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## Dangla-Migama and Afro-Asiatic IV: Root initial \*b- with C<sub>2</sub> sonants

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The paper is a new contribution to revealing the Afro-Asiatic heritage in the lexical root stock of the Dangla-Migama group of Chadic languages by means of inter-branch comparison primarily using, among others, the ancient Egypto-Semitic etymological evidence.

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### Introduction

The present series of articles has arisen from a review of the first comprehensive lexicon of the Bidiya language composed by native speaker linguist Khalil Alio (N'Djamena, Republic of Tchad) and Chadicist Herrmann Jungreithmayr (Frankfurt a/M),<sup>1</sup> which was, in fact, at a time an examination of the lexicon from the standpoint of etymology.<sup>2</sup> The original aim of my old paper was to show the multivalence of the Bidiya sibilant affricates only and how the lexicon of this so far little-known language contributes to various aspects of Chadic/Afro-Asiatic comparative-historical phonology and lexicon. This aim has been extended

<sup>1</sup> Alio, Kh. & Jungreithmayr, H.: *Lexique Bidiya: Une langue centre-africaine (République du Tchad)*. Berlin, 1989, Vittorio Klostermann. 164 p. Bidiya, which we find among the DM daughter languages, a language spoken in one of the southern provinces of the Republic of Tchad, at the western chains of the Abu-Telfan. The number of Bidiya people was estimated in 1963 around 12.500.

<sup>2</sup> The Bidiya lexicon has been reviewed by many authors from different viewpoints. Cf. the list of the relevant reviews in the Chadic bibliography by P. Newman (1996: 84, #1021; 2022: 12).

since then from the second part onto the etymological analysis of lexical roots of the whole Dangla-Migama group where Bidiya also belongs. Since then, the etymological entries have been arranged according to the articulation place of the initial radical.<sup>3</sup>

This series of etymological papers is devoted to revealing the Afro-Asiatic heritage in the lexicon of the languages of the Dangla-Migama group. Together with Dangla, Migama, Bidiya, and perhaps (?) Mokilko<sup>4</sup> (as well as presumably the closely related Mahwa and Mogum also) belong to the so-called Dangla-Migama group<sup>5</sup> of the eastern subbranch of the Chadic languages, which represent the sixth (or, according to others, fifth)<sup>6</sup> branch of the Afro-Asiatic (Semitic-Hamitic) macrofamily (comprising the following branches: 1. Semitic, 2. Egyptian, 3. Berber, 4. Cushitic, 5. Omotic, 6. Chadic).

### Dangla-Migama \*b- + \*-r-

- 62. PDangla \*bər- “to be distracted” [GT]: WDangla bərnìyè “être distracté, être ailleurs en pensée” [Fédry 1971: 105], EDangla bərē “être distracté, être dans la lune, être absent, rêver” [Dbr.-Mnt. 1973: 58]. The initial \*b- may reflect a lost laryngeal, e.g., like PAA \*\*vHbr or \*\*v/bHr or \*\*vbrH, neither of which has so far not been found in this form, but all the more in its diverse varieties. Thus, it may be remotely related to a so far uncharted PAA root family, whose original variety without the laryngeal radical and with an old \*-l has been known only, cf. Sem.: Ar. √bll I: balla “3. enseigner (la terre), répandre (le grain), 7. se disperser, se séparer (se dit du peuple rassemblé)” [BK I 155; DAFA = Blachère 1967 I: 824] = “to sow (land)” [Lane 242c]<sup>7</sup> ||| SBrb.: Ahaggar e-hlel [h reg. < \*b] “1. être distracté (avoir, en faisant un acte, l'esprit inattentif à cet acte et occupé d'autre chose)”, 2. être dans un état de distraction et les yeux fermés tout en entendant et en comprenant à demi”

<sup>3</sup> Dangla-Migama and Afro-Asiatic I: Bidiya b- = *Folia Orientalia* 45-46 (2009-2010), 133-148. Dangla-Migama and Afro-Asiatic II: Bidiya č- and č- = *Lingua Posnaniensis* 51 (2009), 119-124. Dangla-Migama and Afro-Asiatic III: Root initial \*b- = *Lingua Posnaniensis* 63/1 (2021), 73-83.

<sup>4</sup> The position of Mokilko is debated. In JI 1994 II: XV it is classified within the same group where Dangla and Migama belong. Other works (e.g. Caprile & Jng. 1973: 40; Barreteau & Newman 1978: 305; Jng. 1981: 411; JS 1981: 16; Porhomovskij & Stolbova 1991: 329; Stolbova 1996: 8), in turn, *unisono* maintain that Mokilko represents alone a distinct group within East Chadic (this is the recent position of Prof. Jungraithmayr too, p.c. in 2002). V. Blažek (1994: 93) published his lexicostatistical result on the interrelation of four East Chadic languages (Sokoro, Jegu, Mubi, Mokilko) on the basis of the Swadesh 100 wordlist, according to which Mokilko stands closest to Mubi. But Blažek did not take the lexicon of the Dangla-Migama languages into account, so his proposal has no testimony value in this question. For the time being, my preliminary experience confirms JI 1994 II: XV, i.e. a tight relationship of Mokilko with the Dangla-Migama group (Jegu also) from a lexical standpoint.

<sup>5</sup> Cf. Barreteau & Newman 1978: 305; Jungraithmayr & Ibriszimow 1994 II: xv. Strangely, Jungraithmayr (1981: 411) separated Bidiya from Dangla-Migama, and placed it in the Mubi group, which cannot be supported from the standpoint of the lexical evidence.

<sup>6</sup> Depending on whether we accept Omotic as merely a western subbranch of the Cushitic (fourth) branch (as recently M. Lamberti and A. Zaborski maintained) or as an independent (fifth) branch of AA (as the majority of researchers suppose).

