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## Preface

I am very pleased to briefly present this collection of papers from the 8<sup>th</sup> Congress of the International Society for Dialectology and Geolinguistics (SIDG), which was held at the Eastern Mediterranean University (North Cyprus) on 14-18 September 2015. They cover the areas that were developed in the different sections of the conference: new methodological and technical approaches to variety linguistics & language geography, interdisciplinary dialectology, dialect synthesis, quantitative dialectology, cognitive linguistics and dialectology, dialect dictionaries and atlases, dialect corpora, standards and norms, online dialectology, perceptual dialectology, dialect dynamics between standardization and dialectalization, sociolinguistics, minority languages and interference phenomena, dialect and cultural studies, dialect and media and dialect translation.

The Society has a long history. Founded in 1989, at its next conference, which is expected to be in Vilnius (Lithuania), it will have reached nearly thirty years of existence. Its purposes include the exchange of knowledge in the domain of dialectology and geolinguistics, in particular with regard to new theories and methods. And the conferences that have taken place since then (Budapest 1993, Amsterdam 1997, Lublin 2000, Riga 2003, Braga 2006, Maribor 2009, Austria 2012 and Famagusta 2015) have brought together researchers and scholars from all over the world and from all traditions and methods of dialectology, which have dealt with a wide range of issues concerning dialectology and geolinguistics from different points of view.

As Cyprus has a rich diversity of linguistic varieties, it seemed fitting to meet in the north of this island where there is a strong interest in dialectal studies.

The Eastern Mediterranean University in North Cyprus hosted the eighth conference of the SIDG and the venue far exceeded all expectations. The support and friendship the participants received from the organizers, the beautiful campus, the great surroundings, the interesting excursions, the luxurious holiday resort Hotel Cratos Premium where some sessions took place, the interesting and highly qualified presentations from both parallel sections: English and Turkish, will remain in the minds of all those participating in the conference.

Eighty-two researchers from seventeen different countries attended the congress and 76 lectures were given, which showed how rich our discipline is, both in the topics developed and in the modern and updated methods applied. Three excellent researchers were invited as the keynote speakers and

the lectures were classified into four topics: a) geolinguistics, b) sociolinguistics, c) descriptive linguistics, documentation, dictionary and corpus, and d) dialect education. All the scholars who attended the congress had the pleasure of meeting new colleagues and of meeting old ones again, of sharing knowledge, experiences and resources, of discussing ongoing research, of discovering different language varieties and cultures, of finding ways of collaboration and of weaving international networks.

My most sincere thanks are due to all the authors, reviewers, conference participants, the heads of the Organising Committee, Prof. Vügar Sultanzade and Prof. Ahmet Pehlivan, and all of those who helped in what proved to be a very productive, successful and enjoyable conference.

On behalf of the members of the International Society for Dialectology and Geolinguistics I would like to thank editors-in-chief Astris van Nahl, Vügar Sultanzade and Prof. Ahmet Pehlivan most cordially for their efforts in editing this volume, which they have produced so accurately and beautifully.

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# The Dialect of Gammalsvenskby: An Outline of Verb Morphology\*

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## 1 Introduction

The village of Staroshvedskoe (Sw. *Gammalsvenskby*; current Ukrainian name *Зміївка*) is located in the Kherson region, on the bank of the Dnieper River. The official name of this area in the 19th century was *Старошведская волость Херсонского уезда Херсонской губернии* (“Old Swedish volost of the Kherson uyezd of the Kherson guberniya”). The village was founded in 1782 by migrants from the island of Hiiumaa (Sw. *Dagö*). At that time this island belonged to the Russian Empire. The native language of the founders of the village was the dialect of Dagö.<sup>1</sup>

In all likelihood, the number of residents of the Swedish colony has never exceeded 1000. According to Pisarevskii (1899: 249), the initial number of migrants from Dagö was 966, of which only 880 reached their final destination. By the Revolution of 1917, there were 718 Swedes in the colony (Spisok 1917: 126).

From a linguistic point of view, the population of the village is made up of the following groups:

- 1) Speakers of Russian and Russian-Ukrainian who have no relationship to the dialect. They constitute the majority.
- 2) Children of the older generation of Swedes who were born in the 1950s–1970s. Their main language is Russian-Ukrainian. No one in this group is able to speak the dialect and thus be a linguistic informant in its study.

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<sup>1</sup> An outline of Swedish dialects of Estonia is given in Lagman 1979. For a detailed account of Swedish settlements in Estonia, see Aman, Lagman, Nyman 1961, Lagman 1964.

