<td>sisi(la)</td>
<td>'smile; show one’s teeth'</td>
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<td>SES: Sa’a</td>
<td>sisi</td>
<td>'roll back, grin like a dog, lay bare the teeth’</td>
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<td>SES: Arosi</td>
<td>sisi</td>
<td>'lay bare the teeth, as a dog, grinning'</td>
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<td>NCV: Mota</td>
<td>sis</td>
<td>'remove rind or bark; strip off outer part’</td>
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<td>Fij: Bauan</td>
<td>(vaka)sisi(bati)</td>
<td>'smile, show the teeth’ <em>(bati ‘tooth’)</em></td>
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Blust (ACD) reconstructs both PWMP *ŋiŋi ‘grin, show the teeth’ and PMP *ŋisi ‘grin, show the teeth’. PMP *ŋiŋi and *ŋisi are evidently the antecedents of POc *ŋiŋi and *ŋisi below. The data also require the reconstruction of POc *[ŋi]ŋisa. Any attempt to combine any two of the three sets fails, as we are compelled to posit irregular developments, and the existence of non-Oceanic cognates of both POc *ŋiŋi and POc *ŋisi confirms that both should be reconstructed. The presence of three formally similar POc terms with the same meaning may appear suspect, but the evidence requires their reconstruction, even though their reflexes have perhaps been conflated in some languages. Some reflexes could be attributed to more than one set, and we have made attributions as best we can on the basis of phonology and glosses.

The meaning 'tooth' could also be attributed to each of these reconstructions, but as there were other POc terms for teeth (§3.4.12.5) that do not include the sense 'bare the teeth', 'tooth' may be a secondary meaning that has arisen independently in various daughter-languages.

PMP *ŋiŋi ‘grin, show the teeth’ (ACD: PWMP)

POc *ŋiŋi ‘bare one’s teeth, grin’

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<td>NNG: Poeng</td>
<td>ŋiŋi-</td>
<td>'tooth’</td>
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<td>PT: Motu</td>
<td>yiŋi</td>
<td>'snarl’</td>
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<td>PT: Sudest</td>
<td>ŋiŋi-</td>
<td>‘teeth’</td>
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cf. also:

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<td>Mic: Woleaian</td>
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PMP *ŋisi ‘grin, show the teeth’ (Blust 1972, ACD)

POc *ŋisi ‘bare one’s teeth, grin’

Adm: Tenis ŋisi- ‘tooth’
Adm: Seimat ŋis ‘tooth’
NNG: Sengseng ŋi- ‘tooth’
PT: Tawala ŋis ‘show teeth’
MM: Vitu ŋidi ‘show one’s teeth, smile’
MM: Barok ŋisi- ‘tooth’
MM: Sursurunga ŋis ‘show teeth’
MM: Roviana ŋi-ŋisi ‘grin’
MM: Kia ŋi-ŋii- ‘show teeth’
Mic: Kosraean [ŋi][ŋis] ‘laugh, guffaw’ (Bender et al. 2003: < PMic *ŋiTt)

POc *[ŋi]ŋisa ‘bare one’s teeth, grin’

PT: Tawala gigiha ‘bare teeth in anger’
MM: Lavongai ŋisa- ‘tooth’
MM: Tigak ŋisa- ‘tooth’
MM: Tabar ŋijica ‘laugh’
MM: Sursurunga ŋisa- ‘tooth’
MM: Patpatar ŋise ‘show teeth’ ŋise- ‘teeth’
MM: Tangga ŋisa- ‘tooth; mouth’
MM: Madak ŋisa- ‘tooth’
MM: Tolai ŋie- ‘mouth’
MM: Label ŋis ‘tooth’
MM: Siar ŋise- ‘tooth’ (kabin)ŋise- ‘molar tooth’

SES: Arosi ŋi-ŋita ‘show the teeth, snarl’
NCV: Mota ŋi-ŋisa ‘grin’
NCV: Raga ŋi-ŋiha ‘smile’
NCV: Uripiv -ŋis ‘grin, smile’
SV: Lenakel n-ŋiha ‘gums; smile’
SV: Kwamera n-ŋiha ‘gums; smile’
Pn: Tikopia ŋisa ‘(N) ‘smile’
ŋisa-ŋisa (v) ‘smile’

cf. also:
PT: Motu ise- ‘tooth’ (s for †d)
PT: Mekeo ni-e- ‘tooth’

4.7.3 Weeping and crying

Two sets of POc terms are reconstructed for ‘cry, weep’:

- *tanis (vi) ‘cry, lament etc.’, *tanis-i (vi) ‘to cry for (s.t.)’, *tanis-aki[m]i- ‘cry because of s.t.’

• *ŋara(s) (vi) ‘cry’, (vt) *ŋaras-i- ‘cry for (s.t.)’

POc *tanis appears to have been the default term. The glosses of both cognate sets suggest that their primary meaning had to do with the sound of crying rather than the shedding of tears, and the glosses of reflexes of POc *ŋara(s) suggest that it denoted weeping accompanied by very loud crying.

PAn *Canis ‘to cry’ (Blust 1999)

PMP *tanis ‘to cry’

POc *tanis (vi) ‘cry, lament; (of animals) make sound; (of musical instruments) sound’, *tanis-i- (vt) ‘to cry for s.t.’, *tanis-aki[ni]- ‘cry because of s.t.’

| Adm: Seimat | tanj  | (vi) ‘cry, lament (used of any sound made by any animal)’ |
| Adm: Lou    | teg   | ‘cry, weep’ |
| Adm: Titan  | tan   | ‘weep, cry (of a child, cat or bird)’ |
| NNG: Kove   | -tanj | ‘weep, cry’ |
| NNG: Gitua  | -tan  | ‘weep, cry’ |
| NNG: Lukep  | -tan  | ‘weep, cry’ |
| NNG: Wab    | tan   | ‘cry, weep’ |
| NNG: Manam  | tan   | ‘cry, weep’ |
|             | tanr-i | (vt) ‘to cry for s.o., mourn s.o.’ |
| NNG: Kileenge | -tan  | ‘weep, cry’ |
| NNG: Amara  | -tan  | ‘weep, cry’ |
| NNG: Mangseng | -tan | ‘weep, cry’ |
| NNG: Poeng  | tan   | ‘weep, cry’ |
| NNG: Uvol   | tan-taniŋ | ‘songs with sad themes and tunes. Story songs’ |
| NNG: Numbami | tanj  | ‘weep, cry, sing, sound’ |
| PT: Gumawana | tayya | ‘weep, cry’ |
| PT: Iduna   | taya  | ‘weep, cry’ |
| PT: Sinaugoro | tanj | ‘weep, cry’ |
| PT: Motu    | tai   | (vi) ‘to cry, howl (of dogs)’ |
| MM: Bola    | tanj  | ‘weep, cry’ |
| MM: Nakanai | tali  | ‘weep, cry’ |
| MM: E Kara  | tanis | ‘weep, cry’ |
| MM: Tabar   | tanj  | ‘weep, cry’ |
| MM: Kandas  | tanis | ‘weep, cry’ |
| MM: Minigir | tanis-i | (vt) ‘cry’ |
| MM: Tolai   | tanj  | ‘cry, weep, wail, make a noise as of water shaken in a bottle; to sing of birds and musical instruments; (N) sound’ |
| MM: Taiof   | tanis | ‘weep, cry’ |
| MM: Banoni  | tanis-i | ‘musical function of crying; laments’ (Stella) |
| SES: Bugotu | tanj  | ‘cry, cry aloud, lament, wail’ |
| SES: Gela   | tanj  | ‘make a sound; cry’ |
| SES: Lau    | āŋji | (vt) ‘cry for s.t., s.o.’ |
| SES: Lau    | tanjh-i | ‘cry; produce a sound, eg bird, trumpet, thunder’ |
SES: To’aba’ita

ani (vi) ‘cry, produce its characteristic sound’ (also of musical instruments)

anjisi (vt) ‘cry for s.t., s.o.’

SES: Arosi

ani ‘to cry, sound (almost any sound, bell, bird, swish of water etc)’

anjis-i (vt) ‘cry for s.t., s.o.’

anjita?i ‘cry out at, wonder at s.t.’

NCV: Mota

tani ‘weep, cry, with ref. to both tears and sounds; cry of birds, animals; sound of musical instruments’

tanis ‘cry for’

NCV: Tamambo

tanis-i ‘cry for, mourn’

NCV: Uripiv

-tin ‘cry, weep’

NCV: Nguna

tanis-i ‘cry for, mourn’

SV: Sye

toni ‘cry for’

NCal: Iaai

te ‘cry’

PMic *tani ‘cry, weep’, *tanisi ‘cry, weep for s.o./s.t.’ (Bender et al. 2003)

Mic: Kiribati

tan, tanji-tan ‘cry’

tanjir-a ‘desire, cry for (s.t.)’

Mic: Kosraean

ta ‘cry’,

taji ‘be sorry for’

Mic: Marshallese

can ‘cry’

canji-t ‘cry for (s.o.)’

Mic: Carolinian

saen, saeni-sen ‘cry’

saeni-i ‘cry at (s.o.)’

Fij: Bauan

tanji ‘give out sound; of humans, to cry, weep, lament, of animals, to cry, mew, crow etc’

tanjia (vt) ‘cry for s.t.’

tanjia-dak ‘cry on account of, lament the dead’

Pn: Tongan

tanji ‘cry, weep, (of animals) make a characteristic sound’

tanjia-hi-a (vt) ‘weep for s.t.’

Pn: Pukapukan

tanji ‘a death chant; lament’

tanjia-tan ‘a boasting chant’

Pn: Samoan

tanji ‘cry, weep, make a characteristic noise’

tanjia-si-a (vt) ‘cry over s.t.’

tanjia-sa?i (vt) ‘miss s.o.’

Pn: Rarotongan

tanji ‘any noise or sound, but especially of weeping’

Pn: Tikopia

tanji ‘cry, wail, sing mourning song’

tanjia-si-a (vt) ‘cry for s.o. or s.t.’

tanjia-sai (vt) ‘wail over s.o., formally, as at a funeral’

Pn: Hawaiian

kani ‘cry out, sound’

POc *nara(s) ‘cry loudly’, *narasi- ‘cry loudly for’ (ACD: *nara ‘complain loudly’)  

Adm: Mussau

ŋala ‘cry’

MM: Sursurunga

ŋa-ŋaŋar ‘cry out in pain (of childbirth)’
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ŋə-ŋra-i ‘anguish; cry out in distress’
MM: Konomala nəŋa ‘cry’
MM: Tolai ŋə-ŋara ‘cry, scream, squeal, as a pig’
MM: Solos ŋa ‘cry’
MM: Petats ŋa ‘cry’
MM: Halia (Haku) ŋala ‘cry’
MM: Selau ŋara ‘cry’
SES: Bugotu ŋara ‘rail, shout at, threaten’
SES: Gela ŋa-ŋarah-a ‘cry loudly’
SES: Talise ŋara ‘cry’
SES: Birao ŋara ‘cry’
SES: ‘Are’are nara ‘cry’
SES: Oroha nara ‘cry’
SES: Arosi ŋara ‘cry’
SES: Arosi ŋaras-i ‘cry for’
SES: Sa’a ŋara ‘cry’
NCV: Mota ŋara ‘cry’
NCV: Raga ŋara-i ‘shout, call out, shriek, screech, yell’
NCV: Tamambo ŋara ‘cry (especially of children)’
Pn: Tongan ŋala ‘cry loudly, howl’

4.7.4 Grunting and moaning

Verbs of grunting, groaning, moaning and the like appear often to be local onomatopoeic innovations, so that cognate sets barely exist and, even where we find putative cognates, there is a possibility of independent parallel innovation. It is possible that some members of the set below do not reflect POc *[ŋuk]ŋuk ‘grunt, moan’ but are independent coinages.

PMP *ŋuk, *ŋuk-ŋuk ‘grunt, moan’ (ACD)
POc *[ŋuk]ŋuk ‘grunt, moan’ (ACD)

Adm: Lou ŋok ‘grunt from falling’
NNG: Gedaged ŋuk-ŋuk ‘stutter, catch one’s breath, when crying’
NNG: Sio ŋo ‘grunt (animal sound)’
NNG: Mapos Buang ŋuk ‘grunt, mumble’
MM: Tolai ŋuk, ŋukuk (vi) ‘to whine, murmur, cry’
Fij: Rotuman ůu ‘grumble, complain, grunt’
Fij: Wayan ůū ‘groan’
   ůū-raki ‘groan a lot’
Pn: Tongan ů ‘grunt’
Pn: Samoan ů ‘growl’
Pn: Tikopia ů ‘grunt; utter’
Pn: Hawaiian ų-ńu ‘moaning, groaning, cooing, grunting’
4.7.5 Goosebumps

No POc reconstruction has been made, but a number of terms for goosebumps have been collected which identify it with thorns or prickles of plants, barbs of sago leaf or spikes of spiny fish. The Wayan Fijian and Niuean terms support reconstruction of a Proto Central Pacific term.

NNG: Gedaged  
\text{duduhu-n, didi-lu-n} \ ‘pricks, short protuberance, gooseflesh’ (POc *(dr)r\text{u}Ri ‘thorn’; vol.3:125)

NNG: Dami  
didi  \ ‘small bumps, goose pimples’

PT: Dobu  
losaka-sakalulu  ‘gooseflesh’ (sakalulu ‘porcupinefish’)

PT: Sudest  
v\text{r}de  ‘goosebumps’ (v\text{r}de-v\text{r}de ‘thorns’)

Pn: Niuean  
ta-tala  ‘have goosebumps, raise prickles’ (POc *tara ‘fish spear’, PPn tala ‘barb’) (vol.2:224)

PCP *(voto-voto) (v) ‘have goosebumps’

Fij: Wayan  
voto, voto-voto  ‘thorn, prickle; gooseflesh’ (POc *poto(k))

\text{s\circ{e} PRO votovoto}  (v) ‘have goosebumps’ (s\circ{e} ‘blossom, bloom’)  

Pn: Niuean  
\text{foto-foto}  ‘feel prickly, have goosebumps’

4.7.6 Trembling and shivering

There were a number of POc terms for ‘tremble, shiver’. Six of these fall into three pairs. One member of each pair has the skeleton *r\text{r}V\text{r}V, the other *d\text{r}V\text{d}rV. The pairs are *riri (with variant *ridri) and *dridri, *rere and *dredre (with variant *drere), and *ruuru and *drudru.42

The fact that there are three pairs of forms is intriguing, and the *rere/*dredre and *ruuru/*drudru pairs appear to have arisen in POc, perhaps through onomatopoeic wordplay.

Of these roots, only *riri/*ridri has possible non-Oceanic cognates, and its history and variation in form are discussed in §4.8.1, as it also occurs in terms for ‘be cold’. Suffice it to say here that the original form of the root was probably POc *ridri, but this is reflected in ‘tremble’ forms only in Mangap and Sio. Elsewhere, assimilation has occurred and widespread reflexes of *riri are found, suggesting that this was already an alternant in POc. Only Sio and Marshallese reflect *dridri.

The most widely reflected POc term for ‘tremble, shiver’ is *riri/*ridri. Since this root also occurred in terms for ‘be cold’, one might infer that its earliest meaning was perhaps ‘shiver’, but the glosses of reflexes below suggest that it was used both for trembling with fear and for shivering with cold or a fever.

POc *riri/*ridri ‘tremble, shiver’

NNG: Mangap  
\text{riri-g}  \ ‘tremor, shaking’

NNG: Sio  
\text{r\text{e}di}  \ (ADJ) ‘standing on end (as a frightened cat’s fur)’

NNG: Wab  
\text{rir}  \ ‘afraid’ (for †lil)

42 Of the six forms, only *ridri has a reflex (Mangap ririg) with a final consonant.
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NNG: Ulau-Suain  
rara-rir  
'tremble'

NNG: Ali  
ri-rir  
'tremble'

MM: Bola (Harua)  
pa-riri  
'tremble'

MM: Nakanai  
pa-ri-riri  
'tremble’ (-r- three times for ſ-l-)

SES: Bugotu  
ari  
'shake, tremble, of persons, shiver as with ague’

SES: Longgu  
ʔari-ʔariri  
'be excited, shake from excitement or cold’ (ʔ- for ſ-)

SES: Lau  
ә-ри  
'tremble, shiver with ague’

SES: Kwaio  
a-lili  
'tremble’

SES: 'Are  
a-riri  
'tremble, shiver’

SES: Sa’a  
a-riri  
'tremble, shiver from cold or fear’

SES: Arosi  
a-riri  
'tremble with fear, be very feverish’

NCV: Kiai  
(sarsarama)riri  
'tremble (as in malaria)’

NCV: Uripiv  
e-ririr  
'shiver’ (John Lynch, pers. comm.)

Fij: Bauan  
lili(wa)  
'cold’

Pn: Samoan  
lili  
'shiver, tremble’

PPn *taka-lili  'tremble, shiver’

Pn: Tongan  
teke-lili  
'shiver, tremble, quiver, esp. with cold or rage’

Pn: E Futunan  
taka-lili  
'shiver with cold, tremble with fear’

Pn: W Uvean  
taka-lili  
'shiver with cold, tremble with desire’

Pn: Anutan  
taka-riri  
'shake as in shivering or convulsion’

Pn: Rennellese  
taka-gigi  
'shudder, as when hearing a sharp and painful noise’

cf. also:

NNG: Mangap  
-mo-riri  
'be timid, afraid (to do s.t.)’

POc (?) *dridri  'tremble’

NNG: Sio  
(ra)didi  
'tremble, shivering’

PMic *cici  'tremble’ (Bender et al. 2003)

Mic: Marshallese  
(wi)ri-Tir-rir  
'tremble, quake’

cf. also:

Fij: Wayan  
driwa-driwa  
(vi, N) ‘cold’

The POc pair *rere and *dredre  ‘tremble, shiver’ appear to be an alternant version of the pair *riri and *dridri. This is plausible formally, as POc *e only reflects PMP *-ay, i.e. in inherited items it occurs only morpheme-finally. Medial POc *-e- is either the outcome of borrowing from a non-Oceanic language or of idiosyncratic innovation. We suggest that it is due to the latter here. Nowhere are both *rere and *riri reflected in a single language, and there is no evident contrast in meaning, beyond the fact that reflexes of *rere have acquired the meaning ‘fear’ in Bel languages (Bilibil etc.) and in Fijian. The Takia phrase tini-г i-rer  ‘my skin trembles’ [skin-my it-tremble] shows how the extension of meaning occurred.

POc *rere  'tremble, shiver, shake with fear, be fearful’

Adm: Titan  
lel  
(vi) ‘shake, tremble’
lele-ani (vt) ‘shake’

NNG: Bilibil -rer ‘fear (s.o.)’
NNG: Matukar rer ‘fear (s.o.)’
NNG: Megiar -rer ‘fear (s.o.)’
NNG: Takia -rer ‘afraid, fearful; fear (s.o.)’
tini-i-rer ‘be afraid’ [skin-it-fearful]
NNG: Medebur -rer ‘fear (s.o.)’
NNG: Manam rer(sabu) ‘fear, tremble, shudder’
NNG: Bam -rier ‘tremble’
NNG: Wogo -re-rere ‘tremble’
NNG: Kaulong reh ‘(?) shake’ [sic]
SES: Arosi rere(b eru) ‘run away’ (b eru ‘run’)
NCV: Mota rere ‘tremble, shake with fear’
NCV: Mwootlap yeyey ‘tremble, quiver with cold, fever or age’
Fij: Bauan rere ‘fear’

PMic *rere ‘tremble (with fear)’
Mic: Kosraean rar-rar ‘tremble (with fear)’
Mic: Chuukese rer ‘tremble (with fear)’
Mic: Ponapean rer ‘tremble (with fear)’

The second member of this pair was apparently POc *dredre (with variant *drere), but PPn *tete raises a question of form. Was its POc ancestor *dredre or *dede? By regular sound change it was *dede, but the likely history of the root *ridriŋ, reflecting PMP *dinj (§4.8.1), points to POc *dr, not *d. We cannot resolve this conflict, but note that the POc consonant *d was rare medially and almost non-existent initially, suggesting that *dredre was modified to *dede in an early Oceanic dialect ancestral to PPn.

POc *dre(r;dr)e ‘tremble, shake’
MM: Tabar deri ‘tremble’
MM: Notsi dil ‘tremble’
MM: Lihir del ‘tremble’
MM: Lamasong de ‘tremble’
MM: Madak dede ‘tremble in fear’
MM: Ramoaaina dada-der ‘shake, shiver, tremble (from fright)’
MM: Siar te-ter ‘tremble’ (t- for †d-)
SES: Gela dede ‘shake (of something unstable)’

PMic *cece ‘shake, tremble’ (Bender et al. 2003)
Mic: Kiribati rere ‘dart quickly’
Mic: Chuukese çèç ‘quake, tremor, shake, shiver, tremble’
Mic: Puluwatese cèce, cèce- (vi, n) ‘shake, tremble’
Mic: Carolinian seç ‘shake, tremble’
Mic: Woleaian çòòòò ‘shake, tremble’

PPn *tete ‘shiver, tremble’
Pn: Tongan tete ‘tremble, shiver, quiver, vibrate’
Pn: Samoan tete ‘tremble, shiver, shake’
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Pn: E Futunan  
tete  
(vi, N) ‘tremble’
Pn: E Uvean  
tete  
‘tremble’
Pn: Luangiua  
ke-keke  
‘quiver’
Pn: Rapanui  
tete-tete  
‘fever; tremble’
Pn: Mangarevan  
tete  
‘tremble with fear or shiver with cold’
Pn: Tuamotuan  
tete  
‘chatter, as teeth with cold’
Pn: Māori  
tete-tete  
‘chatter, rattle’

The PNCV reflex of POc *ruru (vi) ‘shake’ had acquired the additional sense of ‘earthquake’ (vol.2:82), but there is no evidence of this elsewhere, and the POc pair *ruru and *drudru do not seem to have differed in meaning from the two pairs above. The form *drudru is reflected only in Remote Oceanic languages. The Polynesian forms may reflect either *ruru or *drudru.

POc *ruru ‘shake, tremble’

NNG: Tuam  
-rur  
‘tremble’
NNG: MalaI  
-rur  
‘tremble’
NNG: Gitua  
ruru  
‘tremble’
NNG: Mangap  
-mu-rur  
‘shiver, tremble; be frightened, be surprised’
NNG: Sio  
ruru  
‘shake; fear, be afraid’
NNG: Kaulong  
roh  
‘shake’
NNG: Takia  
-rut  
‘be frightened, be surprised’
PNCV *rur ‘earthquake; shake’

NCV: Raga  
ruru  
‘tremble’

NCV: Uripiv  
-rur  
‘shiver’
NCV: W Ambrym  
ru-ru  
‘shiver’
NCV: Nguna  
a-ruru  
‘earthquake’

PROc *drudru ‘shake, tremble’

PSV *a-rur ‘shake’

SV: Kwamera  
e-rur  
‘shake, shake down (fruit from tree), fizz’

PMic *cucu ‘tremble, shake’

Mic:  
(ku)ṣus  
‘tremble, quake, vibrate’

PPn *lulu ‘shake, tremble’

Pn: Tongan  
lulu  
‘shake’
Pn: Niuean  
lulu, lūlū  
‘shake’
Pn: Samoan  
lūlū  
‘shake’
Pn: E Futunan  
lūlū  
‘shake, shiver’
Pn: E Uvean  
lulu  
‘shake’
Pn: Tuvalu  
lū  
‘shake’
Pn: K’marangi  
ruru  
‘shake’
Pn: Rennellese  
gīgū  
‘shake’
Pn: Tuamotuan  
rū  
‘shake’

ruru  
‘tremble with cold’
Pn: Mangarevan  \( r_\text{ū}-r_\text{ū} \)  ‘shake’

Pn: Marquesan  \( r_\text{ū} \)  ‘tremble’
\( r_\text{ū}-r_\text{ū} \)  ‘shake’

Pn: Tahitian  \( r_\text{ū}r_\text{ū} \)  ‘shake, tremble, quake (of persons)’

cf. also:

Fij: Rotuman  \( r_\text{ū} \)  ‘shake (e.g. branch of tree, bottle)’ (Polynesian loan?)

In vol.2:80, POc *ninir ‘earthquake’ was reconstructed. Like PNCV *ruru above, this seems to have reflected a verb meaning ‘tremble, shake’. The final *-\(r\) is not reflected in the non-Oceanic cognates from which PMP *ninih is reconstructed, and the sets supporting PMP *ninih and POc *ninir may resemble each other by chance.

PMP *ninih ‘shake, tremble, rock’ (ACD)

POc *ninir ‘tremble, shake; earthquake’

NNG: Gedaged  \( nini \)  ‘swing, oscillate, shake, rock’

NNG: Mapos Buang  \(-n_\text{e}\text{l}\)  ‘earthquake’

NNG: Mumeng (Zenag)  \( ner \)  ‘earthquake’

MM: Bulu  \( numu \)  ‘tremble’

MM: Patpatar  \( ninir \)  ‘quake, shake, be agitated’

MM: Babatana  \( nene(\text{dere}) \)  ‘shake, tremble, chiefly with fright (\text{dere} ‘stand’)

MM: Roviana  \( nene(\text{gara}) \)  ‘tremble, shaking with cold; palsy’

SES: Sa’a  \( nini(\text{koʔa}) \)  ‘trembling, shivering from fright or cold’

Fij: Bauan  \( nini \)  ‘tremble, quake with fear or anger’

Pn: Tongan  \( nini-nini \)  (vi) ‘shiver with cold’

4.8 Temperature

The reconstruction of terms for ‘hot’ and ‘cold’ is tricky, because the English words have a number of senses for which Oceanic speakers use different words or phrases. The English use of ‘cold’ to denote a sickness is set aside here. Some Oceanic languages distinguish between

a. a person feeling cold (the sense §4.8.1 is concerned with),

b. a substance being cold to the touch, and

c. the air, wind or weather being cold.

Thus in To’aba’ita the terms are (a)  \( \text{tega} \) or  \( \text{aqai} \), (b)  \( g^\text{vari} \), and (c)  \( \text{ḍole} \text{ḍoleʔa} \). However, there is a twist: (a) may also be  \( g^\text{v}a-g^\text{vari} \), a reduplicated form of (b) (Lichtenberk 2008).

In Dobu (a) and (c) are both  \( \text{gogai} \), and (b) is  \( \text{gonituna} \), or  \( \text{go}\text{ṣoyu}\text{wana} \) if the cold substance is water (Lithgow & Lithgow 2006).

Very few of the available dictionaries differentiate the senses of ‘cold’ as carefully as these two, so there is a data problem. This is compounded, as seen in both To’aba’ita and Dobu, by the fact that a term may span two of the three senses. Much the same is true of words for ‘hot’.

A consequence of this is that §§4.8.1–2 are revisions of the section on temperature in vol. 2.217–218—this despite the fact that those terms were concerned with (b), whereas we are
here concerned with (a). Although it may be assumed that POc made distinctions of the kind listed above, it is not possible to determine accurately how reconstructed terms for ‘hot’ and ‘cold’ related to (a), (b) and (c).

4.8.1 Feeling cold

There are several POc forms for ‘cold’ which are derived ultimately from PMP *diŋin ‘cold’. However, Chamorro maniŋin ‘cold’ reflects PMP *maN-diŋin (Blust 1970:133), and it can be assumed that the POc forms reflect the PMP reduplicated root *diŋin. The expected POc form of the root is *ridriŋ, which is plentifully reflected, but this has been subject to assimilations and perhaps metathesis at various post-POc interstages. The root alone is reflected as POc *ridri(ŋ), or *riri(ŋ) ‘shiver’ (with assimilation of medial *-dr- to initial *r-), discussed in §7.6.

Forms for ‘cold’ consist of one of the prefixes *ma-, *maN- and *maka- + *ridriŋ, giving expected POc forms *ma-ridriŋ, *madridriŋ (from *maN-ridriŋ) and *maka-ridriŋ, all of which are reflected in present-day Oceanic languages. Matters are complicated by the fact that forms are also found which appear to reflect *ma-riŋiŋ, *madriŋiŋ, i.e. with medial *-dr- replaced by *-r-. There are several possible explanations of these forms, including assimilation, dissimilation and metathesis, but these are ignored here as their distribution in the data suggests that they are local innovations. This means that in a few cases forms reflecting *ma-ridriŋ may have been attributed to *madridriŋ, and vice versa.

It is possible that the forms here attributed to POc *madridriŋ are actually all reflexes of *ma-ridriŋ that have undergone assimilation of root-initial *-r- to medial *dr-. However, their wide distribution speaks against this. As *madridriŋ reflects *maN-ridriŋ, and *maN- has an agentive implication, the question arises, How could a term for ‘cold’ be agentive? The answer is perhaps that it denoted coldness of weather, and there is a sense in which weather can be regarded as agentive (‘causing shivering’): ‘cold (of weather)’ is the gloss assigned to PMP *maN-diŋin by Zorc (2007).

We take *ma-ridriŋ and *maka-ridriŋ both to have meant ‘feel cold’, but their meanings may have been wider than this. No semantic difference between them is discernible.

PMP *ma-diŋin ‘cold’ (Blust 1970)

POc *ma-riŋiŋ ‘(s.o.) be cold’

| NNG: Mutu | marir | ‘(s.o.) cold’ (final -r for †-d) |
| NNG: Apalik | miri-n | ‘(s.o.) cold’ (or < POc *madridriŋ) |
| NNG: Bebeli | merir | ‘(s.o.) cold’ (or < POc *madridriŋ) |
| NNG: Kairiru | -merir | ‘(s.o.) cold’ (or < POc *madridriŋ) |
| S: Kayupulau | mariri-e | ‘(s.o.) cold’ (or < POc *madridriŋ) |
| NCV: Kota | ma-marir | ‘cold’ (final -r for †-n) |
| NCV: Merlav | marir | ‘cold’ (final -r for †-n) |
| NCV: Kiar (sarsara)mariri | armir | ‘tremble (as in malaria)’ |
| NCV: Namakir | miladi-n | ‘cold’ (-l- for †-r-) |
| NCV: Nguna | malādi | ‘cold’ (-l- for †-r-) |
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**PMP** *mandiŋ-diŋ* (< *maN-diŋ-diŋ*) ‘cold’ (Blust 1970)

**POc** *madridriŋ* ‘be cold’

- **Adm:** Aua *maxiXi* ‘cold’
- **Adm:** Mondropolon *madri* ‘cold’
- **NNG:** Takia *madid* ‘(s.o.) cold’
- **NNG:** Manam *madidi* ‘cold’
- **NNG:** Ulau-Suain *madid* ‘(s.o.) cold’
- **NNG:** Poeng *ma-mariri* ‘(s.o.) cold’
- **MM:** Nakanai *magigi* ‘to shake (as in epilepsy)’
- **MM:** Tolai *madiriŋ* ‘cold (water, food)’ (-r- for †-d-)
- **MM:** Haku *maririŋ* ‘(s.o.) cold’
- **NCG:** Raga *masisi* ‘cold’
- **NCG:** Kiami *makiki* ‘cold’
- **NCG:** W Ambrym *marid* ‘cold’
- **NCG:** Uripiv -me-ṃ̣uli ‘cold, cool’ (-l- for †-r̃-)
- **NCG:** Paamese *madil* ‘cold’ (-l- for †-r)

**PMic** *maci, *macici* ‘be cold’ (Bender et al. 2003)

- **Mic:** Kiribati *mariri* ‘feel cold’
- **Mic:** Kosraean *misiṣ* ‘cold, chilly, cool, goosebumps’
- **Mic:** Marshallese *mar* ‘cooled off (of food once hot)’
- **Fij:** Rotuman *matiti* ‘cold’

**PMP** *maka-didiŋ* ‘cold’ (Blust 1970)

**POc** *maka-ridriŋ* ‘(s.o.) be cold’

- **MM:** Nakanai *maka-dili* ‘cold, chilly’
- **MM:** Notsi *maka-dili* ‘(s.o.) cold’
- **SES:** Bauro *mayā-risi* ‘cold’
- **NCG:** Tamambo *maγa-riri* ‘cold’ (second -r- for †-d-)

**PPn** *maka-lili* ‘cold, chilly’ (POLLEX)

- **Pn:** Niuean *maka-lili* ‘cold, chilly’
- **Pn:** Samoan *maʔa-lili* (vi) ‘feel cold, shiver’; (N) ‘cold (weather)’
- **Pn:** E Futunan *maka-lili* ‘cold, chilly’
- **Pn:** E Uvean *maka-lili* ‘chilly’
- **Pn:** Tuvalu *maka-lili* ‘cold, shiver’
- **Pn:** W Futunan *maka-ligi* ‘cold’
- **Pn:** Nukuoro *maga-lili* ‘feel cold, shiver’
- **Pn:** Sikaiana *maka-lili* ‘shiver, tremble, fever’
- **Pn:** Luangiua *mā-lili* ‘cold, chilly’
- **Pn:** Anutan *maka-riri* ‘cold’
- **Pn:** Tikopia *maka-riri* ‘coldness; shiver from malaria’
- **Pn:** Hawaiian *kaka-riri* ‘coldness’
- **Pn:** Hawaiian *maʔa-lili* ‘cooled’

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43 The only non-Oceanic cognate listed by Blust (1970) is (CMP) Roti *makalini* ‘cold’, so the etymon is perhaps only of PCEMP antiquity.
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Pn: Mangarevan *maka-riri* ‘cold, chilly’
Pn: Maori *maka-riri* (vi) ‘feel cold, cold (of weather)’; (N) ‘cold’

Another cognate set meaning ‘cold’ appears to reflect both *malaso* ‘cold (verb)’ and *malaso-ŋ* ‘cold (noun)’.

POc *malaso* (vi) ‘be cold’, *malaso-ŋ* (N) ‘cold’

NNG: Roinji malasu(ŋa) ‘(s.o.) cold’
NNG: Wab malsuŋ ‘cold’
NNG: Bing malsouŋ ‘cold’
NNG: Mindiri malas ‘cold’
NNG: Megiar malas ‘(s.o.) cold’
MM: Nehan malahoun ‘(s.o.) cold’
SES: Gela malaho ‘cold, chill’
NCV: Mota malaso (N) ‘cold’
NCV: Uripiv melas (N) ‘cold’
SV: SW Tanna (o)mla ‘be cold’

Finally, the cognate set below has an uneven distribution, but the correspondence is good.

POc *pʷo(q)ut* ‘be cold’

MM: Nehan pou-pou-pousu ‘stiff, numb with cold’
MM: Petats pou ‘(s.o.) cold’
MM: Halia bout ‘(water) cold’

PMic *fou* ‘feel cold’

Mic: Marshallese (pi)yaw ‘chilly, cool’
Mic: Mokilese pow ‘feel cold’,
     (ko)pow ‘feel cold (of people)’
Mic: Chuukese fəw ‘cold, be cold’
     a-ffəw ‘chills’
     a-ffəw ‘be cold to the touch’
Mic: Woleaian fø ‘be cold, cool, shiver’
     (xazi)fö ‘be cold, chilly’
Mic: Carolinian fföy. fföy ‘feel cold’

4.8.2 Feeling hot

Three terms are reconstructable for ‘hot, warm’, POc *malpanas*, POc *manini(t)* and POc *tunu-tunu*. The first was probably the general term, to judge from its distribution and its glosses, whilst *manini(t)* probably had some specialised sense. The third was apparently derived from the verb POc *tunu* ‘roast on embers or in fire’ (vol.1:293).

PMP *malpanas* ‘be/become warm, hot (of fire, sun, fever, water)’ (ACD)
POc *malpanas* ‘warm, hot’, *pa-panas-i- ‘warm (s.t.) up’

Adm: Mussau anasa ‘(s.o.) hot’
NNG: Kove    wana-wana    ‘(s.o.) hot’
NNG: Tami    wa-wan    ‘(s.o.) hot’
NNG: Arawe    ka-wanes    ‘(s.o.) hot’
NNG: Takia    wana-na-n    ‘hot’
NNG: Numbami    wa-wana    ‘hot’
NNG: Mapos Buang    vane    ‘hot’
SJ: Sobei    me-fria    ‘(s.o.) hot’
MM: Tigak    ma-nas    ‘(s.o.) hot’
MM: Ramoaaina    vu-van    ‘(s.o.) hot’
SES: Gela    pa-pana    ‘heat up (food)’
SES: Longgu    pa-pana    ‘be warm’
SES: pa-pana-z-i-    ‘warm (s.o.)’
SES: Bauro    ma-hana    ‘warm’
SV: Kwamera    -a-p’an-a-p’an    ‘hot’
SV: Anejom    a-hen-hen
Fij: Rotuman    mah-mahana    ‘warm’

**PnP *ma-fana** ‘be warm’, **faka-fana** ‘warm (s.I) up (Polellex)

Pn: Tongan    ma-fana    ‘warm (of food, water, drink); unpleasantly warm, stuffy (of room)’
    mā-fana    ‘warmth; warm (of country, time, day); pleasantly warm’
Pn: Niuafo’ou    mā-fana    ‘warm’
Pn: Niuean    ma-fana    ‘warm’
    faka-fana    ‘warm up (as food)’
Pn: Samoan    mā-fana-fana    ‘warm’
    fařa-fana    ‘reheat, warm up food’
Pn: Tuvalu    ma-fana    ‘warm, re-bake’
Pn: E Futunan    mā-fana    ‘warm’
    faka-fana    ‘warm up cold food’
Pn: Sikaiana    mā-hana    ‘warm’
Pn: Luangiu    ma-hana    ‘warm; feverish’
Pn: Takuu    ma-fana    ‘(of water, etc. but not weather) warm; feverish’
Pn: Hawaiian    ma-hana    ‘warm’
Pn: Tahitian    ma-hana-hana    ‘warm’
Pn: Mangarevan    maʔana    ‘warm’

**PMP *maN-qinit** ‘hot, warm’ (**ACD: *qinit** ‘heat, warmth’)

**POc *manini(t)** ‘become hot, warm (?)’

MM: Lungga    manini    ‘warm’
MM: Roviana    manini    ‘warm’
MM: Hoava    manini    ‘warm’

The reflexes of the term below suggest the form †*tun-tunu*, but the phonotactics and reduplication patterns of POc require *tumu-tumu*, even though the second of the four instances of *-u- happens not to be reflected in the cognate set below.
POc *tunu-tunu ‘hot’

Adm: Lou * tuntun-an ‘feel hot’
NNG: Malai tun-tunu ‘hot’
NNG: Gitua tun-tun ‘hot’
MM: Sursurunga tun-tun ‘warm (as house), tepid (as water)’
MM: Konomalua tun-tun ‘(s.o.) hot’

PNCV *tu-tunu ‘warm, hot’ (Clark 2009: *tunu)

NCV: Mota tu-tun ‘warm, hot’
NCV: Nokuku tu-tunu ‘warm, hot’
NCV: Uripiv o-tu-tun ‘hot’
Fij: Wayan tu-tunu ‘be warm, not very hot; tepid’
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Health and disease

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5.1 Introduction

Reconstruction of POC terms for diseases carries with it a substantial problem. To the extent that descriptions of current languages include disease terms at all, they reflect not only the diseases of the present or near present (such as measles, syphilis, poliomyelitis), but also the medical knowledge of their compilers. It follows that for this particular semantic field, linguistics can convey only a broad idea of the health of POC speakers, albeit one that accords loosely with descriptions given by the first westerners to visit the region.

Although Portuguese and Spanish explorers had sailed along, and sometimes briefly visited the north coast of New Guinea from as early as the 16th century, our first reliable information as to the health of the indigenous inhabitants of mainland New Guinea dates from over three hundred years later when Miklukho-Maclay, in 1871, apparently the first white person seen by the natives of Astrolabe Bay on the north New Guinea coast, noted in his diary: ‘Of these eight Papuans of my first meeting, four appeared sick. Two had legs disfigured by elephantiasis, and one was an interesting case of psoriasis, which had spread over his entire body. The back and neck of the fourth was studded with boils, which formed large, hard protuberances and on his face were several scars, probably of previous such boils’ (1975:19). Later he mentioned that a native from Bilibil complained very much of a pain in the back and shoulders (probably rheumatism) (p.83). He also noted that ‘Digui’s face [one of the first local people to befriend him] bore traces of smallpox. He explained to me that the illness came from the north-west and that many died from it. When it happened and whether it happened more than once, I was not able to find out.’ (p.91).

Other information on the health of early Oceanic populations may be derived from skeletal remains. Our best evidence at present comes from the remains of 36 individuals, 29 of them adult, found at Teouma, Vanuatu, dated to ca. 3100–3000 BP (Buckley et. al. 2008), i.e. very soon after the initial dispersal of Proto Oceanic speakers. Examination of these skeletons indicates that in addition to dental caries, three quarters of the sample suffered from degenerative joint disease (p.97). ‘Because populations were probably small, chronic infectious diseases such as tuberculosis and yaws are unlikely to have been present’ (p.91). Nonetheless, the authors add that ‘the types of rib lesions observed in the Teouma samples are frequently observed in pulmonary tuberculosis sufferers … but can also be caused by other respiratory conditions such as pneumonia and bronchitis’ (p.109). In a separate article Hallie

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Buckley (2007:747) argues that erosive arthritis noted in six of these individuals may be evidence of gout.

5.2 Concept of illness

As described in a number of early Melanesian ethnographies (Romilly 1889, Codrington 1891, Seligman 1910, Fortune 1932, Powdermaker 1933, Wedgwood 1934), illness and death were formerly (and in places still are) seen as the result of sorcery, performed because of some perceived transgression by the sufferer. However, there is considerable variation in the degree to which sorcery is implicated in any given condition, in the ways in which it is practised, and the methods by which it may be counteracted.

Ian Hogbin (1978:47) describes beliefs held in Wogeo, one of the Schouten Islands off the north New Guinea coast. According to his informants, nothing in Wogeo happens by chance: sorcery is believed to be implicated even in minor illnesses. He writes:

Everybody can list a score or more of common ailments such as headache, toothache, boils, indigestion, nausea, diarrhoea, fainting attacks, sore throat, bronchitis, strained muscles, and fever. … To the Wogeo the cause lies in a mild form of sorcery, differing from that leading to death, and relief demands the performance of beneficial magic to counteract the evil. … Each of the diseases has an associated ritual system, with spells to induce the complaint and spells to cure it.

Hogbin adds that even succumbing to snakebite or a serious accident is attributed to sorcery (1978:51), although he exempts the deaths of infants and those already senile (p.54). However, in earlier writing he attributes the deaths of small infants to spirits stealing their souls, while deaths of adults after protracted illness are put down to breaches of religious taboos (1934:328).

To the Manam Islander as described by Camilla Wedgwood (1934:64-65),

Minor illnesses which are more or less endemic and from which the patient easily recovers, such as colds, coughs and mild attacks of fever, are often lightly dismissed as natural, imore baia ("he is just ill") they will say, or their attitude might be more accurately represented by saying that, because such ailments are common, of brief duration and show none of the signs which are regarded as serious, the natives do not trouble about their cause. But if a person is seriously ill or is suffering from some abnormality such as lunacy, physical deformity or bad sores which will not respond to treatment, such a departure from the normal condition of good health is believed to be due to a supernatural agency.

Ann Chowning (1989:222) describes the situation among the Kove, in west New Britain. Here, serious diseases in older children and adults, as well as their deaths from a variety of immediate causes such as accidents, tended to be attributed to sorcery. An exception was death or injury in warfare. The death or sudden illness of young children was usually attributed to attack by spirits, either a ghost of dead kin angry with the child’s parents or a spirit of non-human origin whose territory had been intruded upon by the parents. A similar belief among the Longgu speakers in the southeast Solomons has been noted by Hogbin (1964:58), who writes that ‘when a youngster under the age of about five succumbs the parents are prepared to accept a verdict of “just the sickness of a child”, resulting from a ghost’s having played with him or her. But all other deaths (including those from what we would call bad luck) are attributed to black magic’.

Hortense Powdermaker (1933:293) writes that in Lesu, on the east coast of New Ireland, death, unless it has some obvious cause, such as falling from a tree or drowning, or unless it
happens in old age, is thought to be due to black magic. Illness may be due to magic or more natural causes.

A major problem experienced by early ethnographers in obtaining information on all matters connected with sorcery and magic was the natural reticence of the locals when it came to discussing secret and mysterious processes with strangers. Missionaries in particular could be expected to discourage any such beliefs as incompatible with Christianity. In British New Guinea from the 1880’s on, there was also a very real fear of the results of government interference, for sorcery became an indictable offence (Seligman 1910:278). Similar reticence has been noted elsewhere. It may take years for an outsider living within a community to be allowed to know of such matters. Raymond Firth who spent a year in Tikopia in 1928-9, learnt much later that the chiefs had given orders that he was to be told nothing about their gods and ritual practices (1957:8).

Spells whose purpose is to cause illness or death, and conversely, to aid in recovery, are typically guarded jealously, sometimes handed down from generation to generation, at other times able to be bought (Wedgwood 1934:292). Terms for these may themselves carry power and will be used with great caution. Consequently, our knowledge of such practices as they apply to the cause of disease and its treatment and eventual outcome is patchy, to say the least, and an area in which comparative linguistics can play very little part. As I have found, the only terms to do with disease and healing likely to be recorded by wordlist compilers are those referring to natural processes or actions. Almost all reconstructions are restricted to the physical manifestations of disease and healing.

The following sections present reconstructions of POc terms for diseases and healing. Higher level reconstructions are included if known, most from Blust’s Austronesian Comparative Dictionary (ACD).

5.3 Illnesses and afflictions

5.3.1 General terms

Of the three general terms reconstructed, POc *masakiti(v) ‘be in pain, sick’; (n) ‘sickness’ is the most inclusive in meaning, applicable both to illnesses and other afflictions. In southeast Solomonic languages its reflexes have come to have specific reference to feverish illness, particularly malaria.

PMP *masakit ‘be in pain, be sick’ (ACD; Dempwolff: *sakit ‘injury, pain, illness, disease’)
POc *[ma]sakiti(v) ‘be in pain, sick’; (n) ‘sickness’

| NNG: Gitua | mazai | ‘sick’ |
| NNG: Kaulong | sahi | ‘sick, sickness’ |
| NNG: Mapos Buang | rak | ‘sick’ |
| NNG: Sengseng | sahi | ‘sick’ (h reflects *g) |
| MM: Vitu | maðayi | ‘sick’ |
| MM: Tigak | masak | ‘be in pain’ |
| MM: Tolai | maki | (n) ‘pain, ache’, (vi) ‘to ache, be sore’ |
| SES: Gela | (va)hayi | ‘be in pain; be ill, have malaria’ |
| SES: Talise | masaye | ‘sick’ |
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SES: Tolo
  masahe  ‘sick, ill; illness, disease’

SES: Kwaio
  mataʔi  ‘fever, malaria’

SES: To’a’a’ita
  mataʔi  (vi) ‘be sick’

SES: Arosi
  (mara)mataʔi  ‘to feel malaria coming on’

SES: Sa’a
  mataʔi  (vi) ‘malaria, to have malaria’

NCV: Mota
  masay  ‘ague’

NCV: Paamese
  mesai  ‘sick, sickness’

NCV: Dorig
  msây  ‘fever’

PSV *a-misa ‘sick, be in pain’ (Lynch 2001c) (vowel metathesis)

SV: Lenakel
  a-mha  ‘be sick, in pain’

SV: Kwamera
  a-misa  ‘be sick, in pain’

SV: Anejom
  e-mâba  ‘be sick, in pain’

Mic: Kiribati
  maraki  ‘pain, suffering, grief; painful’

Mic: Chuukese
  meteki  ‘pain, hurt, be painful’

Mic: Ponapean
  metek  ‘be painful’

Mic: Woleaian
  metax  ‘sick, sickness, in pain’

Pn: Tongan
  mahaki  ‘sickness, disease, ailment’ (first element in many compounds)

Pn: Rennellese
  masaki  ‘sickness’ (first element in many compounds)

Pn: Samoan
  maʔi  ‘be sick; fall ill’ (first element in many compounds)

Pn: Tuvaluan
  mahaki  ‘illness’

Pn: Maori
  mahaki  ‘ill; sick person; cutaneous disease’

cf. also:

SES: Fagani
  (ha)siyī  ‘(s.t.) sore’

Fij: Bauan
  mosi  (v) ‘be in pain’

  mosit-a  (vt) ‘cause pain to s.o.’

The following set is an apparent PWOc variant of POc *masa(k,q)i(t) with the vowel sequence moving from a-a-i to a-i-i, and -s- replaced with -j-. Both contain the stative prefix *ma-. Lukep, W Kara and Nalik terms below could reflect either POc root *jiki or *siki, while the Bali (without prefix) and Bola terms reflect only *jigi.

PWOc *[ma]ji(k,q)i  ‘be in pain, be sore’

NNG: Lukep
  -masigi  ‘be in pain’

MM: Bali
  (vari)riyi  ‘be in pain’

MM: Bola
  madiyi  ‘be in pain’

MM: W Kara
  masik  ‘be in pain’

MM: Nalik
  masik  ‘be in pain’

2 e.g. mahaki-kili ‘skin disease’, mahaki-mata ‘eye disease’, mahaki hela ‘asthma’, mahaki moa ‘epilepsy, be epileptic’.

3 e.g. masaki tinaʔe ‘stomach ache, masaki tuʔa ‘backache’, masaki niho ‘toothache’, masaki yotoi ‘epilepsy; flinching sickness’.

4 e.g. maʔi-lili ‘shivering; convulsions’, maʔi-mâliu ‘epilepsy’, maʔi-sua ‘boil’.
A different term with two variants refers more specifically to aching or throbbing pain. Both *pitik and *pʰʷɨdik are reconstructable.

**PMP** *pʰ(n)itik* ‘throb, beat’ (*ACD*)

**POc** *pitik* ‘to feel pain, throb’

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<tr>
<th>Adm: Drehet</th>
<th><em>kanro</em>pʰʷisip</th>
<th>‘horsefly’</th>
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<tr>
<td>NNG: Buang</td>
<td>vti(gʰib)</td>
<td>‘small stinging fly’ (gʰib ‘cassowary’?)</td>
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<td>NNG: Nenaya</td>
<td>vusi</td>
<td>‘sick’</td>
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<td>NNG: Numbami</td>
<td>viti</td>
<td>‘be in pain’</td>
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<td>NNG: Wogeø</td>
<td>-vir</td>
<td>‘be in pain’</td>
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<tr>
<td>PT: Kilivila</td>
<td>pisi</td>
<td>‘hurt, ache’</td>
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<td>PT: Sudest</td>
<td>viri</td>
<td>‘feel hurt, pain’</td>
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<td>PT: Motu</td>
<td>hisi</td>
<td>‘pain’</td>
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<td>hisi e ania</td>
<td>‘suffer’ (lit. ‘to eat pain’)</td>
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<tr>
<td>MM: Nakanai</td>
<td>piti</td>
<td>‘unidentified disease’</td>
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<td>SES: Lengo</td>
<td>vi-viti</td>
<td>‘(s.t.) sore’</td>
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<td>SES: Gela</td>
<td>viti-viti</td>
<td>‘to throb’</td>
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<td>SES: Kwaio</td>
<td>f</td>
<td>‘suffer, be sick’</td>
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<td>SES: Lau</td>
<td>f</td>
<td>‘feel pain, hurt’</td>
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<td>SES: To’aba’ita</td>
<td>f</td>
<td>(vi) ‘hurt, be painful, be sore’</td>
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<td>SES: Longgu</td>
<td>pid-i-pidi</td>
<td>‘feel an itch, pins and needles, a small pain’</td>
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<td>SES: To’aba’ita</td>
<td>fidi-</td>
<td>(vt) ‘of a sickness, injury, cause ache, pain in s.o.’s body’</td>
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<tr>
<td>NCV: Mota</td>
<td>viti</td>
<td>‘to feel pain’</td>
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The reconstruction below is evidently a variation of *pitik*. It is noteworthy that Gela and To’aba’ita retain reflexes of both forms, albeit with no apparent difference in meaning.

**POc** *pʰʷɨdik* ‘throb’

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<th>MM: Bulu</th>
<th>vidi</th>
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<td>MM: Tolai</td>
<td>pidi</td>
<td>(vt, vt) ‘to sting, of insects, nettles etc., tap with the fingers’</td>
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<td>pi-pidi(l)</td>
<td>(vi) ‘to throb; knock at a door’</td>
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<td>SES: Gela</td>
<td>vidi</td>
<td>‘to throb or smart, of a cut, pulse’</td>
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<td>SES: Longgu</td>
<td>pidi-pidi</td>
<td>‘feel an itch, pins and needles, a small pain’</td>
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<td>SES: To’aba’ita</td>
<td>fidi-</td>
<td>(vi) ‘of a body part, be sore, ache’</td>
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<td>SES: To’aba’ita</td>
<td>fidi</td>
<td>(vt) ‘of a sickness, injury, cause ache, pain in s.o.’s body’</td>
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<td>Fij: Bauan</td>
<td>vidi</td>
<td>‘jump, spring, fly up’</td>
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<td></td>
<td>vidi-k-a</td>
<td>‘flick s.t., fillip’</td>
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<td></td>
<td>vidi-vidi</td>
<td>(N) ‘tick (of clock or watch)’</td>
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<td></td>
<td>vidi-raka</td>
<td>‘suffer jumping pain, in fits and starts’</td>
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<tr>
<td>Fij: Wayan</td>
<td>vidi-k-i</td>
<td>‘flick s.t.’</td>
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<td>vidi ni uto</td>
<td>(N) ‘heartbeat’ (uto ‘heart’)</td>
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Reflexes of PAn *maCay*, PMP *matay* ‘die, dead’ (*§4.2.1.2*) carry a number of extended meanings. POc *mate*, sometimes reduplicated, evidently included among its meanings ‘be
weak or ill’, ‘be motionless, be unconscious’, ‘be paralysed’. As a result, if the meaning ‘dead’ is intended, some qualification is usually required, e.g. Sa’a mae ?oto ‘quite dead’, Manam imate tina ‘dead + intensifier’.

The antonym of both POc *majsakit and stative POc *mate was evidently POc *maqurip ‘be in good health, be alive’ (§4.2.1.1).

5.3.2 Painful skin conditions

Listed next are a number of terms that refer to skin conditions—first the painful infections that include tropical ulcers, abscesses and boils. The large number of reconstructions no doubt reflects the commonplace nature of these conditions, and indicates that a more specialised POc vocabulary existed for them. However, dictionary definitions do not provide enough information for us to distinguish between, for instance, terms for boil or infected scratch or wound or tropical ulcer, or perhaps terms that might indicate the severity of the infection. All reconstructions are nouns bar POc *makini(t) ‘to be stung, have a stinging pain’, which may have been the verb used to describe an insect sting

5.3.2.1 Boil, ulcer, wound

POc *manuka below reflects PAn *ma-Luka/PMP *ma-nuka, meaning ‘wounded’. In POc it has become a general term for a sore. However, unprefixed PAn *Luka/PMP *luka became the POc term for yaws (§5.3.4).

PAn *ma-Luka ‘wounded’ (ACD)
PMP *manuka ‘wounded’

POc *manuka ‘ulcer, sore, wound’

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<td>manuq</td>
<td>‘sore (on skin)’</td>
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<td>PT:</td>
<td>manuya</td>
<td>‘sore, wound’</td>
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<td>MM:</td>
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<td>‘sore’</td>
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<td>manua(na)</td>
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<td>MM:</td>
<td>manua</td>
<td>(n) ‘sore; wound’</td>
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<td>Pn:</td>
<td>monuka</td>
<td>‘be wounded, injured (and of royalty’s goods, be damaged)’</td>
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<tr>
<td>Pn:</td>
<td>manua</td>
<td>‘wound’</td>
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<td>Pn:</td>
<td>mānuka</td>
<td>‘a scar’</td>
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</table>
POc *loto ‘boil, abscess’

Adm: Titan *lot ‘boil’
Adm: Nyindrou *lok ‘boil, ulcer, pus-filled sore’
Adm: Drehet *bok ‘boil, (large) sore’
Adm: Loniu *lbt ‘skin disease involving heavy rash, possibly a type of ringworm’
Adm: Lou *lot ‘boil, abscess’
NNG: Kaiep *lot ‘sore (on skin)’
NNG: Wogeo *-lot ‘swell’
NNG: Mutu *lot ‘sore (on skin)’
NNG: Sera *lok ‘sore (on skin)’
MM: Vitu *loto ‘boil’
MM: Bali *loto ‘sore (on skin)’
MM: Bulu *loto ‘boil’
MM: Sursurunga *lot ‘boil’
MM: Nehan *loto ‘sore (on skin)’
SES: Bugotu *ōtō ‘pus’
SES: Lau *lō ‘boil, abscess’
Pn: Samoan *(ʔati)*loto ‘skin disease, erysipelas *(ʔati ‘bite’)

POc *paR(a,o)(q) ‘boil’ is attested in EOc languages and by non-Oceanic cognates, but appears to have been lost in WOc.

PAn *baReq ‘abscess, boil, swelling on the body’ (ACD)

POc *paR(a,o)(q) ‘boil’ (ACD: POc *paRog)

SES: Arosi *hara ‘to swell, of the body; become hard and round, of a swelling’
SES: Bauro *hara ‘a boil’
Fij: Bauan *bō ‘a boil’
Fij: Wayan *bō ‘a boil’
Pn: Tongan *fā ‘blister’

cf. also:
PT: Dobu *para ‘yaws on anus’ (for *(ʔ)pala)

PMP *mata ni baReq ‘core of a boil’ (ACD)

POc *mata ni paR(a,o)(q) ‘core of a boil’

Fij: Bauan *mata ni bō ‘core of a boil’

POc *pʷasa ‘sore on skin’

PT: Kilivila pʷasa ‘sore (on skin), ulcer’
PT: Iduna *ʔaʔa(na) ‘(get) sore or pimple (from lime mixed with betelnut)’
PT: Tawala *paya ‘sore’
SES: Gela *posa ‘break (of a boil)’
PNCV\textit{*vosa} ‘a sore, a boil’ (Clark 2009)

NCV: Mota \textit{wosa} ‘boil’
NCV: Nokuku \textit{wosa-} ‘boil’
NCV: Kiai \textit{vosa} ‘sore’
NCV: Tamambo \textit{vosa} ‘boil; skin infection or wound’
NCV: Uripiv \textit{(mela)wos} ‘boil’
NCV: Lendamboi \textit{na-v\textsuperscript{-}ose} ‘abscess, boil’
NCV: Atchin \textit{na-vos} ‘sore, wound’
NCV: Neve’ei \textit{ne-v\textsuperscript{e}es} ‘sore, wound’
NCV: Nguna \textit{na-po-posa} ‘yaws’

cf. also:
NNG: Manam \textit{poake} ‘sore, tropical ulcer, wound’
NNG: Buang \textit{pyes} ‘sore, ulcer’
PT: Iduna \textit{brake} ‘(very large) sore, wound (extensive, lasts for months or years)’ (borrowing?)

PMP \textit{*bisul} ‘boil, abscess’ (ACD)

POc \textit{*bisu(l)} ‘sore on skin’

NNG: Poeng \textit{biso} ‘sore (on skin)’
NNG: Kakuna \textit{viso} ‘sore (on skin)’
MM: E Kara \textit{vis} ‘sore (on skin)’
MM: W Kara \textit{bis} ‘sore (on skin)’

The following reconstruction appears to be the same term as POc \textit{*buku}, glossed in vol.1 (p85) as ‘node (as in bamboo or sugarcane); joint; knuckle; knot in wood, string or rope’, in vol.2 (p51) as ‘hill’, and in §3.6.8.1.2 as ‘mound, knob, joint’, where it was noted that the term focussed on the shape of the referent rather than on what it was. In the present instance it denotes a swollen lump on the skin, and a number of reflexes are also used as a verb ‘swell’.

However, the alternation between \textit{b-} and \textit{p-} across reflexes remains unexplained.

POc \textit{*buku} ‘mound, knob; boil, skin sore’

NNG: Takia -\textit{puk} ‘swell to bursting point; burst open’
NNG: Mapos Buang \textit{v\textsuperscript{a}q} ‘swelling; swell’
PT: Kilivila \textit{puku(na)} ‘boil (on lower body)’
MM: Nakanai \textit{pu-puku} ‘swollen’
\hspace{1cm} \textit{buku-a} ‘swollen, protruding’
MM: Halia \textit{puku} ‘boil, swollen sore’
MM: Madak \textit{buk} ‘boil’
MM: Patpatar \textit{buk} ‘boil on a person, usually small’
MM: Tolai \textit{buk} ‘boil, abscess’
MM: Nehan \textit{puk-puku-ana} ‘measles, skin sickness, chicken pox etc.’
MM: Halia (Haku) \textit{puku} ‘swell’
MM: Kia \textit{boku} ‘tropical ulcer, boil; swell’
SES: Bugotu \textit{puku} ‘swelling, knot, lump’
Pn: Tongan \textit{poku} ‘scabies’
POc *boto[-] probably denoted swellings in general, but its meaning has evidently narrowed to ‘sore, boil’ in NNG languages, to elephantiasis in Arosi, and to chicken pox rash in Mokilese.

POc *boto[-] probably ‘swelling’

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<td>botoboto</td>
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<td>NNG: Mangap</td>
<td>*beete</td>
<td>‘sore, ulcer’</td>
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<td>NNG: Sio</td>
<td>*boto</td>
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<td>NNG: Bariai</td>
<td>boto</td>
<td>‘ulcerated sore’</td>
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<td>NNG: Poeng</td>
<td>boto</td>
<td>‘pimple, boil’</td>
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<td>SES: Arosi</td>
<td>pʷō-pʷō</td>
<td>‘elephantiasis’</td>
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PMic *pʷoto ‘swelling’ (Bender et al. 2003)

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<td>(te)pʷoto</td>
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<td>Mic: Marshallese</td>
<td>pʷpʷec</td>
<td>‘swollen, swell, lump’</td>
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<td>Mic: Mokilese</td>
<td>(um)pʷos</td>
<td>‘sickness, chicken pox’</td>
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<td>Mic: Ponapean</td>
<td>(m)pʷos</td>
<td>‘boil, swelling, infection’</td>
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<td>Mic: Woleaian</td>
<td>φʷō, φʷφʷō</td>
<td>‘swelling’</td>
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<td>Mic: Chuukese</td>
<td>pʷō, pʷō-</td>
<td>‘swelling of any kind’</td>
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<td>Mic: Mortlockese</td>
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<td>Mic: Carolinian</td>
<td>bʷō, bʷōbʷō</td>
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5.3.2.2 Pus

POc *nanaq ‘pus’ is notable for the fact that it is retained in languages right across the Pacific, except in Polynesia.

PAn *nanaq ‘pus’ (Dempwolff 1938)

POc *nanaq ‘pus’

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<td>NNG: Kove</td>
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<td>naŋ</td>
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5.3.2.3 Stinging

POc *makini(t) ‘to be stung, have a stinging pain’ is the stative form of POc *kinit, *kinit-i- ‘to pinch, nip’ (vol.1:280).

POc *makini(t) ‘to be stung, have a stinging pain’

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<td>makili-kili ‘black gnats’</td>
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<td>NCV</td>
<td>Efate</td>
<td>makin-kini ‘itchy’</td>
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<tr>
<td>Pn</td>
<td>Tongan</td>
<td>makin ‘to have a shooting pain, e.g. hitting a funny bone, or pricking and tingling, pins and needles’</td>
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<tr>
<td>Pn</td>
<td>Pukapukan</td>
<td>makin ‘sting, slight pain’</td>
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<tr>
<td>Pn</td>
<td>Samoan</td>
<td>ma’ini ‘sting, smart’</td>
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5.3.2.4 Itching

Two formally similar but unrelated reconstructions found elsewhere, POc *kaRat-i ‘to bite’ (§4.3.5.1) and POc *karak ‘ringworm, itch’ (§5.3.3.2 below) each have scattered reflexes meaning ‘itch’. Their cognate sets listed below have been limited here to those reflexes with ‘itch’ meanings. It is possible that the loss of POc final consonants in many languages and the close association between (insect) ‘bite’ and ‘itch’ resulted in some conflation of reflexes so
that the Kaiwa, Numbami and the EOc reflexes of POc *kaRat added to their meaning the ‘itch’ sense of *karak.

PAn *kaRat ‘bite’ (Blust 1999a)

POc *kaRat (vt), *kaRat-i (vt) ‘bite’

NNG: Kaiwa alas ‘itchy’
NNG: Numbami ka-kalata ‘itchy’
SES: Bugotu yaat-i (vt) ‘to sting, bite s.t.’

PNCV *kaRa-ti ‘itchy, stinging; bite’ (Clark 2009)

NCV: Mwotlap yaj ‘to itch, bite’
NCV: Mota yara ‘to itch’
NCV: Raga yayara ‘the itch, to have the itch’
NCV: Tamambo hat-hati (vt) ‘itch, make itchy’

POc *karak ‘ringworm; to itch’

Adm: Lou kara(mosa) ‘an itch’ (mo-mosa-n ‘itchy’)
NNG: Yabem (ŋa)kala? ‘burning, itchy, scratchy, tickling, sexually excited’
NNG: Bukawa (ŋa)galak ‘itchy’
NNG: Kaulong kalek ‘to itch; to scratch’
PT: Dawawa yara-yara ‘itching’
MM: E Kara ma-yarak ‘itch’
MM: Tolai kara-karek ‘itchy’
MM: Ramoaaina kara(bi) ‘to itch, smart’
MM: Babatana kiraka ‘to itch’ (-i- for †-a-)

A number of languages across cognate sets also use their term for ‘itchy’ to mean ‘sexually excited’ (Gedaged, Buang, Yabem and Bukawa in NNG, Tolai in MM, Rennellese and Hawaiian in Pn; §4.2.2.2).

PAn *gaCel ‘itch, feel itchy’ (ACD)

PMP *gatel ‘itch’ (N); *ma-gatel ‘be itchy’ (ACD)

POc *makato ‘(be) itchy’

NNG: Medebur makato
NNG: Kaiep maket
MM: Lihir makat

cf. also:

Adm: Drehet maŋaʔatoŋ ‘itchy’ (maŋaʔati ‘to itch’)
NNG: Gedaged maga(gau) ‘to itch, lust after’
MM: Nakanai makasili ‘to itch’
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PPn *mane(s,h)o ‘itch(y), sexually titillated’ (POLLEX: *maneho)

Pn: Niuean mane ‘to itch; scabies, a tree whose leaves cause a painful sting; to be hot (of spices)’ (-h < *-s- or *-h-)
Pn: Samoan mane ‘itch’ (-s < *-s-)
Pn: E Futunan mane ‘itchy’
Pn: Rennellese mane ‘itch, sore; be sexually titillated’
Pn: Tikopia mane ‘yaws, be afflicted with yaws’
Pn: W Futunan mane ‘be itchy, the itch’
Pn: Hawaiian mane ‘itch, itchy; sexually titillated’ (-ʔ- for †-0-)

cf. also:
Adm: Lou ʔaws ‘scratch an itch’

Although PMic *kāSu is glossed ‘to scratch’ by Bender et al. (2003), most reflexes support ‘to itch’.

PMic *kāSu ‘to itch’ (Bender et al., 2003: ‘to scratch’)

Mic: Puluwatese kāt ‘to itch’
Mic: Carolinian kātu ‘be scratchy, itchy’
Mic: Woleaian kātu ‘be itchy (from eating s.t.)’
Mic: Chuukese kātu ‘to itch, scratch an itch’

5.3.2.5 Wart, cyst

Certain PMP trisyllabic roots with *-e- (*[ə]) as the nucleus of their second syllable, like PMP *buteliR ‘wart’ below, had in POc lost PMP *-e- along with the second consonant of the resulting consonant cluster (§1.3.4.2), giving in this instance POc * putiR.

PMP *buteliR ‘wart, cyst, non-purulent skin eruption’ (ACD)

POc *putiR ‘wart, cyst, non-purulent skin eruption’ (ACD)

PT: Motu husi-husi ‘pimple, wart; stye on eye’
SES: ’Are’are hui ‘wart’
SES: Sa’a uhi ‘warts on the hand’ (metathesis)
SES: Arosi uhi ‘wart on the hands’ (metathesis)
Mic: Ponapean pʷut(oniap) ‘wart’

5.3.3 Skin infections

Next are skin infections like scabies or the two most common forms of tinea, ringworm (*Tinea imbricata*) and the skin infection that causes white patches to appear on the skin (*Tinea versicolor*).
5.3.3.1 Scabies

Scabies is a highly contagious parasitic skin disease caused by the itch-mite, *Sarcoptes scabei*, and it is no coincidence that terms for the disease are similar to terms for ‘scratch’ or ‘scrape’, as noted below.

PAn *kuris* ‘scurfy skin disease, scabies’; (v) ‘scratch’ (ACD)

POc *kuri-kuri* ‘scabies’

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<td>SES:</td>
<td>Kwaio</td>
<td>koli-koli</td>
<td>‘scabies’</td>
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cf. also:

| PT:    | Motu | kahi-kahi | ‘scabies; itch’ |

PMP *karut* ‘scratch, rasp’

POc *k'aruk-k'aru*, *k'aro-k'aro* ‘k.o. skin disease, probably scabies’ (POc *k'aru(t)*, *k'arut-i*– ‘scratch with fingernails’; vol.1:237, modified by Ross 2011)

| Adm: | Lou | kor-koro | ‘patchy skin fungus’ |
| MM:  | Nehan | kar-karu ana | ‘rash’ |
| NCV: | Lewo | koro-koro | ‘k.o. skin disease’ |
| NCV: | Nguna | koro(a) | ‘scabies, rough surface’ (koro ‘scratch, scrape’) |
| NCV: | Avaya | koro-koro | ‘scabies’ |
| NCV: | Nāti | nū-kar | ‘scabies’ |
| Fij:  | Bauan | kar-karo | ‘scabies’ |

Dictionary-makers of Papua New Guinea languages tend to attribute reflexes of POc *k'asi-k'asi* below to borrowing from Tok Pisin *kaskas* ‘scabies’. Some reflexes may indeed have a Tok Pisin origin, but the presence of Polynesian reflexes indicate (a) that POc *k'asi-k'asi* should be reconstructed, and (b) that an Oceanic language is the source of Tok Pisin *kaskas*. The Polynesian reflexes indicate that PPN *kasi* denoted scrofula, eruptions around the neck caused by a bacterial infection of local lymph nodes, but this shift in denotation is not a surprising one, as scabies also causes skin eruptions.

POc *k'asi-k'asi* ‘scabies’ (cf. POc *k'asi[-]’ ‘scratch, scratch’; *k'asi* ‘scraper made from mussel shell’; vol.1:240–241, modified by Ross 2011)

| NNG: | Yabem | kasi | ‘scabies, itch, rash’ |
| NNG: | Kaulong | ma-kas | ‘ringworm, tinea (?)’ (ma- < PMP *ma-* ‘stative’) |
| MM:  | Nakanai | kasi-kasi | ‘scabies’ |
| MM:  | Patpatar | kas-kās | ‘scabies’ (kas ‘scrape’) |

5 Blust (ACD) reconstructs PAn *karut* ‘scrape, rasp’, but the Formosan reflexes mean ‘rake’. The ACD’s Malayo-Polynesian reflexes, however, appear to be cognate with the POc term reconstructed here (Isneg kārut ‘sharpen the edge of a tool by means of another blade’, Cebuano kalút ‘scratch an itch’, Malay karut ‘rasp’). Hence we reconstruct to PMP rather than PAn.
Ringworm, *Tinea imbricata*

The English term ‘ringworm’ is a misnomer, as the skin infections it labels are caused by fungi. One of these is *Tinea imbricata*, found mainly in and around the Pacific, and caused by the fungus *Trichophyton concentricum*. It appears as an eruption of concentric rings of overlapping scales which often covers much of the sufferer’s body. The main POc term for *Tinea imbricata* was *punī*, which reflects a sound change discussed in §1.3.4.2.

POc *punī* ‘ringworm, *Tinea imbricata*’ (ACD)

As noted in §5.3.2.4, POc *karak* perhaps also primarily denoted ‘ringworm’ and had itching as a secondary sense.

POc *karak* ‘ringworm; to itch’
MM: Tolai kara-kare(n) ‘a person covered with ringworm and therefore without hair on the body; an abusive term’

Fij: Bauan kara ‘ringworm’

Fij: Wayan kara ‘skin disease in which pale spots appear on the skin’ (probably *tinea versicolor)

Proto Malaita-Makira (SES) *garat-a ‘ringworm’ looks superficially like an irregular development from POc *karak above, but this is probably a chance resemblance. The form *garat-a is a nominalisation with *-a (< POc *-ay) of a root reflected without nominalisation in To’aba’ita ma-gara (vi) ‘be covered with sores or a skin condition such as scabies’. Its POc antecedent would be †*garas, for which we have no other evidence.

Proto Malaita-Makira *garat-a ‘ringworm’ (*-a NOMINALISER)

SES: Lau garata ‘ringworm’

SES: To’aba’ita garata, karata ‘skin disease, tinea, ringworm’

SES: Kwaio kalata ‘ringworm; afflicted with ringworm’

SES: ’Are’are karata ‘ringworm’

SES: Sa’a karata ‘ringworm’

5.3.3.3  *Tinea versicolor* alias pityriasis versicolor or tinea flava

*Tinea versicolor* is known as ‘white spot’ across much of Melanesia. Caused by the yeast *Malassezia globosa*, the infection leads to skin eruptions. These result in pigmentary changes in people with dark skin tones that leave lighter patches of skin. The POc term for white spot, supported by non-Oceanic cognates as far away as the Philippines, was *pano, but reflected in just a few Oceanic languages. Recorded under ‘cf. also’ below are Papuan Tip terms that appear to reflect †*pana(k,q) or †*pana(r,R). They remain unexplained.

PMP *panaw ‘fungus infection which produces light patches on the skin: Tinea flava or Pityriasis’ (ACD)

POc *pano ‘skin disease which produces light patches on the skin, *Tinea versicolor*

MM: Nakanai palu-lu ‘have hives-like swelling’

SES: ’Are’are hano ‘a skin disease, white spots without scales’

SES: Sa’a hano ‘a skin disease, small white spots on the skin, but no scales’

cf. also:

PT: Gumawana vana ‘lightened skin pigment’

PT: Kilivila vana ‘eczema’

PT: Gapapaiwa vanaya ‘disease called “white spot”’

PT: Iduna vanala ‘k.o. ringworm (on scalp)’

The set below supports only a Proto Remote Oceanic reconstruction. The Longgu term, disqualified as a reflex by its initial t-, was probably borrowed from a reflex in another (unidentified) Guadalcanal language. If so, the reconstruction would be raised to PEOc. The
cognacy of the Tawala term below is suspect on both semantic and formal grounds (Tawala $d$- $< \text{POc } *d$, $*dr$ or $*$).

**PROc $*tani$** ‘disease characterised by pale patches on skin’

- Mic: Ponapean $\tilde{\text{c}}\text{en}-\tilde{\text{c}}\text{en}$ ‘disease characterised by pale patches on skin’ (Christian 1899:37)
- Mic: Kiribati $\text{tan}$-$\text{tan}$ ‘spotted, as skin’
- Mic: Marshallese $\text{can}$ ‘skin disease, white spots on skin’
- Fij: Bauan $\text{dani}$ ‘chloasma, spots or discolouration of skin; tinea’

**PPn $*tane$** ‘skin disease, tinea’ (**POLLEX**)

- Pn: Tongan $\text{tane}$ (N,v) ‘skin disease, pityriasis, k.o. skin disease’
- Pn: Samoan $\text{tane}$ ‘name given to various skin conditions included tinea’
- Pn: Tikopia $\text{tane}$ ‘light skin patch in colour, not disease’
- Pn: Hawaiian $\text{kane}$ ‘tinea’

cf. also:

- PT: Tawala $\text{dani}$ ‘scratch, rash or irritation from scrub or grass’
- SES: Longgu $\text{tani}$ ‘white spot, skin infection that causes white patches to appear on the skin’ (borrowing)

5.3.4 **Yaws (Framboesia)**

Yaws is considered to be among the earliest diseases known to man, and must have been present among Austronesian speakers prior to their movement into the Pacific. The disease occurs in tropical regions and begins as an inflammatory lesion through which bacteria enter the body as a result of direct contact with an already infected person. The disease manifests itself in the form of raspberry-like nodules on the skin which may become deep open sores, and in severe cases, result in facial scars and bone deformity. It is common among children who typically develop sores around the mouth and anus, but confers a degree of immunity so that secondary, more crippling stages that can result in bone lesions are more likely in those whose first exposure is as adults (McNeill 1976:177, 218). Once widespread in New Guinea, yaws is now almost totally eradicated, and terms for the condition have largely fallen into disuse within the last fifty or so years.

Languages in the region would no doubt have had a number of terms for the different stages of yaws and for the disease as it affects different parts of the body. (Babatana terms include $\text{tapae sua}$ ‘secondary yaws - ulcers’ ($\text{tapa}$ ‘ulcer’, $\text{sua}$ ‘child’), $\text{boka}$ ‘yaws affecting mouth and chin’, $\text{nore}$ ‘yaws affecting the nose’, $\text{magogele}$ ‘yaws affecting bone’ and so on.)

A number of terms have been located for the raspberry-like nodules once commonly found in children (PCP $*\text{tona}$ ‘skin blemishes caused by yaws’), while some cognates included under reconstructions for painful skin conditions above, such as in POc $*\text{manuka}$, ‘ulcer, sore, wound’ (§5.3.2.1), may refer to these sores. Indeed, the unprefixed form of this term, PAn $*\text{Luka}$/PMP $*\text{luka}$, gave rise to POc $*\text{luka}$, the term for yaws. Oceanic reflexes are restricted.

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* Analysis of *Homo erectus* skeletal remains suggests the disease yaws had its origins in Middle Pleistocene Africa 1.5 million years ago (Mark Rose 1996, Yaws origin. In *Newsbrief* 49(3), report of the Archaeological Institute of America (www.archaeology.org/9605/newsbriefs/yaws.html)).
to the Southeast Solomonic subgroup, but the existence of non-Oceanic cognates (Banggai
(wMP) *nuka, Selaru (CMP) *nu [ACD]) with this sense supports the POc reconstruction. The
loss of the first *-k- of PSES *luka-luka reflects a regular reduplication process (Andrew
Pawley, pers. comm.).

PAn *Luka ‘sore, wound’, *ma-Luka ‘wounded’ (ACD)
POc *luka ‘yaws’

PSES *luka-luka ‘yaws in adults’
SES: Bugotu lua-luka ‘yaws’
SES: Lau lu-luka ‘yaws in adults’
SES: To’aba’ita lū-luka ‘yaws’
cf. also:
PT: Molima liliʔu ‘a skin ailment which produces sores around the
mouth and on palms and soles, and affects liver’
lolaʔa-laʔa ‘a rash; loss of nose’ (unexpected vowels)
MM: Nakanai (ma)lulu ‘skin disease, sometimes fatal’

There is evidently a belief among some Central Pacific communities that the marks left by
octopus sucker on the skin are similar to skin blemishes caused by yaws (Geraghty 1986).

PCP *jona ‘yaws; octopus sucker’ (Geraghty 1986)
Fij: Rotuman jona ‘be afflicted with or suffer from yaws’
Fij: Bauan tona ‘yaws’
Pn: Tongan tona ‘yaws’
Pn: Rennellese tona ‘skin blemish, suction cups of octopus tentacle’
Pn: Samoan tona ‘yaws’
Pn: Rarotongan tona ‘yaws’
Pn: Tikopia tona ‘tropical ulcer, yaws’ (maye, tona, para in or-
der of severity)
Pn: Maori tona ‘wart, excrescence’
cf. also:
SES: To’aba’ita tona ‘ulcer on soles of feet, appears with yaws’ (bor-
rowing)

5.3.5 Fever, malaria

Was malaria endemic among the speakers of Proto Oceanic? Linguistics does not provide an
answer to this question. Reconstructions carry glosses no more precise than ‘be hot’, ‘be cold’,
‘tremble’, ‘shiver’ and so on, conditions which have a range of causes but are symptoms of
malaria. Nor is the malaria-carrying mosquito found in Micronesia, New Caledonia, Fiji or
Polynesia. Proto Malaita-Makira *mataki ‘malaria, to have malaria’ is reconstructable, but this
is a reflex of POc *masakī ‘be sick’ (§5.3.1), the specific reference to malaria apparently
limited to the southeast Solomons. There are today two main strains of malaria in New Guinea,
transmitted by Plasmodium vivax and P. falciparum by way of certain species of the Anopheles
mosquito. *P. vivax* can lodge in the liver, causing a relapse up to two years after the initial infection, and can be easily transported with its human hosts. It is considered to be of Southeast Asian rainforest origin, and, where it is long-established in a stable population, can result in a degree of tolerance in its victims (Groube 1993:168, 171). Groube, a prehistorian, writes (p.169) that ‘it would be incredible, considering the proximity of Southeast Asia (the possible homeland of *P. vivax*), if this parasite was not introduced [to New Guinea] before the end of the Pleistocene.’ *P. falciparum*, on the other hand, is of African origin. The resultant illness, although non-relapsing, is more virulent than that transmitted by *P. vivax*. As the parasite cannot survive within its host beyond the duration of its initial infection, it requires large host populations moving rapidly for successful migration. It is considered a latecomer to Melanesia, its arrival ‘unlikely to have been much before a thousand years ago’ (p.168), i.e. more than two thousand years after the initial dispersal of Proto Oceanic speakers.

Almost all verbs in the data with the meaning ‘be ill with malaria’ are from SES or NCV languages. They are either from POc *malaso* ‘be cold’ (Gela *malaho* ‘cold, chill; to be cold, chilly; malaria, to be ill with malaria’, Lo-Toga *mela* ‘cold, fever, malaria’) or POc *riri/*rere ‘tremble, shiver’, variants of POc *ma-ridriŋ* ‘(s.o.) cold’. For supporting evidence see §4.7.6 and §4.8.1.

### 5.3.6 Rheumatism, arthritis

A single POc reconstruction is proposed for ‘inflammation of joints’, *ŋu-ŋu(l)*. Although Oceanic cognates are all Polynesian, the existence of a PMP reconstruction *ŋu-ŋul* ‘arthritic or rheumatic pain’ indicates that there was a POc reflex. Instances of gout, a disease evidently suffered by Austronesian populations from Taiwan to Polynesia (Buckley 2007) are in places identified by this term.

**PMP *ŋuŋul* ‘arthritic or rheumatic pain’ (ACD)**

POc *ŋu-ŋul* ‘inflammation of joints’

PPn *ŋu-ŋu* ‘rheumatism, arthritis’ (POLLEX)

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<td>Pukapukan</td>
<td>(maki) ŋuŋu</td>
<td>‘rheumatic pain’</td>
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<td>Pn:</td>
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<td>‘name given to a number of complaints, including rheumatism, gout, arthritis, etc.’</td>
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<td>Pn:</td>
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<td>ŋuŋu</td>
<td>‘rheumatism; lameness’</td>
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<td>Pn:</td>
<td>Hawaiian</td>
<td>munu</td>
<td>‘swollen, puffed up; to swell’</td>
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cf. also:

| MM:       | Nakanai | golu      | ‘painful condition of the bones’ (Chowning) |

### 5.3.7 Asthma, breathlessness

Asthma was probably not recognised as a sickness by pre-modern Oceanic speakers, who referred to it by terms for breathlessness. Two POc terms are reconstructed, *ŋaŋa(p)* and *ŋaRa* (for discussion see §4.5.2). A PPn term, *sela*, is also reconstructable.
*ŋaRa* ‘be breathless, pant’ (Geraghty 1990: PEOc)

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<td>ŋara</td>
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<td>MM: Roviana</td>
<td>ŋa-ŋara</td>
<td>‘open the mouth, open as shellfish’</td>
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<td>NCV: Mota</td>
<td>ŋala</td>
<td>‘be out of breath, pant, be tired’</td>
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<td>NCV: Ninde</td>
<td>ŋaxa</td>
<td>‘breathe, be out of breath, asthmatic’</td>
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<td>Fij: Wayan</td>
<td>ŋā</td>
<td>‘catch liquid in a container or by holding the mouth open under running water’</td>
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<td>Fij: Bauan</td>
<td>ŋā</td>
<td>‘opening of mouth, gaping action; catch water in the mouth and drink it as it runs’</td>
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Pn *ŋā* ‘breathe, pant’ (POLLEX)

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<td>‘pant, struggle for breath, as with asthma’</td>
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<td>‘open the mouth, as a thirsty cormorant or dog’</td>
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<td>Pn: Tikopia</td>
<td>ŋā</td>
<td>‘screech, utter hoarse cry’</td>
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<td>Pn: Rarotongan</td>
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<td>‘pant, gasp’</td>
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<td>Pn: Maori</td>
<td>ŋā</td>
<td>‘take breath, breathe; make a hoarse harsh noise, screech’</td>
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<td>Pn: Hawaiian</td>
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<td>‘moan, groan, wail’</td>
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cf. also:

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<td>‘breathe hard, pant’</td>
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<td>MM: Nakanai</td>
<td>lala(hate)</td>
<td>‘breathe, sigh’ (hate ‘liver, innards’)</td>
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<td>MM: Ramoaaina</td>
<td>yoro-ŋoro</td>
<td>‘pant, be breathless, be out of breath’ (conflates reflexes of *ŋaRa ‘pant’ and *ŋorok ‘grunt’)</td>
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<td>MM: Roviana</td>
<td>ŋa-ŋaha</td>
<td>‘pant with exertion’</td>
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PPn *sela* ‘asthma, gasp for breath’

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5.3.8 Coughing

The English term is vague, referring to anything from throat-clearing to severe paroxysms. Perhaps the POc terms were more specific. Two POc terms, *koso (vi), koso-ŋa (n) and *puku(R)/PROc *puRuk, both glossed ‘cough’, have been reconstructed: for cognate sets see §4.5.7.

5.3.9 Diarrhoea

Oceanic languages often describe diarrhoea in descriptive or euphemistic terms (cf. English ‘trots’, ‘runs’), like these three PT languages: Bunama gamʷa-pili [stomach-run], Dobu diya-salisali [intestine-rot/melt], lamalele kamo taitai-na [stomach landslide-its]. Similarly Sye (SV) ne-vcah norari [the-faeces flow].

Nonetheless, two monomorphemic POc reconstructions have been made, *surup and, less secure, *sana. Reflexes of the first are well distributed.

POc *surup ‘diarrhoea’

| NNG: Mutu | suruv | ‘have diarrhoea’ |
| PT: Kilivila | solu | ‘diarrhoea, dysentery’ |
| MM: Kia | suru | ‘diarrhoea’ |
| MM: Babatana | suru | ‘diarrhoea’ |
| | moro suru | ‘dysentery’ (moro ‘ill’) |
| MM: Marine | s(n)uru | ‘have diarrhoea’ |
| MM: Roviana | huru | ‘diarrhoea’ |
| SES: Bugotu | su-suru | ‘diarrhoea’ |
| SES: Gela | suru | ‘diarrhoea’ |
| | suru gabu | ‘dysentery’ (gabu ‘blood’) |
| NCV: Mota | si-sire | ‘looseness of bowels, diarrhoea’ |
| NCV: Lewo | suru | ‘defaecate’ |
| NCV: Namakir | si-sirieʔ | ‘have diarrhoea’ |
| NCV: Nguna | siro | ‘have diarrhoea’ |

The POc status of *sana depends on Kilivila -solu being a reflex, as no other non-Polynesian reflexes have been found.

POc *sana ‘diarrhoea’

| PT: Kilivila | (i)sola | ‘diarrhoea, dysentery’ |
| Pn: Tongan | hana | (vi) ‘be loose in the bowels, have diarrhoea’ |
| Pn: E Úvean | sana | |
| Pn: E Futunan | sana | |
| Pn: Samoan | sana(toto) | ‘dysentery’ |
| Pn: K’marangi | hana-hana | |

cf. also:

| Fij: Rotuman | sana | ‘have diarrhoea’ (borrowed from Pn) |
Terms for dysentery are typically compounds that include a term for ‘blood’: Gedaged *tae dael* [excrement blood]; Roviana *pea ehara* [defecate blood]; Gela *suru gabu*, Tongan *hana toto*, Samoan *sana toto* [diarrhoea blood].

5.3.10 Vomiting

Two POc reconstructions for the verb ‘vomit’, *mʷutaq* and *luaq*, are well-supported, each having antecedents at least as far back as PMP. They are discussed in §4.4.4.

5.3.11 Swelling, elephantiasis

Although swelling is a symptom of a wide range of afflictions, wordlists tend to single out one particular highly visible form, elephantiasis. This is the term given to gross swelling of parts of the body, typically legs or scrotum, a late-stage, chronic condition of filariasis. The disease is caused by nematode parasites in the lymph glands of the body, and is transmitted via various species of mosquito including Anopheles, the species also responsible for malaria transmission. Early stages of the disease are often accompanied by severe rigor and fever, and may be mistaken for malaria. Elephantiasis is present in the entire Oceanic region, including Polynesia and Micronesia. The particular form of filaria found in most of Oceania (due to *Wuchereria bancrofti*) is also widely distributed through the warmer parts of Asia (Sasa 1976).

One reconstruction, POc *pʰiRa*, refers specifically to elephantiasis. POc *tubuq* is a generic term meaning ‘to swell’, but may be compounded with the relevant body-part term, such as a reflex of POc *qage* ‘leg’ or *laso* ‘testicles’ to refer to elephantiasis.

POc *pʰiRa* is reconstructed, rather than *puRa*, to account for the numerous reflexes that do not undergo the lenition of the initial consonant that is expected of *p*- but not of *pʰ-.*

POc *pʰiRa* ‘elephantiasis’ (Geraghty 1990: *puRa*)

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<th>Adm:</th>
<th>Lou</th>
<th>pi</th>
<th>‘filariasis, swelling of leg’</th>
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<td>NNG:</td>
<td>Gedaged</td>
<td>pile-n</td>
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<td>Gitua</td>
<td>pira</td>
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<td>Bugotu</td>
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<td>SES:</td>
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<td>lupa</td>
<td>‘a disease that causes the body to swell up’ (metathesis)</td>
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<td>SES:</td>
<td>Arosi</td>
<td>pura</td>
<td>‘dropsy, elephantiasis’ (for †hura)</td>
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<td>SES:</td>
<td>Sa’a</td>
<td>pule</td>
<td>‘elephantiasis, dropsy’</td>
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<td>NCV:</td>
<td>Mota</td>
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<td>‘elephantiasis’</td>
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<td>NCV:</td>
<td>Lewo</td>
<td>pula</td>
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<td>Mic:</td>
<td>Chuukic</td>
<td>piri</td>
<td>‘hard growth or lump under the skin’</td>
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<td>Mic:</td>
<td>Kosraean</td>
<td>pili</td>
<td>‘mumps, have mumps’</td>
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<td>Mic:</td>
<td>Mokilese</td>
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<td>‘lymph nodes’</td>
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<td>Pn:</td>
<td>Tongan</td>
<td>fua</td>
<td>‘elephantiasis’ (<em>veve-fua</em> ‘of legs’, <em>loho-fua</em> ‘of testicle’ etc.)</td>
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<td>Pn:</td>
<td>Niuean</td>
<td>(hui)fua</td>
<td>‘elephantiasis’ (lit. ‘leg swell’)</td>
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Health and disease

Pn: Samoan fiau-fiau 'abscess, pimple'
Pn: Tikopia (faka)foa 'swelling on body'

POc *tubuq may be used for all kinds of swelling, both desirable and undesirable, including growth of tubers (vol.1:134). A nominalised form, PEOc *tubuga 'general term for swelling' is also reconstructable, but the initial syllable is lost in Polynesia. For swelling as it applies to boils and the like, see §5.3.2.1.

PMP *tu(m)buq 'grow, thrive, swell' (Blust 1986)
POc *tubuq ‘to grow, swell’

NNG: Numbami tubu 'grow, fatten'
PT: Kilivila tob*awa 'elephantiasis'
PT: Kukuya (ae) tubu-tubu 'elephantiasis' (of leg ae)
PT: Molima (ae) tubu-tubu 'elephantiasis of the legs'
PT: Motu tubu 'grow; ferment; swell'
PT: Bwaidoga tubuga 'grow large, swell'
PT: Mekeo ufu 'swell'
MM: Nehan tubu 'a boil'
MM: Teop subu 'swell'
MM: Roviana tubu 'sore, ulcer'
SES: Bugotu tubu 'swell; a simple ulcer; an ulcerous person'
SES: Lau ūbu 'swell, as a boil; a swelling, boil'
SES: Kwaio ūbu-a 'swollen'
SES: Sa’a upu (vi) 'swell in body'
SES: Arosi ūbu 'swell'
NCV: Port Sandwich tö*b 'swell, swollen'
NCV: Ninde til*b 'swell'
NCal: Yuanga kti*bu 'swell'
NCal: Nemi hi*guk 'swell'
Mic: pi tibu 'swell, swelling, swollen'
Fij: Wayan tubu 'grow'
Fij: Bauan tubu (vi) 'grow, increase; (n) ‘a rash, any disease that rises above the skin’
Pn: Tongan tupu (vi) 'grow, rise, swell'
Pn: Pukapukan tupu 'grow, develop'
Pn: Samoan tupu 'grow, break out, happen'; (n) 'growth'
Pn: Tikopia tupu 'grow, change into; abnormal growth, swelling'

cf. also:
Pn: Samoan tupa7 'elephantiasis'

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* Samoans may refer to a leg swollen by elephantiasis as vae-tupa. Stair (1983:170) translates this as ‘crab-claw leg’, from vae ‘leg’, tupa ‘a species of land crab with very large claws’. This may be a folk etymology. Curiously, the disease may also be called lele-fele (lele ‘octopus’).
PEOc *tubuŋa ‘general term for swelling’ (-ŋa ‘nominaliser’)

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<td>SES: Lau</td>
<td>ābuŋa</td>
<td>‘small swelling’</td>
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<td>SES: To’aba’ita</td>
<td>ābuŋa</td>
<td>‘general term for any k.o. swelling on the body’</td>
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cf. also:

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<td>puŋa</td>
<td>‘abscess, esp. between legs or under arm’ (Pn loan)</td>
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PPn *puŋa ‘swelling, abscess’ (loss of initial syllable)

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<td>‘abscess in armpit’</td>
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<td>Pn: Samoan</td>
<td>puŋa</td>
<td>‘inflammation of inguinal lymphatic gland’</td>
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<td>Pn: Tahitian</td>
<td>puŋa</td>
<td>‘disease accompanied by a swelling’ (for ʔpuʔa)</td>
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<td>Pn: Maori</td>
<td>puŋa</td>
<td>‘swelling, lump’</td>
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<td>Pn: Tuamotuan</td>
<td>puŋa</td>
<td>‘lump, knob, protuberance’</td>
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POc *popo(l) (with antecedent PMP *belbel), evidently referred to bodily swelling caused by water retention, but only a single Oceanic cognate has been traced.