<sup>7</sup> In the lexicon by R. Blachère et al. (l.c.), this sense is regarded as secondary (“ext.”) from √bll “mouiller, tremper”.

[Foucauld 1951-2: 591] = ə-hləl “être distract” [Prasse 1969: 54, #238] ||| HECu.: Sidamo billälla “to disperse (intr.), be scattered”, billäll-is-a (caus.) “to scatter” [Gasparini 1983: 40] || SCu.: Dahalo \*bilaβil- “to scatter” [EEN 1989: 44] ||| WCh.: Goemay fulung [< \*v<sup>w</sup>eleŋ?] “to throw about, disarrange, disorder”, û fulung pê n’kilip “the goats threw every thing in the kitchen”, n’hat fulung “a pin “the wind disarranged the grass on the roof” [Sirlinger 1937: 53] (isolated in AS: Takács 2004: 389) < PAA \*vbl(l) “to scatter” [GT].<sup>8</sup> Cf. EDE II 445 and EAAN I 62, #259.

● 63. **Bidiya ɓarbàr (ɓarbìrí, ɓarbìrèŋ), pl. ɓarbàr (bàrbàari, ɓarbàareŋ)** “mentir” [AJ 1989: 62] may be derived from Ch. \*vbr “lügen” [GT] provided the b- is due here to \*mb-, cf. WCh.: Pero búrù “to deceive” [Frj. 1985: 23] || CCh.: Mwulyen mbwármà “Lüge” [Kraft]. This is a Chadic root variety with \*b- that seems to have been much more sporadically preserved than the one with \*p-, cf. below:

**63.1. AA \*vpr** “1. to lie, 2. abuse” [GT]: Sem.: Akk. (aA, jB) parû “etwa: Gemeines sagen” [AHW 837] || Ar. √fry I: farā “6. inventer, forger (un conte, mensonge)”, IV “4. adresser à qqn. des reproches, blâmer qqn.”, VIII “imaginer, inventer, forger (un mensonge)”, firy-at-“mensonge, imposture”, fariyy- “8. imaginé, inventé à plaisir, forgé (récit, mensonge)” [BK II 589] = √fry VIII “to forge or fabricate a lie or falsehood”, firy-at- “a lie or falsehood, also: defamation”, fariyy- “a thing forged or fabricated (hence: unknown, unheard of), also: a forger or fabricator of lies” [Lane 2391-2392] || Eg. p3.w [< \*vpr] “etwas das sich nicht zu sagen ziemt” (MK,<sup>9</sup> Wb I 498, 3) = “falsehood (?), gossip (?)” (FD 87) || NBrb.: Tamazight-Zayan (Central Moroccan) s-fərr-ət “lügen” [SISAJa I.c.] = s-ferrer, t-s-ferrir “mentir, raconter des mensonges”, i-s-firrir-n “mensonges, fait de mentir” [Taifi 1991: 119; DRB 605: isolated in Brb.] || HECu.: (?) Hadiya fa/är-<sup>10</sup> “to bewitch, deceive” [Sasse 1979: 18, 38] || SCu.: Qwadza pul-um- [l reg. < \*r] “to cheat” [Ehret 1980b MS: 3]<sup>11</sup> ||| WCh.: Fyer fyérat “Lüge” [Jng. 1970: 141] | (???) Ngizim fərfərtú “to backbite, abuse someone when he is not present” [Schuh 1981: 56-57]<sup>12</sup> || CCh.: Lame fár- “mentir (dans le sens de fabuler, raconter des bobards, enjoliver une histoire)” [Sachnine 1982: 293] || ECh.: Lele pōryē ~ pōryī ~ pōyrē ~ pōyī “1. mensonge, 2. se vanter” [WP 1982: 77]. Some of these cognates have already been equated: the Eg.-Ar. parallel is due to C. T. Hodge (1966: 26), whereas the Sem.-Brb. one was proposed SISAJa I, #30.<sup>13</sup> The rest of the AA *comparanda* were included

<sup>8</sup> Eventually derived from PAA \*vbl “to lo(o)se(n)” (EAAN I 61, #256)? Cf. also AA \*vpl “to sprinkle” (EAAN I 93, #440) as a remote PAA root variety.

<sup>9</sup> Stela of Usermontu, reign of Sesostris I, cf. Sethe 1959: 79, 1. 18.

<sup>10</sup> Unless it derives from ECu. \*fa(?)l- “to curse, bewitch, deceive” [Sasse 1979: 18, 38, 61].

<sup>11</sup> Ch. Ehret (1980a: 147) equated Qwadza pul-um- with Ma’ā -babúšu “to startle, astonish”, which he explained from his SCu. \*pu\$-/\*<sup>m</sup>pu\$- “to fool (s’one)”. False both phonologically and semantically.

<sup>12</sup> Semantically ambiguous. Alternatively, it might be affiliated with Eg. wf3 “Verbum des Redens: beistimmen” (MK, Wb I 306, 4) = “1. (verb) to talk about, discuss, support (a plan), 2. (noun) talk, subject of conversation” (FD 60) = 1. darüber sprechen, diskutieren, 2. verfechten (eine Sache von jemm.), 3. \*vorwerfeln” (GHWb 193), equated by C.T. Hodge (1981a: 373, #26) with PCh. \*p-rá “to say” and Brb. \*-fihr- “to say” and, similarly, by Ch. Ehret (1995: 106, #84), i.a., with Sem.: Ar. √frfr “to cry out at” and PCu. \*fär- “to call out”.