- 3) Ethnic Swedes of the older generation born in the 1920s–1930s, the only speakers of the dialect. Their number does not exceed fifteen persons. This group is the object of my study. Their main language now is Russian-Ukrainian (the variety called *суржук*), though they often use the Swedish dialect in everyday conversations. All of them possess a good command of German, and many of them learned Standard Swedish at a young age either from their parents or at school and they are able to speak it. My fieldwork up to 2013 was concentrated on interviewing the following three fluent speakers: Anna Semionovna Liutko (1931–2013), Lidiia Andreevna Utas (born in 1933), and Melitta Fridrikhovna Prasolova (born in 1926). They speak the most conservative variety of the dialect.

For the present-day dialect I have developed the following orthography (accompanied by symbols of the latest version of IPA):<sup>2</sup>

Vowels: *a* [a], *ā* [a:], *e* [e], *ē* [e:<sup>i</sup>, e:], *i* [i], *ī* [i:], *o* [o], *ō* [o:], *u* [u], *ū* [u:], *y* [y], *ä* [ɛ], *ā* [ɛ:], *ö* [œ], *ō* [œ:], *ü* [e]<sup>3</sup>, *ū* [u:], *äi* [ɛ:i, ɛĩ], *öü* [œ:u, œü].

Consonants: *b* [b], *d* [d], *đ* [d̟], *f* [f], *g* [g], *h* [h], *j* [j], *k* [k], *l* [l], *ł* [ɫ], *m* [m], *n* [n] ([ŋ] in front of *k*), *ŋ* [ŋ], *p* [p], *r* [r], *s* [s], *š* [ʃ], *t* [t], *ł* [ɫ], *v* [v], *x* [x], *z* [z], *ž* [ʒ].

The consonants *p*, *t*, *k* are not aspirated; *đ*, *ł*, *ŋ* are postalveolar *d*, *t*, *n* (as in Standard Swedish). The combinations *dj*, *gj*, *nj*, *sj*, *tj* designate palatalized consonants; *skj*, *stj* are [sk<sup>i</sup>, st<sup>i</sup>]. The length of consonants within morphemes is designated by doubling the letter: *tummär* ‘empty.’ If a long consonant occurs in front of another consonant within a morpheme, its length is not designated: *vänt* [ven:t] ‘to wait,’ whereas on morpheme boundaries it is designated: *tumm-t* (neuter sg. of *tumm-är*). The hyphen is employed to show elements of compounds (e.g., *sīr-bošš* ‘sorrel soup,’ *hjöł-slāe* ‘killed’ (participle), *sošš-som* ‘because’) and enclitic forms of personal pronouns (e.g., in *hāv-e* ‘had it,’ *vār-e* ‘was it,’ *to-de* ‘when you’); it is also used on word boundaries where postalveolar consonants occur (e.g. *vā-ŋ* < *vār han* ‘was he’). Word stress is shown only when it does not fall on the first syllable: *konfōre* ‘why,’ *loŋājīār* ‘long ago,’ *alāina* ‘alone.’ Phrase stress is shown with ‘, e.g., *stū* ‘hjöł. Phonetic variants are divided with /, morphological with //.

<sup>2</sup> For details of the spelling and phonetics of the dialect, see Mankov 2010, 2014

<sup>3</sup> Central rounded open vowel; lower than Standard Sw. [e], lips are rounded and protruding.



## 2 Verbs

Verb paradigm consists of the following forms: 1) infinitive (always identical with present pl. and in most cases with imperative sg.); 2) present sg.; 3) imperative pl.; 4) preterite; 5) supine. Supine and preterite of weak verbs are always identical (Mankov 2012).

Depending on the form of the preterite and supine I divide the verbs into the following morphological types (conjugations):

- 1) Verbs ending in *-a* in the preterite and supine: weak verbs with stems in *-a*.
- 2) Verbs ending in a dental stop in the preterite and supine: weak verbs with stems terminating in consonants, (long) vowels and diphthongs.
- 3) Verbs with changes in the root: strong and irregular.

### 2.1 First conjugation

#### 2.1.1 Morphophonological types of the 1<sup>st</sup> conjugation

Type	Infinitive; Present pl.; Imperative sg.	Present sg.	Imperative pl.	Preterite/supine
1a	<i>boka</i> ‘bake’	<i>bokar</i>	<i>bokae</i>	<i>boka</i>
1b	<i>vānt</i> ‘wait’	<i>vāntar</i>	<i>vānte</i>	<i>vānta</i>
	<i>kļīstār</i> ‘whitewash’	<i>kļīstrar</i>	<i>kļīst(ā)re</i>	<i>kļīstra</i>
1c	<i>inke se</i> ‘groan’, imper. — <i>inke-de ānt</i>	<i>inkjar se</i>	<i>inke jār (ānt)</i>	<i>inkja se</i>
	<i>skinde se</i> ‘hurry’, imper. — <i>skinde-de (ānt)</i>	<i>skindar se</i>	<i>skinde jār (ānt)</i>	<i>skinda se</i>
	<i>bire</i> ‘begin’	<i>birjar,</i>	<i>bire</i>	<i>birja</i>
		also <i>bire</i>		