PMP *belbel ‘hydropoesia, bodily swelling caused by water retention’ (ACD)
POc *popo(l) ‘hydropoesia, bodily swelling caused by water retention’ (ACD)

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<td>SES: Arosi</td>
<td>hoho</td>
<td>‘swelling on woman’s body’</td>
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5.3.12 Epilepsy

Although no POc reconstruction for epilepsy has been made, a number of clues suggest that the convulsions of an epileptic fit were seen as similar to the sudden movements of some birds. For instance, Sa’a has a term kokoko which refers to ‘a bird, the megapode’ and also to ‘a disease and its convulsions, so called in allusion to the startled movements of the megapode when discovered’. Tongan has a term mahaki-moa ‘to be epileptic’ (mahaki ‘illness’, moa ‘fowl’). Wayan Fijian uses a similar metaphor, manumanu-ni-soni (manu ‘flying creature’, soni ‘vine used to trap bats, which struggle to get free’. Two manu terms from SES languages, Arosi manu and ’Are are manu susuru (susuru ‘?’) also mean ‘epilepsy’.

5.3.13 Eye disorders

Blust (ACD) reconstructs PMP doublets for ‘cataract’, *bileR and *bulaR, both of which appear to have Oceanic reflexes, which have broadened their meaning to include sight impairments and blindness generally and have acquired the additional sense ‘close one’s eyes’. The latter is used as a metaphor for blindness in various WOc languages, e.g. Mangap mata- i-pis, Takia mala- i-tau, both [eye- it-closed] ‘blind’.

PMP *bileR ‘cataract of the eye’ (ACD)
POc *piloR ‘close one’s eyes; blind; be sight-impaired’ (ACD: *piloR ‘blind’)

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<td>MM: Patpatar</td>
<td>pulo</td>
<td>‘blind; blind person; close eyes’</td>
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<td>NCV: Tamambo</td>
<td>b*-elu-b*-elu</td>
<td>‘shut eyes’</td>
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<td>NCV: W Ambrym</td>
<td>b*-il</td>
<td>‘close eyes’</td>
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<td>NCV: Uripiv</td>
<td>-p*-il</td>
<td>‘close eyes’</td>
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NCV: Lewo -p*elu 'close eyes'
NCV: Namakir p*il 'blind'
NCV: Nguna p*i'ili 'close the eyes' (final -i unexpected)
       p*i'ili 'blind; blind person'
Mic: Marshallese pilo 'blind; trachoma; inflamed eye; not see well'

PAn *bulaR 'cataract of the eye' (ACD)
POc *(pula(R) (v) 'close one’s eyes; blind’; (N) ‘cataract’

   MM: Ramoaaina pula 'be blind; close one’s eyes'
   MM: Tolai pula 'be blind, short sighted, have blight; blindness’
   SES: Sa’a hu-hule 'cataract'
PPn *(pula ‘foreign body in eye’
   Pn: Tikopia pura 'difficult to see, murky'
   Pn: Hawaiian pura 'have s.t. in eye’
   Pn: Maori pura 'foreign body in eye, impairment of vision’
   Pn: Tuamotuan pura 'any small foreign substance in eye’
cf. also:
   Adm: Seimat pulaxa 'blind’ (borrowed?)

   A single Oceanic reflex supported by one from wMP permits a POc reconstruction for ‘cross-eyed’.

PMP *zilak ‘cross-eyed’ (ACD)
POc *(j,s)ila ‘be cross-eyed’

   Fij: Rotuman cila 'squint, be cross-eyed’

   Oceanic languages frequently use a reflex of *mata- ‘eye’ with a range of modifiers to refer
to various eye conditions including cataracts, squinting, conjunctivitis, trachoma and
undifferentiated blindness. For the latter, typical compounds are ‘eye’ + ‘closed’ (see above)
and ‘eye’ + ‘night/dark’, although no bimorphic reconstruction has been possible. Pukapukan,
for instance, has matapō ‘blind’ (from POc *mata- + *boŋi ‘night/dark’). To’aba’ita has mā-
rodoa ‘any serious eye condition that prevents good vision’, and Lau has mā-rodo
‘blind’ (both from POc *mata- + *rodom ‘be dark, be night’).

5.3.14 Deafness and dumbness
The PMP antecedent of POc *tuli evidently referred to ‘earwax’, but the POc cognates extend
the meaning to ‘deaf’. Examples with final -e may represent independent instances of lowering
of -i to -e. For further discussion and a further cognates, see §3.8.2

PMP *tuli, *tilu ‘earwax’ (ACD)
POc *tuli ‘deaf, earwax’

   PT: Kiriwina tuli 'deaf, crazy’
   PT: Dobu (tena) tui 'deafness’ (tena ‘ear’) (tenana ‘i tui ‘be deaf”)
Commonly associated with deafness is the inability to speak. Two further POc reconstructions are proposed, one with pre-Oceanic antecedents.

- **PMP** *beŋel ‘deaf’ (ACD)
- **PCEMP** *beŋel ‘mute, unable to speak’ (ACD)

The inability to speak that is commonly associated with deafness is in some communities also considered a sign of mental deficiency or stupidity. Note the glosses of the Kiriwina item in the *tuli set, the Ramoaaina item in the *bonjol set and the Kaulong item in the. *p²apo set. Examples from other languages include Yabem melo? ‘insane, dull, foolish, deaf and dumb, epileptic’, Tawala bade-bade ‘insane, deaf and dumb, naked’, Kiriwina nagowa ‘deaf, dumb, insane’. Tolai beg-beg ‘deaf, dumb; fool, idiot’, Arosi bweu ‘be foolish, stupid, thick-witted, deaf and dumb’, ‘Are’are peu ‘dull, foolish, idiotic, insane, be in a trance, be deaf and dumb’.
5.3.15 Tooth decay and toothache

There is a widespread belief among Austronesian speakers that dental caries is caused by a small worm. Both the creature and the associated condition are named in different languages by reflexes of various reconstructed terms for ‘worm’. Blust comments on two wMP languages, Cebuano and Malagasy, whose reflexes of PAn *gulej ‘maggot’ refer also to ‘tooth decay’ or ‘toothache, supposed to be occasioned by a small worm in the tooth’ (ACD). Other wMP languages refer to tooth decay by reflexes of PMP *bukbuk ‘weevil that infests wood, bamboo, and rice; dust produced by the boring of this insect; tooth decay’ (ACD). Dobu (PT) has a term kim'ata ‘the supposed insect which causes caries in children’, from m'ata ‘snake’. The To’aba’ita (SES) term is wā-lifo ‘tooth decay, believed to be caused by worms’ (wā ‘worm, grub, maggot, caterpillar, larva’, lifo ‘tooth’). Codrington also reports the belief as existing in the Banks Islands (NCV), but gives no terms (1891:193).

In some languages toothache is referred to simply by a compound, ‘tooth’ + ‘pain’ or similar.

5.3.16 Giddiness

Cognates from Seimat and Tolai support POc *ta-lili ‘(be) dizzy’ (PMP *ta- SPONTANEOUS; §1.3.5.4) while Polynesian cognates support PPn *lili-ka (POc *-ka adjective formative). Other terms reflect *lili in combination with still other affixes. Western Micronesian languages reflect a stem *aliali, which presumably arose as a variant of *lili.

POc *lili, *talili ‘(be) dizzy’

Adm: Seimat (pula) tali-talia ‘giddy’ (‘eye revolving’)
NNG: Gedaged (ki)lili ‘giddy, vertiginous; to faint’
NNG: Manam (soa)lili (vi) ‘be dizzy’ (soa ‘very much’)
MM: Tolai talili (vi) ‘be dizzy or giddy’
SES: Lau lili(ni) ‘giddy from too much betel chewing’
Fij: Wayan lili(bō) ‘dizzy’
Pn: Tongan lili(ka) ‘be giddy, feel like falling from a height’
Pn: Samoan lili(τa) ‘feel giddy’
Pn: Tikopia rī(ka) ‘get off balance’
Pn: Emae riri(ka) ‘feel dizzy, experience vertigo’

Proto Western Micronesian *m'α-ali-ali ‘circle, circling, dizzy’ (Bender et al. 2003)

Mic: Ponapean m'α-alis ‘be dizzy’
Mic: Mokilese m'e-elēl ‘dizzy’
Mic: Chuukese m'æ-æriyen ‘dizziness, be dizzy’
Mic: Puluwatese m'æ-æliyel ‘be dizzy, confused’
Mic: Carolinian m'æ-æliyel ‘dizzy’
Mic: Woleaian m'α-aliyeli ‘be dizzy, giddy, dazed’

Many Oceanic languages use an eye-related metaphor, especially ‘eye’ + spin’.

Adm: Seimat (pula) tali-talia ‘giddy’ (‘eye revolving’)
PT: Motu mata madai-madai ‘giddy’ (madai ‘going round’)
PPn had the term *[ni]nimo for dizziness or vertigo.

PPn *[ni]nimo ‘vertigo’ (POLLEX)

Pn: Tongan  ni-nimo ‘suffer from vertigo, dizziness, giddiness’
Pn: E Futunan  ninimo ‘vertigo’
Pn: Pukapukan  (takaj)nimo-nimo ‘giddiness’
  nini(wi) ‘move unsteadily, be giddy’
Pn: Tikopia  nimo ‘clouded, swimming, of vision’
Pn: Tokelauan  ni-nimo ‘move round in a circle, be confused in mind, be giddy, dizzy’

cf. also:
Pn: Samoan  nini(va) ‘feel giddy’

5.3.17 Club-footed

Club foot is a relatively common congenital deformity whereby the affected foot appears to have been rotated internally at the ankle. It is seen rarely in western communities because it is successfully treated in early childhood, but without treatment people with club feet often appear to walk on their ankles or on the sides of their feet.

The only cognate set with this meaning allows a PCP reconstruction.

PCP *sape ‘malformed, of foot, club-footed’ (Milke 1961)

Fij:  Bauan  sabe ‘stiff-legged, unable to bend the knee’
Pn:  Tongan  hape ‘malformed, of foot’
Pn:  E Futunan  sape ‘malformed (foot)’
Pn:  Samoan  sape ‘malformed, of foot’
Pn:  Tikopia  sape ‘club-footed, deformed of foot’
Pn:  Tahitian  hape ‘faulty, malformed, mistaken’
Pn:  Hawaiian  hape ‘faulty’

5.3.18 Madness

In §5.3.14 it was noted that the inability to speak that is commonly associated with deafness is in some communities considered a sign of mental deficiency or stupidity. Communities will also have a term for someone whose behaviour is considered suddenly abnormal. Although its reflexes are not widely distributed, POc *ŋau ‘crazy’ can be reconstructed. PPn *fasa ‘mad, crazy’ is also reconstructable.

POc *ŋau ‘crazy’

Adm:  Titan  yow ‘crazy, silly’
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Adm: Nyindrou ňoi ‘crazy, silly’
NNG: Takia -ŋao-ŋ ‘ignorant, stupid, confused’
NNG: Manam ŋao (vi) ‘be crazy’
    ŋao-ŋao (adj) ‘crazy’
NNG: Mangseng ŋo-ŋoŋ ‘crazy person’
    ŋo-ŋoŋ-a ‘crazy’

PPn *fasa ‘mad, crazy’ (pollex: ‘insane’)
    Pn: Tongan faha ‘mad, insane’
    faha-faha ‘act like a lunatic, rave’
    Pn: E Uvean faha ‘mad, furious, frantic’
    Pn: Rennellese hasa-hasa ‘wail, groan, moan’
    Pn: Samoan fasa ‘delirious’

5.4 Healing

5.4.1 Natural healing

Healing may occur naturally, without human intervention. POc *mapo ‘heal, be healed, cured’ is well supported across major subgroups, with particular application to wounds and sores, although in some languages its reflexes refer also to recovery from illness.

POc *mapo ‘heal, be healed, cured, especially of wounds and sores’

Adm: Mussau mao ‘heal, recover’
Adm: Lou m‘ap ‘heal’
NNG: Gedaged mao ‘heal, return to a sound state’
NNG: Gitua mawu ‘healed’
PT: Kilivila (ku)mov (vi) ‘heal’ (vowel metath.)
MM: Bola mavu ‘healed, of sore or wound’
MM: Tolai map (vi, vt) ‘heal, of a wound’
MM: Tangga maf ‘heal’
MM: Halia maho (vi) ‘heal, as sore or wound’
MM: Maringe mafọ (vi) ‘heal, be cured, recover from pain, injury or illness’
SES: Bugotu mavo ‘to heal up, be healed’
SES: Longgu mavo (vi) ‘to be healed’
SES: Lau mafọ ‘to be healed’
SES: To’aba’ita mafọ (vi) ‘heal, be healed’
NCV: Mwotlap maw ‘heal, heal over as a wound’
NCV: Mota mawo ‘heal, heal over as a wound’
SV: Lenakel amav ‘heal, be healed’
SV: Anejom mah ‘heal, be healed’
Mic: Kiribati mao ‘heal, as a wound’
Mic: Marshallese mew ‘to heal’
Fij: Bauan mavo ‘healed, of a sore’
5.4.2 Assisted healing

Just as communities attributed some illnesses to natural processes and others to the result of sorcery, so their treatments dealt with both magical and practical aspects of the condition, and the two are sometimes difficult to separate. Practical treatment may have included application of herbal remedies both by ingestion and in external use, and massage. Focus here is on the physical treatment given, rather than on investigation and removal of the cause.

Ways of effecting treatment were multiple, varying from place to place and with the nature of the ailment, although some commonality is evident.

5.4.2.1 Spraying masticated substances on to affected part

The spraying of some masticated substance such as ginger mixed with saliva from the mouth on to an affected body part is evidently a very old and widely practised treatment right across the Austronesian world. Blust lists, in addition to numerous cognates of PAN *buReS that carry a general meaning ‘spray water from the mouth’, terms from Cebuano and Sundanese (wMP), Asilulu, Kamarian and Boano (CMP) that carry a meaning of spraying something from the mouth for the specific purpose of healing (ACD). In Oceanic communities we have descriptions of similar treatment from Manam (Wedgwood 1934), Nakanai (Chowning 2014), and Gela (Codrington 1891). Although POc *puRas ‘spray water from the mouth’ can be reconstructed, a second term, POc *puRuk, similar but apparently unrelated, has wider support.

PAN *buReS ‘spray water from the mouth’ (ACD)
PMP *buRah ‘spray water from the mouth; spray a mixture of saliva and masticated medicinal herbs on an ailing body part in curing’ (ACD)
POc *puRas ‘spray water from the mouth’

cf. also:
PT: Tawala ula-ulasi ‘whale’ (expect w-)

Pt: Molima wula ‘blow out water, as a whale’
Pt: Dobu ulasa ‘to spit as in sorcery’
MM: Nakanai (ka)vuras-i ‘to spit a spray into the air’
NCV: N Efate vura-i ‘spit on’
NCV: Paamese hula-i ‘spray; ejaculate’

Pt: Dobu ulasa ‘to spit as in sorcery’
POc *puRuk ‘to spray spittle etc. from the mouth for magical purposes’ (cf. *puku(R) ‘cough’)

Adm: Seimat pūk (vi) ‘spit’
NNG: Gedaged fiūte-k ‘to spray, by blowing saliva, ginger, water etc.; besprinkle, splatter’
NNG: Hote apok ‘to spit’
NNG: Lukel puru ‘to spew; whale’
PT: Motu pururu-a (vt) ‘to spit out’
MM: Patpatar puruk ‘spit with a lot of air’
MM: Tolai puruk (vi, vt) ‘blow from the mouth in such a way as to scatter its contents, as a wizard blows lime into the air, and as a doctor blows saliva on to a wound’

SES: Kwaio fulu ‘blow’
NCV: Kiai puru-sia ‘spit on’
cf. also:
Adm: Lou pirek ‘blow with the mouth’
purik ‘break wind, fart’

5.4.2.2 Massage

Another form of treatment involved massage, the purpose of which may have been location and removal of an offending substance (Romilly 1889 for Motu, Codrington 1891 for Banks Islands) or simply to ease a person’s pain or discomfort (Codrington 1891 for Gela, Whistler 1996 for Samoa). It became more highly developed in Fiji and Polynesia. Wayan Fijian, for example, has at least seven terms describing different kinds of massage such as massage by stroking, by kneading, with fingers, with palm of hand and so on (Pawley and Sabaya 2003).

POc *samo(s), *samos-i- ‘massage, stroke’ has few but well distributed reflexes. PROc *amosi seems to reflect the same item with unexpected loss of *s-, while most NCV terms reflect loss of the initial syllable.

POc *samo(s), *samos-i- ‘massage, stroke’

NNG: Takia -amis-i ‘massage, rub’
NNG: Sio yamo ‘stroke; rub gently’
NNG: Bariai sama ‘rub on’
NNG: Labu -samo ‘to stroke, pet; sweep’
SES: Longgu tamozi- ‘to stroke, caress s.t.’
NCV: Ninde smʷ-i ‘to stroke (a cat)’

PROc *amosi ‘massage, stroke’ (Clark 2009: PNCV *amosi)

NCV: Nokuku mosi- ‘wipe’
NCV: Paamese amusi ‘stroke, massage, caress’
NCV: Port Sandwich mʷis-mʷis-i ‘to stroke (a cat)’
NCV: Nguna mʷo-mʷosi ‘massage’
NCV: Valpei mʷosi ‘rub’
Fij: Bauan yamo ‘feel with the hand’

* Also described in Seligman 1910:167.
Fij: Wayan  amod-i  (vt) ‘massage s.o. lightly’
PPn *amo(amo) ‘stroke, rub gently’
  Pn: Tongan  amo  ‘stroke with palm of hand’
  Pn: E Futunan  amo-am  ‘rub gently, stroke’
  Pn: Rennellese  amo  ‘rub gently, anoint, caress’
  Pn: Tikopia  āmo(āmo)  ‘smear on (with repeated stroking motions)’
cf. also:
NCV: Paamese  kamusi  ‘stroke, massage, caress’

The following term, with POc meaning ‘wring out (liquid)’, continues that meaning in PPn, but PCP has also a partly reduplicated form that refers specifically to massaging.

PAn *peRes ‘squeeze out’ (vol.1:169)
POc *poRos, *poRos-i ‘squeeze out, wring out (liquid)’
PCP *bō ‘squeeze, rub firmly, massage in this way’
  Fij: Bauan  bō  ‘squeeze, lay hands firmly’
  Fij: Wayan  bōbō  ‘massage by squeezing’
PPn *fō ‘rub, as in washing clothes, extracting starch from arrowroot’
PPn *fofō ‘massaging’
  Pn: Niuean  fofō  (vt) ‘to massage’
  Pn: Tongan  fofō  (vt) ‘to massage by rubbing downwards’
  Pn: Samoan  fofō  ‘apply massage; give medical treatment’; (N)
  ‘remedy, cure; person skilled in massage’
  Pn: Tokelauan  fofō  ‘apply massage gently’
PMP *lemiq ‘press, knead’ (Blust 1970)
POc *lomi(q) ‘press upon’
PPn *lomi ‘squeeze, press down upon’ (POLLEX)
  Pn: Niuean  lomi  ‘press’
  Pn: Tongan  lomi  ‘press’
  Pn: E Futunan  lo-lomi  ‘press on, massage’
  Pn: Samoan  lomi  ‘squeeze’
  lomi-lomi  (1) ‘gentle rubbing of body part with tips of fingers to ease pain’; (2) ‘slight pressure or kneading, as massage’
  Pn: K’marangi  lomi-lomi  ‘massage by squeezing the skin’
  Pn: Tokelauan  lomi  ‘massage, knead’
  Pn: Tahitian  rumi  ‘wring, massage’
  Pn: Hawaiian  lomi  ‘squeeze’
POc *(d,dr)aRi ‘rub, smear, anoint’
  Adm: Mussau  rari-a  ‘to rub, as medicine on the skin’
  SES: Gela  dali  ‘paint, smear, anoint, massage’
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SES: To’aba’ita  daria  (vt) ‘massage’

PnPn *mili ‘rub, massage’ (POLLEX)

Pn:  Tongan  mili  ‘massage, rub with the hand, esp. the body with oil; rub between the hands’

Pn:  Niuean  mili  ‘rub with palm of the hand’

Pn:  E Futunan  mili  ‘stroke, rub gently; anoint; lotion’

Pn:  Rennellese  migi  ‘rub, move back and forth’

Pn:  Pukapukan  mili-mili  ‘feel, touch, anoint’

Pn:  Samoan  mili  ‘rub’

Pn:  Mili-mili  ‘rub very gently’

Pn:  Tikopia  miri  ‘anoint’

Pn:  Mili-miri  ‘handle, examine, massage, fondle, caress’

Pn:  Maori  miri  ‘rub, stroke, wipe; soothe’

Pn:  Hawaiian  mili  ‘handle, feel, fondle, caress’

However, ordinary non-specialised vocabulary may carry a more technical meaning in the context of healing. As Biggs reports for the language of East Futuna, in ordinary speech vai, mili, tulūti, kisu mean ‘water’, ‘rub’, ‘drip’, ‘spit out’ respectively. In the context of healing, they take on the technical meanings of ‘medicine to be drunk’, ‘embrocation’, ‘medicinal drops’, and ‘spraying chewed up medicinal leaves from the mouth’ (Biggs 1995:120).

5.4.2.3 Use of plants

The role of plants in the treatment of illness is not dealt with here, but there is evidence that plants such as ginger (POc *lagia, vol.3:414), and dracaena (POc *jiRi, vol.3:418) were in widespread use, together with lime (POc *qapu(R), vol.2:64). See also Ross (2008) for more detailed discussion on the role of plants in the treatment of illness.

5.5 Conclusion

Specific POc terms have been reconstructed for a few visible or otherwise readily recognisable disorders – for boils and tropical ulcers, for skin conditions now identifiable as tinea or scabies, for inflammation of joints, for eye conditions like cataracts, and for diseases with very specific visible characteristics like elephantiasis. Reconstructions for a number of behavioural verbs – to shiver, cough, vomit, (none of which necessarily indicate the presence of disease), and states such as itching are included in chapter 4. Terms that refer to pain in particular parts of the body tend to be compounds along the lines of English earache, toothache, headache, stomachache and so on. However, no fossilised reconstructable compounds have been found, but rather lists of transparent descriptions, with elements that vary slightly but are close in meaning. Wordlist compilers may simply not see the need to include such descriptions.

More detailed information on the range and severity of illnesses present in early Oceanic-speaking populations will be dependent on the findings of other disciplines. Further analysis of the Lapita skeletal remains from Teouma, Vanuatu, may provide evidence of diseases such as tuberculosis. Epidemiologists may be able to tell us more about the behaviour of the various
strains of diseases such as malaria and elephantiasis, the size of populations necessary for transmission, and the degree of immunity some people may have or acquire. Diseases that were not known to POc society are those where we have some record of their introduction. From the end of the 18th century, parts of the Pacific were increasingly exposed to contact by missionaries, whalers, traders in search of sandalwood, pearlshell, tortoiseshell and beche-de-mer, and escaped convicts from Botany Bay, all potentially carrying transmissible diseases. The local people had no resistance, and therefore had apparently received no prior exposure to such diseases as influenza, whooping cough, measles, mumps, chicken pox, syphilis and gonorrhoea. Diseases such as leprosy, smallpox and tuberculosis which were known throughout much of the world from very early times, were probably introduced much earlier, but whether they were present at the time of the breakup of POc I cannot say.
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Posture and movement

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6.1 Introduction

The reconstructions presented in this chapter cover a wide semantic range of verbs concerned with posture and movement. The semantic domain is a complex one, and the reader will find more reference to the typological literature than in other chapters in these volumes, in an effort to make sense of the domain’s structure in Proto Oceanic. Languages structure the posture and movement domain in different ways, and Oceanic languages have their own shared peculiarities in this regard, described at appropriate points in the chapter.

The most important division is into posture verbs and movement verbs. Posture verbs in turn are divided into cardinal posture verbs—those denoting ‘sit’, ‘stand’ and ‘lie’, found in most languages around the world and often used as simple verbs of location (‘be at’) —and non-cardinal posture verbs, which are more culturally specific. The subdomain of movement verbs is much more complex. There are straightforward movement verbs like ‘go’, ‘fly’ and ‘descend’ (§§6.3–6.5), which have a single argument, the theme (the person or thing that is moved), and there are caused movement verbs like ‘raise’, ‘carry’, ‘put’ and ‘send’, which have two arguments: an agent that causes movement and a theme which moves. These complexities are discussed at greater length below.

6.2 Posture verbs

Posture verbs are verbs meaning ‘sit’, ‘stand’, ‘lie’, ‘hang’, ‘lean’, ‘squat’, ‘kneel’ and the like. These can be divided into cardinal and non-cardinal posture verbs. Cardinal posture verbs have the meanings ‘sit’, ‘stand’ and ‘lie’ and have a broader range of use in many languages than non-cardinal posture verbs, i.e. verbs denoting other postures (‘hang’ etc) and verbs denoting a more specific posture (e.g. ‘sit crosslegged’) than the cardinal posture verbs.

The cardinal posture verbs ‘sit’, ‘stand’ and ‘lie’ have two kinds of use in many of the world’s languages, including Oceanic. In the first use they are simply intransitive verbs denoting the posture of their subject (‘Mary is sitting’). They are often accompanied by a location (‘Mary is sitting on a chair’). This gives rise to their second use, as default verbs in locative constructions (Ameka & Levinson 2007, Lichtenberk 2002). A locative construction is one that answers the question ‘Where is X?’. Across languages locative constructions come in three main kinds:1

1. a construction with no copula (‘The cup — on the table’)
2. a construction with a copula verb corresponding to English be (‘The cup is on the table’),

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1 This is a simplified version of Ameka & Levinson’s (2007) categorisation, which see for more detail.
3. a construction with a posture verb (‘The cup sits on the table’. ‘The vase stands on the table’).

Oceanic languages tend to have constructions of types 1 and 3, but not type 2. The Seimat (Adm) sentence below is of type 1:

Tok mom hahitak-e tehuh iŋ.

The chicken [is] under the house.’ (Wozna & Wilson 2005:66)

The difference between a postural and a locative use is that in the latter, the verb is bleached of its postural meaning. Thus Manam (NNG) has a type 3 locative construction where the verb -eno ‘lie’ is used in locative and existential sentences with abstract subjects where there is no postural orientation at all.

Malipi di-eno, masa n-duma-iŋo.

‘If there is work, I’ll help you.’ (Lichtenberk 2002:277)

More ilo-gu-lo i-eno.

sickness inner. belly-P:1s-in s:3s.REAL-lie

‘I’m sick in the belly.’ (Lit. ‘The sickness is in my belly.’) (Lichtenberk 2002:277)

With a human subject, on the other hand, -soaʔi ‘sit’ is used in a locative sentence, again with no postural implication:

Barasi rua ŋau taun-lo u-soaʔi.

year two I town-in s:1s.REAL-sit

‘Two years I was/stayed/lived in the town.’ (Lichtenberk 2002:275)

The choice of -eno ‘lie’, rather than -soaʔi, with a human subject is clearly a postural usage.

Kadiaraŋ maka bale ne-na-lo i-eno be i-tan~tan.

K. here men’s. house CLF-P:3s-in s:3s.REAL-lie and s:3s.REAL-REDUP-ctry

‘Kadiarang is lying in his house (and is) crying.’ (Lichtenberk 2002:274)

As these Manam examples show, the choice of posture verb depends on two factors. The first is whether the intended construction is locative or postural. If it is locative, then the second factor comes into play, namely the conventional collocation of particular nouns or semantic categories of nouns with a given posture verb. These collocations vary from language to language and almost always involve ‘sit’, ‘stand’ or ‘lie’ (Lichtenberk 2002:273–274, 305; see also Early 2000). Non-cardinal posture verbs almost never occur in a locative construction.

The three main posture verbs are also often used as aspectual verbs in Oceanic languages, usually as the second verb of a serial verb construction, but Lichtenberk (2002:270) thinks

2 Abbreviations in these examples are as follows: ASP aspect marker, CLF classifier, INDEF indefinite, IRR irrealis, REAL realis; ~ connects reduplicates.

3 Oceanic existential constructions tend to be similar to locative constructions, with the one difference that their subject is indefinite (e.g. ‘A cat is sitting under me’ = ‘There is a cat sitting under me). For present purposes, existential constructions are treated as a subtype of locative construction, as in the first Manam example below.
these meanings are impossible to reconstruct (and I agree with him) as different languages reflect different developments. He also thinks that reconstructing uses of posture verbs as default locative verbs is impossible. Here I am a little more sanguine (§6.2.1).

Typically in Oceanic languages intransitive verbs encode both posture and assumption of posture (inchoative posture). The latter use is sometimes distinguished by a path element meaning ‘upward’ or ‘downward’. Path was probably encoded in POc as the second verb of a serial verb construction, as in Mussau toka sio ‘sit down’ and tiqina sae ‘stand up’, where sio ‘go down’ and sae ‘go up’ are verbs of vertical direction (vol.2:260-267). Such usages were certainly conventionalised in POc and were perhaps also grammaticised, like Manam go-soaʔi-ria [2SG. IRR-sit-go. down] ‘sit down’ (Lichtenberk 2002:269-270) or Carolinian sɔ- tiw [settle-go. down] ‘alight, land (of flying things)’.

Some Oceanic languages have transitives with a location object, e.g. Bugotu mono ‘abide, stay, dwell, be at’ vs monoc-i- ‘abide in’; To’aβa’ita ḗono ‘sit’ vs ḗono-i- ‘sit on’ (Lichtenberk 2002:269), Wayan toko ‘squat; sit on one’s heels or haunches’ vs tokodi- ‘squat or sit on’. Our sources are often silent on this matter, but there are sometimes enough reflexes to support the reconstruction of transitives.

In addition to cardinal posture verbs, verbs meaning ‘squat’, ‘kneel’ and ‘hang’ can be reconstructed, but they are not nearly as widely reflected as cardinal verbs. Many languages also cut the main domains into smaller, more specific ones. For example, as well as soaʔi ‘sit’ Manam has basaʔi ‘sit cross-legged’ (Newman 2002:3). However, the data do not permit reconstruction of such semantically narrow posture verbs.

6.2.1 Sit, be located

Two POc forms meaning ‘sit, stay, dwell’ are reconstructable: *mono(ŋ)/*mono-i and POc *nopo(ŋ). A third form, *mia[n], is reconstructed subject to certain caveats mentioned below. Significantly, a purely postural meaning (‘sit’) is reconstructable for none of these verbs. In all three instances, reflexes tend to mean ‘sit’, ‘stay’ or ‘dwell’ or a combination of these, whereas reflexes of reconstructions meaning ‘stand’ (§6.2.2) and ‘lie’ (§6.2.3) tend to have glosses with only a postural sense. There is a reason for this. In traditional Oceanic societies there were no chairs or custom-made seats. People sat or squatted on the ground, so any ‘sit’ verb would not have had the postural sense of English sit but would have meant ‘be located’ and have been a candidate for service as the default POc locative verb. 4

Reflexes of the widely reflected POc *toka ‘come to rest, settle (of vessel, on reef)’ also fall into the ‘sit, stay, dwell’ domain, but its POc meaning seems to have been narrower and indeed inchoative, a matter discussed below.

POc *mono(ŋ) ‘sit, stay, dwell’, *mono-i ‘sit on’

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<td>MM: Lihir</td>
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<td>MM: Sursurunga</td>
<td>mon-mon</td>
<td>‘remain, stay behind at home’</td>
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<td>MM: Patpatar</td>
<td>mona</td>
<td>‘stay at home; lounge around; keep watch’</td>
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<td>MM: Tolai</td>
<td>mono</td>
<td>‘remain and take care of the home, boat etc.’</td>
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<td>SES: Gela</td>
<td>mono</td>
<td>‘stop a while, stay’</td>
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4 A number of sources gloss a verb as ‘be’, but ‘be (at)’ is used here to indicate locative usage,
SES: Bugotu  
**mono**  ‘abide, stay, dwell, be (at)’  
**mono-i** (vt) ‘abide in’

SES: Talise  
**mono**  ‘lie down’

SES: Tolo  
**mono**  ‘lie down’

SES: Arosi  
**mono**  ‘live, dwell, reside’  
**mono-aʔi** (vt) ‘reside at’

SES: Bauro  
**mono**  ‘stay in another village’

NCV: Lewo  
**mono**  ‘lie down, be horizontal; remain (at)’

NCal: Nengone  
**meneh**  ‘reside, be in a place’

POc *nopo(q) ‘sit, stay, dwell’ is reconstructed with possible final *-q on the basis of Polynesian reflexes, as Polynesian languages preserve root-final consonants in transitive verbs more faithfully than SE Solomonic languages like Lau below. Wayan Fijian shows two apparent reflexes of *nopo(q). Wayan novo is the regular reflex, whereas nō is irregular, as is Bauan no. The items listed under ‘cf. also’ may be cognate, but they display irregularities.

POc *nopo(q) ‘sit, stay, dwell’ (Milke 1968), ‘sit’ (Blust 1993a)

PT: Motu  
**noho**  ‘dwell, remain’ (persons, not things)

MM: Patpatar  
**noh**  ‘dwell, lie’

SES: Lau  
**nofo**  ‘dwell, stop, stay’  
**nofo-s-i** (vt) ‘dwell, stop, stay (somewhere)’

SES: Arosi  
**nohu**  ‘sit quiet’

NCV: Mota  
**(va)nov**  ‘cause to dwell’

NCal: Xârâcùù  
**nōō**  ‘stay’ (Moyse-Faurie 2015)

Mic: Carolinian  
**no**  ‘be (at), stay, remain, live’

Fij: Bauan  
**nō**  ‘lie (of things)’

Fij: Wayan  
**nō**  ‘live, be (at), stay, dwell’  
**novo**  ‘keep still, be motionless, stay without moving, keep quiet, be subdued, acquiescent, peaceful’

Fij: Rotuman  
**noho**  ‘dwell’

Pn *nofo ‘sit, dwell’, *nofoq-i (vt) ‘sit on, dwell in’ (POLLEX)

Pn: Tongan  
**nofo**  ‘sit, stay, dwell’  
**nōfoʔ-ia**  ‘be constantly occupied’  
**nōfoʔ-i** (vt) ‘sit on, dwell in, occupy’

Pn: Niuean  
**nofo**  ‘sit, dwell’

Pn: Samoan  
**nofo**  ‘sit, dwell, stay’  
**nōfo-ia**  ‘be occupied’  
**nōfo-aʔi** (vt) ‘sit on/at, occupy’

Pn: W Uvean  
**nō**  ‘sit, be (at)’ (Moyse-Faurie 2015)

Pn: E Futunan  
**nofo**  ‘sit, be (at) (of animates)’ (Moyse-Faurie 2015)  
**nofoʔ-i**  ‘be inhabited by’  
**nofoʔ-aki**  ‘stay together’

Pn: Tikopia  
**nofo**  ‘sit, stay, dwell, live’

Pn: Tokelauan  
**nofo**  ‘sit, reside, stay’

Pn: Pukapukan  
**nō**  ‘sit, stay, dwell’

Pn: W Futunan  
**nofo**  ‘sit’
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Pn: Rapanui noho ‘sit’
Pn: Marquesan noho ‘sit, dwell, stay’
Pn: Tuamotuan noho ‘sit, dwell’
Pn: Tahitian noho ‘sit, dwell’
Pn: Māori noho ‘stay, live’ noh-ia ‘be sat on, be inhabited’

cf. also:
NNG: Malai (u)nep ‘dwell’
NNG: Lukep nepa ‘sit down’
MM: Kia nohe ‘sit’
MM: Bugotu nohe ‘sit’

If Drehet (Adm) -miŋ ‘sit’ and/or Ponapean (Mic) mi ‘exist, be (at)’ reflect *mia[n], as they appear to, then POc *mia[n] ‘sit, stay, live’ can also be reconstructed. If not, then the form is of PWOc antiquity. Final -ŋ of Drehet -miŋ appears to reflect an added morpheme, as Admiralties languages lose POc final consonants. Evidence as to whether *mia[n] has a final *-n is ambiguous, and Bali reflects it both without (mia ‘dwell’) and with *-n (mianja, a regular reflex).

POc (? ) *mia[n] ‘sit, stay, live’
Adm: Drehet -miŋ ‘sit’
NNG: Mangseng mimiŋa ‘alive’
NNG: Numbami -mi ‘dwell, live, stay, remain, be (at)’
NNG: Bam (i)mi ‘dwell’
NNG: Wogo mi-mia ‘dwell’
NNG: Sissano (Arop) -men ‘stay, remain, wait, be (at)’
PT: Iduna -mia (v) ‘stay, live’; (n) ‘staying, existence, living’
PT: Dobu mia(toa) ‘sit’
PT: Saliba -nia ‘stay’
PT: Ubir -mian ‘dwell’
PT: Tawala -mi-mie(ya) (v) ‘live permanently’; (n) ‘permanent residence’
PT: Dawawa -mia ‘live, stay’ -(tau)mia ‘stay for a while’
PT: Misima -mi- ‘still; staying’
PT: Misima mi ‘stay’
PT: Motu -mia ‘remain’ (things, not persons)
PT: Gabadi -mia(do) ‘sit’
MM: Vitu mia ‘sit, dwell’
MM: Bali mia ‘dwell’ mianja ‘sit’
MM: Tigak min(aŋ) ‘dwell’
MM: W Kara mi(ta) ‘dwell’
Mic: Ponapean mi ‘exist, be (at)’
The primary sense of POc *toka was apparently one of settling in a position following movement, giving rise to glosses like ‘settle down’, ‘hit the bottom (of particles in suspension in a liquid and of canoes’) and ‘land (after flying)’. In many languages its reflex denotes the result of settling, ranging from ‘stuck on the reef’ (Roro [PT]) and ‘be aground’ (Tongan [Pn]) to the more general ‘sit’, ‘stay’ or ‘dwell’. In Poeng, Gela, Sa’a and PCP reflexes occur, sometimes with a qualifier, with the meaning ‘sit on one’s haunches, squat’, and this seems to have been a subsidiary meaning, overlapping with the domain of POc *tike (§6.2.4.1).

A number of reflexes point to a possible alternant *toko, and a few to a short alternant *tok. Thus Nehan toko reflects *tok with a regular echo vowel; the expected reflex of POc *toka is †toa.

**PMP *tekas** ‘come to rest in a place’ (*ACD*)

**POc *toka** ‘come to rest, settle (on bottom of vessel, on reef)’

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<td>(vi) ‘sit, stay, remain, live, dwell’</td>
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<td>Lou</td>
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<td>Nehan</td>
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<td>toka, toko</td>
<td>‘stay put, perch (as a bird)’</td>
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<td>Teop</td>
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<td>‘perch, stand on’</td>
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| | | kabu toya-toya | ‘squat on one’s heels; be on sentry duty’ (*kabu* ‘attentive’)

| SES: Gela | | toya | ‘dwell’ |
| | | kabu toya-toya | ‘squat on one’s heels; be on sentry duty’ (*kabu* ‘attentive’)

| SES: Arosi | | oʔa | (vi) ‘settle, off of birds; squat on haunches’ |
| SES: Bauro | | oʔa | ‘stay, dwell, abide; to settle, off of birds’ |
| TM: Asumboa | | to | ‘sit’ |

**PNCV *toka, *toko** ‘sit, stay, be in a place’ (*Clark 2009*)

| NCV: Mota | | toya | ‘abide, dwell, endure, live, behave, be’ |
| NCV: Mwortlap | | toy | ‘live’ |
| NCV: Raga | | toyo | ‘stay, sit, dwell, be’ |
| NCV: Tamambo | | toyo | ‘remain’ |
| NCV: Lewo | | tɔ | ‘sit, stay, be at’ |
| NCV: Namakir | | tok | ‘stand, stay, live, be in a place’ |
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NCV: N Efate *toko* ‘stay, live; be in, be at’

PSV *a-toy* ‘sit, stay at, be at’ (Lynch 2001c)

SV: Sye e-te ‘sit, stay’
SV: N Tanna a-taŋ ‘live, dwell’
SV: Lenakel a-ʁək ‘live, dwell’
SV: Kwamera a-ra ‘live, stay at, be at’
SV: Anejom a-tey ‘sit’
SV: N Tanna a-təŋ ‘live, dwell’
SV: Lenakel a-rək ‘live, dwell’
SV: Kwamera a-ra ‘live, stay at, be at’
SV: Anejom a-tey ‘sit’

NCal: Ajië tō ‘be at’ (Moyse-Faurie 2015)

PMic *Toka* ‘settle, alight’ (Bender et al 2003)

Mic: Marshallese cekʷ ‘settle (of liquids), alight, land’
Mic: Mokilese cok ‘swoop’
Mic: Ponapean sok ‘land (of s.t. that flies), touch bottom with one’s feet in water’
Mic: Woleaian soxo ‘remain on the bottom (as dregs)’
Mic: Chuukese so, sō(tiw) ‘precipitate out (as starch derived from washing grated arrowroot or manioc), come to rest, land (of flying things)’
Mic: Puluwatese hō ‘land (as a plane)’
Mic: Carolinian s̪i(tiw) ‘alight, land (of flying things)’
Mic: Satawalese so, sō(tiw) ‘land, alight’

PCP *toka* ‘sit, squat, live, stay, settle, coagulate’ (Hockett 1976)

Fij: Rotuman foʔa ‘land, come ashore’
Fij: Bauan toka ‘squat; be placed, situated (of people and small objects), be at’
Fij: Boumaa toʔa ‘be at’
Fij: Wayan toko ‘squat; sit on one’s heels or haunches; crouch with back of thighs and buttocks resting on the heels’

PnP *toka* ‘sit, settle, coagulate, run aground’

Pn: Tongan toka ‘(boat) run aground, rest on the bottom; (water, particles in suspension, people) come to rest, settle down’
Pn: Samoan toʔa ‘(liquid) be still, settle; (boat) run aground; (people) stop, settle’
Pn: Tikopia toka ‘stop, cease (blood flow etc), quieten down (sea)’
Pn: Māori to-toka ‘solidify, set, congeal’

6.2.2 Stand

Two POc verbs for ‘stand’ are reconstructable: *tuqur* ‘stand’ and *madriRi* ‘be standing upright’. Both have PMP antecedents. Apparently no language in the data reflects both terms, with a reflex of *tuqur* sometimes occurring in one language and a reflex of *madriRi* in a quite closely related language. The competition between them seems to have been won in EOc languages by *tuqur*, as there are no EOc reflexes of *madriRi*. 
PNCV appears to have had two reflexes of POc *tuqur, namely *tuqu and *tuquru (Clark (2009) reconstructs *tuquru). PNCV *tuqu is the expected reflex. PNCV *tuquru reflects the POc form plus an echo vowel, a minority pattern that occurs from time to time in PNCV.

The Choiseul forms shown under ‘cf. also’ have expected consonant reflexes but the ‘wrong’ vowels. It is tempting to attribute them to an ‘Old Oceanic’ substrate (Ross 2010:263).

A set of forms reflecting apparent POc *tutu follows below, and may or may not ultimately reflect POc *tuqur.

PMP *tuqul ‘stand’ (ACD)

POC *tuqur ‘stand’

Adm: Seimat tua (vt) ‘stand’ (expected reflex is tu)
    tu (vi) ‘sit, stay, remain, live, dwell’
Adm: Baluan tu (renders preceding stative verb ongoing)
NNG: Ali tou ‘stand’
NNG: Mindiri tekur ‘stand’
NNG: Takia -tur (vt) ‘stand up, be in erect position’
NNG: Patep lay ‘stand up’
PT: Iamalele tovoi ‘stand’
PT: Dobu tōlo ‘stand’
PT: Bunama toholo ‘stand’
PT: Tawala towolo ‘stand, wake; (become) leader’
MM: Lavongai tug ‘stand’
MM: Tigak tuk ‘stand’
MM: Nalik tur ‘stand’
MM: Tabar turi ‘stand’
MM: Nochi til ‘stand’
MM: Patpatar tur ‘stand’
MM: Sursurunga tur ‘stand’
MM: Siar tur ‘stand’
MM: Ramoaaina tur ‘stand’
MM: Tolaï tur (vt) ‘be, exist, stand, stop’
MM: Nehan turu ‘stand’
MM: Selau tur ‘stand’
MM: Tinputz sun ‘wake up, get up, stand up’
MM: Teop sun ‘stand’
MM: Taiof tu-tun ‘stand’
MM: Banoni ciyom ‘stand’
MM: Piva cuyonu ‘stand’
MM: Nduke turu ‘stand’
MM: Roviana turu ‘stand’
SES: Gela tuquru ‘stand’
SES: Bugotu tu ‘stand’
SES: Lengo tu ‘stand’
SES: Kwara’ae ū ‘stand’
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TM: Nanggu  tu  ‘stand’
TM: Tanimbili  sū  ‘stand’

PNCV *tuqu, *tuquru ‘stand’ (Clark 2009)

NCV: Mota  tur  ‘stand, be sufficient, prevail’
NCV: Tamambo  turu  ‘stand, be at’
NCV: Lonwolwol  (rd)u  ‘remain, rest, stop, stay, endure, last; be, continue (of process or action); exist; keep on’
NCV: Raga  tu  ‘stand’
NCV: Kai  turu  ‘stand’
NCV: Sakao  tūr  ‘stand (in line)’
NCV: Uripiv  -tur  ‘stand’
NCV: Port Sandwich  tūl  ‘stand’
NCV: Ninde  tox  ‘dwell’
NCV: Lewo  sū  ‘be at, remain, stay’
NCV: Namakir  tu(marak)  ‘stand’ (marak ‘rise’)
NCV: Nguna  dū  ‘stand, be standing’
NCV: Neve’ei  tur  ‘stand’
NCV: Rerep  tu  ‘stand’
NCV: N Ambyrm  to-tor  ‘stand’
SV: Sye  e-tur  ‘stand’
SV: Whitesands  a-tul  ‘stand’
NCal: Jawe  cūt  ‘stand’
NCal: Caac  cór  ‘stand’
NCal: Iaai  tet, tooț  ‘stand’

PMic *tuu ‘to stand; stopped, halted’ (Bender et al 2003)

Mic: Kosraean  tu  ‘stand up; stop’
Mic: Marshallese  ciw(tak)  ‘stand up’
Mic: Mokilese  u  ‘stand’
Mic: Ponapean  ū  ‘stand’
Mic: Pulo Annian  (fi)  ‘stand; stop’
Mic: Woleaian  sī  ‘stand, take an upright position’
Mic: Carolinian  ĭ(tae)  ‘stand up’
Mic: Chuukese  wi  ‘stand erect, be upright; be stopped, halted (of s.t. in motion)’

PCP *tuqu ‘stand, be somewhere’, tuqura (vi) ‘stand on/near s.t.’, tuqura-ki- ‘stand up with’

Fij: Rotuman  fū  ‘stand, be situated’
Fij: Bauan  tū  (vi) ‘stand, be in a place’
tur-a (VT) ‘stand on/near s.t.’
tur-ak-a ‘stand with’

Pn: Tongan turū (vi) ‘stand; stop; be situated, exist’
tur-ak-i (PLURAL SUBJECT) ‘stand in position, form up’

Pn: Rennelere tuu ‘stand, be upright’

Pn: Tikopia tur ‘stand, remain’
tur-ia ‘be stood by’
tur-aki (PLURAL SUBJECT) ‘stand (together)’

Pn: Samoan turū ‘stand, stand up, stand erect; be stationary’
tūl-aɾi ‘stand up, get up on one’s feet’
tul-ia ‘be stood on, occupied, guarded’

Pn: E Futunan tuu ‘stand, be at’ (Moyse-Faurie 2015)
tuu-bal-aki ‘walk together, walk carrying a crying child’

Pn: Tahitian turū ‘stand, be upright’

Pn: Māori turū ‘stand, be upright’
tur-ia ‘be arranged, entered upon’

cf. also:

MM: Vaghua deye ‘stand’

MM: Varese deye ‘stand’

MM: Ririo der ‘stand’

MM: Babatana dere ‘stand’

MM: Sisingga dere ‘stand’

The set below appears to reflect something like POc *tutu. It is not clear whether this is an idiosyncratic alternant of *tuqur or not. What is obvious is that the first *-u- has a variety of reflexes, suggesting that its POc stress fell on the second syllable, leading to reduction or loss of the first *-u-.

POC *tutu (? ) ‘stand’

Adm: Lou a-tatu-t ‘stand firm’

Adm: Nyindrou a-tutu-n-iy (VT) ‘put (it) up, stand (it) up’ (a- CAUSATIVE)
tutu-n-i (VT) ‘put up, set up, stand up, erect’

NNG: Manam tu(i-rake) ‘stand up’ (rake ‘go upward’)

NNG: Sissano -to ‘standing’

PT: Kilivila -tutu (vi) ‘stand’

-ti-to-k-i (VT) ‘stand on’

MM: Patpatar tut ‘rise, stand up’

MM: Roviana tutu ‘stand’

MM: Kia tetu ‘stand’

MM: Kokota tetu ‘stand’

MM: Blablanga t’etu ‘stand’

The set below is restricted to WOC languages but is clearly inherited from PAn. However, a PMP form with *ma-, i.e. *ma-diRi, has not been reconstructed, and would in any case have resulted in POc †*ma-riri. Instead the presence of *-dr- in POc *madriRi suggests earlier †*ma-n-diRi. CMP languages with a nasal prefix occur (the ACD lists Fordata n-diRi and Kei
en-dir), but not enough is known about pre-Oceanic diachronic morphology to allow a firm pre-Oceanic reconstruction.5

PAAn *diRi ‘stand’ (Blust 1999a)
POc *madriRi ‘be standing upright’

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<td>-mad-madid</td>
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<td>NNG: Kilenge</td>
<td>-mari</td>
<td>‘stand’</td>
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<td>NNG: Tami</td>
<td>moji</td>
<td>‘stand’</td>
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<td>NNG: Sio</td>
<td>-madi</td>
<td>‘stand’</td>
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<tr>
<td>NNG: Mbula</td>
<td>me’der</td>
<td>‘stand up, be in vertical position; rest from, stop, take a break from activity’</td>
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<td>PT: Dawawa</td>
<td>-(wai)midiri</td>
<td>‘stand s.t. up’</td>
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<td>PT: Misima</td>
<td>milil</td>
<td>‘stand’</td>
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<td>MM: Bali</td>
<td>madiri</td>
<td>‘stand’</td>
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<td>MM: Vitu</td>
<td>madi</td>
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<td>MM: Nakanai</td>
<td>magiri</td>
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<td>MM: Meramera</td>
<td>magili</td>
<td>‘stand’ (apparently a Nakanai loan)</td>
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The NNG and PT forms listed below may also reflect POc *madriRi. They allow the reconstruction of putative PNGOc *midi ‘stand’. If the latter reflects POc *madriRi, then two idiosyncratic changes must be inferred: (a) *ma- became *mi- by assimilation to the -*i- of -*driRi; (b) loss of the final syllable -*Ri. Change (a) is also reflected in Dawawa -(wai)midiri ‘stand s.t. up’ and Misima milil above, and change (b) in Kilenge -mari, Tami moji, Sio -madi and Vitu madi. It is thus not unexpected that the two changes have sometimes occurred simultaneously, and the terms listed below may well reflect independent parallel innovations rather than a single PNGOc innovation.

PNGOc *midi (?) ‘stand’

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<td>NNG: Apalik</td>
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<td>PT: Iduna</td>
<td>-midi</td>
<td>‘stand’</td>
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<tr>
<td>PT: Gapapaiwa</td>
<td>-miiri</td>
<td>‘stand; get up’</td>
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<td>PT: Dawawa</td>
<td>-midi</td>
<td>‘stand’</td>
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<td>PT: Nimoa</td>
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<td>NNG: Numbami</td>
<td>-di</td>
<td>‘stand, bask (in/at)’</td>
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<tr>
<td>NNG: Hote (Misim)</td>
<td>(va)diŋ</td>
<td>‘stand’ (the presence of the causative prefix va- is anomalous)</td>
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5 See also the discussion of terms for ‘cold’ in §4.8.1.
6.2.3 Lie

One POc term, *genop, is reconstructed for ‘lie, rest horizontally’. A good many reflexes also mean ‘sleep’, but this is a natural development from ‘lie’. Distinct terms for ‘sleep’ are reconstructed in §4.6.1.

Blust (ACD) reconstructs the PAn term *ginep, of which the expected POc reflex is †*qinop. He also reconstructs the doublet PEMP *genap, reflected as POc *genop. He apparently infers that both forms were inherited into POc because a few terms in -i- occur in NNG languages, listed below under ‘cf. also’. One might alternatively infer, however, that these reflect a NNG height assimilation. Also listed under ‘cf. also’ is the form inep, reflected in three South New Ireland languages. The presence of -o- for †-o- in the second syllable is unexplained.

The distribution of reflexes of *genop shows some curious restrictions. Regular reflexes occur nowhere in MM, in apparently only a few northern NCV languages, and not at all in Micronesian or Central Pacific languages. In each of these areas other terms, some of them words for ‘sleep’, have replaced *genop, but it is not clear why this replacement is so widespread. The only fairly widespread replacement is PCP *koto/PPn *ta-koto below. PPn ta- appears to reflect POc *ta-, which marks the event denoted by the verb as spontaneous. However, it is difficult to conceive of lying down as spontaneous.

PAn *ginep ‘lie down to sleep’ (ACD)
PEMP *genap ‘lie down to sleep’ (ACD)
POc *genop ‘lie, rest horizontally’ (ACD)

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<td>Adm:</td>
<td>Seimat</td>
<td>en</td>
<td>(vt) ‘stay in one place, lie down, sleep’</td>
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<td>Lou</td>
<td>en</td>
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<td>NNG:</td>
<td>Manam</td>
<td>eno(ria)</td>
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<td>NNG:</td>
<td>Wögeo</td>
<td>-eno</td>
<td>‘sleep’</td>
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<td>NNG:</td>
<td>Gedaged</td>
<td>en</td>
<td>‘lie; rest, sleep’</td>
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<td>NNG:</td>
<td>Matukar</td>
<td>en</td>
<td>‘sleep’</td>
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<td>NNG:</td>
<td>Bariai</td>
<td>eno</td>
<td>‘lie, sleep; be located’</td>
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<td>NNG:</td>
<td>Tuam</td>
<td>-yên</td>
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<td>NNG:</td>
<td>Mbula</td>
<td>-keene</td>
<td>‘sleep, lying down, be in horizontal position’</td>
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<td>Sio</td>
<td>keno</td>
<td>‘lie (of inanimates)’</td>
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<td>Kela</td>
<td>-en(sti)</td>
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<td>PT:</td>
<td>Ubir</td>
<td>en(rir)</td>
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<td>PT:</td>
<td>Molima</td>
<td>őeno</td>
<td>‘sleep, lie down, remain’</td>
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<td>PT:</td>
<td>Tawala</td>
<td>eno</td>
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<td>PT:</td>
<td>Saliba</td>
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Blust labels this form PCEMP, implying that there are also CMP reflexes, but none are listed.
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<td>ʔenono-ʔenono</td>
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<td>PT: Motu</td>
<td>eno</td>
<td>(vi) ‘lie down’</td>
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**PEOe** *genop* ‘lie, rest horizontally’, (vt) *genop-i* ‘lie on, rest on s.t.’

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<td>enov-ayi</td>
<td>‘lay s.t. down’</td>
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<td>SES: Talise</td>
<td>eno</td>
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<td>SES: Birao</td>
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<td>SES: Lau</td>
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<td>SES: Kwaio</td>
<td>eno</td>
<td>‘lie, sleep’</td>
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<td>SES: ‘Are’are</td>
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<td>SES: Sa’a</td>
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<td>SES: Sa’a</td>
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<td>(vt) ‘lie in/on’</td>
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<td>eno</td>
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<td>enoh-i</td>
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<td>en(hiy)</td>
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<td>NCal: Caac</td>
<td>kē-</td>
<td>‘lie’ (in compounds; Cauchard 2014:97)</td>
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**cf. also:**

- NNG: Roinji | kinu | ‘sleep’ |
- NNG: Tami | gin | ‘sleep’ |
- MM: Ramoaaina | inep | (vi) ‘lie down, sleep’ |
- MM: Kandas | inep | ‘sleep’ |
- MM: Tolai | inep | ‘lie down, sleep’ |

**PCP** *koto* ‘lie down’

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**PPn *takoto* ‘lie down’ (POLLEX)

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<td>takoto</td>
<td>‘stretch out, lie prone’</td>
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<td>Pn: Nukuoro</td>
<td>dagodo</td>
<td>‘lie down, be in place’</td>
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<td>Pn: Luangiu</td>
<td>kaʔoko</td>
<td>‘remain (things), leave, lie down (?)’</td>
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6.2.4 Non-cardinal posture verbs

6.2.4.1 Squat, sit on haunches

Sitting on one’s haunches is still a posture frequently assumed in traditional villages in Northwest Melanesia, so the reconstruction of POc *tike ‘squat, sit on haunches’ is no surprise. More of a surprise is that its reflexes are few, perhaps because its meaning is not collected by linguists who use a standard word list, but their distribution points clearly to its presence in POc.

POc *tike ‘squat, sit on haunches’

Adm: Lou tik-tik ‘squat, hunker down, sitting on one’s toes’
NNG: Kove (po)tiike ‘squat, sit on heels’
PT: Kilivila siki ‘sit down’
    sigigi(na) ‘squat on haunches’ (-g- for †-k-)
MM: Bola (pa)sike ‘crouch’
PnPn *tike ‘squat’, tike-tike ‘keep squatting’ (POLLEX)

Pn: Tongan sike ‘squat, sit on heels’
    sike-sike ‘keep squatting’
Pn: Niuean tike-tike ‘squat on the heels’
Pn: Samoan tiʔe-tiʔe ‘ride, sit astride; sit (on a chair); to be seated on
    s.t. above the ground’
Pn: E Futunan tike-tike ‘squat on heels’
Pn: Rennellese tike-tike ‘crouch or squat, as on the heels’

6.2.4.2 Kneel

No POc term for ‘kneel’ has been reconstructed, but a small cognate set points to PWOc *tudruŋ ‘kneel’. This is evidently related to POc *turun- ‘knee, joint’ (§3.6.5.2). As dr is the prenasalised equivalent of *r, it is possible that *tudruŋ reflects inflexion of PMP *<um>, which formed intransitive verbs, i.e. *tudruŋ reflects earlier *tumurun (§1.3.5.5). Final *-ŋ is unaccounted for.

PWOc *tudruŋ ‘kneel’ (< (? ) POc *tumurun)

NNG: Sio tudu ‘kneel down’
MM: E Kara turun ‘kneel’
MM: Patpatar tu-tuduŋ ‘kneel down with head to ground; bowed down’
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Nakanai in the west and Fijian and Polynesian in the east have compounds with two components, the first a verb meaning ‘stand (a pole or spear) up straight’ or a noun meaning ‘supporting pole, stake’ and the second the term for ‘knee’. They form a collocation which perhaps occurred in POc and which one might translate into English as ‘to knee-stand’. The data below do not allow a POc reconstruction, but the Polynesian terms point to a possible PPn *toko-turi (*toko (v) ‘support, prop up’, (n) ‘supporting pole, stake’; *turi ‘knee’).

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<td>‘knee’ (toto ‘stand s.t. up’; dulu ‘knee’)</td>
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<td>Fij: Bauan</td>
<td>teki-duru</td>
<td>‘knee’ (teki ‘stick upright in ground’; duru ‘knee’)</td>
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<tr>
<td>Fij: Wayan</td>
<td>tiki-turu</td>
<td>‘knee’ (tiki ‘stand s.t. right side up’; turu ‘knee’)</td>
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<tr>
<td>Pn: Niuean</td>
<td>faka-toko-tui</td>
<td>‘knee’ (toko ‘supporting pole’; tui ‘knee’)</td>
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<tr>
<td>Pn: Samoan</td>
<td>toʔo-tuli</td>
<td>‘knee’ (tuli ‘knee’)</td>
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<tr>
<td>Pn: E Futunan</td>
<td>toko-tuli, tuʔu-tuli</td>
<td>‘knee’ (tuʔu ‘stand’, tuli ‘knee’)</td>
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cf. also:

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<td>‘knee’ (tui ‘knee’)</td>
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6.2.43 Hang

Of the postures, ‘hang’ has proven the most difficult to reconstruct forms for, but the reason for this is clear. Oceanic languages have a variety of intransitive verbs of hanging (some of which seem to be used transitively without derivation), but they differ from each other semantically, and the same was presumably true of POc. Often dictionaries, let alone wordlists, do not provide distinctive glosses for ‘hang’ words. The following three lists are illustrative.

**Nehan** (MM) (Glennon & Glennon 2006)

- **abeke** ‘hang above’
- **horohoro** ‘hang down’
- **uakusu** ‘snag on something, hang against something’ (< POc *paqus ‘bind, lash; construct by tying together’)
- **lolo** ‘tie up, hang up’
- **lilioro** ‘hang; drape especially around neck or shoulders’

**Gela** (SES) (Fox 1955)

- **soya-mate** ‘hang’
- **tari** ‘hang’
- **havi** ‘hang in a cluster’
- **kiloro** ‘hang down’
- **ki-kiloro** ‘hang out of hole’
- **saidola** ‘hang down’
- **leleyi** ‘hang down (as fruit)’
- **loyotu** ‘hang by rope’
- **loloio** ‘hang down (of pigs’ genitals)’
- **loro** ‘hang down to the ground (of loin cloth)’
- **lоро-lоро** ‘hang very low when carried’
- **salala** ‘hang on a line (as clothes)’
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**saupiri**  ‘hang down in front; hang down suspended from neck’
**soro**  ‘hang up’
**sasarau**  ‘hang on a peg; hang (as a bat)’

**Wayan Fijian** (SES) (Pawley & Sayaba 2003)

- **lili**  ‘hang, be suspended’
- **riri**  ‘hang, be suspended by a cord or by draping over a support’
- **robe**  ‘droop, hang down’
- **teteru**  ‘hang down, droop (of laden branches, fringe of a mat, hair)’
- **tiro**  ‘hang down, droop (a dress, line, banana leaves)’

The most widely reflected, and perhaps the most neutral, term for ‘hang’ is POc *τau(r)*.

POc *τau(r)‘hang, be suspended’

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<td>NNG: Labu</td>
<td>-tovi</td>
<td>(vi)</td>
<td>‘be hanging’</td>
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<td>PT: Motu</td>
<td>-tau-a(dae)</td>
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<td>‘hang up, of s.t. with string’ (-dae ‘go down’)</td>
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<td>PT: Dawawa</td>
<td>dawe</td>
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<td>‘hang’ (d- for ṭ-)</td>
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<td>PT: Sinaugoro</td>
<td>tou-kau</td>
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<td>‘hang up’</td>
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<td>MM: Bola</td>
<td>tau</td>
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<td>‘hang up’</td>
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<tr>
<td>SES: Longgu</td>
<td>dau</td>
<td>(vi)</td>
<td>‘hang down; drop anchor’ (d- for ṭ-)</td>
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<td></td>
<td>dau-dau(lele)</td>
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<td>‘be hanging’</td>
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<td></td>
<td>dau-ʔini-a</td>
<td>(vṭ) ‘hang s.t. up’</td>
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<td>SES: Kwaio</td>
<td>tao</td>
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<td>‘hang down (of leaves and branches); hanging down in front (of a person’s hair)’</td>
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<td>Fij: Wayan</td>
<td>tau</td>
<td>(vi)</td>
<td>‘be located, situated, positioned, placed; be in, at or on a place’</td>
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<td>PN: Tongan</td>
<td>tau</td>
<td>(vṭ)</td>
<td>‘hang’</td>
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<td>PN: Niuean</td>
<td>tau</td>
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<td>‘hang, suspend’</td>
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<td>PN: E Uvean</td>
<td>tau-tau</td>
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<td>‘hang, suspend’</td>
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<td>PN: Rennellese</td>
<td>tau</td>
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<td>‘hang (as clothes), wear (as necklace)’</td>
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<td>PN: Pukapukan</td>
<td>tau-tau</td>
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<td>‘hang, suspend’</td>
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<td>PN: Samoan</td>
<td>tau</td>
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<td>‘hang (clothes on line, basket on hook etc.)’</td>
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<td></td>
<td>tāu-taul-ia</td>
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<td>‘be hung up, be opposed’</td>
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<td>PN: Tikopia</td>
<td>tau</td>
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<td>‘hang, as necklace on neck’</td>
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<td>PN: Tahitian</td>
<td>tau-tau</td>
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<td>‘hang down’</td>
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<td>PN: Hawaiian</td>
<td>kau</td>
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<td>‘hang, perch, rest’</td>
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<td>PN: Maori</td>
<td>tau-tau</td>
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<td>‘hang suspended’</td>
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There is evidence to allow a more specific gloss for POc *tuku* below, ‘(person) hang by the arms, dangle’, but data on which POc *sorop ‘hang’ and POc *kuRu (vi) ‘hang’ are based do not allow a more specific gloss. In the *kuRu set the To’aba’ita gloss indicates the kind of hanging the verb denotes, but a single gloss is an insufficient basis for a POc gloss.

POc *tuku ‘(person) hang by the arms, dangle’

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<td>NNG: Lukep (Pono)</td>
<td>-tuk-a</td>
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<td>‘hang (as when climbing a tree trunk)’</td>
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<td>NNG: Mutu</td>
<td>-tūk</td>
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<td>‘hang (of a broken branch)’</td>
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NNG: Patep  *yuy*  ‘(be) hanging’
Fij: Wayan  *tuku*  ‘hang, dangle (while holding on to a support with one’s arms)’
    *tukuci*-  ‘hang onto s.t. by the arms’

cf. also:
NNG: Bariai  *tuttu*  ‘hang’

POc *sorop* ‘hang’
Adm: Lou  *so*  ‘hang’
    *sor-ek*  ‘hang s.t. up’
NNG: Mapos Buang  *sō*  ‘swing, hang’
MM: Nehan  *horo-horo*  ‘hang down’ (*h-* and *s-* both reflect POc *s-*)
    *sosoro*  ‘hang s.t. up’
SES: Gela  *soro*  ‘hang s.t. up’
    *sorov-ayi*  ‘hang (s.t.) on s.t.’

cf. also:
NNG: Lukep (Pono)  -*saur-ai*  ‘hang s.t. up; get snagged’ (*-au- for †-o-*)

POc *kuRu* (VI) ‘hang’
MM: Banoni  *va-yū*  ‘hanging (of fruit etc)’
    *va-yu-yuru*  ‘hang’ (*va- CAUSATIVE*)
SES: To’aba’ita  *kulu*  (VI) ‘hang down, be suspended (of things too short to dangle)’
    *kulu-fani-*  (VT) ‘hang, suspend’
SES: Lau  *(dau) kulu-kulu*  (VI) ‘hang’
    *ku-kulu-*  (VT) ‘hang up’
    *fā-kulu*  (VT) ‘hang up’ (*fā- CAUSATIVE*)
    *fā-ku-kulu*  ‘cause to hang down’
SES: ’Are’are  *kuru-a*  ‘hang up, suspend’

The cognate set below formally resembles the set above, but this is probably a matter of chance.

POc *(u)kuku(t)* ‘hang, suspend’
NNG: Kaulong  *kuk*  ‘hang, suspend’
PT: Misima  *kuki*  ‘hang, swing’
MM: Patpatar  *kukūt*  ‘hang oneself’
SES: Lau  *ukūku*  ‘hang down (as vines)’
SES: ’Are’are  *kuku*  (VI) ‘hang down’
    *kuku-a*  (VT) ‘hang up, suspend’
SES: Sa’a  *ʔuʔu*  ‘hang down, depend’
SES: Ulawa  *kuku*  (VI) ‘hang down, depend’
    *haʔa-kuku*  (VT) ‘hang up, to suspend’
Lean, slant

POc *pʰaralat ‘be leaning, slanting’ is a posture verb, but the glosses suggest that its typical use was with inanimate rather than human subjects. The medial consonant correspondences are irregular, and the most natural inference is that Seimat reflects *-r- and *-l- regularly (as do the Polynesian reflexes), whilst the remaining languages reflect assimilations. The Malaita-Makira form hatara is probably cognate, but its history is less clear.

POc *pʰaralat ‘be leaning, slanting’

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<th>Admin</th>
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<th>palaho</th>
<th>(vi) ‘lean, slant’ (-o for †-a)</th>
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<td>MM:</td>
<td>Tolai</td>
<td>balala-n</td>
<td>‘crooked, aslant, as a tree; to sag’ (for †varala)</td>
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<td>MM:</td>
<td>Teop</td>
<td>vananata</td>
<td>‘lie on a slant or angle’</td>
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<td>SES:</td>
<td>Gela</td>
<td>varava</td>
<td>‘lean on physically’ (for †varala)</td>
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<td>varavay-i</td>
<td>‘rely, lean on’</td>
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<td>Tolo</td>
<td>varara</td>
<td>‘leaning’ (for †varala)</td>
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<td>vararah-i</td>
<td>‘lean on, lean against’</td>
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<td>SES:</td>
<td>Longgu</td>
<td>varara</td>
<td>‘lean against, top part touching but bottom part separate (e.g. of two trees in an X shape)’ (for †varala)</td>
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PPn *falala ‘lean, stoop, slant’ (POLLEX)

| Pn:   | Tongan  | falala    | ‘lean on or against; rely, trust, confide’ |
| Pn:   | Samoan  | falala    | ‘lean (as a coconut tree leaning over the water)’ |
| Pn:   | Rennellese | hagaga    | ‘slanting, leaning, bent; lean against’ |
| Pn:   | K’marangi | halala    | ‘slant; oblique (angle)’ |
| Pn:   | Maori   | farara    | ‘lean, stoop, decline (as the setting sun)’ |

cf. also:

| SES: | ’Are’are | hatara    | ‘leaning (on s.t.)’ (for †harara) |
| SES: | Sa’a     | hatara    | ‘lean, rest upon’ (for †harala) |
| SES: | Arosi    | hatara    | ‘rest upon, lean, press’ (for †harara) |

Manner of movement verbs

There is a copious literature on movement verbs and movement constructions in the world’s languages, much of it stemming from the work of Leonard Talmy (1972, 1974, 1985, 1991, 2000). Talmy observed that languages tend to have either movement constructions in which the main verb encodes the manner of motion, as in English as in He ran into the cave, or movement constructions in which it encodes the path of motion, as in Spanish Entró corriendo a la cueva [entered.3SG running to the cave]. Path is encoded in the English example by the preposition into, and manner in the Spanish example by the participle corriendo ‘running’.7

These English and Spanish movement constructions each have just one finite verb. Talmy’s classification also allows for serial verb constructions like those which occur in

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7 More recent work (Aske 1989, Huang & Tanangkingsing 2005, Croft et al. 2010) emphasises that many languages have constructions of both types, depending on the semantics of the event.
Oceanic languages, discussed in Ross (2004a) and briefly in vol.2 (pp257–258), and illustrated in this Hoava (MM) example:

In this construction, the elements of manner, path and deixis are each encoded by a finite verb, respectively of locomotion, geographic direction (vol.2:259–267) and deictic direction (vol.2:269–282). This ordering also occurs in other language families, e.g. in Thai (Thepkanjana 1986:136). Omission of any one of the three elements is quite common, as here in Hoava.

Elaboration of this manner–path–deixis schema, often by the presence of more than one path verb, is quite common across Oceanic languages, as in this Tuam (NNG) sentence:

Verbs of locomotion can be conveniently divided according to the medium on/in which movement takes place: on land (§6.3.1), in the air (§3.2) or in water (§3.3).

6.3.1 Locomotion on land


6.3.1.1 Go, move

The broadest of these meanings is ‘go’, which in some Oceanic languages also denotes sea-based locomotion. Traditional travel on land was always on foot, and so the ‘go’ verb often also

There has been debate (Slobin 2004, Zlatev & Yangklang 2004, Talmy 2008, Ameka & Essegbey 2013) as to whether a serial verb construction contains a main verb. One criterion offered by Talmy is that the verb belonging to the set with the largest number of members is the main verb. In Oceanic languages this would be the manner verb if there is one, otherwise the path verb.

Most descriptions are silent as to how such constructions should be analysed.
means ‘go on foot, walk’. The verbs of deictic direction away from the speaker or towards a location other than the speaker, described in vol.2 (pp273-282), all seem to have been polysemous insofar as they also served as verbs of locomotion with the basic meaning ‘go’. These verbs were:

POc *lako/*la ‘go (away, to)’
POc *pano/*pa ‘go (away)’
POc *ua ‘go towards addressee’
POc *[y]aku ‘go, go away’

These are presented and their locomotion uses discussed below. The verbs *lako (vol.2:258, 269-270, 277-279) and *pano (vol.2:279–280), also had short forms, la and pa, and in a number of languages the short form displaced the long form altogether. A few languages—Gitua (NNG), Manam (NNG), Mota (NCV), Woleaian (Mic), Puluwatese (Mic)—have verbal reflexes of a long and a short form side by side.

Where a form reflecting *lako or *laka (§6.3.1.3 below) has lost its final vowel, it can be difficult to know which verb it reflects. Tuam -la and Kaiep -lak are assumed to be cognate with Gitua -layo and Manam/Wogo -lako respectively, and Sursurunga lək-lək is taken to reflect *lako because the root lək(ə) occurs in the compound ləkə(m) ‘come’, reflecting *lako + *mai, a combination occurring in other MM languages.

PMP *lakaw ‘move, go, walk’ (ACD)
POc *lako ‘go (away, to)’

| Adm: Mussau | lao | ‘go far’ (la in compounds) |
| NNG: Poeng | lao | ‘go’ |
| NNG: Kove | la-lao | ‘walk’ |
| NNG: Tuam | -lay | ‘walk’ |
| NNG: Gitua | -layo | ‘go, walk’ |
| NNG: Manam | -lako | ‘go, move away’ |
| NNG: Wogo | -lako | ‘go’ |
| NNG: Kaiep | -lak | ‘go’ |
| PT: Kilivila | -la | ‘go’ (Senft 2000) |
| PT: Molima | -nəo | ‘go’ |
| PT: Dawawa | -nyao | ‘go’ |
| PT: Saliba | -lao | ‘go, go across’ |
| PT: Magori | -yaq | ‘go’ |
| PT: Sinaugoro | -iyəo | ‘go’ |
| PT: Roro | -ao | ‘go, walk’ |
| MM: Bola | layo | ‘walk’ |
| MM: Sursurunga | lək-lək | ‘walk’ |
| | ləkə(m) | ‘come’ (< POc *lako + *mai ‘come’) |
| MM: Solos | nao(meh) | ‘come’ (< POc *lako + *mai ‘come’) |
| MM: Hahon | nao | ‘go’ |
| MM: Tinputz | no(h) | ‘go; walk’ |
| | no(mah) | ‘come (< POc *lako + *mai ‘come’) |
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<td>lao(ma)</td>
<td>'come' (&lt; POc *lako + *mai 'come')</td>
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<td>'go'</td>
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<td>'go'</td>
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<td>MM: Kokota</td>
<td>lao</td>
<td>'go'</td>
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<td>SES: Sa’a</td>
<td>laʔo</td>
<td>'approach; go/steer toward (a place)'</td>
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<td>rayo</td>
<td>'go'</td>
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<td>SES: Fagani</td>
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<td>NCV: Mota</td>
<td>layo</td>
<td>'step, stretch the legs'</td>
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<td>'go, walk'</td>
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The long vowel in 'Are'are and Oroha rā below probably reflects a preference for bimoraic roots. However, Andrew Pawley (pers. comm.) suggests that perhaps all forms reflecting *la are bimoraic, but that length is not represented in their orthographies. If this is so, then the POc form should also be reconstructed as bimoraic, i.e. *lā.

The forms listed below under 'cf. also' appear to reflect a POc form *lae, but it is not clear how this might have differed from *la. It is possible that these forms represent independent developments (perhaps associated with bimoraicity preference), the more so as the sequence *-ae is not otherwise found in reconstructed POc.

In the short-form set below Loniu (Adm) -le, Titan (Adm) -le, both 'go to', and Lonwolwol (NCV) -le 'leave (a place)', reflect coalescence either of *la + transitive suffix *-i or possibly of *la + locative preposition *i.

PMP *lakaw 'move, go, walk' *(ACD)*

POc *ła ‘go (away, to)’

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<td>'go'</td>
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<td>'go to'</td>
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<td>'go'</td>
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<td>Adm: Lou</td>
<td>-la</td>
<td>'go to, walk'</td>
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<td>NNG: Numbami</td>
<td>la</td>
<td>'go, get a move on'</td>
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10 The expected reflex of *laka ([§6.3.1.3]) in both languages is †laʔa.
There was evidently a difference in usage between POc *lako ‘go (to)’ and POc *pano ‘go (away)’. As noted in vol.2 (p279), many verbal reflexes of *lako have a valency which implies or requires a destination (expressed, for example, as a prepositional phrase), whilst those of *pano are intransitive.

A few reflexes of POc *pano indicate that it was also a geographic directional verb meaning ‘move in a transverse direction’, contrasting with ‘go up, go inland’ and ‘go down, go seawards’. This is discussed in vol.2 (p279).
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PMP *panaw ‘go away, depart, leave on a journey’ (ACD)

POc *pano ‘go (away)’, (?) ‘move in a transverse direction’

NNG: Kaulong van ‘move’
MM: Vitu vano ‘go (away)’
MM: Tiang pən ‘go’
MM: Bola v ano ‘go’
MM: Bilur van ‘go’
SES: Bugotu v ano ‘go, come’; (DIR) ‘thither’; (used in comparisons: ) ‘beyond, more’
SES: Gela v ano ‘walk’
SES: Ghari v ano ‘walk’
SES: Gela v ano ‘away, further off; to go’
SES: Bauro h an o ‘go’
SES: Arosi h an o ‘make a journey, set out; go’
NCV: Mota van[o] ‘go, come’
NCV: NE Ambae v ano ‘move in transverse direction’
NCV: Raga v ano ‘go’
NCV: Nokuku v ano ‘go’
NCV: Kiai v ano ‘go, move away’,
NCV: Saka o y an ‘go’
NCV: Merei van[a] ‘move in transverse direction’
NCV: Tamambo v ano ‘go away from speaker’
NCV: Uripiv -van ‘go’
NCV: Port Sandwich van ‘to go, to walk’
NCV: Lonwolwol van ‘go, pass (and so also of time); continue (to do s.t.); (DIR) ‘away’
NCV: Lewo v ano ‘go’
NCV: Nguna v ano ‘go’

PSV *van ‘go’, *a(v, p)an ‘go, walk’

SV: Sye a-van ‘walk’
SV: Whitesands von ‘go’
SV: Lenakel von ‘go’
SV: SW Tanna von ‘go’
SV: Kwamera von ‘go’
SV: Anejom han ‘go’
NCal: Nyelâyu van ‘go’
NCal: Nemi hen ‘go’
NCal: Tinrin (ã)va ‘there, the other side of stream’
Pn: Niuean f ano ‘go’
Pn: Samoan f ano ‘(of time) be gone, past; perish’
Pn: Nanumean f ano ‘go’
Pn: Rennellese  
\( hano \) ‘go; depending on, according to; on and on; little by little; one by one’

Pn: Maori  
\( fano \) ‘go, proceed; lead, of a road; verge towards; be on the point of; act, behave’

PMP *\textit{panaw} ‘go away, depart, leave on a journey’ (ACD)

POc *\textit{pa} ‘go away; move in a transverse direction’

\textbf{NNG}: Lukep (Pono) \textit{pa} ‘go, walk’
\textbf{NNG}: Mutu \textit{-wa} ‘go’
\textbf{NNG}: Mangap \textit{-pa} ‘walk’
\textbf{NNG}: Roinji \textit{pa(la)} ‘walk’ (< *\textit{pa} + *\textit{la} ‘go’)
\textbf{NNG}: Adzera \textit{fa} ‘go’
\textbf{PT}: Kilivila \textit{-va-} ‘go to’ (Senft 2000)
\textbf{PT}: Sinaugoro \textit{va(riyō)} ‘go down’
\textbf{PT}: Motu \textit{ha} (VAUX) ‘go and …’
\textbf{SES}: Gela \textit{va} (VAUX) ‘be going to …’
\textbf{NCV}: Mota \textit{va} ‘go, come’; (VAUX) ‘go on …-ing’
\textbf{NCV}: Araki \textit{da} ‘go; go in a direction other than north or south’
\textbf{NCV}: Nokuku \textit{va} ‘go’
\textbf{NCV}: Musei \textit{va} ‘move in transverse direction’
\textbf{NCV}: Big Nambas \textit{da} ‘go’
\textbf{NCV}: Lonwolwol \textit{va} ‘go’
\textbf{NCV}: SE Ambronym \textit{ha} ‘go, leave, depart’
\textbf{NCV}: Paamese \textit{vā} ‘go’
\textbf{NCV}: Nguna \textit{vā} ‘go’ (short form of \textit{vano}, Clark 1996)
\textbf{SV}: Sye \textit{ve} ‘go, arrive’
\textbf{SV}: Ura \textit{va} ‘go’
\textbf{SV}: N Tanna \textit{va} ‘come’
\textbf{SV}: Whitesands \textit{va} ‘come’
\textbf{SV}: Lenakel \textit{va} ‘come’ (< *\textit{pa} + *\textit{mai} ‘come’)
\textbf{SV}: Anejom \textit{ha-m} ‘come’

A small number of forms from Schouten (NNG) and Reefs/Santa Cruz (TM) languages and one from Sobei (SJ) are listed below. It would be easy to attribute them to POc *\textit{pa} above, but in all instances except Medebur initial \textit{w-} reflects *\textit{w-} or *\textit{u-}. They evidently reflect the POc deictic directional verb *\textit{ua} ‘go towards addressee’ (vol.2:273–274). There is no other evidence to suggest that POc *\textit{ua} functioned as a locomotion verb, and its extended use as a verb of locomotion may have developed separately on the north coast of New Guinea and in the Reefs/Santa Cruz languages.

\textbf{NNG}: Medebur \textit{-wa} ‘go’
\textbf{NNG}: Ali \textit{-wa} ‘go’
\textbf{NNG}: Sissano \textit{-wa} ‘walk’
\textbf{NNG}: Sera \textit{-wa} ‘walk’
\textbf{SJ}: Sobei \textit{-wo} ‘go’
\textbf{TM}: Āiwoo \textit{wae} ‘go’
The medial consonant of POc */yaku* ‘go, go away’ is reconstructed on the basis of Yabem low tone, which reflects the loss of a Proto Huon Gulf voiced obstruent, probably either */v* or */γ*, lenis reflexes of POc */p* or */k*. Of these, both are lost intervocally in Takia, but only */k* is lost in the Admiralties languages.

**POc */y/yaku* ‘go, go away’

- **Adm:** Nyindrou *au* ‘leave, go away’
- **Adm:** Loniu *yaw* (DIR) ‘away’
- **Adm:** Kele *aw* ‘go away’
- **Adm:** Titan *aw* ‘leave, go, disappear’
- **NNG:** Yabem *-yä* ‘go (to her/him/them)’ (<? *yay*)
- **NNG:** Bilbil *au* ‘walk’
- **NNG:** Takia *-ao* ‘go, go away, depart, flow’
- **NNG:** Megiar *-au* ‘go’
- **SI:** Sobei *awo* ‘walk’
- **MM:** Vaghua *zao* ‘go’
- **MM:** Maringe *zao-zəʔo* ‘walk’
- **MM:** Sisiqa *zo-zo* ‘walk’
- **TM:** Tanema *au* ‘walk’

Only a few reflexes of POc */oRo* ‘come, go’ have been found outside Polynesia. The glosses of its reflexes indicate that it was not a deictic directional verb, but it is otherwise difficult to further specify its meaning.

**POc */oRo* ‘come, go’

- **NNG:** Manam *oro* ‘go landwards’
- **SES:** To'aba’ita *olo* ‘arrive’
- **SES:** Lau *olo* ‘come, go’
- **SES:** Arosi *oro* ‘come, go for a purpose’
- **Fij:** Rotuman *ū* ‘come, go’ (probable Pn loan)
- **Pn:** Tongan *ū* ‘go’ (non-singular form of both *[hau* ‘come’ and *[alu* ‘go’])
- **Pn:** Niue *ū* ‘come, go’ (non-singular form of both *[hau* ‘come’ and *[fano* ‘go’])
- **Pn:** Samoan *ū* plural of *[alu* ‘go, get’; ‘go side by side, go together with’
- **Pn:** Anuta *ū* ‘come, go’
- **Pn:** E Uvean *ū* ‘come, go’ (plural)
- **Pn:** Takuu *ū* ‘come, go’ (plural)
- **Pn:** Tikopia *ū* ‘proceed’ (plural)
- **Pn:** Sikaiana *ū* ‘come’ (plural)
- **Pn:** Tokelauan *ū* ‘go’ (plural)

Just as it is sometimes difficult to distinguish between reflexes of */lako* (above) and */laka* (§6.3.1.3), so it is sometimes difficult to distinguish between reflexes of */pano* (above) and */pana* (below). Languages as far apart phylogenetically as Vitu and Māori have reflexes of
both forms, indicating that both occurred in POc, but there are few languages reflecting both and it is difficult to be sure what the POc meaning contrast was.

Blust (ACD) notes that, ‘In many languages reflexes of this form [*pana] are indistinguishable from reflexes of the far more common PAn *paNav, POc *pano ‘go away, depart, leave on a journey’. Label han is assumed to reflect POc *pana rather than *pano since its closest relatives which have preserved the final vowel point to *-a.’ The same assumption is made here regarding other New Ireland reflexes, except for those with reduplicated versions that mean ‘walk’. These are attributed to *pano (see POc (?) *pat(no)-pano ‘walk’ in §6.3.1.3), but this decision may be mistaken.

POc *pana ‘go, move, walk’ (ACD)

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6.3.1.2 Move from one location to another

POc *(ali)ali ‘move from one location to another’ was inherited from PMP. In Vanuatu excluding the Banks and Torres Islands in the north, it has undergone a semantic shift to mean ‘walk’.

PMP *aliq ‘move, change place’ (ACD)

POc *(ali)ali ‘move from one location to another’

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<td>-iar</td>
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NCV: Paamese ali ‘walk, go to work in the garden’
NCV: Lamenu -yali ‘walk’
SV: Lenakel -ali(uok) ‘walk’
SV: Whitesands -ali(wak) ‘walk’

6.3.1.3 Walk, step, stride

It is difficult to distinguish between the meanings of *lako/*la and *pano/*pa ‘go on foot’ (§6.3.1.1) and of the terms in the present section, but the terms below each perhaps denote the specific action of walking as opposed to generic going on foot.

Two POc terms meaning ‘go, walk’, *raka(t) and *laka, are formally similar to POc *lako ‘go (away, to), walk’ above. Where the nucleus of the second syllable reflects *-o or *-a, the distinction between *lako and *raka(t)/*laka is straightforward. The attribution to *lako of reflexes that have lost the final vowel is briefly explained in §6.3.1.1. Where a verb reflects the short form *la, it is taken to reflect *lako.

It is more difficult, however, to distinguish between reflexes of POc *raka(t) ‘go, walk’ and of POc *laka ‘go, walk’ in languages that have merged POc *r and *l, but terms that have the sense of stepping over something are attributed to *laka. This motivates the attribution of PPN *laka ‘step, march; pass, cross over’ and its many reflexes to *laka rather than to *raka(t), although phonologically they could reflect either. It seems likely that reflexes of the two terms were conflated in some languages. The PMP ancestors of POc *raka(t) and *laka are respectively *rakat and *la(ŋ)kaq, but transitive Wayan (Fij) lakat-i reflects *l- (not *r-) but *-t (not *-q), pointing to a hybrid *lakat.

Lihir merges *r and *l as l, but on semantic grounds Lihir laka(n), listed under ‘cf. also’, probably reflects *raka(t) rather than *laka. Other items listed under *raka(t) have an unambiguous initial consonant.

PAn *rakat ‘walk’ (ACD)
PMP *rakat ‘walk’ (ACD)
POc *raka(t) ‘go, walk’

PT: Dobu laga ‘go towards bush, southwards’ (-g- for †-ʔ-)
PT: Motu raka ‘step, go, walk’
PT: Sinaugoro raka ‘go, walk’
SES: Baelelea rā ‘go up’
cf. also:

MM: Lihir laka(n) ‘go’

PMP *la(n)kaq ‘step, stride; omit or skip over’ (ACD)

POc *laka ‘go, walk; step over’

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<td>laka ‘go inside, enter’</td>
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<td>Sursurunga</td>
<td>laka-i ‘step over, disregard’</td>
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<td>NCV</td>
<td>W Ambae</td>
<td>laka ‘walk’</td>
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<td>Fij</td>
<td>Rotuman</td>
<td>laʔa ‘go’</td>
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<td>Fij</td>
<td>Wayan</td>
<td>laka ‘go, move along, proceed’</td>
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<td>laka-i ‘go to or over (a place)’</td>
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<td>laka-laka ‘(vi) ‘go, keep going’; (n) ‘route, method, procedure; conduct, behaviour; style, characteristics; contributions to a feast or presentation, what one brings’</td>
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<td>PnP</td>
<td>*laka</td>
<td>‘step, march; pass, cross over’</td>
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<td>Pn:</td>
<td>Tongan</td>
<td>laka ‘go, walk (usually a short distance only); step, march; move forward, proceed, progress, develop, advance; pass, cross over; surpass, exceed, omit, skip over’</td>
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<td>Pn:</td>
<td>Niuean</td>
<td>laka ‘step; cross over’</td>
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<td>fe-laka ‘step over s.o./s.t. (formerly considered an insult or desecration)’</td>
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<td>laka-aŋa ‘a step, a pace’</td>
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<td>laka-ia ‘stepped over, exceeded’</td>
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<td>laʔa ‘step, march’</td>
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<td>laʔa-laʔa ‘go step by step’</td>
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<td>la-laʔa ‘step over; put someone above (in estimation or respect)’</td>
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<td>laʔas-ia ‘step over, go beyond’</td>
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<td>Tuvaluian</td>
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<td>laka-laka ‘take several steps’</td>
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<td>la-laka ‘press down with foot (as when firming soil)’</td>
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<td>Pn:</td>
<td>Anuta</td>
<td>raka ‘step over something’</td>
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<td>raka-raŋa ‘walk with large brisk steps; walk quickly’</td>
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<td>Pn:</td>
<td>Futunan</td>
<td>faka-laka ‘pass over’</td>
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<td>laka-ia ‘be passed over’</td>
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<td>Pn:</td>
<td>Nukuoro</td>
<td>laga-laga ‘put down one foot after the other (as in walking or marching in place)’</td>
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<td>Pn:</td>
<td>Māori</td>
<td>faka-raŋa ‘walk, step out’</td>
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A reduplicated reflex of POc *pANO ‘go (away), (?) ‘move in a transverse direction’ (§6.3.1.1) means ‘walk’ in a number of languages with a discontinuous distribution including some MM languages of New Ireland, some SES languages, and a number of northern Vanuatu languages. The reduplicated form is tentatively attributed to POc.

11 John Lynch points out that Clark (2004) reconstructs PNCV*lakau~*lakawa ‘cross over’. I suggest this may be a lexicalised serial verb construction made up of *laka and POc *ua ‘go towards addressee’ (vol.2:284).
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POc (?) *\textit{pa(no)-pano} ‘walk’

\begin{itemize}
  \item MM: Tiang \textit{pan-pan} ‘walk’
  \item MM: Bilur \textit{van-an} ‘walk’
  \item SES: Tolo \textit{va-vano} ‘walk’
  \item SES: Ghari \textit{va-vano} ‘walk’
  \item SES: Talise \textit{va-vano} ‘walk’
  \item SES: Fagani \textit{ha-hano} ‘walk’
  \item SES: Bauro \textit{ha-hano} ‘walk’
  \item NCV: Mwotlap \textit{van-van} ‘walk’
  \item NCV: Dorig \textit{van-van} ‘walk’
  \item NCV: Araki \textit{ð̫aano-vano} ‘walk’
  \item NCV: Aore \textit{ð̫an-ð̫ano} ‘walk’
  \item NCV: Tambotalo \textit{ð̫an-ð̫ano} ‘walk’
  \item NCV: Tamambo \textit{vano-vano} ‘walk’
  \item NCV: Tutuba \textit{vano-vano} ‘walk’
  \item NCV: Mafea \textit{ð̫an-ð̫anō} ‘walk’
  \item NCV: Narango \textit{fan-fan} ‘walk’
\end{itemize}

At first sight POc *\textit{pajale} ‘walk about, take a walk’ looks suspiciously like the root *\textit{jalan} ‘path’, preceded by the causative prefix *\textit{pa-}. However, this would give rise to Lavongai \textit{†asalen} (\textit{salen} ‘path’) and Tigak \textit{†asalan} (\textit{salan} ‘path’) instead of \textit{pasal} in both languages.

POc *\textit{pajale} ‘walk about, take a walk’

\begin{itemize}
  \item NNG: Takia \textit{padal} ‘go astray, disappear’
  \item NNG: Manam \textit{alale} ‘walk’ (for \textit{†adale})
  \item NNG: Kairiru \textit{vval} ‘walk’
  \item NNG: Kis \textit{asali} ‘walk’
  \item MM: Lavongai \textit{pasal} ‘walk’
  \item MM: Tigak \textit{pasal} ‘walk’
  \item MM: Teop \textit{pahana} ‘cross (s.t.), go over (to s.t.)’
  \item MM: Tinputz \textit{pahan} ‘go across’
\end{itemize}

PMic *\textit{faSale} ‘walk, move around’

\begin{itemize}
  \item Mic: Marshallese \textit{yetal} ‘walk’
  \item Mic: Tanapag Carolinian \textit{fatal} ‘walk, journey, take a walk’
  \item Mic: Mortlockese \textit{fotāl} ‘walk about’
  \item Mic: Satawalese \textit{fetāl, fetān} ‘walk’
  \item Mic: Woleaian \textit{fetare} ‘move by its own power, go’
  \item Mic: Pulo Annian \textit{θatare} ‘walk around’
\end{itemize}

6.3.1.4 Move quickly, hurry, run

Terms in this area of meaning are difficult to reconstruct, as lexical replacement seems to have been frequent. For this probable reason reflexes of the reconstructed etyma have spotty distributions.

POc *\textit{(i,a)ropu} ‘run’ bears a superficial resemblance to POc *\textit{Ropok} ‘fly’ (§6.3.2.1), and indeed some terms meaning ‘run’ reflect the latter (e.g. Longgu [SES] \textit{lovo-lovo} ‘run quickly’,}
The terms listed below, however, reflect POc */r-, as reflexes of *r and */R are distinct in Admiralties languages. Furthermore, terms for ‘fly’ reflecting *Ropok—Mussau loo, Titan yo, Misima you—are different from those reflecting *(i,a)ropu ‘run’.