<sup>13</sup> The Russian linguists (SISAJa I.c.) equated the Sem.-Zayan parallel with a number of semantically false parallels.

by G. Takács (2000: 76, #2.7; 2009: 191, #72; EDE II 392; EAAN I 87, #415). Eventually related to AA \*<sup>v</sup>pr “bad” (above)? Cf. EDE II 392.

**63.2.** A further possible rare variety with \*-l is known in Sem.: Ar. habl- “ruse, astuce”, ?ihtabala “intriguer, se montrer faux, trompeur” [DRS 359, HBL1 with dubious parallels].

● **64. PDangla \*bér-** “to sprinkle saliva from mouth” [GT]: WDangla bèrè “1. faire un bruit avec explosion des lèvres: ‘br’, 2. semer avec la bouche (grains de sésame)” [Fédry 1971: 105], EDangla béré (m) “cracher de l’eau en fines gouttelettes, asperger avec la bouche, postillonner” [Dbr.-Mnt. 1973: 58] = béré “(beim Sprechen) Speichel verspritzen” [Ebobisse 1979: 132]. May be the result of a contamination of the root PDangla \*bar- “to be distracted” [GT] (described under #62 preceding) and a reflex of Sem.: Ar. bary- “bave, salive qui coule de la bouche” [BK I 113; DRS 86: isolated in Sem.!] || MSA: Soqotri <sup>v</sup>b̄r “cracher” [Leslau 1938: 92; DRS 75 with false Sem. etymologies] ||| NBrb.: (???) Tamazight i-beruy-n (pl.) “sperme” [DRB 117: isolated in Brb., not found in Taïfi 1991: 29] ||| WCh.: Gwandara bùbúri “to vomit” [Matsushita 1972: 27] < PAA \*<sup>v</sup>bry ~ \*<sup>v</sup>b̄y (root vars. via met.) “1. to spit, 2. eject (???)” [GT]. See EAAN I 59, #241. Further more widely spread remote root varieties appear in:

**64.1. AA \*<sup>v</sup>fry** “to spit” [GT] > Sem. \*<sup>v</sup>pry [GT]: Akk. (jB) parû “(sich) erbrechen”, (jB) parû ~ purâtu “Erbrochenes” [AHW 837, 880]<sup>14</sup> || Ar. <sup>v</sup>fry I: faraya “1. vider (un vase, etc.), faire maison nette, faire évacuer un lieu”, fariya “2. être versé et couler (se dit de l’eau, etc.)”, II “1. verser (l’eau, un liquide) en vidant un vase, 2. vider (un vase)”, IV “1. verser, répandre (l’eau, le sang), jeter de l’eau sur qqn., vider un vase sur qqn., 2. couler qqch. dans un moule”, X “2. jeter dehors, avoir une expectoration, rendre par la bouche, 3. vomir, avoir des vomissements”, furây-at- “sperme de l’homme”, ?istifrây- “2. expectoration, vomissement, 3. sécrétion”, mustafry- “1. qui donne beaucoup de lait (chamelle)” [BK II 580-582] ||| Eg. f3h.w (pl.) [< \*fr̄h, but \*<sup>v</sup>fry also poss.]<sup>15</sup> (spitting man det.) “cracheur (?)” (CT VI 307e, AL 78.1569) = “die \*Spuckenden” (GHWb 305) = (untranslated in DCT 145) ||| CCh.: Glavda vərəgh [seems poss. < \*<sup>v</sup>fry]<sup>16</sup> “to vomit (?)” [Rapp & Benzing 1968: 99]

<sup>14</sup> Derived by F. Buhl (GB 660) from Sem. \*<sup>v</sup>pry > Ar. <sup>v</sup>fry “entleeren, (min) sich einer Sache entledigen, unbeschäftigt sein” [GB] (doubtful). Cf. also MSA: Jibbali ʃə-frây “to be done, finished, empty” [Johnstone 1981: 60], Mehri aʃtɔrəy “(gun) to fire, go off by itself” [Johnstone 1987: 98]. The Semitic etymology of Akk. parû is, however, uncertain due to its -a- indicating rather \*-h or \*-? as C<sub>3</sub> (cf. GAG 25; Moscati et al. 1964: 41-42, §8.54), although there are exceptions (cf. Kogan 1995: 160-161). J. Huehnergard (1991: 694) compared it to ES \*<sup>v</sup>frh “to be afraid”, which is semantically unconvincing.

<sup>15</sup> For the rare, albeit existing correspondence of Sem. \*γ and Eg. h, cf. most recently Takacs 2011: 139-154.

<sup>16</sup> Glavda v- < AA \*f- should still be justified, cf. only Glavda var “to redeem, bring out” [RB] ||| SCu.: Dahalo fir “to take out” [Ehret 1980a: 149; EEN 1989: 23]. But the correspondence of Glavda gh to AA (Eg., Sem., SCu.) velars seems proven in a number of examples, cf. (1) SCu.: WRift \*haš-īt (med.) “to be silent” [KM 2004: 320] ||| Sem. \*<sup>v</sup>ħš “calm” [GT]: Ar. hašā'a “to be humble, submissive, faint (voice)” || Geez haš'a ~ haš'a “to be calm, still etc.” (Sem.: Leslau 1987: 266) ||| CCh.: Glavda għaċċaga-ħaċċaga [gh- < \*Q-reg.] “still, calm” [RB 1968: 42] < AA \*<sup>v</sup>Qč “calm” [GT]. (2) Glavda għal “to beg, beseech, want, ask” [RB] ||| SBrb.: Ahaggar ə-ħħel “aimer, vouloir” [Prasse 1969: 85, #570] < AA \*<sup>v</sup>Qħl. (3) Glavda ghál(à) “(small) sacrifice” [RB] ||| Eg. hn [< \*<sup>v</sup>ħl] “Gaben bringen” (PT, Wb III 286, 16). (4) Glavda għwàs “knife” [RB] ||| Eg. hws “1. (XIX.) (Tiere als Opfer) schlachten, 2. (MK) als Zuruf o.ä. in den Reden beim Zerlegen der Schlachttiere” (Wb III 249).