#### 2.1.2 S-forms

Type	Infinitive; Present sg. & pl.; Imperative sg.	Imperative pl.	Preterite/supine
1a	<i>bruta-s</i> ‘struggle’	<i>bruta-s-e</i>	<i>bruta-s-t</i>
1b	<i>ōnda-s</i> ‘breathe’	<i>ōnda-s-e</i>	<i>ōnda-s-t</i>

Other examples:

- 1a:** *buka* ‘root the earth’ (of pigs), *bura* ‘drill’, *duna* ‘thunder’, *frōa* ‘ask’, *goļa* ‘crow’, *hita* ‘heat’, *hopas* ‘hope’, *kļōa* ‘complain’, *knōa* ‘knead’, *kukūka* ‘cuckoo’, *lōa* ‘repair; prepare’, *moka* ‘move’, *skoka* ‘shake’, *skoļa* ‘peel’, *skōa* ‘look; watch’, *svora* ‘answer’, *toļa* ‘tell; speak’, and many others.
- 1b:** *arbet* ‘work’, *blīken* (also *blīkknas*) ‘wither’, *blīstār* ‘whistle’, *blōnd* ‘mix’, *bodār* ‘run with a rustling noise’ (e.g., of mice), *bōļm* ‘stir up’, *flotār/flodār* ‘splash’, *fotār* ‘run quickly’ (of insects, mice), *frāist* ‘try’ (e.g., clothes), *gits* ‘think’, *gnixl* ‘whimper’, *gāisp* ‘yawn’, *mārknas* ‘get dark’ (also *mōrkjas* 1c), *njōrk* ‘croak’, *nōļ* ‘darn’, *rāven* ‘rain’, *samōļ* ‘gather’, *sjōņņ* ‘sing’, *skaff* ‘send’, *spats* ‘have a walk’, *sustār* ‘make shoes’, *svimōļ* ‘go up’ (of mist above the field in spring), *sōüm* ‘sew’, *šlabār* ‘chatter’, *šlūr* ‘hang around’, *tiken* ‘become misty’, *tjū* ‘cast hay with a pitchfork’, *tjūļ* ‘winnow’, *trokkl* (also *trokōļ*) ‘to sew quickly’, *tugg* ‘chew’, *vandār* ‘travel’, *vuzzl* ‘be full of insects’, *ālsk* ‘want’ (sic!; ‘love’ is *hōld* *ō*), and a very large number of others.
- 1c:** *bire/byre/b[ē]re* ‘begin’, *dije* ‘dung’, *fiske* ‘fish; watch over (e.g. of a cat trying to catch a mouse)’, *gnägge* ‘neigh’ (pres. *gnāggār*), *länke se* (also *länk se* 1b) ‘long for’, *māitje* [-t̪-]/*māite* (also *māit* 1b) ‘fish (with a rod)’, *mōrkjas* ‘get dark’ (also *mārknas* 1b), *skigge* (*skiggjas*) ‘get dark’ (alongside *skiggnas* 1b), *skinde se* ‘hurry’, and very few others.

## 2.2 Second conjugation

### 2.2.1 Infinitive, present, imperative

On the basis of the correlation between the infinitive and present sg. (which is determined by the stem final of the verb), I distinguish the following types in the 2<sup>nd</sup> conjugation:

- 1) Stems in a voiced consonant, *m*, and a vowel (always long);
- 2) Stems in *ll*, *nn*, *n*;

3) Stems in *r*;

4) Stems in \**j* (which is reflected as *-e* [ɛ]) with: a) long; b) short roots.

Examples:

Type	Infinitive; Present pl.	Present sg.	Imperative	
			Sg.	Pl.
1	<i>kēp</i> ‘buy’	<i>kēpār</i>	<i>kēp</i>	<i>kēpe</i>
	<i>glēm</i> ‘forget’	<i>glēmār</i>	<i>glēm</i>	<i>glēme</i>
	<i>leva/liva</i> ‘live’	<i>levār/livār</i>	<i>lēv</i>	<i>leve</i>
	<i>trū</i> ‘believe’	<i>trūār</i>	<i>trū</i>	<i>trūe</i>