POc *(i,a)ropu ‘run’

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<td>Adm: Nyindrou</td>
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<td>(people) rush in a disorganised manner’</td>
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<td>PT: Misima</td>
<td>lou</td>
<td>‘run away’</td>
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<td>PT: Tawala</td>
<td>lowo</td>
<td>‘run, run away’</td>
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The cognate set supporting POc *joŋas ‘move quickly’ entails two small phonological difficulties. First, the non-Micronesian reflexes reflect POc */j-, but Bender et al. (2003) reconstruct PMic */caŋa*. PMic */c- regularly reflects POc */d or */dr. However, Kiribati /r- reflects POc */d, */dr or */j-, and the most economic assumption is that Ponapean /t- and Chuukese /c- reflect an irregular intra-Micronesian sound change. Second, evidence as to the first vowel is conflicting. Admiralties and NNG languages reflect */o-*, MM and Micronesian languages */a-. I have assumed here that the protovowel was */-o- and that */a- is the result of assimilation.

POc *joŋas ‘move quickly’

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<td>Adm: Lou</td>
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<td>‘run, run away’</td>
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<td>Adm: Baluan</td>
<td>səŋ</td>
<td>‘run’</td>
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<td>Adm: Titan</td>
<td>cəŋ</td>
<td>‘run away and hide’</td>
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<td>NNG: Aria</td>
<td>suŋə</td>
<td>‘run, quickly’</td>
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<td>NNG: Apalik</td>
<td>səŋ</td>
<td>‘run, (wind) blow’</td>
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<td>MM: W Kara</td>
<td>saŋas</td>
<td>‘quickly; walk’</td>
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<td>MM: E Kara</td>
<td>saŋas</td>
<td>‘walk’</td>
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<td>MM: Nalik</td>
<td>saŋas</td>
<td>‘walk’</td>
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<tr>
<td>MM: Sursurunga</td>
<td>saŋar</td>
<td>‘hurry, (be) quick; quickly’ (-r for †-s)</td>
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PMic *Saŋa ‘move quickly’ (Bender et al. 2003: *caŋa)

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<td>Mic: Kiribati</td>
<td>raŋa</td>
<td>‘move fast’</td>
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<td>tæŋ</td>
<td>‘run, flee, swim (as fish); ‘run to (s.t.)’</td>
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<tr>
<td>Mic: Chuukese</td>
<td>çæŋ</td>
<td>‘fly, be flying (as a bird)’</td>
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6.3.1.5 Crawl, creep

Two POc terms for ‘crawl, creep’ can be reconstructed. The term with the most widely distributed reflexes is POc *kaRaka ‘crawl on all fours’. Less widely distributed, with only one non-WOc reflex is POc *(d,dr)aRaC ‘crawl (along the ground)’ below.

POc *kaRaka ‘crawl on all fours’

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<td>Adm: Mussau</td>
<td>kalaa</td>
<td>‘crawl’</td>
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<td>NNG: Takia</td>
<td>karak</td>
<td>‘creep, crawl’</td>
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NNG: Mangap \textit{kara-ra} ‘crawl’
MM: Bola \textit{karaka} ‘crawl’
NCV: Nokuku \textit{kerak} ‘climb’
NCV: Tamambo \textit{haraha} ‘(child) crawl’
NCV: Araki \textit{hadaho} ‘crawl, walk on all fours’
NCV: Rerep \textit{karah} ‘creep on the knees’
NCV: Port Sandwich \textit{kalax} ‘crawl’
NCV: Paamese \textit{kea} ‘crawl’
NCV: N Efate \textit{karaka} ‘walk bent over, hands supporting body (indicates child will soon walk properly)’
SV: Anejom \textit{a-yray} ‘creep, crawl’

POc \*(d,dr)aRaC ‘crawl (along the ground)’

NNG: Mutu \textit{darab} ‘crawl’
NNG: Poeng \textit{ralan} ‘crawl; walk on hands and feet/knees’
NNG: Poeng \textit{ralasi} ‘crawl; go underneath’
PT: Gumawana \textit{dale} ‘crawl on the ground; bow (to s.o.)’
PT: Iamalele \textit{dale} ‘crawl, walk, move across ground’
PT: Tawala \textit{dala} ‘crawl, swim’
PT: Saliba \textit{dala} ‘crawl’
PT: Wedau \textit{dara} ‘crawl’
PT: Dawawa \textit{dara} ‘crawl’
PT: Sinaugoro \textit{dara} ‘crawl’
MM: Nakanai \textit{gala} ‘crawl’
SES: ‘Are’are \textit{da-dala} ‘creep, crawl, glide as a snake’

PCP \*\textit{dolo} ‘crawl (along the ground)’ bears a vague formal similarity to POc \*(d,dr)aRaC above, but in fact only their initial consonants correspond and they are not related.

PCP \*\textit{dolo} ‘crawl (along the ground)’

Fij: Wayan \textit{dolo} ‘crawl, wriggle or slide along on one’s belly, like a snake’
Pn: Tongan \textit{to-tolo} ‘crawl’
Pn: Niuean \textit{to-tolo} ‘crawl’
Pn: Rennellese \textit{togo} ‘crawl’
Pn: Samoan \textit{tolo} ‘crawl, swarm (of creatures found in large numbers)’
\textit{to-tolo} ‘crawl, creep’
Pn: Tikopia \textit{toro} ‘crawl, creep’
Pn: Tahitian \textit{toro} ‘run or creep as vines or roots of plants’
Pn: Maori \textit{to-toro} ‘creep, crawl’
Pn: Hawaiian \textit{ko-kolo} ‘creep, crawl’
6.3.1.6  Limp, hop

The senses of reflexes of POc *tige vary between ‘hop on one leg’, ‘limp’ and ‘walk on tiptoe’. Iduna sike and Longgu tike occur where respectively †γige and †tige would be the regular reflexes and are evidently loans. PPN *teki reflects vowel metathesis.

POc *tige ‘hop on one leg, limp’

PT: Iduna  (!-lufa)sike-sike  ‘hop on one leg’ (s- for †γ-; -k- for †-γ-)
PT: Gapapaiwa sike  ‘limp’
PT: Sudest sike  ‘hop’ (-k- for †γ-)
MM: Sursurunga sik-si(kok)  ‘limp, walk on tiptoe’ (-k- for †γ-)
MM: Teop sige  ‘lame’
              sige-sige  ‘limp, hop’
SES: Longgu ti-tike  ‘hop’ (t- for †θ; -k- for †γ-)
NCV: Avava si-sige/(t)  ‘hop’ (John Lynch, pers. comm.)
NCV: Ninde sāge-sāge  ‘hop’ (John Lynch, pers. comm.)
NCV: S Efate tīg-tīg  ‘hop’

PPn *teki ‘hop’ (POLLEX)

Pn: Emae saere fakatuu-teki  ‘walk or stand on tiptoe’ (saere ‘go’)
Pn: Marquesan teki  ‘limp, lame, hop’
Pn: Tongarevan teki  ‘hop’
              (pere)teki  ‘hopscotch’
Pn: Pukapukan teki  ‘hop on one foot’
Pn: Tahitian teʔi  ‘hop, limp’
Pn: Tuamotuan teki  ‘hop on one leg’
Pn: Māori (hii)teki  ‘hop on one foot’

6.3.1.7  Roll

This subsection concerns ‘roll’ as an intransitive locomotion verb expressing the manner in which its subject moves, e.g. ‘The stone rolled down the hill.’ At first sight, the items in the three sets below seem to form a single cognate set, but closer examination shows that they reflect three different POc etyma. The first, *buliŋ (VI) ‘roll’, was intransitive (or just possibly ambitransitive, i.e. used both transitively and intransitively). The other two, *p(u)uluk-i- (VT) ‘roll’ and *p(u)uri- (VT) ‘roll’, were transitive, and intransitive forms meaning ‘roll’ in its locomotion sense were formed with the spontaneity prefix *ta- (§1.3.5.4). Drehet ta-pulu-i and Samoan ta-fuili (VI) reflect POc *ta-, while Bariai ma-pul reflects POc *ma-. These prefixes are described by Evans (2003:268–271, 279–284), who notes that both were only semi-productive in POc, both were valency-decreasing, removing the agent, while *ta- also emphasised the spontaneity of the event (2003:300).

PMP *pulin (VI) ‘turn round, rotate’

POc *buliŋ (VI) ‘roll’

NNG: Takia -bu-buli  (VT) ‘roll’
PT: Dobu buni  (VI) ‘roll (as a canoe at sea)’
MM: Tolai buli  (VT) ‘turn, roll, turn s.t. upside down’
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MM: Ramoaaina *buli* (VI, VT) ‘roll’ (dialect variant bulu)
SES: Gela *pili* (VI) ‘roll over and over’
SES: To‘aba’ita *(a)buli* (VI) ‘roll’
SES: Lau *(ā)buli* (VI) ‘roll; headlong’
SES: Arosi *buri* ‘wallow, roll on the ground (as a dog)’

POc *puluk-i-* (VT) ‘roll’
Adm: Drehet *ta-pulu-i* (VI) ‘roll, capsize’
MM: Patpatar *puluk-ane* (VT) ‘overturn; roll’ (-ane APPLICATIVE)

PNCV *fj;ahluk-i* ‘fold, bend’ (Clark 2009)
NCV: Mota *wulu* ‘close over’
NCV: Uripiv *bulk-i* ‘bend, fold’
NCV: Port Sandwich *buru‘g-i* ‘bend knees; fold (material); roll’

POc *puri-* (VT) ‘roll’
Adm: Mussau *puli* (VT) ‘roll’
NNG: Barai *ma-pul* (VI) ‘roll spontaneously’
PT: Gumawana *si-pula* (VI) ‘roll (by accident)’
PT: Dobu *puli* (VI, VT) ‘roll (of a stone)’
PT: Molima *puli-* (VT) ‘push or roll along (as a log)’
PT: Tawala *wili* ‘roll’
Fij: Wayan *vuli* ‘(of a baby lying down) turn over, move position’

PPn *fuli* ‘turn round or over’
Pn: Tongan *fuli* ‘turn (round or over)’
Pn: Samoan *fuli* (VT) ‘turn over, roll over (as a tree trunk)’
Pn: Anutan *puri* ‘turn’
Pn: Tahitian *huri* ‘turn over, roll (as a cask)’
Pn: Tuamotuan *huri* ‘turn (round or over)’

6.3.18 Climb

‘Climb’ has two main senses in English: ‘go up’ and ‘propel oneself up or down (a tree, a cliff etc)’. The first of these senses is a verb of direction, and its POc equivalent is *sake*, reconstructed in vol.2 (pp 263-264). The sense intended here is the second, although the glosses below suggest that its meaning was readily extended to include the first sense. The POc verb is *panaik*, and one of the activities it denoted was one that is still readily seen in Melanesian villages, nicely defined in Ivens’ (1918) dictionary definition: ‘climb trees … with a rope round the feet, ascending by alternate jumps of hands and feet’.

Blust (ACD) reconstructs *panek*, as supported by his data. POc *panaik* is reconstructed here to take account of Lukep painak, which appears to reflect metathesis of the two syllable nuclei.
PMP *panahik ‘climb’ (ACD)
POc *panaik ‘climb (tree etc.)’ (ACD: *panek)

NNG: Lukep (Pono) -painak ‘climb up a steep hill’
PT: Molima vane ‘climb’
PT: Bunama hane ‘climb, go up’
PT: Sudest vana ‘climb up’
PT: Misima pani ‘climb (tree)’
SES: Gela vane ‘grow abnormally’
SES: Longgu vane ‘climb, rise’
SES: Lau fane ‘rise up in sky, of sun, moon, or cloud’
SES: Kwaio fane ‘climb, go up’
SES: ’Are’are hane ‘climb, ascend, rise (of sun and moon); rise, ferment’
SES: Sa’a hane (vi) ‘climb trees … with a rope round the feet, ascending by alternate jumps of hands and feet’
SES: Arosi hane, hane?i (vi, vt) ‘climb (not a hill) a rope, tree, cliff, using hands’

6.3.2 Locomotion in the air

There are far fewer terms for locomotion in the air than for on land or in/on water simply because human beings in traditional societies do not engage in aerial locomotion. The two main meanings associated with movement through the air are ‘fly’ and ‘fall’.

6.3.2.1 Fly

The most widespread cognate set for ‘fly’ reflects POc *Ropok. It is not found, however, in Micronesian or in this meaning in Central Pacific languages. Reflexes exist in Polynesian but with changed meaning (PPn *ofo ‘be startled, wake up’, §4.6.4) In Micronesian languages *Ropok is replaced by various terms. In Eastern Fijian we find Bauan vuka, Boumaa vui’a, in Western Fijian Wayan davu, whilst the PPn term was *lele (see below). The Fijian terms listed under ‘cf also’ look at first sight like reflexes of *Ropok, but are not, as the expected reflex is †ovo.

It is interesting that some reflexes of POc *Ropok and PPn *rere taken from sources that provide more detailed definitions are glossed not only as ‘fly’ but also as ‘jump’, implying perhaps that the core meaning of the POc and PPn terms was something like ‘move through the air without touching the ground’.

PMP *Rebek ‘to fly’ (ACD)
POc *Ropok ‘to fly’

Adm: Mussau lō ‘fly’
Adm: Loniu wɔh ‘fly, jump’
NNG: Poeng lo ‘fly, go’
NNG: Yabem -lob ‘fly’
Posture and movement

NNG: Takia -rou ‘fly’
NNG: Manam ro ‘fly’
NNG: Kairiru -ruo ‘fly’
PT: Gapapaiwa rovo ‘fly’
PT: Muyuw yow ‘fly’
PT: Motu roho ‘fly, leap, skip’
MM: Bali rovoko ‘fly’
MM: Nakanai lovo ‘fly’
MM: Lavongai ŋai ‘fly’
MM: Tiang io-io ‘fly’
MM: Tabar rovo ‘fly’
MM: Lihir lah ‘fly’
MM: Sursurunga roh ‘fly’
MM: Ramoaaina rowo ‘fly (as birds)’
MM: Siar rofai ‘fly’
SES: Bugotu ðovo ‘fly’
SES: Longgu lovo ‘fly’
SES: Lau lofo ‘jump, fly’
SES: Sa’a loho ‘fly, swoop’
TM: Àiwoo luo ‘fly’

PNCV *rovo ‘run, flow, jump, fly’
NCV: Mota rowo ‘spring, leap, move quickly up forward, rise, grow; fly (of birds and flying fish)’
NCV: Raga rovo ‘run, sail, flow, fall’
NCV: Kiai rovo ‘move, get out of the way, flee’,
NCV: Uripis -row ‘fly, jump’,
NCV: Lonwolwol roo ‘run (also of liquids); go well, prosper’
NCV: Paamese loho ‘run’
NCV: Namakir dow ‘go, go by, pass’,
NCV: Nguna dowo ‘fall’
SV: Lenakel ivok ‘fly’
cf. also
Fij: Wayan rō ‘fly up, rise up through the air; land, alight, come down’ (for †rovo)
\( rōv-\) ‘land, settle, alight on s.t.’
Fij: Boumaa rō ‘alight (of housefly or bird)’ (for †ovo)
\( rōv-a\) ‘alight on s.t.’

PPn *lele ‘fly, run, leap’ (POLLEX)
Pn: Niuean lele ‘fly’
Pn: Tongan lele ‘run’
Pn: Rennellese gege ‘jump, fly, leap, swing’
Pn: E Futunan lele ‘fly, run quickly’
Pn: E Uvean lele ‘fly, run’
Pn: Pukapukan lele ‘run, swim quickly, of fish’
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Pn: Samoan  *lele*  ‘fly’
Pn: Tikopia  *rere*  ‘run, fly, rush’
Pn: Maori  *rere*  ‘fly, jump, run’
Pn: Tahitian  *rere*  ‘fly, leap’
Pn: Hawaiian  *lele*  ‘fly, jump, run’

6.3.2.2  Fall (from a height)

The English term ‘fall’ is polysemous, and only the locomotion sense ‘fall from a height’ is considered here. As Zlatev & Yangklang (2004) point out in relation to serial verb constructions in Thai, ‘fall’ is not strictly a verb of locomotion, but rather a path verb, i.e. a verb of geographic direction. What is more, unlike most locomotion verbs it is not agentive. These facts perhaps provide a clue as to why no Oceanic-wide cognate set for ‘fall’ is found: a number of languages instead use their geographic direction verb ‘go down’ for ‘fall’, thus treating ‘go down’ as unmarked for agentivity.

The most widely reflected form in the data is POc *p(w)uk(w) ‘fall’. Under ‘cf. also’ are listed a number of WOc items that reflect the appropriate consonants but lack the ‘right’ vowels. This is a conundrum that awaits explanation.

POc *p(w)uk(w) ‘fall’

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<td>puka</td>
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<td>E Kara</td>
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<td>W Kara</td>
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<td>Tiang</td>
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<td>‘fall (from tree +)’</td>
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<td>Lihir</td>
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<td>NNG: Numbami</td>
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<td>PT: Iduna</td>
<td>(-)beʔu</td>
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<td>PT: Gapapaiwa</td>
<td>pеku</td>
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<td>PT: Tawala</td>
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<td>PT: Dawawa</td>
<td>bekп</td>
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<tr>
<td>MM: Halia</td>
<td>puke</td>
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cf. also

NNG: Numbami -peka ‘fall, fall down’
PT: Iduna (-)beʔu ‘fall down’
PT: Gapapaiwa pеku ‘fall’
PT: Tawala pea ‘fall’
PT: Dawawa bekп ‘fall’
MM: Halia puke ‘fall’
In support of the PMP monosyllabic root *-buq ‘fall’, Blust (ACD) cites Yamdena (CMP) *fu-fu ‘fall from a height’ and Arosi ahu below. With the NNG items these imply the possibility of POc *(a)pu.

POc *(a)pu (??) ‘fall’
- NNG: Mangseng pu ‘fall’
- NNG: Poeng pu ‘fall from standing position or from height’
- SES: Arosi ahu ‘fall, come down’

6.3.3 Locomotion in and on water

In a study of verbs used in various languages for locomotion in and on water Lander, Maisak & Rahilina (2012) divide this semantic domain into three semantic subdomains: (a) swimming (self-propelled motion of an animate being); (b) floating (uncontrolled and non-agentive motion); and (c) sailing (motion of vessels and of the people aboard). Some languages (e.g. English) have verbs for each of these domains and little more. Others elaborate the subdomains. For example, Indonesian elaborates (c) with many verbs formed from nouns denoting vessels or areas of water. Others, on the other hand, conflate the three subdomains, like Russian, where *plyt’/plavat’ is a verb denoting locomotion in and on water in general.

Given that the speakers of POc were skilful sailors, in many cases long-distance sailors, one might expect POc to have been like Indonesian. Indeed, perhaps it was, but the available data do not allow reconstruction of an elaborate set of terms for (c). Only POc *(palau(r) ‘go to sea, make a sea voyage’ is reconstructable (§6.3.3.1). This may be because relevant terms in modern languages have been lost with the demise of the ocean-going canoe, or simply because researchers have not been conscious of the need to collect such terms. POc terms can be reconstructed for the three subdomains proposed by Lander et al., but not for much more. There was also a verb for ‘wade’ (§6.3.3.2), a concept not included in their analysis. There are two reconstructions for ‘swim’ (§6.3.3.3) and one for ‘go under water’ (§6.3.3.4). The ‘swim’ terms presumably differed in meaning in some now irretrievable way. Modern languages often distinguish between swimming on the surface and swimming under the surface. There were also terms for ‘float’ (§6.3.3.5). Thus if one is to believe the testimony of the reconstructions presented in this section, POc was like English in its lexicalisation of locomotion in and on water, but this may well be an artefact of data collection and/or modernisation.

6.3.3.1 Travel by sea

No term for a locomotion verb ‘sail’ is reconstructable. POc *(palau(r) meant ‘go to sea, make a sea voyage’, and is derived from PMP *lahud/POc *laur ‘sea, seawards’ (vol.2:91–92).

PMP *pa-lahud ‘go down to the sea or coast’

POc *(palau(r) ‘go to sea, make a sea voyage’ (vol.1:206–207)
- SES: Tolo vola-volau ‘run, race’
- NCV: Raga wala ‘guide, steer, direct’
- NCV: Mota wala-wala ‘paddle all together’
- NCV: Nguna wo-wolau ‘steer canoe’
Mic: Kiribati  \textit{porau, po-porau} ‘travel by sea’ (prob. borrowed from a Pn source)

Fij: Bauan \textit{volau} (v) ‘make a sea voyage’; (n) ‘boat house’

Pn: Tongan \textit{folau} ‘voyage, travel by sea’
\textit{folau(?aŋa)} ‘boat in which one voyages’ (-ŋa < NOM)
\textit{folau(?ia)} ‘be constantly visited by ships’

Pn: Rennellese \textit{hogau} (1) ‘ocean voyage’; (2) ‘canoe making an ocean voyage’

Pn: Samoan \textit{folau} ‘travel by sea, make a voyage; depart, sail’
\textit{folau(ŋa)} ‘voyage’ (-ŋa < NOM)
\textit{folau(vaʔa)} ‘sailor’

Pn: Tikopia \textit{forau} ‘voyage overseas, travel abroad’

Pn: Maori \textit{farau} (1) ‘travel, particularly by water’; (2) ‘company of travellers’

cf also:

PT: Misima \textit{alalau} ‘(go on a) voyage (by boat)’

6.3.3.2 Wade

POc had a term for wading, i.e. for walking through water deep enough to impede free movement, namely \textit{*tuRu(p)}. Blust (ACD) is uncertain whether the medial consonant is *R, but this is confirmed by the Baluan reflex. He suggests on the basis of SES transitive reflexes that the POc form may have ended in *-p. The latter is parenthesised here as we so far have evidence of it only in SES languages.

POc \textit{*tuRu(p)} ‘wade’ (ACD; Geraghty 1990:76; PEOc)

| Adm: Baluan | tui | ‘wade through water’ |
| PT: Motu | turu | ‘wade’ |
| MM: Vitu | turu | ‘walk in shallow water’ |
| MM: Nakanai | tulu | ‘wade’ |
| MM: Bola | tulu | ‘walk’ |
| SES: Gela | tulu | ‘wade; float’ |
| | tuluv-i- | ‘wade to (s.t.)’ |
| SES: Lau | ula | ‘wade’ |
| | uluf-i- | ‘wade to (s.t.)’ |
| SES: To’a’ita | ula | ‘cross a stream, river’ |
| SES: ‘Are’are | uru | ‘wade’ |
| SES: Kwaio | ula | ‘wade’ |
| SES: Sa’a | ula | ‘wade’ |
| SES: Arosi | uru | ‘wade’ |
| | uruh-aʔi | ‘wade with, wade and carry’ |

Mic: Ponapean \textit{sūr} ‘sink or wade in mud’
6.3.3.3 Swim

Four POc terms possibly meaning ‘swim’ are reconstructable, namely *kaRu and *qasa, both ‘swim’, *loso ‘bathe, swim’ and *kʷaya ‘immerse self, swim’. It is reasonable to infer that their meanings differed, but, because there is a tendency for reflexes to shift meaning, the protoglosses are inevitably tentative. A major distinction that was evidently made is that between swimming as a physical activity entailing movement of arms and legs, and immersing oneself in water, typically with the intention of washing one’s body. The first two verbs, *kaRu and *qasa appear to have denoted the physical activity of swimming by moving arms and legs, whereas *loso and *kʷaya apparently denoted immersion. Hence *kaRu and *qasa were locomotion verbs, and their cognate sets are listed below. POc *loso and *kʷaya, on the other hand, denoted a physical activity other than locomotion and appear in chapter 7.

POc *kaRu ‘swim’ (Pawley 1976: Blust 1993a: *kakaRu)

| Adm: Seimat | ki-kau | (vi) ‘wash’ |
| Adm: Titan  | kaw    | ‘swim’     |
| Adm: Nauna  | kokaw  | ‘swim’     |
| NNG: Siq    | kolo   | ‘wade in water’ |
| SES: To’a’a’ita | ʔar(ʔa) | ‘swim (of people and animals, but not fish)’ |
| SES: Kwara’ae | ʔaru   | ‘swim’     |
| NCV: Mota   | yaru   | ‘wade/swim advancing by movement of arms and legs’ |
| NCV: Kiai   | karo   | ‘swim’     |
| NCV: Mwotlap | ʔeʔ   | ‘swim’     |
| NCV: Vurēs  | ʔer    | ‘swim, wade’ |
| NCV: Maewo  | ʔa-ʔaru | ‘swim’ |
| NCV: Raga   | ʔa-ʔaru | ‘swim, float by moving arms and legs; take a bath’ |
| NCV: Sakao  | ʔer    | ‘swim’     |
| NCV: Nguna  | karu   | ‘swim side-stroke’ |
| Fij: Wayan  | gau    | ‘swim’ (g- for †k-) |
|             | gau-ʔi- | (VT) ‘swim across, swim to’ |

PPn *kau, *ka-kau ‘swim’ (POLLEX)

| Pn: Tongan | ka-kau | ‘swim (of man and ducks, but not fish)’ |
| Pn: Niuean | ka-kau | ‘swim’ |
| Pn: Samoan | ʔa-ʔau | ‘swim’ |
|            | ʔaus-ia | ‘be swimming with, be full of’ |
|            | ʔaus-aʔi | ‘swim with (s.o. or s.t.)’ |
| Pn: Tuvaluan | ka-kau | ‘swim’ |
| Pn: Pukapukan | ka-kau | ‘swim’ |
| Pn: Tikopia | ka-kau | ‘swim (of man, but not fish)’ |
| Pn: Rennellese | ka-kau | ‘swim’ |
| Pn: E Futuna | ka-kau | ‘swim’ |
| Pn: K’marangi | kau | ‘swim’ |
| Pn: Rapanui | kau | ‘swim’ |
| Pn: Hawaiian | ʔau | ‘swim’ |
| Pn: Mangareva | kau | ‘swim’ |
Pn: Tahitian ʔau ‘swim’
Pn: Rapanui kau ‘swim’
Pn: Rarotongan kau ‘swim’
Pn: Māori kau(hoe) ‘swim’

POc *qasa ‘swim’
Adm: Mussau asa ‘swim on the surface’
NNG: Sissano -yīs ‘swim’
SJ: Sobei -yas ‘swim’
MM: E Kara nəs ‘swim under water’
MM: Patpatar ias ‘swim’
MM: Kandas was ‘swim’
MM: Laghu aha ‘swim’

Also reconstructable is PEOc *olo ‘swim’. A possible WOc cognate is Teop (MM) oro ‘drift, float, be carried by the current’.

PEOc *olo ‘swim’
SES: Gela olo ‘swim’
SES: Bugotu odo ‘swim’
SES: W Guadalcanal olo ‘swim’
SES: ‘Are’are ōro ‘swim’
SES: Sa’a olo ‘swim’
TM: Vanu wowo ‘swim’
NCV: Vunapu olo ‘swim’
NCV: Paamese olo ‘swim’

6.3.3.4 Dive, go under water

Although most Oceanic languages have verbs that denote various kinds of diving as a human physical activity, the data do not allow POc reconstructions to be made for these meanings. The directional aspect of diving is often indicated by one of the geographic verbs for ‘go down’, POc *sipo and *sobu, reconstructed in vol.2:261-262. Nonetheless, one of the meanings of POc *ruku was ‘go under water’.

POc *ruku ‘go under water, duck under (s.t.), bow the head’
NNG: Bam -rūk ‘swim’
NNG: Roinji luyu ‘dive’
MM: Nakanai lu-lū ‘duck under’
MM: Solos ruku ‘dive’
SES: Bugotu rugu ‘duck the head’
SES: Lau rū ‘enter’
SES: Sa’a ruʔu ‘draw back, retire’
SV: Sye o-ray ‘swim’
SV: Anejom e-rey ‘swim, bathe, be in water’
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PMic *ruku ‘tip, go under water’ (Bender et al. 2003)

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<td>‘go under water, of outrigger’</td>
<td>‘tip, be unsteady, tip with the outrigger going under water’</td>
<td>‘bend forward from waist, bow’ (tiw ‘go down’)</td>
<td>‘to bow, bend’</td>
<td>‘bow down, stand or walk bent over or in a stooping posture’</td>
<td>‘dive under water’</td>
<td>‘dive feet first, sink, dive, submerge’</td>
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6.3.3.5 Float, drift

Two POc terms meaning ‘float, drift’ can be reconstructed, but it is debatable whether either of them was a locomotion verb. POc *ma-gañur ‘floating, adrift’ is a promising candidate, as its Seimat and Arosi reflexes have glosses that imply movement. POc *saliR ‘flow, of water’ denoted movement of water, but the glosses of some of its reflexes also denote the movement of an object floating on flowing water. Whether the latter sense is reconstructable to POc is unclear. NCV reflexes do mean ‘float’, but the unexpected final vowel of PNCV *sale calls into question its descent from POc *saliR. PWOc *p'ati ‘float, drift, be carried on water’ does seem to have denoted movement, but no EOc reflexes have been found.

PAn *gañud ‘drift on a current, carried away by flowing water’ (ACD)

POc *maqañur ‘floating, adrift’ (ACD; vol.2:92–93)

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<td>‘drift, float on a current’</td>
<td>‘float’</td>
<td>‘float’</td>
<td>‘float’</td>
<td>‘float in water or air’</td>
<td>‘float (vi)’</td>
<td>‘be becalmed; drift’</td>
<td>‘be afloat’</td>
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PMic *maanu ‘adrift, drift’ (Bender et al. 1983)

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<td>‘be becalmed; drift’</td>
<td>‘float’</td>
<td>‘drift’</td>
<td>‘drift’</td>
<td>‘drift, be adrift’</td>
<td>‘float, drift’</td>
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PPn *maanu ‘be afloat’ (POLLEX)

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<td>‘be afloat, not to be resting on or touching the bottom’</td>
<td>‘come to the surface, emerge (as a turtle)’</td>
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Pn: E Futunan  *maʔanu*  ‘bathe, wash oneself’
Pn: E Uvean  *maʔanu*  ‘afloat, float’
Pn: Nukuoro  *mānu*  ‘float in place’
Pn: K’marangi  *mānu*  ‘buoyant; float’
Pn: Rennellese  *maʔanu*  ‘float, drift, soar; leap, as in a dance’
Pn: Tongarevan  *mānu*  ‘afloat, float’
Pn: Tikopia  *mānuu*  ‘floating on water’
Pn: Māori  *mānu*  ‘float; be launched; overflow; be flooded’

**PMP *saliR ‘flow, of water’ (ACD)**

**POc *saliR ‘flow, of water’ (vol.2:94)**

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<td>-sarir</td>
<td>‘submerge, drown, sink, bury’</td>
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<td>PT: Gumawana</td>
<td><em>salili</em></td>
<td>‘drown, sink’</td>
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<td>MM: Nakaniu</td>
<td>sali</td>
<td>‘flow’</td>
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<td>MM: Tigak</td>
<td>salik</td>
<td>‘flow’</td>
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<td>MM: Tolai</td>
<td>alir</td>
<td>‘swim, float, drift; float through the air, as a bird with motionless wings; adrift, drifting; run’</td>
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<td>MM: Ramoaaina</td>
<td>alir</td>
<td>‘flow; float, drift’</td>
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<td>MM: Bilur</td>
<td>alir</td>
<td>‘swim’</td>
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<td>SES: Gela</td>
<td>hali-hali</td>
<td>‘flow swiftly’</td>
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**PNCV *sale ‘float, flow’ (*-e for †*-i)**

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<td>sale</td>
<td>‘float, drift, soar with open wings; flow, run with water’</td>
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<td>NCV: Nokuku</td>
<td>sale</td>
<td>‘float’</td>
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<td>NCV: Kiai</td>
<td>sale</td>
<td>‘float, fly, sail’</td>
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<td>NCV: Tamambo</td>
<td>sale</td>
<td>‘float, travel’</td>
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<td>NCV: Sakao</td>
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<td>‘float’</td>
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<td>NCV: Uripiv</td>
<td>-sal</td>
<td>‘float’</td>
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<td>NCV: Lonwolwol</td>
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<td>‘gush out (of liquids); float, spread, flow; drift (of water or objects floating on water)’</td>
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<td>NCV: Nguna</td>
<td>sale</td>
<td>‘float, drift’</td>
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<td>Fij: Bauan</td>
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<td>Fij: Wayan</td>
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**PWOc *p’ati ‘float, drift, be carried on water’**

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<td>pat</td>
<td>‘float, drift, float away’</td>
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<td>NNG: Mangap</td>
<td>pot-pot</td>
<td>(v) ‘float’</td>
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<td>NNG: Sio</td>
<td>poti</td>
<td>‘float in one place’</td>
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<td>NNG: Mangseng</td>
<td>(mon)pot</td>
<td>‘float downstream’</td>
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<td>NNG: Poeng</td>
<td>potue</td>
<td>‘carry on water, float’</td>
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<td>-fot</td>
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<td>NNG: Bing</td>
<td>fat-at</td>
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<td>NNG: Manam</td>
<td>poati</td>
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<td>MM: Vitu</td>
<td>pati</td>
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<td>MM: Bulu</td>
<td>pasi</td>
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Direction verbs

A section with this title also occurs in vol.2 (pp 256-282). It presents reconstructions of the semantically most basic verbs of geographic direction, i.e. *sipo, *sobu and *[s,j]u[(a,u)] ‘go downward’, *sake ‘go upward’, *surup ‘enter, penetrate’, and of deictic direction, i.e. *ma[i] ‘come (towards speaker)’, *ua/*watu ‘towards addressee, *la[ko], *pa[no] and *[y]aku ‘away from speaker’. The purpose of the present section is to offer reconstructions of verbs that are semantically more complex but have a directional semantic component.

6.4 Return

Verbs of returning arguably encode both an element of geographic direction, in that there is a reversal of path direction, and an element of deixis, as movement is towards a goal identical with an earlier starting point of movement.

Three verbs of returning reflect a single PMP root *uliq. Final *-iq is often raised to Oceanic -e. POc evidently had reflexes of both the plain root *uliq (POc *uli(q), *ule) and of *um-uliq (POc *mule), where PMP *um- is the marker of actor voice, present by default as the PMP verb was intransitive.

PMP *uliq ‘return home; return something; restore, repair; repeat; motion to and from’ (ACD)
POc *uli(q), *ule ‘come back’

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<td>E Kara</td>
<td>ula</td>
<td>‘come back’</td>
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<td>Nalik</td>
<td>uli</td>
<td>‘come back’</td>
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<td>Konomala</td>
<td>ule(i)</td>
<td>‘come back’</td>
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<tr>
<td>Uruava</td>
<td>ure</td>
<td>(vi) ‘turn round’</td>
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<td>Fij: Wayan</td>
<td>uli</td>
<td>(vi) ‘(of a visitor’s speech) be replied to’</td>
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<td>uli-</td>
<td>(vi) ‘(of a visitor’s speech) be replied to’</td>
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<td>Pn: Rarotongan</td>
<td>uri</td>
<td>‘turn round or turn about; to translate, as one language into another’</td>
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cf. also:

NNG: Poeng | ule | ‘put behind one with a sense of completion’

In serial verb constructions reflexes of POc *mule are often treated as verbs of geographic direction, as in this Takia (NNG) example:

\[ u-mul \ 0-palu \ =wa \]

2SG-return 2SG-come PRF
PATH DEIXIS
‘You’ve come back.’
PMP *um-ulig ‘return home’ (ACD)
PCEMP *oliq ‘return’ (ACD)
POc *mule ‘return, restore’ (ACD)

Adm: Titan muli-e ‘return’
NNG: Gitua mule ‘return, back, again’
NNG: Lukep -mulu ‘come back, turn around, go back’
NNG: Mangap -mili (vi) ‘return, turn oneself around, go until, go as far as, stop at’
NNG: Kilenge -mule ‘come back’
NNG: Tami mul ‘backside; come back’
NNG: Poeng mule ‘come back’
NNG: Kaiwa (lu)mol ‘come back’ (lu- < POc *liu ‘turn aside, change direction’)
NNG: Bilibil -mul ‘come back’
NNG: Takia -mul ‘come back’
NNG: Manam -mule ‘come back’
mule-aki ‘return (s.t.)’
NNG: Bam -mul ‘come back’
MM: Vitu (va)mule ‘come back’
MM: Bola (ya)mule ‘come back’
MM: Nosti mula ‘come back’
MM: Tabar mure(nai) ‘come back’
MM: Lihir miel ‘come back’
MM: Madak ml(o) ‘return’
MM: Tolai mule (vi) ‘come back, return, of persons or things; again, afresh, more, yet’
MM: Simbo mule ‘return; go back, come back; again, once again’
NCV: Mota mule ‘come, go; refresh, restore in sickness’
NCV: Nokuku mule ‘go back, go home’,
NCV: Kiai mule ‘go home, return’,
mule-i- ‘give back’
NCV: NE Ambae mule ‘go home’
NCV: Raga mule ‘reach a certain point’
NCV: Malo mule ‘return home’
NCV: N Ambrym mol ‘return, back’
SV: Anejom (a-θu)m*oc ‘return’

Blust (1983:11–13) draws attention to an idiosyncratic innovation shared by CMP and Oceanic languages. This is the raising of PMP *u- to *o- giving a PCEMP variant *oliq ‘return’, reflected in Oceanic only in SES languages.

PMP *uliq ‘return home; return something; restore, repair; repeat; motion to and from’ (ACD)
PCEMP *oliq ‘return’ (ACD)
POc *oli(q) ‘go back, come back’

SES: Bugotu oli ‘change’
      olih-i (vt) ‘exchange’
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va-oli (VT) ‘exchange; in turn’ (va- CAUSATIVE)

SES: Gela  
oli ‘come back, return; back, again’
oli-oli ‘go and return’
oliv-i ‘return to’

SES: Longgu  
oli (VI) ‘to return; go back’

SES: Kwaio  
oli ‘return, come back to; commit incest’
faʔa-oli- ‘cause to return, send back; return something to a person’ (faʔa- CAUSATIVE)

SES: Sa’a  
oli-oli ‘return, relieve, replace’
olis-i ‘change, alter’

SES: Arosi  
ori ‘return; stroll about’

SES: ’Are’are  
ori ‘return; come back, go back (home)’

There are relatively few EOc reflexes of the terms reconstructed above, partly perhaps because their function had been taken over by reflexes of PEOc *poki ‘return’.

PEOc *poki ‘return’

SES: Gela  
voɣi ‘go back, turn over’

SES: Sa’a  
hoʔi ‘return’

SES: Arosi  
(a)hoʔi ‘return, go back; change, turn into, become’

NCV: Mota  
woy ‘change, in character or colour’

Mic: Kiribati  
oki ‘return’

Mic: Carolinian  
woxo-wox ‘turn food when cooking’

Mic: Woleaian  
wegi-ti ‘turn, change, transfer, convert (it)’

Fij: Bauan  
vuki, vuki-ca ‘turn, change’
(ta)vuki ‘turned over, capsized’
voki ‘shift, of the wind’

Fij: Wayan  
vuki ‘be turned around/over; turn oneself round; change direction’

Fij: Rotuman  
hoʔi ‘go back, return’

Pn: Niuean  
foki ‘turn, return’
fo-foki (VT) ‘turn inside out, turn over’

Pn: Tongan  
foki (VI) ‘return’

Pn: E Uvean  
foki ‘return’

Pn: Rennellese  
hoki ‘go or come back, return’

Pn: Samoan  
foʔi ‘return’

Pn: Tikopia  
foki ‘return, retreat’

Pn: Hawaiian  
hoʔi ‘return’

6.4.2 Turn round

POc apparently had two homophonous verbs with the root *liu, one glossed ‘turn aside, change direction’ (this section) and the other *liu ‘go beyond, pass, surpass’ (§6.4.3). It is possible that both reflect PAN *liuS, which Blust (ACD) glosses ‘circumambulate, circumvent’. However, its Formosan reflexes suggest that PAN *liuS formed both intransitive and transitive verbs
meaning ‘turn around’, the sense inherited by POc. Whether PAn *liuS was also ancestral to PMP *liu ‘surpass, exceed’ is not clear.

In addition to POc *liu ‘turn aside, change direction’, a reduplicated *li-liu ‘turn around, go back’ is also reconstructable (the different glosses of POc *liu and *li-liu are tentative at best). Many reflexes of these two forms are similar in meaning to reflexes of the items in §6.4.1, but the overall pattern of their glosses suggests that *liu and *li-liu profiled the semantic element of turning around rather than simply of going back.

The forms listed under ‘cf. also’ below appear to reflect a POc *[ri]riu ‘turn’, i.e. a form in which *l had been replaced by *r. This is not a regular sound change.

POc *liu ‘turn aside, change direction’; *li-liu ‘turn around, go back’ (ACD)

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<td>li-liu</td>
<td>‘go back’</td>
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<td>(ga)liu</td>
<td>‘return (said to person nearby)’</td>
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<td>(kaga)liu</td>
<td>‘return (said to someone going far away)’</td>
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<td>(taoga)liu</td>
<td>‘return (by turning around and going back),</td>
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<td>chase (s.t.)’</td>
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<td>NNG: Numbami</td>
<td>-leleu</td>
<td>‘return’</td>
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<td>NNG: Kaiwa</td>
<td>lu(mol)</td>
<td>‘come back’ (mol &lt; *mule ‘return’)</td>
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<td>(-soa)li-li</td>
<td>‘turn round’</td>
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<td>MM: Minigir</td>
<td>(ta)li-li</td>
<td>‘come back’</td>
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<td>MM: Tolai</td>
<td>li-li(kun)</td>
<td>(vi) ‘come back, turn back, return’</td>
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<td>(ma)li-li</td>
<td>(vi) ‘having gone before, as shown by flattened</td>
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<td>grass’</td>
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<td>MM: Bilur</td>
<td>(va)li-likun</td>
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<td>MM: Roviana</td>
<td>li-liu</td>
<td>‘turn around’</td>
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<td>(pi)liu</td>
<td>‘turn’</td>
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<td>liu</td>
<td>‘turn aside, go in another direction or by another way’</td>
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<td>li-liu</td>
<td>‘become, change into’</td>
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<td>‘turn’</td>
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<td>SES: Malango</td>
<td>lel-eo</td>
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<td>SES: Longgu</td>
<td>liu</td>
<td>(vt) ‘turn (s.t.) over, e.g. in the fire’</td>
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<td>SES: Sa’a</td>
<td>(a)liu</td>
<td>‘turn; change one’s mind’</td>
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<td>li-li</td>
<td>(vi) ‘change, move about’; (vt) ‘change position</td>
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<td>of, push to one side’</td>
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<td>SES: Kahua</td>
<td>ri-ri</td>
<td>‘turn’</td>
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<tr>
<td>PNCV *li(u)-liu (vi)</td>
<td>‘return; be backwards, be upside down’ (Clark 2009: *liu)</td>
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<td>NCV: Raga</td>
<td>v-a-liu</td>
<td>‘answer’</td>
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<td>NCV: Uripiv</td>
<td>-luwi</td>
<td>‘return’</td>
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<td>-li-li</td>
<td>‘turn (end to end), change positions’,</td>
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<td>NCV: Port Sandwich</td>
<td>li-l</td>
<td>‘backwards’</td>
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<td>li-li</td>
<td>‘upside down’</td>
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<td>li-li-in-i</td>
<td>‘back to front’</td>
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NCV: Lonwolwol  *lu-lu (ne)*  ‘backwards, back to front, wrong way round, upside down’,
NCV: Tolomako  *li-liu*  ‘return’,
NCV: Neve’ei  *ma-li-li*  ‘return’
NCV: Naha’ai  *ma-li-liu*  ‘return’
NCV: Lewo  *li-liu*  ‘go upside down’
NCV: Nguna  *li-liu*  ‘return’
NCV: laki-pi-liu  ‘sister exchange marriage’ (*laki* ‘marry’)
Fij: Rotuman  *liu*  ‘jibe (of a boat)’

**PPn *liu* ‘turn round’** (POLLEX)

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<td>li-liu</td>
<td>(vt) ‘turn round, turn or change into s.t. else’</td>
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<td>Pn: Niuean</td>
<td>liu</td>
<td>‘to turn, change’</td>
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<td>liu</td>
<td>‘alter, change; turn into’</td>
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<td>liu-liu</td>
<td>‘turn over and over’</td>
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<td>Pn: E Futunan</td>
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<td>‘turn back, return’</td>
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<td>Pn: E Uvean</td>
<td>li-liu</td>
<td>‘return, come back’</td>
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<td>Pn: Rennellese</td>
<td>giu</td>
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<td>Pn: K’marangi</td>
<td>riu</td>
<td>‘turn, reverse’</td>
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<td>Pn: Emae</td>
<td>riu-a</td>
<td>(vt) ‘turn over’</td>
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<td>Pn: Raratongan</td>
<td>riu</td>
<td>‘turn round’</td>
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<td>riu</td>
<td>‘turn round’</td>
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<td>Pn: Tahitian</td>
<td>riu-riu</td>
<td>‘be moving around’</td>
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<td>Pn: Hawaiian</td>
<td>liu-a</td>
<td>‘spinning, whirling, dizzy; shocked; fascinated’</td>
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cf. also:

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<td>MM: Sursurunga</td>
<td>-ri-riu</td>
<td>(vi) ‘turn round’</td>
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<td>MM: Roviana</td>
<td>ta-liri</td>
<td>‘turn’ (consonant dissimilation?)</td>
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<td>SES: Bugotu</td>
<td>riu</td>
<td>‘move position, change place of’</td>
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<td>riu-riu</td>
<td>‘wander about’</td>
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<td>riu</td>
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PPn *ma-liu* reflects the same root with the addition of the detransitivising prefix *ma-* (see also the entries for Neve’ei and Naha’ai above).

**PAn *ma-liuS* ‘turn round’”

**POc *ma-liu* ‘change direction, turn’

**PPn *ma-liu* ‘change direction, turn’ (POLLEX)

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<td>‘turn towards the speaker; change one’s mind, attitude, etc.’</td>
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<td>Pn: Tuvaluan</td>
<td><em>ma-liu</em></td>
<td>‘turned’</td>
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Three further POc terms meaning ‘turn round’ or ‘turn back’ are reconstructable. The first, *likot, is reconstructed on the basis of evidence from western Malayo-Polynesian languages noted in the ACD and a single regular Oceanic reflex, Bali (MM) liyota. The Vangunu reflex likoso is irregular, as the expected form is † liyoto.

PMP *liget ‘turn, rotate’ (ACD: PWMP)

POc *likot (vi) ‘turn round’

MM: Bali liyota (vi) ‘turn round’
cf. also:

MM: Vangunu likoso ‘turn’

The other two reconstructions are formally similar, and it is hard to believe that they are not historically connected in some way, as both display the pattern *LABIAL-ulos. They are:

- POc *[ta]bulo(s) (vi) ‘turn round, turn back’, bulos-i- (VT) ‘turn round, turn back’
- POc *pulo(s) (vi) ‘turn round’, *pulos-i- (VT) ‘turn (s.t.) round’

However, there is no straightforward way to unify them.

The first, *[ta]bulo(s), *bulos-i-, is internally consistent. Most of the intransitive forms reflect the semi-productive POc prefix *ta-, which decreased valency by removing the agent, and emphasised the spontaneity of the event (§1.3.5.4; Evans 2003:300). However, in this instance, the prefix simply functions to reduce valency.

POc *[ta]bulo(s) (vi) ‘turn round, turn back’, bulos-i- (VT) ‘turn round, turn back’

NNG: Medebur ta-wul (vi) ‘turn round’
NNG: Wogeo ta-bul (vi) ‘turn round’
NNG: Kis -tu-bu-bl-i (vi) ‘turn round’
NNG: Kairiru -ta-bul (vi) ‘turn round’
MM: Blablanga bulo ‘turn’
SES: Bugotu ta-bulo (vi) ‘suddenly’
     ta-bulos-i ‘be sudden’
SES: Gela ta-bulo ‘dash off suddenly’
SES: To’aba’ita a-bula (vi) ‘turn, veer to the side’
SES: Langalanga bulus-i ‘turn’
SES: Lau a-bulo ‘turn round, turn back, turn aside’
SES: Kwara’ae a-b*el ‘turn’
SES: Kwaio a-bulo (VT) ‘turn’
     bulos-i- ‘turn’
SES: Sa’a pulo (vi) ‘reach, turn back, return’
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<td>?a-pulo</td>
<td>'reversed, returned, turned back on a journey'</td>
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<td>NCV: S Efate</td>
<td>a-buro</td>
<td>'turn back, return, fail to reach home'</td>
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<td>SV: Ura</td>
<td>a-pre-i</td>
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The presence of fortis *p-* in Bulu, Harua, Roviana, W Guadalcanal, Talise and Birao, where a lenis reflex is expected, is probably explained by the fact that the sequence *pu-* sometimes gives rise to [*pʰu*], where [*pʰ*] resists lenition.

The sequence [*pʰu*] sometimes becomes [*pʰi*] in Oceanic languages, i.e. the rounding feature is fully transferred from [*u*] to preceding [*pʰ*], accounting for -i-, instead of †-u-, in W Guadalcanal, Talise, Birao and all NCV reflexes except Kiai.

The second vowel, *-o-, is fronted to -e- (or -i- in Tabar and Neve’ei) in both intransitive and transitive forms. This is especially common in NCV reflexes, leading Clark (2009) to reconstruct two PNCV forms, *viles-i* and *vilos-i*. There is no obvious explanation for this alternation, but it is very unlikely that †*pules-i-* occurred in POc, as *e* is usually stem-final, reflecting PMP *-ay*.

These considerations point to the reconstruction of POc *pulo(s) (vi) ‘turn round’, *pulos-i- (vt) ‘turn (s.t.) round’, and also suggest that early Vanuatu Oceanic must also have retained the form *vulos-i*. 

POc *pulo(s) (vi) ‘turn round’, *pulos-i- (vt) ‘turn (s.t.) round’

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The POc stems *bulos and *pulos which are central to the reconstructions above must have a common origin, but they are not related by any known morphological pattern.

6.4.3 Go beyond, pass by, surpass

The formal identity of POc *liu ‘go beyond, pass, surpass’ and POc *liu ‘turn aside, change direction’ is discussed in the introduction to 6.4.2 above.

Grammaticisation of a verb meaning ‘surpass’—often a figurative extension of a verb meaning ‘go beyond, pass’—as a comparative marker is common in Oceanic languages, such that My house is bigger than yours is expressed by a clause containing a serial verb construction with the sense ‘My house big surpasses yours.’ Such a use is noted in the ’Are’are and Arosi dictionary entries from which items below are drawn.

PMP *liu ‘surpass, exceed’ (ACD)
POc *liu (vt) ‘go beyond, pass, surpass’

MM: Tolai lio (vt) ‘pass’
SES: Bugotu lio (vt) ‘go beyond, pass’
SES: Lau lio ‘go, pass by, move about’
SES: ’Are’are riu- (vt) ‘surpass, win, excel, go beyond, pass over, of time’
SES: Sa’a lio ‘pass by’
SES: Arosi riu ‘go on, go past; beyond’

PNCV *liu ‘go beyond, exceed’ (Clark 2009)

NCV: Raga lio ‘surpass, more than’
NCV: Nokuku lio ‘above, greater (used in comparative constructions)’
NCV: Kiai lio ‘lead, go first, be ahead; go beyond’
NCV: Tamambo lio ‘win; be better’
NCV: Sak lō(d) ‘exceed, surpass, go beyond’
NCV: Paamese lio (muli) ‘pass, go past; miss; more than’
NCV: Lewo lio ‘pass, go past; miss; more than’
NCV: Namakir liv ‘too much, too many, very’,
NCV: Nguna lius- ‘past, beyond; to surpass, pass’
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Fij: Bauan līu ‘precede, surpass, excel, go before, be the first to do a thing’

6.4.4 Arrive, appear

Four POc verbs are reconstructed in this section: *potu ‘appear, come into view’, *p₉osa ‘appear’, *pura’ arrive, appear’, *p₉aka ‘come into view’. They share similar clusters of meanings: ‘arrive’, ‘come into view’, ‘rise (especially of the moon)’ and ‘appear’. They are included here because reflexes of the most widely reflected of the four, *potu, serve as direction verbs in serial verb constructions in at least the languages of southern New Ireland, as in this Ramoaaina (MM) example.

\[ i=i \quad wan \quad \text{pot} \]
\[ 3SG= \quad \text{go} \quad \text{arrive} \]

‘He came.’ (Fritzell & Davies, Ramoaaina vocabulary)

Clark (2009) notes that in north and central Vanuatu languages reflexes of *potu are used of the emergence of the new moon: e.g. Mota o vula we wot ma ‘a new moon appears’, and occur as an attribute in the phrase ‘new moon’: e.g. Nokuku wul wotu ‘new moon’, Tamambo vitu-votu ‘new moon’, Rerep nebur mi uet ‘new moon’.

PMP *betu ‘appear, come into view’ (ACD)
POc *potu ‘appear, come into view’ (ACD)

Adm: Mussau out (vi) ‘show up’
NNG: Amara pod/uod (vi) ‘appear, arrive’
NNG: Bariai ot ‘arrive; emerge’
NNG: Kove put ‘appear, enter a garden, come out’
NNG: Mangseng =pot ‘out, off’ (‘=’ marks an enclitic boundary)
PT: Sinaugoro votu ‘arrive’
MM: Madak vot ‘come, arrive’
MM: Sursurunga hut ‘come, arrive’
MM: Ramoaaina pat ‘come, arrive’
MM: Tinputz vōs ‘arrive at, reach home’

NCV *votu ‘emerge, appear’ (Clark 2009)

NCV: Mota wot ‘rise up, stand up, appear, shoot up (as land coming into sight when at sea)’
NCV: Raga votu ‘arrive, come, reach’
NCV: Merei vu-vut ‘appear’
NCV: Nokuku wot(ʔer) ‘appear, happen’
NCV: Uripiv −wut ‘come out (guts from a wound; new moon)’
NCV: W Ambrym fur ‘appear, come clear, come out’
NCV: Paamese hotu ‘(of reef) come out and disappear under waves, come out at low tide; (of something floating) bob up and down in waves’
NCV: Lewo woru ‘appear, arrive, reach’
NCV: S Efate  put(sak)  ‘emerge, as from water’
Fij: Rotuman  hofu  ‘rise, of moon; emerge, esp. from interior at coast’
Fij: Bauan  votu  ‘appear, become visible (as a ghost)’
Fij: Wayan  votu  ‘appear, come into view, become visible’
Pn: Tongan  fotu  ‘emerge, come into view; appear (as fish in season), become manifest, stand out, or to be or become prominent’
Pn: Rennellese  hotu  ‘come forth, appear’
Pn: Samoan  fotu  ‘appear (as a boat coming around a point); (of trees) blossom out, come into blossom’
Pn: Tokelauan  fotu  ‘appear, emerge’
Pn: Maori  hotu  ‘dawn’

The other three verbs are less widely reflected and their usage is less well understood than that of *potu.

POc *pəosa ‘appear’
NNG: Arop-Lukep  -pa-pos-i  ‘cause to appear, reveal’
NNG: Poeng  pota  ‘appear’
PT: Dobu  (a)pəesa  ‘appear, arrive, arrive there, depart, happen’
PT: Bunama  (ha)pəesa  ‘appear’
MM: Patpatar  posa  ‘appear, stick out’
MM:  po-posa/pa-posa  (N) ‘appearing of sun, moon, stars’
SES: ’Are’are  huta  ‘be born, appear, rise up’
SES: Sa’a  uwota  ‘appear on the horizon’

POc *pura’ arrive, appear’
NNG: Manam  pura  ‘come, arrive’
NNG: Bam  -pur  ‘come back’
NNG: Kairiru  -fur  ‘appear, arrive on the scene’
MM: Roviana  vura  ‘appear’
MM: va-vura-ia  ‘cause to appear, reveal’
NCV: Lonwolwol  fur  ‘appear, come clear, (moon) come out’
NCV: Lewo  ula  ‘arrive at; attain’
Fij: Bauan  vura  ‘arrive, emerge, appear’
Fij: Wayan  vura  ‘appear, come into view’

The presentation of POc *pəaka ‘come into view’ below retains Bender et al.’s (2003) presentation of Micronesian data supporting PMic *pwa(a,e) but separates off under ‘cf. also’ the transitive reflexes they list meaning ‘show’ or ‘announce’. This is done to highlight a difficulty in Bender et al.’s analysis. They reconstruct PMic medial *-x- (< POc *g) on the basis of the seemingly regular sound correspondence Kosraean -k, Ponapean, Mokilese and Pingelapese -r and Chuukese, Puluwatese, Carolinian and Woleaian zero (Bender et al. 2003:4). This is achieved by segmenting the transitives as Chuukese pə-ə-ri etc. But if, as is usual, the consonant preceding the transitive suffix -i belongs to the PMic root (Chuukese
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$p^wēr-i$ etc.), then Chuukese, Puluwatese, Carolinian and Woleaian have -r in this position, and all items except Kosraean reflect PMic *p^w^ar(a,e), not PMic *p^w^ax(a,e). If this reinterpretation is correct, then it is possible that all Micronesian items other than Kosraean reflect POc *pura above, rather than POc *p^w^aka.

POc *p^w^aka ‘come into view’

NNG: Sissano  pak  ‘come up, appear, come into being, stay close’
NNG: Mangap  pok  ‘burst forth into the open, appear, come into view, break’
SES: Arosi  p^w^ā  ‘rise’
SES: Sa’a  p^w^aʔa  ‘rise (of heavenly bodies)’

?? PMic *p^w^ax(a,e) ‘come into view, reveal’ (Bender et al. 2003)

Mic: Kosraean  fæk  ‘say, tell, announce’
Mic: Ponapean  p^w^ar  ‘appear’
Mic: Mokilese  p^w^ar  ‘emerge, come to view’
Mic: Pingelapese  p^w^ar  ‘appear, rise (of sun)’
Mic: Chuukese  p^w^æ, p^w^ē-  ‘come into view’
Mic: Puluwatese  p^w^ā, p^w^ē-  ‘appear’
Mic: Carolinian  b^w^æ  ‘be(come) visible, appear’
Mic: Woleaian  p^w^ē, p^w^ā  ‘emerge into view, come from behind’

cf. also:

Mic: Chuukese  p^w^ēr-i  ‘show’
Mic: Puluwatese  p^w^ēr-i-  ‘show’

6.5 Accompanied movement verbs

6.5.1 Accompany

POc *ud(r)u ‘accompany, go with (s.o.)’

NNG: Sio  wuru  ‘accompany, go with (s.o.)’
MM: Ramoaaina  we-ur  ‘accompany, go together’ (we- RECIP)
SES: Bugotu  udu  ‘walk in file’
SES: Gela  udu  ‘accompany’

6.5.2 Gather, congregate

A POc verb of the form *so(k,g)o(n) is reconstructable with a meaning that has to do with gathering or assembly, but both its form and its semantics are problematic. The Mussau, Mota and Paamese reflexes point to medial *-k-, the Lonvolvol and Wayan reflexes to *-g- (and Nguna to *-ŋ-). The glosses make it difficult to determine which form is intransitive, which transitive. On formal grounds, *so(k,g)o(n) was presumably intransitive, *so(k,g)on-i transitive, but the Nguna and Wayan Fijian use of *so(k,g)on-i as intransitive render this a little uncertain.
POc *so(k.g)o(n) (vi) ‘gather, congregate’, *so(k.g)on-i (vt?) ‘gather, bring together’
Adm: Mussau ai-soko-soko-iaa (vt) gather together (ai- RECIP)
PNCV *soko ‘add, join’ (Clark 2009)
NCV: Mota soyo ‘give, bring, contribute, distribute; descriptive prefix to numerals, of things together in a bunch, such as coconuts; to measure money, a measure of money’
NCV: Lonwolwol sogo ‘bring together, pack, stow’
NCV: Paamese soyon-i-a (vi) ‘gather, congregate’
NCV: Nguna soyon-i-a (vi) ‘gather, assemble, come together in a crowd, congregate’
Fij: Wayan sogon-i-ti- (vt) ‘draw or attract a crowd, cause people to come together’
Pn: Tongan hoko ‘join or unite (two things)’
Pn: Samoan soʔo ‘join, splice’
Just four reflexes of POc ‘gather, congregate’ have been found.¹⁴
POc *lupun ‘gather, congregate’
NNG: Bariai lup ‘meet, gather, collect together, join, put together
NNG: Kaulong lup ‘join, gather’
MM: Patpatar luhi ‘gather about’
SV: Lenakel lupun ‘join (vt, vt)’

6.5.3 Precede and follow
Two POc locative nouns *muri- ‘rear, back part’ and *muqa- ‘front’, along with PWOC *muga, a variant form of *muqa, are reconstructed in vol.2 (pp247–249, 251-252). It is noted there that *muqa/*muga and *muri both also occurred as verbs, respectively meaning ‘be in front’ and ‘be behind, be after’. Only verbal reflexes are listed below.
POc *muqa ‘be in front, precede’ (vol.2:247–248)
Adm: Mussau mua ‘go first’
NNG: Manam mua ‘go first, precede’
NNG: Labu -mo ‘lead; go first’
NCV: Mota mʷoa-i ‘first, foremost, principal; to be first’
NCV: Lewo (va)mo ‘front’ (va ‘go’)¹⁴
PMic *mʷ(o,u)a ‘ahead, going before’ (Bender et al. 2003)
Mic: Chuukese -mʷe-ri ‘lead him, go before him’
Mic: Puluwatese mʷe- ‘lead’

¹⁴ We thank John Lynch for drawing our attention to the Lenakel reflex.
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Mic: Woleian  $m^m^\text{a-}$ 'go ahead of it'
Fij: Wayan  $mua$ (vi) 'head for a place, set course for a place'

PPn *$muga$ 'be first, precede'; *$muga$-$ki$ 'before, first'

Pn: Tongan  $mu\text{a}$ (vi) 'precede, be/go in front'
        $mu\text{a}$-$ki$ 'be the first or leading person'
Pn: Samoan  $mua$ 'be first, arrive first'
Pn: Rennellese  $mu\text{a}$-$\text{a}$-$ki$ 'to lead, direct'
Pn: Samoan  $mua$-$\text{a}$ 'be first'
Pn: Tikopia  $mua$-$ki$ 'give/send/perform etc. first'

PWOc *$muga$ 'be in front, precede' (vol.2:249)

NNG: Gitua  $mu$-$\text{g}a$ 'precede, go ahead, future'
NNG: Lukep (Pono)  -$pa$-$muga$ 'cause to go first' (pa- CAUSATIVE)
NNG: Mangap  -$m\text{u}$-$\text{g}u$ 'go ahead, go first, precede, go before'
NNG: Sio  $muga$ 'precede; before'
NNG: Gedaged  $mug$ 'precede'
NNG: Takia  $mug$ (vi) 'go ahead, go first'
NNG: Poeng  $muge$ 'go ahead of, lead'
NNG: Yabem  $muj$ 'precede'
NNG: Numbami  -$mu$-$\text{g}a$ 'precede, go first'
NNG: Mapos Buang  $mug$-$\text{i}$ 'go first, go ahead'
NNG: Hote  -$m\text{e}$ 'pass, go first'
NNG: Adzera  -$muj$-$\text{a}$-$\text{n}$ 'precede'
PT: Muyuw  $mug$ 'go ahead, go first, precede'
PT: Suau  -$mug$-$\text{i}$ 'precede'
MM: Nakanai  $muga$ 'go ahead, forward, onward'
MM: Bola  $muga$ 'go first; lead, go first'
MM: Madak  $mug$ 'go first'
MM: Ramoaaina  $muga$ 'go first'
        $mug$-$\text{a}$-$\text{i}$ 'lead'
MM: Siar  $mug$-$\text{i}$ 'lead the way'

PMP *$ma$-$udehi$ 'be last; be after or behind; be late, be later; future' (ACD)

POc *$muri$ 'be behind, be after, follow' (vol.2:251-252)

PT: Gapapaiwa  $muri$ 'follow'
PT: Dobu  $mul$-$i$ 'follow'
PT: Bunama  $mul$-$i$ 'follow'
MM: Nakanai  (kujmuli-) 'chase after (+s.t.)'
MM: Ramoaaina  $muru$ 'follow; behind, back; last'
MM: Teop  $muri$-$\text{a}$ 'follow (s.o., s.t.)'
MM: Banoni  $muj$-$muri$ 'last, follow last'
SES: Arosi  $muri$-$i$ 'follow; behind, back; outside of s.t.; afterwards; left hand when facing an object'
Fij: Bauan  $muri$ 'following, after'
Pn: Samoan  $mui$ 'be/go behind, be late/last'
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<td>muli</td>
<td>‘come last, be last; young, new’</td>
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<td>Rennellese</td>
<td>mugi</td>
<td>‘follow, be or go behind or after; rear end, esp. lower or western end’</td>
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<tr>
<td>Hawaiian</td>
<td>muli</td>
<td>‘behind, afterwards; last, following behind; younger, youngest; (canoe) stern’</td>
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### 6.6 Caused movement verbs

Caused movement refers to an event where an agent, usually a person, causes a theme (the person or thing that is moved) to move. The semantic frame of caused movement is rather complex. It involves:

- an agent (who/which moves the theme)
- a theme (what is moved)
- a source (the location the theme is moved from)
- a goal (the location the theme is moved to)
- the movement event itself

Thus in an English sentence like:

*She moved the pot from the table to the ground*

all five frame elements are profiled.\(^{15}\) Caused movement constructions differ as to whether these elements are all profiled. In this construction the source and the goal are each optional. In construction with, say, *put* (instead of *moved*), the goal is obligatory and for many English-speakers the source is obligatorily absent.

Crucially, however, the verb itself may also profile certain frame elements. Predictably some caused movement verbs profile elements associated with posture and movement verbs, discussed in earlier sections. These include:

4. the resulting posture of the theme (cf §6.2): transitive *sit/seat/set, stand, lay, hang*

5. locomotion (cf §6.3), i.e. the manner of movement of the theme: *drop* (‘let fall, cause to fall’), *send* (‘cause to go’), *throw* (‘cause to fly’), transitive *roll*

6. the direction of vertical movement (§6.4): *lift, raise* (‘cause to go up’), *lower, drop* (‘cause to go down’)

7. the path of movement (§6.4): *insert* (‘cause to go into’), *extract* (‘cause to come out of’), *immerse* (‘cause to go into water’), *box* (‘cause to be in boxes’)

8. Other frame elements profiled by caused movement verbs relate to human causal agency:

\(^{15}\) Semantic frames, frame elements and profiling are terms from Frame Semantics, a theory of meaning deriving from the work of Charles J. Fillmore (see especially Fillmore 1982, 1985). Croft & Cruse (2004:8–22 and *passim.*) provide an overview. A short set of definitions is given at [https://framenet.icsi.berkeley.edu/fndrupal/about](https://framenet.icsi.berkeley.edu/fndrupal/about).
9. whether or not the agent accompanies the theme in its movement;\textsuperscript{16}  
10. not specified, with \textit{take, push} and \textit{pull}  
   a. yes, with carrying verbs like \textit{carry, bring, drag}  
   b. if no, then whether or not some part or tool of the agent touches the theme until it  
      reaches its goal  
      i. yes, with putting verbs like \textit{put, insert, immerse}  
      ii. no, with sending verbs like \textit{send, drop, throw}  
   iii. the kind of force that the agent applies in order to move the theme: \textit{push, pull,  
      drag, throw}  
11. change of possession: \textit{give, present, distribute, receive, exchange, steal}  

The elements listed above are not mutually exclusive. Some of the English verbs given as  
examples occur more than once because their meaning potentially profiles more than one  
element. Because of this, verbs can be somewhat arbitrarily categorised in various ways. The  
organisation below is an attempt to categorise verbs by meaning in a way that is appropriate to  
Oceanic languages. A primary three-way division is based on item 9 which distinguishes  
among the following: a few verbs like \textit{take, push} and \textit{pull} where the agent may or may not  
accompany the theme in its movement (9a); carrying verbs, quite numerous in Oceanic  
languages (9b); and verbs of putting and sending (9c). Explanations of lower-order categories  
are distributed through the sections below, which are arranged as follows:  

6.6.1. Simple caused movement:  
   6.6.1.1. Taking (9a)  
   6.6.1.2. Verbs that profile vertical direction: raising and lowering (3)  
   6.6.1.3. Force-profiling verbs: pushing and pulling (9a, iii)  

6.6.2. Accompanied caused movement (9a):  
   6.6.2.1–12. Carrying verbs that profile the physical relationship between agent and theme  
   6.6.2.13. Dragging  

6.6.3. Unaccompanied caused movement:  
   6.6.3.1. Putting (9c-i)  
      6.6.3.1.1. Simple putting  
      6.6.3.1.2. Putting verbs that profile the resulting posture of the theme (1)  
      6.6.3.1.3. Putting verbs that profile the path of movement (4)  
      6.6.3.1.4. ‘Putting’ in reverse: taking  
   6.6.3.2. Sending (9c-ii)  

The verbs reconstructed in the sections below consist of a root or, in the case of transitives  
formed from a root ending in \textit{-a} or a consonant, of root + *-\textit{i}. POc evidently had two  
morphological means of forming a caused movement verb from a locomotion (§6.3) or  
direction verb (§6.4). One was to prefix it with the causative derivational prefix *\textit{pa-}, a  
process reflected in this Kwaio (SES) example:

\textsuperscript{16} This distinction is adopted from Levin’s (1993) analysis of English verbs. Note, though, that by no means all  
distinctions that work for English verbs work for Oceanic verbs. English \textit{take} and \textit{bring} contrast in deixis  
(‘away from deictic centre’ vs ‘towards deictic centre’), but deixis is not usually profiled by caused  
movement verbs in Oceanic languages, as the discussion in §6.6.1.1 indicates.
Kwaio oli ‘return, come back to’ > faʔa-oli- ‘cause to return, send back’

The other was to add the applicative suffix *-akin[i]. Semantically this had two functions, as Evans (2003:203) notes. In the first it produced a verb like those formed with *pa-, in which the agent causes the theme to perform the action denoted by the root, as in

Manam gege (vt) ‘roll’ > gege-ak (vt) ‘roll’
alale (vt) ‘walk’ > alale-ak (vt) ‘help s.o. walk’
NE Ambae saga ‘go on top’ > sagat-agi[ni] ‘put s.t. on top’
Bauan ḷuru ‘enter’ > ḷurum-aki ‘insert s.t.’
dromu ‘sink’ > dromuð-aki ‘push s.t. under (water),

Such verbs are verbs of accompanied caused movement, resembling verbs of carrying. However, in a carrying verb it is the physical relationship between the agent and the theme that is profiled. In an *-akin[i] verb it is the manner or direction of the agent’s movement that is profiled.

Verbs formed with *pa- and *-akin[i] are not considered further here, because we cannot be sure which derived verbs occurred in POc. But we can be sure that the morphosemantic processes reflected in these examples occurred in POc. The functions of *pa- have been widely discussed in the literature, and Evans (2003:195, 203) shows that the two functions of *-akin[i] mentioned here are reflected so widely that they must be reconstructed for POc.

6.6.1 Simple caused movement

The word ‘simple’ is used here of verbs that are unspecified for a certain frame element. Verbs of taking (§6.6.1.1) and the force-profiling verbs of pushing and pulling (§6.1.2) are unspecified for item 9 in the list above. That is, they sometimes denote accompanied caused movement, sometimes unaccompanied. In the case of verbs of pushing and pulling, this is rather obvious: one can push a cart along a street (accompanied caused movement) or push a pot over (unaccompanied caused movement). In the case of ‘take’, the lack of specification is less obvious, and is explained in the following section.

6.6.1.1 Taking

Simple verbs of caused movement are often glossed as ‘get’, ‘take’ or ‘bring’. They are used in constructions that also profile the source, e.g. ‘he took the knife from the table’, and in constructions that only profile the caused movement, e.g. ‘he took/brought my knife’.

English take occurs in dozens of idiomatic phrases (take heart, take hold, take a sip, take a break, take over, etc), but its core meaning involves accompanied movement by an agent of
something (the theme) from one location to another. Either the source location or the goal location may be profiled, as for instance, in ‘take it off the ground’ and ‘take it to its mother’. In this respect Oceanic languages are similar to English. The Vitu (MM) verb pele- is used with a source in this example. The source is ‘her betelnut basket’.

Na tavine hanitu e pele-a na tureturea na ka-na kolopi mamaha.

‘The spirit woman took a stamper from her betelnut basket.’ (129)

However, English take also profiles direction away from the deictic centre, contrasting with bring, which profiles direction towards it. Oceanic languages, however, encode this deictic contrast with a deictic direction verb—or a deictic morpheme derived from a verb (vol.2:273-282)—in the last slot of a serial verb construction, as in these Vitu (MM) examples.

Ia pele-a vano.

‘He took it away.’ (Berg & Bachet 2006:180)

Pele-a haine mai!

take-3SG iron.spear come

‘Bring the spear here!’ (Berg & Bachet 2006:181)

This leaves pele- profiling only the means of movement, namely that the agent moves the theme, i.e. simple caused movement. The verb pele- is the same in all three examples. This is a typical Oceanic configuration, such that one caused movement verb corresponds to both English take and bring. A practical result of this is that these Oceanic verbs are often glossed as one or more of ‘take’, ‘get’ and ‘bring’, but the verbs have the same functions whichever of these glosses is used. Thus the verbs reconstructed here overlap two semantic domains. The first is ‘reverse putting’, e.g. ‘taking off the table’ as opposed to ‘putting on the table’ (§6.6.3.1.4), a subdomain of unaccompanied caused movement. The other is carrying (§6.2), a subdomain of accompanied caused movement.

A second semantic complication, discussed by D’Jernes (2013) with regard to Lukep (Pono) -kaua/-kap ‘get, give’ (where the first form takes a singular object, the second a plural) is that a verb meaning ‘take, get’ in some languages also means ‘give’. In others, the ‘give’ verb is derived historically from a ‘take, get’ verb. This is less strange than it appears. If the basic meaning of these verbs is simply that the agent moves the theme, then the addition of a recipient is enough to narrow the movement to ‘giving’.17

The verbs reconstructed below also raise formal challenges. Broadly, these are due to the fact that words of high token frequency may fail to undergo changes that would otherwise affect them. For example, the Lukep (Pono) pair mentioned above, -kaua and -kap, are exceptional in encoding their object respectively as singular and plural. Lukep (Pono) has generally lost POc object indexing enclitics, but retains -a 3SG on a small number of now ‘irregular’ verbs (D’Jernes (2002).

However, at least one such irregularity originated long before the emergence of POc. Blust (ACD) reconstructs PAn/PMP *alap. PMP *alaq both ‘fetch, get, take’, and PAn *ala ‘take,

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17 Narasimhan et al. (2012:10) note that Tzeltal, a Mayan language of Mexico, has a semantically general ‘put’ verb that encompasses both ‘put’ (inanimate goal) and ‘give’ (animate recipient) meanings.
get, fetch, obtain’. Their similarities of form and meaning indicate that they have a shared origin that cannot be reconstructed. PMP *alap and *alaq were both inherited into POc, but with a complication. The predicted POc transitive forms are *alap-i- and *alaq-i-. The former is reflected in Gela and Tongan (immediately below). But more widely reflected are forms in which initial *a- has vanished, i.e. *lap-i- and *la(q)-i-. The *a-less forms evidently already occurred in POc, and for clarity’s sake are reconstructed separately below

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<td>‘carry; pick up (especially of many small things)’</td>
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<td>ana-</td>
<td>‘take, subtract, take away, remove, take off’</td>
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<td>Mic: Ponapean</td>
<td>ale</td>
<td>‘take, get (s.t.)’</td>
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PMP *alaq ‘fetch, get, take’ (ACD)

POc *la(q)-i- ‘take, get, bring’

Adm: Titan la-i ‘take, get’

PNCV *la-i ‘take, give’ (Clark 2009)

NCV: Mota le, la ‘give, take’ (disambiguated by directional particles)
NCV: Raga lai ‘give, take, bring, get’
NCV: Nokuku b ‘put, take, receive, have’
NCV: Nokuku lei-a ‘take’
NCV: Nokuku la-ma ‘bring’
NCV: Tamambo lai ‘take, get, bring’
NCV: Uripiv -la-i ‘take’, -la ‘give’
NCV: Lewo la ‘bring, give’
NCV: Namakir la ‘hold’
SV: Anejom le ‘get, take, receive (SG OBJ)’ (John Lynch, pers. comm.)

Three further verbs which, like those above, denote simple caused movement, are reconstructed below. The first, POc *pa, is phonologically unusual in that its root is a monosyllabic CV form. Most POc roots are polysyllabic. The New Caledonian forms in this set are from Ozanne-Rivierre (2004).

POc *pa, *pa-i- ‘get, take, bring’

NNG: Amara pei ‘get’
NNG: Kaulong va ‘get, take, bring’
PT: Tawala wa-i- ‘carry, get, select, take’
PT: Iduna -va-i- ‘get, take, fetch’
SES: Kwaio fee- ‘take, convey, take in marriage’
NCal: Nyelâyu p’a ‘take’
NCal: Nêlêmwa f’e ‘take, carry’
NCal: Nemi fe ‘take’ (< *pa-pa)
NCal: Paicî pá ‘take, bring’ (< *pa-pa)
NCal: Cèmuhî pé ‘take’ (< *pa-pa)

POc *ŋal(e,i) ‘get, take, carry, bring’

NNG: Gedaged -ŋale ‘get, lay hold of, acquire, come to hand, obtain, procure, come by’
NNG: Takia -ŋale, -ŋili- ‘get, obtain’
SES: To’aba’ita -ŋali- ‘take, carry’
SES: Lau -ŋali- ‘take, carry, bring, get’
SES: Kwaio -ŋali ‘hold, carry’

The exact form of the reconstruction below is not entirely clear. Evidence for the phoneme following initial *ka... is conflicting. Seimat and Kilivila kau, Lukep (Pono) -kau-a, Patep ko, Sinaugoro -yau, Wayan Fijian kau and Samoan ʔau-mai support the reconstruction of POc
*kʷau. Other evidence points to a labial, but which labial is unclear. Tuam *ywam, Mangap *kam, and Nehan *kaba support *kʷabV, while a number of items indicate *kʷap. There are two possible explanations here. One is that the cognate set reflects more than one POc morphological variant, just as Lukep (Pono) preserves two variants (D’Jernes 2013). The other is that this is not one cognate set but two, reflecting similar but separate POc forms. The forms listed under ‘cf. also’ complicate the picture, but appear to reflect a separate form *ka[-i-].

POc *kʷau, *kʷa(p,b)-i- (?) ‘get, take’

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<td>‘bring, carry, take’</td>
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<td>kau-ma</td>
<td>‘bring, carry hither’ (ma ‘come’)</td>
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<td>-ywam</td>
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<td>‘take, bring, get, give, put, do, cause’</td>
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<td>ke(ne)</td>
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<td>-kau-</td>
<td>‘take (away), carry’</td>
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<td>MM: Nehan</td>
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<td>‘carry, lift’</td>
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<td>SV: Anejom</td>
<td>a-kau</td>
<td>‘carry (wood etc) in the middle (twisting and turning to avoid obstacles)’</td>
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<td>Fij: Wayan</td>
<td>kau</td>
<td>(vi, inanimate subject) ‘be carried, taken’; (vt, inanimate object) ‘carry, take s.t.’</td>
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<td>Pn: Samoan</td>
<td>kau-mai</td>
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<td>‘hold, get; carry’</td>
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<td>NNG: Kaulong</td>
<td>kai</td>
<td>‘be stuck; grasp, hold’</td>
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<td>PT: Dawawa</td>
<td>-kʷaya</td>
<td>‘grab s.t. from s.o.’</td>
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<td>MM: Madak</td>
<td>ka-ka</td>
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<td>SES: Owa</td>
<td>ya-i-</td>
<td>‘remove s.t.’</td>
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Almost certainly related to the above is POc *kʷowe ‘carry, carry away’, but the relationship does not reflect a known derivational process.

POc *kʷowe ‘carry, carry away’

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<td>NNG: Sio</td>
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<td>‘snatch, grab s.t. and flee with it’</td>
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PPn *kawe (vt) ‘carry, bear’

Pn: Tongan kāve- ‘be carried off one’s feet, especially by love’
Pn: Samoan ʔave ‘give (s.t.) to, hand (s.t.) to; carry, take s.t.; send s.o./s.t.’
Pn: Tuvalu ka-kave ‘carry’
Pn: E Uvean kave-kave ‘carry’
Pn: Sikaiana k-keve ‘carry to’
Pn: Tikopia kave ‘carry, bear off’
Pn: Tokelauan kave ‘take, carry, give’
Pn: Tuamotuan kave ‘carry’
Pn: Pukapukan kave ‘take, remove, carry, give’
Pn: Rennellese ka-kabe ‘escort, accompany, take, as in a canoe; be escorted, taken’
Pn: Marquesan kave ‘carry’
Pn: Maori kawe (VT) ‘carry, convey, bring, go to fetch’

6.6.1.2 Raising and lowering

A verb for a certain kind of raising, POc *lana(t). *lana-t- ‘raise, pull up, lever up’, is reconstructable.

POc *lana(t). *lana-t- ‘raise, pull up, lever up’

Adm: Lou laŋ ‘lift up’
PT: Molima layas-i- ‘raise’
MM: Nakana English laga ‘pull up on snare in which animal is caught; pull a rope; fish with a net, lift fish out in net’
SES: Arosi raŋa-i- ‘raise, lift up’

PNCV *lana ‘lift (flat object from surface)’ (Clark 2009)

NCV: Mota laŋa ‘lift up, turn up, so as to show underside’
NCV: Raga laŋa-i ‘raise as on hinge; raise thatch layer, mend roof’
Fij: Rotuman laŋa ‘raise one side of’

PPn *lana ‘raise up’ (POLLEX)

Pn: Niuean laŋa-aki ‘raise up’
Pn: Tongan laŋa ‘raise up’
Pn: E Futunan laga ‘lever up, dig up yams etc’
Pn: Pukapukan laŋa ‘pull up, raise, pull in a line in fishing’
Pn: Samoan laŋa ‘raise up, as a heavy weight or a conquered party; rise from a sitting position’
Pn: Tuvalu laŋa-lana ‘pull up’
Pn: Tikopia raŋa ‘raise, rise, swell; arrange’
Pn: K’marangi laŋa ‘lift or move with a lever’
Pn: Maori raŋa ‘raise up, cast up, pull up by roots’

No verb of lowering can be reconstructed, but a number of languages form a verb ‘lower’ by attaching a reflex of the POc causative prefix *pa- to a verb meaning ‘be deep’ or ‘go down’. Examples include Bariai (NNG) pa-sil from sil ‘deep’, Sursurunga (MM) a-sih-o from sih ‘go
down’, To’aba’ita (SES) fa’a-sifo-a from sifo ‘go, move down, descend, more or less vertically’.

6.6.1.3 Force-profiling verbs: pushing and pulling

Verbs of pushing and pulling profile the force that the agent exerts on the theme in order to move it. Whether the agent accompanies the theme along the path of movement is not part of the verb’s lexical meaning, but is conveyed by the construction in which the verb is used, e.g. They pulled the canoe up the beach (accompanied caused movement) vs He pulled the bag open (unaccompanied caused movement).

6.6.1.3.1 Pushing

Oceanic languages tend to have a number of path-profiling verbs of pushing, e.g. ‘push open’, ‘push in’, ‘push through’, ‘push aside’, ‘push away’, ‘push under’, ‘push against’. None of these can be reconstructed from available data, but these ‘push’ terms from Lou (Adm), Lewo (NCV) and Sinaugoro (PT) give an indication of one reason for this.

**Lou (Adm)**

- **suek** ‘push’
- **suer** ‘push ground’
- **susuer** ‘push ground with foot’
- **suput** ‘push away, make go’
- **susuj** ‘push clothes up’

**Lewo (NCV)**

- **suponia** ‘push’
- **suponipu** ‘push and turn s.t.’
- **suponi** ‘push, shove’
- **susuni** ‘move, push’
- **suswani** ‘push into hole to block it’

Both the lists above, geographically separated as they are, consist of words with initial su-. The fact that so many ‘push’ verbs in each language begin with the same syllable cannot be coincidence, and probably tells us that these forms reflect earlier nuclear serial verb constructions, a productive construction in which two verbs formed a compound (Lou suek ‘push’ is an exception: -ek reflects the POc applicative suffix *-aki(n)). This hypothesis is supported by the fact that in Sinaugoro, such forms still are transparent compounds where the second element has its own lexical meaning (forms preceded by a hyphen in the third column always occur as the final part of a compound).
Sinaugoro (PT)

*dori* ‘push’
*dori-faka* ‘open by pushing’ *faka* ‘between’
*dori-yau* ‘close by pushing’ *-yau* ‘cover’
*dori-maraye* ‘push up’ *raye* ‘go up’
*dori-riyo* ‘push down’ *riyo* ‘go down’
*dori-rosi* ‘push out’ *-rosi* ‘out’
*dori-tari* ‘push down on the ground’ *-tari* ‘down’
*dori-toya* ‘push inside’ *-toya* ‘inside’

Sinaugoro *dori* ‘push’ is not cognate with Lou or Lewo *su-* but the latter are probably cognate with each other and probably reflect POc *qusur* ‘push, shove’ with loss of the first syllable. Other Oceanic ‘push’ forms with initial *su(r)-* are listed under ‘cf. also’.

**PMP *qusur* ‘thrust out, extend forward’ (ACD)**

**POc *qusur* ‘push, shove’ (ACD)**

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<td>SES: Tolo</td>
<td><em>usa-</em></td>
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<td><em>usu</em></td>
<td>‘push’</td>
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<td><em>usu-i-</em></td>
<td>‘push, impale’</td>
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<td>SES: Kwaio</td>
<td><em>usu</em></td>
<td>‘push’</td>
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<td>SES: ’Are’are</td>
<td><em>usu</em></td>
<td>‘push, shove’</td>
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<td>SES: Sa’a</td>
<td><em>usu</em></td>
<td>‘push, shove, launch a boat’</td>
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<td><em>usu-i-</em></td>
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<td>Fij: Bauan</td>
<td><em>usu</em></td>
<td>‘thread through, as a rope through a hole’</td>
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<td>Fij: Wayan</td>
<td><em>usu</em></td>
<td>‘press against s.o., importune s.o.’</td>
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<td>Pn: Samoa</td>
<td><em>usu-i-</em></td>
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<td>Pn: Tuvalu</td>
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<td>Pn: Nanumea</td>
<td><em>uhu</em></td>
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<td>Pn: Rennellese</td>
<td><em>usu</em></td>
<td>‘push, as a canoe into water’</td>
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<td><em>-surpak-i</em></td>
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<td>NNG: Bariai</td>
<td><em>su-sur-an</em></td>
<td>‘push’ (־an APPLICATIVE)</td>
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<td>PT: Dawawa</td>
<td><em>suriya</em></td>
<td>‘push over violently’</td>
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<tr>
<td>MM: Nakanaı</td>
<td><em>susu</em></td>
<td>‘push into, pierce’</td>
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<td>MM: Kota</td>
<td><em>huzu-i-</em></td>
<td>‘push’ (h- &lt; POc <em>s-</em>)</td>
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A second POc term for ‘push’, *juju(n), *juni- ‘push’, is reconstructed below. There are some unanswered marginal queries about this reconstruction. It is reflected to my knowledge in only one non-WOc language, Lau, but Lau does not usually contain WOc loans, and is a reliable witness. Ughele and Marovo *juno-* suggest a transitive form †*juno-, but all other reflexes point to instantiation of the paradigm identified by Blust (1977a) (vol.1:25), i.e. the forms as reconstructed.
POc *juju(n), *juni- ‘push’

NNG: Sio zuzu- ‘push forward; shove from behind with force’
NNG: Takia -duduni- ‘push, push through, push inside with something, urge on’
NNG: Patep du ‘move, push’
PT: Gapapaiwa dudu ‘push’
PT: Tawala dudu ‘push’
PT: Sinaugoro dudu(g°anu) ‘put the spear on an object and push’ (g°anu ‘stab’)
MM: Kubokota juju- ‘push’
MM: Lungga juju ‘push’
MM: Simbo juju ‘push’
MM: Nduke zuzu- ‘push’
MM: Ugele jun- ‘push’
MM: Marovo jun- ‘push’
SES: Lau dudu (vi) ‘push, move’
du (vt) ‘push, move’

6.6.1.3.2 Pulling

There are a good many path-profiling ‘pull’ verbs in Oceanic languages. One, POc *pupu(t), *puti- ‘pick (fruit +), pluck (feathers +), pull out (weeds +)’, is widely reflected (vol.1:277–278). An apparently simple verb of pulling, POc *Rape ‘pull, drag’, has quite widely distributed reflexes. POc *dradra ‘pull’ has just three known reflexes, all NNG, but non-Oceanic cognates support the POc reconstruction.

POc *Rape ‘pull, drag’

NNG: Takia -rae ‘inhale, pull (e.g. on a rope), attract, extend (e.g. talk), drag, stretch out (by pulling)’
NNG: Sio lae ‘pull behind, drag’
MM: Nakanai lave ‘pull’
MM: Madak rep ‘pick, pull’
MM: Patpatar rahi ‘pull, drag’
MM: Tinputz ræh ‘pull’
SES: Lau lafi (vi) ‘pull, draw, draw a tooth, pull a string’
lafi- (vt) ‘drag, pull up’
SES: Kwaio la-lafi- ‘pull (tight), pull on, snatch’
PNCV *rave ‘pull’ (Clark 2009)

NCV: Mota rave ‘pull; draw out fish, catch fish with a line’
rave-g ‘drag s.o./s.t.’
NCV: Raga rava ‘pull, draw, write’
NCV: Nokuku rav-rav ‘catch fish’
NCV: Kiai reve-a ‘pull, drag’
NCV: Tamambo reve ‘pull’
NCV: Uripiv -rev ‘pull’
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| NCV: Lon wol wol | re | ‘hold, take, pull, etc.’ |
| NCV: Paarnese | le he-le he | (VI) ‘pull’ |
| | le he | (VT) ‘pull’ |
| PSV *a-yevi (Lynch 2001c) | |
| SV: Sye | ye vi | ‘pull’ |
| SV: Ura | ye vi | ‘pull’ |
| SV: N Tanna | i | ‘pull’ |
| SV: Lenakel | vi | ‘pull’ |
| | evi | ‘pull out’ |
| | evi-evi | ‘pull in jerks’ |
| SV: Anejom | a-yi hi-i | ‘pull’ |

PCEMP *dada ‘pull, haul, drag’ (ACD: PCMP)

POc *dradra ‘pull’

| NNG: Bariai | dada | ‘pull’ |
| NNG: Hote | -dadi | ‘pull (on ground or from hole)’ |
| NNG: Mapos Buang | dad | ‘pull’ |

6.6.2 Accompanied caused movement

Verbs of accompanied caused movement are verbs of carrying and dragging. Many Oceanic languages have no default verb of carrying, but employ a number of carrying verbs, depending on how something/someone is carried and to a lesser degree on what is carried. Meanings that crop up with considerable frequency include

- carry on the head
- carry hanging from the head
- carry a child in a sling on the back
- carry on the shoulder
- carry hanging from shoulder
- carry piggyback
- carry with a shoulder pole
- carry on a long shoulder pole between two people
- carry under the arm (and on the hip)
- carry in both arms
- carry on a canoe

Of these, the first three modes listed are usually restricted to women, whilst carrying something on or hanging from the shoulder is typically a male mode. Hill (2015) remarks, ‘In the villages of Longgu district there is only one way to transport goods or children on land and that is for people to carry them. There are no animals used to carry loads, no bicycles, wheelbarrows or

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18 I am indebted to Andrew Pawley for a copy of Pawley (1997), to Deborah Hill for allowing me to read a pre-publication draft of Hill (2016), and to people who provided Hill with lists of carrying verbs: Wolfgang Sperlich for Nakanai (drawing on Chowning & Goodenough 2014), Ralph Lawton for Kilivila and Alexandre François for Hiw.
This was true of all pre-contact Oceanic speaking communities and was true of communities speaking POc. Hill goes on to point out that while Longgu does not have a generic verb ‘carry’, it does have a verb *zabe* ‘not carry anything’, ‘behavior that is considered either unusual or unacceptable’ in a community where every able-bodied person must contribute to the daily labour of the village.

6.6.2.1 Carrying in general

POc, however, appears to have used *puat* as a generic verb of carrying and transporting, although when the agent was male it apparently also could have the specific meaning ‘carry on the shoulder’. In its generic sense it probably overlapped with POc *k’au, k’ap(i) ‘get, take’ ([§ 6.6.1.1](#)), but the glosses in the cognate set below suggest that generic *puat* profiled carrying or transporting a load, whereas *k’au, k’ap(i)* denoted carrying in a more general sense.

PMP *buhat* ‘lift, stand up, arise, emerge, begin, depart, carry; cargo; take something; take a wife’ (ACD)

POc *puat* ‘carry, transport from place to place; carry on shoulder’

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<td>PT: Motu</td>
<td>hua-</td>
<td>‘carry on the shoulder’</td>
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<td>SES: Longgu</td>
<td>hua-</td>
<td>‘carry something in a bag slung from the head’</td>
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<td>SES: Lau</td>
<td>fiua</td>
<td>‘carry, as a haversack’</td>
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<td>SES: Kwaio</td>
<td>fiua</td>
<td>‘carry a load (of vegetables, coconuts, water); bring food’</td>
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<td>SES: ‘Are’are</td>
<td>fiua-geni</td>
<td>‘marry, take a woman in marriage (geni ‘woman’)’</td>
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<td>SES:</td>
<td>hua</td>
<td>‘bring, carry’</td>
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PMic *wua, wuawua, wua-ti, wua-ta* ‘carry, convey, transport’:

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<td>‘carry (s.t.), carry in arms, rock, lull to sleep’</td>
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<td>wot-a</td>
<td>‘engage in carrying a child’</td>
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<td>Mic: Chuukese</td>
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<td>‘convey, ship, carry from one place to another’</td>
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<td>wue-yi, wue-e-</td>
<td>‘carry, convey, transport (s.t.)’</td>
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<td>ua</td>
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<td>uae-e-</td>
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<td>‘do carrying’</td>
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<td>wa-n</td>
<td>‘carry, transport (s.t.)’</td>
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<td>Fij: Bauan</td>
<td>vua</td>
<td>‘bear two burdens on the shoulder (one at each end of a pole’</td>
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<td>Fij: Wayan</td>
<td>vua</td>
<td>‘be carried on a pole’</td>
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<td>vuat-i</td>
<td>‘carry (s.t.) on a pole resting on the shoulder’</td>
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<td>Pn: Tongan</td>
<td>fiua</td>
<td>‘lift, carry on shoulder with a stick’</td>
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<td>fue-si-a</td>
<td>‘carry, bear (a burden)’</td>
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Posture and movement

Pn: Niue  
*fia*  ‘carry on the shoulder; weigh’

cf. also:

SES: Sa’a  
*fude*  ‘carry suspended from the head’

SES: Arosi  
*huə, huas-i*  ‘carry suspended from the head’

6.6.22  Carrying on the head

The central meaning of POc *suqun* was with reasonable certainty ‘carry on the head’, attested by non-Oceanic cognates from Taiwan to CMP *(ACD)*. In Takia and Megiar the meaning has been extended to carrying in general. In NCV, as Clark (2009) recognises, the extension is to wearing on the head, then to wearing in general. That these terms are cognate is confirmed by the presence of the glottal stop in Namakir hīʔin, Namakir being the only NCV language regularly to reflect POc/PNCV *q.