< AA \*√fry “to spit, vomit” [GT]. This Eg.-Glavda etymology is due to G. Takács (2003: 189-190, #311; EDE II 560).

**64.2.** Maybe both roots above were of biconsonantal origin, cf. the traces of such a supposed simplex (albeit, attested with \*p- instead of the expected \*f-) in Ch. \*√pr<sup>17</sup> “to spray through the mouth” [GT] > WCh.: Angas por “to spit, spit out” [Foulkes 1915: 266] = pur “to sprinkle”, cf. pur-po “to mince words, pretend” (lit. “to sprinkle mouth”, sic) [Gochal 1994: 123]<sup>18</sup> | Ngizim pùurú “to spray, spit out in spray” [Schuh 1981: 133] || CCh.: Mofu-Gudur -pápər- “projeter de l’eau avec la bouche (sur une plaie), vaporiser de l’eau (sur une natte)” [Brt. 1988: 218]. See EAAN I 105, #500.

● **65. Bidiya bòr (bòrí, bòrèŋ), pl. bòrow (bòroowí, bòroowenj)** “fendiller, fissurer” [AJ 1989: 62] || WCh.: Hausa bámbarà “1. to break off (maize grains, bark, plaster), 2. to separate sg. sticking to another”, bámbaréé “1. to break off, 2. peel off” [Abr. 1962: 71] | Galambu bár-àalá “to cut (off)” [Schuh 1978: 142] | Ngizim bérú “1. to separate a unitary thing into parts, 2. (intr.) divide up a unitary thing into parts” [Schuh 1981: 28] || CCh.: Mofu-Gudur -bér- “se fendre (mur, calebasse, bois)” [Brt. 1988: 89] | Vulum (Mulwi) bírwí “diviser, partager, séparer” [Tourneux 1978a: 289; 1978b: 92], Musgu-Puss bírwi “séparer, diviser”, bérav “partage, division (le fait de diviser), répartition” [Tourneux 1991: 79], Mbara bírav “déchirer, rompre” [TSL 1986: 257] | Masa bérav “diviser (tr.)” [Caitucoli 1983: 43] < Ch. \*br “to separate” (which points to AA \*√bHr or \*√Hbr, cf., e.g., #62 and #64 above) [GT] || Sem. \*√hbr: Ar. habara “couper en morceaux, déchirer (viande)”, Egyptian Ar. habar “1. mordre dans, 2. donner un coup” (Ar.: DRS 361, HBR2).

● **66. DM \*b/bòr-** “unripe” [GT]: WDangla bòrè “être vert, non arrivé à maturité (exclusivement pour un fruit)” [Fédry 1971: 107], Bidiya bòor (bòrí, bòrèŋ), pl. bòròw (bòròowí, bòròowenj) “ne pas réussir (fruit), mal se former” [AJ 1989: 59]: the b- is not clear in the light of the comparative data reflecting plain \*b- without trace of a laryngeal (unless we consider LECu.: Sidamo -?- in one record) or prenasalization (possibly inducing \*b- in Chadic), cf. ECh.: Somray bérâ “cru” [Jng. 1993 MS: 5] | Birgit bùurùny “vert (pas mûr)” [Jng. 2004: 351]<sup>19</sup> (Ch.: JI 1994 II: 254-255) ||| LECu.: Oromo burundō “raw meat” [Gragg 1982: 71] | HEcu.: Sidamo bura “to be raw, uncooked, not cooked, unripe (fruit)”, bura “raw, not cooked, unripe (of grains, cereals, fruits)” [Gasparini 1983: 50] = bu?r- “to be raw”, bu?ra “raw meat” [Hudson 1989: 121] ||| SBrb.: EWlmd. háräy [h and h reg. < \*b] “être cru (fruit, légume, viande)” [PAM 1998: 138; 2003: 344] < PAA \*√br(y) “unripe, raw” [GT]. Cf. EDE II 261 (with further possible SAA cognates); Takács 2009a: 335, #64.

**66.1.** This root must be ultimately akin to PAA \*√br(y) “new” [GT], whose Chadic reflexes with \*mb- may perhaps resolve the clue of DM \*b- above, cf. LEg. \*brj → Dem. brj “1. jung, 2. auch: neu” (DG 119, 2) → Coptic (SAL/A<sub>2</sub>) **BPPE**, (B) **BEPI**, (S) **BHPE**, (F) **BEP(E)I** “new, young” (CD 43a; CED 26; KHW 27) = “neuf, nouveau, jeune” (DELCA).

<sup>17</sup> Although PCh. \*p- (not \*f-) suggests a slightly distinct ultimate AA root (\*√pr), perhaps a var. to AA \*\*√fr.

<sup>18</sup> Mistakenly equated by O.V. Stolbova (1987: 146) with Ngizim pàadú “to suck” [Schuh 1981: 131].

<sup>19</sup> Unless it is a deviant reflex deriving from ECh. \*balny- “green, blue” [GT].