2	<i>häll</i> ‘pour’	<i>hälldār</i>	<i>häll</i>	<i>hälle</i>
	<i>bränn</i> ‘burn’	<i>bränndār</i>	<i>bränn</i>	<i>bränne</i>
	<i>lōn</i> ‘borrow’	<i>lōndār</i>	<i>lōn</i>	<i>lōne</i>
3	<i>hēr</i> ‘hear’	<i>hēr</i>	<i>hēr</i>	<i>hēre</i>
4a	<i>riņņe</i> ‘surround’	<i>riņņār</i>	<i>riņņe</i>	
	<i>sēke</i> ‘look for’	<i>sēkār</i>	<i>sēk</i>	<i>sēke</i>
4b	<i>sjōle</i> ‘sell’	<i>sjōļ</i>	<i>sjōļ</i>	<i>sjōle</i>
	<i>äre</i> ‘plough’	<i>ār</i>	<i>ār</i>	<i>āre</i>
	<i>sāte</i> ‘set’	<i>sātār</i>	<i>sätt</i>	<i>sāte</i>
	<i>krāve</i> ‘demand’	<i>krāvār</i>	<i>krāv</i>	<i>krāve</i>

### 2.2.2 Preterite and supine

Depending on the preterite/supine form, 2<sup>nd</sup> conjugation verbs are divided into 4 morphophonological types:

- 1) with the ending *-t*, which occurs after roots in *s*, *n*, *ll*, *t* (if *t* does not follow *äi*), *k*, *p*, *ld*;
- 2) with the ending *-d* (after *m*, *mm*, *nn*, *v*, *d*, and any vowel except the diphthong *äi*), *-d̥* (< *r+d*, *l+d*);
- 3) with the ending *-dd* (after *äi* and sometimes after *ē*);
- 4) with the zero ending.

Examples:

Type	Infinitive	Preterite/supine
1	<i>bļēs</i> ‘blow’	<i>bļēst</i>
	<i>lōn</i> ‘borrow’	<i>lōnt</i>
	<i>still</i> ‘feed’	<i>stillt</i>
	<i>hōld</i> ‘hold’	<i>hōlt</i>
	<i>sēke</i> ‘look for’	<i>sēft</i>
	<i>kēp</i> ‘buy’	<i>kēft</i>
2	<i>drēm</i> ‘dream’	<i>drēmd</i>
	<i>kļämm</i> ‘press’	<i>kļāmd</i>
	<i>bränn</i> ‘burn’	<i>brānd</i>
	<i>leva/liva</i> ‘live’	<i>lēvd</i>
	<i>hēr</i> ‘hear’	<i>hēd</i>
	<i>sjōle</i> ‘sell’	<i>sjōd</i>
	<i>svōlge</i> ‘swallow’	<i>svōd</i>
	<i>hēņe</i> ‘hang’	<i>hēmd</i>
	<i>bigge</i> ‘build’	<i>bēvd</i>
	<i>rū</i> ‘row’	<i>rūd</i>
3	<i>strāi</i> ‘straw’	<i>strāidd</i>
	<i>k! [ē:] (pō)</i> ‘put on’	<i>(pō-)k! [ē] dd/k! ēd</i>
4	<i>hitt</i> ‘find’	<i>hitt</i>

The verbs *lāgge* ‘lay; put’, *sīnas* ‘be seen’, *smāre* ‘smear’, *sāte* ‘set; plant’, *sātjas* ‘sit down’, *āre* ‘plough’ change the root vowel: *lād*, *sōndest*, *smōd*, *satt*, *satest* (also *sattes*), *ōd*.

### 2.2.3 S-forms

Infinitive; Present pl.	Present sg.; Imperative sg.	Imperative pl.	Preterite/supine
<i>skäll-as</i> ‘quarrel’	<i>skäll-s</i>	<i>skäll-s-e</i> ( <i>änt</i> )	<i>skäll-t-es-t</i>
<i>gehéras</i> ‘need’	<i>gehéş</i>	—	<i>gehédest</i>
<i>sīnas</i> ‘be seen’	<i>sīns</i>	—	<i>sōndest</i>
<i>lāggjas</i> ( <i>nēr</i> ) ‘lay oneself’	<i>lāgg-s</i> ( <i>nēr</i> )	<i>lāgg-s-e</i> ( <i>nēr</i> )	<i>lādest</i> ( <i>nēr</i> )
<i>sätjas</i> ( <i>nēr</i> ) ‘sit down’	<i>sätt-s</i>	<i>sätt-s-e</i>	<i>sattest/satest</i> AL LU // <i>sattes</i> MP
<i>dūas/dōas</i> ‘be suitable’	<i>düss</i>	—	<i>dūdest/dōdest</i>
<i>bāias</i> ‘ask’	<i>bäitts</i>	<i>bäittse</i>	<i>bäiddest</i>
<i>līas</i> ‘listen; obey’	<i>litts</i>	<i>littse</i>	<i>līdest/līdest</i>