PAn *suqul*. ‘carry on the head’ *(ACD)*

POc *suqun*, *suqun-i*– ‘carry on the head’

NNG: Megiar  
-suṇi*  ‘carry’

NNG: Takia  
-sini-, -sun-i*  ‘carry or bear’

MM: Siar  
sun, su-sun  ‘carry on the head’

MM: Sursurunga  
sun-sunun  (vi) ‘carry on the head’

PNCV *suqun*, *suqun-i*– ‘carry on the head, wear on the head’ *(Clark 2009: *suquni)*

NCV: NE Ambae  
huna  ‘umbrella’

NCV: Tolomako  
su-suni  ‘wear on head’

NCV: Raga  
huni  ‘carry or wear on head’

NCV: Nokuku  
suni-m  ‘hat’

NCV: Uripiv  
-sun-sun  ‘carry or wear on head’

NCV: Pt Sandwich  
ciũ-i  ‘carry on head, dress oneself, put on a hat, put flowers in the hair’

NCV: Lonwolwol  
sun-e  ‘put on, wear in belt at back (used of scented leaves worn by chiefs)’

NCV: Paamese  
sinu  ‘dressed; dress up; get dressed’

NCV: Namakir  
hīʔin  ‘wear’

NCV: Nguna  
siũ-i  ‘carry on head; put on, wear (on upper body)’

cf. also:

Fij: Wayan  
sū  ‘(inanimate, e.g. fruit) be carried in one’s skirts or shirt’

    siũ-i  ‘cover or wrap s.t.; carry s.t. in one’s skirts’

PWOc *kud(r)u* is also reconstructable as a term for carrying on the head. How this differed in meaning from POc *suqun* is not clear, but the Mangap and Nakanai glosses below note that women carry burdens in this way, and it may be that *kud(r)u* denoted a female carrying style.
PWOc *\textit{kud(r)u} ‘carry on the head’

- \textit{NNG: Takia -kud-i} ‘wear on one’s head, carry on head’
- \textit{NNG: Bing kud} ‘hold, carry on head, carry child on shoulder’
- \textit{NNG: Sio kudu} ‘carry on head’
- \textit{NNG: Mangap -kūndu} ‘carry s.t. on head (women carry like this)’
- \textit{NNG: Bariai ud} ‘carry on head’
- \textit{NNG: Lukep (Pono) -kudu} ‘carry on head’
- \textit{NNG: Mangseng ur} ‘carry on head’
- \textit{NNG: Poeng kuru} ‘carry on head’
- \textit{kur-e} ‘carry s.t. on head’

- \textit{NNG: Mapos Buang kud} ‘carry; carry on head or shoulders’
- \textit{NNG: Mangga Buang kud} ‘carry on head’
- \textit{NNG: Vehe kud} ‘carry on head’
- \textit{PT: Iduna -kedu} ‘carry on head’ (for †-kudu)
- \textit{PT: Sinaugoro yuru} ‘carry on head’
- \textit{MM: Nakanai hugu} ‘carry on head, of women’s loads or men’s masks’ (\textit{h-} for †\textit{k-}; \textit{h-} < *\textit{q-})

\textit{cf also:}

- \textit{NNG: Kaulong un} ‘carry on head’ (for †\textit{kuh})
- \textit{NNG: Numbami -kuku} ‘carry on head, astride shoulders’ (for †\textit{kudu})

6.6.2.3 Carrying hanging from the head

When a woman from New Guinea carries a loaded netbag (\textit{bilum} in New Guinea Tok Pisin), she lets it hang down behind her resting on her back and she pulls its woven handle over her head to rest across her forehead so that the bag is suspended from it. Occasionally other loads are carried in this way too. Interestingly, no POc term for this mode of carrying can be reconstructed, and this matches the fact that no term for a netbag can be reconstructed either (vol.1:79), apparently because the \textit{bilum} was a New Guinea highland artefact that spread to the lowlands after the dispersal of Oceanic languages from NW Melanesia. This carrying mode has spread into the Solomon Islands, but is attested only at odd locations in the north of Vanuatu.

Some Admiralties and WOc terms for this carrying mode, along with one NCV term, look as if they are reflexes or borrowings of reflexes of PWOc *\textit{kud(r)u} ‘carry on the head’ (§6.6.2.2). Note that Tawala and Gapapaiwa \textit{gedu} share the replacement of -\textit{u-} by -\textit{e-} also found in Iduna \textit{kedu} above.

- \textit{Adm: Loniu kun} ‘carry suspended from the head’
- \textit{Adm: Lou kun} ‘carry on the back; basket worn on the back’
- \textit{Adm: Baluan kun} ‘small basket made of tree bark fibre worn on the shoulder’
- \textit{NNG: Lukep (Pono) -gud} ‘carry on the head or by the second rope on the head’
- \textit{NNG: Poeng kul-e} ‘carry hanging from the head’ (borrowed? -\textit{l-} does not reflect *\textit{-d(r)-})
- \textit{PT: Tawala gedu} ‘carry supported by cord around forehead’
- \textit{PT: Gapapaiwa gedu} ‘carry suspended from the head’
- \textit{NCV: Hiw k\textsuperscript{=}st} ‘carry on back (one burden) using headstrap’
The most likely borrowing above is Poeng *kule as Poeng -l- reflects POc *-rl-, -R- or -l- but not *d(r)-. Significantly Madden (n.d.) annotates this entry with a comment that Poeng speakers do not normally make or use bilums.

6.6.2.4 Carrying piggyback

The main POc term for carrying someone piggyback (or pick-a-back, the older English form) is *pʷapʷʷa, which is of PAn antiquity. Its exact POc form is uncertain, as the phonological evidence is conflicting. At the same time, the similarities in both form and meaning make it probable that these items form a cognate set. PMP *baba could regularly have become either POc *baba or *papa. Clark (2009) correctly observes that NCV items reflect either PNCV/POc *baba or PNCV *bava (POc *bapa). One might reconstruct alternant POc forms, but there is a solution which unites the apparently conflicting lines of evidence. Lynch (2002) shows that PMP labials surface sporadically as POc labiovelars, and that the reflex of POc *pʷ in WOc languages is often a fortis p. The evidence below suggests that the initial POc consonant was indeed *pʷ, an inference supported by the rounded vowels of Poeng pope and Arosi boha. It is less clear whether the medial consonant was *-pʷ- or *-p-, as some reflexes are fortis, others lenis.

There are also forms reflecting POc *papa, but I argue in §6.6.2.5 that these form a separate cognate set.

**PAn/PMP **baba ‘carry a person pick-a-back; ride pick-a-back’

POc *pʷapʷʷa ‘carry pick-a-back’ (ACD)

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<td>bao</td>
<td>‘carry pick-a-back’</td>
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<td>ADM: Lou</td>
<td>pap</td>
<td>‘carry s.o. on the back’</td>
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<td>NNG: Poeng</td>
<td>pop-e</td>
<td>‘carry on the back’</td>
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<td>NNG: Vehes</td>
<td>(pir)pev</td>
<td>‘carry piggyback’</td>
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<td>NNG: Mapos Buang</td>
<td>piv</td>
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<td>NNG: Mangga Buang</td>
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<td>NNG: Patep</td>
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<td>NNG: Piu</td>
<td>pep</td>
<td>‘carry piggyback’</td>
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<td>PT: Kilivila</td>
<td>-papi-</td>
<td>‘carry piggyback’</td>
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<td>MM: Roviana</td>
<td>papa</td>
<td>‘carry a child on one’s back’</td>
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<td>SES: Bugotu</td>
<td>papa</td>
<td>‘ride on back’</td>
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<td>SES: Gela</td>
<td>papa</td>
<td>‘carry piggyback’</td>
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<td>SES: Longgu</td>
<td>papā</td>
<td>‘carry s.o. on the back’</td>
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<td>SES: Arosi</td>
<td>baha, boha</td>
<td>‘carry pick-a-back or in cloth on back’</td>
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**PNCV **bava, *baba ‘carry child; bear child’ (Clark 2009)

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<td>NCV: Hiw</td>
<td>pep</td>
<td>‘carry on back (child+)’</td>
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<td>NCV: Mota</td>
<td>pepe</td>
<td>‘carry a child on the back or astride on the hip’</td>
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<td>NCV: Raga</td>
<td>bava</td>
<td>‘carry (child or load) on back; carry on hip; bear (child)’</td>
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<td>NCV: NE Ambae</td>
<td>baba</td>
<td>‘give birth’</td>
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<td>NCV: Nokuku</td>
<td>papa</td>
<td>‘be born’</td>
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<td>NCV: Kiiai</td>
<td>pap-i (jura)</td>
<td>‘bear (child)’,</td>
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<td>NCV:</td>
<td>pava</td>
<td>‘give birth’</td>
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NCV: Uripiv -pepe ‘carry child on back’,
NCV: Pt Sandwich *bav-e ‘bear a child on the back; carry on one’s back’
NCV: Lonwolwol baba ‘used of a baby, ride (on its mother’s back), or of the mother, to carry by slinging on her back’
NCV: Lewo papa ‘carry (children’s talk)’

6.6.25  Carrying a child in a sling on the back

During the research for this chapter the set below was included in the set in §6.6.2.4 above. Two facts led to its separation and to the reconstruction of POc *papa. First, Lonwolwol has two forms, baba and fefa (N Ambrym fafa), admittedly not very different in meaning. Second, Polynesian forms reflect PPn *fafa rather than *papa.

It may well be that there is a historical connection between POc *pʷapʷa ‘carry pick-a-back’ and POc *papa, tentatively ‘carry a child slung on the back’. It is also possible that reflexes of one have been contaminated by reflexes of the other.

POc *papa ‘carry a child slung on the back’

Adm: Wuvulu fafa ‘carry s.o. on one’s shoulders (legs straddling neck)’
SES: To’aba’ita fafā ‘carry piggyback’
SES: Lau fāfa ‘carry on shoulders, pick-a-back; carry a bag round the neck’
SES: ’Are’are haaha ‘carry one the back’
SES: Sa’a haaha ‘carry s.o. on one’s back’
NCV: Lonwolwol fefa ‘carry baby or child slung on the back’
NCV: Paamese hehe ‘carry child on back in cloth’
Fij: Bauan vava ‘carry a child on the back’
Pl: Tongan fafa ‘carry on the back; be carried, have a ride on someone’s back’
Pl: Niuean fafa ‘carry on back’
Pl: Samoan fafa ‘carry (child or other load) on one’s back’
Pl: Anutan papā ‘carry s.o. on one’s back, piggyback’
Pl: Hawaiian waha ‘carry on the back, as a child’
Pl: Maori waha ‘carry on the back’

6.6.26  Carrying on the shoulder

See also the generic carrying verb POc *puat (§6.6.2.1), which also seems to have had a specific use ‘carry on shoulder’.

The terms listed below reflect POc *[qa]paRa- ‘shoulder’, reconstructed in §3.5.3. It is possible that the term has been repurposed as a verb at various times and places, but two facts speak against this. First, all the forms listed reflect *qapaRa rather than simply *paRa. As noted in the reconstruction of *[qa]paRa-, there are a number of body-part and other nouns that are reflected with and without *qa-. If the repurposing had taken place on various occasions, we would expect some reflexes without *qa-, but none are found. Second, the repurposing must be quite old, as the Malalamai, Gapapaiwa and Longgu forms are no longer
used for ‘shoulder’, and the Gumawana, and Misima forms are no longer identical to the noun ‘shoulder’.

PAn *[qa]baRa ‘shoulder’ (ACD)

POc *[qa]paRa- ‘shoulder; carry s.t. on the shoulder’

| NNG: Malalamai | avaˈla | ‘carry, esp. on the shoulder’ |
| PT: Gapapaiwa | kavaˈra | ‘carry’ |
| PT: Gumawana | kavaˈla | (vi) ‘carry on shoulder’ (vala-vala- ‘shoulder’) |
| PT: | kavaˈle | (vt) ‘carry s.t. on shoulder’ |
| PT: Tawala | awaˈla | ‘carry on shoulder’ (awaˈla- ‘shoulder’) |
| PT: Misima | haˈvaˈla | ‘carry hanging from the shoulder’ (probable loan) |
| | kaval | ‘carry, carry on shoulders, load carried’ (vevela- ‘shoulder’) |
| SES: Longgu | kaveˈria | ‘carry s.t. by hanging it on shoulder’ (-r- for †-l-) |
| SES: Arosi | ʔabara | ‘carry on the arms clasped on chest; shoulder’ (-b- for †-h-) |

PMic *afara ‘shoulder’ (Bender et al. 2003)

| Mic: Puluwatese | yayefar | ‘load carried on the shoulder; shoulder’ |
| Mic: Pulo Annian | yaθala | ‘carry on the shoulder’ |

6.6.2.7 Carrying hanging from shoulder

POc *sape below is not widely attested, but non-Oceanic cognates support its reconstruction.

PMP *sampay ‘drape over the shoulder or from a line, as a cloth’ (ACD)

POc *sape ‘carry by a strap over the shoulder’

| Fij: Wayan | œove | ‘be carried slung from the shoulder or slung from a hook, peg, or line’ (-o- for †-a-) |
| Pn: Tongan | hafe | ‘carry by means of a strap or rope, etc. across the shoulder’ |
| Pn: Futunan | safə | ‘be slung over the shoulder’ |

6.6.2.8 Carrying with a shoulder pole

A carrying mode that is quite common among men in Oceanic societies is to attach a load to one end of a short pole and to balance the pole on the shoulder with the load hanging behind and the hand holding the pole’s front end. The POc term for this was *sola(t), *solat-i-, widely reflected in Oceanic languages.

POc *sola(t), *solat-i- (vt) ‘carry with a shoulder pole’

| NNG: Sio | sola | ‘carry object with stick slung over one’s shoulder’ |
| NNG: Lukep (Pono) | -solo, -sol-a | ‘carry on the shoulder with a stick’ |
| NNG: Bing | söl | ‘carry on a pole’ |
| MM: Tabar | sorak | ‘carry’ |
MM: Mandak *solok* ‘carry on shoulders’
MM: Sursurunga *sol-solat* ‘carry s.o. on one shoulder with legs straddling one shoulder’
SES: Bugotu *hoda* ‘carry on pole’
SES: Gela *hola, holat-i* (vi, vt) ‘take, carry, bring, fetch’
SES: Lengo *ðola* ‘carry’
SES: Lau *tole* ‘carry’
SES: Arosi *tora* ‘carry’
SES: Bauro *tora* ‘carry’

PNCV *solo, *zolo* ‘carry over shoulder on a stick’ (Clark 2009)
NCV: Raga *(ya)holo* ‘carry on the shoulder; stick used for this’ *(yai ‘stick’)
NCV: Nokuku *sol* ‘carry’
NCV: Uripiv *-solo* ‘carry with a pole on the shoulder; feel burdened; be pregnant’
NCV: Pt Sandwich *co-co-ini* ‘carry balanced on the shoulder; carry on the end of a stick’
NCV: Lonwolwol *hol* ‘carry a load in a basket on a stick over shoulder; be pregnant’
NCV: SW Bay *(aj)hol* ‘carry on the end of a stick’
NCV: S Efate *sol, slati* ‘carry, bring’

PSV *a-curia* carry on pole or shoulder’ (Lynch 2001c)
SV: Anejom *a-helui-i* ‘carry on shoulder’
SV: Ura *e-surye* carry on shoulder’
SV: Lenakel *a-sulie* ‘carry on stick over shoulder’
SV: Kwamera *a-soria* ‘carry by hanging on an elongated object (pole or finger)’
NCal: Nyelâyu *cõlîn* ‘carry on shoulder’
Fij: Bauan *colat-a* ‘carry on shoulder’
Fij: Wayan *ðolat-i- ‘carry a burden of work for s.o.’

6.6.2.9 Carrying on a long shoulder pole between two people

Once a pig has been captured for slaughter, the favourite way to carry it in Melanesian communities is to tie its legs to a pole, such that the pole can be placed across the shoulders of two men, standing one behind the other, one at each end of the pole, the pig hanging between them. Terms for this mode of carrying occur in numerous Oceanic languages, but no extensive cognate sets are found. The three items below are nonetheless attested.

POc *sirip-i* ‘carry on a long shoulder pole between two people’
Adm: Loniu *siîhi* ‘carry suspended from shoulder or from pole’
Adm: Lou *sirip* ‘carry a load on a pole, of one or two men’
SV: Sye *surie* ‘tie pig by legs to a pole so it can be carried by two people’
POc *\textit{tib}ʼola ‘carry on a long shoulder pole between two people; long shoulder pole (?)’

MM: Banoni \textit{ci-cibora} ‘tie up (a pig)’

MM: Babatana \textit{sigolo} ‘poles or handles for carrying two poles between two people’

NCV: S Efate \textit{si}ʼ\textit{p}ol ‘carry balanced on the shoulder’

PNGOc *\textit{pak}(u,o) ‘carry on a long shoulder pole between two people’

NNG: Poeng \textit{pau-e} ‘carry, lift (by two people)’

NNG: Mapos Buang \textit{vaqu} ‘tie, fasten; carry on a pole between two people’

PT: Gapapaiwa -\textit{pawo} ‘carry on a pole over the shoulder or between two people’

PNGOc *\textit{pak}(u,o) ‘carry on a long shoulder pole between two people’

NNG: Poeng \textit{pau-e} ‘carry, lift (by two people)’

NNG: Mapos Buang \textit{vaqu} ‘tie, fasten; carry on a pole between two people’

PT: Gapapaiwa -\textit{pawo} ‘carry on a pole over the shoulder or between two people’

6.6.2.10 Carrying under the arm (and on the hip)

The stem of POc *\textit{qap}ʼ\textit{i}(s), *\textit{qap}ʼ\textit{i}- ‘carry (a child) on the hip or under the arm’ appears to reflect PAn *\textit{qap}iC/PMP *\textit{qapit} ‘tongs, anything used to hold things together by pinching’ (\textit{ACD}). However, aside from the extension in meaning, this derivation is not straightforward. An irregular reflex, POc *\textit{kapit} ‘tongs’; *\textit{kapit}(t), *\textit{kapit}- ‘grasp (with tongs)’ is reconstructed in vol. I (p148) (with hindsight this should more accurately be *\textit{qap}ʼ\textit{it} ‘tongs’; *\textit{kapit}(t), *\textit{kapit}-). Its irregularity lies in the presence of *\textit{k}- for expected †*\textit{q}-. The terms in the set below, however, do reflect *\textit{q}-.

POc *\textit{qap}ʼ\textit{i}(s), *\textit{qap}ʼ\textit{i}- is nonetheless irregular in a different respect. Instead of stem-final *-\textit{t} it reflects *-\textit{s}. The one exception is the Teop term under ‘cf. also’ below, which reflects *\textit{kapit}- \textit{it}- ‘grasp (with tongs)’. The apparent replacement of *-\textit{t} by *-\textit{s} in the POc form may reflect palatalisation or borrowing at a very early stage, perhaps pre-POc. Alternatively, the resemblance between *\textit{kapit} and *\textit{qap}ʼ\textit{i}(s) may be a matter of chance.

POc *\textit{qap}ʼ\textit{i}(s), *\textit{qap}ʼ\textit{i}- ‘carry (a child) on the hip or under the arm’

NNG: Lukep (Pono) -\textit{wis} ‘carry under the armpit’

PT: Tawala \textit{aveh-i} ‘carry (under arm)’

PT: Kilivila -\textit{p}esi- ‘carry under one’s arm’

SES: Gela \textit{aveh-i} ‘carry (a child) under the arm’

PMic *\textit{a}fi, \textit{a}fis-i- ‘carry on the hip or under the arm’ (Bender et al. 2003: *\textit{a}fi, *\textit{a}fi-Si)

Mic: Marshallese \textit{ab(c)ace} ‘carry tucked under arm’ (\textit{jaja} ‘carry on the hip’)

Mic: Ponapean \textit{apit} ‘carry (s.t.) on one’s side or under one’s arm’

Mic: Mokilese \textit{apit} ‘carry (s.t.) under arm’

Mic: Mortlockese \textit{afiy-af} ‘carry under the arm’

Mic: Mortlockese \textit{afit-i} ‘carry (a child) on the hip’

Mic: Puluwatese \textit{yaft-it} ‘to carry (a child) on one’s side’

Mic: Carolinian \textit{afit} ‘carry (a child or object) on one’s side’

Mic: Satawalese \textit{æfî-æf} ‘carry on the hip (as a baby)’, \textit{æfit} ‘carry (a child) in the arms on the side’

Mic: Woleaian \textit{yaft-it} ‘carry under one arm’

Mic: Woleaian \textit{yaft-it} ‘carry s.t. under the arm’
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Mic: Pulo Annian  yaðh-i  ‘carry s.t. under the arm’

PPn *qafi, *qafis-i ‘hold or carry under the arm’

Pn: Tongan  ḍefi-þefi  ‘hold or carry under the arm’
Pn: E Futunan  ḍefi  ‘carry under the arm (as a letter, another’s hand)’
Pn: E Uvean  ḍefi-þefi  ‘carry under the arms’
Pn: Samoan  ḍafis-i  ‘carry under the arm or on the hip’
Pn: Tokelauan  afih-i  ‘carry or hold s.t. under arm; carry (child) on hip’

cf also:

MM: Teop  kapis-i  ‘carry s.t. under your arm’

Despite its formal similarity to the set above, the cognate set below evidently reflects PMP *qabin ‘hold or carry under the arm’, POc *qapi(n), *qapin-i- ‘hold or carry under the arm’. However, contamination from POc *qapiŋa ‘armpit’, itself a nominalisation formed from POc *qapi(n) (§3.5.4), has evidently occurred in Yalu, Mota, Raga and Rennellese and in the Dangal and Buang forms under ‘cf. also’, which have ŋ for ŋ. All the forms under ‘cf. also’ reflect *k- rather than †*q-, apparently reflecting contamination from POc *kap(it), *kapit-i- ‘grasp (with tongs)’ (vol.1:148).

PMP *qabin ‘hold or carry under the arm’ (ACD)

POc *qapi(n), *qapin-i- ‘hold or carry under the arm’

NNG: Yalu -qapi  ‘carry’
NNG: Mapos Buang kpiŋ  ‘carry, hold; carry astraddle the hip; hold under the arm, against the side’
MM: E Kara (ɣə)kapin-e  ‘carry under the arm’
MM: Halia api-api(c)  ‘armpit; carry under the arm’
MM: Bugotu avin-i  ‘carry in the arms’
PNCV *qavin-i- ‘carry under arm’ (Clark 2009: *qaviŋa)

NCV: Mota avŋa-g  ‘carry in the arm, on or under’ (viŋa-i ‘armpit’)
NCV: Raga vija-i  ‘carry in arms, embrace’ (malaviŋa- ‘armpit’)
NCV: Paamese ahin-i  ‘carry under arm’, (hiŋo- ‘armpit’)
NCV: Nguna avin-i-  ‘hold under arm’

PPn *qafin-i ‘hold or carry under the arm’

Pn: Ifira-Mele avin-i-a  ‘stand close to, hold by side’
Pn: Rennellese  ñaviiŋ-i  ‘carry under the arm or on the hip (as a child)

cf also:

NNG: Dangal  kafin  ‘carry’
NNG: Mapos Buang kpiŋ  ‘carry, hold; carry astraddle the hip; hold under the arm, against the side’
NNG: Mangga Buang kāpin  ‘carry on hip’
NCV: Pt Sandwich  xavin-i  ‘carry under arm’
6.6.2.11 Carrying in both arms

The common factor among the glosses of items reflecting POc *tabe is one of holding something with both arms.

POc *tabe ‘carry in both arms’ (ACD: ‘hold tightly or firmly’)

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<td>MM</td>
<td>Tolai</td>
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<td>‘hold s.t. so that s.o. else will not take it’</td>
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<td>SES</td>
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<td>NCV</td>
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<td>‘take, carry; to bear (a child)’</td>
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<td>PMic</td>
<td>*tap(a,e), tap(a,e)-ki</td>
<td>‘lift up, carry, bear in one’s hands’</td>
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<td>‘support, uphold, or bear (s.t.)’</td>
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<td>Mic</td>
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<td>‘engage in carrying, carry repeatedly’</td>
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<td>‘support, hold up’</td>
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<td>Mic</td>
<td>Chuukese</td>
<td>sap, sassa</td>
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<td>‘be holding up with open palm (of the hand)’,</td>
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<td>‘hold (s.t.) up in the open palm’</td>
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<td>‘carry (s.t.) with both hands, support (s.t. or s.o.)’</td>
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<td>‘carry (s.t.) in one’s arms’</td>
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<td>Mic</td>
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<td>‘lift (s.t.) up from the rear end’</td>
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<td>Fij</td>
<td>Bauan</td>
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<td>‘hold or carry with the hands under’</td>
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<td>Fij</td>
<td>Wayan</td>
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<td>‘hold or carry a burden in the extended arms,</td>
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<td>esp. resting on both palms extended horizontally</td>
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6.6.2.12 Carrying on a canoe

Blust (ACD) reconstructs three formally similar PMP terms for ‘load a canoe’: *Rujan, *lujan, and *ujan. He offers no explanation for the existence of three similar forms, and nor can I. In vol.1 (p198) it was inferred that Oceanic items reflected POc *lujan, and *ujan. With a better understanding of Oceanic sound correspondences, *Rujan is inferred here, rather that *lujan, and the two POc forms are reconstructed as *Rujan, *Rujan-i- and *ucan, *ucan-i-, both ‘load (s.t.) onto a canoe, transport by canoe’. The two reconstructions differ in two consonant correspondences. The key lies in the medial correspondence. SE Solomonic, Fijian and Polynesian terms unambiguously reflect POc *-j- and are assigned to a single cognate set, whose initial consonant correspondence—PSES *l-, PCP *θ—regularly reflects POc *R-. The second set reflects POc *ucan, *ucan-i-. Several irregularities in the medial consonant reflex are noted below, but none is assignable to *-j-.

Finally, the Micronesian set assembled by Bender et al. (2003) may reflect either POc *Rujan or *ucan. POc *R is lost in many Micronesian etyma, while *c and *j are merged except in Kosraean, which does not have a known reflex of either *Rujan or *ucan.
**PMP** *Rujan* ‘load a canoe; cargo’ (ACD)

**POc** *Rujan, *Rujan-i-* ‘load (s.t.) onto a canoe, transport by canoe’ (Geraghty 1983: PEOc *Rujia*)

**MM:** Teop  
ruhana  
‘transport s.t., ship s.t.’

**PSES** *luda* ‘load (s.t.) onto a canoe, transport by canoe’

**SES:**  
Gela  
luda  
‘load a canoe or ship with cargo; embark passengers; cargo’

Longgu  
ludā  
‘load s.t. on a truck, boat or canoe’

Lau  
luda  
‘carry in a canoe, carry as cargo; load a canoe or ship’

luda-i  
‘carry cargo’

Kwaio  
luda  
‘load in a canoe’

Sa’a  
luda  
‘carry cargo, load a canoe’

lude  
‘carry cargo, load a canoe, be heavily laden’

luden-i  
‘carry as cargo; recruit men’

Ulawa  
luda  
‘carry cargo, load a canoe, be heavily laden’

‘Are’are  
ruta  
‘charge, load, carry a load’

Arosi  
ruta  
‘load a canoe, carry to canoe and stow’

**PCP** *uja* ‘be loaded onto a canoe, be transported by canoe’, *ujan-i-* ‘load (s.t.) onto a canoe, transport by canoe’

**Fij:** Bauan  
usa  
‘be carried by boat’

usana  
‘carry (s.t.) by boat’

Wayan  
usa  
‘be shipped, carried (as cargo), by boat or other vehicle’

usani  
‘carry s.t. as cargo or passengers’

**Pn:** Tongan  
uta  
‘carry or convey by boat or vehicle; goods so carried’

Niue  
uta  
‘load (as a canoe or truck); a load’

K’marangi  
uda  
‘transport (cargo)’

Rennellese  
uta  
‘put aboard a canoe or ship; bear nuts, as a coconut palm’

Rarotongan  
uta  
‘convey from one place to another; load up, as a canoe’

Maori  
uta  
‘put persons or goods on board a canoe’

**PMP** *ujan* ‘load a canoe; cargo’

**POc** *ucan, *ucan-i-* ‘load (s.t.) onto a canoe, transport by canoe’

**Adm:** Seimat  
uxan-i  
‘load s.t. into a boat’

Nauna  
us  
‘load s.t. into a boat’

Titan  
usani  
‘carry from one place to another, usually by canoe’ (-s- for †-l-)

**NNG:** Mutu  
ɣūza  
‘carry, transport’

Mangap  
-īzu  
‘transport, convey by canoe, vehicle’

**PT:** Gapapaiwa  
uan  
‘load s.t. into a container or boat’
Posture and movement

PT: Misima
usan
‘put inside; pick up people or things (in car);
(be) overloaded’ (-s- for †-h-)

PT: Sinaugoro
yura(udi)
‘load a canoe’

PT: Motu
uda-uda
‘load pots into a trading canoe’

MM: Meramera
uda
‘carry’ (-d- for †-s-)

MM: Nehan
ute
‘load up a container with contents’ (-t- for †-h-)

PMic *u[s,S]a, u[s,S]an-i ‘load (s.t.) onto a canoe, transport by canoe’

Mic: Puluwatese
witen
‘(cargo) be loaded’

Mic: Carolinian
-wut
‘be loaded, have s.t. inside’

Mic: Satawalese
-yit
‘load s.t.’

-yita
‘load it’

Mic: Ponapean
-itan
‘carry (s.t.) in a vehicle’

Mic: Mokilese
-itan
‘transport (s.t.)’

Dragging

Dragging is a form of accompanied caused movement, in that the agent follows the same path as the theme (the thing dragged). In this respect it differs from pulling, where, as with putting, some part of the agent remains in contact with the theme but the agent doesn’t follow the theme’s path (§6.6.3). Only one dragging verb is reconstructable, and only to PROc.

PROc *(q)ara ‘haul, drag’

Fij: Wayan
ara
‘be hauled, dragged, pulled’

ara-ki-
‘drag, haul, pull s.t. along; trail s.t. behind one’

Fij: Bauan
yara
‘be hauled, be dragged’

yara-ka
‘haul, drag’

PMic *are, arek-i ‘haul, pull, tow’

Mic: Kiribati
-ā-i
‘tow’

aeae-
‘tow, drag (s.t.)’,

aek-
‘take (a passenger) ashore in a canoe; take (food) from the fire’

Mic: Kosraean
äluk
‘lift, pull, scoop (s.t.)’

Mic: Marshallese
yar
‘haul a canoe or vessel up on shore’

yarek
‘haul (a boat) up on shore’

Unaccompanied caused movement

Verbs of unaccompanied caused movement form two categories, based on whether or not some part or tool of the agent remains in contact with the theme until the theme reaches its goal. If it does, then we have a putting verb like put, insert or immerse (§6.6.3.1). If it doesn’t, the verb is a verb of sending, like send, drop, throw or pour (§6.6.3.2).
Putting

‘Putting’ is used here in a specialised sense. The English verb \textit{put} is ubiquitous. It occurs in dozens of idiomatic phrases like \textit{put out the light, put on clothes, put to death, put down (‘humiliate’), put out (‘annoy’), put off (‘postpone’)}. Its core meaning, however, has to do with moving something to a named location, as in \textit{put on the table, put into the bag} and so on.

Some verbs of putting profile the resulting posture of the theme, e.g. \textit{He sat the child on the chair} (result: the child was sitting on the chair). Others profile the path to the resulting location, e.g. \textit{He inserted the key into the keyhole} (result: the key was in the keyhole).

Verbs of putting in the world’s languages vary as to whether they have a simple verb of putting like English \textit{put}, whether they have verbs that specify the target posture of the theme (i.e. the thing that is put), like German \textit{setzen ‘sit’, stellen ‘stand’ and legen ‘lay’}, or whether they have a number of putting verbs that, like \textit{insert}, specify the path of putting, e.g. ‘put into’, ‘put through’, ‘put on top of’, ‘put down’, ‘put up (e.g. onto a shelf)’, ‘put out (e.g. to dry)’, ‘put on a pile’ and ‘put in a line’ (Narasimhan et al. 2012).

These three possibilities are not mutually exclusive. Oceanic languages tend to be of the third type, and the list of path-of-putting categories in the previous sentence is based on Oceanic tendencies. At the same time, most Oceanic languages have a simple ‘put’ verb (§6.6.3.1.1), and many have verbs for ‘stand (s.t.) (on s.t)’ and ‘lay (s.t.) (on s.t)’ (§6.3.1.2). Few, however, have a verb for ‘sit (s.t.) (on s.t)’, presumably because, as noted in §2.1, sitting is typically not encoded by a dedicated verb.

Oceanic dictionaries sometimes appear to be incomplete when it comes to putting verbs. One which does contain a comprehensive collection is Pawley & Sayaba’s (2003) dictionary of Wayan Fijian, which includes the putting verbs tabulated below (two leftmost columns) together with the bases from which they are derived (third and fourth columns). All have the theme as their object except \textit{drosomi-/drosoti- ‘put s.t. inside’}, which takes the location as its object.

Some interesting patterns emerge from the tabulation. There are far more path-profiling than posture-profiling verbs. All the verbs listed except the last are derived from a base listed in the dictionary, and a majority are derived from undergoer-subject verbs (U-verbs; vol.1:23). Four are derived from a noun denoting the path’s destination. Each of the derived verbs is simply a transitive form of its base, with the exception of \textit{vaka-dureni ‘stand s.t. up, make s.t. stand’}, formed with the causative prefix \textit{vaka-}. The latter is a posture-profiling putting verb, and supports the view that Wayan Fijian is indeed, in the preliminary typology of Narasimhan et al. (2012), a language that elaborates path-profiling rather than posture-profiling verbs of putting.

None of these observations is inconsistent with the data available for other Oceanic languages (other than perhaps Polynesian). Certainly, path verbs play a major role everywhere. Whether they are commonly derived from U-verbs it is impossible to say, as comprehensive dictionaries are not available for other languages that may share this derivation. Another extensive set of verbs of putting is from Mangap-Mbula, which, like all Oceanic languages on or near the New Guinea mainland, does not have U-verbs. and lacks transitive derivational morphology other than the causative prefix \textit{pV-}, which occurs on three posture verbs (the language is exceptional in having a ‘sit’ verb here) and two path verbs. Mangap-Mbula putting verbs are shown in Table 17.
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Verbs of putting in Wayan Fijian

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<td>put or place s.t., lay s.t. down,</td>
<td><strong>tava</strong> be located, situated,</td>
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<td>deposit s.t.</td>
<td>positioned, placed; be in, at</td>
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<td><strong>naki-</strong></td>
<td>put or place s.t.</td>
<td>or on a place</td>
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<td><strong>tau</strong></td>
<td><strong>ruva</strong> (of a long object) be</td>
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<td>be situated, put, placed</td>
<td>placed lengthwise in an</td>
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<td>elevated position, as on a shelf</td>
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<td>or stack.</td>
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<td><strong>tavani-</strong></td>
<td>put s.t. up lengthwise</td>
<td><strong>uru</strong> (of a flat object) be</td>
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<td>laid, put in place, fixed in</td>
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<td><strong>ruva</strong></td>
<td><strong>koro</strong> be gathered in a heap</td>
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<td>or mound; be heaped, piled,</td>
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<td><strong>vaka-</strong></td>
<td>stand s.t. up, make s.t. stand</td>
<td><strong>duro</strong> stand, stand up</td>
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<td><strong>dureni</strong></td>
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<td><strong>vaka</strong></td>
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<td>be situated, put, placed</td>
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<td><strong>dilini-</strong></td>
<td>put or rest a thing on s.t.</td>
<td><strong>duju</strong> be on top, rest on s.t.</td>
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<td><strong>duruni-</strong></td>
<td>bag s.t., secure s.t. in a bag or</td>
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<td><strong>duromi-</strong></td>
<td>basket.</td>
<td><strong>duju</strong> be stacked in a heap;</td>
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<td><strong>duroso-</strong></td>
<td>put s.t. in a container, bag s.t.,</td>
<td>be heaped, piled, stacked</td>
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<td><strong>bolani-</strong></td>
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<td><strong>bolana</strong></td>
<td>put s.t. in a container, bag s.t.,</td>
<td><strong>bolan (N)</strong> basket woven from</td>
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<td>commit s.t. to memory</td>
<td>coconut leaves, large enough</td>
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<td><strong>bolan (N)</strong></td>
<td>to carry several long yams or a</td>
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<td>small pig</td>
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<td><strong>tajani-</strong></td>
<td>bag or pocket s.t., put s.t. in a</td>
<td><strong>tajan (N)</strong> any deep woven or</td>
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<td>bag or pocket</td>
<td>netting receptacle with</td>
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<td><strong>tajan (N)</strong></td>
<td>open top: bag, sack, pocket</td>
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<td><strong>tāvata</strong></td>
<td>be put on a platform, bed, etc; be</td>
<td><strong>tāvata (N)</strong> any constructed</td>
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<td>shelved, tabled</td>
<td>surface acting as a platform;</td>
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<td><strong>tāvata (N)</strong></td>
<td>thus shelf, table</td>
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<td><strong>atuni-</strong></td>
<td>line (things) up</td>
<td><strong>atu (N)</strong> group of things</td>
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<td><strong>atu (N)</strong> group of things</td>
<td>standing in a row or line</td>
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<td><strong>abani-</strong></td>
<td>line (things) up, place (things)</td>
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Note: The table includes simple verbs of putting, posture-profiling verbs of putting, and path-profiling verbs of putting, with corresponding translations and descriptions.
Simple verbs of putting often occur in serial verb constructions. In terms of the division into manner (locomotion), path (geographic direction) and deictic direction verbs put forward in §6.3 on the basis of occurrence in these constructions, simple verbs of putting occupy the manner slot, i.e. they are verbs of (caused) locomotion. This follows from their encoding the act of putting and from their lack of directional meaning, as well as from their place in serial verb constructions.

Mangap-Mbula (NNG)
Zin  ti-ur  i-su  tño
they  3PL-put  3SG-go.down  ground
MANNER  PATH

‘They put it on the ground.’ (Bugenhagen 1995:166)

Kusaghe (MM):
Lohe  lae-ni-a  pa  beha
put  go-TR-3SG  PREP  basket
MANNER  DEIXIS

‘Put it in the basket.’ (Davis 2003:166)
Posture and movement

Posture-profiling verbs of putting occur so rarely in sentence examples that one cannot classify them in this way. Path-profiling verbs of putting, as their label suggests, are verbs of geographic direction.

6.6.3.1.1 Simple putting

The most widely reflected simple ‘put’ verb is POc *taRu(q) ‘put down, lay down’. The Mapos Buang and Meramera forms are shown under ‘cf also’ as the expected forms are Mapos Buang †taYu, Meramera †talu.

POc *taRu(q) ‘put down, lay down’ (Geraghty 1990: PEOc)

Adm: Mussau tau ‘give’
Adm: Wuvulu ?au ‘put’
Adm: Titan to, taw-i ‘give, send, bring, put; make pregnant’
Adm: Lou tu ‘give’
NNG: Poeng talu- ‘hide’
PT: Motu taru- ‘cover, as with a sheet; wrap oneself in’
MM: Vitu taru(adiho) ‘put down, of a loaded netbag’
MM: Nakanai taly-i- ‘put, place’
SES: Bugotu taly ‘put, place, appoint’
SES: Gela taly ‘put, place, set’
SES: Tolo talu- ‘put, place’
SES: To’aba’ita alu- ‘put, put down, place’
SES: Lau alu ‘place, put, lay down’
SES: Kwaio alu, alu-a ‘put, keep’
SES: Sa’a ?alu ‘put, place’
NCV: Mota tau ‘set in place so as to catch or intercept’
NCV: Tamambo tau ‘put’
NCV: NE Ambae tau ‘put’
Fij: Bauan tau ‘(of burden) be put down’
Fij: Wayan tau ‘be located, situated, positioned, placed; be in, at or on a place’

‘We put the pudding down.’ (Hyslop 2001:302)

cf also:

NNG: Mapos Buang tacu ‘put; hit against, knock over, fall on, smash’
MM: Meramera tau ‘put’
Other apparently simple ‘put’ verbs have only two or three known reflexes. However, whether POc had more than one or two simple ‘put’ verbs is questionable, and it is possible that both *taRu and the two verbs below each had a more specific meaning.

POc *aso ‘put’

NNG: Sio o ‘put, place’
NNG: Mangseng as[o] ‘put’
SES: Lau ato ‘put, place’

PEOc *naki- ‘put’

SES: Longgu naʔi- ‘put, leave’
Fij: Wayan naki ‘be put, be placed’
nāki- ‘put or place s.t.’

Two other apparently simple ‘put’ etyma have reflexes that are not widespread enough to support POc reconstruction.

PNGOc *ku(rR)a ‘put’

NNG: Mutu yur ‘put, appoint, give, take’
NNG: Mangap -ur ‘put, place’
PT: Sinaugoro yura ‘put into’

PSOc *liji ‘put, leave’ (Clark 2009)

NCV: Nokuku lin ‘put, leave’
NCV: Kiai lini- ‘deliver, bring, leave’
NCV: Uripiv -liji ‘put, put on; select out; allow, let; leave’
NCV: Big Nambas ln ‘leave’
NCV: Port Sandwich riŋ-i ‘put’
NCV: Lonwolwol liŋ-i ‘put, place; let, allow; let go, let down; leave, miss; leave out; to forget; bear (a child), beget; leave alone’
NCV: Paamese liji ‘put; leave behind’
NCV: Lewo liŋ-ani ‘let go, put, leave, place’
NCV: Araki liŋ-i- ‘carry, take (s.o.) on a vehicle’,
NCV: Naman ləŋ ‘put’
PSV *a-liji-i ‘put, leave’
SV: Anejom i-cēni-i ‘put, leave (plural subject)’

6.6.3.1.2 Posture-profiling verbs of putting

Assuming that lexical sources are reliable, Oceanic languages have far more underived path-than posture-profiling verbs of putting. Where posture-profiling ‘put’ verbs occur, they tend to be transparently derived from posture verbs, as the Wayan and Mangap examples above show. Other instances include those in Table 18.
No underived POc posture-profiling verbs of putting can be reconstructed, but it is likely that there were verbs consisting of cardinal posture stems (§2.1–2.3) prefixed by causative *pa-.

The data in §6.2.4.3 also suggest that transitive ‘hang’ was formed from an intransitive ‘hang’ verb.

### 6.6.3.1.3 Path-profiling verbs of putting

Despite the high numbers of verbs of putting in Oceanic languages that specify a path (§6.6.3.1), only one POc path-profiling verb of putting can be reconstructed, namely *songo ‘put into, insert’.

At first blush, the absence of POc reconstructions seems to contradict the statement that Oceanic languages have numerous path-profiling ‘put’ verbs. However, it is probably the very plethora of such verbs in Oceanic languages that leads ironically to the absence of cognate sets. The large number of ‘put’ verbs and their propensity to be derived apparently means that the lexical replacement rate is high in this semantic domain, so that cognates often vanish.

POc *songo ‘put into, insert’

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<tr>
<th>Adm:</th>
<th>Lou</th>
<th>sony(pek)</th>
<th>‘put into (e.g. a bag)’</th>
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<tr>
<td>NNG:</td>
<td>Patep</td>
<td>zon</td>
<td>‘put into, force into; aim at’</td>
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<tr>
<td>MM:</td>
<td>Madak</td>
<td>saya</td>
<td>‘put, place’ (for †songo)</td>
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<td>MM:</td>
<td>Patpatar</td>
<td>say</td>
<td>‘put into’ (for †songo)</td>
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<td>MM:</td>
<td>Konomala</td>
<td>saya-i</td>
<td>‘give’ (for †songo)</td>
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<td>MM:</td>
<td>Nehan</td>
<td>onyo</td>
<td>‘put into’ (for †hongo)</td>
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### Table 18: Posture-profiling verbs of putting in Oceanic languages

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<tr>
<th></th>
<th>taRul-ani</th>
<th>stand s.t. up, erect; set up, establish</th>
<th>taRul</th>
<th>stand, stand up</th>
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<td>Adm:</td>
<td>Titan</td>
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<td>NNG:</td>
<td>Bariai</td>
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<td></td>
<td>pa-gun</td>
<td>build; put up right</td>
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<td>Takia</td>
<td>-guni</td>
<td>plant (in ground) vertically</td>
<td>guni</td>
<td>stand up (e.g. posts in the ground)</td>
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<td>Mangseng</td>
<td>pa-nou</td>
<td>put, make lie</td>
<td>nou</td>
<td>lie down</td>
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<td>NNG:</td>
<td>Poeng</td>
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<td></td>
<td>pa-keno-e</td>
<td>lay s.o./s.t. down</td>
<td>keno</td>
<td>(of inanimates) lie horizontally</td>
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<td></td>
<td>pa-maisi-a</td>
<td>stand up (something)</td>
<td>meisi</td>
<td>stand</td>
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<tr>
<td>Hote</td>
<td>-ek</td>
<td>put in a horizontal position</td>
<td>-ek</td>
<td>sleep</td>
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<td>PT:</td>
<td>Misima</td>
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<td></td>
<td>pa-kenu</td>
<td>lay s.t. on its side</td>
<td>kenu</td>
<td>lie down, sleep</td>
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<tr>
<td>Gumawana</td>
<td>va-tao</td>
<td>stand s.t./s.o. up</td>
<td>taoya</td>
<td>stand (up)</td>
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<td>Dawawa</td>
<td>wai-midir-i</td>
<td>stand s.t. up</td>
<td>midi</td>
<td>stand</td>
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<tr>
<td>Tawala</td>
<td>lu-towolo</td>
<td>stand s.t. up</td>
<td>towolo</td>
<td>stand, wake</td>
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<td>MM:</td>
<td>Nakanai</td>
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<td></td>
<td>hi-mavuta</td>
<td>lay (s.o. down to sleep)</td>
<td>mavuta</td>
<td>lie down, sleep</td>
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<tr>
<td>Madak</td>
<td>vaxa-midi</td>
<td>lay s.t. down</td>
<td>midi</td>
<td>recline, lay down</td>
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<tr>
<td>Patpatar</td>
<td>ha-tu-tur</td>
<td>cause to stand; raise up</td>
<td>tur</td>
<td>stand</td>
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<td>SES:</td>
<td>Gela</td>
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<td></td>
<td>enov-agi,</td>
<td>lay s.t. down</td>
<td>eno</td>
<td>lie down</td>
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<td></td>
<td>koliv-agi</td>
<td>lay s.t. down</td>
<td>koli</td>
<td>lie down</td>
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‘Removing’ in the title of this section refers to acts of unaccompanied caused movement that are opposite in direction to ‘putting’ (e.g. He took the knife from the table). In §6.6.1.1 it is argued that POc probably had no simple verb of removing that denoted the reversal of putting. Instead it had a simple verb of caused movement that covered both the reversal of putting and accompanied caused motion, i.e. ‘bring’ and ‘take’.

Across the world’s languages verbs of putting often profile both the path along which the object is moved and/or its resulting posture, but verbs of removing tend to profile only the source from which it is moved, not its former posture. Languages in which a verb of removing also encodes the object’s posture are rare (Narasimhan et al. 2012:10), but one of them occurs in the heart of Melanesia. In the Papuan language Yéli Dnye, located on the periphery of WOc, there are verbs meaning both ‘put into’ and ‘take out of’, ‘put onto’ and ‘take off of’, ‘stand/lay/hang at a location’ and ‘unstand/unlay/unhang from a location’ (Levinson & Brown 2012). Oceanic languages, however, do not resemble Yéli Dnye in this respect. This is no surprise, as even their verbs of putting tend not to profile posture (§6.6.3.1.2). Instead, we typically find a simple verb of removing (‘take out of/from/away’) along with numerous specialised removal verbs, depending on what is being removed and from where. Many of these verbs concern common domestic processes: removing bark from wood, removing the husk from a coconut, removing fruit from a branch, removing flesh from a coconut or a molluse, removing the stones from an earth oven, or removing the serrated edge from pandanus leaves. No attempt is made to reconstruct verbs for these meanings here, because they lie outside the semantic domain with which this chapter is concerned and are reconstructed elsewhere (vol.1:165–168, 277–279). However, Blust (ACD) has reconstructed a simple verb of removal, POc *unus, *unus-i- ‘withdraw, pull out, extract’ (I take ‘pull’ in the glosses below simply to be a consequence of caused movement towards the agent).

PAnc *SuLus ‘withdraw, pull out, extract’ (ACD)
POc *unus, *unus-i- ‘withdraw, pull out, extract’ (ACD)
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6.6.3.2 Sending, dropping, throwing and pouring

‘Send’ verbs denote caused movement where the agent neither accompanies the theme in its movement nor, unlike ‘put’ verbs, remains in contact with the theme until it reaches its goal. In this semantic domain one might expect to be able to reconstruct a simple ‘send’ verb and one or two more verbs whose meaning satisfies these criteria, namely ‘drop’ (‘let fall, cause to fall’) and ‘throw’.

Curiously, neither a simple ‘send’ verb nor one meaning ‘drop’ is reconstructable on the basis of available data. There is no immediately obvious reason for this, as Oceanic languages often have verbs with each of these meanings, but they do not form widespread cognate sets. Many ‘send’ verbs appear to reflect the POc causative prefix *pa[ka]- but the roots to which it is attached do not occur independently in the data. Two that do are Teop (MM) va-nao ‘send’ (nao ‘go’) and Wayan Fijian vā-kauti- ‘send s.t., have s.t. carried or taken’ (kau ‘be carried, taken’). Takia uses a periphrastic causative -gane -ao ‘send’ (-gane ‘do’, -ao ‘go’). A number of ‘drop’ verbs similarly reflect the causative prefix: Poeng (NNG) pa-pu-e ‘drop, cause to fall’ (pu-pu ‘fall’), Iduna (PT) -ki-ve-beʔu- ‘drop from hand, make something fall’ (beʔu ‘fall’, ki- ‘do with hand’, ve- CAUSATIVE), Misima (PT) pa-bun ‘drop’ (bun ‘fall’), Wayan Fijian vaka-lutu-ni- ‘drop (s.t.)’ (lutu [vi] ‘drop, fall’). It thus seems possible that POc used causatives for ‘send’ and ‘go’, and that the plethora of ‘send’ forms in Oceanic languages reflects a re-purposing of other verbs.

The situation with ‘throw’ and ‘pour’, however, is quite different, perhaps because ‘throw’ also profiles the kind of force applied to the theme and ‘pour’ the action applied to the vessel containing the liquid.

6.6.3.2.1 Throwing

It seems fairly clear that throwing stones was a primary sense of POc *piri(ŋ).

PCEMP *birin ‘stone, throw a stone at’ (ACD)
POc *piri(ŋ) ‘stone, throw a stone at’ (ACD)

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<tr>
<td>NNG: Mangap</td>
<td>piri</td>
<td>‘throw, cast away, toss, throw oneself into’</td>
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<td>MM: Tolai</td>
<td>bir</td>
<td>(v) ‘stone; throw or fling a stone; chase away with stones’</td>
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<td>SES: Gela</td>
<td>piri</td>
<td>‘throw with a twist, with finger and thumb’</td>
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<td>SES: Bugotu</td>
<td>piri</td>
<td>(v) ‘stone with stones’</td>
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<tr>
<td>NCV: Mota</td>
<td>vi-vir</td>
<td>(v) ‘throw, giving a twist, twirling motion, as to a stone’</td>
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<tr>
<td>NCV: Vurèśs</td>
<td>vi-virr</td>
<td>‘throw’</td>
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<td>NCV: Nume</td>
<td>vi-vir</td>
<td>‘throw’</td>
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<tr>
<td>Fij: Bauan</td>
<td>viri</td>
<td>(vi) ‘throw at, pelt’</td>
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Several verbs of pouring can be reconstructed. The most widely reflected is POc *liŋi(s), liŋis-i- ‘pour out, spill (liquid)’. POc *puRi ‘pour water on’ took the goal as its object. PWOc *jiwaR, *jiwaR-i- ‘pour out (liquid)’ is reflected only in WOc languages, and seems to have replaced *liŋi(s)/liŋis-i-. It is not clear whether its object was the (liquid) theme or the goal of pouring.

As noted below, it may have an earlier shared history with PCP *suqi ‘pour water on/into’, which took the goal as its object.

**PMP *iliŋ ‘pour’ (ACD)**  
**PCEMP *iliŋ ‘pour’ (ACD)**  
**POc *liŋi(s), liŋis-i- ‘pour out, spill (liquid)’**

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<td>-liŋ</td>
<td>‘pour’</td>
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<td>NNG: Mangap</td>
<td>-liŋ</td>
<td>‘pour out, shed’</td>
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<tr>
<td>NNG: Siō</td>
<td>liŋi</td>
<td>‘pour out, spill; throw away or discard’</td>
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<td>NNG: Poeng</td>
<td>liŋ-a</td>
<td>‘pour out’</td>
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<td>PT: Sudest</td>
<td>liŋi</td>
<td>‘pour’</td>
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<tr>
<td>PT: Misima</td>
<td>liŋi-n</td>
<td>‘pour out (onto the ground), spill’</td>
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<td>SES: Sa’a</td>
<td>liŋi</td>
<td>(vi) ‘pour’</td>
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<td>SES: Sa’a</td>
<td>liŋis-i-</td>
<td>(vt) ‘pour’</td>
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<tr>
<td>SES: Arosi</td>
<td>riŋi</td>
<td>(vi) ‘pour, incline a vessel’</td>
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<td>SES: Owa</td>
<td>riŋi</td>
<td>(vt) ‘pour, incline a vessel’</td>
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**PNCV *iliŋ ‘pour’**

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<td>NCV: Mota</td>
<td>liŋ</td>
<td>‘pour gently’</td>
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<td>NCV: Raga</td>
<td>liŋ</td>
<td>‘pour out’</td>
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<td>NCV: Sakao</td>
<td>liŋ</td>
<td>‘pour’</td>
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<td>NCV: Nguna</td>
<td>liŋi</td>
<td>(vi) ‘spill over’, liŋis-i-</td>
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<td>NCV: S Efate</td>
<td>liŋ</td>
<td>(vi, vt) ‘pour out’</td>
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<tr>
<td>Fij: Wayan</td>
<td>liŋi</td>
<td>(vi) ‘be poured, pour’</td>
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<tr>
<td>Fij: Wayan</td>
<td>liŋi-</td>
<td>(vt) ‘pour (liquid)’</td>
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<tr>
<td>Pn: Tongan</td>
<td>li-liŋi</td>
<td>(vt) ‘pour s.t. out’</td>
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<td>Pn: Samoan</td>
<td>liŋi, li-liŋi</td>
<td>(vt) ‘pour s.t.’</td>
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<td>Pn: Samoan</td>
<td>ma-liŋi</td>
<td>(vi) ‘(rain, tears) pour, run’</td>
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**POc *puRi ‘pour water on’** (Geraghty 1990: PEOc *vuRi ‘pour water on, rinse’)

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<td>NNG: Kairiru</td>
<td>-pul</td>
<td>‘pour’</td>
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<tr>
<td>NNG: Mangap</td>
<td>-puri</td>
<td>‘rinse, clean something small’</td>
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| PT: Motu | huri | ‘wash, scrub’ |
| SES: Gela | vuli | ‘pour water’ |
| | vu-vuli | ‘pour, sprinkle’ |

**PNCV** *vui* ‘pour water on’ (Clark 2009)

| NCV: Mota | vu-vui | ‘pour water upon, cool with water’ |
| NCV: Nguna | vu | ‘pour water on, water, sprinkle’ |

**PSV** *a-vwi(i)* ‘to water, pour water on’

| SV: Sye | avwi | ‘to water, pour water on’ |
| SV: Lenakel | vi | ‘to water, pour water on’ |
| SV: Anejom | ahwi-i | ‘to water, pour water on’ |

The relationship, if any, between the two reconstructions below, PNGOc *jiwaR*, *jiwaR-i-* ‘pour out (liquid)’ and PCP *suqi* ‘pour water on/into’, is somewhat puzzling. Each is based on a regionally restricted cognate set, and the formal similarities between them suggest that they may share an earlier history. Indeed, the Fjian (Bauan and Wayan) terms under PCP *suqi* could also reflect *jiwaR-i-*, if one assumes that the sequence *-iwa-* is readily reduced to *-ua-* (as in Takia and Sio), then *-ua-* (as in Kela and Numbami). This would give PCP *juRi*, hence, e.g. Wayan sui. Concomitantly, *suqi* would then be demoted to PPn status. Either way, though, PPn *-q-* cannot be reconciled with PWOc *-R-* without resorting to ad hoc speculation.

**PWOc** *jiwaR*, *jiwaR-i-* ‘pour out (liquid)’

| NNG: Takia | -suari | (vt) ‘pour out, empty’ |
| NNG: Sio | zuala | ‘rinse out with water; slosh back and forth’ |
| NNG: Kela | zui | ‘pour out’ |
| NNG: Numbami | -zu-zula | ‘pour, flow’ |
| PT: Gumawana | siwo-i | ‘pour’ |
| PT: Dobu | siwa | ‘pour (water)’ |
| | siwal(ga) | ‘pour more water in’ |
| | siwal(olo) | ‘pour water on’ |
| PT: Yamalele | iwa(ga) | ‘pour (water)’ |
| PT: Iduna | -iya- | ‘pour, fill’ |
| PT: Are | sewa-i- | ‘pour’ |
| PT: Tawala | hiwo(ga) | ‘pour out, tip out, unload’ |
| PT: Misima | hol | ‘pour’ |
| MM: Babatana | jili-ni | ‘pour out, spill’ |

**PCP** *suqi* ‘pour water on/into’

| Fij: Bauan | sū | ‘pour water on, irrigate, quench (fire)’ |
| | sūy-a | (vt) ‘pour water on, irrigate’ |
| | sui-bokoð-a | (vt) ‘quench (fire +)’ (boko ‘extinguished, erased’) |
| Fij: Wayan | sui | ‘be watered, have water poured or sprayed on’ |
| | sui- | ‘water s.t., quench a fire’ |
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PPn \textit{*suqi} ‘dilute, mix with liquid’ (POLLEX)

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<th>Tongan</th>
<th>\textit{hu?i}</th>
<th>‘thin down, dilute’</th>
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<tr>
<td>Pn:</td>
<td>Samoan</td>
<td>\textit{sui}</td>
<td>‘add water to, dilute’</td>
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<td>Pn:</td>
<td>E Futunan</td>
<td>\textit{su?i}</td>
<td>‘dilute’</td>
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<td>Pn:</td>
<td>Tuvalu</td>
<td>\textit{hui}</td>
<td>‘mix with water’</td>
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<td>Pn:</td>
<td>E Futunan</td>
<td>\textit{sui}</td>
<td>‘dilute dry or thick substances with water’</td>
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<td>Pn:</td>
<td>Nukuoro</td>
<td>\textit{s-sui}</td>
<td>‘wet’</td>
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<td>Pn:</td>
<td>Rennellese</td>
<td>\textit{su?i}</td>
<td>‘mix’</td>
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<td>Pn:</td>
<td>Tokelauan</td>
<td>\textit{hui}</td>
<td>‘water down, thin down (soup +)’</td>
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7 Physical acts

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7.1 Introduction

This chapter presents reconstructions of POc verbs for acts performed with the body or its parts that do not readily fit into the volume’s other chapters. It is, in a sense, a collection of leftovers, but it is a collection that has lessons to teach us.

Terminological reconstruction uses the terminologies of present-day speakers of Oceanic languages as the basis for constructing a hypothesis about the semantic structure of a corresponding POc terminology. This is relatively easy to do if we are reconstructing a set of nouns, like terms for the parts of a canoe (vol.1, ch.7) or the parts of the human body (this volume, ch.3), as these are objects or entities that can be identified visually. It is more difficult when the terms to be reconstructed consist of classes of objects or entities, and class boundaries are determined by cultural and environmental factors, as is true, for example, of plant (vol.3, ch.3) and animal taxonomies (vol.4, chs.3 and 8), of the times of the day (vol.2:294–304), and of human age cohorts (this volume, §2.4.1).

Such classifications differ from one part of the world to another, and sometimes differ across Oceanic communities too. But these classifications can often also be related to objects or entities that have material existence. Verbs, however, denote events and states. Some of the semantic distinctions they make relate to events with physical components (‘winds blow’, ‘people urinate’), but others are more abstract. The more abstract they are, the more careful we need to be not to assume that distinctions encoded by English verbs are similarly encoded by verbs in Oceanic languages and the more semantic change we find reflected across Oceanic cognate sets. To draw examples from this short chapter, Oceanic languages tend to encode ‘beckon’ and ‘wave’ by the same verbs (§7.3.1), and this is also true of ‘slap’ and ‘clap’ (§7.4.1). Acts of washing in Oceanic languages defy single-verb English translations (§7.6).

The somewhat abstract nature of verb meanings means that the internal classification and even the grammatical encoding of a whole domain may be quite different from its classification and encoding in English. For example, many Oceanic languages use serial verb constructions to encode movement, thereby partitioning meanings into manner of movement, geographic direction of movement, and deictic direction of movement (vol.2:256–283 and this volume, §§6.3–6.4), with verbs (or directional morphemes) that occupy each slot in the construction.

A second effect of the abstract nature of verb meanings, however, is that verbs cannot always be neatly assigned to terminologies, as they sometimes overlap more than one semantic domain. Verbs meaning ‘wait’ and ‘hide’ both have a location component. In this
they resemble the posture verbs discussed in §6.2, but neither has a posture component. Instead, ‘wait’ has a component of expectation which in certain contexts allows interpretation as a verb of cognition (ch.10), whilst intransitive ‘hide’ resembles a location verb (§6.2) and transitive ‘hide’ a putting verb (§6.6.3.1), but both entail the element of concealment from certain people.

Most of the verbs in this section are verbs that defy neat assignment. Verbs of working (§7.2.2) arguably belong with the verbs associated with horticultural practices (vol.1:129–134), as POc speakers—unsurprisingly—had no concept corresponding to ‘work’ in its western sense. The closest equivalent was ‘work in the food garden’. The pair of verbs meaning ‘clap hands’ and ‘slap with open hand’ in §7.4.1 properly belongs with verbs of hitting in vol.1:267–274, and is a corrigendum in the light of more data to a reconstruction presented there.

All the reconstructions in this chapter denote physical acts, beginning in §7.2 with the most general of these, verbs of doing and working. Then follow two sections on actions done with the hand or arm: beckoning, waving, fanning, seizing and taking hold of, and grasping and holding (§7.3), clapping, slapping and tickling (§7.4). Section 7.5 contains verbs of stamping and treading on, these being the only foot and leg actions that do not fit neatly into manner-of-movement verbs in §6.3. Section 7.6 similarly deals with actions in water that do not belong in the Oceanic manner-of-movement category. Section 7.7 contains the verbs of waiting and hiding briefly discussed above.

7.2 Doing and working

7.2.1 Doing

Probably every Oceanic language has a verb meaning ‘do’. Its most common use is with a nominal object denoting an activity, especially in phrases meaning ‘do work’. In many languages it also occurs in the question ‘What are you doing?’ but this usage is somewhat less widespread, as a number of Oceanic languages have an interrogative verb ‘do what?’.

It is clear that POc *pai(t)/*pait-i- can be reconstructed, but it is striking that there are large geographic gaps in the distribution of its reflexes, pointing to widespread lexical replacement leading to numerous local cognate sets but none that unambiguously reconstructs to PROc, PEOc or PWOc, let alone POc. This is probably a result of the fact that in ‘do’ + nominal syntagms, ‘do’ is frequent and typically unstressed. It is therefore subject to phonological reduction which encourages replacement. There is, for example, a scattering of forms with the template *\(gV\): Takia (NNG) -ga/ne/, Iduna (PPT) -ga, Nakanai (MM) igo, all meaning ‘do, make’, and Tolo (SES) ago ‘work’, but their monosyllabicity and the mismatches among their vowels suggest that they could readily be due to independent parallel development.

PCEMP *bai(t) ‘do, make’ (ACD)
POc *pai(t), *pait-i- ‘do, make’ (ACD: *pai)

| Adm: Baluan | pe | ‘make, cause’ |
| Adm: Lou | pe | ‘do, make’ |
| NNG: Sio | vet- | ‘make, do’ |
| NNG: Numbami | pai | ‘do, make’ |
Physical acts

Pre-contact Oceanic languages had no term for ‘work’ in its Western senses of ‘work as opposed to leisure’ or ‘work as gainful employment’. The closest concept, and one the term for which has in some languages been extended to include gainful employment, is that of labouring in the garden to grow food crops, and especially working to clear land for a garden.

The POc verb for ‘work in the food garden’ was identical in form to the noun for ‘food garden’ (vol.1:117–118), *quma.

PAAn *qumah ‘swidden; work a swidden’ (ACD)
PMP *quma ‘swidden; work a swidden’ (ACD)
POe *quma (N) ‘food garden’; (V) ‘clear land for a food garden, work a food garden’ (ACD)
NNG: Gitua yum‘a ‘work in garden’
NNG: Kove  \textit{umo}  ‘work in garden’
NNG: Maleu  \textit{kumo}  ‘do work’
NNG: Atui  \textit{kum}  ‘do work’
NNG: Avau  \textit{kumu}  ‘do work’
NNG: Bebeli  \textit{kumu-mu}  ‘do work’
NNG: Kaulong  \textit{kum}  ‘do work’
NNG: Mangseng  \textit{um}  ‘work with your hands’
\textit{umo-ŋ}  (N) ‘work’
NNG: Poeng  \textit{kume}  ‘prepare a garden’
NNG: Uvol  \textit{um-ume}  ‘do work’
NNG: Adzera  -\textit{gum}  ‘do work’
MM: Roviana  \textit{uma}  ‘make a garden’
SES: Gela  \textit{uma}  ‘clear away the bushes in making a garden’
SES: Arosi  \textit{um\textsuperscript{w}a}  ‘weed a garden’

\textbf{PNCV} \textit{*qum\textsuperscript{wa}} ‘work, clear land’
NCV: Mota  \textit{um\textsuperscript{wa}}  ‘clear away growth from a garden, first stage of preparation’
NCV: Raga  \textit{uma}  ‘division in garden’
NCV: Sakao  \textit{yom}  ‘to work’
NCV: Uripiv  -\textit{um}  ‘clear the ground’
NCV: Paamese  \textit{umo}  ‘to work’
NCV: Lewo  \textit{yuma}  ‘clear scrub from garden’
\textit{yum\textsuperscript{a-e}}  ‘to work’
NCV: Apma  \textit{um\textsuperscript{a}}  ‘keep garden clear of weeds’
NCV: N Ambrym  \textit{om}  ‘work’
NCV: Namakir  \textit{ʔum}  ‘cut grass, clear bush’
NCV: Nguna  \textit{uma}  ‘cut bush, clear land’
Fij:  \textit{W\textsuperscript{a}yan}  \textit{uma(ni)}  ‘turn the soil over’

The terms for ‘food garden’ in three MM languages are nominalisations formed with the nominalising infix \textit{*in} and \textit{*quma}, indicating that in the early MM linkage, \textit{*quma} was a verb meaning ‘make a garden’. The three forms that reflect \textit{*qin\textsuperscript{uma}} ‘garden’ are Bulu \textit{yin\textsuperscript{uma}}, Kia (\textit{n-un})uma and Roviana (in)uma, all ‘food garden’.

A second term for working in the garden is found in a number of PT languages and MM languages of northern New Ireland which appears to reflect WOc \textit{*pai-sok}, \textit{*pai-sok-i} ‘plant (tuber +)’.

\textbf{PWOc} \textit{*pai-sok}, \textit{*pai-sok-i} ‘plant (tuber +)’
PT:  Kiriwina  \textit{paisewa}  ‘work’
PT:  Gumawana  \textit{paisewe}  ‘work at’
PT:  Dobu  \textit{paisewa}  ‘work’
PT:  Bunama  \textit{paihowa}  ‘do, make, work, create’
PT:  Iamalele  \textit{faisewa}  ‘work’ (borrowed from Dobu?)
PT:  Iduna  \textit{-faisewa-}  ‘work’
MM:  Lavongai  \textit{aisok}  ‘do work’
MM:  Tigak  \textit{aisok}  ‘do work’
MM: E Kara  
| faisok | ‘do work’ |

The etymology of these terms is complex and not entirely clear. Their shape suggests that they reflect a compound, as morpheme-internal *-ai- is not a usual part of the POc phonological template. An obvious candidate for the first morpheme is POc *pai(t) ‘do, make’, reconstructed above in §7.2.1. However, the MM forms bear an obvious resemblance to the set reflecting POc *paso(k), *pasok-i below, an expanded version of the set in vol.1:132. POc *paso(k) has a history as a unitary morpheme, and to account for PWOc *pai-sok, folk etymologising must be assumed, whereby *paso(k) was reanalysed as *pa-(a)so(k), consisting of *pa-, the POc causativiser, and the root POc *asok ‘plant in holes in the ground’ (ACD). The prefix *pa- was then replaced by *pai-.

PAn/PMP *pasek ‘wooden nail, dowel; drive in, as a wooden nail, dowel, or fencepost’ (ACD)
PCEMP *pasek ‘drive in, as a stake; to plant (crops)’ (ACD)
POc *paso(k), *pasok-i ‘plant (tuber +); drive in (wooden nail +)’

Adm: Baluan  | pat  | (V) ‘plant’
NNG: Gedaged  | pae  | (V) ‘plant’
NNG: Malai  | vazogi  | ‘plant (tuber +)’
NNG: Gitua  | va-vazok  | ‘plant (tuber +)’
NNG: Hote  | vado  | ‘plant (by making hole in the ground)’
PT: Tawala  | wayo  | ‘plant by pushing into the ground; strike a cutting’
PT: Hula  | varo  | ‘plant (tuber +)’
PT: Motu  | hado  | ‘plant (tuber +)’
MM: Bali  | vazogi  | ‘plant (tuber +)’
MM: Bola  | varo  | ‘plant (tuber +)’
MM: W Kara  | fasu  | ‘plant (tuber +)’
MM: Nalik  | fasu  | ‘plant (tuber +)’
NCV: Mota  | was  | ‘drive a hole, make a hole by hammering in some tool’

PMic *faSo, *faSok-i ‘plant; planted; a planted thing’ (Bender et al. 2003)

Mic: Kiribati  | aroka  | ‘a plant, cultivated plants’
Mic: Chuukese  | fottuki  | plant (s.t.)’
Mic: Puluwatese  | fot  | (V) ‘plant, insert, pick out, select; be inserted, selected’
Mic: Woleaian  | fat  | (N) ‘plant’
Mic: fatox-i  | (VT) ‘plant it, put it in place’
Mic: Ponapean  | pot  | ‘be planted’
potok  | ‘plant (s.t.)’

There remains the question of the origin of the apparent PT reflexes of PWOc *pai-sok listed above. First, a majority of PT languages reflects an innovation whereby *-a is added after a PWOc final consonant, i.e. PWOc *paisok > *paisoka. There is also a tendency for *k to become *kʷ next to a rounded vowel, hence *paisokʷa. Medial *-k- was deleted through

\[1\] From PMP *hasek ‘dibble, plant seeds with a dibble stick’ (ACD).
lenition, giving *paisowa, the form reflected by Bunama paihowa. Finally, vowel unrounding adjacent to a rounded consonant (*w, *kʷ etc) is widespread in PT, giving *paisewa.

7.3 Hand and arm actions

Hand and arm actions for which reconstructions are given in this section include beckoning and waving (often the same verb), fanning, taking hold of, seizing by force, and holding something in one’s hand. Verbs meaning ‘point (at)’ are not given here but are listed as part of the cognate set supporting POc *tusu- (n) ‘forefinger’; *tusuq-i- (vt) ‘point at’ in §3.6.8.2.

7.3.1 Beckoning and waving

POc speakers perhaps had two beckoning gestures. In one, the hand was extended palm down, in the other, hand up. In traditional Oceanic societies (and in SE Asia), the beckoning palm down is the polite gesture, whilst beckoning palm up, European-style, particularly with an extended forefinger, is considered rude. There are a few indications among the glosses of reflexes (Babatana, Longgu, Marshallese) that POc *qalo(p), *qalop-i- denoted beckoning with the palm down. However, it seems possible that it also had the generic meaning of waving or making hand gestures.

Alongside POc *qalo(p) we also find *ta(Ra)-qalo(p) (vt) ‘beckon, wave’. The function of the prefixed element is not understood, and it is not clear how the prefixed and intransitive unprefixed forms differ in meaning.

PAn/PMP *qalep ‘beckon, wave’ (ACD)

POc *qalo(p), *qalop-i- ‘beckon with the palm downward, wave’

Adm: Seimat  aloh-i  (vt) ‘beckon’
Adm: Lou  al-alzp  ‘wave for help’
NNG: Manam  alo-i  ‘beckon’
NNG: Mangap  -koolo  ‘make hand sign to come, beckon to come’
MM: Babatana  kalopo, kalip-i  (vi, vt) ‘beckon using hand with palm down’
MM: Maringe  kaflo  ‘wave, beckon’ (metathesis?)
SES: Bugotu  ado-ado, adov-i  ‘beckon, signal’
SES: Gela  alo, alov-i  (vi, vt) ‘beckon’
SES: Tolo  kalopi-  ‘wave to someone to call them, beckon’
SES: Longgu  alo-aloi, alo-  (vi, vt) ‘beckon s.o.; call s.o. without speaking; wave s.o. down’
SES: Lau  alof-i-  ‘beckon with the hand’
SES: Kwaio  lalof-i-  ‘beckon by waving the hand’
SES: Sa’a  salo, saloh-i  (vi, vt) ‘beckon, invite with signs’
SES: Arosi  aro, aroh-i  (vi, vt) ‘beckon with the hand’

PNCV *qalow-i ‘beckon, wave’ (Clark 2009)

NCV: Mota  alov-a  ‘beckon to, invite, greet, by signs’
NCV: Araki  alov-i  ‘beckon, wave to s.o.’

2 POc *ta- formed undergoer-subject verbs, but this is not the function of the prefix here.
NCV: Raga  alov-i  ‘beckon, wave’
NCV: Tamambo  alov-i  ‘beckon, wave’
NCV: Paamese  aleh-e  ‘wave to s.o. to come; beckon’
NCV: Uripiv  -luv  ‘beckon’
NCV: Namakir  (bi)?alov  ‘wave’
NCV: Nguna  alo-alo, aluv-i  (vi, vt) ‘beckon to’

PMic *[alo]alo, *alo-[f]-i  ‘wave, beckon’ (Bender et al. 2003)
Mic: Kiribati  ano-ano, ano[f]-i  (vi, vt) ‘beckon to s.o.’
Mic: Marshallese  (ceyva)halb  ‘beckon with downward motion of hand or by waving arm
Mic: Ponapean  olɔ-ol, ɔle  (vi, vt) ‘wave, signal’ to s.o.’
Mic: Mokilese  (cei)ɔl, (cei)ɔli  (vi, vt) ‘wave at s.o.’
Fij: Bauan  yalo, yalov-a  ‘beckon’
Fij: Wayan  alo, alov-i-  (vi, vt) ‘wave to s.o. or s.t.’
Fij: Wayan  alov-i-mai  ‘beckon s.t., signal s.t. to come’
Fij: Wayan  tā-alovi-/tā-aloti-  (vt) ‘wave to s.o.’
Pn: Niuean  alo  ‘beckon, signal’
Pn: Takuu  arof-āki  ‘beckon’
Pn: Maori  aro-aro-f-aki  ‘a motion of hands in dance’

POc *ta(Ra)-qalo(p), *ta(Ra)-qalop-i-  ‘beckon, wave’
Adm: Titan  ta-kalo  (vi) ‘beckon, wave’
Fij: Wayan  tā-[y]alo  (vi) ‘signal by waving either to beckon or say goodbye, with the fingers of the extended hand curled down’

PPn *ta-galo, *ta-qalof-i-  ‘beckon, signal with the hand’ (POLLEX)
Pn: Tongan  ta-ʔalo  (vi) ‘wave or beckon with the hand’
Pn: E Uvean  ta-ʔalo  ‘make signs with the hand’
Pn: Samoan  ta-alo  ‘wave, signal, beckon’
Pn: Tikopia  ta-aro  ‘beckon’
Pn: W Uvean  ta-alof-ia  ‘call by sign’
Pn: Tuvalu  ta-alo  ‘wave the hand’
Pn: Pukapukan  ta-alo  ‘beckon, indicate to come’

POc *kamo(t), *kamot-i-  may have denoted the impolite beckoning style, with the palm turned up and forefinger extended, but this is attested only by the Kove gloss. In Polynesian languages reflexes of this term denote both hand and eye signals. The Rennellese reflex denotes the polite beckoning style, but this may be the result of an extension in meaning from impolite beckoning to hand and eye signals in general.

POc *kamo(t), *kamot-i-  ‘signal with the hand, beckon (with the palm upward?)’
NNG: Bariai  kamo  ‘beckon, or gesture with the hand’
NNG: Kove  kamo  ‘beckon with forefinger (palm up)’
MM: Tinputz  kamot  ‘beckon’
PPn *kamo, kamo-t-ia ‘beckon; make sign with hand or eye’ (POLLEX: *kamo)

Pn: Tongan kamo (vi) ‘beckon or make signs with eyes or hands’
Pn: Tuvalu kamo-kamo ‘brief, sly wave’
Pn: E Futunan [kamo]kamo ‘beckon’
Pn: E Uvean [kamo]kamo ‘call by sign’
Pn: Rennellese kamo ‘beckon with downward flap of hand’
Pn: Tikopia kamo ‘wink, make signs with hand or eye’
Pn: Pukapukan kemo ‘wink, blink once’
  kemot-ia ‘signal with eyes’
Pn: Tongarevan kamo ‘wink; agree’
Pn: Rarotongan kamo ‘blinks, beckon, make a sign with the hand’
Pn: Māori kamo ‘wink’

Blust (ACD) reconstructs PMP *away ‘beckon with the hand’ and PMP *kaway ‘wave the hand or arms; call by waving’. The morphological relationship between the two is uncertain: they may reflect the same Austronesian root (Blust 1988). A few Oceanic reflexes of *kaway are found, allowing reconstruction of POc *kawe ‘wave the hand’. There are also reflexes of an apparent POc *dawe, perhaps descended from a PMP form reflecting the same Austronesian root, but in the absence of non-Oceanic reflexes this can be reconstructed only to PNGOc.

PMP *kaway ‘wave the hand or arms; call by waving’ (ACD)

POc *kawe ‘wave the hand’

PT: Iduna (-lau)yawe ‘wave with the hand’
PT: Sinaugoro iave (vt) ‘wave to, make sign to’
  iave-iave (vi) ‘fan’
MM: Bola kave ‘wave’

PNGOc *dawe ‘wave the hand’

NNG: Numbami -dawe ‘wave, wave (back and forth)’
PT: Sinaugoro dave ‘wave’

7.3.2  Fanning

The commonest fan in Oceanic speaking communities is probably one made from the coconut frond.

Reflexes of POc *iri(p), *irip-i- (vt) ‘fan’ and its nominalisations are common in EoC languages. If the analysis of Lou *terip and Nyindrou *taleh as reflexes of the root *irip, prefixed with *ta- SPONTANEOUS (§1.3.5.4), are correct, then the form *ta-irip-i- ‘fan oneself’ is reconstructable to POc. However, this analysis presupposes an early Oceanic form *ta-iripV in order to account for the retention of Lou and Nyindrou -p, and it is not clear why there should have been a final vowel here.
The final consonants of PMP *irid and POc *irip do not match, but the Oceanic evidence supports only *irip.\(^3\)

There are no known WOc reflexes of *irip, which seems to have been replaced by PWOc *tapi (V) ‘fan’, reconstructed below.

PMP *irid (V, N) ‘fan’ (ACD)
POc *irip, *irip-i- (V) ‘fan’

Adm: Lou terip ‘fan oneself’ (< *ta-irip-i-)
Adm: Nyindrou Taleh (V) ‘fan’ (< *ta-irip-i-)
SES: Kwaio iluf-i- (VT) ‘blow, fan’
SES: ‘Are’are ereh-i- ‘fan the fire’

PN CV *iri, *iriv-i- (V) ‘fan’; *iriv-irivi (N) ‘fan’

NCV: Mota riv-riv (N) ‘fan’
NCV: NE Ambae iri (V) ‘fan’
NCV: Tolomako iri (V) ‘fan’
NCV: Raga rive-rive (V) ‘fan’
NCV: Nokuku iri- (V) ‘fan’
NCV: Uri piv -riv-riv-i (V) ‘fan’
NCV: Pt Sandwich ri-ri-vi-si (V) ‘fan’ (-s- unexplained)
NCV: Neve’ei riv-riv (V) ‘fan’
NCV: W Ambrym n-iriv (N) ‘fan’
NCV: Paamese lihi-lihi ‘fan oneself’
NCV: Baki rivi-riv (N) ‘fan’

PSV *a-iri-iri (V, N) ‘fan’

SV: N Tanna k-el-el (N) ‘fan’ (k- INSTRUMENT)
SV: Whitesands k-et-eil (N) ‘fan’ (k- INSTRUMENT)
SV: Lenakel il-il (V) ‘fan’
SV: SW Tanna k-il-il (N) ‘fan’ (k- INSTRUMENT)
SV: Kwamera eri-eri (V) ‘fan’
SV: Anjoum er-e-re-i (V) ‘fan’

PM IC *irip, *irip-i (V) ‘fan’

Mic: Ponapean iri-ir, iri-p (VI, VT) ‘fan’
Mic: Mokilese irip (VI, N) ‘fan’
Mic: Mortlockese uru(p) (V) ‘fan’

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3 Final PMP *-d is not reflected in all wMP languages. Blust (ACD) cites Balinese ilih ‘kind of fan; to fan’, where -h reflects *-q, not *-d or *-p.
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Mic: Satawalese uru(pɔ) (v) ‘fan’
Mic: Ulithian ri(pɔi) (v) ‘fan’
Mic: Pulo Annian iri(pai) (v) ‘fan’
Fij: Rotuman iri (v) ‘fan, (wind) blow’
Fij: Bauan iri (v) ‘fan’
iriv-a (N) ‘fan’
Fij: Wayan iri (vi) ‘be fanned’
iriv-i- (vt) ‘fan s.t., blow air on s.t. by fanning
Pn: Tongan ɨ (v) ‘fan’
Pn: Niuean ili (v) ‘fan; to swing, as a weapon’
Pn: Samoan ili (N) ‘fan’; (v) ‘blow (of wind, horn)’
ilif-i-a (v) ‘be blown’
Pn: Rennellese ɨgi (v) ‘fan’; (N) ‘coconut leaf fan’
PWOc *tapi (v) ‘fan’
NNG: Takia ti-tawi ‘move or impel air with a fan’
NNG: Mangseng tep ‘wave’
PT: Gapapaiwa tapi ‘fan, wave, flap’
MM: Nakanai ɨbave (N) ‘fan’ (ɨb < *ɨn NOMINALISER)
MM: Patpatar tah (vt) ‘fan, beckon, wave hand to stop s.o.’
MM: Ramoaaina tap (vt) ‘fan’
tap-tap (N) ‘fan’
MM: Sursurunga tap-i- (vt) ‘fan’
MM: Teop ta-tava (N) ‘fan’

7.3.3 Seizing, grabbing, snatching, taking hold of

A good many Oceanic languages make a distinction between a verb meaning ‘take hold of’ and one meaning ‘hold’. POc verbs that evidently meant ‘hold’ are found in §7.3.4. POc *lawe meant ‘take hold of’, whilst POc *paRō appears to have denoted seizing something violently.

POc *lawe ‘take hold of’
NNG: Poeng lau-e ‘catch, hold’
SES: Longgu lau-a ‘grab s.t.’
PPn *lawe ‘take hold of, lay hold of’ (POLLEX)
    Pn: Samoan läve- ‘apply to, concern, affect’
        läve-ia ‘be attained, achieved’
    Pn: Pukapukan lave ‘take hold of’
    Pn: Mangarevan rave ‘grasp (only of tools)’
    Pn: Rarotongan rave ‘take, lay hold of’
    Pn: Tahitian rave ‘take, undertake’
    Pn: Tuamotuan rave ‘take, take hold of, grasp, snatch’
    Pn: Hawaiian lave ‘take, accept, carry, bring’
    Pn: Māori ra-rāwe ‘clasp tightly’
POc *paqaRo(k), *paqaRok-i ‘snatch, seize, rob’ (ACD: *paRo)

MM: Tabar  paro ‘hold’
SES: Gela  valo ‘rob openly, take and keep, refuse to return’

PMic *faro, farok-i ‘hold tightly’ (Bender et al. 2003: Proto Central Micronesian)

Mic: Kiribati  aok-a ‘deny or refuse (a request)’
Mic: Marshallese  harek ‘miserly, covetous, greedy, stingy,’
Mic: Ponapean  parok ‘catch s.t. animate, to arrest’
Mic: Chuukese  foro(pac) ‘embrace’
Mic: Carolinian  fore- ‘hang oneself’
Mic: Woleaian  faizo ‘be tight’

PPn *paqao ‘seize, take by force, rob’ (POLLEX)

Pn: Tongan  faʔao ‘grab, seize, take by force, confiscate’
Pn: Samoan  fao ‘snatch, seize, grab; rob (of belongings, money, spouse)’
Pn: E Uvean  faʔao ‘take by force, usurp, take hold of’
Pn: Rennellese  haʔao ‘take, capture, snatch, rob’
Pn: Hawaiian  hao ‘scoop or pick up; grasp, pillage, plunder; robber’
Pn: Māori  fāo ‘take greedily, devour’

7.3.4 Grasping, gripping, holding with hand

Four verbs in the semantic domain ‘hold in the hand’ are reconstructed below. They are POc *qabi ‘take hold of, grasp’, POc *tau(r)/*taur-i- ‘hold (in hand)’, POc *poso ‘hold’, POc *gogo(m)/*gom-i ‘hold in the fist’. It is difficult to assign more precise meanings to them, but the meaning ‘hold in the fist’ for POc *gogo(m) is strengthened by that of non-Oceanic cognates.

Blust (ACD) reconstructs POc *qabi and POc *abi, both ‘take hold of, grasp’, and POc *abit ‘hold, get, take’, reflecting PMP *(q)ambit ‘seize with the hands’. On the assumption that the cognate set below reflects a single POc form, the data attest POc *gabi(t), *gabiti-. Root-final *-t is attested in the Lenakel forms. This suggests that the PMP reconstruction should be *(q)ambit.

PMP *(q)ambit ‘seize with the hands’ (ACD)

POc *gabi(t), *gabiti- ‘take hold of, grasp’ (ACD)

NNG: Mindiri  kabi ‘hold (in hand)’
NNG: Gedaged  abi ‘take hold of, grab, seize, grasp, clutch, take’
NNG: Takia  -[a]bi- ‘hold, grab, grasp, clutch, carry in hand, touch, trap, knead, squeeze out, sieve, strain, rape’
NNG: Megiar  -abi(tani) ‘seize, grasp, keep, retain’
NNG: Megiar  -abi ‘hold (in hand)’

4 John Lynch kindly drew our attention to these forms and their significance.
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NNG: Matukar -abi ‘hold (in hand)’
NNG: Numbami -abi ‘hold, get, take’
NNG: Yabem kam ‘hold (in hand)’ (k- for †0-)
NNG: Kaiwa eb ‘hold (in hand)’
NNG: Sissano -ep ‘hold’
PT: Kilivila kabi ‘hold, take hold of’
PT: Molima ebi ‘hold’
PT: Diodio abi ‘hold’
PT: Iduna -abi- ‘hold, lay hands on’
PT: Suau ab ‘hold’
PT: Saliba kabi ‘hold’
PT: Magori abi(tari) ‘hold’
PT: Sinaugoro yabi(tari) ‘seize, hold’
yabi(yero) ‘carry (swing in the hand)’
PT: Doura api(kai) ‘hold’
PT: Lala -abi(akau) ‘hold’
PT: Gabadi abi- ‘hold’
PT: Kuni -afi ‘hold’
PT: Mekeo -afi- ‘hold’
MM: Nakana ‘abi ‘take, catch, get, hold’ (Θ- for †h-)
abi- ‘carry in hand’
abi(gabuto) ‘take or hold tentatively’
MM: Bola yabi- ‘give’
SV: Lenakel a-p*iit ‘stick fast to, cleave to’
a-p*iit(etai) ‘hold fast, cling’

PMP *cekep ‘seize, grasp’ has just one known Oceanic reflex:
PMP *cekep ‘seize, grasp’ (ACD)
POc *soko(p) ‘seize, grasp’
PT: Motu doyo- ‘seize, take hold of, restrain’

POc *tau(r), *taur-i- has well distributed reflexes and was perhaps the default POc term for ‘hold in the hand’.

POc *tau(r), *taur-i- ‘hold in the hand’
NNG: Gitua tol ‘hold (in hand)’
NNG: Malalamai -ton ‘hold (in hand)’
PT: Dawawa taur(di) ‘hold (tight, firm)’
MM: Lavongai taj ‘hold (in hand)’
MM: Tigak ton ‘hold (in hand)’
MM: Tiang toi ‘hold (in hand)’
MM: E Kara taur-e ‘hold (animate being)’
MM: Barok taur(sik) ‘hold (in hand)’
NCV: Mota taur ‘hold’
NCV: Mwotlap ty ‘hold’ (< PNCV *tauri)
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NCV: Merlav  tor  ‘hold’
NCV: Dorig  tær  ‘hold’
NCV: Mafea  taur-i-  ‘hold’
NCV: Sunwadaga  tor-i  ‘hold’
NCV: Rerep  -tor-i  ‘hold’
NCV: Uripiv  -tor-i  ‘hold’
NCal: Iaai  kɔɔt  ‘hold’
Mic: Kiribati  tau-  ‘seize, grasp, hold back, retain, hold’
Mic: tau-tau  ‘engage in holding or retaining’
Fij: Woleian  tau  ‘be saved, preserved, kept’
Fij: Bauan  taur-a  ‘hold’

POc *poso ‘hold’ has only two known reflexes, but given their exact correspondence and geographic distance from one another the term can be reconstructed to POc.

POc *poso ‘hold’
Adm: Mussau  poso  ‘hold’
MM: Babatana  poso  ‘hold in hand, hold onto’

POc *poso ‘hold’
Adm: Mussau  poso  ‘hold’
MM: Babatana  poso  ‘hold in hand, hold onto’

It is important to distinguish between POc *gogo(m)/*gomi ‘hold in the fist’ below and *gomu ‘hold in the mouth’, reconstructed in §4.3.5.3.

PAAn *gemgem ‘fist; hold in the fist’
POc *gogo(m), *gomi ‘hold in the fist’

Verbs of hitting are reconstructed in vol.1:271–274. Not all of these are typically used of hitting a fellow human being, but one that is is reconstructed afresh in §7.4.1 in the light of a much expanded data base. A term that might have found its way into this section is ‘stroke’ (in the sense of running one’s hand over part of another’s body), but the only relevant POc reconstruction is *samo(s), *samos-i- ‘massage, stroke’, reconstructed in §5.4.2.2. Reconstructing a verb for ‘tickle’ raises a formal challenge that is discussed in §7.4.2.
7.4.1 Slapping and clapping

A verb for slapping, POc *pʰas*ₐ(raR), *pʰas*ₐ(raR)-i- ‘slap, hit’, was reconstructed in vol.1:273. With considerably more data the form and gloss of the reconstruction can be edited as shown below.

POc *pʰaja(R) (vi) ‘clap hands’, *pʰajaR-i- (vt) ‘slap with open hand’

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<th>Admin: Mussau</th>
<th>posala (vt) ‘slap with an open hand’</th>
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<td>Admin: Baluan</td>
<td>posalā (vi) ‘clap’</td>
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<td>NNG: Sissano</td>
<td>-pot ‘clap, beat’</td>
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<td>NNG: Sio</td>
<td>po’za ‘slap; clap one’s hands’</td>
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<td>NNG: Bariai</td>
<td>poda ‘slap’</td>
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<td>NNG: Mangseng</td>
<td>(so)pōdal ‘clap hands’</td>
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<td>PT: Gumawana</td>
<td>pʰasi ‘clap’</td>
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<td>PT: Bunama</td>
<td>(lima)pʰasi ‘clap hands’</td>
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<td>PT: Sinaugoro</td>
<td>foro ‘slap, hit’</td>
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<td>MM: Madak</td>
<td>pasa ‘clap’</td>
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<td>MM: Sursurunga</td>
<td>posar, posri ‘slap, clap, hit with the open palm’</td>
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<td>MM: Patpatar</td>
<td>pasar ‘slap; beat drum’</td>
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<td>MM: Ramoaaina</td>
<td>par ‘clap; slap, hit ; play (hourglass drum)’</td>
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<td>MM: Minigir</td>
<td>pasari ‘hit’</td>
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<td>MM: Nehan</td>
<td>posala ‘slap, especially on the back of the head’ (-l- for †-r-)</td>
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<td>MM: Solos</td>
<td>pasan ‘hit’</td>
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<td>MM: Teop</td>
<td>panana ‘slap, hit’</td>
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<td>MM: Babatana</td>
<td>po-posara ‘clap hands’</td>
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<td>SES: Tolo</td>
<td>pica-pica ‘clap hands (together)’</td>
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<td>SES: To’aba’ita</td>
<td>picali- ‘spank; hit, slap or tap with open hand’</td>
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<td>SES: Kwaio</td>
<td>fodal-i- ‘slap’</td>
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<td>SES: Arosi</td>
<td>hida ‘slap’</td>
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<td>(faʔa)hidar-i- ‘slap’</td>
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PNCV *voza ‘clap, slap, strike’

| NCV: Mota | wosa ‘slap, smack, clap’ |
| NCV: Raga | voha-i ‘strike, throw, shoot’ |
| NCV: Tamambo | vosa ‘slap (with one hand) once, clap hands together once’ |
| NCV: Uripiv | voja-i ‘strike, slap’ |
| NCV: Big Nambas | voja-voja-i (lima) ‘clap, pat’ (lima ‘hand’) |
| NCV: Port Sandwich | voc-i ‘strike with the hand, slap’ |
7.4.2 Tickling

The collection of Oceanic items considered here is better described as a set of lookalikes than as a cognate set, as it includes instances where regular sound changes have simply not taken place and perhaps also instances where idiosyncratic changes have occurred. This appears to be the result of onomatopoeia, such that the overall shape of a word is retained but some phonological contrasts are unimportant. Clearly this was already the case in PMP, as Blust (ACD) reconstructs *kilik, *kirik, *kidi, *gidik and *giri, all ‘tickle’. The onomatopoeic template is clear: *Kiri(k), where *K is a velar stop, voiced or unvoiced, and *R is a voiced apical (PMP *l, *r or *d). These shapes survive remarkably well into Oceanic, despite the fact that PMP *k- and *g- regularly merge then split into POc *k- and *g- with a strong preference for POc *k-, whilst PMP *-d- and *-r- normally merge as POc *-r-. This implies that onomatopoeic terms for ‘tickle’ have not been affected by regular sound changes.