30) ||| LECu.: Elmolo burrída “new” [Heine 1973: 281] | (?) Oromo bar-o (sic) “new” [Mukarovsky 1981] || NOm.: Mocha bər-o (?) “new” [Bender 1971: 260, #57, not in Leslau 1959] = bor-o [Mukarovsky 1987: 234] ||| Ch. \*√<sup>m</sup>br(w) “new” [JS 1981: 193A]: WCh.: SBuchi \*√<sup>(m)</sup>br “new” [GT]: Wangday mbür-ni [Shimizu], Dokshi (Lushi) mboori [Shimizu], Dikshi mbori [Shimizu], Boodli (Zumbul) bwàrì [Shimizu], Dwot bəri [Shimizu], Zaar-Kal mbur [Shimizu] (SBuchi: Shimizu 1978: 44, #96) || CCh.: Zime-Dari mbərēw “neuf, nouveau” [Cooper 1984: 17], Zime-Batna ɬrrew “new” [Jng.] = mbireò [Sachnine], Lame mbirrew “new” [Sachnine 1978a: 198], Peve mbréw “new” [Venberg 1975: 37]. H.G. Mukarovsky (1981: 115, #22) compared the Coptic-Oromo-Buduma-Mocha match with Basque (Biskaya) berri ~ barri “new” as a Mediterranean areal parallel.

• 67. EDangla **b̥rb̥ty** (partial reduplication < \*√<sup>b</sup>rtv?) “le sursaut (de peur ou d’étonnement)” [DM 1973: 58] ||| Sem.: Tigre bərṣ belä “sursauter de frayeur” [DRS 86, brs2: semantically false parallels, in fact isolated] < PAA \*√br[č] “to spring from fear” [GT].

• 68. DM \***barbər-** “to grill (?) food” [GT]: Bdy. bár̥bár̥re (m) “préparation rapide d’une nourriture” [AJ 1989: 62], cf. also EDangla bārbārē (m) “boule grillée sur la braise (provision de voyage)” [DM 1973: 58]. Part of a widespread and well-known root family.<sup>20</sup>

**68.1.** In principle, the DM stem may reflects the same reduplication as Sem.: perhaps Gurage (almost all dialects) bərbər barä “to shimmer, flicker (flame), burn in a bright and very wavy way” [Leslau 1979 III: 151] ||| Eg. brbr “kochen” (NE, Wb I 466, 1; GHwb 256) > Coptic (SL/A<sub>2</sub>) **BPB̥P̥**, (SFB) **BEPBEP**, (F) **BAPBEP** “aufwallen, sieden, sprudeln (vom Wasser), lodern (vom Feuer)” (KHW 26), hence NEg. brbr (fire det.) “ein Getränk oder Speise” (GHwb 256) ||| NBrb.: Shilh (Sus) berbur “bouillir” [Wölfel] = bb̥br̥ “bouillir (liquide), faire du bruit en bouillant” [Kossmann] || EBrb.: Ghadames b̥erb̥er “chanter (eau qui bouit)” [Kossmann] (Brb.: DRB 90, br2; Kossmann 1999: 92, #173) ||| NAgaw: Bilin birbir ~ br̥br̥ “sich entzünden, (ver)brennen (intr.)” [Reinsich] = “s’allumer” [Cohen], Dembea beber-“verbrennen (intr.)” [Reinisch], Qwara beber- “verbrennen (intr.)” [Reinisch] | SAgaw: Awngi bāvär “to burn, be on fire” [CR apud Dlg.] = b̥br̥-in “to burn (intr.)” [Hetzron apud Bender 1973a MS: 3, #12] (Agaw: Reinisch 1885: 40; 1887: 83) || LECu.: Somali-Jabarti baburu “(Feuer)funke” [Reinisch 1904: 56] ||| WCh.: Gwandara bòrèbòrè “tepid (water)” [Matsushita 1972: 27] || CCh.: Bura borbor “heiß, hitzig” [Reutt & Kogan 1973: 86] || ECh.: Sokoro bóribó-ti, cf. na bóribóti ókidi “ich wärme die Hände am Feuer” [Lukas 1937: 31] < CAA \*√brbr “to heat” [GT].

**68.2.** The simplex is also widely attested: CAA \*√br “warm” [Sasse 1981: 160, #4] = “1. to be hot, 2. burn” [GT] > NBrb.: Mzab a-bər “bouillir”, a-bbar “bouillonnement” [Delheure 1984: 10], Wargla a-ber “bouillir” [Laoust] = a-bər “bouillir” [Delheure 1987: 27] | Nefusa a-bər “bouillir” [Laoust 1931: 205] || EBrb.: Ghadames ā-b̥er “bouillir”, u-b̥ber “bouillonnement de l’eau” [Lanfry 1973: 24, #95] = ā-b̥er “bouillir” [Kossmann], Audjila

<sup>20</sup> Literature: Reinisch 1887: 83 & 1904: 56; Trombetti 1923: 116, #60; Cohen 1947: #403; Wölfel 1955: 89; Mukarovsky 1959: 18; IS 1966: 17, 19; 1971: #190; Dlg. 1966: 51; SISAJa I 95, #117; OS 1992: 192; HCVA II #132; HSED #282 & #338; DRB 90.