### 2.2.4 Isolated conjugation patterns

Infinitive	Present		Imperative		Preterite	Supine
	Sg.	Pl.	Sg.	Pl.		
<i>gāra</i> ‘make; do’; <i>gārjas</i> ‘be done; ferment’	<i>gār</i> <i>gāşş</i>	<i>gāra</i> <i>gārjas</i>	<i>gār</i> —	<i>gāre</i> —	<i>gjūd</i> <i>gjūdest</i>	
<i>hōa</i> ‘have’	<i>hār</i>	<i>hōa</i>	?	?	<i>hāv</i>	<i>hāve</i>
<i>sāi</i> ‘say’	<i>sāiär</i>	<i>sāi</i>	<i>sāi</i>	<i>sāie</i>	<i>sā</i>	<i>sōa</i>

## 2.3 Third conjugation

### 2.3.1 Preterite and supine: classes of strong verbs

Examples:

1. *būt* ‘bite’ — *bäit* — *bite*;  
*bļī* ‘become’ — *bļāi* — *bļōē*;  
*gnī* ‘rub’ — *gnāi/gnīd* — *gnēe/gnīd*;  
*rī* ‘ride’ — *rāi/rīd* — *rēe/rīd*;  
*rīv* ‘grate’ — *rāiv/rīvd/rīva* — *rive/rīvd/rīva*;  
*slīt* ‘tear’ — *slāit* — *slite*;  
*stīv* (*upp*) ‘get up’ — *stāiv* — *stive*;  
*svī* ‘remove feathers from poultry holding it over open fire’ — *svāi/svīd*  
— *svēe/svīd*;  
*vrī* ‘twist’ — *vrāi/vrīd* — *vrēe/vrīd*.
2. *bjū* ‘invite’ — *bjöü/bjūd* — *bjōē/bjūd*;  
*brūt* ‘break’ — *bröüt* — *brüte*;  
*drūp* ‘drip’ — *dröüp* — *drüpe/dröpe*;  
*flū* ‘fly’ — *flöü* — *flōē*;  
*flūt* ‘float’ — *flöüt* — *flüte/flöte*;  
*frūs* ‘freeze’ — *fröüs* — *früse*;  
*klū* ‘cleave’ — *klöü* — *klōē*;  
*ljū* ‘lie’ — *löü* — *lōē*;  
*njūs* ‘sneeze’ — *njöüs* — *njüse*;  
*rūk* ‘smoke’ — *röük* — *rüke*;  
*sjū* ‘buzz’ — *sjöü* — *sjōē*;  
*skjūt* ‘shoot’ — *skjöüt* — *sküte*;  
*strūk se* ‘dry oneself’ — *ströük se* — *strüke se*;  
*tjūt* ‘howl’ — *tjöüt* — *tjüte*.
3. *bind* ‘tie; bind’ — *band* — *bunde*;  
*brinn* ‘burn’ (intrans.) — *brann* — *brunne*;  
*drikk* ‘drink’ — *drakk* — *drukke*;  
*hinn* ‘have enough time’ — *hann* — *hunne*;  
*rinn* ‘run’ (of liquids) — *rann* — *runne*;  
*sinke* ‘sink’ — *sank* — *sunke*;  
*smäll* ‘lash’ — *small* — *smulle*;  
*smält* ‘melt’ — *smalt* — *smulte*;

*spinn* ‘spin’ — *spann* — *spunne*;  
*sprinj* ‘crack’ — *spranj* — *sprunje*;  
*sprint* ‘jump’ — *sprant* — *sprunte*;  
*stinj* ‘sting’ — *stanj* — *stunje*;  
*sväll* ‘swell’ — *svall* — *svülle*;  
*triske* ‘thresh’ — *trask*//*triskja* — *truske*/*trüske*//*triskja*;  
*vinn* ‘win’ — *vann* — *vunne*.

4. *bära* ‘bear’ — *bār* — *büre*;  
*kuma* ‘come’ — *komm* — *kume*;  
*skära* ‘cut’ — *skār* — *sküre*;  
*sōa* ‘sleep’ — *sō* — *sūe*;  
*stjōla* ‘steal’ — *stjūd* — *stjōle*.
5. *bāa* ‘ask’ — *bā* — *bāe*;  
*gäva* ‘give’ — *gāv* — *gäve*;  
*jäta* ‘eat’ — *ōt* — *jäte*;  
*ligge* ‘lie’ — *lō* — *lēa*;  
*läsa* ‘read’ — *lās* — *läse*;  
*sīte* ‘sit’ — *satt* — *satt*;  
*sī* ‘see’ — *sō* — *sīd*;  
*vara* ‘be’ — *vār* — *vare*.
6. *drāa* ‘pull; draw’ — *drū* — *drōe*;  
*däi* ‘ō’ ‘die’ (of animals) — *dū* ‘ō’ — *ō-dūe*;  
*fäštō* ‘understand’ — *fäštū* — *fäštōe*;  
*gäi* ‘bark’ — *gū* — *gūe*;  
*lē* ‘laugh’ — *lū* — *lūe*;  
*slō* ‘hit’ — *slū* — *slāe*;  
*stō* ‘stand’ — *stū* — *stōe*;  
*sväre* ‘swear’ — *svār* — *svüre*;  
*tōa* ‘take’ — *tū* — *tāe*.
7. *fall* ‘fall’ — *foll* — *falle*;  
*fō* ‘get; receive; must’ — *fī* — *fōe*;  
*grōt* ‘cry’ — *gräit* — *grote*;  
*gō* ‘go’ — *gī* — *gōe*;

*hugg* ‘hew’ — *hogg* — *hugge*.