Partly as a means of simplifying presentation, I reconstruct POc forms below, but because regularity of sound change does not apply, there is no guarantee that a given item is directly descended from the reconstruction under which it is listed. It follows from this that there is also no guarantee that the reconstructions are correct, especially where there are fewer reflexes.

PMP *kilik ‘tickle’ (ACD)
? POc *kilik-i- ‘tickle’

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<td>(vt) ‘tickle’</td>
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<td>MM: Ramoaaina</td>
<td>kilik</td>
<td>(vt) ‘tickle’</td>
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<td>MM: Tolai</td>
<td>kilik</td>
<td>(vt) ‘tickle’</td>
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<td>SES: Lau</td>
<td>kili-kili-</td>
<td>‘tickle so as to make s.o. laugh’</td>
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<td>NCV: Tamambo</td>
<td>hili</td>
<td>(vt) ‘tickle s.o.’</td>
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PMP *kili(k) ‘tickle’ (ACD)
? POc *gilik, *gilik-i- ‘tickle’

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<td>gili</td>
<td>‘tickle’</td>
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<td>PT: Dobu</td>
<td>gini</td>
<td>(VT) ‘tickle’</td>
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<td>MM: Sursurunga</td>
<td>gilik</td>
<td>(VI) ‘tickle’</td>
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<td>MM: Roviana</td>
<td>gili-gili-</td>
<td>‘tickle’</td>
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PMP *kirik, *kidi, *gidik, *giri ‘tickle’ (ACD)
POc *kiri(s), *kiris-i- ‘tickle’

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<td>(te)kere-ker</td>
<td>‘tickle’</td>
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<td>MM: Kubokota</td>
<td>(si)kiri</td>
<td>‘poke, tickle’</td>
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<td>SES: ‘Are‘are</td>
<td>kiri(pae-a)</td>
<td>‘tickle’</td>
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<td>NCV: S Efate</td>
<td>kir-kis</td>
<td>(VI, VT) ‘tickle’</td>
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Mic: Marshallese  
*kir-kir* (vi) ‘tickle’

*kir-kirey* (vt) ‘tickle s.o.’

Fij: Bauan  
*kiri, kiriō-a* ‘tickle under the armpits’

cf also:

MM: Maringe  
*(fa)ki-kili* ‘tickle’

SES: Arosi  
*kiri-kiri* ‘tickle under the armpits’

The items listed under ‘cf. also’ immediately above may reflect either *kili(k)* or *kiri(s)*.

The three putative POc forms above have reasonable support both from reflexes and from non-Oceanic cognates. But their root-final consonants are perhaps also significant. If the root-medial liquid is *-l-, then the root-final consonant is *-k*, but if the root-medial liquid is *-r-, then the root-final consonant is *-s*. This suggests two distinct early Oceanic templates, *Kilik* and *Kiris*.

There is a variety of other Oceanic forms that conform to one of these templates but reflect the ‘wrong’ protoform. The items below are shown with in the fifth column the POc forms they reflect if regular sound changes are applied. All the latter display medial *-d(r)-*, but it seems somewhat unlikely that such protoforms ever occurred, as they would reflect PMP *Kindis*, for which there is no evidence. The hypothetical forms in the sixth column are the forms expected if regular sound changes had applied to the template *Kiris*. It is fairly obvious that Mussau *kiri*, Halia *giri*- and Paamese *kir-kiris-i* reflect the failure of a sound change to apply to the medial *-r-. Dawawa *gidi* perhaps reflects the formation of a new template *Kidi*, which was also the antecedent of Mwotlap *yin-yin*. Voiced stops normally occur in Gapapaiwa only in loans from nearby PT languages, but *gidi* may reflect the presence of unusual sounds in an onomatopoetic item.

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<td>‘tickle’</td>
<td><em>kid(r)i</em></td>
<td><em>kili</em></td>
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<td>MM: Halia</td>
<td><em>giri-</em></td>
<td>(vt) ‘tickle’</td>
<td><em>gid(r)i</em></td>
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<td>NCV: Paamese</td>
<td><em>kir-kiris-i</em></td>
<td>(vt) ‘tickle’</td>
<td><em>gid(r)is-i-</em></td>
<td><em>kilis-i</em></td>
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<td>PT: Dawawa</td>
<td><em>gidi</em></td>
<td>‘tickle’</td>
<td><em>gid(r)i</em></td>
<td><em>giri</em></td>
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<td>PT: Gapapaiwa</td>
<td><em>gidi</em></td>
<td>‘tickle’</td>
<td><em>gid(r)i</em></td>
<td><em>giri</em></td>
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<td>NCV: Mwotlap</td>
<td><em>yin-yin</em></td>
<td>‘tickle’</td>
<td><em>kid(r)i</em></td>
<td><em>giy</em></td>
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The two items below both reflect failure of a sound change to apply: POc *r > Nakanai *l*, and POc *g > To’aba’ita *k*.

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<td><em>gisi</em></td>
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<td>SES: To’aba’ita</td>
<td><em>gili-</em></td>
<td>(vt) ‘tickle’</td>
<td><em>dili</em></td>
<td><em>kiri</em></td>
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The items listed below are less easily explained, but they perhaps reflect the emergence of yet another templatic variant, *Kisi*.

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<td><em>(uel)kis-kisi</em></td>
<td>‘tickle’</td>
<td><em>kiti</em></td>
<td><em>kiri</em></td>
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<td>MM: Teop</td>
<td><em>gisi-gisi</em></td>
<td>‘tickle’</td>
<td><em>giti</em></td>
<td><em>giri</em></td>
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<tr>
<td>SV: Anejom</td>
<td><em>i-yið(h)luk)</em></td>
<td>(vi, vt) ‘tickle’</td>
<td><em>kisi</em></td>
<td><em>yiri</em></td>
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7.5  Foot and leg actions

A good many actions of the feet and legs are obviously verbs of locomotion like ‘walk’, ‘step’, ‘run’, ‘crawl’, ‘limp’ and ‘hop’, for which reconstructions are presented in §6.3, and ‘wade’ (§6.3.3.2). Dancing is an activity with substantial cultural associations in Oceanic communities, and belongs in vol.6. This section was planned to deal with the remainder: kicking, stamping and treading on. However, no cognate sets with the narrow meaning ‘kick’ have been found. When someone deliberately kicks something or someone, this is often expressed with ‘hit with the foot’, and some reflexes of verbs for stamping and treading on sometimes have as one of their senses ‘kick with the sole of the foot’. Hence the reconstructions in this section both relate to stamping and treading on: POc *paRas (vi) ‘step, tread’, *paRas-i- (vt) ‘step on, tread on’ and PEOc *butu (vi) ‘stamp foot, tread, kick’, *butuR-i- ‘stamp on, tread on, trample’.

7.5.1  Stamping and treading on

POc *paRas (vi) ‘step, tread’, *paRas-i- (vt) ‘step on, tread on’ (Geraghty 1990:66: PEOc *(p,v)y)aRa(c,z) ‘tread on, step on’)

NNG: Mangap -para(ama)  ‘hold by stepping on, stamp on’
NNG: Mangap -para(mut)  ‘stamp on, tread on, hurt by stepping on’
NNG: Takia -par  ‘step, pace, tread on’
NNG: Sio pale  ‘shove down with great force; step down into, onto’
NNG: Mangseng pa-pal  ‘step; boost; stand on’
MM: Madak vas  ‘step on’
MM: Nehan paraha  ‘put foot against something, place foot firmly’
SES: Gela pala-pala  ‘steps into a house’
NCGV *varas-i ‘step on, step over’
NCV: Mota vara  ‘tread, stamp, walk; measure by feet’
NCV: Mota varas  ‘trample on’
NCV: Raga vara  ‘step’
NCV: Raga varah-i  ‘step heavily, stamp (in dance etc); tread on, step in; straddle’
NCV: Apma vahr-i  ‘step heavily, stamp (in dance etc.)’
NCV: Naman veres  ‘step on’
NCV: Uripiv -ver  ‘kick’
NCV: Uripiv -veras-i  ‘step on, jump on’,
NCV: Port Sandwich ves-i  ‘crush something by stepping on it’,
NCV: W Ambrym vereh  ‘put foot on, tread on’,
NCV: Nguna vāsi-  ‘hold with foot, step, walk on, ride (horse)’
PMic (vi) *fā ‘apply the sole of the foot’, *fās-i ‘apply the sole of the foot to s.t.’ (Bender et al. 2003)
Mic: Chuukese ffaa, ffae  ‘kick with the sole of the foot’
Mic: Chuukese ōi-t-i (vt) ‘kick’
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**Mic:** Carolinian

$ffā$ ‘kick’

$fāt-i$ (vt) ‘kick’

$ffā$ ‘kick’

$ffā$-ti- ‘kick it’

**Mic:** Woleaian

$pā-t-$ ‘push with the feet’

$pā-tek$ ‘push (s.t.) with the feet’

**Mic:** Mokilese

$va$ (vi) ‘tread softly’

$va$-da (vt) ‘tread softly on s.t.’

**Fij:** Bauan

$va$-ti- ‘kick it’

**Fij:** Wayan

$va$-l $i-$ ‘step or tread on s.t.’

POc *butu* (vi) ‘stamp foot, tread, kick’, *butuR-i* ‘stamp on, tread on, trample’

Adm: Seimat

$putu-i$ (vt) ‘stamp, kick’

PT: Saliba

$utu$ ‘to step’

Ses: Bugotu

$bu$-butu ‘stamp the foot in dancing, tread hard’

$bu$ Tul $i-$ ‘trample, kick’

Ses: Gela

$bu$-butu ‘kick with the feet, as in swimming’

Ses: Tolo

$bu$ ‘kick’

$bu$-li- ‘step on’

Ses: Longgu

$bu$-butu ‘beat (of heart); do things to show that you are looking for a fight (e.g. stamping feet, preparing to punch someone)’

Ses: To’aba’ita

$bu$ ‘step on the ground, put one’s foot on the ground’

Ses: ’Are’are

$pū$ ‘hit, stamp, tread, rely on, stand firm’

Ses: Kwaio

$bu$ ‘tread, step’

Ses: Sa’a

$pū$ ‘tread, stamp, stand firm’,

$pū$-li- ‘strike with the talons (of birds)’

Ses: Arosi

$pū$ ‘tread, stamp, rest, stand firm, rely on’

$pū$-li- ‘pounce on, of birds, to strike with the talons’

NCV: Mota

$put$ ‘stamp on the ground (in anger, in singing)’

NCV: Raga

$bu$-li- ‘stand strongly’

NCV: Uripiv

$-nət$ ‘take a step’

NCV: Port Sandwich

$mbyr$-m$byr$-in-i ‘trample underfoot’

NCV: Neve’ei

$bit$ ‘step on, in’

PMic *p’utu* ‘step, tread, apply one’s foot’

**Mic:** Kosraean

$fut-fut$ ‘kick’

$futu-ŋ$ ‘kick, stomp (s.t.)’

**Mic:** Marshallese

$bc$ic-$bc$ic ‘kick, a dance’

$bc$ic($cik$) ‘kick, be kicking’

**Mic:** Chuukese

$pm$u ‘place one’s foot’

$pm$-$m+p$-$m$u ‘step, tread, place one’s foot on s.t.’

$pm$-$m$-$r-i- ‘step on, tread on’

**Mic:** Puluwatense

$p$m$-$i- ‘stamp or tread on’

**Mic:** Carolinian

$bm$u, $b$m$-$bm$u ‘step, stand on’

$bm$-$m$-$r-i- ‘step, stomp, tread on (s.t.)’
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bū-raex ‘stomp the feet (as when throwing a tantrum)’

Fij: Bauan

butu ‘stamp, tread’

butu-ka ‘stamp or tread on’

Fij: Wayan

butu-ki- ‘stamp or tread on s.t., trample s.t.’

7.6 Bathing and washing

Like §7.5, the present section presents reconstructions for verbs encoding concepts other than locomotion. Hence reconstructions for verbs of swimming, moving about under water, and floating are given in §6.3.3. They include POc *tuRu(p) ‘wade’ and POc *kaRu, POc *qasa and PEOc *olo, all ‘swim’. The reconstructions in this section are actions involving water but not locomotion, and fall into two semantic sets: verbs denoting bathing, i.e. washing one’s body by immersion in water (§7.6.1), and verbs denoting the washing of either part of the body or an object (§7.6.2).

7.6.1 Bathing, immersing oneself

In traditional Oceanic societies the characteristic method of washing oneself all over is to immerse oneself in a river or, failing that, in the sea. On the basis of the glosses of their reflexes two reconstructions seem to have been terms primarily for washing oneself or someone else, typically a child, in this way. They are POc *siu-siu ‘wash oneself’/*siuw-i- ‘wash s.o’ and POc *ri-riu(s) ‘wash, bathe’/rius-i- ‘wash s.o., bathe s.o.’ There is a note in Hutchisson’s Sursurunga dictionary file that siwi, the reflex of *siuw-i-, is a generic term for washing, and this was evidently true of the POc form too.

The transitional consonant *-w- in *siuw-i- reflects a minor reconstructive challenge. PMP *ziuq shows final *-q, but there is no reflex thereof in Oceanic reflexes. Instead, Oceanic reflexes point to *-p. However, I infer that pre-POc *siu-i acquired a transitional [w] which was strengthened to Tolai and PEOc bilabial fricative *-v-.

PMP *ziuq ‘bathe’ (ACD)
POc *siu-siu (vi) ‘wash oneself’, *siuw-i- (vt) ‘wash s.o’ (Geraghty 1983: PEOc *si(q, ō)u-v- ‘wash’)

NNG: Kairiru -si ‘wash (child +)’
PT: Gumawana -siwo (vi) ‘bathe oneself, wash oneself’
PT: Dobu (e)siwe (vi) ‘wash oneself, bathe’
MM: Patpatar si-siu (vi) ‘bathe’

siu (vt) ‘wash (child +)’
MM: Tolai (va)siuv-e (vt) ‘wash (child +)’
MM: Sursurunga siu-siu (vi) ‘bathe, swim’

siw-i- (vt) ‘wash (child +), clean (s.t.)’
MM: Konomala siu (vt) ‘wash (child +)’
MM: Solos si-siu-h (vt) ‘wash (child +)’
PEOc *siu-siu ‘wash oneself’, *siuw-i- ‘wash s.o’

SES: Bugotu siu (vi) ‘bathe, wash oneself’
SES: Gela  
*siu* (vi) ‘bathe’  
*siuv-i* (vt) ‘bathe s.o.’  
SES: To’aba’ita  
*sī-siu* (vi) ‘wash oneself, bathe’  
*siuf-i-*(vt) ‘wash, bathe s.o.; give s.o. a bath’  
SES: Lau  
*siu* (vi) ‘bathe, wash standing in water’  
*siuf-i* (vt) ‘wash s.o., standing in water’  

POc *ri-riu(s)/rius-i- apparently reflects PAN/PMP *diRus ‘bathe’, but with irregular loss of medial *-R-. Only in Wayan Fijian would this loss be irregular.

PAn/PMP *diRus ‘bathe’ (ACD)  
POc *ri-riu(s) (vi) ‘wash, bathe’, *rius-i- (vt) ‘wash s.o., bathe s.o.’ (ACD: riRus)  

NNG: Arop-Lukep  
-riu  
‘bathe’  
NNG: Mangap  
-ri  
‘wash, bathe s.o. by pouring water on them’  
NNG: Siolili  
lili  
‘bathe, swim’  
NNG: Amara  
ri  
‘bathe’  
NNG: Kilenge  
(-wa)liu-e  
‘wash (child +)’  
NNG: Gitua  
ri-riuz-  
‘wash (child +)’  
NNG: Mutu  
ri-riu  
‘bathe oneself, wash oneself’  
NNG: Kove  
li-liu  
‘bathe’  
NNG: Bariai  
li-liu  
‘bathe’  
MM: Ramoaina  
ra-riu  
‘wash, bathe’  
Fij: Wayan  
riu  
‘dive, plunge under water’  
 riu-vi-  
‘dive for s.t., dive and get s.t.’  

POc *su-su(p), *sup-i- below is phonologically very similar to *siu-siu, *siuw-i- above, and it is tempting to assume that the disyllabic root *siu [*siju] has been reduced from disyllabic to monosyllabic *[sju], then, because the latter conflicts with Oceanic phonotactics, to *[su]. This might have resulted in alternant forms in POc or have happened on various occasions post-POC. However, there is reason to think that this inference is wrong. Reflexes of *siu-siu, *siuw-i- all have to do with washing. Reflexes of *su-su(p), *sup-i- point to a semantic element of submersion and diving as well as of washing. Moreover, Gela has contrasting reflexes of *siuv-i- and *sup-i-.  

POc *su-su(p) ‘wash by immersing oneself, dive’, *sup-i- ‘wash s.o. by immersing them; dive for s.t.’  

Adm: Mussau  
sū  
(vi) ‘bathe, swim, dive’  
sūs-i  
(vt) ‘bathe s.o.’  
NNG: Sera  
su-i  
(vt) ‘wash (child +)’  
MM: Tiang  
su  
(vt) ‘wash (child +)’  
MM: E Kara  
su-suf  
(vi) ‘bathe, wash’  
MM: Nalik  
suf  
(vi, vt) ‘swim, dive; wash (child +)’  
MM: Madak  
su-su  
(vi) ‘bathe’  
su  
(vt) ‘wash (child +)’  
MM: Tangga  
suf-i  
(vt) ‘wash (child +)’  
MM: Nehan  
hu-hu  
(vi) ‘bathe, wash’
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MM: Tinputz (va)hū ‘wash, bath’
MM: Uruava ui-ui ‘(vi, vt) ’wash’
MM: Banoni sū ‘(vi) ‘swim, dive into water (dive into and through water)’
MM: Roviana suvu ‘(vi) ‘swim’
SES: Bugotu hū ‘dive, sink’
SES: Gela huv-i ‘bathe’
SES: Lau sū ‘dive, sink; set (of heavenly bodies)’
SES: Kwaio sū ‘(vi) ‘dive, sink’
sū-fi- ‘(vt) ‘dive for’
SES: Sa’a sū ‘(vi) ‘dive, sink’
sū-h-i ‘(vt) ‘dive for’
SES: Arosi sū ‘(vi) ‘dive’
sū-hi ‘(vt) ‘dive for’
NCV: Vurēs suv-suv ‘(vi) ‘bathe, swim’
suv ‘(vt) ‘wash (hands or plates)’
NCV: Mwotlap suv ‘(vt) ‘wash’

PMic *sū-Sū ‘bathe’, Sū ‘dive down’, Šūf-i- ‘bathe s.o., dive for s.t.’ (Bender et al. 2003)
Mic: Kosraean yi, yi-yi ‘bathe, take a shower’
Mic: Marshallese tiw-tiw ‘bathe’
Mic: Mokilese tū-tū ‘bathe’
Mic: Chuukese tī-ti ‘bathe, take a shower, be bowed (of the head)’
ti ‘dive, duck the head under water’
tīf-i ‘dive for (s.t.)’
Mic: Mortlockese tī-tī ‘bathe’
Mic: Puluwatese tī-tī ‘(vi) ‘dive deep’,
tīf-i(y) ‘dive for (s.t.)’
Mic: Carolinian tī-tī ‘bathe’
tu, ti ‘submerge, dive from the surface’
tīf-i ‘dive for (s.t.)’
Mic: Satawalese tī-tī ‘bathe’
Mic: Woleaian tū-tū ‘bathe’
tū(lojo) ‘dive in’
Mic: Pulo Annian tit-tī ‘bathe’
Mic: Ulithian ðu-ðu ‘bathe’
cf. also:
MM: Teop si-sibu ‘(vi) ‘bathe’ (< *ti-tibu)

POc *sugu(p), *sugup-i- below appears to have been identical in meaning with POc *su-su(p), *sup-i- immediately above. If there is a historical connection between them, however, it is difficult to see what it is. Neither has known non-Oceanic cognates, and one can only speculate that two POc dialects perhaps borrowed cognate terms from neighbouring Papuan languages. The Tongan and Niuean reflexes below reflect PPn *uku rather than expected *huku (which Tongan and Niuean would reflect as huku).
POc *sugu(p) (vt) ‘wash by immersing oneself, dive’, (vt) *sugup-i- ‘wash s.o. by immersing them; dive for s.t.’ (Blust 1984: *suku)

NNG: Manam -ruku- (VI, VT) ‘bathe, wash’ (-k- for †-g-)
NNG: Bam -ruk-i- ‘wash (child +)’ (-k- for †-g-)
NNG: Yabem -sagu ‘wash (child +)’
NNG: Roinji sugu ‘bathe, swim’

sug-i- ‘wash (child +)’
NNG: Mindiri suga ‘bathe’
NNG: Bing sūg ‘bathe, wash’
NNG: Matukar sug ‘wash’
NNG: Takia -sug, -sugu- ‘wash, bathe (s.o.)’
NNG: Gedaged sug (VI) ‘bathe’
sug-i- (VT) ‘make wet, bathe, wash’
NNG: Kilenge -suk ‘dive’
NNG: Tami jiŋ ‘swim’
NNG: Sio sugu ‘dive into the water, swim’
NNG: Mutu -zug ‘dive’
NNG: Gitua -zugu ‘swim on surface’
NNG: Bariai -duk ‘dive’
NNG: Sengseng suh ‘swim’
PT: Dawawa sigu ‘washing the body’
PT: Misima hig-hig ‘(have a) wash; (have a) swim’
PT: Motu digu ‘bathe’
MM: Vitu (va)d̪uɣu-i ‘wash (child +)’
MM: Bulu ru-rugu ‘wash (self)’

(va)rugu ‘wash (child +)’
MM: Patpatar suguh ‘immerse, dive’
NCV: Mota suɣ-suɣ ‘bathe’ (-ɣ- for †-k-)

Pn *uku ‘dive, submerge’, *ukuf-i- ‘dive for s.t.’ (POLLEX:*huku)

Pn: Tongan uku ‘dive’
uku ‘dive’ for s.t.

Pn: Niuean uku ‘dive’

Pn: Anutan uku ‘bathe in fresh water, skin dive’
Pn: Tuvalu uku ‘dive, swim under water’
Pn: E Futunuan uku ‘dive under water; submerge’
Pn: E Uvean uku ‘dive under water’
Pn: Emae uku ‘dive’
Pn: Luangiua ʔuʔu ‘dive’
Pn: Rennellese uku ‘dive’
Pn: Sikaiana uku ‘dive or swim under water’
Pn: Tikopia uku ‘dive’
Pn: Tokelauan uku ‘dive’
Pn: W Uvean uku ‘dive’

The forms in initial ŋ- and n- listed below under POc *ŋuŋu(p)/*ŋup-i-, *ŋugu-i- and *ŋulu-i- presented a reconstructive problem, as the non-initial consonants do not correspond.
The transitive verbs below are each followed by a parenthesised protoform from which they could be descended. At first sight, these appear chaotic, but two sets of facts conspire to provide a solution. The first is that an initial */ñ- on a verb sometimes reflects the application of the PMP actor-voice formative */pa/N- (vol.1:29–30) to a root with initial */s-. The second is that the non-initial consonants are identical to those found in */s-initial forms with the same meanings, including */sup-i- and */sugu-i- reconstructed above. The hypothesis that emerges is that the transitive forms in */ñ- reflect application of */pa/N- to */s-initial roots. It is difficult to be certain how the fragmentary survivals from the PMP system worked in POc, but it is reasonable to infer that, for example, */ñu-ñu(p) was the actor-voice intransitive form, */sup-i- the transitive (see the discussion of intransitive and transitive forms of the verb ‘eat’ in §4.3.1.1). This implies that reduplicated intransitive forms like E Kara su-su and Vurës su-suv, listed above under POc */su-su(p)/*sup-i-, were back formations created from transitive */sup-i- corresponding intransitives, by applying the POc pattern noted in vol.1:25 (see also Evans 2003:81–84). Similarly, transitives like Seimat nuh-i and Baluan nup reflect the converse application of this pattern to intransitive */ñu-ñu(p). The fact that two POc verb pairs, su-su(p)/*sup-i- and */ñu-ñu(p)/*ñup-i- can be reconstructed suggests that these processes occurred at some pre-POc stage.

POc */ñu-ñu(p) ‘wash by immersing oneself, dive’, */ñup-i- ‘wash s.o. by immersing them; dive for s.t.’ (cf */sup-i- above)

POc */ñugup-i- ‘wash s.o. by immersing them’ (cf */sugu-i- above)

POc */ñulu-i- and */sulu-i- ‘wash s.o.’

Adm: Seimat nuh-i (VT) ‘wash’ (< */(n,ñ)u(p,R)-i-)
Adm: Lou nu ‘bathe, submerge’
Adm: Lou nup ‘wash’ (< */(n,ñ)u(p,R)-i-)
Adm: Baluan nu ‘bathe, wash oneself’
Adm: Baluan nup ‘wash a person, bathe s.o.’ (< */(n,ñ)up-i-)
Adm: Titan nü (vi) ‘dive, bathe, go under water’
Adm: Drehet nu-nu ‘bathe’
Adm: Nyindrou nü ‘wash, bathe’
NNG: Mangseng nu-nu ‘wash, bathe’
NNG: Wab nu-n ‘swim’

NNG: Ulau-Suain -nük ‘wash (child +)’ (< */ñug-i-)
NNG: Ali -nük ‘wash (child +)’ (< */ñug-i-)

NNG: Yalu -nuʔ ‘wash (child +)’ (< */(n,ñ)u(k,q,R)-i-)
NNG: Dangal nuk ‘wash (child +)’ (< */(n,ñ)u(k,q,R)-i-)

The third of these sets, supporting the reconstruction of */ñulu-i-, does not correspond to a form in */s- reconstructed above. Instead we find three Admiralities forms reflecting */ñ- and three New Ireland (MM) forms reflecting */s- which together allow us to reconstruct two POc transitive forms, */ñulu-i- and */sulu-i- ‘wash s.o.’.

POc */ñulu-i- and */sulu-i- ‘wash s.o.’

Adm: Lou nei ‘wash’ (< */(n,ñ)ul-i-)
Adm: Baluan  
\textit{nul}  
‘wash s.t., such as food or dishes, laundry’ (< *(n,\tilde{n})ul-i-)

Adm: Titan  
\textit{\tilde{\text{n}}ulu-i}  
(\textit{vt}) ‘bathe, wash s.o. or s.t.’ (< *\text{n}u(t,dr,d,l,c)u-i-)

MM: Tabar  
\textit{suruv-i-}  
‘wash (child +)’

MM: Notsi  
\textit{sil}  
‘wash (child +)’

MM: Lithir  
\textit{sul}  
‘wash (child +)’

POc *\textit{su-su(p)}/*\textit{sup-i-} and POc *\textit{sugu(p)}/*\textit{sugup-i-}, both reconstructed above, denoted bathing but also had a more specialised sense of swimming. The gloss of the Nakanai reflex of POc *\textit{lo-loso(p)} suggests by contrast that it denoted bathing with a more specialised sense of swimming, perhaps under the surface. In a number of Vanuatu languages the main sense is now ‘swim’.

POc *\textit{lo-loso(p)}, \textit{loso-i-} ‘bathe, wash by swimming’ (\textit{ACD}: *\textit{lo-so-lo} ‘bathe, swim’)

NNG: Wogeo  
\textit{loso-loso}  
‘bathe’

-\textit{la}-lose  
‘wash (child +)’

NNG: Kairiru  
\textit{-luos}  
‘wash oneself’

-\textit{lis}  
‘wash s.o.’

MM: Nakanai  
\textit{leso}  
‘dive, surface-dive, swim under water’

SES: Bugotu  
\textit{do-oho}  
‘splashing, bathe’

SES: Tolo  
\textit{leso}  
\textit{(vi) ‘bathe’ (-e- for †-o-)}

\textit{lesov-i-}  
\textit{(vt) ‘bathe s.o.’ (-e- for †-o-)}

SES: Ghari  
\textit{leso}  
‘bathe’ (-e- for †-o-)

SES: Birao  
\textit{leso}  
‘bathe’ (-e- for †-o-)

SES: Longgu  
\textit{loto}  
‘wash oneself by playing or swimming in the water’

SES: ‘Arc’are  
\textit{roto}  
‘bathe’

SES: Sa’a  
\textit{loto}  
‘bathe’

SES: Fagani  
\textit{ro-roto}  
‘bathe’

SES: Oroha  
\textit{roto}  
‘bathe’

TM: Nembao  
\textit{lo}  
‘swim, bathe’

TM: Tanimbili  
\textit{lo\textcircled{o}}  
‘bathe’

NCV: Tasmate  
\textit{lo-loso}  
‘swim’

NCV: Nokuku  
\textit{lo-loso}  
‘swim, bathe, wash’

\textit{losov}  
‘swim, bathe, wash’

NCV: Tamambo  
\textit{lo-loso}  
\textit{(vi) ‘wash’}

\textit{losov-i-}  
\textit{(vt) ‘wash’}

NCV: Wusi  
\textit{lo-loho}  
‘swim’

NCV: Unua  
\textit{-ros-ros}  
‘swim’

NCV: Banam Bay  
\textit{-rorox}  
‘swim’

NCV: Rerep  
\textit{-rosa-ros}  
‘swim’

NCV: Uripiv  
\textit{-la-los}  
‘swim’

NCV: Sa  
\textit{-lo-los}  
‘swim’

NCV: Lonwolwol  
\textit{-loh}  
‘swim’

\textit{-loh-loh}  
‘bathe’
Physical acts

There is a small doubt about the formal reconstruction of POc *kʷaya, as NNG languages have initial w-, most non-NNG languages k-. However, the latter are fortis reflexes (rather than lenis y- or ʔ-), and thus plausible reflexes of *kʷ-.

POc *kʷaya (??) ‘bathe, swim’

Adm: Lou kea ‘swim’
NNG: Mangap -we ‘dive’
NNG: Maleu -we ‘swim’
NNG: Mutu waia ‘swim’
NNG: Mangseng ke ‘swim free’
NNG: Wogeo -wa-we ‘dive’
PT: Kilivila kakaya ‘swim’
PT: Gumawana kaya ‘swim’
PT: Kay-ei ‘swim with s.t.’
PT: Kiriwina ka-kai ‘bathe, wash body’
PT: Muyuw ka-kai ‘bathe’
PT: Iamalele kayo ‘swim’
PT: Iduna -kayo ‘swim (on front)’
PT: Dawawa gayo ‘float’
PT: Misima gayu ‘swim’

cf. also:
Adm: Nyanindrou aya ‘swim’
Adm: Titan yay ‘bathe, wade, swim’

7.6.2 Washing and cleaning

In contrast to the terms reconstructed in §7.6.2, the terms presented in this section denote washing one’s hands or face and sometimes washing objects. When they denote washing objects, it is fairly common to find reflexes with glosses that also mention rubbing something to get it clean, suggesting that their central meaning is one of cleaning in general, not just of washing.

Various scholars have suggested that the particular reflex of POc *wasi known to them (e.g. Lichtenberk 2008) is borrowed from English wash via the local pidgin. However, the collection of reflexes below suggests that a POc term is reconstructable, and that the resemblance between its reflexes and, e.g., Vanuatu Bislama wasem is a matter of chance.

POc *wasi ‘wash’

PT: Tawala oya ‘wash in or under water’
MM: Nakanai uasi ‘wash, bathe’
The fact that POc *pulu, *puRiq and *puqi below all begin with *pu- appears to be a matter of chance, but has on occasion led to the attribution of an item to the wrong cognate set.\footnote{Tolo vuli- ‘wash (hands, clothes)’ was attributed to POc *pulu in vol.1:243, instead of to *puRiq.}

**PMP *bulu ‘wash the hands’ (ACD)**

POc *pulu ‘rub to make clean, wash’ (cf vol.1:243)

| SES: Button | wasi- | (vt) ‘wash s.t. (inc. one’s own body)’ |
| SES: Lau | wasi- | ‘wash (hands)’ |
| SES: ’Are’are | wasi-kaʔi | ‘wash (hands)’ |
| SES: Arosi | wasi- | ‘rub, wash clothes’ |
| SES: Fagani | wasi- | ‘wash (hands)’ |
| SES: Kahua | wasi | ‘wash (hands)’ |
| NCV: Tamambo | osi-osi | (vi) ‘wash hands’ |
| NCV: Lewo | was | ‘wash clothes’ |
| NCV: Uripiv | (te)wasi | ‘wipe, rub’ |

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**PMP *buRiq ‘wash, as the hands’ (ACD)**

POc *puRiq ‘wash, as the hands’ (ACD)

| NNG: Mangap | -puri | ‘clean s.t. small, rinse’ |
| PT: Sinaugoro | ɣuriɣi | (vt) ‘wash’ |
| PT: Motu | huri- | ‘wash, scrub’ |
| SES: Bugotu | vuli | ‘wash s.o., pour water on s.t., quench’ |
| SES: Gela | vuli | ‘pour water, sprinkle’ |
| SES: Tolo | vuli- | ‘wash (hands, clothes)’ |
| SES: W Guadalcanal | vuli | ‘wash (hands)’ |
| SES: Talise | vuli- | ‘wash (hands)’ |
POc *puqi ‘rinse, wash’

MM: Nakanai  
vühi  
‘rinse’

SES: Longgu  
vi-i  
‘wash’

SES: Fagani  
hi-i  
‘wash (hands)’

Fij:  
Bauan  
vū  
(vi) ‘wash, cleanse (feet or hands) with water’

vay-a  
(vt) ‘wash’

PPn *fuqi ‘wash feet or hands, pour over, soak’ (POLLEX)

Pn: Tongan  
fui-t-fui-i  
‘pour water on, douse’

Pn: Niuean  
fui  
‘dip in water’

Pn: Samoan  
fui  
‘dip, steep in water’

Pn: Tuvalu  
fui-fui  
‘sprinkle water over’

Pn: E Futunan  
fui-ti  
‘dip, soak’

Pn: E Uvean  
fui  
‘dip, soak’

Pn: K’marangi  
hui  
‘immerse in water’

Pn: Rarotongan  
ʔai  
‘dash water into’

Pn: W Uvean  
fui-fui, fui-a  
‘wash, rinse (hands, dishes), clean (house)’

Pn: W Futunan  
fui-a  
‘moisten something, dunk something, dip, rinse something in liquid and take it out (as in washing clothes)’

cf. also:

Fij:  
Wayan  
vue  
‘(hair) be washed by rubbing hands on the scalp, be dyed’

vue-ti  
(vt) ‘wash or dye (hair)’

The presence of -u for †-o in the Mangseng and Hoava reflexes below may indicate that they reflect a protoform other than POc *paño. Nonetheless, the presence of non-Oceanic cognates and the Polynesian reflexes means that Blust is right to reconstruct in the ACD.

PAn *baña-w ‘wash the body’ (ACD)
PMP *baña-w ‘wash the hands’ (ACD)

POc *paño ‘wash the hands’ (ACD)

NNG: Mangseng  
panu-nu  
‘wash’ (-u for †-o)

MM: Hoava  
vanu-vanu  
‘wash (hands)’ (-u for †-o)

Pn: Tongan  
fano-fano  
‘wash hands’

Pn: Niuean  
fano  
‘rub, wash (clothes)’

fano-fano  
‘rub (as in washing clothes)’

Pn: Samoan  
fano-fano  
‘wash hands or feet’

Pn: Anuta  
pano-pano  
‘wash hands’

Pn: Tuvalu  
fano  
‘wash hands’

Pn: E Futunan  
fano-fano  
‘wash hands’

Pn: W Uvean  
fano-fano  
‘wash hands’
The two terms below display skewed geographic distributions of reflexes, but both meet the criteria for POc reconstruction.

**POc *japula* ‘wash one’s hands, clean s.o.’**

- **MM:** Nakanai  *savula*  ‘brush dirt off a child’
- **SES:** Gela  *havul-i*  ‘wash with water’

**POc *goso* ‘wash s.o./s.t.’**

- **NNG:** Rauto  *gos*  ‘wash (child +)’
- **MM:** Lamasong  *goso*  ‘wash (child +)’
- **MM:** Madak  *gos*  ‘wash (s.t.)’
- **MM:** Label  *gos*  ‘wash (child +)’
- **MM:** Siar  *gos*  ‘wash’
- **NCV:** Vurës  *gʊs*  ‘wash (clothes)’

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7.7 **Verbs with a location component**

The verbs reconstructed below, translated as ‘hide’ and ‘wait’, each have a semantic component of location, but not of posture.

7.7.1 **Wait**

One waits somewhere for something to happen. Semantically the verb has both a locational component (being somewhere) and a cognitive component (expecting an event). Just one POc verb is reconstructed with this sense.

**POc *tari* (vi) ‘wait’, (vt) ‘wait for s.t.’**

- **NNG:** Dami  *tari*  ‘wait’
- **NNG:** Mangseng  *te-tal*  ‘wait for’
- **MM:** Nakanai  *tali*  ‘wait for’ (in compounds, e.g. *magiri-tali* ‘stand and wait for’)

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* John Lynch points out that Naman *tərəv* Uripiv *e-trɪv*, Tirax *təræ*, Nisvai *tər-i* appear to reflect *tərəv*, while Neve’ei *təræ-x-en*, Big Nambas, Tape *təræ* reflect *tərək*. These forms are all from Malakula, and we can offer no account of them.
MM: Vaghua tar ‘wait’
NCV: Aulua dare ‘wait’ (John Lynch, pers. comm.)
NCV: Pt Sandwich terere ‘wait’ (John Lynch, pers. comm.)
NCV: Naman i-ør ‘wait’ (John Lynch, pers. comm.)
NCV: Neverver der ‘wait’ (John Lynch, pers. comm.)
Pn: Tongan tali ‘wait, wait for, expect’
Pn: Niuean tali ‘wait, expect’
Pn: Samoan tali ‘wait for’
Pn: Tikopia tari ‘wait’
Pn: Hawaiian kali ‘wait, loiter, hesitate’
Pn: Maori ta-tari ‘wait for’

Motu (PT) nari (vi) ‘wait’, may be the sole reflex of a POc morphological intransitive *nari (reflecting *[pa]/N- + *tari) (§1.3.5.6).

7.7.2 Hiding

Oceanic languages preserve reflexes of three POc forms descended from PMP *buni ‘hide, conceal’. Two of these are *puni and *muni. Their origin, briefly mentioned in §1.3.5.5, is transparent. POc *puni was the root form, reflecting PMP *buni, and was originally transitive. POc *muni reflected PMP *m-uni, the outcome of adding the actor-voice infix *<um> to the root *puni, to form an intransitive, involving a morphophonemic rule whereby *<um> + *p- became *m-. Probably this transitive/intransitive contrast was maintained in POc, as it survives in Siar (MM) mumun (vi) vs wun (vt) (Frowein 2011:94), but, as the cognate sets below show, various languages have created an intransitive from *puni and a transitive from *muni, with or without a derivational morpheme.

PAn *buLi ‘hide, conceal’ (ACD)
PMP *buni ‘hide, conceal’ (ACD)
POc *puni (vt) ‘hide, conceal s.t.’

Adm: Baluan (ta)pom (vi) ‘hide s.t.’
NNG: Numbami uŋa (vt) ‘hide’
NNG: Kaiwa (vai)vun (vi) ‘hide’
NNG: Hote -vəŋ (vt) ‘hide, cover’
NNG: Mapos Buang vun (vt) ‘hide, cover up’
NNG: Patep vun (vt) ‘steal, hide’
NNG: Yalu -fom-en (vi) ‘hide’
NNG: Sukurum -fum-bun (vi) ‘hide’
PT: Ubir (bai)bu-buni-n ‘hidden’
PT: Motu huni- (vt) ‘hide, cover’
(ta)huni ‘be hidden’ (ta- < *ta- SPONTANEOUS)
PT: Gabadi uni-ni (vt) ‘hide’
PT: Kuni -buni (vi) ‘hide’
-uni-ai (vt) ‘hide’ (-ai < POc *-aki(n) APPLICATIVE)
MM: Tiang uən (vi) ‘hide’
MM: E Kara fun (vi) ‘hide’
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<td>Sio mun-</td>
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<td>(ʔa)muni 'lost to sight, sunk below the horizon’</td>
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The third POc form descended from PMP *buni ‘hide, conceal’ is POc *buni. This is almost certainly not a direct descendant of PMP *buni, as POc *puni has that privilege. Instead, it appears from the glosses of its reflexes to be an alternant to *muni, i.e. an intransitive. The best hypothesis to account for it is that it arose at a pre-POc stage when marking intransitive with *um> was at least still partially productive, but instead of *m replacing *p- (the effective outcome of the rule mentioned above), it was added to it to form pre-POc *mpuni, which by regular sound change became *buni.

PAn *buLi ‘hide, conceal’ (ACD)
PMP *buni ‘hide, conceal’ (ACD)
POc *buni (vi) ‘hide oneself, be hidden’

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8 Perception

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8.1 Introduction

This chapter investigates verbs of perception in Proto Oceanic, based on a comparison of a sample of daughter languages. A full comparative study of the morphology, syntax and semantics of this set of verbs in Oceanic languages would require a book. Here we offer an introductory account, focusing mainly on certain basic semantic and grammatical features of perception verbs, and building on the work of Bethwyn Evans (2003), whose study of verb classes and valency-changing devices in Proto Oceanic includes a section on several verbs of perception.

Since Aristotle, Western scholars have generally assumed that humans have five basic senses: sight, hearing, smell, taste and feeling by touch. In a basic sensing event there is an animate participant, the experiencer, who by means of a body part (eye, ear, nose, tongue, skin) becomes aware of a separate participant (the stimulus or source). Neurophysiological research shows that the five senses scheme is too simple. People have additional physiological systems for sensing pain, temperature, balance and awareness of how our body and limbs are moving (proprioception).

Languages of the world generally give these non-basic senses different grammatical treatment from the basic senses. There are a number of possible explanations for this. Firstly, no readily-recognised sense organs are participants in sensations that come through these other physiological systems. Secondly, sensations such as pain, dizziness, and feeling cold are involuntary, whereas in the case of seeing, hearing, smelling etc. the experiencer may initiate the process and at least has a measure of control over it. Third, whereas the stimulus or source of a basic sensory experience is typically an identifiable entity outside the experiencer’s own body (the thing seen, heard etc.) the source of non-basic sensations like pain, cold or dizziness is not external and may not be identifiable. Because the sensations may be prolonged, they are often treated as states and the focus tends to be on their effect on the body. Thus in English we typically describe feeling pain, fear, cold, itchiness and dizziness in terms of the experiencer or a body-part being in a state or condition, which is expressed by a predicate adjective (‘My hip is quite painful’, ‘Are you cold?’, ‘Mary is dizzy’) whereas for the primary sensing events we tend to use active verbs/verbs with the experiencer as actor (‘I saw/heard John’), rather than adjectival predicates with the experiencer as involuntary recipient of the stimulus (‘John is visible/audible to me’).

1 This chapter is a slightly revised version of a chapter in Evans (2009). We are grateful to Malcolm Ross for helpful comments.
The present paper will deal mainly with the treatment of the five basic senses in Oceanic languages and with the question of whether the different senses receive similar grammatical and semantic treatment.

Basic perception verbs vary conceptually along a number of parameters. These are illustrated in English in the following paradigm, closely based on that proposed by Viberg (1984). We have labelled the variables as i) sensing, ii) attending and iii) stimulus-subject².

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<td>I see many people</td>
<td>I look at the film</td>
<td>The film is visible/looks blurry.</td>
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<td>hearing</td>
<td>I hear bells</td>
<td>I listen to the tune</td>
<td>The tune is audible/sounds loud.</td>
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<td>smell</td>
<td>I smell smoke</td>
<td>I smell the milk (to see if it is sour)</td>
<td>The milk is smelt?/smells sour</td>
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<td>taste</td>
<td>I taste garlic</td>
<td>I taste the mixture (to check if enough salt)</td>
<td>The mixture is tasted/tastes fine.</td>
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<td>touch</td>
<td>I feel the wind in my hair.</td>
<td>I feel the fabric</td>
<td>The fabric is felt?/feels velvety.</td>
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Some languages distinguish lexically or grammatically between two kinds of perception events involving the basic senses: sensing and attending. A verb or verbal clause depicting a sensing event focuses on the animate participant’s experiencing of the stimulus; it is neutral as to whether this experience was intentional or accidental. In the case of an attending event, by contrast, an experiencer is depicted as intentionally focusing on a target. Languages may express the difference lexically, as is done in the English verbs see vs look and hear vs listen, but not in the verbs smell, taste or feel, where the same term can be used for both sensing and attending. In either event the experiencer will be subject of the verb, and the verb will usually be transitive. A matter to be investigated is the way in which intent is signalled in the basic sensory verbs in Oceanic languages, and its corollary, whether, for each of the basic senses, a language will use the same verb for both sensing and attending events.

We may define a canonical perception verb (and clause) cross-linguistically as one that has the perceiver (experiencer) as the highest ranked argument (the subject in nominative-accusative languages). However, it is common to find other kinds of clauses used to represent perceptions. When the focus shifts from the performance of the act to some conclusion, the source of the perception, the stimulus, will be subject and the verb will be intransitive. Focus may then, at least for sight and hearing, be limited to acknowledgement of the perception ‘it is seen/it is heard’ or even acknowledgement of the ability to be perceived ‘it is visible/audible’. More commonly, further information may be given by a qualifier in the case of all five senses ‘it looks fine/it sounds awful/it smells sour etc.’. The degree to which languages use the same verb polysemously varies widely. In English, for example, smell, taste and feel can all be used

² Viberg uses the following labels: Experience (= sensing), Activity (= attending) and Copulative (= stimulus-subject).
with experiencer or stimulus as subject, while see and hear may use a related or different lexeme for stimulus-subject.

When dealing with an intransitive verb in many Oceanic languages, one must ask: Is this verb active or stative? Does it take as subject (or highest-ranked argument) an Actor or an Undergoer? The intransitive forms of many verbs of process or change of state, such as those that mean ‘open’, ‘close’, ‘break’, ‘cut’, ‘split’, ‘burn’ and ‘block’ are typically stative, taking as subject the thing that undergoes the process. Many intransitive verbs, both active and stative, can be transitivised by adding (a) a transitive suffix of the form –i or –(C)i (where C is a variable consonant) and (b) an object pronoun suffix or clitic; or simply by adding (b).

Sometimes a language will use a single perception verb form polysemously to represent two or three basic senses and sometimes also to represent cognitive processes like knowing, thinking, understanding and remembering, and cultural practices like obeying, paying attention and learning. Given that sensory verbs are often polysemous in these ways, the question arises whether there is a universal hierarchy within which senses are ordered, which will predict the direction of semantic extension. Viberg (1984) finds some evidence for the following hierarchy: sight > hearing > touch > smell, taste. This hierarchy implies that vision has primacy over the other senses, such that a verb of seeing may be extended to refer to at least certain senses lower on the scale, but not the reverse. Hearing in turn has primacy over touch, smell and taste.

With these issues in mind, let us turn to the Oceanic languages. Our project is hampered by the fact that dictionaries and grammars of Oceanic languages seldom provide careful and detailed descriptions of the grammar and semantics of verbs of perception. Dictionary entries often fail to state whether a particular verb is transitive or intransitive, and derived forms are often not given full glosses. In some cases these gaps in the data limit our ability to make secure reconstructions.

8.2 Seeing

All Oceanic languages have at least one transitive verb whose primary sense is ‘see s.t.’ (and which may also mean ‘look at s.t.’). The experiencer is the subject and the source/stimulus the direct object. Typically they also have a number of transitive verbs for intentional visual activities comparable, for example, to English ‘peer’, ‘peep’, ‘glance’, ‘gaze’ and ‘stare’. Verbs which we might call ‘verbs of directed looking’ (look around, up, down, in, out, over, away, into etc.) are likely to be expressed in Oceanic languages by a serial verb construction or by a combination of verb and directional marker (cf. Ross 2003:256; Ross 2004a).

Verbs of seeing and looking may also be used intransitively with the perceiver as subject. Examples are Motu ita (vi) ‘see, look’, ita-i- (vt) ‘look at s.t.’, Arosi rio (vi) ‘see’, rios-i (vt) ‘look at s.t.’, and Wayan Fijian tola ‘see, look’, tolav-i- ‘see s.t.’.

POc *kita (vi) ‘see’, *kita-i- (vt) ‘see s.t.’ is a well-supported reconstruction with reflexes in both Western Oceanic and Eastern Oceanic languages. It is also noteworthy that a number
of Eastern Oceanic languages have extended the meaning of their reflexes to include ‘know’ and ‘understand’.  

PMP *kita ‘see’ (Dempwolff)
POc *kita (vi) ‘see’, *kita-i- (vt) ‘see s.t.’

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<td>NNG: Manam</td>
<td>ita</td>
<td>‘see, look at’</td>
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<td>PT: Gumawana</td>
<td>gita</td>
<td>(vi) ‘see’</td>
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<td>PT: Dobu</td>
<td>ñita</td>
<td>(vt) ‘see, look’</td>
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<td>PT: Balawaia</td>
<td>yita</td>
<td>‘see’</td>
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<td>PT: Motu</td>
<td>ita</td>
<td>(vi) ‘see, look’</td>
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<td>MM: Meramera</td>
<td>iite</td>
<td>‘see’ (*-a &gt; e, assimilation)</td>
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<td>NCV: Lo-Toga</td>
<td>ite</td>
<td>‘see’</td>
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<td>NCV: Raga</td>
<td>yita</td>
<td>‘see’</td>
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<td>SV: Kwamera</td>
<td>ata (alt. ati)</td>
<td>(vi, vt) ‘see, look, regard, understand’</td>
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<td>SV: Anejom</td>
<td>e-yet</td>
<td>‘see’</td>
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PPn *kite ‘see, appear, know’ (*-a > e, assimilation)

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<td>Pn: Tongan</td>
<td>kite</td>
<td>(vi) ‘(of distant objects) to appear, be or come in sight’</td>
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<td>kite</td>
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<td>Pn: E Futunan</td>
<td>kite</td>
<td>(vi) ‘appear in distance, be seen’</td>
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<td>Pn: Rennellese</td>
<td>kite</td>
<td>‘look, see, find’</td>
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<td>Pn: Tikopia</td>
<td>kite</td>
<td>‘see, look at, catch sight of’</td>
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<td>Pn: Tahitian</td>
<td>ite</td>
<td>‘see, know, recognise’</td>
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<td>Pn: Marquesan</td>
<td>kite</td>
<td>‘recognize, see, know’</td>
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<td>Pn: Maori</td>
<td>kite-</td>
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There are a number of competing reconstructions with some claim to be the general term for ‘see’. Reflexes of *kita and *reki[-] (with doublet *reqi[-]) occur almost in complementary distribution (with some overlap in North New Guinea), and a distinction in meaning between them cannot be clearly identified. Both *reki[-] and *reqi[-] are reconstructable to POc with no clear difference in meaning. Only Bugotu and Gela reflect both members of this pair with the reflex of *reki[-] referring to seeing and the reflex of *reqi to directed looking.

POc *reki[-], *reqi[-] ‘see, look, see s.t., look at s.t.’

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<td>NNG: Mangap</td>
<td>re</td>
<td>(vt) ‘see, look, experience; consider, think, be aware’</td>
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3 Some Proto Central Pacific languages identify a “sixth sense”. PCP *ki[t,d]a-vi (vt) ‘to sense without actually seeing, hearing, etc., have a premonition that s.t. will happen’, is reconstructable based on reflexes in Bauan and Wayan Fijian, Tongan, Samoan, Maori and Rarotongan. This is doubtless cognate with POc *kita ‘to see’.
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NNG: Yabem liʔ  ‘see, look at s.t., know, have experience’
NNG: Hote ye  ‘see’
NNG: Amara rei  ‘see’
NNG: Maleu lei  ‘see’
NNG: Lamogai rik  ‘see, know’
MM: Bilur re  ‘see’
MM: Siar re  ‘see’
MM: Banoni reye  ‘see’
MM: Babatana ri  ‘see’
SES: Bugotu reyi  (vt) ‘see’
       rei  ‘look’
SES: Gela riyi  (vt) ‘see’ *(rigi sondo ‘to find’, rigi puku ‘see clearly’, rigitaoni ‘look after, take care of’)*
       rei  ‘see, look’ *(in compounds meaning ‘look up/about/here/round, stare at, squint’ etc)*
SES: Lau riki-a  ‘see’
SES: To’aba’ita riki-a  (vt) ‘see, look at, watch’
SES: Arosi rē-i  ‘see’
SES: Fagani riyi-a  ‘see’
SES: Bauro reyi-a  ‘see’
SES: Kahlua reyi-a  ‘see’
Fij: Rotuman rāe  ‘see, esp'y, catch sight of, find’
Fij: Bauan rai-da  (vt) ‘see s.t.’

Reflexes of *liqos also suggest that its POc meaning referred to directed looking.

POc *liqos (vi) ‘look, see’, *liqos-i- (vt) ‘look at s.t., see s.t.’
MM: Nakanai liho  ‘to see, look at’
SES: Bugotu lioh-i-  (vt) ‘look at s.t.’
SES: ’Are’are rio  ‘see, look, be awake’ *(in many compounds: ‘look for, around’ etc)*
SES: To’aba’ita lio  (vi) ‘look, look after’
       lio(mūna)  (vt) ‘look at oneself (as in a mirror)’
SES: Kwaio lia  (vi) ‘see, look’ *(o > a irregular)*
       lias-i-  (vt) ‘see s.t.’
SES: Sa’a lio, lio-lio  (vi) ‘to look, see, be awake’
SES: Ulawa liosi-  (vt) ‘see s.t.’
SES: Arosi rio  (vi) ‘look, see’
       rios-i-  (vt) ‘look at s.t.’

PNCV *leʔos-i ‘see, look at’ *(Clark 2009)*
NCV: Araki les-i  ‘see’
NCV: Uripiv (e)les-i-  (vt) ‘see, look at s.t.’
NCV: Paamese les-i-  (vt) ‘see, look at s.t.’
PSV *e-laqVs ‘look at, look for’ *(Lynch 2001c)*
SV: Anejom e-laθ  ‘look in certain direction’
Another putative POc reconstruction, *\textit{ta(d,dr)aq} has reflexes in a number of Meso-Melanesian languages that predominantly mean ‘see’. In other subgroups its reflexes more often mean ‘look at’, ‘observe’ (Micronesian) or to ‘look upwards’ (North New Guinea and South East Solomonic). If POc *\textit{ta(d,dr)aq} proves to be related to PMP *\textit{tiŋadaq} ‘look up, look skyward’, reconstructed by Dempwolff (1938), it would support the ‘look upwards’ gloss.

POc *\textit{ta(d,dr)aq} (\textit{vi}) ‘look, look up’, *\textit{ta(d,dr)aq-i-} (\textit{vt}) ‘see s.t., look up at s.t.’

Adm: Mussau \textit{tara} ‘to look’
\textit{tara(kila)} ‘recognise’ (\textit{kila} ‘know (people)’)
Adm: Tenis \textit{tara-ie} ‘see’
NNG: Manam \textit{tada} (\textit{vi}) ‘look up’
\textit{tada-li-} (\textit{vt}) ‘look up to s.o., s.t.’
MM: Tigak \textit{tara-i-} ‘see’
MM: Solos \textit{tara} ‘see’
MM: Halia \textit{tara} ‘see, look’
MM: Selau \textit{tara} ‘see’
MM: Teop \textit{tara} ‘see’

PSES *\textit{tada, tadaq-i-} ‘look at s.t., look up to s.t.’

SES: Bugotu \textit{tada} ‘look up’
SES: Gela \textit{tada} ‘face up, upwards’ (\textit{tada-tada} (\textit{vt}) ‘look up’)
SES: Lau \textit{ada} (\textit{vi}) ‘to open the eyes, use the eyes; see, look’
SES: Kwai \textit{ada} ‘see’
SES: Arosi \textit{āda} (\textit{vi}) ‘look up, raise the eyes’
\textit{ādaʔ-i} (\textit{vt}) ‘look up to’
SES: Bauro \textit{ata} ‘look up’
Mic: Carolinian \textit{sasēy} (\textit{vt}) ‘look for s.t or s.o., look at or observe s.t.’ (respect)
Mic: Woleaian \textit{sasēy} (\textit{vt}) ‘look at s.t., observe s.t.’

cf. also:
MM: Vitu \textit{yada} ‘see’
MM: Lavongai \textit{ara(i)} ‘see’

Proto Oceanic also had a number of lexemes of visual perception carrying additional information as to manner, duration, purpose etc. We have reconstructed POc *\textit{tirop, tirop-i} ‘look intently’, *\textit{kilop, kilop-i} ‘glance, glimpse’, *\textit{kilat} ‘see clearly, discern, recognise’, and *(s,j)ila(k) ‘look sideways, glance around’. Similarities of form between *\textit{tirop}, *\textit{kilop} and *\textit{kila(t)} may have led to some crossover of meaning in reflexes.
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PMP *tin[hd]ap ‘look intently’ (Dempwolff)

POc *tirop (vi), ‘look intently, as at reflection or searching for lice’; *tirop-i- (vt) ‘look at s.t., look for s.t. intently’

NNG: Gitua tiro ‘look for’
NNG: Medebur *(i)tir(to) ‘look for’
NNG: Wogeo *(i-ti)tiri ‘look for’
MM: Roviana ti-tiro ‘search for’
iro ‘to read’
tiro(ana) ‘a mirror’

SES: Bugotu tiro (v) ‘to look’; (n) ‘a pool, window glass, mirror’
SES: To’aba’ita iro (vi) ‘look for s.t., search’ (takes an oblique object)
iro-a (vt) ‘look or search for s.o., s.t.’
SES: Lau iro (vi) ‘look’
irof-i- (vt) ‘look at s.t. fixedly, look for s.t.’
SES: Kwaio ilo ‘look at’
ilo(i falaina) ‘search hair (i.e. for lice)’ (falaina ‘hair’)
ilo(nunu) ‘a reflecting pool or mirror’ (nunu ‘shadow, image, picture’)
SES: ‘Are’are iro ‘look for, collect’
iro-iro (n) ‘reflection, mirror’
SES: Sa’a iro, iro-iro (vt) ‘look for, collect s.t.’
iroh-i- (vt) ‘clear the head of lice’
iro-iro (n) ‘a pool among rocks used as a mirror’
SES: Arosi iro (vi) ‘look for, collect’
iroh-i- (vt) ‘look into, gaze into s.t., look at s.t.’
(ha)iroh-i- ‘look for lice in the hair’ (ha- ‘verbal prefix’)
NCV: Mota tiro (vi) ‘be clear’
tiro(nin) (n) ‘a little pool of water used as a mirror’ (nin ‘shadow, reflection’)
NCV: Tamambo tiro ‘look’
NCV: Raga siro-i (vt) ‘look steadfastly at s.t.’
NCV: N Efate ti-tiro (n) ‘mirror’
Mic: Woleaian suzo (vi) ‘look, watch, glance’
Fij: Wayan tidro (vi) ‘look, peer, watch attentively’
tidrov-i- (vt) ‘take a close look at s.t.’

PPn *tiro ‘look, observe’, *tirop-i ‘gaze at s.t.’

Pn: Niuean tio ‘glance’
Pn: Tongan sio (vi) ‘look, see’
siof-i (vt) ‘keep one’s eyes fixed on s.t.’
sio-ʔi ‘peer at, look at in a critical or offensive way’
Pn: W Futuman jiro-a ‘look carefully, search for’
Pn: Pukapukan tilo ‘gaze upon’
Pn: Samoan tilo-tilo ‘peep, peer, survey, look over’
Meredith Osmond and Andrew Pawley

**tilof-i-a**
- ‘be looked at, gazed at’

**tiro-tiro**
- ‘look in pool as a mirror’

**tiro, ti-tiro**
- (vi) ‘look, look into, examine’

POc *kilo*, *kilo-i-* is reconstructable on the basis of two Polynesian witnesses with support from external witnesses in western Malayo-Polynesian and Central Malayo-Polynesian.

**PMP** *kilep* ‘glance, glimpse’ (ACD)

POc *kilo* (vi) ‘glance’, *kilo-i-* (VT) ‘glimpse s.t.’

- **Tongan**
  - kilo
    - (vi) ‘glance to one side, look out of the corner of the eyes’
  - kilo-kilo
    - (vi) ‘glance from side to side, keep a sharp lookout’
  - kilof-i
    - (VT) ‘keep glancing at s.t.’

- **Niuean**
  - kilo
    - (vi) ‘turn the head, look around’
  - kilo-kilo
    - (vi) ‘look around’

The following is the only reconstruction we have made for seeing verbs with both stative and active forms, based on evidence from Micronesian and Polynesian languages.

**PMP** *kilat* ‘open the eyes wide’ (ACD)

POc *kilat* (vi, U-verb) ‘be seen clearly, discerned, recognised’, (VT) ‘see clearly, discern, recognise’

- **NCV**: Araki
  - kila
    - ‘look, watch in a certain direction’ (k usually reflects POc *g*)

- **NCV**: Tolomako
  - kile-
    - ‘see’,

- **NCV**: Atchin
  - kila
    - ‘look round, down’

- **NCV**: Avava
  - kil-kila
    - ‘look, open eyes’

- **Mic**: Ponapean
  - kila(ŋ)
    - ‘see, discern, look at, observe, examine’

- **Mic**: Chuukese
  - kira
    - (VT) ‘see, behold, find s.t.’
  - kira-
    - (vi) ‘be seen, found’ (in compounds only)

- **Mic**: Ponapean
  - kila(ŋ)
    - (VT) ‘see, discern, look at, observe, examine’

- **Mic**: Woleaian
  - xa-xira
    - (VT) ‘recognise it’ (xa-CAUS)
  - xira
    - (VST) ‘be clear, seen clearly, recognised’

- **Pn**: Tongan
  - ki-kila
    - (vi) ‘look with wide-open eyes’

- **Pn**: Rennellese
  - kiga
    - (VST) ‘be clearly seen, in plain sight’

The Wayan verb kilāti- ‘know’ conflates a form reflecting *kilat with the sense ‘know’, the result perhaps of a blending of a reflex of *kilat with a reflex of *kila[la] ‘know’ (§10.2).

Polynesian reflexes of POc *(s.j)ila(k) ‘glance around’ sometimes refer to the mental attitudes attributed to someone glancing at something or somebody.
PMP *zilak ‘cross-eyed’ (ACD)
POc *(j,s)ila(k) ‘glance around’

SES: Bauro sira-ia ‘see’

PCP *jila, *ji-jila ‘look sideways’

Fij: Rotuman cila ‘(subj. eyes) squint, be crossed’

PPn *sila ‘glance, look sideways’ (POLLEX)

Pn: Tongan hila (vi) ‘turn eyes away, glance’
hila-ʔi (vt) ‘glance at s.t., look at sideways’
hile-hila ‘keep glancing’

Pn: Niuean hela (vi) ‘to glance, look around furtively’ (*i > e irreg.)
he-hela (vi) ‘look, appear’
hela-hela (vi) ‘glance around’

Pn: Rennellese siga ‘look at, glance’

Pn: Pukapukan yi-yila ‘eyes opened wide’

Pn: Samoan sila-sila ‘see, watch’
si-sila ‘stare, look steadily at’
sila-fia ‘know’

Pn: Maori hi-hira ‘shy, suspicious’

Pn: Tahitian hira ‘bashfulness’

Pn: Hawaiian hila-hila ‘bashful, shameful, ashamed’

In a number of Oceanic languages patterns of polysemy indicate a close association between seeing and knowing. That vision is our primary source of objective data about the world is supported by child-language studies and by cross-linguistic studies of evidentials (Sweetser 1990:39). In Oceanic languages a seeing verb always refers to sight alone, never including other senses. The association between seeing and knowing is illustrated in reflexes of POc *kita and *re(k,q)i above and of POc *qilo below. The latter has been tentatively reconstructed as ‘be aware of, discern, see’. The most detailed evidence is from the Polynesian glosses, and this indicates that ‘know, be aware, recognize, notice’ is the core meaning, with ‘see’ as an extension.

POc *qilo ‘be aware of, discern, see’

MM: Nakanai hilo ‘to see’ (cf. liho ‘to see, look at’)
hilo(tavu) ‘to think of, keep in mind’ (tavu ‘have contact with’)

NCV: Mota ilo ‘see’

NCV: Raga ilo ‘know, perceive’

NCV: Tamambo (h)ilo (vi) ‘look while facing’ (h irregular)

Fij: Wayan ilo-ilo (vi) ‘look, observe, watch’; (N) ‘glass (generic); mirror, looking glass’
ilo-vido (vt) ‘notice, observe s.t.’

Fij: Bauan ilo ‘look at, as a reflection in water or in a mirror’

Pn: Tongan ?ilo (vt) ‘to see, espy, catch sight of, notice,’
perceive; find out, discover; be conscious or aware of; know, recognize’

ʔilo-ŋa
(vst) ‘show, show up, be seen, shown, recognised, known; conspicuous’

Pn: Rennellese ʔigo-ŋa
(n) ‘symbol’ (igo-igo ‘look, esp. at a reflection’)

Pn: Samoan ilo ‘perceive, be aware of’

Pn: Tikopia iro ‘take care of self or others’

Gedaged (NNG) il (v) ‘look at, behold, discern, perceive’; (n) ‘sight, view’ could reflect either *qilo or *kiia, and we have no way of choosing between them.

We have considered the possibility that *qilo derives from POc *liqos (see above) by metathesis. Certainly the set of cognates supporting *qilo is in near-complementary distribution (according to subgroups) with those supporting *liqos. One could argue that Nakanai hilo is an independent development from the metathesis in Remote Oceanic languages. However, the semantic range of reflexes of *qilo, especially in Polynesian, appears to differ from *liqos reflexes.

A number of additional Polynesian forms are derived from POc *qilo. These forms are cited because they throw further light on the semantic range of *qilo.

PPn *qiloqilo ‘be wise, aware’

Pn: Tongan ʔilo-ʔilo (adj) ‘be discerning, perspicacious, shrewd’,
(vt) ‘know to some extent, have an idea of’

Pn: Niuean ilo-ilo (adj) ‘wise, clever’, (vi) ‘be clever’

Pn: Rennellese ʔigo-ʔigo ‘to know, understand, be aware of; be wise’

Pn: Samoan ilo-ilo (vt) ‘investigate, examine s.t.’

Pn: Tikopia iro-iro ‘watching out, alerted, warned’

PPn *faka-qiloqilo ‘make s.o. wise’

Pn: Tongan faka-ʔilo-ʔilo ‘to teach, train, accustom’

Pn: Niuean faka-iloiilo (vt) ‘to be wise’

Pn: Tikopia faka-iroiro ‘to warn’

PPn *qilo-a (vt) ‘to know, be aware’, (vt) ‘know s.t.’

Pn: Tongan ʔilo-a (vt, vst) ‘be known, well-known, visible, within sight’

Pn: Niuean ilo-a (vi) ‘to know’

Pn: Pukapukan ilo-a ‘know, understand’

Pn: Samoan ilo-a (vt) ‘see, spot, notice, recognize, know, be aware of s.t.’

Pn: Tikopia iro-a (v) ‘to know’, (vt) ‘know s.t.’

Pn: W Futunan iro-a ‘to know’

PPn *faka-qilo-a (vt) ‘make s.t. known’

Pn: Tongan faka-ʔilo (vt) ‘make s.t. known, report s.t.’

Pn: Niuean faka-iloiilo (vt) ‘inform, make s.t. known’
The following cognate sets support reconstruction of another ‘see’ verb to PWOc level.

PWOc *nasi (VI) ‘look’, *nasi- (VT) ‘look at, see’

NNG: Gedaged nasi (VT) ‘see, look at, behold, perceive; to experience, undergo’

MM: Ramoaaina nai (VI) ‘look’, (VT) ‘look at, see’

MM: Patpatar nas (VT) ‘see, look at’

MM: Tabar nasi ‘look for’

MM: Siar nos ‘look for’

Although POc verbs like *kita ‘see’, *kita-i- ‘see s.t.’ and POc *liqo(s) (VI) ‘see, look’, *liqos-i- (VT) ‘see s.t., look at s.t.’ have both a transitive and intransitive form, their reflexes tend to occur in utterances with a specific object. *liqos-i- or one of the other reconstructed ‘look’ forms can be used to signal that the act is intentional or more tightly focused.

It is rare for a seeing verb to be able to take either experiencer or stimulus as subject. We have reconstructed a single verb, POc *kila(t) (U-verb) ‘be seen clearly, discerned, recognised’, (A-verb) ‘see clearly, discern, recognise’, where reflexes in Micronesia and Polynesia show that the same verb may carry either interpretation. Elsewhere, we have located examples where a seeing verb is used intransitively as a stative verb with source as subject only in the Tongan and E Futunan reflexes of *kita with meaning ‘appear, come into view’. Evans (2003:68) concurs with respect to their rarity, but remains open as to whether intransitive *kita was (in Evans’ terms) Actor or Undergoer subject, or perhaps either. The balance of the evidence favours Actor subject only.

8.3 Hearing

All languages in our sample have a transitive verb with ‘hear s.t.’ as one of its senses or its only sense, though in a number of Eastern Oceanic languages this verb may be extended to perceiving by non-visual senses. POc *ronjoR- ‘hear s.t.’ is generally reconstructed. However, there are certain problems associated with the formal reconstruction, to be discussed below.

A substantial number of reflexes of *ronjoR-, distributed across different high-order subgroups, carry the meaning ‘listen (to s.t. or s.o.)’, and it is likely that this sense was part of its semantic range in POc. An intransitive form, POc *ronjoR ‘hear’, is also reconstructable. In just a few languages this form is reflected as a stative verb, ‘be heard’, with the sound or its source as subject. We have located reflexes with the meaning ‘[be] heard’ only in Gela, the
Fijian languages and Tongan. This limited distribution suggests that the stative use has been developed independently in Gela and the Central Pacific languages. (Evans 2003 points out that in Philippine languages cognates show a similar uneven pattern of polysemy.)

It is likely that when Proto Oceanic speakers wished to comment on the nature of a sound they used the source as subject of a sound-specific verb, as *the drum is sounding, the leaves are rustling, their voices were audible* etc. Perception is implied, but the lexemes are not derived from verbs of perception. Oceanic speakers have a considerable vocabulary for the names of particular sounds, typically using them as both noun and verb. One of the more common ones is a reflex of POc *tanjis, an intransitive verb usually translated by ‘cry’, used to describe any sound characteristic of its source, as a cock crowing, dog howling, drum beating etc. In To’aba’ita, for instance, one could say *suʔari e ani ka falufalu ‘the drum is loud’ (suʔari ‘drum’, ani ‘to cry’, falufalu ‘sound loudly, of a drum’ (lit. ‘The drum is making a sound and it is loud’). Samoan uses a term for ‘voice’, *leo with verbal meaning ‘sound’ as in *e leo taʔe ‘it sounds cracked’ (taʔe ‘cracked’). The following is a random sample of sound terms: Tolai *tin ‘sound, as a coconut falling to the ground’, del ‘sound as the beating of a drum’, *luluga (N,VI) ‘sound, as wind or rain’; To’aba’ita ākwaʔa ‘make a slapping sound, as of a flat object’, *nalu ‘of the sound of talking, be audible’, kutakuta ‘make a relatively loud, vibrating, pulsating sound’; Niuean *pakō ‘make a knocking sound’, *kalī ‘make a rustling sound’, pakē ‘make a light crackling sound’.

Listening to something is sometimes given an extended cognitive meaning. In a number of languages (Gedaged, Nanaka, Nehan, Sursurunga, Sa’a), ‘hear/listen’ has been extended to ‘understand’. A different extension of meaning is noted in many Southeast Solomonic and Central Pacific witnesses, where the meaning ‘obey, take notice of s.o.’ is present alongside ‘hear, listen’. In Lakon (NCV) *roŋ means ‘hear, feel’, but also ‘obey’ and ‘know’ (Alexandre François, pers. comm.). In Central Pacific languages this sense is usually associated with reflexes of *paka-*. This is supported by non-Oceanic, Eastern Oceanic and Schouten evidence.

Certain difficulties arise in the reconstruction of the POc form(s) for ‘hear’. We concur with Blust (*ACD) who proposes POc *roŋoR, with initial *r, as the regular continuation of PMP *deŋeR. This is supported by non-Oceanic, Eastern Oceanic and Schouten evidence. *loŋoR was a Western Oceanic variant, reflected in all WOc languages in which reflexes occur, except in the Schouten languages (Wogo, Kaiep, Kairuru, Ali, Sissano and Sera).

POc *roŋoR- ‘hear s.t., listen to s.t.’

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<td>Adm: Titan</td>
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<td>Adm: Seimat</td>
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<td>(vt) ‘hear, notice, become aware of, perceive’</td>
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<td>va-roŋo</td>
<td>(vi) ‘hear, listen to, obey’</td>
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<td>roŋov-i</td>
<td>(vt) ‘hear s.t., listen to s.t.’</td>
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4 There are examples in Oceanic languages where ‘understand’ is also an extension of ‘see’, e.g. Kwamera *ata ‘see, look, regard, understand’ and Niuean *kite ‘see, learn, understand, know’, both reflexes of POc *kita ‘see’. 
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<td>‘listen, hear’</td>
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<td>‘to hear, listen, obey’</td>
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<td>NCV: Mota</td>
<td>roŋ</td>
<td>‘apprehend by senses, hear, smell, taste, feel by touch’</td>
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<td>‘hear, feel; obey, know’</td>
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<td>oŋo</td>
<td>(VS) ‘sound, be heard, be perceived’</td>
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<td>goŋo</td>
<td>(VI) ‘hear, listen, feel, taste’</td>
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<td>Pn: Maori</td>
<td>roŋo</td>
<td>(VT) ‘apprehend by the senses except sight; obey’</td>
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**Variants with final *-ŋ occur both with *r- initial and *l- initial forms, as in the following cognate set. Kove and Malalamai forms reflect either *roŋoR or *loŋoR, but given that all surrounding languages reflect *l- it would be odd if they did not.**

**POc *(r:l)oŋon ‘hear’**

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<td>SES: Longgu</td>
<td>roŋon-i-a</td>
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Ross has hypothesised that the change in the final *-R to *-n and in the initial *r- to *l- was dissimilatory: to avoid two different trills (*R and *r) in the same very common word (Malcolm Ross, pers. comm.).

The following cognate set brings together some of the languages that reflect initial *l-:

POc *loŋoR (vi) ‘hear’, *loŋoR-i- (vt) ‘hear/listen to s.t.’

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<td>‘obey, listen’</td>
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<td>NNG: Gedaged</td>
<td>iloŋ</td>
<td>‘know, have knowledge of, be aware of, hear, learn, perceive, understand’</td>
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<td>PT: Bwaidoga</td>
<td>nogala</td>
<td>‘hear, listen to’</td>
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<td>nowo</td>
<td>‘perceive s.t.; hear, listen, smell, sense s.t.’</td>
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<td>‘hear, smell’ (for †nogola)</td>
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<td>MM: Ramoaaina</td>
<td>loŋoro-i</td>
<td>(vi,vt) ‘hear, listen, heed, obey’</td>
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<tr>
<td>MM: Siar</td>
<td>loŋra-i</td>
<td>‘hear’</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>MM: Nehan</td>
<td>loŋoro</td>
<td>‘hear, understand’</td>
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5 In Samoan and other Nuclear Polynesian languages PPN *roŋo-na ‘be heard’ shows an irregular change *o > a in the first vowel.
The next set, although theoretically supporting a putative POc *noŋo(-noŋo), may simply reflect a number of parallel changes to *loŋə or *roŋə in which different languages independently assimilated initial *l- or *r- to the medial nasal.

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<td>Adm: Mussau</td>
<td>noŋo-noŋo</td>
<td>‘hear’</td>
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<tr>
<td>NNG: Matukar</td>
<td>noŋo</td>
<td>‘hear’</td>
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<tr>
<td>SJ: Kayupulau</td>
<td>nono</td>
<td>‘hear’</td>
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<tr>
<td>SJ: Ormu</td>
<td>nono</td>
<td>‘hear’</td>
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<tr>
<td>MM: Banoni</td>
<td>nonono</td>
<td>‘hear’</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Pn: Niuean</td>
<td>fa-noŋo-noŋo</td>
<td>(VI) ‘to listen’</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Pn: Tongan</td>
<td>fa-noŋo-a</td>
<td>(VI,VT) ‘to listen, hear, hear about’</td>
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8.4 Smelling

Verbs of smelling in Oceanic languages typically have an intransitive use, in which the source of the smell is the subject, and a transitive use in which the perceiver is subject and the source is direct object. Some examples follow.

Table 20 Some verbs of smelling that take both actor and source as subject

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<th>Intransitive</th>
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<td>Pn: Tongan</td>
<td>namu</td>
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<td>MM: Patpatar</td>
<td>sanin</td>
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<td>MM: Minigir</td>
<td>sanjina</td>
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<td>MM: Tarawa</td>
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<td>MM: Tolai</td>
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<td>MM: Kwaio</td>
<td>moko</td>
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<td>SES: Gela</td>
<td>ani</td>
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<td>MM: Minigir</td>
<td>saŋina</td>
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<td>MM: Tolai</td>
<td>saŋina</td>
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<tr>
<td>MM: Bola</td>
<td>(bu)roŋi</td>
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<td>MM: Bola-Haru</td>
<td>(bo)roŋi</td>
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<tr>
<td>MM: Sursurunga</td>
<td>saŋin</td>
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The reconstruction of POc *s[a,o]ŋin (VST) ‘emit a smell’, *s[a,o]ŋin- (VT) ‘smell s.t.’ is well supported if we accept that this form underwent sporadic changes in both the initial and final vowel. From the range of glosses exhibited by reflexes, it seems likely that *s[a,o]ŋin had both actor subject and source subject interpretations.

POc *s[a,o]ŋin (VST) ‘emit a smell’, *s[a,o]ŋin- (VT) ‘smell s.t.’,
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<td>MM: Ramoaaina</td>
<td><em>aŋina</em></td>
<td><em>to smell of pigs</em>)</td>
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<tr>
<td>NCV: Avava</td>
<td><em>suŋsuŋ, suŋ</em></td>
<td>(vi, vt) ‘smell’</td>
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<tr>
<td>NCV: Naman</td>
<td><em>nson</em></td>
<td>(vi) ‘sniff’</td>
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<tr>
<td>PMic <em>saŋu</em></td>
<td>‘smell s.t.’ (Bender et al. 2003) (*i &gt; *u irreg.)</td>
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<tr>
<td>Mic: Kosraean</td>
<td><em>(mi)sajŋay</em></td>
<td>‘smelly, stinking of urine’ (mi- ‘urine’)</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Mic: Marshallese</td>
<td><em>(ya)teŋ</em></td>
<td>‘smell s.t.’</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Mic: Puluwatese</td>
<td><em>toni-i(w)</em></td>
<td>‘smell, sniff s.t.’</td>
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<tr>
<td>Mic: Satawalese</td>
<td><em>tēŋ</em></td>
<td>‘smell’</td>
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<tr>
<td>PPN: <em>soni</em> (vt)</td>
<td>‘smell s.t., sniff s.t., greet s.o. by pressing nose to face or limb and sniffing’</td>
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<tr>
<td>Pn: Tongan</td>
<td><em>hoŋi</em></td>
<td>(vt) ‘sniff s.t. up, as in smelling salts’</td>
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<tr>
<td>Pn: Niuean</td>
<td><em>hoŋi</em></td>
<td>(vt) ‘smell s.t., sniff s.t.’</td>
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<tr>
<td>Pn: E Futunan</td>
<td><em>soni</em></td>
<td>‘touch noses’</td>
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<tr>
<td>Pn: Rennellese</td>
<td><em>soni</em></td>
<td>‘press noses, kiss’</td>
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<tr>
<td>Pn: Samoan</td>
<td><em>soni</em></td>
<td>(vt) ‘smell, scent s.t., smell s.o.’s cheek or hand, a method of kissing’</td>
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<tr>
<td>Pn: Tahitian</td>
<td><em>hoʔi</em></td>
<td>‘smell; touch noses’</td>
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<tr>
<td>Pn: Maori</td>
<td><em>hoŋi</em></td>
<td>(vt) ‘smell s.t., sniff s.t., touch noses in greeting’</td>
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<tr>
<td>Pn: Hawaiian</td>
<td><em>hoŋi</em></td>
<td>(vt) ‘smell s.t., sniff s.t., touch noses in greeting’</td>
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<tr>
<td>Adm: Drehet</td>
<td><em>hunu-huŋ</em></td>
<td>‘smell’</td>
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<tr>
<td>MM: Lavongai</td>
<td><em>sain</em></td>
<td>‘smell s.t.’</td>
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POc *quruŋ* reflexes support its reconstruction as both a stative verb ‘have an odour, smell’, and a transitive verb *quruŋ-i* (vt) ‘to smell s.t.’.

POc *quruŋ* (vst) ‘emit a smell’, *quruŋ-i* (vt) ‘to smell s.t.’

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<td>NNG: Bilbil</td>
<td><em>r̥uŋ(ade)</em></td>
<td>‘smell (s.t.)’</td>
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<td>NNG: Gedaged</td>
<td><em>i-luŋ(an)</em></td>
<td>‘smell (s.t.)’</td>
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<tr>
<td>PT: Molima</td>
<td><em>ulu(ma)</em></td>
<td>(vst) ‘to stink’</td>
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<tr>
<td>SES: Gela</td>
<td><em>ūru</em></td>
<td>(n) ‘a smell, good or bad’; (vst) ‘to emit a smell’</td>
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<td><em>ūru(mi)</em></td>
<td>(vt) ‘smell s.t.’</td>
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<td></td>
<td><em>ūru(dika)</em></td>
<td>(vst) ‘to stink’ (dika ‘bad’)</td>
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<tr>
<td>SES: Lengo</td>
<td><em>ur-ūru</em></td>
<td>(vst) ‘emit a smell’</td>
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<td><em>urūn-i-a</em></td>
<td>(vt) ‘smell s.t.’</td>
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<td>cf. also:</td>
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<tr>
<td>MM: Ramoaaina</td>
<td><em>hunji</em></td>
<td>‘smell s.t.’</td>
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A separate term for the action of deliberately sniffing at something, POc *asok⁶* ‘to sniff, kiss *asok-i* ‘sniff or kiss s.t.’, is reconstructable. This term continues a PAn etymon, *Sajek.

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⁶ Note the contrast of meaning with POc *pVŋu* (vi) ‘blow nose, sniff, snort’.
In a number of SES languages this action is represented by a compound, e.g. Kwaio moko- to'ona (moko ‘smell’, to'ona ‘put to the test, try’), To'aba'ita mak‘a-to'ona (vt) ‘check the smell of s.t.’.

PAn *Sajek (n) ‘smell’ (vt) ‘to smell (s.t.)’ (ACD)
PMP *hajek ‘smell, sniff, kiss’?

P Oc *asok (vi) ‘to sniff, kiss’ *asok-i- (vt) ‘sniff or kiss s.t.’ (ACD)

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<td>Adm: Wuvulu</td>
<td>ato</td>
<td>‘to sniff, smell’</td>
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<td>Adm: Seimat</td>
<td>aso-i</td>
<td>‘to sniff, smell’</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>PT: Molima</td>
<td>yaso</td>
<td>‘to smell s.t.’</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>MM: Nakanaí</td>
<td>aso-</td>
<td>(vt) ‘to sniff, smell s.t.’</td>
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<tr>
<td>MM: Lamasong</td>
<td>so</td>
<td>‘smell s.t.’</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>MM: Selau</td>
<td>soka</td>
<td>‘smell s.t.’ (metathesis)</td>
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<tr>
<td>MM: Roviana</td>
<td>aho-</td>
<td>‘to kiss’</td>
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<tr>
<td>Mic: Kiribati</td>
<td>aro(boi)</td>
<td>(n) ‘smell, scent, the sense of smell’</td>
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<td>arok-i</td>
<td>(vt) ‘to smell or scent an odour’</td>
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<tr>
<td>Fij: Rotuman</td>
<td>aso</td>
<td>‘to kiss by sniffing the face’</td>
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cf. also:

SES: Lau | gasu | (vst) ‘to smell bad, stink’ |
Mic: Carolinian | uas | (n) ‘aroma or smell in the air, good or bad’ |

The forms listed below point to a PoC verb *bona(s) (vi) ‘to smell, stink’, *bonas-i- (vt), either ‘(s.o.) smell (s.t.)’ or ‘(s.t.) smell of (s.t.)’. This appears to be related to PoC *bo[-], *boe- (n) ‘odour, scent’, *baw-an, *bo-an (n) ‘odour, scent’ discussed below, but it is not derived by any known derivational process and may simply be a matter of chance resemblance.

PoC *bona(s) (vi) ‘to smell, stink’; *bonas-i- (vt) either ‘(s.t.) smell of (s.t.)’ or ‘(s.t.) smell of (s.t.)’

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<td>NNG: Maenge</td>
<td>bona</td>
<td>(n) ‘unpleasant smells’</td>
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<tr>
<td>PT: Motu</td>
<td>bona</td>
<td>(n) ‘smell, scent’</td>
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<td></td>
<td>bona-ia</td>
<td>(vt) ‘to smell’</td>
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<tr>
<td>PT: Balawaia</td>
<td>bona</td>
<td>(n) ‘smell, odour’</td>
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<td>bona-ia</td>
<td>(vt) ‘to smell’</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>NCV: Mota</td>
<td>puna</td>
<td>(vi) ‘to smell, stink’ (punai (n) ‘smell, scent’)</td>
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<td></td>
<td>pun-pun</td>
<td>‘to sniff in the native way of kissing’</td>
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<tr>
<td>NCV: Kiái</td>
<td>pona-ponasia</td>
<td>(vt) ‘smell s.t.’</td>
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<tr>
<td>NCal: Nélémwa</td>
<td>bo</td>
<td>(vst) (s.t.) ‘smell’</td>
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<tr>
<td>Mic: Woleáian</td>
<td>φ-ā</td>
<td>(n,vst) ‘smell, stink’</td>
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<td></td>
<td>φ-ā (maŋ)</td>
<td>‘to stink, smell bad’ (maŋ ‘be rotten, spoiled’)</td>
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7 Numfor, a South Halmahera-West New Guinea language, has a reflex of PMP *hajek: yas ‘native manner of kissing by smelling the face’. This meaning is mirrored in an Oceanic cognate of *hajek only in Rotuman, but illustrated also in Motu harahu-a ‘to smell, kiss’, in the ‘Are’are and Sa’a term nono ‘to kiss, place the face against, sniff’, in Mota pūpūpun or punpun ‘to sniff [sic] in the native way of kissing’ and in a number of reflexes of PPh *soni ‘smell s.t, sniff s.t., greet s.o. by pressing nose to face or limb and snifing’.
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\( \phi^*o (gyas) \) ‘be fragrant, sweet-smelling’ (gyas ‘good, nice’)

\( \phi^*o (lap) \) ‘to stink of armpit smell’ (lap ‘be big, huge’)

**Mic:** Carolinian

\( b^*o \) (n) ‘smell, odour, aroma’

\( b^*o (mas) \) ‘stink, smell rotten’

\( b^*o (gas) \) ‘be fragrant, sweet-smelling’

\( b^*o (pa) \) ‘smell of shit etc.’ (pā ‘faeces’)

**Fij:** Bauan

\( bona \) (vi) ‘stink because rotten; (n) stinking rottenness; a stench’

\( bona\text{-}a \) (vi) ‘to stink of s.t.’

Lynch (2001c) reconstructs the set below. It resembles POc *bona(s)* but this may well be a chance resemblance, as PSV *-e-* does not regularly reflect POc *-o-.*

**PSV** *a-
\( \text{ji}\text{eni} \) (vi) ‘emit an odour’ (Lynch 2001c)

**SV:** Sie

\( e\text{-}mpen \) (vi) ‘emit an odour’

**SV:** Lenakel

\( \text{\textgamma}\text{-}p\text{ien} \) (vi) ‘emit an odour’

**SV:** Kwamera

\( a\text{-}pein \) (vi) ‘emit an odour’

**SV:** Anejom

\( e\text{-}pe\text{\textgamma} \) (vi) ‘emit an odour’

\( ne\text{-}pe\text{\textgamma}(ami) \) (vi) ‘smell of urine’

\( e\text{-}pe\text{\textgamma}(wa\text{\textgamma}) \) (vi) ‘have musty smell’

Tryon (1976) lists a number of NCV languages which denote ‘smell s.t.’ by compounding reflexes of *ro\text{\textgamma}oR* ‘hear’ with reflexes of *bona(s), to reflect PNCV *ro\text{\textgamma}o-bona, e.g. Raga *ron-bunina, Lametin *ron-bonai.*

Our starting point for the cognate set below is a pair of PMP forms, *bahu* (v) ‘smell bad’, reconstructed by Dempwolff, and *bahu-an* (n) ‘odour, stench’, reconstructed by Blust (ACD) as a suffixed form of Dempwolff’s *bahu. Dempwolff* glossed *bahu* as a noun, but it seems likely that it was used as a verb, since *bahu-an* includes the nominaliser *-an.* Blust reconstructs *bahu-an* as Proto Western Malayo-Polynesian, but the Oceanic forms listed below show that it occurred in PMP.\(^8\)

Most Malayo-Polynesian languages have lost \( *h, with the result that *bahu and *bahu-an respectively became \( *baw and *baw-an. By regular sound change \( *baw probably became POc \( *bo, but \( *baw-an may have survived in this form in POc alongside \( *bo-an (see discussion of Manam \( b\text{\textgamma}au below). POc \( *bo is a phonotactically rare phenomenon, a monosyllabic lexical root. There has long been a tendency in Austronesian languages to make lexical forms disyllabic, and so \( *bo occurs with a number of extensions, some of which we cannot fully explain. Some of these extensions are disyllabic roots in their own right: see Bola *bu-ronji, Bola (Harua) *bo-ronji, both ‘(s.o.) smell s.t.’ under POc *s[a,o]jin ‘emit a smell’ above, and the Woleaian and Carolinian examples below. In Central Pacific and Micronesian languages a monosyllabic lexical root becomes bimoraic, i.e. its vowel is long.

The POc noun \( *bo[-] is shown below with a bracketed hyphen, as a number of its reflexes are monovalent nouns. Monovalent reflexes in Ponapean and Puluwatese suggest that the POc monovalent form was sometimes \( *boe-, and it is perhaps this form that is also reflected by Kiribati *p\text{\textgamma}oi (zero-valency noun) and Bauan *boi (intransitive verb).

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\(^8\) Thanks are particularly due to Malcolm Ross for making a detailed analysis of these two forms. The following paragraphs are based substantially on his comments.
PMP *bahu (vi) ‘smell bad’ (Dempwolff, cited by Blust, ACD)
POc *bo[-], *boe- (n) ‘odour, scent’; *bo (vi) ‘have an odour, be smelly’
PNCV *b[o,u][-] (n) ‘odour, scent’; *b[o,u] (vi) ‘have an odour, be smelly’

NCV: Port Sandwich  
mbo ‘to stink, rotten’  
na-mbo- ‘smell, odour’

NCV: Uripiv  
o-po ‘rotten’,

NCV: Big Nambas  
-pu ‘it is rotten’

NCV: Neve’ei  
bo ‘rotten, stink’

NCV: Nati  
mpu ‘rotten, stinking’

NCV: Ninde  
pu-o ‘to stink’  

nu-ⁿbu- (n) ‘smell’

NCV: Naman  
-bu ‘stink; rotten’

NCV: Sa  
bo- (n) ‘smell’

NCV: Lonwolwol  
bo (vi) ‘(s.t.) smell’

NCV: Paamese  
vō (vi) ‘(s.t.) smell’

NCV: Nguna  
pʷo (vi) ‘(s.t.) smell’

SV: Sye  
eʷpu (vi) ‘(s.t.) smell’

SV: Ura  
i-bu (vi) ‘(s.t.) smell’

NCal: Nêlêmwa  
bo (vi) ‘(s.t.) smell’

Mic: Kiribati  
pʷo-i (n) ‘smell, odour’

Mic: Ponapean  
pʷō, pʷowe- (n) ‘smell, odour’

Mic: Chuukese  
pʷō (n) ‘smell, odour’

Mic: Woleaian  
ϕʷō (N, vi) ‘smell, stink’  
ϕʷō(maʂ) ‘to stink, smell bad’ (maʂ ‘be rotten, spoiled’)  
fʷō(ŋas) ‘be fragrant, sweet-smelling’ (ŋas ‘good, nice’)  
fʷō(lap) ‘to stink of armpit smell’ (lap ‘be big, huge’)

Mic: Carolinian  
bʷō (N) ‘smell, odour, aroma’  
bʷō(mas) ‘stink, smell rotten’  
bʷō(ŋas) ‘be fragrant, sweet-smelling’  
bʷō(pa) ‘smell of shit etc.’ (pā ‘faeces’)

Mic: Puluwatese  
pʷo, pʷoi- (n) ‘smell, odour’

Fij: Bauan  
bo-i (vi) ‘have an odour’  
bo-ið-a (vi) ‘(s.t.) smell of’

Among the reflexes of POc *bo-an below Manam bʷau requires particular comment. At first sight it looks as if it reflects a POc *baw, i.e. a form in which earlier *-aw has not become POc *-o. It is rather more likely, however, that it reflects POc *baw-an, with regular loss of final *-n and consequent irregular loss of *-a, since earlier word-internal *-aw- did not always become POc *-o-. Gumawana bowana is the only form below which attests to the presence of POc final *-n. Note that the Gumawana and Gapapaiwa forms both serve as verbs as well as nouns.

PMP *bahu-an (n) ‘odour, stench’ (ACD: PWMP)
POc *baw-an, *bo-an (n) ‘odour, scent’

NNG: Manam  
bʷau (n) ‘smell, odour’
PT: Gumawana bowana (vi) ‘stink, smell bad’; (n) ‘bad odour’
PT: Gapapaiwa boa (vi) ‘rot, smell bad’

PNCV *boa (n) ‘odour, scent’
NCV: Tambotalo poa ‘smell’
NCV: Nguna na-p’oa ‘smell’
SV: Anejom e-pev ‘stink, smell badly’ (John Lynch, pers. comm.)

PPn *poa (n) ‘fish odour’
   Pn: Tongan poa ‘yam with fishy smell’
       (namu)poa ‘fish odour’
   Pn: Niuean poa ‘fish odour’
   Pn: Anuta po-poa ‘fishy smell’
   Pn: E Futuna po-poа ‘fish odour’
   Pn: Samoan poa-poа ‘fish odour’
   Pn: Sikaiana poa ‘fish odour’
   Pn: Tokelauan poa-poа ‘smelling of fish’
   Pn: Marquesan poa (ika) ‘chum, bait’
   Pn: Rarotongan poa ‘fishy (smell or taste); scales, rust’
   Pn: Maori poa ‘bait; allure by bait, entice’

Blust (1988) has reconstructed a family of PAn ‘stench’ words which all contain the phonemic sequence *qaŋe- (*qaŋeSit ‘stench, musky odor of an animal’, *qaŋeLiC ‘stench of burning substances’, *qaŋeRiT ‘stench of fish’, *qaŋeRUi ‘stench of spoiled or souring organic matter’ and *qaŋeSeR ‘stench of urine’). The only clear trace of these in Oceanic languages is in the Gela term: aŋo ‘emit a sour smell, as of urine’.