yu-vîra (pf., 3<sup>rd</sup> p. sg.) “bollire” [Paradisi 1960: 161] = u-ver [Kossmann] || SBrb.: Ahaggar ber “bolire” [Trombetti] (Brb.: DRB 90; Kossmann 1999: 92, #173) || NAgaw: Bilin bir-“heiß, warm w./s., sieden, kochen” [Reinisch] = bir- “chauffer” [Cohen] = bər- “to boil, be hot” [Apl. 1984: 50], Hamir bir- “heiß, warm werden/sein” [Renisch], Hamta bēro “warm (of air, water)” [Bender 1970b MS: 5, #91], Hamtanga bir- “to be hot” [Apl.], cf. Kemant bīlu “warm” [Bender 1973b MS: 11, #91] || SAgaw: Awngi bīr- “to be hot” [Hetzron apud Bender 1973 MSa: 11, #91, so also in Dlg. l.c. and Apl. l.c.], Kunfäl bīr-ani “warm (adj.)” [Bender 1970b MS: 5, #91] (Agaw: Reinisch 1884: 349; 1885: 40; 1887: 82; Dlg. 1966: 51; 1973: 198; Apl. 1991 MS: 7) || NOm.: Koyra (Badditu) bōr “cuocere il pane” [Cerulli 1929: 60] = bor- “to bake” [Hayward 1982: 238] || WCh.: (?) Pero pīrō [p- < \*b-?] “to make a fire” [Frj. 1985: 46] || CCh.: Gude vovərə “to partly singe (of hair, leaves, etc.)” [Hoskison 1983: 289] | Mafa báwár- “chauffer au point de donner une sensation de brûlure, brûler (pour le feu lorsqu'on en est proche)” [Barreteau-Bléis 1990: 92] | (?) Mandara mbur [unless -r < \*-n] “to boil” [OS, source not clear] || ECh.: Kera bōrōr “sich aufwärmern, Feuer fangen” [Ebert 1976: 33] | WDangla bōrōr “activer le feu, attiser” [Fédry 1971: 96] | Mubi bùrūl [dissim. < \*burur (?)] “anmachen (Feuer)” [Lukas 1937: 181] = bōrōl, pl. bārāl “allumer, attiser le feu” [Jng. 1990b MS: 5]. G. Takács (1999a: 26) pointed to an eventual root variety (s.v. Eg. nbjbj < AA \*vbl).

**68.3.** Still, these parallels, reflecting plain \*b-, do not explain DM \*b-, which could only derive from a resolved cluster of either \*bH or \*mb-. The former option seems to be corroborated here by Sem. \*v̥b̥r [infix \*-v̥-?] “1. to light fire, 2. heat” [GT]: Emar buhri [\*v̥b̥r/\*v̥b̥r] “hot” [Zadok 1991: 116, #8], Ug. v̥b̥r “to inflame (?)” [Gordon 1955: 248, #342, not in WUS #559] = D “1. encender, 2. quemar, 3. chamuscar” [DLU I 103], Hbr. v̥b̥r qal “brennen (intr.)”, piel “anzünden” (ein Feuer, Holzstücke, Brandpfeile, Lampen) [GB 108], JPAram. & NHbr. v̥b̥r “anzünden, verbrennen” [GB] = “brûler, enflammer” [DRS] (NWSem.: DRS 75) || ES: Geez bḁara “to burn up, set (a field of grass) on fire, set a blaze” [Leslau], cf. Tigre barḁ̈e “the fire broke out and spread”, barḁ̈ “fire in the wilderness” [Leslau] (Sem.: Leslau 1987: 84) || WCh.: AS \*p(y)uŷur (or perhaps \*p(y)ūr?) [\*p- < \*b- regular] “to singe” [GT]: Angas pur “to burn out (as of driver ants) by applying bunches of burning grass wherever they are seen” [Foulkes 1915: 268] = pūur (Kabwir dialect) “1. to burn out (ants by bunches of fire), 2. or also roast groundnuts” [Jng. 1962 MS: 34], Mupun pūur “to burn feathers, hair on carcass” [Frj. 1991: 50], Goemay piuur “to singe an animal’s body to get rid of its hair” [Sirlinger 1937: 183] = pyuūr “to burn just a bit (as opposed to kuur)” [Hellwig 2000 MS: 29] < PAA \*v̥b̥r “to heat” [GT], which may well be a C<sub>2</sub> root extension variety of the PAA simplex \*v̥br (above).

● **69. PDangla \*v̥b̥rt̥y** “to tear off (branches)” [GT]: WDangla b̥ârtyè “ébrancher, arracher avec la main en cassant à partir du tronc, sans couteau” [Fédry 1971: 105], EDangla b̥îrtyē “ébrancher, élaguer, émonder, tailler” [DM 1973: 58] || CCh.: Masa b̥îrét “séparer, couper” [Ajello et al. 2001: 51]. The underlying Chadic root may have suffered the usual metathesis of glottalization (e.g., and may represent a root variety to PAA \*v̥pr̥ç ~ \*v̥pr̥ç “to separate” [GT]: Sem. \*v̥pr̥ṣ ~ \*v̥pr̥d “to break” [GT]: Akk. (bab., nA) parāṣu “durchbrechen” [AHW 832] || (?) Ug. pr̥ṣ “Öffnung (?)” [Aistleitner 1948: 216; WUS #2280] | Hbr. v̥pr̥ṣ qal

“1. reißen, einen Riß hervorbringen, 2. (einen Schacht) brechen, 3. einreißen (Mauer), 4. in ein Haus einbrechen” [GB 661] | Ar. farasa “couper en deux” [BK II 572] = “to cut” [Leslau] vs. farada “tailler, faire des coches, des entailles dans un morceau de bois” [BK II 573] = “einschneiden, einen Einschnitt machen” [Barth apud GB] | MSA: Jibbali fóróð “to separate vertebrae from oa.” [Johnstone 1981: 59-60] || ES: Geez farasa “to break open, cut open, split” [Leslau 1987: 167] ||| EBrb.: Ghadames e-frəd “ouvrir en deux (un fruit)” [Lanfry 1973: 96, #420] ||| WCh.: Hausa fàrdáá “to hoe up (groundnuts)”, fàrdà “to slit open front of animal”, fàrdè “to slit up completely, hoe up all of” [Abr. 1962: 253] || CCh.: Mofu-Gudur pàrdaá ~ pàrdeédé “(yeux) grand ouverts” [Brt. 1988: 219] || ECh.: Mokilko pôrđyo “fissure, passage, espace étroit entre deux grosses pierres” [Jng. 1990a: 161], Bidiya pordòč “croquer (de la kola)”, pordòny “croquer” [AJ 1989: 108]. Cf. EDE II 484-485; EAAN I 90, #425.