### 2.3.2 *S-forms*

Infinitive; present pl.	Present sg.; Imperative sg.	Imperative pl.	Preterite	Supine
<i>brūtas</i> ‘break’	<i>brūts/brūts</i>	—	<i>bröütes(t)</i>	<i>brütest</i>
<i>klūas</i> ‘cleave’	<i>kļüss</i>	—	<i>kļöüstest</i>	<i>kļōest</i>
<i>stiņņas</i> ‘sting’	<i>stiņņš</i>	—	<i>staiņņest</i>	<i>stunņest</i>
<i>slōas</i> ‘fight’	<i>sloss</i>	<i>slōse, slōase</i>	<i>slusstes(t)</i>	<i>slāest</i>

### 2.3.3 *Irregular verbs*

Infinitive	Present		Imperative		Preterite	Supine
	Sg.	Pl.	Sg.	Pl.		
<i>lāta</i> ‘let; allow’	<i>lātār</i>	<i>lāta</i>	<i>lāt</i>	<i>lāte</i>	<i>lāivd</i>	<i>lāivd, lote</i>
<i>lōt 'ō</i> ‘finish’	<i>lōtār 'ō</i>	<i>lōt 'ō</i>	<i>lōt 'ō</i>	<i>lōte 'ō</i>	<i>lāivd 'ō</i>	<i>lāivd, lote 'ō</i>
—	<i>kann</i> ‘can’	<i>kuna</i>	—		<i>kunt</i>	
—	<i>ska</i> auxiliary		—		<i>skilt</i>	
<i>vara</i> ‘be’	<i>jār/jār</i>	<i>jāra</i>	<i>vār</i>	<i>vare</i>	<i>vār</i>	<i>vare</i>
—	<i>vill</i> ‘want’	<i>vila</i>	—		<i>vilt</i>	
<i>vita</i> ‘know’	<i>vāit</i>	<i>vita</i>	—		<i>visst</i>	<i>vita</i>

## 2.4 *Participle I*

It is formed with the suffix *-ande*. In available examples it occurs after verbs of motion (*kuma* ‘come’, *bāra 'ō* ‘set out’) and after *bļī* ‘become; remain’: *Vallan kumār sallande mā buskan* LU ‘The shepherd is coming, driving the cattle’. For details and more examples, see Mankov 2013.



## 2.5 Participle II

It is formed according to the following patterns:

Conj.	Infinitive	Participle II			
		Masc.	Fem	Neut.	Pl.
1	<i>boka</i>	<i>boka//bokandär</i>	<i>boka</i>	<i>boka//bokat</i>	<i>boka//bokandar</i>
	<i>vatn</i>	<i>vatna//vatnandär</i>	<i>vatna</i>	<i>vatna//vatnat</i>	<i>vatna//vatnandar</i>
	<i>bire</i>	<i>birja//birjandär</i>	<i>birja</i>	<i>birja//birjat</i>	<i>birja//birjandar</i>
2	<i>kväss</i>	<i>kvässtär</i>	<i>kvässt</i>		<i>kvässtar</i>
	<i>bläit</i>	<i>bläittär</i>	<i>bläitt</i>		<i>bläittar</i>
	<i>läiv [-ε'i-]</i>	<i>läivdär [-εi-]</i>	<i>läivd</i>		<i>läivdar</i>
	<i>gift se</i>	<i>giftär</i>	<i>gift</i>	—	<i>giftar</i>
	<i>bränn</i>	<i>brändär</i>	<i>bränd</i>		<i>brändar</i>
	<i>bigge</i>	<i>bēvdär</i>	<i>bēvd</i>		<i>bēvdar</i>
	<i>dägge</i>	<i>dāvdär</i>	<i>dāvd</i>		<i>dāvdar</i>
	<i>skjöle</i>	<i>skjöðär</i>	<i>skjöð</i>		<i>skjöðar</i>
	<i>kļē (pō)</i>	<i>pō-kļeddär, -kļēdär</i>	<i>pō-kļedd, -kļēd</i>		<i>pō-kļeddar, -kļēdar</i>
3	<i>bīt</i>	<i>bitndär</i>	<i>bite</i>	<i>bitet</i>	<i>bitndar</i>
	<i>bind</i>	<i>bundndär</i>	<i>bunde</i>	<i>bundet</i>	<i>bundndar</i>
	<i>drikk</i>	<i>drukkendär</i>	<i>drukke</i>	<i>drukket</i>	<i>drukkendar</i>
	<i>sväll</i>	<i>svüllendär</i>	<i>svülle</i>	<i>svüllet</i>	<i>svüllendar</i>
	<i>skära</i>	<i>skürendär</i>	<i>sküre</i>	<i>sküret</i>	<i>skürendar</i>
	<i>tōa</i>	<i>tāendär</i>	<i>tāe</i>	<i>tāet</i>	<i>tāendar</i>

For details, see Mankov 2013.