PAn *qaŋeSeR ‘stench of urine’ (Blust 1988, ACD)
POc *(q)aŋo(R) (vst)’smell, as of urine’
   SES: Gela aŋo (vst) ‘emit a sour smell, as of urine’
   cf. also:
   SES: Arosi waŋo (vi) ‘smell (sweet or otherwise)’
       waŋo-r-a ‘to smell of blood’

Oceanic languages often have terms for the smell of urine and other body secretions, and terms for various other odours, good and bad. Milner’s Samoan dictionary, for instance, lists soŋo (v) ‘smell of urine etc.’, lalaʔoa (v) ‘smell of fish’, sauŋa (n,v) ‘smell of stale food etc.’, ʔalalā (n,v) ‘smell of meat or fish when cooked’, elo (v, ĀDI) ‘give an offensive smell of decomposing flesh’. However, few terms for specific odours have been collected from other languages and we have been unable to make reconstructions other than the one above and the following:

PMP *seŋet ‘acrid, pungent, of odor’ (ACD)
POc *soŋo ‘[be] acrid, pungent, as smell of urine’
   NNG: Lukep Pono -yoŋo ‘smell s.t.’
   MM: Label soŋ ‘smell (s.t.)’
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MM: Tiang (mo)sonŋ ‘smell (s.t.)’
MM: Notsi conŋ ‘stink’
Mic: Carolinian (bʷo)ttongo-toŋ ‘smell sweaty, unclean, unwashed’ (bʷo ‘odour’)

PPn *sonŋ ‘smell of urine’ (POLLEX)

Pn: Niuean ho-hono ‘perceive an odour, smell s.t. (as from a distance)’
Pn: Tongan ho-hono ‘smell of urine’
Pn: E Uvean ho-hono ‘smell of urine’
Pn: Pukapukan yo-yoŋ ‘smell of urine’
Pn: Rennellese soŋo(aŋa) ‘sex organs’
Pn: Samoan sonŋ ‘(of urine, etc.) smell, stink’
Pn: Nukuoro sonŋ-soŋo ‘genitals (male or female)’
Pn: Tikopia sonŋ ‘female genitalia’
Pn: Tokelauan so-soŋo ‘smell of urine’
Pn: Hawaiian ho-hono ‘odour of perspiration’

PMP *mansūt ‘vile smell’ (ACD)

POc *masi(t) ‘smell bad; [be] sour, acid, fermented’ (n) ‘bad smell’

NNG: Manam masi ‘smell of fish’
PT: Ubir mas ‘to smell’
SES: Gela mahi ‘body smell’
SES: Arosi masi (n,V) ‘smell of stale fish or urine’
Mic: Carolinian mʷas ‘stink’

Familiar smells may be lexicalised, either as a stative verb or noun, e.g. *(q)aŋe(R) ‘smell, as of urine’ (from PAn *qaneSeR ‘stench of urine’), *songo ‘[be] acrid, pungent, as smell of urine’ (from PMP *senget ‘acid, pungent, of odor’), and *masi(t) ‘smell bad; [be] sour, acid, fermented’ (from PMP *mansīt ‘vile smell’). Although these three POc reconstructions have here been given a verbal form, it is evident that in two cases the PAn or PMP antecedents are nouns and in the third, many of the lower level reflexes are also nouns. It is noteworthy that in all the cognate sets supporting verbal ‘smell’ reconstructions there are examples of the verb functioning also as a noun. This tendency has not been noted in any of the other sense-related verbs other than in the terms given to specific sounds. We have reconstructed one generic noun, POc *bo[-] ‘odour, scent’ which can also be used as a stative verb, meaning ‘have an odour’.
8.5 Tasting

Taste is the sense that informs us about what we are eating or drinking. Perception of taste is usually the outcome of an intentional act. POc *ña- (vt) ‘taste s.t., test the flavour of food’ is well attested, with reflexes scattered across diverse subgroups. Reflexes of a partially reduplicated form, *ña-ña, also occur in some languages as a stative verb, meaning ‘be tasty, taste good’. The attribution of this sense to POc is somewhat strengthened by extra-Oceanic cognates. A fully reduplicated form, *ña-ña is also reflected in Ramoaaina (MM), Gela and Longgu (SES), Marshallese (Mic) and Rennellese (Pn), and this may have been an intransitive verb meaning ‘to taste, do tasting’.

*ña-ña has a PMP antecedent in the form of PMP *ñamñam ‘taste, tasty’ which Blust (1989) reconstructs on the basis of Tagalog namnam ‘savor, taste; palatal sensation’ and Selaru nanam ‘sweet’ together with Oceanic reflexes. POc *ña appears to continue the PMP root *ñam with the addition of the transitive suffix *-i.9

Except for Tikopia, which has doublets nami ‘taste’ and namu ‘odour, bad smell’, the Central Pacific reflexes of *ña show a vowel change *i > u. Polynesian reflexes tend to blur the distinction between taste and smell, both senses contributing to the assessment of quality of food. The shift from flavour to odour is complete in Pukapukan, Rennellese and Samoan.

PMP *ñamñam ‘taste, tasty’ (Blust 1989)
POc *ña-ña (vi) [be] tasty, taste good’, *ña- (vt) ‘to taste s.t.’

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<td>ɲìmi-ɲem</td>
<td>(vt) ‘taste, test flavour of’</td>
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<td>MM: Patpatar</td>
<td>nami-ñam-en</td>
<td>‘be tasty, sweet’</td>
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<td>MM: Tolai</td>
<td>namene</td>
<td>(vt) ‘taste s.t.’</td>
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<td>nam-nami-an</td>
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<td>nami</td>
<td>(vt) ‘to taste s.t.; tasting’</td>
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<td>ɲami</td>
<td>(vt) ‘to nibble, bite, taste s.t.’</td>
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<td>SES: Ulawa</td>
<td>name</td>
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<td>‘to taste, touch with the tongue’</td>
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<td>nem</td>
<td>‘taste s.t. with tongue, lick’</td>
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<td>NCal Nêlêmwa</td>
<td>nām</td>
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PMic *ña ‘taste’ (also *ña ‘taste, flavour’) (Bender et al. 2003)

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<td>‘to taste or test the flavour of s.t.’</td>
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<td>Mic: Wolealian</td>
<td>nana</td>
<td>‘taste, try the taste of’</td>
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<td>Mic: Carolinian</td>
<td>nanna</td>
<td>(vt) ‘taste, try s.t.’</td>
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* There are many parallel cases of PMP disyllables of the form R-R (where R is a monosyllabic root) being continued in Oceanic as R-i (Blust 1977, Ross 1998:24-25).
Mic: Marshallese nam-nam ‘taste, smell, flavour’
Fij: Bauan namu ‘chew and swallow’

PnP *namu (v) ‘taste’, (N) ‘odour, flavour’; *namu-aqa (vst) ‘have a strong smell or flavour’

Pn: Tongan namu (vst) ‘emit a smell’ (only in compounds, e.g. namu- hohopo ‘to smell of urine’, namu kakala ‘be fragrant’, namu-kaa ‘to stink’, namu-toto ‘smell of blood’ etc.)
na-namu (vst) ‘emit an odour, to smell’; (N) ‘odour, smell’
nāmu-ʔi (vt) ‘perceive the smell/taste of’
namu-aʔa (vst) ‘have a strong or pungent smell’

Pn: Niuean namu (N) ‘odour, flavour’
namu-a (vst) ‘smell of fish or the sea’

Pn: Pukapukan namu (vst, N) ‘smell s.t., emit an odour typical of s.t. (e.g. namu ika ‘smell of fish, fishy smell’, namu ānani ‘sweet smell’)
na-namu (vst) ‘very smelly, putrid’

Pn: Rennellese namu-ʔa (vst) ‘to stink’
namu-na (vst) ‘to smell good or bad’
namu- namu ‘to inhale, sniff, as at a distance’

Pn: E Futunan namu-kū ‘bad odour, flavour’

Pn: Samoan nāmu (vst) ‘to smell of, have the odour of’

Pn: Tikopia namu (N) ‘odour, smell (used of strong or unpleasant smells)’
nam-i ‘taste in experimental way’

Pn: Maori namu-namu-ā ‘flavour imparted to food by contact with s.t.’

Pn: Rapanui namu-namu ‘to taste, chew’

There is a formal similarity between *ñami and the next two reconstructions, *tami and *mamis, together with *(d,dr)amʷi ‘lick’ (§4.3.5.2). They may ultimately share descent from a PAn monosyllabic root, *mis (Blust 1988).

PMP *tamiq, *tamis ‘taste, try’ (ACD)
POc *tami ‘taste, try’

MM: Tolai (an)tama ‘to taste, of food’ (an ‘to eat’)
(problematic vowels)

NCV: Anejom a-temtem ‘taste s.t. to see if it’s OK’ (John Lynch pers. comm.)

Pn: Rennellese tami ‘taste’
tami-tami ‘taste a little, as to try’

It is possible that POc *mamis ‘sweet’ has evolved by a different route from POc *mamis ‘try by tasting’. Whereas the former is derived directly from PAn and PMP etyma, the latter may be the product of contamination between POc *mamis ‘sweet’ and POc *ñami ‘to taste s.t.’.
PAn *ma-amis ‘sweet’ (Tsuchida 1976)

PMP *mamis ‘sweet’ (Dempwolff), *emis ‘sweet taste’ (ACD)

POc *mamis ‘to try by tasting; sweet’

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<td>mami-</td>
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<td>MM: Meramera</td>
<td>mami-ŋ</td>
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<td>(vi) ‘to taste’</td>
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<td>SES: Kwaio</td>
<td>mami</td>
<td>‘normal tasting, neither sweet nor sour’</td>
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<td>SES: Kwaio</td>
<td>mami toʔona</td>
<td>‘try food, taste’ (toʔo ‘receive, catch’)</td>
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<td>SV: Anejom</td>
<td>a-mʔa</td>
<td>‘extremely sweet’</td>
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<td>Mic: Puluwatese</td>
<td>maem</td>
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<td>Mic: Carolinian</td>
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<td>‘be sweet-tasting’</td>
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<td>Mic: Woleaian</td>
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<td>Fij: Wayan</td>
<td>mami</td>
<td>‘cooking banana, sweet-tasting’</td>
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POc *ŋapi- (VT) ‘taste s.t.’ may have evolved from *ŋami by the strengthening of medial *-m- to a prenasalised stop *b, with subsequent devoicing.

POc *ŋapi- (VT) ‘taste s.t.’ (Blust 1998a)

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<td>nap</td>
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<td>SES: Gela</td>
<td>na-ŋapi</td>
<td>(VT) ‘try, test, sample s.t.’</td>
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<td>SES: Bugotu</td>
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<td>(VT) ‘to bite, taste s.t.’</td>
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<td>SV: Sye</td>
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Some Oceanic languages lack a verb dedicated to the meaning of intentional tasting. Instead, they use a verb whose basic meaning is more general, such as reflexes of POc *topoŋ-i ‘try/attempt s.t.’ or ‘sample s.t.’, or terms for ‘nibble’ or ‘lick’. To limit such a verb to the tasting of food or drink a qualifier is added. Thus in Seimat one says ŋa ani tohoŋi-wa ‘I taste the food’ (ani ‘eat’, tohoŋi (VT) ‘try, attempt s.t.’) and in Tolai an-tamai (VT) ‘to taste, of food’ (an ‘eat’, tamai ‘taste, try’). Kwaio has ʔana toʔona (ʔani ‘eat’, toʔona ‘put to the test’) and mea toʔona (mea ‘tongue’, toʔona ‘put to the test’), both meaning ‘taste (food)’, while To’aba’ita has qani-toʔona ‘taste s.t. by eating it, try the taste of s.t.’ (qania ‘eat’, toʔona ‘test, check’) and kuqu-toʔona ‘drink s.t. to see what it is like’ (kuqu ‘drink’).

PMP *tepeŋ ‘try, test, experiment’ (Blust, pers. comm.)

POc *topoŋ (VT) ‘try’, *topoŋ-i (VT) ‘try, test, sample s.t.’

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<td>Adm: Mussau</td>
<td>tōtona</td>
<td>(VT) ‘taste’</td>
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<td>NNG: Gitua</td>
<td>tovo</td>
<td>‘try’</td>
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<td>PT: Gapapaiwa</td>
<td>tovon</td>
<td>‘feel, squeeze’</td>
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Perception

**Perceiving by touch**

The sense often labelled ‘touch’ has to do with perceiving pressure on the skin. Awareness of such pressure is expressed in English by the verb ‘feel’, e.g. ‘I can feel the wind in my face’. More commonly the reference is to contact between skin, usually hand, and a solid object, resulting in awareness of some property of the latter’s surface. ‘Feel’ is also used in English to denote awareness of a physiological or emotional condition, e.g. ‘feel sick or frightened or responsible’. We will not be concerned here with the latter sense of ‘feel’.

POc *si(g,k)il ‘touch with the fingers’ is our strongest candidate for a verb meaning ‘perceive by touch’. Reflexes of POc *taŋo(p) ‘take hold of, grasp, touch with the hand’ tend to carry the additional meaning of deliberately taking hold or grasping. In some languages reflexes of a PWOc term *sau ‘reach out with hand, touch’ may be combined with a verb meaning ‘try’ to express that meaning, as in the Motu and Nakanai examples below, but we cannot reconstruct a specific compound verb for PWOc meaning ‘perceive by touch’. Other

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10 Compare Motu daua-toho ‘to feel a thing’ (dau- ‘stretch out the arm’, toho ‘try’).
Oceanic languages use verbs that are either primarily verbs of manipulation (do s.t. by hand, grope, grasp, poke, stroke etc.) or of making contact in a physical sense, without involving awareness (be in contact, reach), although some may have had ‘perceive by touch’ as a secondary sense.

POc *si(g,k)il, *si(g,k)il-i- ‘touch with the fingers’

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POc *taŋo(p) ‘take hold of, grasp, touch with the hand’

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PNCV *taŋo-vi ‘touch, feel, grope’ (Clark 2009)

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Perception *sau ‘reach out with hand, touch’

PT: Motu dau (vi) ‘stretch out the arm’, (vt) ‘touch, feel’ (dau-kunu ‘to touch, when fingers touch an object’ (kunu ‘fill, be satisfied’), dau-dae ‘to stretch the arm up’, dau-lata ‘stretch out the arm for s.t. in front’ etc.)

MM: Nakanai sau ‘place the hand’ sau(lalai) ‘to feel tentatively (with hand)’ (lalai ‘to try’)

PNCV *tiqel-i ‘touch, reach’ (Clark 2009)

NCV: Paamese tokol-i ‘touch, feel with hands, reach, go as far as’

NCV: Kiai tikel-i- ‘touch’

NCV: Lewo tol-i ‘reach, arrive at, touch’

NCV: NE Ambae sikel-i ‘touch, reach, arrive at’

SV: Anejom etcai ‘feel, touch’

cf. also:

PT: Kiriwina (mom)kol-i ‘taste, sip’

MM: Tolai tuk ‘touch with hand or pointer’

8.6 Conclusions

For the five ‘basic’ senses we can reconstruct at least one POc transitive verb dedicated to a particular sense, namely: *kita- ‘see s.t.’, *roño- ‘hear s.t.’, *sa[a,o]yin- ‘smell s.t.’, *ñami- ‘taste s.t.’ and *si(g,k)i-l-i- ‘touch with the fingers’. Certain of these verbs were polysemous but each had a canonical use in which the grammatical subject is the experiencer of an act of perception and the direct object is the stimulus.

Three of the above reconstructions, *roño-*, *sa[a,o]yin-* and *ñami- are reconstructable with both ‘sensing’ and ‘attending’ senses, that is both with and without intention. Reflexes of *si(g,k)i-l-i are apparently typically used with an intentional force. In order to express the meaning ‘listen’ a number of languages (Southeast Solomonic, Fijian, Polynesian) add an intensifying prefix to *roño, providing some evidence for PEOc *paka-roño(R,n)- ‘listen to s.t.’. This kind of semantic extension was probably not characteristic of *kita- ‘see s.t.’. To denote intentional acts of visual perception POc speakers, like English speakers, could choose from a range of different transitive and intransitive verbs meaning, e.g. ‘look (at s.t.)’, ‘glance’, ‘look intently or closely’, ‘peer (at s.t.)’ and ‘look for s.t.’. There are many more verbs denoting kinds of visual activities than there are verbs denoting kinds of hearing, smelling, tasting and sensing by touch, and many of the former involve intent.

With regard to meanings where the stimulus or source is subject, POc perception verbs vary in their ability to occur as stative verbs. With verbs of seeing and hearing, stimulus-subject verbs are very rare in daughter languages. A single reconstruction, POc *kilat (U-verb) ‘be seen clearly, discerned, recognised’, (A-verb) ‘see clearly, discern, recognise’, has been made. Languages tend instead to use verbs unrelated to the transitive forms to represent meanings like ‘be visible/be seen/appear, be audible/be heard/sound’. When the focus is on the
outcome of hearing, languages generally have a range of stative verbs comparable to ‘be noisy, be loud’. We have collected a number of such terms but have made no reconstructions. Languages tend also to have many terms for specific sounds which can be used as stative verbs with source as subject. In such cases the act of perception is implied. A number of these verbs also act as nouns, a feature shared with those smell verbs that refer to specific odours.

In the case of smelling and tasting, however, stative verbs derived from actor-subject verbs are common in Oceanic languages and several such pairs have been reconstructed for POc, e.g. *s[a,o]ŋin (vst) ‘emit a smell’ (alongside *s[a,o]ŋin- (vt) ‘smell s.t.’), POc *guruj (vst) ‘emit a smell’ (alongside *guruj-i (vt) ‘to smell s.t.’) and POc *ŋa-ŋami (vi) [be] tasty, taste good’ (alongside *ŋami- (vi) ‘to taste s.t.’). For verbs of smelling and tasting it is also possible to reconstruct stative verbs that refer to qualities specific to one sense, as POc *soŋ ‘be acrid, pungent’, POc *masi(t) ‘smell bad; [be] sour, acid, fermented’ *mamis ‘[be] sweet, *ŋa-ŋami [be] tasty, taste good’ and *magasin ‘[be] salty’, although only *ŋa-ŋami is derived from an experiencer-subject verb. The others can be attached to appropriate nouns without the need for a verb of sensing.

The variations in the linguistic expression of the different senses that we find in Oceanic languages are grounded, at least in part, in the nature of the senses themselves. Each human sense operates under certain conditions that influence the way it is expressed. See and hear have a degree of commonality in that the experiencer must channel his or her focus on one aspect singled out from the many possible sights or sounds present. For Proto Oceanic, this focus is represented by the object of a transitive verb. In contrast, for smell and taste the sensation is likely to be the only one of that kind available to the experiencer at that moment. As with feel, it is likely that we know already what we are focusing on, particularly if we are in contact with the object perceived. So in Proto Oceanic it is more usual with smell and taste for the source to be the subject of an intransitive verb, if necessary with a qualifier.

Mention was made earlier of the possibility of a universal hierarchy within which the senses are ordered, which will predict the direction of semantic change. Viberg (1984) finds some evidence for the hierarchy sight > hearing > touch > smell, taste. Comparison of a large sample of Oceanic languages shows that most verbs of sensing have remained dedicated to a single sense. For most people, sight is the primary source of objective data about the world, and evidently was treated as such by Proto Oceanic speakers. We have no examples from a sample of many dozens of languages where a verb meaning ‘see’ has extended its meaning to other senses, although it can carry a cognitive meaning like ‘know’ or ‘recognise’.

In contrast, *roŋoR ‘hear’ is the most semantically elastic of the sense terms. In some languages of the Solomons, Vanuatu and Polynesia, reflexes, still with the primary meaning ‘hear’, can be extended to ‘smell’, ‘taste’ and ‘feel’, although never to ‘see’. In the (admittedly very small) sample of eight languages in Table 21 (two from Southeast Solomonic, two from North Central Vanuatu and four from Polynesia) it can be seen that, besides hearing, the bundles of senses included are hearing, smell and taste (4), hearing and touch (2) and hearing and taste (1). There are no cases where touch is grouped together with smell and taste while excluding hearing. Thus, if the descriptions are accurate, it is noteworthy that the pattern of semantic extensions does not correspond exactly to Viberg’s hierarchy in that see remains outside the hierarchy, while in several languages smell and taste outrank touch.

Reflexes of POc *ŋami-, PPn *namu ‘to taste s.t.’, have evidently undergone a shift in meaning in a number of Polynesian languages. Some reflexes now refer to odour as well as flavour, and the shift is complete in Pukapukan, Rennellese, Samoan and Tikopia, where
reflexes refer to odour alone. In view of this example it is possible that *taste* should precede *smell* in the hierarchy, although Viberg brackets the two together.

Table 21  Sense extensions of reflexes of POc *roŋoR ‘hear’ in some Oceanic languages

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A number of commentators have proposed that, when it comes to extending sensory verbs to refer to cognitive processes, humans are visual-centric. That is, verbs of cognition, like ‘know’, ‘think’ and ‘understand’, tend to be recruited from verbs of seeing. However, Evans and Wilkins (2000:549) write that in Australian languages it is hearing, not vision, that regularly extends into the cognitive domain, going beyond the expected extension of ‘hear’ to ‘understand’ and on to ‘know’ ... and other cognitive verbs.

This contrasts with the Indo-European based pattern described by Sweetser (1990) in which vision is the precursor of knowing. Reflexes of POc verbs *kita* and *re(k,q)i ‘see’ and *qilo ‘be aware of, discern, see’, indicate that, as in the Indo-European pattern, ‘know’ is more closely affiliated with ‘see’ than ‘hear’. On the other hand, we have examples where ‘understand’ is an extension of both ‘see’ and ‘hear’. We do not have a large enough sample to draw a conclusion. It may be that context permits either.

Evans and Wilkins (2000:567) also describe the extension of meaning from ‘hear’ to ‘obey’ as common in Australian languages. We have examples of the same link from ‘hear’ to ‘listen’ to ‘obey’ across a number of subgroups (Southeast Solomonic, Micronesian, North and Central Vanuatu, Fijian, Polynesian). Sweetser (1990:42) writes that it is widely attested in Indo-European languages and suggests that the link may well be universal.
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Body part metaphors

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9.1 Introduction

It is part of the human condition that people speak of what is happening in their minds by equating it with something familiar in the physical world. Although emotions are cognitive appraisals they are felt physically, and languages the world over tend to express them through body part metaphors. Body part metaphors (BPMs) can also serve as a useful way of expressing non-emotional cognitive states or processes such as believing, remembering, agreeing, etc. and of referring to temperamental qualities such as timid or lazy. They are widely used in the Oceanic-speaking world, as chapters 10 and 11 show.

The following are examples from a range of Oceanic languages.

Adm: Seimat patu ailan [head hard/strong] ‘he is obstinate’
NNG: Bukawa tita? gi-wing ai [belly.his it-accompany me] ‘he loves me’
PT: Kiriwina i-tutu vouvo-gu [it-hammer body-my] ‘I am excited’
MM: Nakanai la hate-la mamasi [the liver-his salty] ‘he is angry’
SES: ‘Are’are rae hitari-a [liver strikes-it] ‘understand’
NCV: Mota lolo-b fono [insides-darkness] ‘be ignorant, forget’
Mic: Ifaluk ye tewasi sexa-i [this be.torn belly-my] ‘I am grief-stricken’

Particular feelings are expressed as a body part + a predicate, either verb, adjective or noun, specifying the nature of the feeling. The body part is inalienably possessed (§3.1.1). The BPM usually takes one of two syntactic shapes. In the first construction, the body part is subject of the clause and the modifying expression is the predicate. In the second, a compound is formed (e.g. Mota lolo-b’ono above) which is then used as a predicate, and the affected person is typically the subject. Klamer (2001) finds both constructions in Central Malayo-Polynesian languages of eastern Indonesia, and it is reasonable to infer that they both occurred in Proto Central/Eastern Malayo-Polynesian, the shared ancestor of these languages and Oceanic, and were continued into POc.

Less often, the body part is object of a verb (e.g. ‘Are’are rae hitari-a above). For purposes of comparison these expressions are generally given here in the way in which they are often included in wordlists, i.e. without grammatical elements.

1 Particular thanks are due to Malcolm Ross for advice during preparation of this chapter. I have also benefitted from discussions with Paul Geraghty, Alan Jones and Ralph Lawton.
2 Glosses given in square brackets are morpheme-by-morpheme glosses.
3 Ifaluk is a Micronesian atoll whose speakers are closely related to those of Woleai. Its emotional domain has been described in detail by Lutz (1988).
In the examples of complex lexemes in this chapter and the following chapters, the same conventions are used as elsewhere. A monovalent (directly possessed) noun is shown with a final hyphen. Thus Takia ilo- ‘inside’ represents ilo-g ‘my inside’, ilo-n ‘her/his/its inside’ etc. In a few languages, e.g. Wayan Fijian, the possessor is marked by a prefix rather than a suffix, and the hyphen is thus initial rather than final. A transitive verb is also often shown with a final hyphen, indicating an object suffix, and verbs generally are sometimes shown with an initial hyphen, indicating a subject prefix. As a result, in a BPM a space between words is sometimes crucial. Thus in To‘aba’ita manata-ruarua ‘be undecided, of two minds’ is a BPM in which manata- ‘mind’ + possessor suffix is the subject and ruarua ‘be two’ is the predicate, while manata-ruarua with the same meaning is a compound predicate.

The question to be explored here is whether expressions of this kind can be reconstructed for POc, and, if they can, what body-part nouns are implicated in these reconstructions. Reconstructions for specific terms for cognitive states, emotions and character attributes are found in chapters 10 and 11.

BPMs are one pattern for forming complex (polymorphemic) lexemes in Oceanic languages. Another widespread pattern is the serial verb construction.

9.2 Implicated body parts: POc *gate- and *lalom

Speakers of Oceanic languages typically identify emotions, temperamental qualities and some cognitive processes as emanating from either their liver, POc *gate- (§3.7.6), or a quasi-body part, POc *lalo-/lalom (vol.2:237), here translated as ‘inside’ or ‘mind’, although other body parts may be represented. Both are reconstructable at least as far back as PMP with both a literal and a metaphorical meaning.

9.2.1 POc *gate-

A reading of the glosses in the following cognate set gives some idea of the breadth of the concept of POc *gate- ‘liver’ in various Oceanic languages.

PAn *qaCay ‘liver’ (ACD)

PMP *qatay ‘liver; seat of the emotions, inner self: core, mind, will, desire, feeling, intelligence, understanding; to want or wish; hollow of the palm of the hand or sole of the foot’ (ACD)

POc *gate- ‘liver; seat of emotions and thoughts’

| NNG: Mbula | kete- | ‘liver; chest; place of (often uncontrolled) feelings, used in many BPMs describing emotional states’ |
| NNG: Gedaged | ate- | ‘heart (as will), the centre of one’s being; loyalty’ |
| NNG: Bukawa | ataʔ | ‘belly, stomach (internal); seat of emotions’ |
| PT: Bwaidoga | ase- | ‘liver; seat of emotions’ |
| PT: Dobu | ate- | ‘liver, seat of emotion’ |
| PT: Motu | ase | ‘liver’, used also in set phrase ase kuro tauna ‘a white liver of a [= brave] man’ |
| MM: Nakanai | hate- | ‘liver, seat of emotion; solar plexus’ |
| MM: Tangga | ete- | ‘liver or solar plexus, the seat of the emotions’ |
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SES: Kwaio  
{sae- ~ lae-}  
‘liver’

SES: Sa’a  
{sae-}  
‘heart, mind, liver, lungs, chest’

SES: ’Are’are  
{rae-}  
‘stomach, heart, liver, lungs, womb, mind, seat of affections, intention, will’

Mic: Marshallse  
{ac}  
‘liver, spleen; seat of bravery’

Fij: Bauan  
{yate-}  
‘the liver, considered as the seat of cowardice and courage’

Fij: Wayan  
{ate}  
‘the liver, traditionally considered the locus of courage and fear’

Pn: Rennellese  
{ʔate}  
‘liver’

Pn: Tikopia  
{ate}  
‘liver; in man a seat of emotions in traditional belief’

Pn: Maori  
{ate}  
‘liver; the seat of the affections; heart; emotion; spirit, high feeling’

Pn: Hawaiian  
{ake}  
‘liver; to desire, yearn (the emotions and intelligence were thought to be centred in the body)’

Expressions based on *qate- are numerous and include:

NNG: Gitua  
{ate mutu}  
[liver broken] ‘surprised’

NNG: Mutu  
{ate i mot}  
[liver it-broken] ‘surprised, shocked, heart-broken, taken aback’

{ate i zi}  
[liver it decreased] ‘rest, calm down’

{ate yabyab}  
[liver hurt] ‘longing for s.t. one cannot have’

NNG: Bukawa  
{ataʔyade}  
[liver -his hot] ‘angry’

PT: Dobu  
{ʔate-ʔeidaida}  
[liver-crushed] ‘afraid; fear’

{ʔate-gu i pisali}  
[liver-my it-explode] ‘very angry’

PT: Bwaidoga  
{ase-bou}  
[liver-dry] ‘courage, boldness’

{ase-ʔaulolo}  
[liver-in,pain] ‘be greatly affrighted/grieved/in anguish’

{ase-kolukolu}  
[liver-plucked] ‘alarm, terror’

PT: Motu  
{ase kuro}  
[liver white] ‘brave’

MM: Nakanai  
{la-hate-la raga}  
[the-liver-his leap] ‘he is startled’

{la hate-la mamasi}  
[the-liver-his salty] ‘he is angry’

SES: Sa’a  
{sae hiruʔa}  
[liver busy/engaged] ‘preoccupied’

{sae asi}  
[liver throw.away] ‘forgive, neglect’

{sae tataʔala}  
[liver bad] ‘hate’

{sae rikeʔa}  
[liver joyful] ‘joy’

{sae ʔaelaŋa}  
[liver evil] ‘be evil-minded, greedy’

{sae manjo}  
[liver finished] ‘mental satisfaction’

{sae huu}  
[liver sad] ‘grieve’

SES: Kwaio  
{lae-fou}  
[liver-revealed] ‘brave, unashamed’

SES: ’Are’are  
{rae riki}  
[liver-sad] ‘be sad, sorry’

{rae hitari-a}  
[liver strikes-it] ‘understand’

 Mic: Marshallse  
{eccelok acin}  
[without liver] ‘he is not brave’

Fij: Bauan  
{yate dei}  
[liver firm] ‘courageous’

{yate levu}  
[liver large] ‘cowardly’
It is worth noting here that while *qate- emotion BPMs are numerous in Western Oceanic languages and Sa’a, and to a lesser degree in ’Are’are and Kwaio, they are scarce elsewhere. Motu, Marshallese and Bauan and Wayan Fijian reserve ‘liver’ for use in expressions of bravery and cowardice. François (2013:204) notes that reflexes of Proto Torres-Banks *vara ‘liver’ are only used in daughter languages in expressions of awe and fear. Although the liver is recorded as linked to emotion in four Polynesian languages, Rennellese, Tikopia, Maori and Hawaiian, compound terms containing a reflex of *qate- have been found only in Rennellese (kai ʔate [eat liver] ‘talk badly about others, gossip’ and hekaiʔki oku ʔate [eat of one’s own liver] ‘be very angry’). Firth (1985) records that in Tikopia ate occurred only in ancient speech involving traumatic situations.

A number of languages have replaced their term for ‘liver’ in emotion and cognition BPMs with one for ‘belly’ or ‘heart’, terms that for our purposes here are regarded as equivalent. A Huon Gulf language, Yabem, uses tita? ‘belly, bowels, stomach’ from ti ‘liver, lung’+ ta? ‘excrement’, in its body part metaphors. While the Arosi dictionary glosses sue (from *qate-) as ‘mind, heart, thought; only in phrases’, many relevant terms are instead compounded with ahu ‘belly, heart, mind, feelings’. Although Kwaio uses lae ~ sae for some emotions (lae-fou ‘brave, unashamed’, lae-nia ‘desire, like, love’), it uses oga ‘belly, mind’ for angry-type terms (oga-lia ‘be angry, sorry’). To’aba’ita uses rake ‘belly’ for expressions of anger, courage and fear. Lau also uses rake ‘stomach; heart, mind, seat of affections’ for expressions of anger: rake ayoa [belly hot] ‘be angry’, rake ĭiri [belly cut] ‘be violent, angry’, but extends it to other feelings: rake diana [belly good] ‘to be kind and generous’, rake moumoula [belly afraid] ‘timid, afraid’, rake sasu [belly smoking] ‘sulky’, rake fanefane [belly excited] ‘impetuous, in a hurry’. Other languages may equate ‘heart’ in this sense with ‘liver’ in some contexts. Two closely related North Coast languages Gedaged and Takia, apparently extend the meaning of bube-, a term for liver, to refer also to the heart as the seat of emotion.

9.2.2 POc *lalom

The second term, POc *lalo-, *lalom, glossed ‘inside’ in volume 2 (p237), also occurs widely with the additional meaning ‘mind, seat of thoughts and emotions’. The form *lalo- is the directly possessed (monovalent; §§3.1.1–2) form of the zero-valency noun *lalom, and the latter is henceforth used in the text as a proxy for both forms. Dictionary glosses of reflexes of *lalom refer to ‘mind’ in languages of North New Guinea, Papuan Tip, Southeast Solomonic, both North/Central and South Vanuatu, Micronesia and Fijian, and there are frequent examples of both emotional and non-emotional cognitive states in the metaphors collected.

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4 The Codrington-Palmer Dictionary of Mota notes that men ate the varai ‘liver’ of a corpse in order to get mana for courage and strength.
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PMP *dalem ‘inside, interior; seat of emotions’ (Blust 1993a: ‘inside, interior’)
PCEMP *dalem ‘inside; mind, feelings’ (Blust 2009b:66)

POc *(n, N Loc) *lalo-, *lam ‘inside; seat of thoughts and emotions’

NNG: Mutu lalo- ‘inside; metaphor for one’s feelings, emotions, intentions’
NNG: Gedaged ilon- ‘inside; seat of thought, will and emotions and therefore heart; mind, self, soul, contents of memory’
NNG: Yabem (ŋa)llem ‘inside; seat of emotions’
NNG: Mbula lele- ‘insides; will; seat of emotions (mostly controlled)’
PT: Motu lalo- ‘the inside; the mind’
lalo-a (vt) ‘to think, remember’
PT: Lala lalo- ‘the mind’
PT: Muyuw nanon ‘mind, thoughts’
PT: Kiriwina nano- ‘mind, intelligence’
MM: Nakanai ilo- ‘inside’
SES: Arosi raro- ‘the inside, inner part; the feelings, heart,mind, disposition’

PNCV *lolo- ‘inside; heart, seat of feelings and thoughts’

NCV: Mota lolo-i ‘the inner part; the inward part of man, heart, affections’
NCV: Nokuku lolo-n ‘in his heart’
NCV: Lonwolwol lol ‘the seat of affections or feelings; the heart’
NCV: Paamese ēn ‘inside, interior, middle; seat of some emotions, cognitive processes and body states’

PSV *leli- ‘heart, seat of feelings, insides’

SV: Kwamera reri- ‘internal portion, insides, heart, mind, feeling, emotion’
SV: Anejom lele- ‘heart, seat of emotions’

PMic *lalo- ‘seat of emotions, mind’

Mic: Kiribati nano- ‘soul, conscience, hearts, will, desire, sentiment, opinion, conviction, disposition, inclination etc.’
Mic: Mokilese bɔb ‘inside’
Mic: Woleaian raro ‘inside, mind, heart’

cf. also:
Fij: Bauan loma- ‘inside: used in many compounds denoting temperamental qualities’

The following is a selection of terms containing reflexes of *lalo-:

NNG: Mutu lolo i tag [insides it weep] ‘yearn for s.t.’
lolo i sami [insides it dirtied/ruined] ‘be sad, lonely, down-hearted, have pity’
lolo i gur [insides it placed] ‘think about, concentrate on’

5 Blust (2009:66) suggests that inclusion of ‘mind’ in reflexes of PMP *dalem is an innovation of CEMP languages.
NNG: Gedaged   *ilo-n gage* [insides-his bare/enlarged] ‘rational, logical, intelligent, shrewd, astute’

   *ilo-n daŋan* [insides-his entire] ‘wise, considerate, determined, energetic, forceful’

   *ilo-n kebaze* [insides-his crosswise] ‘thwarted; astonished, at a loss, wondering’

NNG: Yabem   *(ŋa) wapa?* [(its)inside heavy] ‘grief-stricken’

NNG: Mbula   *lele isāna* [insides deteriorate] ‘feel sorry for s.o., compassionate’

   *lele aⁿbai* [insides good] ‘happy, contented, at peace; grateful; free from worry, care, anger or sorrow’

PT: Motu   *lalo-haraga* [insides-quick/easy] ‘eager’

   *lalo-siahu* [insides-hot] ‘angry’

   *lalo-hesiku* [insides-unwilling] ‘disheartened, fed up, weary of’

   *lalo-auka* [inside firm] ‘self-restrained, fearless’

   *lalo-hagahi* [insides-thinking about] ‘anxious; consider’

   *lalo-metau* [insides-heavy] ‘unwilling’

   *lalo-tamona* [insides-in.unity] ‘agree’

PT: Lala   *lalo nama* [insides fat] ‘happy’

MM: Nakanai   *ilo-buruko* [inside-sad] ‘mournful, sad, disturbed’

   *ilo-vilovi* [insides-greedy] ‘greedy’

   *ilo-tavu* [insides-summon/grasp] ‘mindful’

NCV: Mota   *lolo-anu* [insides-irritated/annoyed] ‘ill-feeling’

   *lolo-magarosa* [insides-pity] ‘merciful’

   *lolo-wia* [insides-good] ‘good-hearted, kindly’

   *lolo-malumlum* [insides-gentle] ‘soft-hearted, of easy temper’

   *lolo-varuvarua* [insides-in two directions] ‘doubtful, hesitating’

   *lolo-gagara* [insides-bite/itchy] ‘angry, irritated’

   *lolo-marana* [insides-daylight] ‘enlightened, intelligent; remember’

   *lolo-b’oŋ* [insides-darkness] ‘ignorant; forget’

   *lolo-wono* [insides-blocked] ‘sad, sorrowful, melancholic’

NCV: Paamese   *ēn mese* [insides clear] ‘remember’

   *ēn voboŋ* [insides in darkness] ‘ignorant; forget’

   *ēn-von* [insides-blocked] ‘surprised, fall unconscious’

   *ēn māhi* [insides pity] ‘feel sorry for’

   *ēn kās* [insides sweet] ‘happy’

NCV: Araki   *lolo-koru* [insides-dry/desiccated/burnt] ‘angry’

NCV: Tamambo   *lolo-korukoru* [insides-drying out/dying] ‘cross, angry’

   *lolo-jivo* [insides-go down] ‘patient’

NCV: Nokuku   *lolo-n oora* [insides-its dark] ‘forget’

SV: Kwamera   *leri-ragien* [insides-??] ‘happy’

   *leri-rarhi* [insides-??] ‘remember, recall’

Mic: Kiribati   *nano-anya* [insides-warm] ‘compassion, pity, sympathy (*anya* ‘to warm oneself at fire’)
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nano-puaka  
[insides-bad] ‘resentment, bitterness, rancour, spite, ill-feeling’

nano-ata  
[insides-skull.of.dead] ‘to have foreboding, suspicion’

nano-matoa  
[insides-firm] ‘strong-willed, strong, constant, energetic’

nano-kawa  
[insides-miserable/pitied] ‘unhappy, sad, desolate, broken-hearted’

nano-paraki  
[insides-capsized/turned over] ‘dejected, discouraged, cast down’

nano-mano  
[insides-impervious, water-tight] ‘discreet, deep, sly, sullen’

nano-mara  
[insides-decomposing.fish] ‘disgusted, sick, discouraged’

Mic: Woleiaian

raro-ilapi  
[insides-typhoon] ‘be worried, frightened, insecure’

raro-m’eiu  
[insides-period.of.time] ‘feel sad, lonely’

Mic: Mokilese

bże-leid  
‘lonely, homesick’

bże-m”  
‘afraid, wary’

Mic: Chuukese

correr (corr-iwer)  
‘sorrow, concern, regret, unease, worry’

corrwo (corr-u-wɔ)  
[insides-face] ‘feel spiteful, envious’

Fij: Bauan

loma-ba  
[insides-bad] ‘evil-minded, malicious’

lomaloma-rua  
[insides-double] ‘be in two minds’

loma q’a  
[insides shell-hard] ‘hard-minded, headstrong’

loma kasa  
[insides immobile] ‘have retentive memory’

It is worth noting from the above that few BPMs have been located from Meso-Melanesian languages and none from the Southeast Solomons. Gaps in the former may be due simply to lack of data, while in the latter, terms other than *lalom* reflexes are now used. Although Arosi has a reflex of *lalom*, its role in BPMs of emotion is filled by ahu or hau both forms glossed ‘belly, mind, feelings, particularly in compounds’.

9.3 Terms implicating other body parts

As well as varying their term for ‘liver’ by employing a broadly equivalent term such as ‘belly’ or ‘heart’, as in Yabem, Gedaged, Takia, Kwaio, Lau, Arosi and To’aba’ita and no doubt others, languages may also use other body part terms, particularly those for ‘mouth/voice’ and ‘face’, as these body parts play a significant role in expressing feeling. Takia (NNG) speakers, for instance, use awa- ‘mouth, voice’ (from POc *qawa ‘mouth, opening’; §3.4.12.3) in BPMs meaning ‘agree’, ‘obey’ (follow s.o.’s mouth), ‘believe’, ‘accuse’, ‘promise’ and ‘answer’.

In Takia (Ross, pers. comm.) although the majority of terms to do with the emotions and the mind come from ilo- (from POc *lalo-), smaller roles are played by bube- ‘liver’ (replacing ate-), awa- ‘mouth, voice’ and nao- ‘face’ (from POc *nako-; §3.4.7).

NNG: Takia

ilo- wei  
[insides- many] ‘be in doubt’

ilo- murua-  
[insides- heavy-it] ‘be sad’

bube- yai i-nani  
[liver fire it-cook] ‘very angry’

bube- sakar  
[liver hard/firm/strong] ‘hard-hearted, stubborn’
In Kiriwina (PT; Lawton n.d.), BPMs that refer to a person’s feelings and inner states may come from the body (vovo-, from PWOc *popo- ‘the complete skin’; §3.2.1), mind (nano-6), belly (lopo-), head (daba-) and eye (mata-, from POc *mata-; §3.4.9.1). Thus:

PT: Kiriwina

i-tutu vovo-gu [it-hammers body-my] ‘I am excited’
i-kubukubu nano-gu [it-quivers mind-my] ‘I am astonished’
i-yowa lopo-la [it-flew belly-his] ‘He leapt in surprise’
i-kapisi lopo-la [it-feels pity belly-her] ‘She is sorry/mourns/feels pity’
i-minimani daba-la [it-tough/strong head-his] ‘he is stubborn’
i-gibu mati-la [it-passive eye-his] ‘he sulks, is sullen’

Lawton lists numerous examples of near synonyms where only the body part is varied (e.g. i-mama mati-la [it-weary eye-his] vs i-mama nona [it-weary mind] and others where different contexts are appropriate (iluva nona [body happy through shared food] vs i-bʷainona [it-good mind] vs i-mⁿasila nona [it-shy mind], all three loosely translated by ‘happy’. Many such metaphors are capable of varying interpretations and may require context of situation to be fully understood. By such means, Kiriwina speakers have hundreds of ways in which they can express mental states.

The adoption of other body part terms has evolved in various ways in daughter languages, muddying further a straightforward division between *gate- and *lalom BPMs. In Papuan Tip and Southeast Solomonic languages, specific terms for ‘mind’ serve as the base term for mental states. A number of Papuan Tip languages have largely replaced *lalo- reflexes with reflexes of PPT *nua-, reflecting POc *nuka- ‘mind, thought’ (§10.3), in labelling their mental states while retaining their *gate- reflexes.

PT: Dobu
nua-yai [mind/insides-hold.firmly] ‘remember’
late pisali [liver explode] ‘very angry’

PT: Kukuya
nua vi-avini [mind/insides it-hold] ‘remember s.o., s.t.’
nua-pania [mind/insides-harden] ‘forget s.t.’

PT: Bwaidoga
muwa aboda-na [mind/insides untidy/uncleared-it] ‘closed mind’
ase kolokolu [liver plucked] ‘alarm, terror’
at-e-vatu [liver-strong] ‘being unmoved, bold, brave’

The two reflexes in combination may have originally meant feeling something ‘inside the liver’:

PT: Dobu
ʔate-nuaʔolole [liver-inside-pity] ‘compassion’

PT: Kukuya
ate-manuai [liver-inside-at] ‘have compassion, sympathy’

Some Malaitan languages of the southeast Solomons, (Lau, Kwaio and To’a’ba’ita) use reflexes of POc *manaca(m) ‘think, understand, think about…’ (§10.3), glossed below as ‘mind’ as a base term for temperamental qualities and cognitive states. (Gela has manaha ‘to

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6 Although Kiriwina nano- ‘mind’ is not the expected reflex of POc *lalo- ‘inside’, it may have been borrowed from a regular reflex of *lalo- in another PT language in which *l > n.
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know, understand, appreciate’, but no compounds are listed.) ‘Are’are speakers use it rather to describe behaviour.

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<th>manata buro</th>
<th>[mind rust] ‘forget’</th>
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<td>manata ofu</td>
<td>[mind together/whole] ‘have common sense’</td>
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<td>manata mamana</td>
<td>[mind true] ‘believe’</td>
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<th>manata fana</th>
<th>[mind hunt] ‘think about, remember’</th>
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<td>manata dalia</td>
<td>[mind find] ‘remember, recall’</td>
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<td>manata ṭafi</td>
<td>[mind complete] ‘know all about’</td>
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<td>manata oli</td>
<td>[mind return] ‘have second thoughts about’</td>
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<td>manata leqalā</td>
<td>[mind goodness] ‘good thinking, wisdom’</td>
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<td>manata kuluqalā</td>
<td>[mind heavy] ‘sadness’</td>
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<th>manata siani</th>
<th>[behaviour good] ‘behave correctly’</th>
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<td>manata ori</td>
<td>[behaviour returned/changed] ‘correct oneself’</td>
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The term for mouth/voice seems to have evolved into voice/throat independently in different places, occurring in non-cognate form as a base term in Mapos Buang (NNG), some southeast Solomonic languages (Gela, Bugotu, Lau and To’aba’ita), the Vanikoro languages of Temotu, and Marshallese. This may have evolved from the belief that the mind resides in the throat or larynx, as described by Malinowski for Kiriwina.

Malinowski, describing Trobriand Island magic, writes:

>The mind, nanola, by which term intelligence, power of discrimination, capacity for learning magical formulae and all forms of non-manual skill are described, as well as moral qualities, resides somewhere in the larynx. The natives will always point to the organs of speech, where the nanola resides. ... The memory, however, the store of formulae and traditions, learned by heart, resides deeper, in the belly. A man will be said to have a good nanola when he can acquire many formulae, but though they enter through the larynx, naturally, as he learns them, repeating word for word, he has to stow them away in a bigger and more commodious receptacle; they sink right down to the bottom of his abdomen. (1922:408-409)

Senft, whose Trobriand fieldwork was carried out some seventy years after Malinowski, records a similar belief. His informant explained what happens when he whispers his magic formulae. As Senft translates it, “If I whisper magic, the magic(al formula) will go from the belly to my larynx and then I whisper magic. I speak (the) magic(al formula).” (1998:89). The larynx is thus recognised as the active agent or vehicle of the brain and mind.

That this belief is widespread is demonstrated by the following phrases recorded by Firth (1985) in his Tikopia dictionary:

>te maanatu e fai i te manava, ki te atami ‘memory is produced in the belly by the mind’
>te atami te taŋata ena i na manava, fenatu ki na putu, muna rei ‘the thoughts of a person are there in his belly, come up to his mouth, and he speaks’

while a Woleaian term from Sohn & Tawerilmang’s (1976) dictionary reinforces the same idea:

>segali (vt) ‘remember it (in his stomach instead of his mind)’

Mapos Buang (NNG) has a term kʷa-, defined by Rambok & Hooley (2010) as ‘neck, throat; mind, will; idea, thought’, and reflecting POc *kʷa ‘say’. which occurs as a base in

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7 In our orthography sexari.
BPMs for emotions, including *kʷa-paya* ‘miserable, unhappy, sad’, *kʷa- pesivin* ‘sorry for/compassionate’ and *kʷa-ketuin* ‘sorry, sad, depressed, miserable’ as well as for a number of temperamental qualities—*kʷa-srēsk* ‘cunning’, *kʷa-veroq* ‘carefree’, *kʷa-tupin* ‘quick-witted’—and cognitive states (*kʷa luu* ‘doubtful’, *kʷa-seyohek* ‘confused’, *kʷa-virek* ‘forget’.

The term for ‘throat’, found as a basis for emotion and cognition BPMs in Gela, Bugotu, Lau and To’aba’ita, reflects POc *liqoR* ‘neck, voice’. In Gela it appears to have become the generic base for all emotions while in Lau and To’aba’ita it may have referred to actual voice quality. It may also be simply a literal description of a physical state as in the Lau expression for ‘thirsty’, literally ‘dry throat’.

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<th>[voice lacking] ‘confused, puzzled; ashamed’</th>
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<td>lio dika</td>
<td>[voice bad] ‘sad, sorry’</td>
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<td>lio papara</td>
<td>[hot voice] ‘keen, zealous’</td>
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<td>lio patu</td>
<td>[voice hard] ‘daring, brave’</td>
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<td>lio sakai</td>
<td>[voice one] ‘single-minded; faithful, loyal’</td>
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<th>SES:</th>
<th>Bugotu</th>
<th>lio sikei</th>
<th>[voice one] ‘determined/resolute’</th>
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<th>Lau</th>
<th>lio rodoa</th>
<th>[voice dark] ‘sad’</th>
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<td>lio susu</td>
<td>[voice smoking/burning] ‘angry’</td>
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<td>lio mābe</td>
<td>[voice soft] ‘peaceable, quiet, meek’</td>
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<td>lio lalaŋa</td>
<td>[voice dry] ‘thirsty’</td>
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<td>ro si lio</td>
<td>[two of voice] ‘in two voices’</td>
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<th>SES:</th>
<th>To’aba’ita</th>
<th>lio dila</th>
<th>[voice sliding] ‘be very sad, dejected, heartbroken’</th>
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<td>lio dora</td>
<td>[voice not.know] ‘forget s.t., forget to do s.t.’</td>
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<td>lio toqo</td>
<td>[voice learned/informed] ‘be knowledgeable,</td>
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<td>talented, gifted, wise’</td>
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The Vanikoro languages in the Temotu group also treat the neck or throat as the seat of emotions and feelings. Although terms for ‘throat’ are not cognate in the three languages quoted, semantic collocations are identical and morphosyntactic constructions largely correspond:

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<th>TM:</th>
<th>Vano</th>
<th>warene gamitu i-tu</th>
<th>[throat we it-blocked] ‘we are sorry/sad’</th>
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<td>awa kupa i-su</td>
<td>[throat we it-blocked] ‘we are sorry/sad’</td>
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<td>awa ene i-aka</td>
<td>[throat I it-blow] ‘I am angry’ (François 2009:120)</td>
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Marshallese, apparently alone among Micronesian languages, also uses ‘throat’ (*bōro*) as a base for temperamental qualities:

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<th>Mic: Marshallese</th>
<th>bōro jepel</th>
<th>[throat diverging/separate] ‘disagree, non-co-operative’</th>
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<td>bōro kadu</td>
<td>[throat short] ‘short-tempered’</td>
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<td>bōro peuje</td>
<td>[throat shallow] ‘fickle, unstable’</td>
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<td>bōro lap</td>
<td>[throat big] ‘wasteful, spendthrift’</td>
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François (2013:204) notes that Torres-Banks languages occasionally describe certain feelings using other body parts – such as the diaphragm (Proto Torres-Banks *m’ala*) for
surprise; the belly (*toŋba, from POc * toba- ‘belly, stomach’; §3.4.2) for desire; the liver (*vara) for awe and fear, while the head (*bwaatu, from POc *bwaatu(k) ‘head’; §3.4.2) refers to mind, intelligence: Mwotlap ni-bwati wa-wak ‘your head is open’, i.e. ‘you’re open-minded, you have a curious mind’.

In Proto Polynesian, POc *lalom shifted its primary sense to ‘under’. Its place was taken by PPn *loto, both in the sense of ‘inside’ and, used with a modifying element, ‘a particular kind of feeling, desire or disposition’.

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<td>Pn: Tongan</td>
<td>loto kovi</td>
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<td>‘ill-disposed, disagreeable, malicious’ (kovi ‘bad, harmful, evil, wrong’)</td>
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<td>Pn: Niuean</td>
<td>loto kai</td>
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<td>‘be greedy, selfish’ (kai ‘eat’)</td>
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<td>Pn: Pukapukan</td>
<td>loto kino</td>
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<td>‘high-tempered, hard to calm down’ (kino ‘bad, awful’)</td>
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<td>Pn: Samoan</td>
<td>loto leaŋa</td>
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<td>‘jealous, envious’ (leaŋa ‘bad, evil’)</td>
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<td>Pn: Tokelauan</td>
<td>loto-tele</td>
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<td>‘brave, confident’ (tele ‘travel under sail’)</td>
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<td>Pn: Hawaiian</td>
<td>loko ʔino</td>
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<td>‘merciless, cruel’ (ʔino ‘wicked, immoral, sinful’)</td>
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As Gerber explains it in her exploration of Samoan emotion,

The loto can perhaps best be described as a quasi-organ. When asked where their loto is, Samoans nearly always indicate their chests; in fact they are inclined to translate the word in English as ‘heart’. They nevertheless recognise that the loto is not the same as the physical heart, fatu. In its function, the loto apparently serves as the origin of a number of feelings, desires and thoughts which arise inside a person. Some external circumstance will cause “something to happen” or “something to arise” in the loto. But Samoans believe that some things can simply grow in the loto for no apparent reason. (Gerber 1985:187).

For example,

Pn: Samoan  
- loto váivai [loto weak/tired] ‘timid’
- loto tele [loto much] ‘brave’
- loto malie [loto sweet] ‘cooperative, compliant’

Although Samoan has a nominalised verb, lagona (from the verb ‘to feel, perceive with the senses’), that groups together what we would refer to as feelings (anger, love) and sensations (pain), the more emotional lagona can be distinguished by the fact that they are thought to occur in the loto, while physical sensations stem from the body (Gerber:187).

Polynesian languages have a way of identifying that a feeling is an enduring disposition rather than a transient emotion by substituting reflexes of PPh *aŋa ‘habit, custom, way of acting’ for *loto. Thus:

Pn: Tongan
- loto fiemālie ‘contented, satisfied’
- aŋa fiemālie ‘of a contented and easy-going disposition’.

This may lead to distinctions in meaning, as in

Pn: Samoan
- loto leaŋa ‘jealous of, be envious of’
- aŋa leaŋa ‘unkind, cruel’
- loto váivai ‘timid, afraid’
- aŋa váivai ‘gentle, mild-tempered’
9.4 The emotion/cognition continuum: *gate- vs *lalom

POc speakers wishing to express their feelings evidently had a choice between *gate- and *lalom, both reconstructed here with similar meanings. In this situation it is likely that they were used in subtly different ways. The two may be represented as lying at opposite ends of a continuum that spans emotions, temperamental qualities and non-emotional cognitive states, all involving some kind of mental processing but not all involving strong physical expression. For instance, there are feelings such as boredom and compassion and perplexity that may be described as both an emotion and a mental state, and if the continuum serves as a measure of physical expression these will be placed somewhere in the middle. It is apparent from the glosses given to the *gate- reflexes above that emotion is emphasised rather than mind (mind is mentioned in the definition of the term only in SES languages). In contrast, the *lalom reflexes refer to mind in all subgroups. Those Papuan Tip languages that use *nua- ‘mind/insides’ as a base for their cognitive states have used it to replace *lalom reflexes while retaining their *gate- reflexes. Closer examination of languages where we have reasonable amounts of data and where the relevant data is largely limited to BPMs using either ‘liver/belly/heart’ or ‘insides’ may throw further light.

In his Gedaged (NNG) dictionary, Mager gives roughly equal space, numbering several dozen BPMs, to both those with *bube- ‘liver; heart as the seat of emotions, feelings, character’, and those with *ilon- (reflecting *lalom) ‘insides; seat of thought, will and emotions, and therefore in this sense the heart; mind, self, contents of memory’. Overwhelmingly, emotions accompanied by strong physical feeling (gleeful, distraught, discouraged, in turmoil etc.) and temperamental qualities (cowardly, proud, meek) are linked with *bube-, while mental states and processes (comprehend, determine, reflect, decide etc.) occur with *ilon-.

Takia, closely related to Gedaged, also divides the field between *bube- ‘liver; heart as the seat of emotions, feelings, character’ and *ilon- ‘insides; seat of thought, will and emotions’ (Bruce Waters, unpublished vocabulary). Although in broad terms *bube- is used for emotions such as ‘amazed, ‘very angry, ‘heart-felt satisfaction, and ‘hard-hearted, it is found in fewer than 20 BPMs; *ilo- with over 200 examples, has a far wider range, including ‘desire’, ‘forget’, ‘forgive’, ‘tempt’, ‘worry’, ‘dislike’, ‘believe’, ‘agree’, ‘delight’, ‘be happy’, ‘afraid’, ‘confused’, ‘sad’, ‘relieved’, ‘confident’ and so on, feelings that might be thought of mainly as states of mind rather than emotional states.

Bugenhagen (2001) has endeavoured to summarise the situation in another NNG language. In a comparison between the various body part terms employed in Mangap-Mbula, Bugenhagen (p95) writes that body image expressions containing *kete ‘liver, chest’ (from *gate-) never express pure cognition. He adds (p96) that “the preeminent emotional function of *kete- is to express rash, impetuous responses which are not well thought through, and strong emotions like anger”. In contrast, *lele (from *lalom) is rarely used to express any sort of physical sensation or experience. The examples he gives with *lele (pp87–94) include more controlled emotions like feeling contented, sorry for someone, troubled about something, anxious, relieved, and a variety of cognitive functions like choosing, doubting, approving.

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<th>NNG: Mangap</th>
<th>*kete imap</th>
<th>[liver end] ‘be astonished, have one’s breath taken away’</th>
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<td>*lele iurur</td>
<td>[insides be.putting] ‘perplexed, not knowing what one wants to do’</td>
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Very few Nakanai BPMs are found in Chowning’s (2014) data, but those few support the theory that in general *qate- is favoured for impetuous, strong emotions while *lalom is preferred for non-emotional cognitive concepts:

**MM: Nakanai**

- la hate-la raga [the liver -his leap] ‘he is startled’
- la hate-la mamasi [the liver -his stinging/burning/salty] ‘he is angry’
- ilo-buruko [insides-sad] ‘mournful, sad, disturbed’
- ilo-vilovi [insides-greedy] ‘greedy’
- ilo-tavu [insides-summon/grasp] ‘mindful’

However, there are examples from Yabem that indicate that the choice between ‘belly, bowels, stomach’ or ‘insides’ is made on grounds that are more difficult to discern. Zahn & Streicher’s Yabem dictionary lists about two dozen BPMs based on *ŋalɪlm ‘inside; heart, as seat of emotions’ (from *lalom) and over a hundred based on tétaʔ ‘belly, bowels, stomach’ whose meaning is perhaps better captured by ‘guts’. A striking property of these is that a dozen or so entries can be used with either base term, with little or no apparent change in meaning:

**NNG: Yabem**

- titaʔ lulu [guts.his twofold] ‘he is in doubt’
- ȵalɪlm lulu [his.insides-twofold] ‘he is in doubt’
- titaʔ kekaʔ ai [guts.his pulls me] ‘I feel compelled’
- ȵalɪlm kekaʔ ai [insides pull me] ‘I feel compelled’
- titaʔ ȵawapaʔ [guts.his heavy] ‘anxious, depressed, grieves, moums’
- ȵalɪlm ȵawapaʔ [his.insides heavy] ‘heavy-hearted, full of sorrow, dispirited’
- titaʔ ȵadani [guts.his thicket] ‘disinclined, is uneasy, anxious, has misgivings, unwilling, uncooperative, ungrateful’
- ȵalɪlm ȵadani [his.insides thicket] ‘hard-hearted, inaccessible, reserved, taciturn’
- titaʔ kitu mals [guts.his it.stand peaceful] ‘contented, happy’
- ȵalɪlm kitu mals [his.insides it.stand peaceful] ‘appeased’.

Choice of term here evidently depends on finer points of personal interpretation of circumstances, unknown to those outside the situation. Perhaps for some emotions the speaker can choose whether to emphasise the physical nature of the feeling by using tétaʔ (e.g. ‘happy’) or indicate that other circumstances are involved by using ȵalɪlóm (e.g. ‘appeased’).

Further insight is raised by McElhanon (1977) regarding the relative uses of ‘belly’ vs ‘insides’ in Selepet, a non-Austronesian language of the Huon Gulf whose expressions closely parallel those in this chapter. McElhanon writes:

A working assumption is that the cognitive space allotted to the psychological function of any given body part is discrete. Therefore, if a lexicographer cites two or more body parts as
constituting, for example, the ‘seat of the emotions’, it is possible that some basic and distinctive feature of the system has been overlooked. In the early stages of Selepet lexicography the analysts listed both the ‘belly’ and the ‘inside’ as representing the seat of the emotions. This was only superficially true because further investigation revealed that the former represents one’s emotions in a sociological context and expresses such feelings as generosity, approval, desire, lust, jealousy, loneliness, pity, selfishness, and reconciliation. The latter reflects one’s personal attitude or frame of mind and expresses feeling and attitudes such as diligence, faithfulness, tenacity, eagerness, anticipation, excitement, satisfaction, despair, anxiety and regret. Furthermore, it is used of one’s emotions and attitudes about others only if they are members of one’s immediate family. (McElhanon 1977:10)

The insights of Bugenhagen and McElhanon indicate that the distinction in meaning between ‘belly/liver’ and ‘insides’ may be very subtle, possibly varying from language to language, and difficult to identify even by those with a close familiarity with the language. Dictionary definitions do not provide enough scope for a researcher to identify such subtleties. Perhaps the best that can be claimed is that, in POc daughter languages, emotions accompanied by a strong physical sensation are more likely to be linked with *qate-reflexes while non-emotional mental states tend to use reflexes of *lalom. However, choice of term may be influenced by finer points of personal interpretation or other circumstances, unknown to those outside the situation. The question of POc usage can probably not be more clearly defined without detailed semantic analysis of a range of languages across the Oceanic region, far beyond the scope of the present study.

However, notwithstanding the above, *qate- remains preeminently the source of bravery in its reflexes. The only qualities expressed by *qate-based metaphors in Motu, Marshallese, and Bauan and Wayan Fijian, are those to do with bravery or its lack:

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<td>ase kuro</td>
<td>[liver white] ‘brave’</td>
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<td>Mic: Marshallese</td>
<td>eccelok acin</td>
<td>[liver without] ‘he is not brave’</td>
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<td>Fij: Bauan</td>
<td>yate levu</td>
<td>[liver big] ‘coward’</td>
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9.5 The modifying terms

When used as a general expression of emotion, i.e. without additional contextual information, the modifying terms tend to cluster around a limited number of physical attributes, e.g. (be) ‘good’, ‘bad’, ‘heavy’, ‘big’, ‘hot’, ‘hard’ and so on, terms that metaphorically evoke the physical state of the experiencer when feeling happy, sad, angry and so on. Reflexes of POc *p^atu ‘outer shell, skull’ (§3.4.2.1), by extension, ‘firm, strong, unyielding’, are readily applied to qualities like ‘stubborn’ or ‘brave’. More extreme emotions can be expressed more vividly—a Lau BPM meaning ‘angry/violent’ is rake ?iri (rake ‘heart, mind, seat of affections’; ?iri ‘to chop up; impale’), while Samoan loto-momomo ‘grief-stricken’ includes momomo ‘smashed in pieces’. Others like Lau lio rodoa [voice dark] ‘sad’ and lio mãe [voice soft] ‘peaceable, quiet, meek’ literally describe voice quality. Expressions of sadness may include a verb meaning ‘hang the head’, e.g. Gela lio ligi (lio ‘seat of emotions’; ligi ‘descend’). The Lau BPM for ‘envy/jealousy’ is ?unu-?unu, from ?unu ‘to murmur, whisper’. The Mota expression lolo suwa-suwa ‘loathing, feeling of repulsion’ includes suwa ‘bow down and draw back’.
However, the biggest difficulty in capturing adequate translations of these metaphors is that modifying words with the same basic meaning are capable of varying English interpretations. Reflexes of POc *wai-waiR ‘watery’ are found in Samoan loto vāivai ‘timid, faint-hearted’, while its Tokelauan cognate, loto vāivai is glossed ‘discouraged, unhappy’. Mota vara lava and Bauan Fijian yate levu both have the literal meaning ‘liver big’ translatable as ‘coward, cowardly’ while Tongan loto lahi (loto big) is given the opposite interpretation, ‘brave/bold/determined’. Bauan Fijian has two expressions that may be roughly translated as ‘courageous’: yate dei (‘firm, unwavering liver’) and yate lialia (‘mad, foolish liver’), thus including additional components of meaning not present in the English term. Conversely, Yabem (NNG), Kiriwina (PT) and Mota (NCV) all use a verb translated as ‘quiver’ to express an emotion, but in Yabem the emotion is nervousness, anxiety (galilem ñagogo ‘my inside quivers’), in Kiriwina the emotion is astonishment, (i-kubukubu nano-gu [it-quiver mind-my] ‘my mind quivers’), and in Mota the emotion is shame, shyness (ape-maragai ‘my heart quivers’).

9.6 Conclusion

Although a mere two POc reconstructions are identified in the following chapters—*lalo- rua-rua ‘be of two minds, undecided, have doubt’ (§10.8) and *gate- p̩atu ‘brave’ (§11.3.2.1)—there is ample evidence across subgroups of particular feelings or thoughts being expressed by BPMs that share the same underlying metaphor. Expression of such concepts in this way is a well-established feature of Austronesian languages, apparently as far back as Proto Austronesian, as BPMs encoding emotions are found in Tsou (Huang 2000), which scholars agree is either part of a three-language first-order Austronesian subgroup or a first-order subgroup in its own right. Blust (ACD) has partially reconstructed several PMP terms *X qatay, where the BPMs are consistently translatable as ‘afraid’ (literally ‘small liver’), ‘brave, courageous, proud, arrogant’ (‘big liver’), ‘angry, furious’ (‘burning liver’), ‘full of malice’ (‘rotten liver’), ‘resentful, offended’ (‘sick, hurt liver’) and ‘pure-hearted’ (‘white liver’). The modifying terms are not all cognate, but they share the same meaning. Klamer (2001) suggests that eti ‘liver’ (from PMP *qatay) was the Kambera (CMP) term for ‘seat of emotions’, whilst the corresponding term in Buru (CMP) was lale- ‘inside’, cognate with POc *lalom. It is thus reasonably certain that BPMs with both *gate- and *lalom were inherited into POc from an earlier Austronesian interstage.

Our inability to reconstruct more BPMs than are presented here can be attributed to several factors.

• the tendency inherent in us all, but perhaps particularly so among people with a strong rhetorical tradition, to continually rework the images contained in metaphors so that they remain vivid. Perhaps this is the reason that base terms other than *gate- and *lalom are often replaced by, for example, terms meaning ‘mind’, ‘voice’ or ‘throat’.

• the tendency of daughter languages to divide up the *gate-/*lalom continuum in idiosyncratic ways.

• the fact that we are seeking to reconstruct ways in which POc speakers lexified their emotional spectrum by dictionary searches - that is, by looking first for equivalent terms for English words.
Expanding on the third point, qualifying words are capable of varying interpretations, as illustrated in §9.5 above. A Tokelauan speaker’s expression loto vāivai may be translated in one place by ‘weary’, in another by ‘discouraged, unhappy’. In other words, there is no precisely defined relationship that holds between a metaphor and its physical attribute. English translations may seize on one aspect of a word’s meaning, but ignore other equally valid interpretations. The only instances where a one-to-one relationship may hold across languages is where a numerical modifier is used, as in the cognitive concepts ‘to doubt’ and ‘to agree’. Here ‘to doubt’ is expressed literally as ‘to be of two minds’, and ‘to agree’ is ‘to be of one mind’ (§§10.8–9). Terms collected across the Oceanic-speaking world for these two expressions show remarkable uniformity of gloss: the English translation is semantically an exact fit.

Compound expressions for emotions, temperamental qualities and some cognitive states have only been recorded in a small number of the available dictionaries, and those listed are undoubtedly only a fraction of those in use. But dictionary translations are rarely adequate for the purposes of this chapter and chapters 10 and 11. Oceanic speakers may lexify the emotional spectrum in ways that differ significantly from an English speaker. For instance, a Kiribati term is nano-mano, defined by Sabatier (1971) as ‘discreet, deep, sly, sullen’ (nano ‘inside, disposition etc.’, mano ‘impervious, water-tight’). To an English speaker these character traits are quite distinct in meaning, and although some shared element of meaning can be identified, there is no English term that encompasses them all. Consequently, it must be recognised that any comparison of dictionary terms with similar English glosses is a poor substitute for comprehensive discussion of such terms on a language-by-language basis.

White (1985:329) argues that “with a topic as complex, affectively charged, and socially significant as this (the linguistic expressions for personal characteristics or emotions), analysis of language quickly moves from the study of referential semantics to questions of inference and pragmatics”.

And such matters are beyond dictionary definitions.
10 Cognition

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10.1 Introduction

A cognition verb like ‘know’, ‘think’, ‘understand’ or ‘remember’ denotes a concept that
speakers are aware of because it denotes an event within their own minds, but often has only
indirect correlates in the perceived world. As a result, speakers of different languages classify
cognitive events in rather different ways, requiring us first to gain some insight into how
speakers of present-day Oceanic languages classify these events.

English cognition verbs tend to cover a range of events. The verb think has a considerable
range of meanings:

1. Don’t talk to me—I’m thinking. (cogitation)
2. I think John stole the key. (belief, opinion)
3. I didn’t think of it (‘I forgot it.’)
4. I thought I would go shopping (intention)
5. I keep thinking about poor Mary (‘I’m worried because she is ill’ OR ‘I’m saddened by
her death’ OR ‘I would like to be with her’)

To be sure, a native speaker disambiguates each meaning in context. The progressive aspect in
the present tense (… am thinking) in (1) indicates that this is thinking in the sense of cogitation.
The complement clause (… I would go shopping) in (4) points to intention.

There is probably no other language in the world with a verb whose range of meanings
exactly corresponds to those of English think (not even close neighbours like French or
German do), but many of our sources give English glosses consisting of a single cognition
verb like ‘think’, leaving us ignorant of how the verb thus glossed is used.

To gain insight into how speakers of present-day Oceanic languages classify cognitive
events, we have first tried to ensure that we compare like with like semantically. A list of
semantic frames for cognition terms was drawn up. A semantic frame is a description of an
event, relation, or entity and the participants involved in it. Making the list was a two-step
procedure. First, the FrameNet website was consulted. It provides semantic frames for a very
large number of English lexemes and, for example, distinguishes the various senses of English

citation

1 Semantic frames are part of Frame Semantics, a theory of meaning deriving from the work of Charles J.
Fillmore (see especially Fillmore 1982, 1985, Croft & Cruse 2004:8–22 and passim.).
2 https://framenet.icsi.berkeley.edu/fndrupal/.
think. Second, frames were defined that reflect meanings found in dictionaries of Oceanic languages for cognitive states and activities. Semantic frame labels appear below in small capitals. Terms for each frame were found in dictionaries of four Oceanic languages: Nakanai (MM; Chowning 2014), To’aba’ita (SES; Lichtenberk 2008), Mwotlap (NCV; François 2012) and Wayan Fijian (Pawley & Sayaba 2003) and are tabulated in the sections on knowing (§10.2), thinking (§10.3) and remembering (§10.5). This constituted a check of the appropriateness of the list of frames and of their possible representation in POc. In the event, several cognition frames that were supported by dictionary glosses did not lead to the reconstruction either of forms or of metaphorical structures, and they are omitted here. These include ‘not know, be ignorant’ (often a simple verb), ‘think about, long for’, ‘be on one’s mind, have s.t. on one’s mind’, ‘remember to do s.t.’, ‘forget to do s.t.’, ‘hope’ and ‘expect’.

A larger language sample would have been ideal, but identifying semantic frames requires sentence examples. These are absent from Chowning (2014), but the latter is the best available dictionary of a MM language. Because semantic frames are subject to borrowing by bilingual speakers, and NNG and PT languages have all been in contact with Papuan languages at various points in their histories, they are probably poor indicators of POc’s frames and were therefore excluded from the sample, meaning that WOc could be appropriately represented only by a MM language.

There is a tendency for terms denoting abstractions to be metaphors that refer to less abstract concepts. Metaphors in turn are often encoded by complex lexemes; that is, lexemes made up of two or more simple lexemes. Complex lexemes include body-part metaphors (BPMs; ch.9), serial verb constructions (SVCs), and compounds derived from either of these, and apparently these have long been productive lexeme-creating devices, as they are also present in Central Malayo-Polynesian and South Halmahera/West New Guinea languages and were apparently constructions of Proto Central/Eastern Malayo-Polynesian. We can be sure that complex lexemes with these structures occurred in POc.

Each section below discusses a single cognition frame or a set of related frames. Sections discussing further frames could be added, but these would not contain reconstructed forms. They would at best list the meanings of complex lexemes together with supporting data, and these are already well enough represented in the chapter.

10.2 Knowing

Verbs encoding three semantic frames denote knowledge in Oceanic languages:

- **AWARE**, e. g. ‘I know that he is coming.’
- **ACQUAINTED**, e. g. ‘I know him well.’
- **EXPERT**, e. g. ‘I know how to plant yams.’

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Oceanic SVCs are described by Crowley (2002) and in the contributions to Bril & Ozanne-Rivierre (2004).
Their distribution across verbs in the four witness languages is shown in Table 22. In Mwotlap, Wayan and To’aba’ita one verb is used for all three frames, but To’aba’ita also has dedicated EXPERT verbs. Nakanai has distinct verbs in each frame, but the AWARE verb rovi also occurs in the ACQUAINTED compound rovi-lala. The morpheme -lala is perhaps related (diachronically, at least) to lalai ‘to try (to do s.t.)’. If so, it has a similar meaning to To’aba’ita toʔo, which means ‘to try, test’ in a number of compound verbs (§8.5) including apparently ḥaitoʔoma- ‘know’, but does not occur independently.

Table 22  Verbs of knowing in the four witness languages

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<td>rovi-lala [know-?]</td>
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<td>To’aba’ita</td>
<td>θai-toʔoma-</td>
<td>(know-?)</td>
<td>θaitoʔoma-, filo-, filopani-, ma/altani- [eye-?], dau-fifiri [-? -thoroughly]</td>
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<td>Mwotlap</td>
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<td>Wayan</td>
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The glosses on the second line of Table 22 are intended to capture the fact that in certain contexts (e. g. in the presence of a perfective marker) ACQUAINTED and EXPERT verbs often have dynamic punctual senses, respectively ‘recognise (s.o.)’ and ‘learn (how to …)’.

The POc ‘know’ verb with the most widely distributed reflexes is *kilala. It appears to have had AWARE, ACQUAINTED and EXPERT senses, to judge from the more specific glosses in the cognate set below, but it is difficult to be certain. WOc glosses match the PMP gloss, ACQUAINTED. The trisyllabic form is unusual, and there is reasonable evidence for a transitive alternant *kila-i- from which the third root syllable was deleted.

PMP *kilala, ‘know (a person), recognise, be acquainted with; feel, perceive’ (ACD)

POc (vt) *kilala, (vt) *kilala-i-, *kila-i- ‘know’

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<td>Adm: Mussau</td>
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<td>NNG: Lukep (Pono)</td>
<td>-kil-</td>
<td>‘recognise’</td>
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<td>NNG: Mangap</td>
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<td>(vt) ‘know well, recognise, be aware, understand’</td>
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<td>(vt) ‘know (s.o.)’</td>
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<td>MM: Nakanai</td>
<td>(mata)kilala</td>
<td>‘know, recognise (s.o.)’</td>
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<td>MM: Madak</td>
<td>kilem</td>
<td>‘know’</td>
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4 Bolded verbs are identical across frames. Glosses in square brackets give senses of compound elements. Parentheses indicate that an element does not occur independently with this meaning, which is inferred either from occurrence in several compounds or from cognates in closely related languages.
A number of languages have verbs that are formally similar to the reflexes above but have meanings that indicate that they more probably reflect POc *kilat (VT) ‘be seen clearly, discerned, recognised’, (VT) ‘see clearly, discern, recognise’ (§8.2).

The Wayan verb kilāti- ‘know’, on the other hand, conflates a form reflecting *kilat with the sense ‘know’.

From the glosses of the data below, POc *qataq, *qataq-i- evidently meant ‘know, understand, realise (that)’, encoding AWARE. In a few languages the verb has the same form as the reflex of *qate- ‘liver’ (§3.7.6). Despite the role played by *qate- in bodypart metaphors,
particularly those expressing emotions (§9.2.1), however, the resemblance seems to have emerged by chance. Final *-q is attested in Mutu and Namakir.

POe (vi) *qataq, (vt) *qataq-i- ‘know, understand, realise (that)’

Adm: Nyindrou *ata(na) ‘come to know, realise, understand’ (syntactically a verb, but the subject is encoded as a possessor suffix, e.g. atana-k ‘I realise’)

NNG: Kilenge *ota-i ‘know’
NNG: Mutu *watay-i ‘know’
NNG: Gitua *wata ‘know’
NNG: Bariai *oata-i ‘know, learn’
NNG: Kove *ata-i ‘know’
NNG: Mungens *ate ‘recognise, see that’
PT: Iamalele ʔase(ta-i) ‘know, understand’
PT: Dawawa *kata-i ‘learn’
PT: Tubetube *kata-i ‘know’
PT: Saliba *kata-i ‘know’
PT: Suau ʔata ‘know’
PT: Misima *ate(na) ‘know, understand’
PT: Sudest ɣarei-yarei ‘know, understand’
MM: Notsi ati ‘know’
MM: Nehan ate, iate ‘know’
MM: Halia ate ‘know’
MM: Mono-Alu atae ‘know s.o.’
SES: Longgu ʔai- ‘know, understand, be accustomed (to doing); be able (to do)’

SES: Marau Sound rae- ‘know’
SES: Lau sai(toma), sai(tama) ‘know (s.t., s.o.)’
SES: To’aba’ita ʔai(toʔoma-) ‘know’
SES: ‘Are’are rai- ‘know, understand’
TM: Asumboa kata ‘know’
NCV: Namakir ʔata? ‘know’
NCV: Nguna atae ‘know’
NCV: Lelepa tae- ‘know’
NCV: S Efate tae ‘know’

PMic *ata, *ata-i- ‘know, understand’

Mic: Ponapean *ese ‘know, understand (s.t.)’
Mic: Kiribati ata-i (VI) ‘know, have knowledge’,
        ata-a (VT) ‘know (s.t.)’;
Mic: Kosraean *ets ‘know, understand (s.t.)’
The first morpheme of PPn *gata-mai ‘intelligent, expert, clever’ evidently reflected POc *gataq.

PPn *gata-mai ‘intelligent, expert, clever’ (POLLEX)

- **Pn:** Tongan 的进步 is ‘intelligent, intelligence’
- **Pn:** Samoan 的进步 is ‘intelligent, clever’
- **Pn:** Anutan 的进步 is ‘mind, meaning’
- **Pn:** Tuvalu 的进步 is ‘skilful, able; skill, ability’
- **Pn:** Emae 的进步 is ‘wise, wisdom’
- **Pn:** Nukuoro 的进步 is ‘recollect/recall past events/persons’
- **Pn:** Pukapukan 的进步 is ‘wish, desire; intelligent, having common sense’
- **Pn:** W Futunan 的进步 is ‘right-minded, sane, clever’
- **Pn:** Tahitian 的进步 is ‘wisdom, intelligence, wise, intelligent’
- **Pn:** Hawaiian 的进步 is ‘clever, expert’
- **Pn:** Māori 的进步 is ‘knowing, quick-witted; malicious’

POc evidently had another term with an expert meaning, *taqu, but it is reflected with reasonable certainty only in Anejom (SV) and in Polynesian languages, and two PPn terms are reconstructable: *tau ‘skillful at, familiar with’ and *mātau ‘know, understand, be experienced’ The latter has an apparent Banoni (MM) cognate, allowing the reconstruction of POc *ma-taqu (*ma- was a stative formative; §1.3.5.4).

PAn *Caqu ‘know how, be able to, be skilled at’ (ACD)

PMP *taqu ‘know how, be able to, be skilled at’ (ACD)

POc *taqu ‘know how, be able to, be skilled at’

- **SV:** Anejom 的进步 is ‘know, know how to, be able, understand, be certain, be sure’ (John Lynch, pers. comm.)

PPn *tau ‘skillful at, familiar with’ (POLLEX)

- **Pn:** Tongan 的进步 is ‘skill that one is accustomed to do’
- **Pn:** Tuvalu 的进步 is ‘proper, necessary, possible, compulsory’
- **Pn:** Pukapukan 的进步 is ‘to fit, look nice’
- **Pn:** Rarotongan 的进步 is ‘be suitable, befit, able, to be possible’
- **Pn:** Sikaiana 的进步 is ‘be fit or suitable’
- **Pn:** Takau 的进步 is ‘equal to a task’
- **Pn:** Tikopia 的进步 is ‘be accustomed, used to, adapt, fit’
- **Pn:** W Futunan 的进步 is ‘follow in the ways of, take after, learn from’
- **Pn:** Māori 的进步 is ‘be able, be suitable’

cf. also:

- **NNG:** Manam 的进步 is ‘learn’

POc *ma-taqu ‘know, understand, be experienced’ (also ‘right-hand’: §3.6.3)

- **MM:** Banoni 進 is ‘know, be smart’
- **Fij:** Wayan 進 is (vst) ‘be familiar to s.o’. (subject the thing that is familiar), ‘accustomed to, used to’ (experi-
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encer marked by oblique case)

matau ‘right-hand side’

Fij: Bauan matau ‘be right-handed’

PPn *mātau ‘know, understand, be experienced’ (POLLEX)

Pn: Tuvalu matau ‘clever, experienced, right hand’
Pn: Tongarevan mātau ‘have knowledge of, be accustomed to, in the habit of’
Pn: Tuamotuan mātau ‘understand’
Pn: Māori mātau ‘know, understand’

cf. also:

Fij: Rotuman macau ‘be expert, skilful’ (j- for †t- or †f-)

It is well known that in many languages a perception verb may also mean ‘know, understand (s.t.)’ (Aikhenvald & Storch 2013, Evans & Wilkins 2000, Viberg 1984). English uses ‘I see’ to mean ‘I understand’, i.e. an AWARE sense. This semantic extension occurs occasionally in Oceanic languages. A few NNG languages use a reflex of POc *reki[-], *reqi[-] ‘see, look, see s.t., look at s.t.’ (§8.2) also in the sense ‘know’:

NNG: Mangap re ‘see, look, experience; consider, think, be aware’
NNG: Yabem ʔu ‘see, look at s.t., know, have experience’
NNG: Lamogai rik ‘see, know’

A similar extension of meaning occurs with PPn *kite ‘see, appear, know’ from POc kita-i- ‘see s.t.’, and Raga (NCV) ilo ‘know, perceive’ from POc *qilo ‘be aware of, discern, see’ (§8.2). The transitive reflex of POc *qilo, namely PPn *qilo- (VT) ‘to know, be aware’, (VT) ‘know s.t.’, had been fully repurposed as a verb of knowing.

Reflexes of POc *roŋoR- ‘hear s.t., listen to s.t.’ with the additional sense ‘know’ are sufficiently widespread to raise the possibility that this sense was already present in POc.

NNG: Mutu -lōŋ ‘know how to’
NNG: Bing -luŋ ‘know’
NNG: Takia -lōŋ ‘hear, listen, perceive, know’
NNG: Gedaged -lōŋ ‘know, have knowledge of, hear, learn, perceive, understand’
PT: Wedau -nonori ‘know’
PT: E Mekeo lono ‘know’
PT: NW Mekeo oŋo ‘know’
MM: Nakanai lolo ‘hear, understand, know’
MM: Sursurung a-łoŋ-a ‘hear; listen and understand’
MM: Nehan lonoa ‘hear, understand’
SES: Sa’a royo ‘hear, listen, hear tidings of, understand’
NCV: Lakon ruŋ ‘hear, feel; obey, know’

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5 Reflexes of POc *roŋoR- raise a number of formal challenges. These are discussed in §8.3.
Lexical replacement has evidently been frequent among verbs of knowing, and many reconstructions can be made of verbs that are reflected in just one subgroup. Some are listed here in the hope that their origins may eventually be identified.

Proto Willaumez *maci ‘know’ (Goodenough 1997)
- MM: Bola marı ‘know’
- MM: Nakanai (Bileki) marı ‘know’
- MM: Nakanai (Maututu) ması ‘know’

Proto Papuan Tip *siba ‘know’
- PT: Bohutu siba ‘know’
- PT: Hula riba ‘know’
- PT: Balawaia riba ‘know’
- PT: Motu diba ‘know’

The verbs below reflect *sagova, *sagov-i- ‘know’, reconstructable to a lower-order interstage within the Papuan Tip cluster.
- PT: Gumawana -yagoi- ‘understand s.t., know s.t. /s.o.’
- PT: Iduna -yakovi- ‘recognise s.o.’
- PT: Gapapaiwa -akova (vi) ‘know, understand’
- PT: Anuki -akovi- ‘know’
- PT: Ubir -sagob ‘know’

All languages below reflect *b‹in›isi, but Nokuku also reflects *bisi, implying that *bisi is the root and that *(i)n reflects the POc nominalising infix, the resulting nominalisation having been reanalysed as a verb in these languages.

PNCV *bisi, *b‹in›isi ‘know’
- NCV: Raga binihi ‘think, consider’
- NCV: Nokuku pi-pinisi ‘know’
- NCV: Tolomako pinisi- ‘know’
- NCV: Kiai pinisi- (vi) ‘be able to, know’
- NCV: Kiai pinisi- (vt) ‘know’

Interestingly, many Oceanic languages have distinct verbs for ‘not know (s.t.), be ignorant of (s.t.)’ and for ‘not recognise (s.o.)’, but none of the terms found is cognate with any of the others. Some terms are evidently monomorphic, like Lou *m ‘not know’, Mangap -kus ‘not recognise’, Takia -yaq ‘not know’, whilst others, like Balawaia yita-lea ‘not recognise’ (yita ‘see’ + lea ‘miss’) and Wayan kila sēti- ‘not recognise’ (kila ‘know (s.t., s.o.)’ + sēti- ‘do s.t. wrongly’) are clearly serial verb constructions.

10.3 Thinking
Across languages verbs of thinking fall into two broad semantic frames:
Table 23 shows that in all four witness languages there is a verb (in bold) that embraces both frames, but in Nakanai, To’aba’ita and Wayan there are other verbs with somewhat more specialised meanings. None of this is surprising. English has believe, surmise, guess, suspect and suppose as OPINE verbs, and a number of COGITATE verbs: cogitate on, consider, ponder, reflect on, contemplate and others, each with a different shade of meaning. Dictionaries often do not encapsulate these shades of meaning well.

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<td>‘think/believe (s.t. /that …)’</td>
<td>‘think about/consider (s.t.)’</td>
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<td>Nakanai gabu, ule, vei, kau</td>
<td>gabu, aliale, loho-tavu [cogitate-towards], ilo-tavu [inside-towards], hilo-tavu [see-towards]</td>
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<td>To’aba’ita manata, sore-</td>
<td>manata-i-, loloma, ono-toʔo- [belly-(test)]</td>
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OPINE verbs seem to occur less frequently in Oceanic discourse than they do in European languages, and there are at least two reasons for this.

First, OPINE verbs differ from AWARE verbs (§10.2) in that a complement clause of the latter is taken to be a fact, whereas the complement clause of an OPINE is not. I know John is a teacher entails the proposition John is a teacher as a fact, but I think John is a teacher doesn’t guarantee the truth of the proposition. One result of this is that in English I think is often little more than a marker of possibility, i.e. ‘perhaps’. The Tok Pisin term for ‘perhaps’ is ating, transparently reflecting English I think, and many Oceanic languages have a corresponding sentence adverb that is glossed in dictionaries ‘perhaps, I think’; e. g., Mangseng (NNG) ava, Misima (PT) tabam, Muyuw (PT) adôk, Tawala (PT) mugote, Ramoaaina (MM) bi-gaŋ, Sursurunga (MM) gut, Teop (MM) aekas, Kwaio (SES) baleʔe, Mwotlap (NCV) so. Of these, however, only the Tawala adverb has a derivational relationship to an OPINE verb (see below), and it seems that in Oceanic languages OPINE verbs typically do not have this bleached ‘perhaps’ function.

Second, OPINE is quite often expressed by a languages’s default verb of saying, so that in Baluan (Adm), for example, it is sometimes difficult to tell whether the speaker intends the complement of p‘a to be spoken or simply thought (Dineke Schokkin, pers. comm.). Bugenhagen & Bugenhagen (2007) gloss the Mangap sentence

\[ \text{Nio anŋ-so ina aŋbai som} \]

\[ \text{I say that (DEM) good not} \]

as both I say that is not good and I think that is not good. Thus the meaning of the example ‘say/think’ verbs listed below is something like ‘formulate in words, either spoken or unspoken’.


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<td>Adm: Baluan</td>
<td>pʷa</td>
<td>‘say, express, think’</td>
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<td>Adm: Nyindrou</td>
<td>aña</td>
<td>‘think, say’</td>
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<tr>
<td>NNG: Bariai</td>
<td>oagga</td>
<td>‘think, say’</td>
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<tr>
<td>NNG: Kaulong</td>
<td>vo</td>
<td>‘talk, say, speak; suppose, intend’</td>
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<td>NNG: Mangap</td>
<td>-so</td>
<td>‘say, speak, communicate, talk, tell; think’</td>
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<td>NNG: Takia</td>
<td>-bol</td>
<td>‘say, talk, speak,’</td>
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<tr>
<td>PT: Iamalele</td>
<td>vo</td>
<td>‘say, think’; quotative marker</td>
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<td>MM: Nakani</td>
<td>ve</td>
<td>‘think, opine, talk, tell say’</td>
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<td>MM: Teop</td>
<td>boha</td>
<td>‘think, say’</td>
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<td>SES: Gela</td>
<td>ne</td>
<td>‘say, think’</td>
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<td>SES: To’a’ita</td>
<td>sore-</td>
<td>‘say, think’</td>
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<td>SES: Kwaio</td>
<td>ilia</td>
<td>‘say, tell, think’</td>
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Hence opine verbs in Oceanic languages are centrally about mental activity, and it is not surprising that Table 23 shows them overlapping with cogitate verbs. Indeed, no dedicated POc opine verb that is not also a speech verb is reconstructable.

Glosses of reflexes of POc *nonom ‘think, remember; mind, thought’ point quite strongly to it being a cogitate verb with a semantic focus on thinking about or remembering something. Its reconstruction, though, involves some ad hoc assumptions about the history of the apparent reflexes listed below. These display a somewhat abstract formal template \( nVN/V/N \), where \( N \) is \( n \) or \( m \), but \( m \) occurs no more than once in a reflex. The shape is that of POc *nonom (V) ‘think’, (N) ‘mind, thought’, the expected reflex of PAn *nemnem ‘think’ (ACD). However, Blust (ACD) notes Fordata (CMP) nanag ‘remember, remember sadly’, with -a- twice for expected -e- (< PAn *-e-). This suggests that there was an alternant of the form *nanam as far back as PCEMP, perhaps ancestral to some of the forms listed below. Treating the forms below as a cognate set also assumes that the presence of three nasals led to metathesis in Seimat and Nehan \( (*nVnVm > *nVmVn) \), and to assimilation of point of articulation in Bariai, Babatana and Ririo \( (*nVnVn > *nVmVn) \).

The Wayan transitive verb *num-i (VT) ‘think of s.t.’ requires special mention. As Blust (1977a) shows, a POc intransitive verb of the form \( C_1V-C_VC_2 \) often had a corresponding transitive of the form \( C_1V-C_i \). Thus POc *nonom may have been paired with transitive *nom-i, of which Wayan *num-i is the only reflex known to us. Alternatively, it may be a back-formation from intransitive *nanum, reflected in Bauan namu.

POc *nonom, *nanam ‘think about s.t., remember s.t.’, (N) ‘mind, thought’

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<td>Adm: Seimat</td>
<td>namena</td>
<td>(vi) ‘remember’ (metathesis of nasals)</td>
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<td>NNG: Bariai</td>
<td>nanan</td>
<td>‘think, remember’</td>
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<td>PT: Kiriwinan</td>
<td>nano</td>
<td>‘mind’</td>
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<td>MM: Nehan</td>
<td>namana</td>
<td>‘think; think about s.t.’ (metathesis of nasals)</td>
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<td>MM: Babatana</td>
<td>nanana</td>
<td>(V) ‘think’; (N) ‘thought, mind’</td>
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<tr>
<td>MM: Ririo</td>
<td>(no)mono</td>
<td>‘think’</td>
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<td>MM: Roviana</td>
<td>nonoga</td>
<td>‘remember, know’</td>
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<td>NCV: Mwotlap</td>
<td>nonom</td>
<td>‘opinion’</td>
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<tr>
<td>NCV: SE Ambrym</td>
<td>nem-i-</td>
<td>‘think, remember’</td>
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<tr>
<td>NCal: Nêlêmwa</td>
<td>nanem</td>
<td>‘thought, think, reflect, believe’</td>
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The two verbs discussed below, POc *drodrom ‘think, worry; love, be sorry for, long for’ and POc *nuka ‘think, feel’, are both COGITATE verbs, but both also have emotional overtones. Indeed, glosses in Oceanic dictionaries suggest that cogitation and worry or longing frequently go together.

Although its reflex is the Mwotlap default verb for thinking (Table 23), the NCV evidence, presented in some detail below, suggests that the POc verb was a COGITATE verb with an emotional overtone of ‘love, be sorry for, long for’, i.e. the SORRY semantic frame recognised in §11.4.3. Indeed, the emotion-related meanings are the only ones recorded for the Nakanai, Nokuku, Namakir, Nguna and S Efate reflexes, and they also figure in the Tamambo and Uripiv glosses. The expected POc reflex of PAN *demdem is POc †*rodrom (*-md- > *-nd- > -dr-), but maintaining the consistency of reduplication is perhaps responsible for *drodrom. Transitive *drom-i arose via the template recognised by Blust (1977a).