● 70. **WDangla bùrtyàm bùrtyàm ~ bìbùrtyàm** [< \*burtyam] “qui a de grosses lèvres et un gros nez” [Fédry 1971: 107] || Sem.: Ar. barṭama I “3. se fâcher, froncer le sourcil et prendre un air sévère”, birtām- and barātam- “qui a les une lèvre grosse et comme enflée”, barṭam-at- “expression de la colère sur le visage quand il paraît comme enflé” [BK I 112] = barṭama I “bouder, faire la moue, être renfogné, se mettre en colère”, birtām- (adj., subst.) “1. grosse, épaisse (lèvre), 2. lippu (homme)”, burātīm- “lippu (homme), thick-lipped (man)”, burṭūm- “trompe (de l’éléphant)” [DAFA = Blachère 1967: 550] = burṭūm- “trompe, museau (de l’éléphant)” [Dozy I 73] = barṭama I “1. faire la lippe, la moue, 2. se renfogner”, burṭūm- “trompe, (d’éléphant), babine” [DRS 84, brṭm: isolated]. Borrowed from Arabic in spite of Dangla b- suggesting a cognacy with longer history?<sup>21</sup>

● 71. **WDangla bàràs** “évoque le mouvement du couteau tranchant la peau en glissant en longueur” [Fédry 1971: 105] || Sem.: PAram. \*/brṣ [GT] > Aram. b̥raṣ, NHbr. bērēṣ “couper entièrement par le travers”, bārēṣ “trouer”, Syr. b̥raṣ “pénétrer, pouvoir” (Sem.: DRS 86) < PAA \*/brç “to cut through” [GT]. Metathesis of glottalization in Chadic (cf. already some cases in Illič-Svityč 1966, then many in Stolbova 1996 and 2016).

**71.1.** Should be distinguished (as a remote root PAA variety) from PAA \*/brs “to cut, separate” [GT] > Sem.: Ar. barrasa II “briser (les mottes)”, tabarrasa “s’écaser sur un écueil”, (Maghrebi) barras “casser” || ES: Harari bäräsä “être aboli”, Gurage √brs “démolir” (Sem.: DRS 85) || (?) Eg. b3s [reg. < \*/brs] “to devour” (CT I 293b, FD 78) = “ausschneiden” (NBÄ = Osing 1976: 228-229) = “dépecer, déchirer, déchiqueter” (AL 77.1180, 78.1244) = “herausschneiden” (GHWb 242)<sup>22</sup> || SBrb.: Ahaggar e-bres “trier (en mettant d’un côté ce qui est bon, de l’autre ce qui est de qualité inférieure)” [Foucauld 1951-2: 100] || NOm.: Koyra (Badditu) burs “tagliare” [Cerulli 1929: 60] = burs [Cerulli, Hayward apud Bender] = burse [Corlett] = bur- (!) [Cumbers, Siebert & Hoeft], Kachama (Haruro)

<sup>21</sup> As a cognate, SBrb.: Ahaggar berezrez “avoir la peau qui forme un grand nombre de plis de graisse (le sujet étant une personne très grasse dont la peau forme beaucoup de plis de graisse, non seulement au ventre, mais à diverses parties du corps)” (derived from erz “casser”, hence tā-me-rrez-ut “pli de la peau du ventre”) [Foucauld 1951-2: 102, 1679 > DRB 128] cannot be considered.

<sup>22</sup> Following J. Osing (NBÄ 782, n. 978), W. Westendorf (KHW 563) derived Cpt.: (B) ፩ወር፤ “Meißel, Messer” from CT b3s, which is both semantically and phonologically mistaken.

burs-ā-na “tagliare”, burs-ā “frammento, pezzo” [CR 1937: 641] = bur-s “to cut” [CR apud Bender] (NOm.: Bender 2003: 85, #33) ||| Ch. \*/b̥rs [GT]: CCh.: Glavda birs “to take off, remove” [RB 1968] | Mofu-Gudur -bárs- “1. (s’)effriter, 2. (se) réduire en poussière, 3. casser facilement” [Brt. 1988: 84] || ECh.: DM \*bors- “to crush grain” [GT]: WDangla bórsè “écraser à demi: du mil cuit auparavant dans l’eau, la terre pour le débroussage” [Fédry 1971: 92], EDangla bòrsè “1. concasser, écraser à demi des grains, 2. labourer la terre (pour un phacochère)” [Dbr.-Mnt. 1973: 51], Migama bòrzò (bòrzé, bòròzzá) “1. écraser à moitié (se dit des sésames), 2. remuer la terre pour préparer les semences des sésames” [JA 1992: 71]. Cf. EDE II 88-89 with further root vars. and alternatives in Eg.); EAAN I 56-57, #224.