### 2.5.1 *S-forms of participle II*

They are formed from the supine stem by means of the affix *-st-* if the stem terminates in a vowel (*svoḷa-st-är*, *brüte-st-är*), and *-est-* if the stems terminates in a consonant (*näitt-est-är*).

Infinitive	Participle II		
	Masculine	Feminine; Neuter; Attributive pl.	Non-attr. pl.
<i>svoḷas</i>	<i>svoḷastär</i>	<i>svoḷast</i>	<i>svoḷastar</i>
<i>torrkas</i>	<i>torrkastär</i>	<i>torrkast</i>	<i>torrkastar</i>
<i>näitas</i>	<i>näittestär</i>	<i>näittest</i>	<i>näittestar</i>
<i>brütas</i>	<i>brütestär</i>	<i>brütest</i>	<i>brütestar</i>

### 3 Some notes on grammatical categories of verbs

The category of person is absent. Numbers are consistently distinguished in the present (*ja väntar*, *tö väntar*, *han väntar*, *ve vänt*, *ne vänt*, *tom vänt*) and imperative (*vänt* sg., *vänte* pl).

The future is expressed by the present form: *Umm more*, *to-de kumär*, *so mētar ja-de* ‘Tomorrow, when you arrive, I will meet you’. The verb *ska* (pret. *skilt*) with the future sense only occurs in subordinate clauses: *Ja stuppa inn-e ot barmen, än-e änt ska frūs* MP ‘I put it (the food) in my bosom, so that it does not become frozen’; *Han sã, än-en skilt kuma* ‘He said that he would come’ (alongside ...*än-en kumär*). In main clauses *ska* and *skilt* express recommendation and necessity.

Perfect is formed with *hõa* (*hãr* sg., *hõa* pl.) and *vara* (*jãr/jãr* sg., *jãra* pl.) and the supine. *Hõa* is mostly used with transitive, *vara* with intransitive verbs:

*Ja gehēdest gõ, män hãr grannt boṭṭ-e glēmd* ‘I needed to go, but I’ve completely forgotten about it’; *Ja hãr sundä-ṇ (dũken) slite tjõl slarvar* LU ‘I have torn it (the kerchief) apart for pieces of cloth’; *Ja hãr üt me sũe* ‘I’ve had a good sleep’; *Ja hãr õ-lote de rũk* ‘I’ve given up smoking’; *He snĩd o ĩḍ, o har all stĩgar fast-ĩḍ* LU ‘I snowed and drifted, and it has blocked up all paths’.

*Han jär kume* ‘He has arrived’; *Han jär rai boŧt-gōe* ‘He has already left’; *Han jär sjükär bļōe* ‘He has fallen ill’; *Snjūen jär boŧt-smulte* ‘The snow has melted’; *Katta jär po būde upp-sprunte* ‘The cat has jumped on the table’; *Han jär upp-stive, ja tarva änt gō väkke-en* ‘He has got up, I didn’t need to go and wake him up’; *Fūļa jära boŧt-flōe* ‘Birds have flown away’; *Täss skūa jära löü sare bļōe* ‘These shoes have become looser’.

Pluperfect is formed with *hāv* (preterite of *hōa*) and the supine: *Ve kasta dom inn-e rai bait tīa umm kvēldn, a umm monnan, umm trīa, fjūra, än ijen änt sār än ja hāv üte-e kasta, tū ve üt-e* ‘We cast them (fishing nets) already after ten in the evening, and in the morning, around three, four, so that no one sees that I had cast them, we drew them out.’

Present subjunctive ((*h*)*a* + supine): *Ja ha höŧft-de, män ja hār ija tār* ‘I would help you, but I don’t have time’; *Ja ha vilt kuma more* ‘I would like to come tomorrow’. In complex sentences this pattern is used in both clauses: *Umm ja a hāve tār nō, ja a gjūd-e gist* ‘If I had time now, I would do it at once’; *Ja änt a skinda me umm ja a hāve tār* ‘I wouldn’t hurry if I had time’; *Umm ja a vita, so ja a sōa-e* ‘If I knew, I would say it’; *He ha vare bra umm han ha kume more* ‘It would be good if he came tomorrow’; *Umm dār a vare äin lusk, so ve a gōe de mäit fisk* ‘If there were a boat, we would go fishing’; *Umm dār a vare vatn, so ja a vatna* ‘If there were water, I would water’.