POc (vi) *drodrom, (vt) *drom-i ‘think, worry; love, be sorry for, long for’

NNG: Mangseng (lemi-) rum ‘think’ (lemi- ‘insides’)
    rum(oŋ) (ŋ) ‘thought’ (oŋ NOMINALISER)

NNG: Poeng roma ‘think about’

MM: Nakanai gogo ‘be sorry for, be fond of, treat gently; be generous to’

MM: Madak doma (v) ‘think’

PNCV *dodomi ‘think about, love’ (Clark 2009)

Proto Torres-Banks *do-domi ‘think, worry’ (François 2005)

NCV: Dorig dum ‘think, worry’

NCV: Nume dudum ‘think, worry’

NCV: Mosina nunum ‘think, worry’

NCV: Mota nom ‘think, have in mind’
    no-nom ‘think’

NCV: Mwotlap dem ‘think’

NCV: Nokuku ?omi ‘love, have mercy on’

NCV: Kiai komi-a (vt) ‘think of’
    komi-komi ‘thinking, thought’,

NCV: Tamambo domi ‘feel sad about, sorry’
    domi-domi ‘think’

cf. also:

NNG: Lukep-Pono nan(tut) ‘remind’

NNG: Poeng nan(guni) ‘think, surmise’

MM: Babatana niini ‘think’

MM: Vaghua nanavu ‘think’

MM: Varisi nanao (v) ‘think, consider’, (n) ‘idea’
NCV: Sakao  rem  (vi) ‘think’  
                  röm  (vt) ‘think’
NCV: NE Ambae  domi  ‘think’
NCV: Uripiv  (o)rm-i  ‘think, worry, regret, have pity, show mercy’
NCV: Ninde  rur(uox)  ‘think’ (uox ‘follow’)
NCV: Lonwolwol  deme  ‘think’
NCV: Paamese  demi  ‘think, believe; think about’
NCV: Namakir  do-dom  ‘love, feel emotion’  
                  do-do-  ‘mind’
NCV: Nguna  do-domi-a  ‘love, be sorry for, feel for, miss’
NCV: S Efate  ’rom  (v) ‘love’

Blust (ACD) reconstructs PAn *ajem ‘heart, mind’. Reflexes are found in SE Solomonic languages, some of which reflect an unexpected initial *q-.

PAn *ajem ‘heart, mind’ (ACD)
POc (vi) *(q)ajom, (vt) *(q)ajom-akin-i- ‘think, understand’
SES: Gela  ado-ado  ‘think, understand’
SES: Sa’a  adom-α̃mi  ‘think’
SES: Arosi  ã̃do-ã̃do  ‘think’  
                  ã̃dom-α̃i  ‘think’
SES: Faghani  kato-katom-ayi  ‘think’

POc *nuka ‘think, feel’ was also evidently a COGitate verb, but with a sense of associated emotion—desire for its object. In some daughter languages the reflex of *nuka is a verb, in others a monovalent body-part noun meaning ‘mind’, ‘thought’, ‘feeling’, or ‘desire’, and in yet others both a nominal and a verbal reflex occurs. When it occurs in complex lexemes, it is sometimes difficult to tell whether it is a verb or a noun, and a rule of thumb is adopted such that it is glossed as a verb ‘think’ unless there is clear evidence that it is a monovalent noun.

The reconstruction of *nuka is a little problematic with regard to its medial *-k-, and it is tempting to avoid irregularity by splitting the data into two formally similar cognate sets. However, the glosses imply quite strongly that this is a single set. The irregularity occurs in the Micronesian reflexes. Woleaian nu-nuwa-n and Ifaluk nu-nuwa-n reflect either *nua or *nuqa, whereas Carolinian lixi-lix reflects *nuka. The Adzera medial -g- and Tolai and Ramoaaina final -k reduce the choice to *nuqa or *nuka, but could reflect either (final *-q is occasionally retained in New Ireland languages). Since *q is lost in Micronesian languages and the reflexes of *-k- in Chuukic languages like Woleaian and Ifaluk are known to be complex and not always regular (Jackson 1983:175–185), it makes sense to treat the Carolinian reflex as criterial and to reconstruct *nuka. The MM and PT reflexes in which *-k- is thus deemed to be lost are all regular.

POc *nuka (v) ‘think, feel’, *nuka- (n) ‘mind, thought’
NNG: Adzera  nugu-  ‘insides, heart, seat of emotions’
PT: Gumawana  nue  (vt) ‘think of s.t.’ (nue < *nuka-i-)
                  nuo-nuo-  (n) ‘thinking, thoughts about s.t.’
PT: Iduna  -nua-nua  (vi) ‘think’
The inherited core meaning of POc *manaca(m) was evidently ‘tame (of animals), familiar to’ (of people). Its form—*ma- + disyllabic root—indicates that it was originally a stative verb, but the glosses of the forms below suggest that it came also to be used of people in the senses ‘quiet, thoughtful, learned’, and then developed the meanings ‘know, understand, think about’ and was also used as an abstract noun. In a number of languages it became the base for a transitive verb. In some languages the original meaning has been lost, but the retention of ‘tame’ as one of its senses in Lau, Are’are, Sa’a, Arosi and Owa attests to something like this series of semantic developments. Reflexes vary in meaning between AWARE and COGITATE.
SES: Lengo  manata  (N) ‘knowledge’
SES: To’aba’ita  manata  (vi) ‘think’; (N) ‘thought, mind’
manata-i-  (vt) ‘think of, about s.t., think (that…)
manatā  ‘thought, idea’
SES: Lau  manata  (v) ‘tame, quiet, civilised, sensible, understanding, think, thoughtful, careful’
manata-  (N) ‘mind, will, understanding’
manata-na, manatā  (N) ‘thought’
SES: Kwaio  manata  ‘think, reason, know’
manate-ʔe wane  ‘a man’s mind’
SES: ’Are’are  manata  ‘be tame (of birds and animals), behave oneself, wise, sensible, learned’
manata-na  (N) ‘disposition, character, nature, custom, behaviour, conduct, knowledge, wisdom’
manata-ʔini-  (vt) ‘know, be aware of, notice’
SES: Sa’a  manata  (vi) ‘tamed, quiet, taught’
manata-ŋa  (N) ‘wisdom, nature, knowledge’
SES: Arosi  manata  ‘tame, trained, gentle (of man or animal)’
manata-si-  ‘be tame towards’
manata-na  (N) ‘custom, use’
SES: Owa  manata  ‘be tame; be familiar to’
manata-si-  (vt) ‘know (s.o.)’

cf. also:

MM: Nehan  manate  ‘know’ (-t- for †h-)

10.4 True and believing to be true

In those Oceanic languages for which there are relevant data, believing something to be true usually differs lexically from OPINE (§10.3) and thus forms a separate semantic frame, here labelled BELIEVE. In most of these languages, the basic BELIEVE predicate is a complex form, either a derived verb or, less commonly, a BPM, involving a stative verb root meaning ‘true, real, genuine, correct, right’, a frame here labelled TRUE. The most widespread derivation is a TRUE verb preceded by the prefix that forms causative verbs, reflecting POc *pa[ka]-. Verbs with this form are listed in Table 24.

From the examples in Table 24 it seems likely that there was a POc believe verb of the form *pa[ka]- + true verb, but its form is uncertain. The glosses of *pa[ka]- + true verbs in the table point to the likelihood that the basic meaning of POc *pa[ka]- + true was ‘verify as true’, and that ‘believe (s.t.) to be true’ was a secondary meaning. Other derivations with a true root are listed in Table 25. The Takia lexeme is a BPM, and the Owa lexeme is a compound derived from a BPM. The Gela, Longgu, Sa’a and Pn forms are evidently compounds derived from SVCs.

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6 In a number of languages for which there are otherwise good data, including Nakanai and Mwotlap, two of our witness languages, BELIEVE terms are not recorded.
It follows from the material in Tables 21 and 22 that the term to be reconstructed is the stative verb for the true frame rather than a believe verb. In other words, this is an instance where the basic lexeme was a stative verb with the stimulus as subject: ‘X is true’ rather than ‘I believe X’.

**Table 24**  
**BELIEVE** verbs formed from the causative prefix + a **TRUE** verb

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<th>PT:</th>
<th>Balawaia</th>
<th>vaya-moyoni ‘believe, agree, confirm’</th>
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<td>MM:</td>
<td>Teop</td>
<td>va-mana-mana ‘believe’</td>
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<td>MM:</td>
<td>Banoni</td>
<td>va-cū ‘believe’</td>
<td>cu</td>
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<td>MM:</td>
<td>Babatana</td>
<td>va-tuna ‘believe’</td>
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<td>MM:</td>
<td>Roviana</td>
<td>va-hinokar-i ‘believe; prove’</td>
<td>hinokara-</td>
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<td>MM:</td>
<td>Marinege</td>
<td>fa-tu-tuani ‘believe’</td>
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<td>SES:</td>
<td>Bugotu</td>
<td>va-utu-utuni ‘believe’</td>
<td>utuni</td>
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<td>SES:</td>
<td>To’aba’ita</td>
<td>faʔa-mamana (vi) ‘be truthful, reveal the truth’</td>
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<td>SES:</td>
<td>Arosi</td>
<td>haʔa-momori ‘believe’</td>
<td>momori</td>
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<td>Fij:</td>
<td>Bauan</td>
<td>vaka-dina-dina ‘confirm, witness’</td>
<td>dina</td>
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<td>Fij:</td>
<td>Wayan</td>
<td>vaka-dī-ni- ‘believe; confirm truth or accuracy of s.t.’</td>
<td>dī</td>
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<td>Pn:</td>
<td>Tongan</td>
<td>faka-moʔoni ‘bear witness, prove, verify’</td>
<td>moʔoni</td>
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<td>Pn:</td>
<td>Niuean</td>
<td>faka-mooli ‘witness, tell truth, prove’</td>
<td>mooli</td>
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<td>Pn:</td>
<td>Rennellese</td>
<td>haka-māʔogi ‘verify as true’</td>
<td>māʔogi</td>
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<td>Pn:</td>
<td>Maori</td>
<td>φaka-pono ‘believe’</td>
<td>pono ‘true; bountiful, abundant’</td>
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| NNG:   | Takia    | ilo- rumok (ilo- ‘insides’)           | rumok ‘truth’ |
| SES:   | Gela     | talu-utuni (talu ‘put’)               | utuni |
| SES:   | Tolo     | t-utuni-                              | utuni |
| SES:   | Longgu   | naʔi-utuni (naʔi ‘put’)               | utuni (borrowed from a Guadalcanal language) |
| SES:   | Sa’a     | hī-walaʔimoli (hī ‘perceive’)         | walaʔimoli |
The most widely reflected true verb is POc *tuna (sometimes *tutuna) ‘true, genuine, correct’.

POc *tutuna ‘true, able to be believed, correct’

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<th>NNG: Lukep (Pono)</th>
<th>tun</th>
<th>‘correct’</th>
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<td>PT: Misima</td>
<td>tano(hot)</td>
<td>‘that’s true; yes’ (hot emphatic)</td>
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<td>MM: Patpatar</td>
<td>tun</td>
<td>‘true, faithful, responsible, real in form or appearance’</td>
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<tr>
<td>MM: Ramoaaina</td>
<td>(li)tna-tuna</td>
<td>‘true; truth’</td>
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<tr>
<td>MM: Tolai</td>
<td>tana</td>
<td>‘real, true, proper, correct’</td>
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<tr>
<td>MM: Babatana</td>
<td>tana</td>
<td>‘true, real’</td>
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<tr>
<td>SES: Arosi</td>
<td>(hu)una</td>
<td>‘real, true, original’</td>
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It is tempting to combine the set below with the set above. All the forms above could reflect putative *tuquna, with regular loss of *-q- and shortening of resulting *-uu-. However, none of the forms below would be regular reflexes, as they fail to reflect either *-a or *-na as predicted by regular sound change. Either the formal similarity between *tuna and *(t,d)uqu is accidental, or they were associated at some point in their history by an unknown derivational process.

POc *(t,d)uqu ‘true, able to be believed’

| Adm: Nyindrou | (ha)du | ‘true; very, really’ (reflects *d-) |
| NNG: Dami | tuku | ‘true, innocent’ |
| MM: Banoni | cu | ‘true’ |
| NCa: Cemuhí | ju, jü | ‘true’ (reflects *d-) |
| Fij: Wayan | dū | ‘right, correct, genuine, real, true’ (reflects *d-) |

Overlapping semantically with the true frame is the straight frame, as Oceanic verbs meaning ‘straight’ tend strongly also to have the metaphorical sense ‘correct’, a component of the true frame. Some reflexes of POc *tomuq ‘straight, correct’ have the additional sense ‘true’, and it seems possible that contamination by reflexes of *tuna has occurred, resulting in forms that appear to reflect †*tomuq rather than *tomuq. On the strength of Nokuku ta-tino ‘true’ and Kiai tu-
tunu ‘good, straight, sweet’ below, all the NCV forms have been attributed to *tunuq, but some may either reflect *tuna above or a contamination of one form by the other.

POc *tonuq ‘straight, correct’?

NNG: Bam tun-tunu ‘straight’
NNG: Numbami tonowa ‘straight’
PT: Kukuya tumya ‘straight’
PT: Iduna tumu-tumya(ina) ‘do right, be righteous’
PT: Molima tumu-tumv(ina) ‘straight, flat’
MM: Laghu to-tonu ‘straight’
NCV: Nokuku ta-tino ‘true’
NCV: Kiái tu-tunu ‘good, straight, sweet’
NCV: Uripiv (were)tun ‘tell truth’
NCV: W Ambrym ten ‘real’
NCV: SE Ambrym (re)tin ‘true’
NCV: Lonwolwol ten (fiten ‘true; truly’
NCV: N Ambrym (fe)tn ‘true; truly’
NCV: Paamese tine ‘true’
NCV: Avava (ba)rín ‘true’

PPhn *tonu ‘straight, correct’ (POLLEX)

Ph: Tongan tonu ‘exact, correct, be right’
Ph: Niuean tonu ‘proper, right’
Ph: Samoan tonu ‘exact, correct, just’
Ph: Tuvaluan tonu ‘straight, correct’
Ph: Mele-Fila tô-tonu ‘right, correct’
Ph: Tikopia tonu ‘right, correct, true, exact’

cf. also:

NNG: Mangap du-dün ‘real, correct, straight’
NNG: Malai dunu(ŋa) ‘straight’
SES: Bugotu jino ‘straight, right, righteous’ (-i- for †-u-)
NCV: Mota mun ‘true, truth’
SV: Kwamera a-tuon verbal adjunct: implies straightening
Fij: Bauan donu ‘straight, correct, true’
Fij: Wayan donu ‘right, correct, true’

Several forms with initial *m- meaning ‘true’ can be reconstructed. The reason is perhaps that each has its origins in a form with the PMP anticausative/stative prefix *ma-. This is certainly true of reflexes of POc *ma-goli and *ma-goni, both ‘true, real’. Despite their formal

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7 In vol.2:212, *[t̚d]onu(p) ‘straight’ was reconstructed. The PT reflexes now show that the final consonant was *-q. Reflexes of initial *t- and *d- both occur, and the latter are listed under ‘cf. also’. They give grounds for reconstructing a POc doublet *donuq ‘straight, correct’. How it arose is unknown, but *d was the least frequently occurring of all the POc obstruents, reflecting an earlier *nt sequence.
and semantic similarity, they appear to have been separate POc terms. Their similarity has almost certainly led to crossovers in meaning and to conflation of the two terms, as apparently no language other than Anutan reflects both—and the gloss of Anutan maori ‘indigenous, true, close of kin’ suggests it is borrowed from an EPn language. No EPn language has a reflex of *ma-qoni. PEPn *ma-qoni acquired the additional sense ‘native, indigenous’, giving rise to the terms Māori and Mōri for the Polynesian inhabitants of New Zealand and New Zealand’s Chatham Islands respectively.

Perhaps the clearest indicator that the terms originally had slightly different meanings is the contrast in meaning between the PPN causatives PPN *faka-moqoli ‘assent (v)’ and PPN *faka-maqoni ‘tell the truth, be honest’.

There is evidence that Gela, Lau and S Efate reflexes (shown under ‘cf. also’ below) of POc *ma-qoli ‘true, real’ have been conflated with those of POc *maqurip ‘be alive, live, flourish’ (§4.2.1.1). All three reflect POc *-r- rather than *-l-, and the Gela and Lau reflexes mean ‘alive’ as well as ‘real’.

POc *ma-goli ‘true, able to be believed’

| MM: Bola | mayoli | ‘true’ |
| SES: ’Are are | (wara-ʔ)mori | ‘true’ (wara ‘speech’) |
| SES: Arosi | mori, mo-mori | ‘true’ |
| | haʔa-momori | ‘believe’ |

PPN *maqoli ‘true, real’ (POLLEX)

| Pn: Niuean | mooli | ‘true, sure’ |
| Pn: Anutan | māori | ‘indigenous, true, close of kin’ (EPn loan?) |
| Pn: Emac | māri | ‘true, indeed, truth’ |
| Pn: Ifira-Mele | māori | ‘true, real’ |
| Pn: Pileni | maoli | ‘true; tell the truth’ |
| Pn: Rennellese | māʔogi | ‘right, true, real; exist’ |
| Pn: Tikopia | māori | ‘true, truth; feel sure of’ |
| Pn: W Futunan | mari | ‘true, truth, indeed’ |

PEPN *maoli ‘true, genuine; native, indigenous’

| Pn: Rapanui | maʔori | ‘skilled, old’ |
| Pn: Hawaiian | maoli | ‘true, real, native, indigenous’ |
| Pn: Marquesan | maʔi | ‘indigenous’ |
| Pn: Tahitian | māohi | ‘native, indigenous’ (-h- unexpected) |
| Pn: Tongarevan | māori | ‘local, aboriginal, traditional’ |
| Pn: Tuamotuan | maori | ‘indigenous’ |
| Pn: Rarotongan | māori | ‘of native origin, indigenous’ |
| Pn: Māori | māori | ‘indigenous, natural; mortal man as opposed to supernatural beings; fresh (of water)’ |
| | | |
| Pn: Moriori | mōri-ori | ‘indigenous people of the Chatham Islands’ |

cf. also:

| SES: Gela | māori | ‘living, real’ |
| SES: Lau | mori | ‘alive, real’ |
| NCV: S Efate | mori | ‘true’ |
POc *ma-qoni ‘true, real’

MM: Balawaia moyoni ‘true’

PPn *maqoni ‘true, real’ (POLLEX)

Pn: Tongan mo/doni ‘true, genuine, real, intrinsic’
Pn: Samoan moni ‘true, speak truth’
Pn: Anutan moni ‘true, as opposed to a lie’
Pn: Sikaiiana māoni ‘true, genuine’
Pn: Takuu maoni ‘true, real’
Pn: Tokelauan moni ‘true, sincere, honest’

PEMP *molay ‘true, real, genuine’ has just one known non-Oceanic reflex, Buli molay ‘correct, real, genuine, true’ (ACD).

POc *molaŋ ‘true, real, genuine’ (ACD)

POc *molay ‘true, real, genuine’

NNG: Lukep (Pono) mōl-mōl ‘true’

MM: Nakanai imo-imola ‘talk that is true; the truth’ (i- unexplained)

SES: Lau mola ‘true, real, abundant’
SES: Arosi mora ‘original, true, real; customary’
SES: Owa mʷora ‘true, real’
Mic: Marshallese mʷōl ‘true’

The question mark against POc *moqi below refers to its form. If Takia mok is indeed a reflex, then medial *q- should be reconstructed.

POc *moqi ? ‘true’

NNG: Takia mok ‘true, real; very, truly’
NNG: Dami mo-moi ‘true’
NNG: Manam moi-moi ‘true’
PT: Tawala moi- ‘true’
SS: Arosi moi ‘true’

A small number of forms meaning ‘true’, all Northwest or Southeast Solomonic, reflect a root *mana. It is tempting to associate these with POc *mʷane ‘straight, direct; flat, level’ (Vol. 2:213), and this is probably the origin of Gela mae-mane ‘correct’ below. However, neither forms nor meaning otherwise support this association. It is possible that these forms are cognate with PPn *mana ‘supernatural power’ (POLLEX) and reflect the term that Blust (ACD) reconstructs as POc *mana ‘power in natural phenomena; thunder, storm wind’. However, the glosses below suggest (i) that *mana/*ma-mana was a homophone of Blust’s reconstruction, and (ii) that the Simbo and Lau reflexes below reflect a conflation of Blust’s POc *mana

8 In his dictionary of Arosi Fox (1978) takes moi ‘true’ to be an ‘abbreviated’ form of mori ‘true’ (under *maqurip above), but this is not a regular phonological process in the language.

9 In vol.2 this form was reconstructed as *mʷane-mʷane, but the reduplication is not justified by the data.
‘power…’ and *mana ‘true’. Since all reflexes of the latter are located in the Solomons archipelago, it is difficult to know which interstage it should be attributed to.

MM: Nehan mana ‘true’
MM: Halia mana ‘true’
MM: Teop mana ‘truth, meaning’
(va)mana-manana ‘believe’
MM: Simbo mana ‘true; powerful, potent, effective; gracious; to grant, be favourable; power’
SES: Ghari mana ‘truth, true, correct’
SES: To’aba’ita ma-mana ‘true, real’
(fa)ma-mamane- ‘believe’
SES: Lau ma-mana ‘efficacious; be true, come true, be fulfilled’
cf. also:
SES: Gela mae-mane ‘correct’

The set below deserves mention because of its frequent occurrence in Table 25. It is restricted to SES languages, and there seems to be no consistent semantic difference between forms with and without *-ni.

PSES *utu, *utuni ‘true’

SES: Bugotu [t]utuni ‘true’
(va)utuni-utuni ‘believe’
SES: Gela utu ‘true’
utuni ‘certainly, truly, right’
(talu)utuni ‘believe’ (talu ‘put’)
SES: Tolo utuni ‘true, correct’
(t)utuni ‘believe’
SES: Longgu utuni ‘true’ (borrowing)
(naʔi)utuni ‘believe’ (naʔi ‘put’)
SES: Arosi ū ‘true, real’
cf. also:
SES: Longgu ūdua ‘true’

Finally, the small set below has a curious distribution. Reflexes of PMP *bener occur in Western MP languages, but none are known in Oceanic outside Eastern Polynesian.

PMP *bener ‘true, righteous, honest’ (ACD)
POc *bono(r) ‘true, correct’
PPn *pono ‘true, correct’ (POLLEX)

Pn: Maori pono ‘true; hospitable, bountiful; abundant; means, chattels, abundance’
φaka-pono ‘believe, admit as true’
Pn: Marquesan pono ‘correct, proper, well done’
Pn: Hawaiian pono ‘correct procedure, correctness’
10.5 Remembering

Probably all Oceanic languages have terms for **memorise** (‘commit s.t. to memory’) and for **recall** (‘remember s.t. /that…’), but these terms are usually complex lexemes, (§10.1). The glosses of their components are given henceforth in square brackets. Table 26 sets out terms for the two semantic frames in the four witness languages.

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<th>MEMORISE</th>
<th>RECALL</th>
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<td>‘commit (s.t.) to memory’</td>
<td>‘remember (s.t. /that …)’</td>
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<td>Nakanai</td>
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<td>*mata-toro [look-strong]</td>
<td>*hilu-tavu [see-towards]</td>
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<tr>
<td>To’aba’ita</td>
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<td>*manata oli uri- [think back about]</td>
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<tr>
<td>Mwotlap</td>
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<tr>
<td>*katoni- ‘put in box’</td>
<td>*numi-leu-ni- [think-back-TR],</td>
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<tr>
<td>*bolani- ‘put in basket’</td>
<td>*divi- ‘daydream, remember longingly’</td>
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The absence of **memorise** lexemes in Mwotlap and To’aba’ita typifies their absence from many dictionaries. The data are so sparse that they will not be further considered here. The Wayan verbs are simple metaphors: *katoni- is derived from *kato ‘container with lid’ and *bolani- from *bola ‘coconut leaf basket, container with lid’.

The default POc **recall** verb was apparently *nonom, *nanam ‘think about s.t., remember s.t.’, reconstructed in §10.3. It encoded both **recall** and **cogitate** frames. The only simple **recall** verb in Table 26 is the Wayan verb *divi- ‘daydream, remember longingly’, but this includes the additional sense of longing, quite common in **recall** verbs in Oceanic languages.

The remaining **recall** terms in Table 26 are complex lexemes, and three of them begin with the language’s default **cogitate** verb. In this they are typical of Oceanic **recall** terms outside Polynesia. It is possible that, for example, the ‘think + find’ sequence immediately below is of POc antiquity, but the data do not allow us to reconstruct the forms that occurred in this and other complex lexemes.

An effect of employing complex lexemes is that they may encode more specific meanings than English usually encodes with **remember**. Thus one sense of **remember**, as in ‘He managed to **remember** the address’, views remembering as finding a piece of information in one’s memory after a search, encoded by a SVC ‘think + find’:

<table>
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<th>PT: Dobu</th>
<th>SES: Kwaio</th>
<th>NCV: Mota</th>
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<td>*nua loba</td>
<td>*manata dalia</td>
<td>*nom suar</td>
<td>*dem sa</td>
<td>*mudem sāli</td>
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These data imply the existence of a compound lexeme meaning ‘search one’s memory for s.t.’, and examples occur, but sometimes with rather vague glosses. Here and below, languages around the Vitiaz Strait replace ‘think’ or ‘mind’ with ‘eye’, giving a BPM.
Remembering in the sense of casting one’s mind back, recalling and recollecting is often expressed by the sequence ‘think + go back’ or sometimes ‘think again’. Note below that Iduna has two syntactically different variants of the same expression. In one, *nua-* ‘mind’, a monovalent noun, is subject of the verb *-nauye-* ‘go back’. The other is a compound verb made up of the same morphemes.

**NNG:** Mangap *mata-i-miili* [eye- s:3sg-go. back] ‘remember again’
**PT:** Dobu *nua-ila* [mind go. back] ‘think of the past, reminisce’
**PT:** Iduna *nua-gi-mu-nauye-* [mind- s:3sg-redup-go. back-] ‘remember, call to mind, think about’

**PT:** Tawala *nugo-gae* [think-go. up] ‘remember, recall’
**MM:** Patpatar *lik leh* [think go. towards] ‘remember’
**MM:** Tolai *nuk-mule* [mind again] ‘remember, recall to mind’
**MM:** Nehan *namana poluku* [think again] ‘remember again, recall to mind’
**MM:** Tinputz *nat hah* [know again] ‘remember’

**SES:** Gela *ganagana oli* [think-go. back] ‘remember’
**SES:** Tolo *pada-visu-* [think-go. back-] ‘remember’
**SES:** To’aba’ita *manata oli urin-* [think go. back toward-] ‘think back to’

**NCV:** Mota *nom-kel* [think back] ‘call to mind, remember’
**NCV:** Mwotlap *dem lok* [think again] ‘remember’
**Fij:** Wayan *numi-lesu-ni-* [think-back-TR] ‘recall or think back on s.t.’

Remembering in the **memorise** sense of holding something in one’s memory is expressed in a number of WOc languages by the sequence ‘think + hold’, or in Nehan by a simple ‘hold’ metaphor.

**NNG:** Kove *mata-xu vara* [eye-my hold. tight] ‘I think of s.t., remember s.t.’
**PT:** Gumawana *nuo-kavata* [think hold] (vi) ‘remember’
**PT:** Dobu *nuo-yai* [think-hold. firmly] ‘remember’
**PT:** Kukuya *nuo vi-avini* [think s:3sg-hold] ‘remember s.o., s.t.’
**MM:** Nehan *sana dede* [hold continually] ‘remember well’

Much the same concept is occasionally expressed by a ‘think + stay’ sequence:

**PT:** Balawaia *tuyamayi-tayo* [think-sit.quietly] ‘remember, think of’
**MM:** Patpatar *lik kawase* [think wait] ‘remember’
In many Oceanic languages, serialisation and compounding have remained productive, and there are complex lexemes that appear to be quite localised:

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<td>NNG: Mangap</td>
<td>mata-ɪ-nal</td>
<td>[eye-s:3sg-pierce] ‘think of, remember’</td>
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<td>NNG: Tuam</td>
<td>mata i-ᵑgal</td>
<td>[eye s:3sg-pierce] ‘remember’</td>
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<td>PT: Gumawana</td>
<td>nua-isi</td>
<td>[think-break] ‘remember s.t.’</td>
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<tr>
<td>PT: Iduna</td>
<td>nua-ᵑfole-</td>
<td>[mind- -pierce] ‘remember, recall’</td>
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<td>PT: Tawala</td>
<td>nugo-momota</td>
<td>[think-pull. tight] ‘remember, hold in the heart’</td>
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<td>MM: Nakanai</td>
<td>hilo-tavu</td>
<td>[see-towards] ‘remember’</td>
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<td>NCV: Paamese</td>
<td>mudem silati</td>
<td>[think come. across. by. chance] ‘suddenly recall’</td>
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### 10.6 Forgetting

Like terms for *recall*, many terms for forgetting are complex lexemes, the first component of which is either the default *cogitate* verb or the body-part noun that the language uses for ‘mind’. The second component is a verb, the meanings of which are in several instances quite widespread. There are dozens of combinations in the data. A geographically well distributed combination is ‘think/mind’ + ‘lose’.

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<td>Adm: Nyindrou</td>
<td>bale-mani</td>
<td>[neck lose] ‘forget, lose’</td>
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<tr>
<td>NNG: Bariai</td>
<td>mata-sapid</td>
<td>[eye lose] ‘forget’</td>
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<tr>
<td>PT: Balawaia</td>
<td>tuya-rekwa</td>
<td>[think-lose] (vt) ‘forget’</td>
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<tr>
<td>MM: Patpatar</td>
<td>lik luben se</td>
<td>[think lose] ‘forget’</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>NCV: Lonwolwol</td>
<td>nɔ̄r helale</td>
<td>[think lose] ‘forget’</td>
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Another is ‘think/mind’ + ‘short’, where ‘short’ is apparently used metaphorically for ‘lacking’. The two terms below are from the opposite geographic extremes of MM.

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<td>MM: Poeng</td>
<td>lau pogo</td>
<td>[liver:my be.short] ‘forget’</td>
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<tr>
<td>MM: Maringe</td>
<td>yado kmoʔe</td>
<td>[think be.short] ‘forget’</td>
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The existence of a verb meaning ‘not know’ in many Oceanic languages was noted in §10.2. It figures as the second component of the following lexemes.

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<td>ilo-ŋaŋ</td>
<td>[inside- -not know] ‘forget’</td>
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<tr>
<td>PT: lamalele</td>
<td>nua-fami</td>
<td>[think-not know] ‘forget’</td>
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<td>MM: Maringe</td>
<td>yado iho</td>
<td>[think not know] ‘forget’</td>
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<tr>
<td>SES: To’aba’ita</td>
<td>lio-dorā</td>
<td>[look-not know]’forget (about’).</td>
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<tr>
<td>SES: Kwaio</td>
<td>maa-bolosia</td>
<td>[eye-not know] ‘forget’</td>
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A number of complex lexemes glossed ‘forget’ have a verb meaning ‘leave, go away’ as one of their components, usually the second. However, some of these have glosses—‘abandon’, ‘leave behind’—that imply a conscious choice to forget.
Adm: Baluan  
MM: Nakana  
MM: Maringe  
NCV: Mwotlap  
Fij: Wayan  
Clark (2009:130) reconstructs a PNCV BPM *lolo- boni [mind night] ‘forget’, and infers that one component or the other has been replaced in various languages. He may well be right, but a more conservative inference is that a complex lexeme ‘mind’ + ‘night’ was present in early EOc. The terms for ‘night’ reflect either POc *rodrom ‘be dark, be night’ or POc *boni ‘night’ (vol.2:295–298). In some languages this BPM also has the sense ‘be ignorant’ (§11.3.4.1).
10.7 Deciding

The gloss ‘decide’ is rare in dictionaries of Oceanic languages, implying that deciding is not an Oceanic concept. One reason for this is that major decisions are traditionally made by consensus, for which—if one digs far enough—a term can be found. Its meaning, though, often includes the foregoing discussion as well as the decision.

NNG: Takia awa- -tumani [mouth confer] ‘agree, decide together, come to consensus, take counsel (with each other)’

NNG: Mapos Buang jō oagek [tie.knot speech] ‘decide, agree, to finish a discussion and come to a conclusion’

MM: Nehan uel-halata [recip-discuss] ‘decide; discuss, decide together’

Fij: Wayan boseti- ‘confer about s.t., meet to discuss or decide on s.t.’

No reconstruction can be made, and no consistent BPM pattern has been found.

On the rather rare occasions that one finds a term that appears to denote individual decision-making, it typically also includes either a reference to planning or to choosing. Indeed, the gloss ‘plan’ occurs rather more frequently than ‘decide’, but again no reconstruction is possible. ‘Choosing’, on the other hand, is clearly an Oceanic concept, and a verb can be reconstructed (§10.10).

When one searches a dictionary for ‘decide’, the gloss ‘undecided’ frequently turns up, and this is the topic of the next section.

10.8 Being undecided, of two minds

The English idioms ‘be of two minds’ (this section) and ‘be of one mind’ (§10.9) translate as semantically similar BPMs in Oceanic languages.

Numerous expressions in Oceanic languages for ‘be undecided’ translate roughly as ‘be of two minds’. Expressions for ‘be undecided’ have been found in three of the four witness languages, and examples are given in Table 27.

The Nakanai example and the first To’aba’ita example are BPMs, with a body-part as subject and ‘two’ as predicate. The second To’aba’ita example is a compound verb, ‘mind’ + ‘two’, presumably derived from a BPM. The Wayan example also appears to be a BPM-derived compound, but here ‘two’ is replaced by ‘entangled (with weeds)’.
## Predicates of indecision in three witness languages

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<td>Naknai</td>
<td>la-gabutatala ilua ART-thoughts two</td>
<td>‘Thoughts are two.’</td>
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<tr>
<td>To’aba’ita</td>
<td>manata-ku e=ruarua mind-my it=two</td>
<td>‘My mind is two.’</td>
</tr>
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<td></td>
<td>nau ku=manata-ruarua, I I=mind-two</td>
<td>‘I (am) two minds.’</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Wayan</td>
<td>s/he lenalenē-rau thinking-entangled</td>
<td>‘S/he (has) entangled thoughts.’</td>
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BPMs that are semantically similar to the top three examples in Table 27 are widespread in Oceanic languages (but seemingly infrequent in Vanuatu), and such a metaphor almost certainly occurred in POc.

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<td>lo-ru</td>
<td>[insides two] ‘be undecided’</td>
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<td>NNG: Takia</td>
<td>lo-ulalu</td>
<td>[insides two] ‘doubt, uncertain, unsure’</td>
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<td>NNG: Yabem</td>
<td>tta? lulu</td>
<td>[belly.his twofold] ‘be in doubt’</td>
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<tr>
<td>NNG: Numbami</td>
<td>tae-hualua</td>
<td>[guts-two] ‘doubt, be of two minds’</td>
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<td>NNG: Buang</td>
<td>k-a lū</td>
<td>[throats two] ‘undecided, doubtful’</td>
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<td>ayo lū lū</td>
<td>[feelings two two] ‘undecided, doubtful’</td>
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<tr>
<td>NNG: Manam</td>
<td>ilo-i-raa-raa</td>
<td>[insides- 3sg-two-two] ‘doubtful, undecided, hesitating’</td>
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<tr>
<td>PT: Dobu</td>
<td>(e)nuana-hua</td>
<td>[two-minds] ‘doubt’</td>
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<td>PT: Iamalele</td>
<td>-nuana-huya</td>
<td>[-mind-two] (vi) ‘undecided’</td>
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<tr>
<td>PT: Iduna</td>
<td>-nuana-huya</td>
<td>[-mind-two] (vi) ‘doubleminded, undecided’</td>
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<td>PT: Tawala</td>
<td>mango-huaga</td>
<td>[mind-twofold] (vi) ‘confused, hesitant, undecided between two courses of action’</td>
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<td>PT: Misima</td>
<td>nua-elelua</td>
<td>[mind-twofold] ‘undecided’</td>
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<td>MM: Nakanai</td>
<td>la-gabutatula ilua ART-thoughts two</td>
<td>[two minds, undecided]</td>
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<tr>
<td>MM: Patpatar</td>
<td>i-riru līlik</td>
<td>[be two thought] ‘doubt’</td>
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<tr>
<td>MM: Sursurunga</td>
<td>ru i kon hol</td>
<td>[two in her/his thought] ‘doubt’</td>
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<tr>
<td>SES: Bugotu</td>
<td>gāgana ruarua</td>
<td>[thought two] ‘doubt, be undecided’</td>
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<tr>
<td>SES: Sa’a</td>
<td>sae ruarua?a</td>
<td>[liver twofold] ‘doubt’</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>SES: Lau</td>
<td>ro si liö</td>
<td>[two of voice] ‘undecided, double-minded’</td>
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<td>SES: ’Are’are</td>
<td>manata-ruarua</td>
<td>[mind two] ‘doubt’</td>
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<tr>
<td>SES: To’aba’ita</td>
<td>manata-ruarua</td>
<td>[mind-two] ‘be undecided, of two minds’</td>
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<tr>
<td>SES: Arosi</td>
<td>ahu-ruarua</td>
<td>[mind-two] ‘be in two minds’</td>
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<tr>
<td>SES: Owa</td>
<td>taka ruarua</td>
<td>[mind two] ‘doubt’</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>NCV: Mota</td>
<td>nom-ruarua</td>
<td>[mind-two] ‘be in two minds, hesitate, doubt’</td>
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<tr>
<td>Mic: Kiribati</td>
<td>nano-uoua</td>
<td>[mind-two] (N) ‘doubt, perplexity’</td>
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</table>
Fij: Bauan  lomaloma-rua  [insides-two]  (N) ‘hesitation’
lomaloma-rua-taka  [insides-two-APPLICATIVE]  ‘be in doubt about’

Pn: Tongan  loto-loto-ua  [inside-inside-two]  ‘of two minds, undecided’
Pn: Samoan  faíta-lotu-lotu-lua  [CAUS-inside-inside-two]  ‘indecisive’
Pn: E Uvean  faka-loto-loto-lua  [CAUS-inside-inside-two]  ‘hesitant’
Pn: Rarotongan  nākau rua  [guts two]  ‘of two minds’

If by inference the POc body part in this context was *lalom ‘insides’ (§9.4), then the POc BPM *lalo- rua-rua is a plausible reconstruction.

In a few languages a reduplicated reflex of POc *rua ‘two’ with the sense ‘twofold’ serves alone as ‘of two minds’.

Mic: Carolinian  riari  [twofold]  ‘be undecided, in doubt, of two minds’
Fij: Rotuman  ararua  [twofold]  ‘(habitually) indecisive’

Occasionally the BPM turns up with ‘many’ instead of ‘two’, indicating that in some languages at least the metaphor remained productive.

NNG: Takia  ilo-wei  [insides- many]  ‘be in doubt’
PT: Dobu  (e)muana-yauna  [mind many]  ‘be undecided’
Mic: Kiribati  nano koraki  [insides crowd]  ‘indecision’
      nano maiti  [insides many]  ‘perplexed’

10.9 Agreeing, being of one mind

Metaphors for ‘agree, reach consensus, be unanimous’ fall into two patterns. The first roughly translates ‘be of one mind’. Its POc form may well have been parallel to that of POc *lalo- rua-rua ‘be of two minds’ (§10.8), but its reconstruction is obstructed by the fact that several POc forms for ‘one’ can be reconstructed (Lynch, Ross & Crowley 2002:72), and their distribution is not yet well enough understood to infer which form probably occurred in this BPM.

NNG: Takia  ilo-kisaek  [insides one]  ‘be of one mind, agree’
PT: Iduna  ve?a-muwanwu-sae?ya- [RECIP-mind-one-]  ‘be of one mind with (s.o.)’
PT: Kiriwina  nina-tala  [mind-one]  ‘be of one mind’
PT: Motu  lalo- tamona  [insides one]  ‘agree’
SES: Bugotu  lio-sikei  [mind one]  ‘of one mind, decided; resolute’
Mic: Carolinian  tipi-yew  (vi) [one neck]  ‘be of one mind, agree’
Pn: Tongan  loto-taha  [insides-one]  ‘unanimous, of one mind’
Pn: Rennellese  goto tasi  [insides one]  ‘agree’

Other languages employ a variety of complex lexemes meaning ‘mind together’ or ‘speak together’.
10.10 Choosing

Choosing is a cognitive act, but it is one that has visible physical consequences, and it is perhaps for this reason that a POc etymon, *piliq (vi), *piliq-i- (vt) ‘choose, select, pick out’, has enjoyed considerable continuity and relatively little replacement.

PAN *piliq ‘choose, select, pick out’ (ACD)

POc *piliq (vi), *piliq-i- (vt) ‘choose, select, pick out’

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<td>pili-an-</td>
<td>‘mark out, select, choose, pick up, deal out’</td>
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<td>PT: Gapapaiwa</td>
<td>vine</td>
<td>‘choose’</td>
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<td>PT: Tawala</td>
<td>win(agana)</td>
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<td>PT: Dawawa</td>
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<td>‘choose’</td>
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<td>PT: Misima</td>
<td>hili</td>
<td>‘choose (piece of material)’</td>
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<td>PT: Balawaia</td>
<td>viriy-i</td>
<td>‘choose’</td>
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<td>MM: Sursurunga</td>
<td>pilok</td>
<td>‘choose’</td>
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<td>pilak</td>
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<td>SES: Bugotu</td>
<td>vili</td>
<td>‘choose’</td>
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<td>SES: Gela</td>
<td>vili</td>
<td>‘choose, select; give a judgment’</td>
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<td>SES: Longgu</td>
<td>vili-s-ia</td>
<td>‘be chosen’</td>
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<td>SES: Lau</td>
<td>hili</td>
<td>‘choose for one’s own, desire and take’</td>
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<td>SES: ‘Are’are</td>
<td>hiri-si-</td>
<td>‘pick, choose’</td>
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<td>NCV: Lonwolwol</td>
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PMic *fili ‘choose’ (Bender et al. 2003)

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<td>‘choose, select; appoint’</td>
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<td>‘choose, select’</td>
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<td>Mic: Woleanian</td>
<td>f-firi</td>
<td>‘choose, pick up, decide, select’</td>
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<td>Mic: Ponapean</td>
<td>pil</td>
<td>‘choose, pick out, select’</td>
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<td>Mic: Mokilese</td>
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Fij: Rotuman 
\[ hili \] ‘pick out, choose, select’

Fij: Wayan 
\[ vili- \] ‘pick up (s.t.)’

Fij: Fijian 
\[ vili \] ‘pick up scattered things, as fallen leaves or fruits’

PMic \[ *fili \] ‘choose’ (POLLEX)

Pn: Tongan 
\[ fili \] ‘choose, pick out, cull, select’

Pn: Niue 
\[ fi-fili \] ‘choose, select’

Pn: Futunan 
\[ fili \] ‘choose’

Pn: Samoan 
\[ fili \] ‘choose’

Pn: K’marangi 
\[ hili \] ‘choose, select; choice’

Pn: Nukuoro 
\[ hili \] ‘pick from among several, choose; be choosy’

Pn: Rennellese 
\[ higi \] ‘choose, select; be choosy, selective’

Pn: Rarotongan 
\[ iri \] ‘select, choose, pick out, name’

Pn: Maori 
\[ φiri \] ‘select, choose’

10.11 Learning and teaching

To teach someone something is to cause them to learn it, and the learner then either knows what has been taught or knows how to do something. This causative relationship is explicit in many Oceanic languages. Occasionally it is expressed simply by using the same transitive verb for learning something and teaching something, as in the instances below:

SES: Tolo 
\[ sasani- \] ‘learn, educate, instruct’ (cf. \[ sasani (vi) \] ‘learn, go to school’)

SES: To’aba’ita 
\[ toʔo- \] ‘learn s.t.; teach s.o. s.t.’

Fij: Wayan 
\[ vuli-ði- \] ‘study, learn s.t., teach s.o.’ (\[ vuli (vi) \] ‘study, learn’)

Pn: Samoan 
\[ aʔo \] ‘learn, teach, train’

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Verbs of teaching formed with a causative prefix

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<th>pa-oatai</th>
<th>‘teach’</th>
<th>oatai</th>
<th>‘know, possess knowledge’</th>
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<td>NNG:</td>
<td>Bariai</td>
<td>pa-nanale</td>
<td>‘teach’</td>
<td>nanale</td>
<td>‘learn; be accustomed to, get used to’</td>
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<td>NNG:</td>
<td>Mangap</td>
<td>-pa-kilaala</td>
<td>‘teach, help to understand’</td>
<td>kilaala</td>
<td>‘know well, be aware, understand’</td>
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<td>NNG:</td>
<td>Mangap</td>
<td>pa-ute</td>
<td>‘teach’</td>
<td>-ute</td>
<td>‘know, know how to’</td>
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<td>PT:</td>
<td>Dobu</td>
<td>e-ʔita</td>
<td>‘teach, show, train’</td>
<td>ʔita</td>
<td>‘see, look’</td>
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<td>PT:</td>
<td>Misima</td>
<td>a-aten</td>
<td>‘teach’</td>
<td>ate(na)</td>
<td>‘know, understand’</td>
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<td>PT:</td>
<td>Balawaia</td>
<td>vaya-riba</td>
<td>‘teach, inform’</td>
<td>riba</td>
<td>‘know’</td>
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<td>PT:</td>
<td>Motu</td>
<td>ha-diba-aia</td>
<td>‘teach, learn’</td>
<td>diba</td>
<td>‘know, understand’</td>
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<td>MM:</td>
<td>Ramoaaina</td>
<td>wer</td>
<td>‘teach’</td>
<td>wa-wer</td>
<td>‘learn; teach’</td>
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<td>MM:</td>
<td>Halia</td>
<td>h-atatei</td>
<td>‘learn, begin to know’</td>
<td>atei</td>
<td>‘know’</td>
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<td>SES:</td>
<td>’Are’are</td>
<td>haʔa-usuri-</td>
<td>‘teach, instruct’</td>
<td>usuri-</td>
<td>‘follow, copy, imitate’</td>
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<td>SES:</td>
<td>Kwaio</td>
<td>faʔamanatā</td>
<td>‘teach, advise’</td>
<td>manata</td>
<td>‘think, reason, know’</td>
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<td>SES:</td>
<td>Owa</td>
<td>faga-usuri</td>
<td>‘teach s.o.’</td>
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<td>‘imitate s.o.’</td>
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<td>Mic:</td>
<td>Carolinian</td>
<td>a-xulē-y</td>
<td>‘teach (s.o.)’</td>
<td>xule</td>
<td>‘learn, know’</td>
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<td>Fij:</td>
<td>Bauan</td>
<td>vaka-vuli-ði-</td>
<td>‘teach a person s.t., make s.o. learn s.t.’</td>
<td>vuli-ði-</td>
<td>‘study, learn s.t., teach s.o.’</td>
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POc *towa (vi) ‘imitate, learn by imitation’, *towa-(a)kini- (vt) ‘learn (s.t.) by imitation’

Adm:  
Lou: to-ek | ‘show’  
Lou: to-to-ek | ‘show how’  
Adm: Baluan: tou-ek | ‘show; teach’  
NNG: Manam: to | ‘learn’  
NNG: Manam: to-aka | ‘imitate, copy, mimic, mock’  
NNG: Sio: towo | ‘demonstrate; show how’  
PT: Gumawana: va-to-towa-na | ‘imitate’  
PT: Bunama: he-to-towa-ne | ‘copy, imitate’  
PT: Dobu: e-to-towa-na | ‘copy, mimic, imitate’  
MM: Bola: tovo | ‘learn’  
NCV: Paamese: te-toho-ni | ‘imitate, copy’  
NCV: Lewo: tou-towo (vi) ‘measure, imitate’  
NCV: Lewo: tou-tou-ni (vt) ‘measure, imitate’

At first sight, the set below appears to reflect the POc root *usuri, but the Ramoaaina and Nehan reflexes suggest that formal reconstruction is more complicated. The Nehan root sairi contains no internal -u-. The fact that NW Solomonic languages lose -w-. but not -u-, suggests that sairi reflects usaviri (with unpredicted loss of initial u-). Ramoaaina loses -s-, and its
expected reflex of *usuri would be †ūr, rather than actual wer, which also attests to the presence of *-w- followed by an unrounded vowel.

POc *usuri or *usawiri ‘imitate’; *pa[ka]-usuri or *pa[ka]-usawiri ‘teach, pass on’

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<td>ha-usur</td>
<td>(vt) ‘teach’</td>
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<td>MM: Ramoaaina</td>
<td>wer</td>
<td>‘teach’</td>
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<td>MM: Nehan</td>
<td>wa-wer</td>
<td>‘learn; teach’</td>
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<td>SES: Longgu</td>
<td>(gere)usuli-</td>
<td>‘copy writing’</td>
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<td>SES: Lau</td>
<td>usuli-</td>
<td>‘copy; take after, resemble’</td>
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<td>SES: ’Are’are</td>
<td>usuri-</td>
<td>(vt) ‘follow, copy, imitate’</td>
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<td>wa-wer</td>
<td>‘learn; teach’</td>
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<tr>
<td>NCV: Mota</td>
<td>usur</td>
<td>‘pass on, relate’</td>
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<td>MM: Siar</td>
<td>ariri</td>
<td>learn (first -r- for †-s-)</td>
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The primary meaning of POc *[ña]ñau appears to have been ‘teach’, perhaps centring on parents or seniors instructing children orally about their responsibilities (cf Lukep, Sursurunga and Kwaio glosses) and/or showing them how to perform traditional practices (cf Gela and Lau glosses).

POc *akop ‘learn’

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<td>PT: Gapapaiwa</td>
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<td>‘learn, know, understand’</td>
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PPn *ako ‘acquire mentally, learn, teach’ (POLLEX)

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<td>(vi) ‘learn, study; teach, train in’</td>
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<td>(vi) ‘teach, give instruction’</td>
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<td>ako-naki</td>
<td>(vi) ‘learn’</td>
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<td>Pn: Mangareva</td>
<td>ako</td>
<td>(vt) ‘teach, learn, teach yourself’</td>
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<td>aʔo</td>
<td>‘learn, teach, train’</td>
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<td>‘learn, try, attempt’</td>
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The form of */[ʔna]ɲau* is open to question. If the Nyindrou term is indeed a reflex, then the POc consonant was */ŋ*. But if the Nyindrou term is not a reflex, and the Titan term listed under ‘cf. also’ is a proper reflex, then the form was */[na]ɲau*.

POc */[ŋa]ɲau* ‘teach, learn’; *pa*[ka]-*[ŋa]ɲau* ‘teach’

Adm: Nyindrou ɲowoɲa ‘reveal, point out’
NNG: Kairiru -nənou-i ‘teach’
NNG: Lukep (Pono) -nɔnɔ ‘teach about traditional responsibilities’
NNG: Sio (pa)nana ‘teach’
MM: Sursurunga iɲau ‘instruct, charge (as parent to child)’
SES: Gela naunau ‘teach a craft, teach a dance; try, practise; imitate’
SES: Longgu nau-a ‘show s.o., teach s.o.’
SES: Lau (fæ)nanau ‘train, teach by practice’ [†nanau not recorded]
SES: ’Are’are nao ‘turn, point, aim towards’
SES: Kwaio (faʔa)nana ‘point at, to aim at’
SES: Sa’a (sae)nanau ‘be taught, be wise’ (sae ‘liver’)  
NCV: Mota (vata)nau ‘learn, teach, by practice’

cf. also:  
Adm: Titan ananowe, anano-ani ‘show, teach’

10.12 Conclusion

For many cognition frames no POc term be reconstructed. Apparently because their meanings are abstract, their lexical replacement rate is considerably higher than for items with less abstract meanings (§9.6). As we have noted, abstract states and activities tend to be encoded metaphorically as complex lexemes.

At the same time, it is reasonable to infer that, for example, the ‘think + find’ SVC pattern for ‘remember’ in §10.5 is quite probably of POc antiquity, as it occurs in widely distributed languages. However, the data do not allow us to reconstruct the forms that occurred in this and other complex lexemes, and so the possibility of independent parallel innovation cannot be excluded. Thus for remembering (§10.5), forgetting (§10.6) and being of one mind (§10.9) no forms are reconstructed, but complex lexemes are described, as they give us some insight into how POc speakers conceived these cognitive activities. For deciding (§10.7) not even a consistent pattern of complex lexemes is found, and the same is true of hoping and expecting, which are omitted here.
11 Describing people: stature, temperament, emotion and evaluation

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11.1 Introduction

This chapter collects together terms that people use to describe each other and to express their own feelings. It includes terms used to describe

- a person’s physical qualities (§11.2): tall vs short, big vs small, fat vs thin and strong vs weak;
- a person’s temperament (§11.3): tame vs untamed, brave vs cowardly, obstinate, ignorant vs wise and stupid vs intelligent;
- a person’s emotions (§11.4): afraid, ashamed, compassionate, happy, sad, angry, confused, surprised;
- wanting (§11.5);
- one’s evaluation of someone or something as good or bad (§11.6).

This is quite a mixed bag, both semantically and formally. Terms of temperament, emotion and wanting normally describe only human beings and sometimes higher animals, but terms used to describe physical qualities or to express an evaluation are applied to a wider range of referents that includes inanimates. Terms of temperament, emotion and wanting are quite often BPMs, as they denote human affective states. The range of meanings found in the headings in this chapter is somewhat restricted. For example, we tried to reconstruct terms for ‘lazy’ vs ‘hard-working’ and ‘generous’ vs ‘mean’, but could not do so because cognate sets are at best very local. One reason for this is certainly that speakers are creative in their use of metaphor, and so one term or metaphor is easily replaced by another. An associated reason is that many of our sources do not record the complex lexemes that result from metaphorical usage. Although BPMs occur for various aspects of wanting and desire, none are recorded in §11.5 because there is little conceptual similarity among languages.

Among the semantic fields in which BPMs are used, fewer are found in the description of temperament than in the labelling of emotions. The reason for this is almost certainly that temperament, like body shape (§11.2), is fairly stable through adulthood, and stable qualities tend to be labelled by single words. Emotions and desires, on the other hand, are essentially changeable, and are often described metaphorically. The boundary between temperament terms and emotion terms, however, is fuzzy. Saying that someone is brave may refer to someone’s temperament or to their current behaviour. In the latter case a BPM is expected, so that a BPM like POc *qate- *pʰatu(k) [liver- strong/firm] ‘brave’ (§11.3.2.1) was basically an
expression used of someone’s immediate behaviour that was also extended to a stable propensity of temperament.

11.2 Properties of the human body

11.2.1 Stature: tall vs short

Languages vary as to whether or not they lexicalise a distinction between horizontal and vertical length. English does so by distinguishing between horizontal long and vertical tall, but the antonym of both terms is short. German and French equate vertical length, at least in its application to human beings, with size: German groß, French grand ‘big, tall’ vs German klein, French petit ‘small, short in stature’.

Oceanic languages mostly agree in making no distinction between horizontal and vertical length. The term for ‘long’ also means ‘tall’ and the term for ‘short’ has both horizontal and vertical application. Both apply to the stature of human beings. The relevant terms are reconstructed in vol.2 (pp197–199). In no Oceanic language for which data are available is human stature equated with size (§11.2.2).

11.2.2 Size: big vs small

It follows from the last statement that terms with the general meaning ‘big’ (POc *lapuat) and ‘small’ (POc *qitik, *rikī(t,q)), reconstructed in vol.2 (pp191–196), do not denote stature when they refer to human beings. To assert that someone is ‘big’ is typically to say that this person has social prestige, and this was probably also true in POc. The nature of that prestige depends on community structure. In chiefly societies, a ‘big’ man is a chieftain.

POc *lapuat ‘big, large; chief’

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<td>Mussau</td>
<td>lapa-n ‘important person, chief’</td>
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<td>Baluan</td>
<td>lapa-n ‘chief; excellent’ (Schokkin 2014)</td>
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<td>Titan</td>
<td>lápa-n ‘leader, chief’</td>
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<td>Nyindrou</td>
<td>laba-n ‘leader, chief’</td>
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<tr>
<td>Koro</td>
<td>laba-n ‘chief’</td>
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<td>MM</td>
<td>la-lafa ‘chief’</td>
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POEoc *qa-lapa ‘chief’

| SES: Lau  | alafa ‘chief’ |
| SES: Are’are | a-raha ‘chief’ |
| SES: Arosi | a-raha ‘chief’ |

cf. also:

| MM: Tinputz | abuh ‘big, huge; chief’ |

In non-chiefly societies a ‘big’ man is an important person, perhaps by virtue of leadership qualities, perhaps by virtue of accrued wealth.

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<td>Titan</td>
<td>manrean ‘big; important’</td>
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<td>NNG: Takia</td>
<td>tubun ‘big; important’</td>
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NNG: Mangseng  *pom*  ‘big; important, prestigious’
NNG: Numbami  *bamo*  ‘big, large; elder’
NNG: Hote  *bɛŋ*  ‘big; deep; thick; wide; important’
NNG: Mumeng (Patep) *levaʔ*  ‘big; important’
PT: Dobu  *sinab’-a-na*  ‘big, large; important’
PT: Iduna  *lakahи-na*  ‘big; “big” man’
PT: Sinaugoro  *barego*  ‘big; important’
MM: Nakanai  *uru*  ‘big; senior; important’
MM: Nehan  *uleiki*  ‘big, large; important’
MM: Roviana  *ululu-na*  ‘big; important man’
SES: To’aba’ita  *baʔita*  ‘big; important’
SES: ‘Are’are  *paina*  ‘big, large, great, loud; (man) in authority’
NCV: Paamese  *marīte*  ‘big; important’
NCV: Lewo  *keviu*  ‘big; important’

A secondary but much less frequent association of ‘big’ is with age: ‘big’ equates with ‘older’.

‘Small’ in Oceanic languages is the antonym of ‘big’ with regard to size, but not in its extended meanings. The expected antonym of ‘chiefly, important’ would be ‘socially inferior’, but this usage appears to be very rare. Instead, ‘small’ seems far more frequently used of a child, that is, with regard to age. However, it is difficult to be sure about this, because a gloss like ‘young, small’ does not tell us that the word is used for small objects in general, as the translator may simply have ‘young child, small child’ in mind.

11.2.3  Girth: fat vs thin

Oceanic languages typically distinguish between (a) the girth (circumferential thickness) of both human beings (English *fat* or *stout*) and non-human objects (e.g. *a thick stem*) and (b) the thickness of something with a flat surface, like paper, or the depth of a large body of water.

Two terms reconstructed for ‘thick’ in vol.2 (pp201–202) concern us here, POc *ma-tolu* and POc *[tubu]tubu[kal]. Glosses that disambiguate the meaning of *ma-tolu* point in just one instance (Manam) to girth and in a majority of cases to the thickness of something flat, and it is reasonable to infer that this was its central POc sense.

POc *ma-tolu* ‘thick (of flat objects)’ (vol.2:201–203)

NNG: Manam  *ma-toli*  ‘fat’
NCV: Mota  *ma-tol-tol*  ‘thick, thick-skinned, callous; broad, thick (of speech)’
NCV: Paamese  *ma-te-tel*  ‘thick’
SV: Anejom  *a-m-esej*  ‘thick (of flat object)’
Mic: Kosraean  *mæ-tol*  ‘thick, dense’
Mic: Chuukese  *ma-arître*  ‘be thick (of flat objects)’
Mic: Puluwatese  *ma-aliiŋil*  ‘be thick (as paper), thickness’
Mic: Woleaian  *ma-alsyelu*  ‘be thick, close packed, dense’
Pn: Ifira-Mele  *mā-toru*  ‘thick (of board etc.)’
The POc term for a large girth was */tubu/tubu[ka]*, reconstructed in vol.2:202. Additional reflexes have been found, and we give the cognate set as it now stands.

POc */tubu/tubu[ka]*/ ‘thick (in dimension); fat (of vegetable, fruit, human being)’ (vol.2:202)

- NNG: Yabem *tāp* ‘grow fat’
- NNG: Sio *tu*”;”bu* ‘fat; gain weight’
- NNG: Numbami *-tu*”;”bu* ‘grow, get fatter’
- MM: Patpatar *tubu* ‘fat’
- MM: Ramoaaina *tubu* ‘fat; wide; thick’
  *tubu-tubu* ‘very fat’
- MM: Tolai *tubu* ‘thick (in dimension)’
- SES: Lau *ūbu-ūbu-a* ‘thick, fleshy, in good condition’
- SES: Kwaio *ubu-ubu* ‘thick’
- SES: Arosi *ubu-ubu-ʔa* ‘thick’
- SES: Santa Ana *upu-pu-ya* ‘thick’
- Fij: Bauan *tubu* ‘grow or increase in size’

cf. also:

- PT: Misima *tab*”a* ‘grow well; (be) fat’

The term reconstructed for ‘thin’ in vol.2 (pp202–203) is POc *manipis*. Below are listed reflexes with disambiguating glosses, and it is clear that *manipis* is the antonym of *matolu* ‘thick (of flat objects)’ and thus not a term applied to human beings.

PAn */ma/Lipis* ‘thin’ (vol.2:202–203)

POc *manipis* ‘thin (of flat objects), flimsy’

- SES: Owa *manifi* ‘thin and transparent’
- NCV: Mota *mavin-vin* ‘thin; of speech, sharp (antonym of *matolol*)’ (metathesis)
- NCV: NE Ambae *manivi-nivi* ‘thin, shallow, low tide’
- NCV: Lewo *mani-nivi* ‘thin; shallow’
- NCV: Nguna *manive-nive* ‘thin (of an object, e.g. cloth, paper, sides of canoe etc)’
- Mic: Marshallese *maniy* ‘thin, flimsy’
- Mic: Ponapean *menipi-nip* ‘thin (of flat objects such as paper)’

The data make it clear that Oceanic languages have a distinct term or terms for people who are thin/scawny/skinny, but no cognate set reflecting a POc term with this meaning has been reconstructed. Clark (2009) reconstructs a PNCV term that evidently had this sense.

PNCV */magura* ‘thin, lean’ (Clark 2009)

- NCV: Raga *magura* ‘thin’

1 POc *-ka* was an adjectival formative.
NCV: Uripiv -mak-mak ‘be thin’
NCV: Port Sandwich ma’gū ‘thin’
NCV: Lewo maula ‘thin, bony’
NCV: Namakir m’agir ‘thin’
NCV: Nguna m’agura ‘thin, lean, slim (person), lean (meat)’

11.2.4 Strength: strong vs weak

Oceanic terms for ‘strong’ tend also to mean ‘hard’. One POc term for ‘strong, hard’ was *toRas, reconstructed in vol.3 (pp200–201) with the sense ‘a taxon of hardwood trees including Intsia bijuga’, where it is also noted that the POc term meant ‘hard, durable’. There is no evidence, though, that this term denoted human strength.

The three terms below, POc *kayu-kayu, PROc *[kayu]kayu-a and PEOc *kaila ‘strong, firm’ appear to be derived from the generic term for tree, POc *kayu (vol.3:71–73), used metaphorically for strength and hardness. However, this seemingly obvious derivation is a little problematic. If the reflexes of these three terms are compared with the terms for tree in the same languages, differences emerge. The *kayu-like terms for ‘strong, firm’ have a fortis initial k-, whilst in languages that have a fortis/lenis distinction the term for ‘tree’ has a lenis initial y- (Bugotu, W Guadalcanal, Woleaian) or zero (Labu, Paamese). This appears to be evidence against the hypothesis that these terms are derived from *kayu. However, the history of the fortis/lenis distinction is not well understood, and in favour of the hypothesis is that POc *kayu-kayu and *[kayu]kayu-a were both formed from *kayu by two early Oceanic adjective-forming strategies. The first was CVCV- reduplication, giving POc *kayu-kayu ‘strong, tough, inflexible’ (vol.2:206–220). The second was the addition of */-[k]a to a noun (Ross 2000), giving *[kayu]kayu-a. The fortis/lenis and other formal discrepancies can perhaps be explained by assuming that speakers’ association of ‘strong, firm’ with ‘tree’ was lost in some languages, and as a result the root of the ‘strong’ term and the reflex of *kayu have undergone different phonological developments.

PEOc *kaila ‘strong, firm’ has a similar set of meanings, and was presumably also derived from *kayu, but the derivational mechanism has not been recorded in other terms.

POc *kayu-kayu ‘strong, tough, inflexible’

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<td>kaikai</td>
<td>‘strong’ (kai ‘tree; strong’)</td>
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<td>NNG: Mangap</td>
<td>-keke</td>
<td>‘stiff, strong, inflexible, proud, unwilling to serve’ (ke ‘tree’)</td>
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<td>NNG: Sio</td>
<td>kaika</td>
<td>‘strong’ (koe ‘tree’)</td>
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<td>NNG: Labu</td>
<td>ka-ka</td>
<td>‘hard’ (a ‘tree’)</td>
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<td>PT: Muyuw</td>
<td>kei-kay</td>
<td>‘hard, difficult’ (kay ‘tree’)</td>
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<td>SES: Bugotu</td>
<td>ka-kai</td>
<td>‘firm, steady, faithful’ (yai ‘tree’)</td>
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<td>SES: W Guadalcanal</td>
<td>ka-kai</td>
<td>‘strong’ (yai ‘tree’)</td>
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<td>Fij: Wayan</td>
<td>kai</td>
<td>‘wood, tree; strong, tough, powerful’</td>
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<td>Fij: Wayan</td>
<td>kai-kai</td>
<td>‘hard, firm, rigid, stiff’</td>
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2 Languages represented here that lack a fortis/lenis distinction are NNG, northern NCV, Fijian and Polynesian languages.
PROc *[kayu]kayu-a ‘strong’ (Clark 2009: PNCV)

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<td>(mel)kəu</td>
<td>‘strong’ (kou ‘tree’)</td>
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<td>NCV: Tolomako</td>
<td>yau-yau-a</td>
<td>‘strong’</td>
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<td>NCV: Unua</td>
<td>-xəiv</td>
<td>‘hard, difficult, solid, strong, firm’</td>
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<td>NCV: Maskelynes</td>
<td>xai-xai</td>
<td>‘strong’</td>
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<td>NCV: Paamese</td>
<td>keiho</td>
<td>‘strong’ (a-ai ‘tree’)</td>
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<td>NCV: Lewo</td>
<td>kawa</td>
<td>‘strong; adult’ (la-ki ‘tree, stick, wood’)</td>
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<td>NCV: Nguna</td>
<td>kasua</td>
<td>‘strong, hard, difficult, loud’ (na-kau ‘tree’)</td>
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<td>Fij: Bauan</td>
<td>kau-kau-a</td>
<td>‘strong, hard’ (kau ‘tree’)</td>
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<td>Sn: Tongan</td>
<td>kau-kau-a</td>
<td>‘strong, sturdy, burly’ (kau ‘stalk, stem’)</td>
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It is possible that Seimat [Adm] aila-n in the BPM patu ailan ‘he is obstinate’ means ‘hard, strong’. If so, then PEOc *kaila is elevated to POc status.

PEOc *kaila ‘strong, firm’

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<td>SES: Sa’a</td>
<td>aʔailaʔa</td>
<td>‘firm, strong’ (ʔai ‘tree’)</td>
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<td>SES: Arosi</td>
<td>ʔaʔairaʔa</td>
<td>‘strong, firm’ (ʔai ‘tree’)</td>
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| PMic *kaila ‘strong’
| Mic: Kiribati | kain@matoa | ‘implacable’ (te-kaina ‘pandanus tree’) |
| Mic: Woleaian | kkaile | ‘strong, healthy’ (xai ‘tree’) |
| Mic: Ponapean | kël | ‘strength’ |
| | kël | ‘strong, healthy, powerful’ (< PMic *kaila) |
| Mic: Pingelapese | kël | ‘strength’ (suhkae ‘tree’) |
| Mic: Puluwatese | kkel | ‘strong’ (yée ‘house beam < POc *kayu ‘tree’)) |

cf also:

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<td>NCV: Araki</td>
<td>yau-ra</td>
<td>‘hard, solid; difficult, arduous, tough’ (&lt; *kayu-; cf. ya ‘tree’)</td>
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A further term for ‘hard, strong, firm’ is POc *pɔwatu pɔwatu ‘hard, strong, firm’, again an adjective formed by reduplication of a noun. The noun was *pɔwatu ‘outer shell, skull’ (Ch:-bodyparts, §4.2.1).

POc *pɔ(watu)pɔ(watu) ‘hard, strong, firm’

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<td>NNG: Takia</td>
<td>pat-pat</td>
<td>‘strong, hard’</td>
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<td>PT: Dobu</td>
<td>patu-patu</td>
<td>‘hard, of fat, sago’</td>
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<td>PT: Kukuya</td>
<td>vatu-</td>
<td>‘strong, hard ??”</td>
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<td>SES: Bugotu</td>
<td>patu</td>
<td>‘hard, firm, taut’</td>
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<tr>
<td>SES: Gela</td>
<td>patu</td>
<td>‘hard, to make firm’</td>
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<td>SES: ’Are’are</td>
<td>pau-pau</td>
<td>‘hard’</td>
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Two terms with an implication of human strength, both reconstructed by Blust (ACD), are recorded in vol.2 (p214): POc *paka(s) ‘have energy, strength’ and POc *laga(s) ‘spirited, energetic’.

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3 Only found in BPMs in our data.
Weak has at least two related senses in English when it is applied to human beings: ‘temporarily weak as a result of tiredness, sickness or hunger’ and ‘constitutionally weak’. It is the latter which relevant here. Just as ‘strong’ is associated with ‘hard’ in Oceanic languages, so ‘weak’ is associated with ‘soft’. POc *[ma]lumu ‘soft, gentle, easy’ is reconstructed in vol.2 (p215). In its application to people, this term seems to have had two senses: with reference to the body, ‘constitutionally weak’, and with reference to temperament ‘gentle, easygoing’ (§11.3.1.1). In the listing below ‘weak’ is shown in bold when it occurs in a gloss.

PMP *[ma]lumu ‘soft, tender, gentle’ (ACD)

POc *[ma]lumu ‘soft (of objects); gentle, easygoing; (constitutionally) weak’ (vol.2:215)

NNG: Bariai marum ‘soft, weak’
NNG: Bukawa mals ‘peaceful’
NNG: Yabem mals ‘calm, peaceful, good-natured’
PT: Muyuw manum ‘gently’
MM: Tinputz mamarum ‘weak (in body)’
SES: Sa’a malumu ‘soft, gentle’

PNCV *ma-lumu ‘soft, gentle, weak’ (Clark 2009)

NCV: Mota malum-lum ‘soft, gentle’
NCV: Nokuku melum ‘soft, slow, weak’
NCV: Araki malum ‘quiet, slow, weak’
NCV: S Efate mailum-lum ‘quiet, slow; soft, weak’
Fij: Bauan malumu ‘weak, faint, sick, soft’
Fij: Wayan malum ‘weak, feeble (of a living thing)’
Pn: Niuean molū ‘soft, humble, weak,’
Pn: Samoan malū ‘soft, calm of sea, gentle’
Pn: Tahitian marū ‘soft, gentle, easy’

11.3 Properties of the human temperament

Whilst Oceanic languages certainly have terms, some of them BPMs, for human propensities, many of these terms may refer to both temporary and permanent states. It is the permanent states that are properties of temperament, and some languages have a construction that encodes these. There is, however, no POc construction that can be reconstructed with this function.

Iduna, like a number of other Papuan Tip languages, makes copious use of to- ‘person who…’ (from POc *tau-; §2.2.1.2) in expressions like the following, where the item compounded with to-, typically a verb, encodes a quality construed as permanent.

to-selakalaka ‘boaster, arrogant person’ (-selakalaka ‘boast, brag, be proud’)
to-siveyawa ‘healer’ (siveyawa ‘healing’)
to-taya-k’eu ‘deaf person’ (taya ‘ear’; -k’eu ??)
to-talahayi ‘person at enmity with s.o., not speaking to, eating with or visiting them’ (-talahayi ‘repudiate, hate, have nothing to do with s.o.’)
to-tubukoyo ‘cripple’ (-tubukoyo ‘develop badly, not grow well’)
to-tunutunyina ‘upright, honest person’ (tunutunyina ‘straight, upright, righteous, honest’)
to-nu-beʔu-beʔu ‘lame person’ (beʔu ‘fall down’)

In a number of these compounds the stem is itself a BPM formed with nua ‘think; mind’.

to-nua-doya ‘kind, generous person’ (nuanua-wadoya-na ‘gracious, generous’)
to-mua-hobu ‘humble person’ (-mua-hobu ‘be humble’; -hobu ‘go down’)
to-mua-huya ‘intelligent person, educated, wise, literate’ (mua-huya ‘wisdom, skill, knowledge’)
to-nua-kabubu ‘kind, loving person’ (nuakabubu ‘love, blessing, favour’)
to-nua-lolona ‘miser, ungenerous person’ (-nua-lolona ‘withhold (food, possessions)’)
to-mua-huya ‘double-minded person’ (-mua-huya ‘indecisive’; §10.8)
to-mua-sivebala ‘agitator’ (-sivebalana ‘deter, prevent from going or doing, hold back’)
to-nua-vita ‘downcast, depressed person’ (-vita ‘heavy’)

Motu (PT) forms compound lexemes in a semantically parallel manner, but the attribute precedes tau-na, composed of tau ‘person’ and -na ‘its’. The attribute takes the prefix he-, indicating a state, condition or habit. he-abidae tau-na ‘a hospitable man’ (he-abidae ‘show hospitality’)

he-ayi tau-na ‘a braggart, conceited man’ (he-ayi ‘boast’)
he-ani tau-na ‘a cannibal’ (ani ‘eat’)
he-atotau tau-na ‘one who pays another to betray, kill or save another’ (he-atotau ‘be held down by s.t. placed on top’)
he-boyahisi tau-na ‘a compassionate, merciful person’ (he-boyahisi [he-belly-pain] ‘pity, compassion’)
he-ɣame tau-na ‘beggar’ (heɣame ‘beg’)

Although constructions reflecting POc *tau- ‘person who’ are widespread among Papuan Tip languages, there is little evidence that the construction was used for properties of temperament in POc. Instead, as noted in §2.2.1.2, the POc construction was used to denote people with skill in a particular occupation and sometimes people of a certain place or clan. A check of reflexes in Mussau (Adm), Nakanai and Teop (MM), Woleaian and Carolinian (Mic) and various Polynesian languages suggests that the extension of the construction to denote temperamental qualities was restricted to PT.

Several languages have a noun that is used with the sense ‘disposition, way of acting, habit’ and is modified by an adjective or stative verb to form a complex lexeme denoting a property of temperament.

Seimat (Adm) has such a term, oŋa ‘temperament or disposition’.

ōŋa-solia-n [disposition good] ‘amiable’
ōŋa-kalimen [disposition bad, terrible, dreadful] ‘greedy, self-centred, miserly, infamous, inhospitable’
ōŋa-ewii [disposition nice, calm] ‘benevolent, generous, hospitable’
ōŋa-liyalun [disposition bad] ‘inhospitable’

Tongan anja reflects the PPN term *anja with widespread reflexes outside eastern Polynesia that are used in this way. Its resemblance to Seimat oŋa may be a matter of chance. Tongan in particular has hundreds of complex lexemes formed with anja ‘character, habit, nature’. A brief selection is given:
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Pn: Tongan  
*ŋa* mālū  ‘gentle, amiable’ (*mālū* ‘calm of sea’)  
*ŋa* sauni  ‘vindictive’ (*sauni* ‘to avenge’)  
*ŋa* maka  ‘stubborn, obstinate’ (*maka* ‘stone’)  
*ŋa* hiki  ‘proud, overbearing’ (*hiki* ‘to lift, raise’)  
*ŋa* foaki  ‘generous’ (*foaki* ‘to lift, raise’)

PPn **ŋa ‘habit, custom, way of acting’ (POLLEX)  
Pn: Tongan  
*ŋa*  ‘habit, custom, nature’

Pn: Niuean  
*ŋa*  ‘habit, custom, way of acting’

Pn: Samoan  
*ŋa*  ‘conduct, way of acting’

Pn: Tokelauan  
*ŋa*  ‘habit, custom’

Pn: Tuvalu  
*ŋa*  ‘custom, way of acting’

Pn: E Futunan  
*ŋa*  ‘conduct, custom, usage, habit’

Pn: E Uvean  
*ŋa*  ‘nature, custom, usage’

Pn: Tikopia  
*ŋa*  ‘incline towards; inclination, orientation’

cf. also:  
Fij: Rotuman  
*ŋa*  ‘usage, custom’ (Pn borrowing)

In Tongan *ŋa* stands in contrast with *loto* ‘insides’ (< PPn *loto*; vol.2:239). Where *ŋa* denotes a permanent feature of temperament, e.g. *ŋa* fiaumālī ‘of contented and easy-going disposition’, *loto* denotes a transient emotion, e.g. *loto fiaumālī* ‘contented, satisfied’.

In Wayan Fijian *alo* ‘soul’ is similarly used for temperamental features as shown in the following examples, whilst the corresponding transient emotions are denoted by simple adjectives.

*alo-kasa*  ‘quick to learn, intelligent, having an absorbent mind’ (*kasa* ‘learned’)  
*alo*-kaikai, *alo*qwāqwā  ‘determined, strong-willed, brave, stubborn, aggressive’ (*kaikai, qwāqwā* ‘strong’)  
*alo*-mālumālum  ‘gentle, good-tempered, of quiet disposition’ (*mālumālum* ‘soft, ripe’)  
*alo*-sewasewa  ‘frightened, intimidated, lacking courage’ (*sewasewa* ‘tiny’)  
*alo*-vinā  ‘kind, kind-hearted’ (*vinā* ‘good’)  
*alo*-vou  ‘young in spirit, young at heart’ (*vou* ‘new, fresh’)  
*alo*-wai  ‘moody, subject to changes in mood’ (*wai* ‘water’)  
*alo*-vaka-tānyane  ‘manly, courageous’ (*vaka-tānyane* ‘like a man’)

Similar expressions occur in Bauan Fijian with the cognate term *yalo* ‘soul, spirit, disposition’, e.g. *yalo mālua* ‘meek, lowly’ (*mālua* ‘quiet, gentle’), *yalo vinaka* ‘kind-hearted’ (*vinaka* ‘good’).

The examples collected from Iduna, Motu, Seimat, Fijian and Tongan show how each of these languages has devised a way to describe temperamental qualities, using a modifier with either a term like Tongan *ŋa* ‘character, habit, nature’ or a reflex of the POc construction with *tau… ‘person who’.

Modifiers that describe features of temperament are reconstructed in the sections below, but this appears to be an unstable semantic field, presumably because of the tendency to invent new metaphors to describe behaviour and temperament. As a result, few terms are reconstructable.
11.3.1 Tame vs untamed

11.3.1.1 Tame; accustomed to

POc evidently inherited a pair of terms meaning ‘tame, docile, trained, well behaved’ that were applied both to animals and human beings. The pair were *laca(m) and *ma-naca(m). Pairs of property terms with the same root were apparently quite common in POc, one unprefixed, the other with either *ka- or *ma-, prefixes that often occur on stative verbs, both originating in the stative prefix *ka- (Zeitoun & Huang 2000:298). The seeming oddity about this pair is that the POc bare root had initial *l-. the prefixed root initial *n-. However, this is readily accounted for if the PAn root had initial *L-4 which regularly became PMP *l- initially but *-n- medially. Thus PAn *Lajam became PMP *lajam and POc *laca(m), whilst PAn *ma-Lajam regularly became PMP *ma-najam and POc *ma-naca(m).

PAn *Lajam ‘accustomed to, tame’ (ACD)
PMP *lajam ‘accustomed to, tame’
POc *laca(m) ‘tame, docile, trained, well behaved’

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<td>las</td>
<td>‘tame, used to, get used to’</td>
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<td>MM: Tolai</td>
<td>là</td>
<td>‘tame, domesticated (of animals), accustomed, acclimatised’</td>
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PCP *laca ‘tame’ (Geraghty 1983)

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<td>‘easy, contented, tame, accustomed’</td>
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<td>Pn: Tongan</td>
<td>lata</td>
<td>‘feel at home or at ease, be comfortable, happy, contented’</td>
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<td>Pn: Tikopia</td>
<td>rata</td>
<td>‘fix affections on; tame’</td>
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<td>Pn: Hawaiian</td>
<td>laka</td>
<td>‘tame, domesticated, gentle;’ (VT) ‘tame, domesticate’</td>
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POc *ma-naca(m) underwent an extension in meaning whereby ‘trained’ became ‘knowledgeable’ and then ‘know, understand, think about’, and as a nominal ‘knowledge, understanding, mind’. This extension is discussed in §10.3. Reflexes below are restricted to the ‘tame’ etc senses.

PAn *ma-Lajam ‘tame, accustomed to’ (ACD)
PMP *ma-najam ‘tame, accustomed to’
POc *ma-nacacm (VI) ‘tame, docile, trained, well behaved; know, understand, think about’;
(n) ‘knowledge, understanding, thought, wisdom’

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<td>NNG: Gedaged</td>
<td>mana-n</td>
<td>‘tame, docile (mostly of animals), peaceful, obedient, trained’</td>
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<tr>
<td>PT: Tawala</td>
<td>malagama</td>
<td>‘tame’; (N) ‘experience’ (-l- for †-n-)</td>
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4 The root was reconstructed *Lajam in an earlier version of the ACD. It now appears as *najam, but the Oceanic evidence evidence points to *Lajam, which is favoured by most Formosan reflexes (Tsou, Saaroa, Favorlang, Bunun, Kavalan) but not by Puyuma ma-nadam (-n- for †-l-) or Amis ma-nanam (-n- for †-d-). Assimilation is a possible factor in the latter case. Philippine reflexes of the bare root have n- for †-l-. These may reflect a mack-formation from PMP *ma-najam.
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PT: Sinaugoro  *marana*  ‘tame, gentle’ (metathesis of *-c- and *-n-)
PT: Motu  *manada*  ‘even, smooth, gentle’
MM: Nehan  *mahanama*  ‘tame, unafraid’ (metathesis of *-c- and *-n-)
PSES  *manasa*  ‘tame’
SES: Gela  *manaha*  (VT) ‘tame’
SES: Arosi  *manata*  ‘tame, trained, gentle, of man or animal’
SES: Sa’a  *manata*  (VI) ‘be taught; quiet of animals, tame’
SES: Lau  *manata*  ‘quiet, tame’
SES: ‘Are’are  *manata*  ‘behave oneself; tame of birds and animals’
SES: Owa  *manata*  ‘tame’

It is tempting to try to relate the items below to *ma-nacam* above, but they evidently reflect a different (PWOc) etymon.
PWOc  *ma-napas*  ‘tame (of animals); quiet, domesticated (of people)’
PT: Iduna  *manava*  ‘become tame (of wild animals); soft, pliable’
   (ve)manav(ina)  (VT) ‘tame, of wild animals’ (ve- ‘cause, make’, manavina ‘soft, pliable’)
MM: Nduke  *manavasa*  ‘tame’
MM: Roviana  *manavasa*  ‘tame, subdued, at home, be used to’

It is reasonably clear from the glosses of the sets above that these terms referred to a temperamental quality for which there is no single English term. It describes a person who is domesticated, gentle and quietly spoken, and content with their lot. This quality was apparently positively valued. If it were otherwise, the glosses would almost certainly register the negativity.

POc  *[ma]lumu*  ‘soft (of objects); gentle, easygoing; (constitutionally) weak’, reconstructed in vol.2 (p215) as a property of inanimate objects, is applied in various Oceanic languages to the human temperament with a sense resembling that of the items above, and this extension may well have occurred in POc. It was evidently also applied to the body in the sense of ‘constitutionally weak’, and the cognate set is listed in §11.2.4.

There is also evidence of a BPM containing this term.

SES: Arosi  (ahu)marumu(ʔa)  [belly gentle] ‘be sweet, gracious, gentle’
NCV: Mota  lol-malumlum  [insides gentle] ‘sort-hearted, of an easy mild temper; gently’
NCV: Nokuku  lol-melum  [insides gentle] ‘meek’
Fij: Bauan  (yalo) mālu  [soul gentle] ‘meek, lowly’
Fij: Wayan  (alo) malu-malum  ‘gentle, good-tempered, of quiet disposition’
Pr: Pukapukan  (yau)mālū  [temperament gentle] ‘meek’

In NCV, at least, the POc weather term *ma-drapu*  ‘still, calm, windless’ (vol.2:136) also has human application.

PNCV  *madau*  ‘quiet, gentle’ (Clark 2009)
NCV: Raga  marou  ‘quiet, listless’
NCV: SE Ambrym  merou  ‘calm, quiet, peaceful, sober’
NCV: Port Sandwich  ma’drao  ‘be quiet, do gently’
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NCV: Paamese  merau  ‘weak; soft; do softly; do gently’
NCV: Valpei  marav  ‘weak’

11.3.1.2 Untamed, wild

As POc reconstructions for ‘tame, accustomed to’ refer to a kind of domesticated amiability, so terms glossed ‘wild’ similarly refer to the behaviour often associated with undomesticated animals, i.e. ‘savage’, ‘fierce’. In places, terms may also be applied to the rainforest and to normally cultivated plants that have self-sown outside the gardens. While terms for ‘tame’ are also used to denote a human temperamental quality, it is less clear that this is true of POc *wasi.

POc *wasi ‘wild, untamed’

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<td>woiwoi</td>
<td>‘wild’ (animals)</td>
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<td>PT: Tawala</td>
<td>yahi-yahi</td>
<td>‘untamed, wild, dangerous’ (y- for †w-)</td>
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<td>PT: Kuni</td>
<td>aci</td>
<td>‘wild’ (θ- for †w-)</td>
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<td>PT: N Mekeo</td>
<td>aki</td>
<td>‘wild’ (θ- for †w-)</td>
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<td>PT: W Mekeo</td>
<td>aji</td>
<td>‘wild’ (θ- for †w-)</td>
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<td>MM: Maringe</td>
<td>asi</td>
<td>(vi) ‘run wild, go astray’</td>
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<td>SES: Bugotu</td>
<td>asi</td>
<td>‘wild (of animals), fierce’</td>
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<td>SES: Gela</td>
<td>asi</td>
<td>‘wild (of animals or forest)’</td>
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<td>SES: Longgu</td>
<td>wasi</td>
<td>‘wild, undomesticated’</td>
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<td>SES: To’aba’ita</td>
<td>kʷasi</td>
<td>(vi) ‘(of animals), be wild, not domestic, (of plants) grow wild’</td>
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<td>SES: Lau</td>
<td>kʷasi</td>
<td>‘wild, of animals or plants’</td>
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<td>SES: Kwaio</td>
<td>kʷasi</td>
<td>‘wild, untamed’</td>
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<td>SES: Arosi</td>
<td>wasi-wasi</td>
<td>‘wild, of any animal’</td>
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<td>SES: Sa’a</td>
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<td>PT: Kilivila</td>
<td>gasisi</td>
<td>‘wild, savage’</td>
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11.3.2 Brave vs cowardly

11.3.2.1 Brave, courageous

Bravery is commonly expressed as a body-part metaphor (BPM) based on the liver or belly, with a modifying term apparently reflecting POc *p̣watu[p̣watu] ‘hard, strong, firm’, the latter derived from *p̣̣atu(k) ‘outer shell, skull’ (§3.4.2). Hence we can tentatively reconstruct a POc BPM *gate- p̣̣atu [liver- hard/strong] ‘brave’. In the languages of the set below, reflexes of *p̣̣atu also function as a stative verb ‘firm, strong’. Reflexes of p̣̣atu are formally and semantically similar to *patu ‘stone’ (vol.2:62), but in POc were distinct from it (§3.4.2.1). In Kwaio, however, which does not have a reflex of *p̣̣atu, the fou of lae-fou ‘brave’ is the term for ‘stone’. One may infer that the Kwaio term is a reflex of *gate- p̣̣atu which with the loss
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of a reflex of *p'atu has been reinterpreted as if it reflected *gate-atu [liver-stone]. Something similar has occurred in Gumawana and Iduna, where the modifying term taken alone has a meaning other than ‘firm, strong’.

Why not infer that *patu ‘stone’ occurred in the POc term and that all BPMs below reflect *gate-atu? Because POc *patu ‘stone’ would be reflected as Gumawana †vatu, Dobu †atu, Bunama †hatu, but these terms do not occur at all (Gela vatu ‘stone’ does occur). The morpheme patu in their BPMs thus probably reflects p'atu (cf. Dobu patu (vi) ‘harden, set’).

POc *gate- p'atu [liver- strong/firm] ‘brave’

PT: Dobu ʔate-patu [liver hard] ‘brave, bold’
PT: Bunama ʔate-patu [liver strong/firm] ‘courage, brave, confidence’
PT: Minaveha ate vatu [liver strong/firm] ‘brave’
SES: Gela lio-patu [heart-hard] ‘daring, brave’
cf also:
PT: Gumawana ate-i-patu [liver- it-enclosed] ‘brave’
PT: Iduna ase-vatu [liver-be.at.rest] ‘courage, boldness’
ase-ʔase-vatu- ‘brave, courageous, ungenerous.’
SES: Kwaio lae-fou [liver-stone] ‘brave, unashamed’

A construal of bravery as strength or hardness—the two are typically encoded by a single lexical item in languages of Melanesia—of the seat of the emotions is widespread.

NNG: Takia ilo-dabai [insides- strong] ‘confident, courageous, strong in character’
tini-dabai [body- strong] ‘confident, courageous, strong in character’
PT: Motu boga auka [belly/liver hard] ‘brave’
NCV: Lonwolwol be-k ma-tate [insides-my it-strong] ‘I feel strong, energetic, courageous’
ja tate [body strong] ‘courageous’
NCV: S Efate kerkerai ‘strong, hard, brave’
Mic: Marshallese pen purruo- [firm/strong/hard heart-] ‘brave’
Fij: Bauan yate dei [liver firm/unwavering] ‘brave’
Fij: Wayan ate dei [liver firm] ‘brave’
alo kaikai [soul strong/hard] ‘determined, strong-willed, brave, stubborn, aggressive’

11.3.2.2 Cowardly, timid

Relatively few Oceanic dictionaries have an entry for ‘cowardly’. Terms found tend to reflect *matakut ‘fear’ (§11.4.1), as the examples below suggest.

PT: Dobu mata-matauta ‘cowardly’
SES: Gela matagu-pou ‘coward’
NCV: SE Ambrym metau ‘cowardly, timid’
NCV: Paamese tā-metau ‘coward’
We have three reflexes of the BPM *qate- lapuat [liver big]. Oddly, this metaphor has the reverse meaning of that proposed by Blust for PMP where [big liver] stands for ‘brave, proud, arrogant’ (see §9.6).

NCV: Mota vara-lava [liver large] ‘one who is easily frightened, makes much of nothing’
Fij: Bauan yate levu [liver large] ‘cowardly’
Fij: Wayan ate levu [liver large] ‘cowardly’

Marshallese has eccelok acin [without liver] ‘he is not brave’.

11.3.3 Obstinate, stubborn

A rather widespread BPM for ‘obstinate, stubborn’ has a modifier of the same meaning as the BPM for ‘brave, courageous’ (§11.3.2.1) namely ‘strong/firm’, but a different body-part. POc *gate- ‘liver’ was evidently used in the BPM for ‘brave’. The evidence of Admiralities and NCV languages below suggests that *gate- was replaced by *b’atu(k) ‘head’ (§3.4.2) in the BPM for ‘obstinate’. This may be a further illustration of the hypothesis that more physically expressed qualities such as ‘brave’ form a BPM with *gate-, while mental states do not (§9.4). Instead of *lalo-, however, in this case the more specific *b’atu(k) occurs. Clark (2009) reconstructs a BPM here, PNCV *b’atu kayua [head strong] ‘wilful, stubborn’, reflected by the Big Nambas and Paamese terms below.

Adm: Seimat patu ailan [head hard/strong] ‘he is obstinate’
Adm: Nyindrou batun boto-on [head hard/strong] ‘stubborn’
NNG: Takia ilo patpat [insides hard/strong] ‘hard-headed, strong-minded, wilful’

bube- sakar [liver- hard] ‘hard hearted, stubborn, uncompassionate’

NNG: Mapos Buang yu niggɔɔ [head strong] ‘stubborn’
PT: Kiriwina i-minimani daba-la [it-tough/strong head-his] ‘he is stubborn’
SES: Gela lio vatu [insides stone] ‘obstinacy; stubbornness’
NCV: Mwotlap p’et-maymay [head hard] ‘stubborn’
NCV: Big Nambas pt-hua ‘stubborn’
NCV: Paamese vati-keiho ‘person who is determined and incon considerate of the feelings of others’
SV: Sye -onyono ‘hard, strong, stubborn’
SV: Lenakel nikii- r-ausik-ausik [heart- it-REDUP-strong/hard] ‘stubb oin’

Another BPM with scattered WOc occurrences is ‘ear blocked’.

NNG: Mutu taliŋa- zizi [ear- blocked] ‘stubborn’
NNG: Mangap talŋa- yunjun ‘stubborn’
NNG: Bariai tanŋa- balbal [ear ??] ‘obstinate, stubborn’
11.3.4 Ignorant vs wise and stupid vs intelligent

11.3.4.1 Ignorant, stupid

In Eastern Oceanic languages ignorance is sometimes expressed by a BPM [mind dark], a complex lexeme that also means ‘forget’ in some EOc languages (§10.6). In some languages this BPM has both senses. Again, the terms for ‘night’ reflect either POc *rodrom ‘be dark, be night’ or POc *boni ‘night’ (vol.2:295–298).

Sometimes a verb ‘be dark’ is used alone as a metaphor for ‘ignorant’.

Oceanic languages tend to have a term which means ‘mentally impaired’ and translates, depending on context, as ‘ignorant’, ‘stupid’, ‘foolish, silly’ or ‘mad, crazy, insane’. They reflect a number of POc terms which must have different shades of meaning that are now lost to us.

POc *kila has only one Oceanic reflex, and it is a reasonable inference that it disappeared early across much of Oceanic because the merger of PMP *g and *k rendered Oceanic reflexes similar to those of POc (vi) *kilala ‘know’, from PMP *kilala, with the opposite meaning.

POc *gila ‘wild; insane’ (ACD)
POc *kila ‘ignorant’??

The presence of reflexes of POc */ŋa(q)uŋa(q)unŋ ‘stupid, ignorant’ in an Admiralties language and a few NNG languages warrants its reconstruction. Possible medial *-q- is shown, as it allows the reconstructed form to accord with POc canonic structure, and would have been lost in each of these reflexes.

POc */ŋa(q)uŋa(q)u ‘stupid, ignorant’
Adm: Titan ŋow ‘crazy, silly’
The presence of medial \(-p-\) in POc \(b'\alpha(p)u\) below is unambiguously supported only by lamalele \(-v-\), and is contradicted by the absence of \(-v-\) in Longgu. In the other witnesses \(-p-\) becomes zero in this context.