Imaginary/hypothetical situations in the present can also be expressed with *kunt a* + supine: *Ja kunt a bāe mölk näst Anna LU* ‘I could ask milk at Anna’s’.

Past subjunctive ((*h*)*a* *hāve* or (*h*)*a* *vare* + supine): *Ja a hāve kēft-e hegór, män ja hāv ija päņar* ‘I would have bought it yesterday, but I didn’t have money’; *Umm ja a hāve hegór päņar hāve, ja a hāve kēft-e* ‘If I had had money yesterday, I would have bought it’; *He änt a drüpe, umm-de a hāve fast-e vrēe* ‘It wouldn’t drip if you had had screwed it’; *Han kunt drunken ’ō, umm händäre änt a vare ōapo bļōe LU* ‘He could have drowned if the hands hadn’t remained above (the ice)’; *Umm tiske änt a vare vare hēr näst oss, so tätta änt a vare vare allt. A soŧŧ fī ve lī mike LU* ‘If the Germans hadn’t been here at our place, this wouldn’t have happened. But because they were, we had to suffer a lot’.

Imaginary/hypothetical situations in the present can also be expressed with *kunt a hāve* or *vare* + supine: *Ja kunt a hāve hūse boŧt-sjōd e fjōdeŧt LU* ‘I could have sold the house last year’; *Tō kunt a vare kume egór* ‘You could have come yesterday’.

Necessity in the present can be expressed with *ska*: *Ko ska ja hänt ot de?* ‘What should I fetch you?’; *Hon säiär, än ja änt ska sjöle hūse* ‘She says that I shouldn’t sell the house’. *Ska* is also used in subordinate clauses when the verb in the main clause is in the preterite: *Anna sā, än ja ska napp hūp stäina vār källaš dänna LU* ‘Anna said that I should gather stones near the cellar’s door’.

Necessity in the past is expressed with *skilt*: *Ja skilt kēp tāta hegōr* ‘I should have bought it yesterday’. The pattern *skilt a hāve* or *vare* + supine is used in order to add the sense of impracticability in the past: *Tō skilt a hāve sjōđ bott hūse rāi lōjařār* ‘You should have sold the house long time ago (but you didn’t)’; *Tō skilt änt a hāve tāta sōa* ‘You shouldn’t have said it (but you did)’; *Ja skilt änt a vare hitt kume* ‘I shouldn’t have come here’.

The following patterns are used to express wishes:

1. *Um(m) a* + supine: *Um-en änt a bannast!* ‘If only he didn’t swear!’; *Um-on änt a vare sjūk!* ‘If only she weren’t ill!’; *Um-en hotš änt a rōke* ‘If only he didn’t smoke’.
2. *Lät*: *Bind löüsā-n (hund), lät-n ränn umm* ‘Untie him (the dog), let him run around’. In order to add the sense of impracticability, *lät* can be combined with *a* + supine: *Lät-on a sjōđ hūse um-on vill* ‘Let her sell the house if she wants’.

For wishes expressed with reference to the past and therefore totally impracticable, the pattern *lät a hāve* or *a vare* + supine is used: *Komfōre hällt-de üt he mölke? Lät-e a vare sūtř blōe* ‘Why did you pour out the milk? I wish it had gone sour’; *Komfōre gī-de (ot būe)? Lät-on a vare gōe!* ‘Why did you go (to the shop)? I wish she had gone (there)’; *Kontjōřl slāit-dom sundār kvēne, lätt-on a vare stōe* ‘Why did they blow up the mill, I wish it had remained’.

Synthetic forms with optative meaning are limited to isolated traditional phrases: *Gū hōlp de!* ‘God help you!’; *Tak vare Gū* ‘Thank God!’; *Gesinne!* ‘Jesus bless’.

Passive forms, as far as one can judge by the material available now, are rare. Such sentence as ‘This house was built last year’ was translated by LU as *Hūse blāi upp-bēvd e-fjōđešt*, but in real speech an active pattern with a personal pronoun ‘they’ would rather be used: *He hūse jār nitt, tom bēvd e-fjōđešt upp-e* ‘That house is new, they built it last year’. Some real speech examples: *Tom vār fron stukkar gjūd* (also *gjūdar*) ‘They (the houses) were made of timbers’; *He fōr blī ō-sīlat än pār goņņar, āles byre-e sjūņas* ‘It (the wine) has to be filtered a couple of times, otherwise it begins to turn sour’;

*Hon äiles a vare sprāmd blōe* ‘It (i.e. the mill) would have been blown up in any case’.

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