POc \(b'\alpha(p)u\) ‘ignorant, stupid’

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<td>(ADJ) ‘insane’</td>
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<td>NNG: Bariai</td>
<td>buo-buo</td>
<td>‘be confused about s.t.’</td>
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<td>NNG: Kaulong</td>
<td>poŋ</td>
<td>(vT) ‘be ignorant of, not know’</td>
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<td>PT: Tawala</td>
<td>búa</td>
<td>‘fool; mad, silly’</td>
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<td>PT: Tawala</td>
<td>búa-bua</td>
<td>‘foolish’</td>
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<td>PT: Dawawa</td>
<td>bua</td>
<td>‘stupid, mad’</td>
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<td>PT: Sinaugoro</td>
<td>babo</td>
<td>‘stupid, foolish, ignorant’</td>
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<td>PT: Motu</td>
<td>bōbo</td>
<td>‘a fool’</td>
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<td>MM: Tolai</td>
<td>bobo</td>
<td>‘a fool; foolish, stupid, ignorant’</td>
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<td>SES: Lau</td>
<td>bue</td>
<td>‘ignorant, uncivilised, pagan, heathen’</td>
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PCP \(*wale\) ‘ignorant, unskilled, stupid, mad’

| Fij: Bauan | wale | ‘not worthwhile, very ordinary’ |

PPn \(*wale\) ‘mad, ignorant, unskilled’ (POLLEX)

| Pn: Tongan | vale | ‘foolish, silly, ignorant, unskilled’ |
| Pn: Tongan | loto-vale | ‘ignorant’ (vale ‘foolish, silly’) |
| Pn: Tongan | vale faha | ‘stupid’ (faha ‘mad, insane’) |
| Pn: Niuean | vale | ‘mad, ignorant, unskilled’ |
| Pn: E Futunan | vale | ‘mad, ignorant, unskilled’ |
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11.3.4.2 Wise, intelligent

Despite the fact that Oceanic languages typically have a term meaning ‘intelligent, clever, wise, understanding’, it has proven impossible to reconstruct a corresponding POc term.

Occasionally a BPM [mind daylight] occurs, the antonym of [mind night] ‘ignorant’ (§11.3.4), and it is possible that there was a PNCV BPM of the form *lolo-marani [insides daylight] ‘clever, intelligent’ (reflecting POc *ma-raqani ‘be(come) light’, vol.2:318–219).

NNG: Poeng lo- matana [inside-light] ‘knowledge, understanding’
SES: ‘Are’are pau-makata [head-bright] ‘intelligent, wise’
NCV: Mota lolo-marani [mind-light] ‘be intelligent; remember, understand, know’
NCV: Lonwolwol lo- meren [mind-light] ‘clever’

The term for ‘wise, knowledgeable’ is often derived from the verb ‘know’ (§10.2).

PT: Dobu sina-sinapu- ‘wise’ (sinapu ‘understand, know’)
MM: Roviana tuma-tumai ‘wise’ (tuma ‘know, understand’)
NCV: Paamese kile-ile ‘educated; knowledgeable ‘(kilea ‘know’)

Only for PPn has a form been reconstructed.

PPn *poto ‘wise, clever’ (POLLEX)

Pn: Tongan poto ‘clever, skilled’
Pn: Samoan poto ‘clever, smart, intelligent’
Pn: E Futunan poto ‘clever, knowledgeable’
Pn: Anutan poto ‘wise, expert’
Pn: Tikopia poto ‘skilled, adept, knowledgeable’

11.4 Emotion expressions

As discussed in chapter 9, emotions are typically described as emanating either from the liver (POc *gare), as seat of emotions and thoughts, or from a quasi-body part, POc *lalo-, *lalom ‘inside; seat of thoughts and emotions’, but other body parts sometimes occur in their place. Particular feelings are expressed as a BPM that specifies the nature of the feeling.

Although a degree of common conceptual patterns can be identified in BPMs for broadly identified emotions like happiness, sadness and anger, no reconstructions are made.

Languages closer to New Guinea seem to make the greatest use of BPMs for emotions, and languages further east use them less, petering out almost entirely in Polynesia, where the
body-part component of the BPM tends to be lost and the modifying component tends to
become an adjective in its own right (§3.4, §3.5, §3.8).

A small number of broadly identified emotion terms have been reconstructed as single
lexemes, and we turn to these first.

11.4.1 Afraid

Although a language will typically use numerous metaphors to describe different degrees or
kinds of fear, languages from all major subgroups have reflexes of POc *matakut, probably
indicating that it was the term most general in meaning. Both an intransitive and a transitive
form are reconstructable. The intransitive form, *matakut, is widely reflected. The transitive
form, *matakut-i-, has fewer reflexes, and it is possible that it reflects parallel innovations in
various Oceanic languages. The reason for this inference is that the prefix *ma- is a stative
formative that was originally incompatible with the transitive marker *-i-.

POc *matakut (vt) ‘be afraid’, (vt?) *matakut-i- ‘to fear (s.t.)’

Adm: Seimat ma-matau (vt) ‘fear, be afraid of’
                 ma-mata (vi) ‘be afraid, timid’
NNG: Kove mataur-i- ‘afraid’ (r reflects *R)
NNG: Poeng matau, matau-e (vi, vt) ‘fear’
NNG: Manam mataʔu ‘be afraid’
PT: Lala makau ‘afraid, fear’
PT: Molima matauta ‘afraid’ (expect mataʔuta)
PT: Dobu matauta ‘afraid’
PT: Saliba mataus-i- ‘be afraid’
MM: Roviana mataʔu ‘afraid, fearful’
SES: Bugotu matayu ‘to fear, be afraid’
SES: Gela matayu ‘to fear, be afraid’
SES: Kwaio maʔu ‘afraid, shy’
SES: To’aβa’ita maqu (vi) ‘be afraid, fear’
                 maqlu (N) ‘fear’
SES: Ulawa māu ‘to fear, be afraid’
SES: Arosi ma-māʔu (vi) ‘to fear’
                 māʔus-i- (vt) ‘to fear’
NCV: Mota mataq-tay ‘to fear’
NCV: Tamambo matahu ‘be frightened’
NCV: Tirax mtaxit ‘be frightened’
NCV: Nguna mataku ‘afraid’

PSV *a-metaʔ/vt/ (vt) ‘be afraid, fear’ (Lynch 2001c)

SV: Sie emetet (vi) ‘be afraid, fear’
Mic: Carolinian mesaxu, -a (vi, vt) ‘have fear, be afraid’
Mic: Ifaluk metagu ‘be afraid, anxious’
Fij: Rennellese mataku ‘be afraid, cowardly, fear’
Fij: Wayan mataku (vi) ‘be afraid’
                 matakuoʔi- (vt) ‘be afraid of’
Describing people

Pn: Niuean mataku-taku ‘to fear, be afraid’
Pn: Samoan mataʔu ‘fear, hold in awe’
Pn: Pukapukan mataku (vi) ‘fear, be afraid, frightened’
Pn: Tikopia mataku ‘afraid, frightened, fearful’
Pn: Tokelauan mataku ‘be afraid, frightened’
Pn: Tahitian mataʔu ‘apprehension’ (s.t. bad might happen)

A number of NNG and PT languages have BPMs to express fear, but their components differ from one language to the next. For example:

NNG: Mangap kuli- i-moz ro [skin- it-scatter] ‘really frightened’
mata- koikoi [eye- evasive] ‘fearful’
NNG: Takia ilo- i-rer [insides- it-tremble] ‘afraid, frightened, fearful’
PT: Tawala nugo-helele [mind-fearful] ‘nervous, anxious, afraid, shaking with fear, surprised, have pounding heart’

11.4.2 Ashamed, embarrassed, shy

The next term is remarkable among emotion terms in being reconstructable right back to PAn with very high consistency of meaning. The emotion, for which there is no single equivalent English term, is valued as an instrument of social control, most effective in small communities. As described by Charles Valentine with reference to Nakanai speakers,

The feeling is described as a kind of acute embarrassment which is occasioned by public exposure, violation of modesty, recognition of deception, social exclusion, and certain other forms of interaction in which the subject feels threatened by the inappropriateness of his relations with others. (Valentine 1963:445)

PAn *ma-Seyaq ‘shy, embarrassed; ashamed’ (ACD) (PAn *Seyaq ‘shyness, embarrassment; shame’)
PMP *ma-heyaq ‘shy, embarrassed; ashamed’
POc *maya(q) ‘shy, ashamed’

NNG: Manam maia, maya, maya-maya ‘ashamed’
NNG: Gedaged ma-mai ‘shame; embarrassment, confoundedness, abashment’
NNG: Numbami me-meya ‘shy, ashamed’
NNG: Yabem maya ‘shame, feeling of honour, self-esteem’
NNG: Bukawa maya ‘shame, embarrassment’ (experienced by people who have been found out) (Hogbin 1947) (village of Busama)
NNG: Kove ma-maia ‘ashamed’
PT: Ubir ma-mai ‘shy, ashamed’
PT: Dobu (o)maia-maia ‘shame, shyness, be ashamed, shy’
PT: Molima (wo)maya-maya ‘shame’
MM: Ramoaaina mai-mai ‘shame; ashamed’
MM: Maringe  
Ma-maja ‘ashamed’

SES: Gela  
mā ‘ashamed; feel reverence’

SES: Lau  
māsia ‘shame’

SES: Sa’a  
masa, masa-masa ‘shy, ashamed, respectful’

masa-ŋa ‘shame, confusion, shyness’

SES: Arosi  
[ma]masa ‘ashamed’

NCal: Iaai  
mē-mē ‘ashamed’

Mic: Kiribati  
mā-ma ‘shame, timidity, shyness, bashfulness

ma-ma-ma ‘be ashamed, shy, confused’

Mic: Ifaluk  
ma ‘shame, embarrassment’

Mic: Woleaian  
mā, ma ‘ashamed; disgraceful; feel shameful’

Fij: Bauan  
mā(duā) ‘ashamed, bashful’

Pn: Tongan  
mā (vi) ‘feel shame, be ashamed’

Pn: Pukapukan  
(aka)mā ‘be ashamed, embarrassed, shy, timid’ (aka

‘cause, become’)

Pn: Samoan  
mā ‘be ashamed, embarrassed’

Pn: Tahitian  
(hāta)mā ‘embarrassment or shame’ (opposite of mātau

‘comfortable with a situation’)

Pn: Maori  
mā ‘shame, abasement; shy, ashamed’

cf. also:

NNG: Takia  
miai ‘shame, ashamed’

PT: Kalauna  
(veu)mai�yi ‘a mixture of anger, shame, self-pity and resent-

ment’ (exorcising one’s own shame by casting

the shame back at the one who shamed by

forcing him to accept a gift etc.) (Michael

Young, pers. comm.)

11.4.3 Love, be compassionate, be sorry for, have pity, sympathise

The English term love is polysemous, with one meaning, ‘romantic love’, given an importance

in Western societies that is not generally paralleled elsewhere. In Tahitian ma-la-ma-ta is

translated by Levy as

to be crazy, bizarre (incl. being romantically in love). This is considered somewhat bad and

abnormal. (1973:305)

Across Oceanic languages, terms for ‘to be lovers’ are distinct from terms that denote caring

about someone, and terms used to refer to the latter include an emotion akin to compassion.

This semantic frame is labelled sorry here, in recognition of the fact that the word sore

encodes this frame in both Papua New Guinea Tok Pisin and Vanuatu Bislama. Motu

hebogahisi ‘pity, compassion’ is instructive, combining boga ‘belly, seat of desire and affection’

with hisi ‘pain’. Other glosses combining what in English are distinct emotions include

Gedaged ilo-pani [inside- give] ‘sympathise with, love, pity, yeam for, feel for, commiserate

with, mourn for, be homesick for s.o., s.t.’; Tolai māri ‘to love, pity, have compassion for’,

Roviana tataru ‘to pity, love’, To’aba’ita tatakomia ‘have a feeling of deep affection for s.o.,

s.t., such as sorrow, pity, compassion, mercy, love or admiration’, Arosi tabai ‘to love, pity’.

5 These terms are typically associated with a set of terms to do with love magic.
Rotuman ruu ‘to love, value, care greatly for, feel solicitude’. English speakers, on the other hand, are more likely to include ‘love’ as an extension of ‘like’, ‘admire’ and a range of terms for ‘desire’.

As noted in §10.3, the sorry frame is one of the meanings of widely distributed reflexes of POc (vt) *drom- ‘think, worry, love, be sorry for, long for’. A dedicated sorry verb, POc *qarop, *qarop-i- ‘feel pity, empathy, be sorry for’, was inherited from PMP but is reflected only in SES and Pn languages. The Arosi reflex and all Pn reflexes reflect an apparent PEOc *qarop-a. The suffix *-a probably reflects the POc nominaliser *an.

PMP *qarep ‘like, be fond of’ (Dempwolff 1938: *haləp)
POc *qarop, *qarop-i- ‘feel pity, empathy, be sorry for’

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<td>(r)arovi</td>
<td>‘to pity’</td>
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<td>Gela</td>
<td>arovi</td>
<td>‘to pity’</td>
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<tr>
<td>Longgu</td>
<td>arovi-</td>
<td>‘feel sorry for and sad for s.o., how you feel for s.o. else who has some trouble’</td>
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<td>Arosi</td>
<td>ḡaroha</td>
<td>‘love, pity’</td>
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PPn *qarofa ‘love, pity, compassion’ (POLLEX)

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<td>ḡofa</td>
<td>‘love, be kind to’</td>
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<td>Niuean</td>
<td>ofa</td>
<td>‘to love (obsolete)’</td>
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<td>Rennellese</td>
<td>ḡagoha</td>
<td>‘pity, feeling of love’</td>
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<td>Samoa</td>
<td>alofa</td>
<td>‘love, affection, mercy, pity’ (stresses social bonding and obligation)</td>
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<td>Tokelauan</td>
<td>alofa</td>
<td>‘love, affection, kindness’</td>
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<td>loto-alofa</td>
<td>‘kindhearted, friendly; kindness, friendliness, hospitality’</td>
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<td>Tikopia</td>
<td>arofa</td>
<td>‘sympathy, affection, love’</td>
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<td>Tahitian</td>
<td>arōfa</td>
<td>‘compassion, pity, empathy; feeling when separated from s.o. dear’</td>
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<td>Hawaiian</td>
<td>aloha</td>
<td>‘love, affection, compassion, mercy, pity, kindness; greeting’</td>
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cf. also:

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<td>aroha</td>
<td>‘sit sad, lonely, pitiable’ (-h- for ḡ-ν-)</td>
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<tr>
<td>Pukapukan</td>
<td>aloa</td>
<td>‘love, kindness, charity’</td>
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Two further cognate sets, each with few reflexes, permit the reconstruction of sorry morphemes. The first, POc *dolom, is restricted to NWS and SES languages and may represent local innovations, but Nehan is the northernmost NWS language, so it is unlikely that the set is due to borrowing. It is likely that *dolom was a noun, as the Gela and Longgu transitives in -vi (for ḡdolom-i-) appear to reflect a PSES formation.

POc *dolom (N?) ‘love, pity, sorrow, compassion’

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<td>dolomo</td>
<td>(N) ‘sorrow’</td>
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6 Homophony with POc *qarop ‘face’ (N LOC) ‘front, the side usually seen’ (vol.2:247) is due to chance, as *qarop ‘face’ reflects PMP *qadep ‘facade, front’, but *qarop ‘feel pity …’ reflects PMP *qarep.
Malcolm Ross and Meredith Osmond

The set below is restricted to WOc. If the Iduna items reflect the same etymon, then its PWOc form was *(q)uduq*, but there is no three-syllable reflex to confirm this.

PWOc *(q)udu, *(q)udu-an ‘be sorry for, pity, be merciful’

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<td><em>dolo</em></td>
<td>(n) ‘pity’</td>
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<td><em>dolo-vi</em></td>
<td>(vt) ‘love, pity’</td>
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<td>SES: Longgu</td>
<td><em>dolo</em></td>
<td>(vi) ‘love’</td>
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<td><em>dolo-vi</em></td>
<td>(vt) ‘love someone’</td>
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NNG: Bariai  
 *udu-an* ‘feel sorrow or pity for s.o. you care about; miss s.o.’

MM: Bola  
 *du* ‘care for’ (loss of initial u- unexpected)

MM: Tinputz  
 *uru-an* ‘pity, have mercy’

MM: Teop  
 *uru* (n) ‘pity’

*ur-uru-an* ‘have mercy, love’

cf also:

PT: Iduna  
 *udu* (n) ‘love, affection, love-gift, share (of food, property)’

*-udu* (v) ‘feel affection; long for (person of opposite sex)’

A number of languages have BPMs for the sorry meaning, but their components usually differ from language to language. Examples include:

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<td><em>ade-hadru in ta-</em></td>
<td>[liver- true in OBL-] ‘love, cherish, adore’</td>
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<td>NNG: Gedaged</td>
<td><em>ilo-i-pani-</em></td>
<td>[insides- it-give-] ‘sympathise with, love, pity, commiserate with, mourn for, long for’</td>
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<tr>
<td>NNG: Takia</td>
<td><em>bube-i-pani-</em></td>
<td>[liver- it-give-] ‘love’</td>
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*ate-muya-muya* [liver-pain-pain] ‘pity, compassion’

PT: Kilivila  
 *ibwaina lula* [belly good] ‘he is happy, at peace, relaxed’

In many of these BPMs, however, the modifying component has no meaning independent of the BPM in which it occurs.

11.4.4 Happy

BPMs for ‘happy’, ‘cheerful’, ‘joyful’, ‘glad’, ‘carefree’ often have ‘good’ as their modifying component. This is sometimes a reflex of POc *puia ‘good’ or PEOc *leka ‘good, pleasant’ (§11.6.1).

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<td>NNG: Takia</td>
<td><em>ilo-uyan</em></td>
<td>[insides- good] ‘happy, pleased, thanks, greeting’</td>
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<td>NNG: Yabem</td>
<td><em>tta?gayam</em></td>
<td>[belly good] ‘contented, happy’</td>
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<td>NNG: Numbami</td>
<td><em>tae-wia</em></td>
<td>[guts-good] ‘happy’</td>
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<td>NNG: Poeng</td>
<td><em>la-u-pe</em></td>
<td>[insides-my-good] ‘I am happy’</td>
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<td>NNG: Mapos Buang</td>
<td><em>are-nivoca</em></td>
<td>[insides- good] ‘happy’</td>
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PT: Kilivila  
 *ibwaina lula* [belly good] ‘he is happy, at peace, relaxed’
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PT: Dawawa  nua-vere  [insides-good] ‘happy’
PT: Lala  lalo nama  [insides good] ‘happy’
PT: Motu  lalo namo  [insides good] ‘happy’
SES: Kwaio  noni leʔa  [body good] ‘grateful, happy, proud’
Ph: Tokelauan  loto-fiafia  [inside-happy] ‘be humorous, happy’

While some Ph languages use a BPM with fiafia ‘happy’ as its modifying element, many of them use fiafia alone, as in the set below.

PPh *fia-fia ‘happy’ (Pollex)
Ph: Tongan  fiafia  ‘happy’
Ph: Niuean  fiafia  ‘joy, delight, pleasure, be happy, joyful’
Ph: Samoan  fiafia  (V) ‘enjoy’; (N) ‘gladness, enjoyment’; (Adj) ‘happy’
Ph: E Uvean  fiafia  ‘happy, joyful’
Ph: Tuvaluan  fiafia  ‘happy’
Ph: Tikopia  fiafia  ‘glad’

It is just possible that POc had a single word, *puiaara-, for ‘happiness’ (or ‘happy’), apparently derived from *puia ‘good’ (§11.6.1). However, this derivation involves positing an otherwise unknown morpheme *-wa-, and possible reflexes are few.

POc *puaa-wa ?? ‘happiness’ (or ‘happy’?)
PT: Gumawana  uyawa-  ‘happy, pleased’
PT: Dobu  uyawa-  ‘joy, gladness; rejoice’
SES: Owa  piawa  ‘happy; calm (of ocean)’

11.4.5 Sad

No simple lexeme can be reconstructed for ‘sad’. Instead, many Oceanic languages use a BPM for ‘sad’, and related meanings like ‘depressed’, ‘misery’ and ‘unhappy’, and here there are some consistent patterns. One pattern combines ‘insides’ or ‘mind’ with a term meaning ‘heavy’. The fact that no *gate- terms have been collected for ‘sad’-like emotions is possibly because these are seen as passive, non-violent. As Bugenhagen (2001:96) has argued for Mangap, *gate- terms occur most often with rash, impetuous emotions.

NNG: Yabem  nalielim wapa?  [insides heavy] ‘his heart is heavy, full of sorrow, dispirited’
NNG: Mangap  lele-i-pata  [insides- it-heavy] ‘worried, concerned, troubled, sad’
NNG: Mapos Buang  ayo mayin  [insides heavy] ‘sad, unhappy’
NNG: Takia  ilo-mula-n  [insides-heavy-3SG] ‘worried, feel badly, sad’
PT: Motu  lalo-metau  [insides-heavy] ‘unwilling’
PT: Dobu  nua-i-mau  [mind- it-heavy] ‘downhearted’
PT: Kiriwina  mmau nano  [mind heavy] ‘sad’
PT: Gumawana  nuo-i-mou  [mind- it-heavy] ‘sad’
PT: Iduna  -nu-a-vita  [-mind-heavy] (vi) ‘heavy-hearted, sad’
SES: To’aba’ita  manata-e kuluʔa  [mind- it heavy] ‘unhappy’
Fij: Bauan loma-bībī [inside heavy, difficult, painful] ‘sad’

The Polynesian terms typically use a modifier reflecting POc *mapat ‘heavy’ (vol.2:213), without body part.

Pn: Tongan mafas-i-a ‘be weighed down, burdened, literally or figuratively’

Pn: Samoan mafat-i-a ‘be hurt, affected, physically and mentally tired’

Pn: Tahitian fātaī ‘to be depressed, yield to discouragement’

Terms for ‘sad’ often overlap with those for ‘angry’ (§3.6). A second pattern uses ‘inside’ + ‘bad’ for ‘sad’ and a range of ‘feeling bad’ emotions that includes sadness and anger. In some cases the ‘bad’ word is a reflex of POc *saqat ‘bad’ (§11.6.2):

NNG: Takia ilo-saian [inside bad] ‘sorrowful, angry, sad, feel badly’

NNG: Mutu lolo i-sayat [inside-it bad] ‘sad, upset’

SES: Longgu tāta kutu [bad belly] ‘be sad, anxious, worried, feel sorry’

SES: ‘Are’are rae- e tāta [liver-it bad] ‘angry’

In other cases another term for ‘bad’ is used:

NNG: Takia tiŋae- saian [guts bad] ‘angry, furious, very annoyed’

NNG: Manam ilo i-goala [inside it bad] ‘sad’

NNG: Mapos Buang aee nipaya [inside it-bad] ‘sad, unhappy, irritated, angry’

PT: Dawawa nua-gewa [mind bad] ‘extremely sad’

PT: Misima nua-nak [mind-bad] ‘sad’

MM: Nakanai ilo-ruru [inside wrong] ‘mournful, sad, disturbed, upset’

MM: Nehan bala uasa [stomach bad] ‘upset, sad, incorrect’

MM: Maringe dīta naiṇa [bad heart] ‘sad, regretful, feel bad, sorry’

NCV: Lewo sine-vioa [guts bad] ‘sad, unhappy, disappointed, sorry, upset’

PT: Iduna nua- gi-koyo [mind-it-bad] ‘upset, angry, annoyed’

NCV: Paamese ti-tīsa [guts bad] ‘angry’

A less frequent but widely distributed BPM for ‘sad’ or ‘angry’ is ‘inside’ + ‘sick/painful’:

NNG: Takia ilo-madai [inside painful] ‘angry, bitter’

NNG: Lukep (Pono) lo-matamata [inside sick] ‘despondent, depressed’

PT: Tawala nugo-totogo [mind sick] ‘sad’

PT: Misima ati-lom‘an [liver-painful] ‘be sad; feel sorry for’

MM: Patpatar bala nügüt [stomach painful] ‘angry, sore at s.o., disgruntled’

NCV: Lonwolwol lo-makenken [inside painful] ‘sad’

lo-merâ [inside sore] ‘angry’
11.4.6 Angry

No reconstructions are proposed. Languages typically have a number of terms for various kinds of anger varying with the intensity of emotion and the construal of the triggering event. The following BPMs are from Yabem (NNG):

- **tta? gô? au?** [belly.his grown over PERF] ‘he is full of rage, cannot think clearly because of rage’
- **tta? kmʷatig tau** [belly.his knot itself] ‘he is burning with rage; is angry, irritated’
- **tta? kap’a** [belly.his explode] ‘his blood is up, swells with rage’
- **tta? kbuli au?** [belly.his twisted PERF] ‘his heart is enraged, irritated, takes offence at s.t., feels scandalised by s.t.’
- **tta? ṣamaki?** [belly.his bitter] ‘he is angry, bitter, irritated’
- **tta? ṣandaŋ** [belly.his hot] ‘he is furious’
- **tta? se?** [belly.his bad] ‘he is discontented, displeased, angry, dismal, sad’

Anger often overlaps with sadness insofar as BPMs of the pattern ‘insides’ + ‘bad’ and ‘insides’ + ‘painful’ mean either ‘angry’ or ‘sad’ or both. Examples are given in §11.4.5.

The examples below, although ranging in meaning from ‘cross’ to ‘indignant’ to ‘furious’, all contain metaphors that relate to heat or fire or its consequences.

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<td>stomach- it burn fire ‘get hot with anger’</td>
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<td>NNG: Takia</td>
<td><em>bube- yai inani</em></td>
<td>liver- fire cook ‘very angry’</td>
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<td>NNG: Bukawa</td>
<td><em>ilo- wananan</em></td>
<td>insides- hot ‘indignant, cross, angry’</td>
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<td>PT: Motu</td>
<td><em>ata-ηade</em></td>
<td>stomach hot ‘angry’</td>
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<td>MM: Nakanai</td>
<td><em>la hate-la mamasi</em></td>
<td>the liver-his salty ‘he is angry’</td>
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<td>MM: Patpatar</td>
<td><em>bala mamahien</em></td>
<td>insides hot ‘angry’</td>
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<td>SES: Lau</td>
<td><em>lio e sasu</em></td>
<td>voice it smoke ‘angry’</td>
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<td>SES: ‘Are’are</td>
<td><em>rae-e kora</em></td>
<td>liver- it embers ‘angry’</td>
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<td>NC: Araki</td>
<td><em>lolo koru</em></td>
<td>insides burnt ‘angry’</td>
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<td>NCV: Lonwolfol</td>
<td><em>lo- mafiri</em></td>
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<td><em>ləl- faŋfaŋ</em></td>
<td>insides-on fire ‘angry’</td>
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11.4.7 Confused

Terms from three languages support a PEOc reconstruction:

- **PEOc *lolo* ‘be confused’**
- **SES: ‘Are’are** *rore* ‘be confused, talk confusedly’
- **SES: Sa’a** *lolo* ‘be confused, dazed’
- **Pn: Maori** *rore* ‘intoxicated; entangle’

Some languages, like Maori above, express mental confusion by describing the mind as tangled (as of vegetation), while two SES languages below describe the mind as closed or blocked:

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<tr>
<td>NNG: Takia</td>
<td><em>ilo-i-balkaluk</em></td>
<td>insides- it-tangled ‘confused’</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>PT: Kukuya</td>
<td><em>nua- vi-tupatupa</em></td>
<td>mind- it-dense ‘confused’</td>
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Surprised

Not unexpectedly a number of terms for ‘surprised’ are perceived as associated with fear and used also for ‘alarmed’ or ‘shocked’. In both the Pn and Mic cognate sets given below there is also an association with being woken suddenly.

A recurrent metaphor incorporates words for jumping or flying using reflexes of POc *Ropok ‘to fly’ (§ 6.3.2.1). Micronesian and Polynesian terms occur without body part.

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<td>Lukep kate rō</td>
<td>[liver flew] ‘excited to the point of forgetting what one was doing’</td>
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<td>PT</td>
<td>Kiriwina i-yowa lopo-la</td>
<td>[it-flew belly-his] ‘he leapt in surprise’</td>
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<td>PT</td>
<td>Kukuya viau novo</td>
<td>‘frighten, ambush, surprise s.o.’ (viau ?)</td>
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PPn *ofo ‘wake up, be startled’ (POLLEX)

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<td>(vi) ‘to be surprised, wake up’</td>
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<td>Pn</td>
<td>Niuean ofo</td>
<td>‘to surprise, be surprised’</td>
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<td>Pn</td>
<td>E Futunan ofo</td>
<td>‘wake up’</td>
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<td>Pn</td>
<td>Samoan ofo</td>
<td>‘startled, surprised’</td>
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<td>Pn</td>
<td>Tokelauan ofo</td>
<td>‘amazement, surprise’</td>
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<tr>
<td>Pn</td>
<td>Maori oho</td>
<td>‘start from fear, surprise; wake up’</td>
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<tr>
<td>Pn</td>
<td>Hawaiian oho</td>
<td>‘leap up, as startled birds’</td>
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Nakanai uses the same metaphor with a non-cognate term for the verb:

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<td>Nakanai la-hate-la raga</td>
<td>[liver leaps] ‘he is startled’</td>
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POc *(lalo-)-rutu ‘surprised’

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<td>NNG</td>
<td>Takia ilo i-rut</td>
<td>‘surprised, fearful, trembling inside’</td>
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PMic *rut(i,u) ‘become aware, wake up, be surprised’ (Bender et al. 2003)

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<td>Mic</td>
<td>Kiribati uī</td>
<td>‘to arise, awake’</td>
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<td>Mic</td>
<td>Marshallese ruc</td>
<td>‘wake up, arouse’</td>
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<td>Mic</td>
<td>Kosraean lut</td>
<td>‘be surprised, startled, amazed’</td>
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<td>Mic</td>
<td>Puluwatese ri</td>
<td>‘to be startled, surprised, alarmed’</td>
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<td>Mic</td>
<td>Carolinian ri</td>
<td>(vi) ‘to be surprised, shocked, startled’</td>
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<tr>
<td>Mic</td>
<td>Satawalese rri</td>
<td>‘surprised’</td>
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<tr>
<td>Mic</td>
<td>Woleaian rusu</td>
<td>‘be frightened, scared’</td>
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Desiring and wanting

We have included desire and wanting in this chapter because in some contexts (being envious, homesick) it has a strong emotional basis. In others, of course—lacking food (§§4.3.1–2) or sleep (§4.6.2), sexual desire (§4.2.2.2)—it denotes a physical rather than emotional need.

The most striking result of our searches for ways in which POc speakers expressed ‘want’ and ‘desire’ is the absence of any consistency of expression in modern languages outside the Central Pacific (Fij + Pn) group. A major reason for this is that, as a result of the ubiquity and frequency of ‘want’ in the world’s languages, ‘want’ words tend strongly to undergo grammaticisation and to end up as particles in the slots otherwise reserved for tense, aspect and especially mood markers. The endpoint of this tendency is that the ‘want’ morpheme undergoes extension of function and becomes a future or irrealis morpheme, accompanied by the innovation of new ways of expressing ‘want’. Thus in Takia (NNG) the ‘want’ morpheme is the enclitic *[w]o, which occupies the first of a series of postverbal enclitic slots (Ross 2008) that are otherwise occupied by aspect or mood morphemes:

\[
\begin{align*}
\eta\text{-le}=o & \quad [I=\text{see}=\text{want}] \quad \text{‘I want to see’} \\
\eta\text{-le}=da & \quad [I=\text{see}=\text{imperfect}] \quad \text{‘I am seeing’} \\
\eta\text{-le}=ya & \quad [I=\text{see}=\text{realis}] \quad \text{‘I saw’} \\
\eta\text{-le}=wa & \quad [I=\text{see}=\text{irrealis}] \quad \text{‘I shall see’}
\end{align*}
\]

In Longgu (SES) the ‘want’ morpheme is preverbal *tali*, in the same structural position as certain aspectual morphemes and the negator (Hill 1992):

\[
\begin{align*}
tali \text{ imu} & \quad \text{[want drink]} \quad \text{‘(I) want to drink’} \\
\text{tazani} \text{ tate} & \quad \text{[just appear]} \quad \text{‘(I) have just appeared’} \\
\text{vusi} \text{ api} & \quad \text{[almost cry]} \quad \text{‘(I) am almost crying’} \\
\text{se lae} & \quad \text{[not go]} \quad \text{‘(I) am not going’}.
\end{align*}
\]

A number of languages of the Southeast Solomons, Fiji and Polynesia are like Longgu: they have a pre-verbal particle or prefix meaning ‘want’, but the SES and Wayan Fijian forms show no relation to each other, nor to PCP *via* below.

\[
\begin{align*}
\text{‘Are’ are } \text{siri} & \quad \text{‘hanker after, long for, desire’ (siri hana ‘very hungry’, siri koʔu ‘thirsty’)} \\
\text{Arosi } \text{gasi-} & \quad \text{‘to desire, desiderative prefix to any verb’ (gasi-gono ‘thirsty’, gasi-\text{maura} ‘sleepy’, gasi-\text{ŋau} ‘hungry’)} \\
\text{Kwaio } \text{måli-} & \quad \text{prefix to måli-faŋa ‘hungry’ and måli-goʔu ‘thirsty’} \\
\text{Wayan } \text{mata} & \quad \text{‘preverbal particle, want, desire, feel need to do V’ (mata kani ‘hungry’, mata som ‘thirsty’, mata moðe ‘sleepy’)}
\end{align*}
\]

Data supporting the reconstruction of PCP *via ‘want to’ are given below.

PMP *pian ‘want, desire, wish or long for’ (ACD)
POc *pia(n) (auxiliary) ‘want to’
PCP *via ‘desiderative particle or prefix’

\[
\begin{align*}
\text{Fij:} & \quad \text{Bauan} & \quad \text{via} & \quad \text{‘auxiliary verb expressing desire’}
\end{align*}
\]

\[
\text{Cf. discussion of COGITATE verbs in §10.3.}
\]
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Fij: Wayan via ‘preverbal particle: marks an act as done for fun, pleasure rather than for serious purpose; want to do’

Pn: Tongan fie ‘preposed verb; want, desire, wish, be willing’

Pn: Niuean fia ‘desire, want’

Pn: Samoan fia ‘pre-verbal particle: wish, like, aspire to’

Pn: E Futunan fia- ‘verbal prefix indicating wish, desire’

Pn: Pukapukan via ‘want’

Pn: Pileni fie ‘preverbal adverb indicating a wish or need’

Pn: Tokelauan fia- ‘prefix indicating a wish, a liking’

Pn: Tikopia fia, fifia ‘want, desire, wish (normally followed by common verbs or nouns, giving unitary concepts)’

Pn: Tahitian hia-ai ‘desire food, drink’

Pn: Maori hia ‘desire, want’ (prefix on small group of words such as eat, drink etc.)

Pn: Hawaiian hia ‘desire, want, delight in’

Pn: Marquesan hia moe ‘sleepy’

cf also:

SES: To’aba’ita fiia (VT) ‘expect, anticipate s.t.; have a feeling that s.t. will happen; expect s.o. to do s.t.’

NCV: Lewo ve ‘want’

As noted in §§4.3.3.1–2 and §4.6.2.1 Central Pacific languages express the concepts of being hungry, thirsty and sleepy as sequences of ‘want to’ + verb:

PCP *via kani ‘be hungry’ (lit. ‘want eat’)  
PCP *via inu ‘be thirsty’ (lit. ‘want drink’)  
PCP *via moze ‘be sleepy’ (lit. ‘want sleep’)

Since PCP *via apparently reflects PMP *pian, the reconstruction of POc *pia(n) can be inferred. However, it seems to have been displaced in non-Central Pacific Oceanic languages by a variety of lexical strategies.

A range of languages use reflexes of POc *mate ‘to die’ (§4.2.1.2) to express an intense need, particularly for such things as food, water, or betelnut, paralleling the English expressions ‘dying for a smoke’ etc.

NNG: Takia you=o-mat [water=for -die]‘thirsty’

NNG: Gedaged -mat ‘long, yearn, crave, desire, lust after’

NNG: Poeng mate-ka- [die eat] ‘want food, be hungry’

NNG: Kakuna mate-kana [die eat] ‘hungry’

NNG: Uvol mete-ana [die eat] ‘hungry’

SES: Lau mae-li gwou [die-TR water] ‘long for a drink, be thirsty’

SES: Kwaio mā-li faga [die-TR food] ‘long for food, be hungry’

In a number of languages, desire is strongly identified with the reflex of POc *lalo-, *lalom ‘inside; seat of thoughts and emotions’ or whatever has replaced it as the term for ‘mind’ (§9.4). The following example from Bugenhagen’s Mangap-Mbula grammar (1995:223) illustrates how this works (or in some languages, once worked):
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Nio lele-ŋ be anŋ-la pa "benŋ*
I insides-my NF I-go at night
‘I wanted to go at night.’

A more literal translation is ‘My inside/thought/desire (was) that I would go at night.’ This Kalokalo (PT) sentence has a similar structure (Guderian & Guderian 2002).

nuanua-gu ya-na-egimʷ aneye-ya
want-my I-will-sell-it
‘I wanted to sell it.’

In some languages the ‘mind’ noun has been (half-)transformed into a verb, as in Lewo (NCV), where the transitive verbal suffix -ni is attached to the ‘mind’ noun sine- ‘guts’ and its possessor suffix, in this instance -la ‘their’ (Early 1994).

sine-la-ni ə-ŋsape Palua ə-va e wa
guts-their-TR it-say Palua he-irrealis.go to ship
‘They want Palua to go out to the ship.’

Ivens (1937) shows that the Gela ‘mind’ term lio- is similarly used. It takes a possessor suffix like any inalienably possessed noun, but is accompanied by the verbal morphemes that one would expect with a verb like ‘want’.

Finally, another strategy for expressing ‘want’ is to use the verb ‘say’, a natural extension of internal speech and thought. In Bari (NNG) keo serves as both ‘say’ and ‘want’, but its sense is disambiguated by the construction that follows it (Gallagher & Baehr 2005).

Ti-keo pa=gid taine ngan ti-la dadanga-i.
they-say to=them female to they-go garden-at
‘They tell the women to go to the garden.’

Na-keo ga sabale gaisala eao Ø-nam.
I-say that tomorrow morning thou thou-come
‘I want you to come tomorrow morning.’

Bowern (2011:151) notes a similar development in Titan (Adm).

11.6 Evaluation: good vs bad

Because what is experienced may be animate, inanimate or abstract and because evaluation is in the mind of the experiencer, evaluative terms, particularly those for ‘good’ and ‘bad’, may be applied to both animates and inanimates. As value terms they stand alone, but they are also a component of BPMs (§9.5) or they follow terms used specifically to mark a quality as customary or habitual (§11.3).

11.6.1 Good

Terms for ‘good’ have been difficult to reconstruct. Two reconstructions are proposed: POc *puia and PEOc *leka.

NF denotes the non-factual complementiser: in other words, what follows it is a clause in irrealis mood.
With regard to *puia, originally an alternant *uia was reconstructed. The reflexes that require this are those from Takia and its neighbours and Hote, shown under ‘cf. also’. These appear to be instances of an idiosyncratic sound change in a frequently used item. However, the Loniu, Titan and Sio reflexes are those that would have occurred if *p were between two vowels. and it is reasonable to infer that in these languages, at least, the reflex of *puia once behaved as a stative verb and took subject prefixes (e.g. i- 3SG). The Gitua and Labu forms and the second Nehan form reflect *puiaia, and this was perhaps a POc alternant.

The form *puia is unusual because it contains a sequence of three vowels, which is very unusual in POc (otherwise occurring, as far as is known, only in *kaiu ‘tree’). Indeed, it is tempting to reconstruct either †*p’ia or †*puya in order to adhere to a POc canonic shape, but †*p’ia is eliminated by Loniu, Kaiep, Manam and Nehan reflexes, since *-u- is retained and *puya is hard to justify in the light of so many reflexes of *-i- rather than *-y-.

The presence of *-u- in *puia is also unexpected, as non-Oceanic cognates reflect PMP *ma-pia, i.e. the root is *pia.

PMP *ma-pia ‘good’

POc *puia ‘good’

Adm: Loniu  huya-n ‘good’ (medial reflex of *p-)
Adm: Titan   wia-n, uya-n ‘good’ (medial reflex of *p-)
Adm: Lou     pia-n ‘good’
Adm: Baluan  pia-n ‘good, well, all right’
NNG: Ula-Suain ya-ñ ‘good’
NNG: Kaiep   uya-n ‘good’
NNG: Manam   (ia)uia ‘good’
NNG: Dami    bia ‘good, right, correct, righthand side’ (b- for †p-)
NNG: Mutu    poia ‘good’
NNG: Gitua   p’aya ‘good’ (for †p’ia)
NNG: Lusi    poea ‘good’
NNG: Poeng   pe ‘good; right hand’
NNG: Kilenge  pa-pue ‘good’
NNG: Mangap  pe ‘good, well’
NNG: Sio     wia ‘right hand’ (medial reflex of *p-)
NNG: Kaiwa  vie ‘good’
NNG: Numbami wia ‘good’
NNG: Labu    haya ‘good’ (for †hia)
SJ: Sobei   fia ‘good’
PT: Gumawana uya(wana) ‘happy, pleased’
MM: Nehan   uia ‘good’
MM: Numbami uia ‘correct’
MM: Tinputz vi(h) ‘good’

PNCV *vuaia ‘good’ (Clark 2009: *wia)

NCV: Mota   wia ‘good, of the right sort, without anything unusual’
NCV: S Gaua we ‘good’
NCV: Mwotlap w1 ‘good’
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NCV: Marino wia ‘good’
NCV: Lonwolwol wu ‘good’ (realis: bu)
NCV: Port Sandwich voi ‘good, well, pleasant’
NCV: Nakanamanga p^ia ‘good’ (realis form?)
NCV: Nguna wia ‘good’
NCV: Lelepa wia ‘good’
NCV: S Efate wi ‘good’

cf. also:
NNG: Takia uya-n ‘good’
NNG: Bilbil uya-n ‘good’
NNG: Matukar uya-n ‘good’
NNG: Mindiri uya-n ‘good’
NNG: Hote (Misim) (ma)ui ‘good’

Reflexes of PEOc *leka ‘good, pleasant’ may also refer to temperaments, as in Pukapukan (yau)leka [temperament good] ‘calm, gentle, mild, quiet’.

PEOc *leka ‘good’
SES: Lau lea ‘good’
SES: Kwaio leʔa ‘good, well’
SES: Dorio leʔa ‘good’
SES: Kwara’ae leaʔ ‘good’

PPn *leka ‘pleasant’ (POLLEX)
  Pn: Pukapukan leka ‘pleasant, sweet, good, delicious’
  Pn: Tikopia (tau)reka-reka ‘fine, splendid, handsome, beautiful’
  Pn: Rarotongan reka ‘pleasant’
  Pn: Maori reka ‘pleasant, sweet’
  Pn: Hawaii leʔa ‘pleasant’

11.6.2 Bad
The POc term for a negative evaluation of various kinds was *saqat ‘bad’.

PMP *saqat ‘bad’ (ACD)
POc *saqat ‘bad’
NNG: Takia saia-n ‘bad’
NNG: Yabem seʔ ‘bad, evil’
NNG: Tami sakat ‘bad, spoilt’
MM: Bali zaʔata ‘bad’
MM: E Kara (mo)sat ‘bad’
MM: Notsi caka ‘bad’
MM: Tabar caka ‘bad’
MM: Label saka ‘bad’
MM: Patpatar sakana ‘bad; evil; ruined; worthless’
MM: Minigir saka(i) ‘bad’
A number of reflexes point to a final *-i. Whilst the Arosi and Bauan reflexes under ‘cf. also’ self-evidently reflect *saqat plus the transitive suffix *-i, the gloss ‘bad’ indicates that this is not the source of *-i in the items listed below and that they perhaps reflect an alternant *saqati.\(^9\)

POc *saqati ‘bad’

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<td>sati</td>
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<td>NNG: Mutu</td>
<td>sayati</td>
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<td>PT: Sudest</td>
<td>ñari</td>
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<td>MM: Lihir</td>
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PNCV *saqati ‘bad’ (Clark 2009)

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<td>sati</td>
<td>‘bad; dead (euphemism)’</td>
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<td>NCV: Tangoa</td>
<td>sati</td>
<td>‘bad’</td>
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<td>NCV: Nduindui</td>
<td>hati</td>
<td>‘bad’</td>
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<td>SV: Anejom</td>
<td>has</td>
<td>‘bad’</td>
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\(^9\) Another reconstruction to exhibit this variation is POc *pat/*pati ‘four’.
cf. also:

SES: Arosi \( t\ddot{a}\dddot{a}-i \) (vt) ‘to spoil’
Fij: Bauan \( \ddot{d}\ddot{a}\dddot{t}i- \) (vt) ‘to hate s.o.; deem s.o. bad’

POc *\( jika \) ‘be soiled, weakened’ appears to have been a stative verb used primarily of inanimates and meaning something like ‘be unfit for use’. But some languages extend their reflexes of *\( jika \) to describe negative emotions or behavioural qualities:

PT: Motu \( kara \ dika \) [conduct bad] ‘sin’
\( gai\ddot{h}o \ dika \) [character bad] ‘inhospitable, mean’
\( lalo \ dika \) [insides bad] ‘miserable’
MM: Maringe \( d\ddot{t}\dddot{a} \ n\ddot{a}\ddot{n}\dddot{a}f\ddot{a} \) [heart bad] ‘sad, sadness’
SES: Gela \( l\ddot{i}o \ dika \) [disposition bad] ‘sad, sorry; to hate’
SES: Bugotu \( dika \ hehe \) [bad heart/mind/wish] ‘grief, to grieve, be sad;
bear ill will’

POc *\( jika \) ‘be soiled, weakened’

NNG: Lukep \( s\ddot{a}(n)a \) ‘bad’
NNG: Maleu \( s\ddot{a}(\ddot{n})e \) ‘bad’
NNG: Manam \( z\ddot{i}\ddot{a}-z\ddot{i}\ddot{a} \) ‘dirty, soiled’
NNG: Bam \( jik-jik \) ‘dirty’
NNG: Wogeo \( -jika \) ‘(wood) rotten’
NNG: Kairiru \( -jieq \) ‘(wood) rotten’
PT: Motu \( dika \) ‘bad, badness; calamity; guilt’
MM: Marovo \( cie-na \) ‘bad’
MM: Vangunu \( sie-na \) ‘bad’
MM: Kokota \( dia \) ‘bad’
MM: Maringe \( d\ddot{i}\ddot{a} \) ‘bad’ (borrowed from Bugotu)
SES: Bugotu \( dika \) ‘be bad, evil, wrong’
SES: Gela \( dika \) ‘bad, inferior’
Fij: Bauan \( \ddot{d}\ddot{i}ka(\ddot{i}) \) ‘be destroyed, be weakened’
\( \ddot{d}\ddot{i}ka(\ddot{a}), \ddot{d}\ddot{i}ka(va) \) ‘destroy s.t.’
Appendix A: Data sources

A.1 Introduction

Below are listed data sources consulted in the course of the research reported in this volume. These sources are divided into data collections which collate lexical material from a number of languages, published or publicly available dictionaries and vocabularies, and unpublished sources.

A.2 Data collections

We have made use of a number of published or publicly available data collections, each of which collates data across part or all of Oceanic:

- Oceanic as a whole: Blust & Trussell (ongoing), Greenhill, Blust & Gray (2008)
- Languages of the Rai Coast (northeast New Guinea): Lincoln 1976
- Solomon Islands (including Temotu): Tryon & Hackman (1983)
- Vanuatu: Tryon (1976)
- North and Central Vanuatu: Clark (2009)
- South Vanuatu: Lynch (2001c)
- Micronesian: Bender et al. (2003)
- Polynesian: Clark & Biggs (2006) (there is now an online version at http://pollex.org.nz/about; see also Greenhill & Clark 2011)

A.3 Published or publicly available dictionaries and vocabularies

These sources are listed in the references at the end of the volume. They are listed here in alphabetical sequence by language name:

- Amara: Thurston (1996a)
- Anejom: Lynch & Tepahae (2001)
- Anus: Grace (1971)
- Aria: Thurston (1996b)
- ’Are’are: Geerts (1970)
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Appendix A

A.4 Unpublished sources

Unpublished sources consist mostly of electronic files from various sources. A few are mimeos or typescripts. Dates are given where they are known, but in most cases the materials are undated.

- Electronic files provided by various scholars, some of which are themselves based on a variety of primary sources. These include:

- Electronic files of lexical data collated during the research leading to the publication of Ross (1988), whose sources are listed in Appendices A and B of that work.

- Electronic files from the Comparative Austronesian Dictionary project which resulted in Tryon (1995), which lists its own sources.

- Electronic files of Biggs and Clark’s POLLEX: Proto Polynesian lexicon. We refer to a June 2006 version, abbreviated POLLEX (there is now an online version at http://pollex.org.nz; see also Greenhill & Clark 2011)

- Electronic files of dictionaries in progress kindly made available by the Summer Institute of Linguistics (Papua New Guinea branch) and members thereof. Languages and those who compiled/supplied the dictionary are as follows:

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  Bola        Brent Wiebe
  Mapos Buang  Bruce Hooley
  Dami        George Elliott
  Dawawa      Martin Knauber and Beate Knauber
  Gapapaiwa   Ed McGuckin and Catherine McGuckin
  Gumawana    Clif Olson
  Hote        Marguerite Muzzey
  East Kara   Perry Schlie and Virginia Schlie
  Kaulong     Craig Throop
  Drehet [= Khehek]  Stephan Beard

Tongan       Churchward (1959)
Ughele       Frostad (2012)
Ulawa        Ivens (1918)
Ura          Lynch 1983
Vurès        Malau (2011)
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Appendix B: Languages

B.1 Introduction

In B.2 are listed by putative subgroup all the Oceanic languages and dialects (and occasionally larger isogloss-defined regions, e.g. Western Viti Levu) referred to in this volume. The higher-order subgroups are as described in §1.3.2. Lower-order groups are mainly from the classification in Lynch et al. (2002) supplemented from Ross (1988) for Western Oceanic, Ross & Næss (2007), for Temotu, Lynch (1999, 2000, 2006, 2007) for Southern Oceanic, Bender et al. (2003) for Micronesian, and Geraghty (1983) for Central Pacific. B.3 is an index to B.2, followed by maps showing the languages’ approximate locations.

Square brackets enclose the subgroup abbreviations used in the data. Parentheses include dialect names or, where an equals sign is used, an alternative name or names for the language. The difficulty of deciding where the borderline between dialect and language lies, combined with the fact that these volumes contain work by a number of contributors, has resulted in some inconsistency in the naming of dialects in the cognate sets. Some occur in the form ‘Halia (Haku)’, i.e. the Haku dialect of the Halia language, whilst others are represented simply by the dialect name, e.g. Iduna, noted in the list below as ‘Iduna (= dialect of Bwaidoga)’. Where a language has several dialects, these are shown below in the form ‘Mumeng (Patep, Zenag, Kumaru)’, where Patep, Zenag and Kumaru are dialects of Mumeng.

B.2 Languages by subgroups

1. Yapese (perhaps more closely related to Admiralties than elsewhere)

2. St Matthias [Adm] (perhaps more closely related to Admiralties than elsewhere)
   Mussau
   Tenis (= Tench)

3. Admiralties [Adm]
   3.1. Western Admiralties
       Aua
       Kaniet
Seimat (= Ninigo)
Wuvulu

3.2. Eastern Admiralties

3.2.1. Manus
Andra
Bipi
Drehet (= Ndrehet, Khehek, Levei-Tulu)
Ere
Hus
Kele
Koro
Kurti
Leipon (= Pitilu)
Lele
Likum
Loniu
Mondropolon
Nali
Nyindrou
Papitalai
Ponam
Sori-Harengan
Titan

3.2.2. Southeast Admiralties
Baluan
Lenkau
Lou
Nauna
Pak
Penchal

4. Western Oceanic

4.1. New Guinea Oceanic

4.1.1. North New Guinea [NNG]

4.1.1.1. Schouten
Ali
Bam
Kaiep
Kairiru
Kis
Manam
Medebur
Sera
Sissano (Arop)
Terebu
Tumleo
Ulau-Suain
Wogeo

4.1.1.2. **Huon Gulf**

Numbami

4.1.1.2.1 **North Huon Gulf**

- Bukawa
- Kela
- Yabem (= Jabêm)

4.1.1.2. **Huon Gulf**

4.1.1.2.2 **Markham**

- Adzera
- Aribwatsa
- Dangal (dialect of S Watut)
- Labu
- Mari
- Middle Watut (= Bubwaf, Silisili)
- Musom
- North Watut (= Unank, Onank)
- Sirak (= Nafi)
- Sirasira
- South Watut (= Maralango)
- Sukurum
- Wampar
- Wampur
- Yalu

4.1.1.2.3. **South Huon Gulf**

- Buang
- Hote
- Kaiwa
- Kapin
- Mangga (= dialect of Buang)
- Mapos Buang (= dialect of Buang)
- Misim (= dialect of Hote)
- Mumeng (Patep, Zenang, Kumaru)
- Piu
- Vehes

4.1.1.3. **Ngero/Vitiaz**

- Amara
- Mangap (= Mangap-Mbula, Kaimanga)
- Sio
- Tami

4.1.1.3.1. **Korap**
Barim
Lukep (Pono) (= Arop-Lokep)
Malasanga
Singorakai (= dialect of Malasanga)

4.1.1.3.2. Kilenge-Maleu
Kilenge
Maleu

4.1.1.3.3. Mato-Rondi
Mato (= Nenaya, Nengaya)
Roinji (= Ronji, Rondi)

4.1.1.3.4. Ngero
Bariai (= Kabana)
Gitua
Kove
Lusi
Malai (= dialect of Mutu)
Malalamai
Mutu
Tuam (= dialect of Mutu)

4.1.1.3.5. Bel
Bilibil (= Bilbil)
Bing (= Biliau)
Dami (= Ham)
Gedaged (= Graged)
Matukar (= Matugar)
Megiar (= dialect of Takia)
Mindiri
Takia
Riwo (= Ziwo, dialect of Gedaged)
Wab

4.1.1.3.6. Southwest New Britain

4.1.1.3.6.1. Bibling (= Lamogai)
Aria
Lamogai
Mouk (= Mok)
Rauto (dialect of Lamogai)

4.1.1.3.6.2. Arawe
Akolet
Apalik (= Ambul)
Arawe
Atui (= Amio)
Avau
Bebeli
Mangseng
4.1.1.3.6.3. **Pasismanua**

Kaulong
Psohoh (= Bao)
Sengseng

4.1.1.3.7. **Mengen**

Kakuna (= dialect of Mamusi)
Longeinga (= Bush Mengen)
Mengen (Poeng, Maenge = Orford)
Mamusi
Uvol

4.1.2. **Sarmi/Jayapura** [SJ] (perhaps part of North New Guinea)

4.1.2.1. **Sarmi**

Anus
Bongo
Sobei
Tarpia (= Tarfia)

4.1.2.2. **Jayapura**

Kayupulau
Ormu
Tobati (= Yotafia)

4.1.3. **Papuan Tip** [PT]

4.1.3.1. **Suauic**

‘Auhelawa (= Kurada)
Bohutu
Logea
Oya’oya
Saliba (= Sariba)
Suau (Daui, Kwato Suau)
Tubetube
Wagawaga

4.1.3.2. **North Mainland/D’Entrecasteaux**

Anuki
Gumawana (= Gumasi)

4.1.3.2.1. **Dobu/Duau**

Bunama
Dobu
Duau
Galea (= Galeya)
Gilagila (= dialect of Sewa Bay)
Sewa Bay

4.1.3.2.2. **Bwaidoga**

Bwaidoga
Diodio
Iamalele (= Yamalele)
Iduna (= dialect of Bwaidoga)
Kalauna (= subdialect of Iduna)
Kalokalo
Molima

4.1.3.2.3. Kakabai/Dawawa
Dawawa
Kakabai (Igora)

4.1.3.2.4. Are/Taupota
Are
Arifama
Bartle Bay (= dialect of Wedau)
Boanaki (= Boianaki)
Doga
Gapapaiwa (= Paiwa)
Maisin
Minaveha (= Kukuya)
Taupota
Tawala
Ubir
Wedau

4.1.3.3. Kilivila/Misima
Budibud
Kilivila (= Kiriwina)
Misima
Muyuw

4.1.3.4. Nimoa/Sudest
Nimoa
Sudest (=Pamela), Sudest (Varavarae)

4.1.3.5. Central Papuan
Balawaia (= dialect of Sinaugoro)
Doura
Gabadi
Hula (= dialect of Keapara)
Keapara
Kuni
Lala (= Nara, 'Ala’ala, Pokau)
Magori
Maopa (= dialect of Keapara)
Mekoe (= East Mekeo)
Motu
Ouma
Roro
Sinaugoro
Taboro (= dialect of Sinaugoro)
West Mekeo
Yoba

4.2. *Meso-Melanesian* [MM]

4.2.1. *Bali-Vitu*
Bali
Vitu

4.2.2. *Willaumez*
Bola, Bola (Harua)
Bulu
Meramera
Nakanai (= Lakalai)

4.2.3. *New Ireland/Northwest Solomonic*

4.2.3.1. *Tungag/Nalik family*
Kara (East, West)
Lavongai (= Tungak, Tungag)
Nalik
Tiang
Tigak

4.2.3.2. *Tabar linkage*
Lihir
Notsi (= Nochi)
Tabar

4.2.3.3. *Madak linkage*
Barok
Lamasong
Madak

4.2.3.4. Tomoip

4.2.3.5. *St George linkage*
Bilur
Kandas
Konomala
Label
Minigir (= Vinitiri)
Patpatar
Ramoaaaina (= Duke of York)
Siar
Sursurunga
Tangga (= Tanga)
Tolai (= Kuanua, Raluana, Tuna), Tolai (Nodup)

4.2.3.5.1. *Northwest Solomonic linkage*

4.2.3.5.1.1. *Nehan/North Bougainville*
Hahon
Appendix B

4.2.3.5.1.2. *Piva/Banoni*
Banoni
Piva

4.2.3.5.1.3. *Mono-Alu/Torau*
Mono-Alu
Torau
Uruava

4.2.3.5.1.4. *Choiseul*
Avasó
Babatana
Ririo
Sisiqa (= Sisingga, Sengga)
Vaghua
Varisi

4.2.3.5.1.5. *New Georgia*
Hoava
Kubokota (= Ghanongga)
Kusaghe
Lungga
Marovo
Nduke
Roviana
Simbo
Ughele
Vangunu

4.2.3.5.1.6. *Ysabel*
Blablanga
Gao
Kia (= Zabana)
Kokota
Laghu
Maringe (= Cheke Holo, Hograno)

5. *Southeast Solomonic [SES]*

5.1. *Guadalcanal-Gelic*
Birao
Bugotu
Gae (= dialect of West Guadalcanal)
Gela
Lengo
Ghari (= dialect of West Guadalcanal)
Malango
Talise
Tolo (= dialect of Talise)
West Guadalcanal

5.2. Makira-Malaita
’Are’are
Arosi
Baelelea (= dialect of Lau)
Bauro
Baegu
Dori’o
Fagani
Fataleka
Kahua
Kwai
Kwaio
Kwara’ae
Langalanga (= Wala)
Lau
Longgu
Marau Sound (dialect of ’Are’are)
Oroha
Owa
Sa’a
Santa Ana (= dialect of Owa)
To’aba’ita (= Toqabaqita)
Uki ni Masi (= dialect of Sa’a)
Ulawa (= dialect of Sa’a)

6. Temotu [TM]

6.1. Reefs and Santa Cruz
Äiwoo (= Reefs)
Nagu
Natūgu (= Malo, Lōdāi, Nedō)

6.2. Utupua/Vanikoro
Asuboa
Buma (= Teanu)
Nebao (= Aba)
Tanema (= Tanima, Tetau)
Tanibili
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Vano (= Vana)

7. Southern Oceanic

7.1. North Vanuatu linkage [part of NCV; see §1.3.2.2]

7.1.1. Banks and Torres

Dorig
Hiw
Lakon (= Lakona)
Lemerig (= Sasar)
Lehali
Loh (= dialect of Lo-Toga)
Lo-Toga
Löyöp
Merlav (= Mwerlap)
Mota
Mwesen (= Mosina)
Mwotlap (= Motlav)
Nume
Olrat
South Gaua
Vera’a (= Vatrata)
Volow (= dialect of Mwotlap)
Vurës

7.1.2. Northwest Santo

Cape Cumberland
Matantas
Nokuku (dialect of Cape Cumberland)
Tasmate
Tolomako
Valpei (dialect of Cape Cumberland)
Vunapu (dialect of Cape Cumberland)

7.1.3. Southwest Santo

Akei (dialect of Southwest Santo) (= Tasiriki)
Araki (dialect of Southwest Santo)
Aore
Ki'ai (= Fortsenal)
Mafea
Merei (= Lametin)
Morouas (dialect of South Central Santo)
Narango (dialect of South Central Santo)
South Central Santo
Southwest Santo
Tamambo (= Tamabo, Malo)
Tambotalo
Tangoa (dialect of Southwest Santo)
Tutuba
Wusi

7.1.4. Sakao (= Nekep), Sakao (Sara)

7.1.5. East Santo
Shark Bay

7.1.6. Ambae/Maewo/North Pentecost
Baetora
Maewo
Nduindui (= Ngwatua, Duidui)
Northeast Ambae (= NE Aoba)
Raga
Suñwadaga

7.2. Nuclear Southern Oceanic

7.2.1. Central Vanuatu linkage [part of NCV; see §1.3.2.2]

7.2.1.1. Malakula

7.2.1.1.1. East Malakula linkage
Atchin (=Northeast Malakula)
Aulua
Avava
Avok
Axamb
Banam Bay
Larëvat
Lendamboi (= Letemboi)
Malua Bay
Maskelynes
Nasvang
Nese
Nisvai
Port Sandwich
Rerep (dialect of Unua)
Unua
Uripiv

7.2.1.1.2. West Malakula linkage
Big Nambas (= V’ënen Taut)
Ninde
Naha’ai (= Malfaxal)
Naman
Nasarian
Näti
Neve’ei
Neverver
Southwest Bay (= Nahavaq, Sinesip)
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7.2.1.2. Central and South Pentecost
Apma (= Abma)
Sowa
Sa

7.2.1.3. Ambrym/Paama
Lonwolwol
N Ambrym
Paamese
SE Ambrym

7.2.1.4. Epi/Efate
Baki
Bieria
Lamen
Lelepa (dialect of Nakanamanga)
Lewo
Nakanamanga (= North Efate)
Namakir (= Namakura, Makura)
Nguna (= dialect of Nakanamanga)
Sesake (= dialect of Nakanamanga)
South Efate

7.2.2. Southern Melanesian

7.2.2.1. South Vanuatu [SV]
Anejom (= Aneityum)
Kwamera
Lenakel
North Tanna
South-west Tanna
Sye (= Sie, Eromangan)
Ura
Whitesands

7.2.2.2. New Caledonia [NCal]

7.2.2.2.1. North New Caledonia
Caaàc
Cèmuhî
Fwâi
Jawe
Piège
Pwapwâ
Nemi
Nêlêmwa
Nixumwak (= Koumak, Koumac, Kumak)
Nyelâyu
Paicî
Pwaamei
Voh-Koné
Yuanga

7.2.2.2.2. South New Caledonia
Ajië
Drubea (= Païta)
Tîrî (= Tinrin, Grand Couli)
Xâràcuû (= Canala)

7.2.2.2.3. Loyalties
Dehu (= Drehu)
Iaai
Nengone

8. Micronesian [Mic]

8.1. Nauruan

8.2. Nuclear Micronesian
8.2.1. Kosraean (= Kusaeian)
8.2.2. Central Micronesian
8.2.2.1. Kiribati (= Kiribatese, Gilbertese)
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8.2.2.2.1. Marshallese
8.2.2.2.2. Chuukic-Ponapeic
Carolinian
Chuukese (= Trukese)
Mokilese
Mortlockese
Namoluk (= dialect of Mortlockese)
Pingelapese
Ponapean (= Pohnpeian)
Pulo Annian (dialect of Sonsorolese)
Puluwatese
Satawalese
Sonsorolese
Ulithian
Woleaian

9. Central Pacific [Fij and Pn]¹

9.1. Rotuman
9.2. Fijian

¹ We opt here for a division of Central Pacific into Rotuman, Fijian and Polynesian here in view of the complexities of its history described in §1.3.2.2.
9.2.1. Western Fijian dialects
Bā
Nadroga
Wayan
West Viti Levu
Yasawa

9.2.2. Eastern Fijian dialects
Bauan (= Standard Fijian)
Bouma
Bua
Buca Bay
Kadavu
Lau
Lomaiviti
Nadrau
Namosi
Rakiraki
Verata
Vanua Levu

9.3. Polynesian
9.3.1. Tongic
Niuean
Niuatoputapu (= dialect of Tongan)
Tongan

9.3.2. Nuclear Polynesian
Anutan
East Uvean
East Futunan
Emae
Ifira-Mele (= Mele-Fila, Imere-Ifira)
Kapingamarangi
Luangiua (= Ontong Java)
Nukuoro
Nanumea (= dialect of Tuvalu)
Nukumanu
Nukuria
Pileni
Pukapukan
Rennellese, Rennellese (Bellona)
Samoa
Sikaiana
Takau
Tikopia
Tokelauan
Tuvalu (= Ellicean)
9.3.2.1. *Eastern Polynesian*

- Hawaiian
- Mangaia (= dialect of Rarotongan)
- Mangarevan
- Manihiki
- Māori
- Marquesan
- Rapa
- Rapanui (= Easter Island)
- Rarotongan
- Rurutu (= Inner Australs)
- Tahitian
- Tongarevan (= Penrhyn)
- Tuamotuan

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Protolanguages are ordered from the top of the Austronesian tree downward, but with all branches of Western Oceanic before Eastern Oceanic: see figures 1 and 2 (pp.9–10).

In alphabetising reconstructions, an upper-case character follows the corresponding lower-case character (thus R follows r), y follows g, ɣ follows n, ŋ follows S, the digraph dr follows d, a superscripted character is treated like the corresponding unsuperscripted character, and macrons, parentheses and brackets are ignored. Because reconstructions that contain brackets represent two or more alternative reconstructions (for bracketing conventions see Table 13), where the alternatives would appear at different points in the index, they are spelt out as alternative reconstructions and appear at the appropriate point in alphabetical order. Thus POc *[bi]biRi- ‘lips’ occurs at two points in the index, as biRi- and as bibiRi-, and POc *bwa*l(R)usu- ‘nose’ as *bwalusu- and as *bwaRusu-.

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*alap ‘fetch, get, take’ 426
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*bañaw ‘wash the body’ 483
*banUL ‘wake up, get out of bed’ 314
*bageRuh ‘new; bachelor’ 65
*baRa ‘shoulder’ 439
*baRaq ‘lung’ 182
*baReq ‘abscess, boil, swelling on the body’ 339
*bimahi ‘woman, female’ 54
*biRbiR ‘lip’ 127
*bulAR ‘cataract of the eye’ 356
*buLi ‘hide, conceal’ 485, 487
*bugeni ‘ringworm, Tinea imbricata’ 21, 346
*buReS ‘spray water from the mouth’ 361
*Calina ‘ear; k.o. tree fungus’ 122
*Caqis ‘to cry’ 320
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*Cau ‘person’ 38, 40
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*demdem ‘brood, hold a grudge, remember, keep still’ 545
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*baŋ ‘wake (s.o.) up, rouse (s.o.) from sleep’ 314

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*bataŋ ‘tree trunk, fallen tree, log; stem of a plant; body; corpse’ 79

*batuŋ ‘outer shell, skull’ 104, 107

*belbel ‘hydroprosopa, bodily swelling caused by water retention’ 355

*bener ‘true, righteous, honest’ 554

*beŋ ‘deaf’ 357

*betu ‘appear, come into view’ 417

*bibiR ‘lip; labia of the vulva; eyelid’ 127

*bilat ‘open the eyes’ 316

*bilat ‘scar’ 91

*bileR ‘cataract of the eye’ 355

*baŋ ‘true’ 54

*biRaŋ ‘semen, smegma’ 201

*bisul ‘boil, abscess’ 340

*bitil ‘famine; hunger’ 253

*buq ‘fruit; areca nut and palm; heart’ 181

*buhat ‘lift, stand up, arise, emerge, begin, depart, carry; cargo; take something; take a wife’ 434

*buŋ ‘be open, as the mouth’ 245

*bula ‘node, knot, joint’ 175

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*buRah ‘spray water from the mouth; spray a mixture of saliva and masticated medicinal herbs on an ailing body’ 361

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*dalem ‘inside, interior; seat of emotions’ 523

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*mapanas ‘be/become warm, hot’ 331
*mapia ‘good’ 596
*maRuqanay ‘male, man’ 51
*masakit ‘be in pain, be sick’ 335
*masuR ‘sated, full (of food)’ 256
*mata ni baReq ‘core of a boil’ 339
*mata ni susu ‘nipple’ (eye + breast) 149
*mataqu ‘right side’ 166
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*sape ‘malformed, of foot, club-footed’ 359
*sī ‘semen, that which spurts out’ 202
*sola ‘survive, escape danger’ 212
*suqi ‘pour water on/into’ 455

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*kai or *kʷai ‘person of a place or category specified by the modifier’ 50

Proto Polynesian (PPn)
*ako ‘acquire mentally, learn, teach’ 566
*amo(amo) ‘stroke, rub gently’ 362
*aña ‘habit, custom, way of acting’ 575
*awa ‘channel, passage through reef’ 129
*fafaña ‘feed (animal)’ 230
*fafaŋu ‘awaken s.o.’ 315
*fai ‘copulate’ 218
*fai ‘do, make’ 459
*faka-qilo-a ‘make s.t. known’ 498
*faka-qilo-ŋa ‘mark, sign, signal’ 499
*faka-qiloqilo ‘make s.o. wise’ 498
*falala ‘lean, stoop, slant’ 384
*fānau ‘give birth; be born’; *fānau ‘offspring’ 219
*fānua ‘placenta’ 195
*fāŋa-i ‘feed, provide food for’ 230
*foŋo ‘blow or speak through nose’ 304
*fāsā ‘mad, crazy’ 360
*fata-fata ‘chest’ 145
*feŋu ‘blow nose, snort’ 304
*fia inu ‘thirsty’ 256
*fia kai ‘hungry’ 254
*fiŋu ‘blow nose, snort’ 304
*fiŋa inu ‘thirsty’ 256
*fiŋa kai ‘hungry’ 254
*fiŋa ‘woman’ 54
*fitaqa ‘be tired, fatigued’ 312
*fō ‘rub, as in washing clothes, extracting starch from arrowroot’ 363
*fofō ‘massaging’ 363
*folo, *folom-i ‘swallow, ingest’ 258
*fūli ‘turn round or over’ 399
*fuqi ‘wash feet or hands, pour water over, soak’ 483
*iso ‘pith, core; umbilical cord’ 188
*isu-peqe ‘nasal mucus’ 200
*ka-kai ‘people of one place or kind’ 50
*ka-kau ‘swim’ 405
*ka-kawa ‘sweat, be sweaty’ 286
*kai ‘person of one place or kind’ 50
*kai ‘war; food’ 227
*kamo, kamo-t-ia ‘beckon; make sign with hand or eye’ 464
*kao-kao ‘ribs, flank, side’ 147
*kaso-kaso ‘ribs, upper side’ 147
*kau ‘swim’ 405
*kau-gahe ‘cheek, chin, jawbone’ 136
*kawé ‘carry, bear’ 428
*kite ‘see, appear, know’ 492
*kona ‘lower abdomen’ 155
*koro-koro- ‘throat’ 140
*laka ‘step, march; pass, cross over’ 394
*lamu ‘chew’ 241
*lanu ‘bathe or wash in fresh water’; ‘amniotic fluid’ 196
*lana ‘raise up’ 429
*lage ‘forehead’ 109
*lau-ŋutu ‘lips’ 127
*lawe ‘take hold of, lay hold of’ 466
*leka ‘pleasant’ 597
*lele ‘fly, run, leap’ 401
*leqa ‘voice’ 140
*liu ‘turn round’ 413
*lo-qi-mata ‘tears’ 197
*lolo ‘coconut oil’ 197
*lolo ‘flood, submerge’ 197
*lomi ‘squeeze, press down upon’ 363
*lulu ‘shake, tremble’ 327
*ma-fana ‘be warm’ 331
*ma-mawa ‘to yawn’ 301
*mâ-sâŋa ‘set of twins’ 73
*maka-lili ‘cold, chilly’ 330
*male ‘cough, clear the throat’ 303
*mama ‘chew, masticate but not swallow’ 238
*mânawa ‘breathe; breath’ 293
*maŋa ‘be open; orifice, vaginal opening’ 129
*maŋeho ‘itch(y), sexually titillated’ 344
*maŋeso ‘itch(y), sexually titillated’ 344
*maqanu ‘be afloat’ 407
*maqoni ‘true, real’ 553
*mata a lima ‘finger’ 178
*mâtau ‘know, understand, be experienced’ 541
*mili ‘rub, massage’ 364
*miisi ‘sound made with the lips’ 273
*mitti ‘suck, lick up’; ‘be sucked, be extracted’ 274
*mohe ‘sleep’ 310
*momi ‘swallow, suck’ 249
*muqa ‘be first, precede, precede’;
*muqa-ki ‘before, first’ 421
*namu ‘taste’, ‘odour, flavour’;
*namu-aʔa ‘have a strong smell or flavour’ 511
*nimo ‘vanish, forget’ 558
[ni]nimo ‘vertigo’ 359
*nofo ‘sit, dwell’, *nofoq-i ‘sit on, dwell in’ 370
*ŋā ‘breathe, pant’ 296, 350
*ŋali ‘nibble, gnaw’ 234
*galo ‘out of sight, disappeared, forgotten, lost’ 588
*gyu ‘rheumatism, arthritis’ 350
*gyu ‘mouth, beak’ 126
*ofo ‘be startled, surprised; wake up’ 316, 592
*ola ‘be alive, well, healthy; recover from illness’ 212
*paka- ‘lower part of trunk’ 155
*papa-a-tuqa ‘small/flat of back’ 142
*paqao ‘seize, take by force, rob’ 467
*patu ‘callus, lump, tumour’ 107
*[pia]pia ‘sticky secretion’ 201
*poa ‘fish odour’ 508
*pono ‘true, correct’ 554
*poto ‘wise, clever’ 583
*qalo ‘belly, bowels; front, soft side of a thing’ 187
*qanu[s] ‘to spit’ 280
*qara ‘wake up, (be) awake’ 316
*qarof-i-waqe ‘sole of foot’ 179
*qata ‘spirit, soul, shadow, reflection’ 205
*qata-mai ‘intelligent, expert, clever’ 540
*qate qi waqe ‘calf muscles of lower leg’ 171
*qate-loa ‘spleen’ 192
*qate-pili ‘spleen’ 192
*qilo ‘perceive, be aware of’ 498
*qilo-a ‘to know, be aware’, ‘know s.t.’ 498
*qilo-qilo ‘be wise, aware’ 498
*qulu ‘head, hair of head’ 101
*quto ‘brain, pith of a tree, spongy mass in sprouting coconut’ 110
*sam ‘eat one food only’ 232
*sam ‘eat scraps’ 240
*sela ‘asthma, gasp for breath’ 351
*siku ‘extremity, end; tail’ 176
*sila ‘glance, look sideways’ 498
*sina ‘white or grey hair’, *sinā ‘be white- or grey-haired’ 94
*sola ‘flee, escape danger’ 212
*son ‘smell s.t., sniff s.t., greet s.o. by pressing nose to face or limb and sniffing’ 504
*sono ‘smell of urine’ 509
*suqi ‘dilute, mix with liquid’ 455
*taka-lili ‘tremble, shiver’ 324
*takoto ‘lie down’ 379
*tale ‘cough’ 303
*tama ‘child’ 64
*tama-rī ‘children’ 65
*tane ‘skin disease, tinea’ 348
*tayata ‘man(kind); person’ 45
*ta-qalo, *ta-qalof-i- ‘beckon, signal with the hand’ 463
*taqane ‘male’ 53
*taqe-tuli ‘earwax’ 198, 357
*taw ‘person who …, person from …’ 40
*teki ‘hop’ 398
*tete ‘shiver, tremble’ 326
*tike ‘squat’, tike-tike ‘keep squatting’ 380
*tino ‘body, trunk of tree, hull of canoe’ 79
*tire ‘look, observe’, *tirof-i ‘gaze at s.t.’ 495
*tise ‘sneeze’ 307
*toka ‘sit, settle, coagulate, run aground’ 373
*toko-mahuru ‘hiccup’ 275
*toli ‘female genitals’ 159
*ton ‘straight, correct’ 551
*tuli ‘deaf; earwax’ 198, 356
*tupu ‘grow’ 223
*tupuqa ‘supernatural being, demon’ 80
*tuqa ‘back’ 86
*uku ‘dive, submerge’, *ukuf-i- ‘dive for s.t.’ 478
*ule ‘penis’ 156
*uso ‘pith, core; umbilical cord’ 188
*wale ‘mad, ignorant, unskilled’ 582
*wage ‘leg, foot’ 168

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*fe-qiti ‘copulate’ 217
*feka-feka ‘entrails of fish’ 292
*iwi ‘bone’ 89
*pọŋa qi isu ‘nostril’ 125
*tama-mea-mea ‘newborn child’ 62

Proto Central/Eastern Polynesian
*papa-ariŋa ‘cheek’ 117

Proto Eastern Polynesian (PEPn)
*maoli ‘true, genuine; native, indigenous’ 552
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Reconstructed PSV nouns consisting of \(*n(V)\)- or \(*i\)- ‘article’ + root and verbs consisting of \(*a\)- or \(e\)- + root are alphabetised by the root.

*abe-, PEOc, ‘body’ 81
*abe-, PNCV, ‘body incl. spiritual and other less tangible aspects’ 81
*abe, PSES, ‘body, bulk’ 81
*açaŋ, *aca-, POc, ‘name’ 206
*afařa, PMic, ‘shoulder’ 439
*afl, afis-i-, PMic, ‘carry on the hip or under the arm’ 441
*ajan, PMP, ‘name’ 206
*ajem, PAn, ‘heart, mind’ 546
*ajom, *ajom-akin-i-, POc, ‘think, understand’ 546
*aša, PPn, ‘acquire mentally, learn, teach’ 566
*ašap, POc, ‘learn’ 565
*aša, POC, ‘go, go away’ 386
*aša, PMic, ‘take, get’ 426
*aš(aq), POc, ‘take, get’ 426
*ašap, *ašap-i-, POc, ‘get, take’ 426
*ašap, PAn, ‘fetch, get, take’ 426
*ašaq, PMic, ‘fetch, get, take’ 426
*(ali)ali, POc, ‘move from one location to another’ 392
*ašiq, PMP, ‘move, change’ 392

*[aša]olo, *alo[ff]-i, PMic, ‘wave, beckon’ 463
*ambi, PMP, ‘seize with the hands’ 467
*amo(amo), PPn, ‘stroke, rub gently’ 362
*amosi, POC, ‘massage, stroke’ 363
*anak meRaq, PCEMP, ‘newborn baby’ 61
*aŋa, PPn, ‘habit, custom, way of acting’ 575
*aŋap, POc, ‘gape’ 298
*ašic, POc, ‘twins of the same sex’ 73
*ašu (?), POc, ‘fall’ 403
*aša, POC, ‘haul, drag’ 445
*aša, arek-i-, PMic, ‘hail, pull, tow’ 445
*ašap, POc, ‘run’ 396
*aša, POC, ‘breathe’ 28, 295
*ašiye(k), POc (?), ‘sneeze’ 305
*ašio, POc, ‘sneeze’ 28, 306?
*ašiye(k), POc (?), ‘sneeze’ 305
*ašo, POc, ‘put’ 450
*ašok, POc, ‘to sniff, kiss’, *ašok-i- ‘sniff or kiss s.t.’ 505
*aša, *aša-i-, PMic, ‘know, understand’ 539
*aša-mama(q), i-, PSV, ‘person’ 47
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*ata-mimi(q), i-, PSV, ‘person’ 47
*ata-mimi(q), n-, PSV, ‘person’ 47
*atam*aqane, i-, PSV, ‘man, male’ 53
*atam*aqane, n-, PSV, ‘man, male’ 53
*atavine, i-, PSV, ‘woman, female’ 56
*atavine, n-, PSV, ‘woman, female’ 56
*awa*, PPN, ‘channel, passage through reef’ 129
*ayu*[t,d], PMP, ‘copulate, have sexual intercourse’ 216
*baba*, PAN, ‘carry a person pick-a-back; ride pick-a-back’ 437
*baba*, PNCV, ‘carry child; bear child’ 437
*baba*[R,l]i-, POc, ‘cheek’ 116
*ba-b‹in›ahi*, PMP, ‘woman, female’ 54
*(bahaq)bahaq*, PMP, ‘mouth, opening’ 128
*bahu*, PMP, ‘smell bad’ 507
*bahu-an*, PMP, ‘odour, stench’ 507
*bai(t)*, PCEMP, ‘do, make’ 458
*balase*, PNCV, ‘jawbone’ 117
*bani-, PNCV, ‘wing, armlet; (?) arm, hand’ 162
*banic*, POc, ‘wing, fin (probably pectoral); arm, hand’ 162
*bañaw*, PAN, ‘wash the body’ 483
*bañaw*, PMP, ‘wash the hands’ 483
*bañul*, PAN, ‘wake up, get out of bed’ 314
*bañun*, PMP, ‘wake (s.o.) up, rouse (s.o.) from sleep’ 314
*bageRuh*, PAN, ‘new; bachelor’ 65
*baRa*, PAN, ‘shoulder’ 439
*baRa*, PMP, ‘hand, arm’ 161
*baRaq*, PAN, ‘lung’ 182
*baReq*, PAN, ‘abscess, boil, swelling on the body’ 339
*baReqaR*, PMP, ‘molar tooth’ 21, 133
*batay*, PMP, ‘tree trunk, fallen tree, log; stem of a plant; body; corpse’ 79
*bati-, PSOc, ‘tusk, upper canine tooth’ 134
*bati*, POc, ‘canine tooth, tusk’ 134
*batuk*, PMP, ‘outer shell, skull’ 104, 107
*bava*, PNCV, ‘carry child; bear child’ 437
*baw-an., POc, ‘odour, scent’ 508
*belbel*, PMP, ‘hydropoesia, bodily swelling caused by water retention’ 355
*belen*, PCEMP, ‘swallow’ 258
*bener*, PMP, ‘true, righteous, honest’ 554
*beni, a-, PSV, ‘emit an odour’ 506
*begel*, PCEMP, ‘mute, unable to speak’ 357
*begeR*, PMP, ‘deaf’ 357
*betu*, PMP, ‘appear, come into view’ 417
*bibiR*, PMP, ‘lip; labia of the vulva; eyelid’ 127
*bibiRi-, POc, ‘lips’ 127
*beni, a-, PSV, ‘emit an odour’ 506
*bila-, POc, ‘spleen’ 192
*bilat*, PMP, ‘open the eyes’ 316
*bilat*, PMP, ‘scar’ 91
*bilat*, POc, ‘open the eyes’ 316
*bileR*, PMP, ‘cataract of the eye’ 355
*beinahi*, PAN, ‘woman, female’ 54
*beinahi*, PMP, ‘woman, female’ 54
*beinisi*, PNCV, ‘know’ 542
*biRa*, POc, ‘roe, fish eggs’; ‘sediment, dregs’; ‘smegma’ 201
*biRas, *biRaq*, PMP, ‘semen, smegma’ 201
*biRiR*, PAN, ‘lip’ 127
*biRi-, POc, ‘lips’ 127
*biriy*, PCEMP, ‘stone, throw a stone at’ 453
*bisi*, PNCV, ‘know’ 542
**biso-, PWOC, ‘navel, umbilical cord’ 154
*bisu(l)*, POc, ‘sore on skin’ 340
*bisul*, PMP, ‘boil, abscess’ 340
*bitil*, PMP, ‘famine; hunger’ 253
*bo-an*, POc, ‘odour, scent’ 508
*bō*, PCP, ‘squeeze, rub firmly, massage in this way’ 363
*bo*, POC, ‘have an odour, be smelly’ 507
*bo[-]*, PNCV, ‘odour, scent’; *b[o,u]* ‘have an odour, be smelly’ 508
*bo-,* POc, ‘have an odour, be smelly’ 507
*bo-,* POc, ‘odour, scent’ 508
*boe-,* POc, ‘odour, scent’ 507
*bole*, POc, ‘to dream’ 314
*bona(s)*, POc, ‘to smell, stink’; *bonas-i-* either ‘smell (s.t.)’ or ‘(s.t.) smell of (s.t.)’ 505
*bono(r)*, POc, ‘true, correct’ 554
*boyol*, POc, ‘deaf mute’ 357
*bore (N,V)*, PNCV, ‘dream’ 314
*boRe*, POc, ‘to dream’ 314
*boto-,* POc, ‘buttocks’ 155
*boto-,* POc, probably ‘swelling’ 341
*boto-,* POc, ‘buttocks’ 155
*bu-,* POc, ‘to smell, stink’; *busa(q)*, PWOc, ‘heart’ 182
*bulaR*, PAn, ‘cataract of the eye’ 356
*bula-,* PMP, ‘body hair; fur; feather; down’ 96
*bulu-,* PMP, ‘hairy; hair-like growths; plants with hair-like growths’ 97
*bulu*, PMP, ‘wash the hands’ 482
*buluk-i*, PNCV, ‘fold, bend’ 399
*buLi*, PAn, ‘hide, conceal’ 485, 487
*buni*, PMP, ‘hide, conceal’ 485, 487
*buni*, POc, ‘hide oneself, be hidden’ 485
*buqeni*, PAn, ‘ringworm, Tinea imbricata’ 21, 346
*buqeni*, PMP, ‘ringworm, Tinea imbricata’ 21, 346
*buri (w,g)aqe*, POc, ‘heel’ 172
*buru*, POc, ‘buttocks’ 156
*buRah*, PMP, ‘spray water from the mouth; spray a mixture of saliva and masticated medicinal herbs on an ailing body’ 361
*buReS*, PAn, ‘spray water from the mouth’ 361
*buRiq*, PMP, ‘wash, as the hands’ 482
*busa(q)*, PWOc, ‘heart’ 182
*buteliR*, PMP, ‘wash, as the hands’ 482
*butu(R)*, POc, ‘stamp foot, tread, kick’, *butuR-i-* ‘stamp on, tread on, trample’ 474
*bʷa(l,R)usu-*, PSES, ‘nose’ 124
*bʷabʷay*, POc, ‘nose’ 124
*bʷabe-,* POc, ‘a fool; foolish, stupid, insane’ 582
*bʷa(lo,a)w*, POc, ‘a fool; foolish, stupid, insane’ 582
*bʷaŋ*, POc, ‘a fool; foolish, stupid, insane’ 582
*bʷaŋoR*, POc, ‘snot’ 199
*bʷapu*, POc, ‘ignorant, stupid’ 582
*bʷaRusu-*, POc, ‘nose’ 124
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*bʷatu-, PNCV, ‘head’, *bʷatu ‘club’ 106
*bʷatu(k), POc, ‘head; top (of s.t.)’ 104–107
*bʷau-, PSOc, ‘head’ 108
*bʷau-, PSOc, ‘knee, joint’ 174
*bʷau, POc, ‘ignorant, stupid’ 582
*bʷege, POc, ‘twins’ 72
*bʷeka, PWOc, ‘bald’ 95
*bʷili, PSOc, ‘close eyes’ 317
*bʷilu, PSOc, ‘close eyes’ 317
*bʷisi-, POc, ‘buttocks, anus; to fart’ 155, 277
*bʷisi, PEOc, ‘spurt out, fart’ 276
*bʷisi, PNCV, ‘buttocks, anus; to fart’ 155, 277
**bʷiso-, PWOc, ‘navel, umbilical cord’ 154
*bʷito-, POc, ‘navel, umbilical cord’ 152
*bʷole, POc, ‘to dream’ 314
*bʷore, POc, ‘to dream’ 314
*bʷoto-, POc, ‘buttocks’ 155
*bʷoto-, PSOc, ‘buttocks, bottom’ 155
*camʷ(ə)i-t-i, PMic, ‘lick’ 268
*cece, PMic, ‘shake, tremble’ 326
*cekep, PMP, ‘seize, grasp’ 468
*cici, PMic, ‘tremble’ 325
*cucu, PMic, ‘tremble, shake’ 327
*cupcup, PMP, ‘sip, suck’ 250
*curia, a-, PSV, ‘carry on pole or shoulder’ 440
*Caliña, PAn, ‘ear; k.o. tree fungus’ 122
*Canis, PAn, ‘to cry’ 320
*Caq, PAn, ‘know how, be able to, be skilled at’ 540
*Cau, PAn, ‘person’ 38, 40
*CeRab, PAn, ‘belch’ 276
*Cinaqi, PAn, ‘guts’ 187
*CuqaS, PAn, ‘mature, elder’ 68
*Cugelal, PAn, ‘bone’ 85
*da(q,V), na-, PSV, ‘blood’ 83
*dada, PCEMP, ‘pull, haul, drag’ 433
*dahun, PMP, ‘leaf’ 93
*dalem, PMP, ‘inside, interior; seat of emotions’ 523
*daleqo-, PNCV, ‘neck, throat; voice’ 140
*daləm, PCEMP, ‘inside; mind, feelings’ 523
*daLum, PAn, ‘water, potable, drinking, fresh’ 196
*damʷa, *damʷar-i-, PNGOc, ‘lick’ 269
*damʷe, POc, ‘lick, taste’ 268
*damʷi(s), *damʷis-i-, POc, ‘lick, taste’ 268
*damʷis-i, PNCV, ‘lick, taste’ 269
*dape or *dapi, POc, ‘snot, nasal mucus’ 199
*daqey, PAn, ‘forehead’ 108
*daRaC, POc, ‘crawl along the ground’ 397
*daRaq, PAn, ‘blood’ 83
*daRi, POc, ‘rub, smear, anoint’ 363
*daun, PCEMP, ‘leaf, head hair’ 94
*dawe, PNGOc, ‘wave the hand’ 464
*demdem, PAn, ‘brood, hold a grudge, remember, keep still’ 545
*diRi, PAn, ‘stand’ 29, 377
*diRus, PAn, ‘bathe’ 476
*diRus, PMP, ‘bathe’ 476
*do-domi, Proto Torres-Banks, ‘think, worry’ 545
*dodomi, PNCV, ‘think about, love’ 545
*dolo, PCEMP, ‘crawl (along the ground)’ 397
*dum-su, PNCV, ‘suck, sip, taste’ 249
*dum-su, *dumus-su-, POc, ‘suck on, suck up (liquid)’ 249
*duqu, POc, ‘true, able to be believed’ 550
*dradra, POc, ‘pull’ 433
*dramu, *dram-su-, PEOc (?), ‘chew’ 235, 241
*dramʷa-, POc, ‘forehead’ 109
*dramʷa, *dramʷar-i-, PNGOc, ‘lick’ 269
*dramʷe, POc, ‘lick, taste’ 268
*dramʷi(s), *dramʷis-i-, POc, ‘lick, taste’ 268
*dramum, POc, ‘fresh water’ 196
*drape, POc, ‘snot, nasal mucus’ 199
*drapi, POc, ‘snot, nasal mucus’ 199
*draRa(q), POc, ‘blood’ 83
*draRaC, POc, ‘crawl along the ground’ 397
*draRaC, POc, ‘blood’ 83
*draRi, POc, ‘rub, smear, anoint’ 363
*dredre, POc, ‘tremble, shake’ 326
*drere, POc, ‘tremble, shake’ 326
*dridri, POc (?), ‘tremble’ 325
*drodrom, POc, ‘think, worry; love, be sorry for, long for’ 545
*drom-i, POc, ‘think, worry; love, be sorry for, long for’ 545
*druDr, PROc, ‘shake, tremble’ 327
*emau, PPn, ‘give birth; be born’; *fanau ‘offspring’ 219
*fanau, PPn, ‘placenta’ 195
*fanau-i, PPn, ‘feed, provide food for’ 230
*fanu, PPn, ‘blow or speak through nose’ 304
*fanos-i, PMic, ‘blow one’s nose’ 304
*fanu-ni, PMic, ‘awakened, awaken’ 315
*fanus-i, PMic, ‘blow one’s nose’ 304
*far[f,a,e]-, PMic, ‘lungs’ 182
*faro, faro-k-i, PMic, ‘hold tightly’ 467
*fasa, PPn, ‘mad, crazy’ 360
*fasu, PMic, ‘eyebrow’ 120
*faSale, PMic, ‘walk, move around’ 395
*faSo, *faSok-i, PMic, ‘plant; planted; a planted thing’ 461
*fata-fata, PPn, ‘chest’ 145
*fata, fata-ṇa, PMic, ‘tree trunk’ 79
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*fe-qiti, PNPN, ‘copulate’ 217
*feke-feke, PNPN, ‘entails of fish’ 292
*feņu, PPn, ‘blow nose, snort’ 304
*fia inu, PPn, ‘thirsty’ 256
*fia kai, PPn, ‘hungry’ 254
*fili, PMic, ‘choose’ 562
*fine, PPn, ‘woman’ 54
*fitaqa, PPn, ‘be tired, fatigued’ 312
*fō, PPn, ‘rub, as in washing clothes, extracting starch from arrowroot’ 363
*fofō, PPn, ‘massaging’ 363
*folo , *folom-i, PPn, ‘swallow, ingest’ 258
*fou, PMic, ‘feel cold’ 331
*fuli, PPn, ‘turn round or over’ 399
*fuqi, PPn, ‘wash feet or hands, pour water over, soak’ 483
*gabase-, *gabesi-, *gabise-, POc, ‘chin, jawbone’ 136
*gaCel, PAn, ‘itch, feel itchy’ 343
*garat-a, Proto Malaita-Makira, ‘ringworm’ 347
*[garo]garo-, PSES, ‘one side of rib cage’ 146
*gatel, PMP, ‘itch’ 343
*geju-, PNGOc, ‘back of head, base of skull, occiput, nape’ 113
*gemgem, PAn, ‘fist; hold in the fist’ 469
*gidik., PMP, ‘tickle’ 471
*giju-, PNGOc, ‘back of head, base of skull, occiput, nape’ 113
*gila, PMP, ‘wild; insane’ 581
*gili(k), *gilik-i-, POc (?), ‘tickle’ 471
*giri, PMP, ‘tickle’ 471
*gogo(m), *gom-i, POc, ‘hold in the fist’ 469
*gomu, POc, ‘keep s.t. in the mouth’ 270
*goso, POc, ‘wash s.o./s.t.’ 484
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