• **72. DM \*barč/t-** “green” [GT]: Bidiya ɓaràč (barčí, ɓarčeñ), pl. ɓaràč (baràačí, ɓaràačeñ) “verdir, bleuir”, ɓaràačí (pl.) “verdure, légumes”, ɓaràčga “vert” [AJ 1989: 62], cf. perhaps also Migama ɓàytà [if < \*bart(y)a?] (adj.) “vert (pas mûr)” [JA 1992: 73]. May be derived from \*barač/t due to the usual metathesis of glottalization, which, in turn, may represent the reflex of either of the following roots with palatalization of the respective glottal C<sub>3</sub>:

**72.1. CAA \*/br̥k** “1. to flourish, 2. be green” [GT]: Sem.: Amh. bäräqqʷa “commencer à mûrir (céréales)” [DRS 86] ||| NBrb.: Qabyle bberwaq “donner des feuilles abondantes” [Dallet 1982: 50] ||| HECu.: perhaps Darasa (Gedeo) bařg-ó “green fruit” [Wedekind 1976-1979: 169] ||| WCh.: AS \*m̥barak ~-/> \*barak “1. fresh, 2. wet, 3. green” [GT]: Sura ɓərak “grün” [Jng. 1963: 59], Mupun m̥brák “wet (about grass only)” [Frj. 1991: 36], Kofyar báràk “wet, green, unripe” [Netting 1967: 1], Mushere ɓáràk “raw” vs. baràk “wet” [Jng. 1999 MS: 1-2], Goemay ɓarak “freshness, green, damp” [Sirlinger 1937: 12] = barak “to be wet” [Hellwig 2000 MS: 3] (AS: Takács 2004: 11). Cf. EAAN I 59, #239.

**72.2. CSem. \*/br̥t** “to flourish” [GT]: NSyr. birtā “une fleur”, mberṭin “bourgeonner, fleurir”, cf. also Ar. barīt- “sorte de jacinthe” [GT].

• **73. Bidiya ɓirič** “idéo. évoquant qqch. qui pétille ou éclate” [AJ 1989: 62] may have similarly derived from a former \*birič due to the metathesis of glottalization usual in Chadic, which, in turn, may represent the reflex of either of the following roots:

**73.1.** It may be derived either from an AA \*/br̥k with the palatalization of the respective glottal C<sub>3</sub>, cf. SBrb./Twareg \*/b̥ry: Ahaggar bereyrey “produire un bruit de grelot”, Niger bereyrey “1. produire un bruit sec, 2. gronder (tonnerre)”, bereqq-et- “1. produire un bruit de grelot, 2. être pilé (grains de céréale)” (SBrb.: DRB 116: isolated in Brb.) vs. its root variety with a voiceless *Anlaut*: EWlmd.-Ayr fərəyrey “1. faire un bruit fracassant, 2. cliqueter (noix qui s’entrechoquent)” [PAM 2003: 171]. These onomatopeic roots may eventually be connected with CAA \*/br̥k “1. to flash (of lightning), 2. thunder” [GT] > Sem. \*/br̥k “to flash (lightning)” → \*barak- “lightning (fulmine)” [Fronzaroli] = \*barķ- “Glanz, Blitz” [Eilers 1978: 129] (Sem.: GB 118-119; WUS #589; Fronzaroli 1965: 146, #3.20; Diakonoff 1970: 469; Leslau 1945: 149 etc.) ||| Eg. b3q [GT: -3- regular < both \*-l- and \*-r-] “hell, klar sein” (PT, Wb I 424-425) ||| Agaw \*bərk- > \*məbrək- > \*mərk- “lightning” [Apl. 2006: 93] ||| ECu. \*bark-/\*birk- “lightning” [Sasse 1979: 49] ||| SCu.: Dahalo ɓiríkkina “lightning” [Ehret] = ɓírikkína [EEN 1989: 34] = ɓírikkinna [Tosco 1989 MS: 130] ||| NOm.: Mocha ｐariqqi-yé “to lighten” [Leslau 1959: 45] = ｐariķ “to lighten, flash” [Fleming] = ｐariqqi- [Dlg.],

Shinasha (Dangela) þark-a “lightning, flash of light” [Fleming] | NOm.: Dizoid: Adikas & Jeba þalg-umo “heat lightning” [Fleming] | Mao of Bambeshi pérék-e [SLLE] = bérk-e “lightning” [Fleming] = berke, per(ε)ke “lightning” [Siebert & Wedekind apud Bender 2003: 356, #55: isolated in Mao], Mao-Diddesa pyark-â “lightning, flash (not thunder)” [Fleming] || SOm. \*balak- “lightning” [GT: -l- < \*-r-]: Ari bal’ak-in “lightning” [Lamberti 1993: 43], Hamar-Banna þalak “flash of light, lightning, small flash” [Fleming], Dimé belhant “lightning” [Siebert apud Bender 2003: 349, #55: isolated in Aroid] (Om.: Fleming 1974: 88, #5; 1976: 317; 2000 MS: 14-15) || CCh.: (?) Musgu \*vbrh [GT: -h < \*-k?] “to thunder” [GT]: Musgu bára “blitzen, wetterleuchten” (Krause) [Lukas 1941: 47], Munjuk-Puss birhi (barha) “1. tonner, gronder (tonnerre), 2. gronder (qqn.)” [Tourneux 1991: 79]. A well-known AA root otherwise.<sup>23</sup>

**73.2. Sem. \***vbrs “to flash” [GT]: Akk. (jB) barāṣu “aufleuchten (z.B. wie die Sterne mittags, wie Kupfer)” [AHW 106] = “to sparkle (like lightning), shine brightly (the stars at the mid-day rest, like copper), flash brightly (a man’s house)” [CAD b 107b] = “s’éclaircir” [DRS] | Ar. barīṣ- “shining, glistening” [Leslau after Nöldeke] || Geez tabāraṣa “to scintillate, flash, redder” [Leslau] = “funkeln” [AHW 106] = “scintiller” [DRS], Tigrinya bärṣäṣä “to shine, flash” [Leslau] etc. (Sem.: Leslau 1987: 107-108; DRS 86, brs2).

- **74. DM \*barg-** “kudu” [GT]: Bidiya þárgà (f) “koudou, antilope rayée (ar. nyalat)” [AJ 1989: 62], Migama þárgú (m), þárgá (f), pl. þárgée “antilope-cheval (koudou)” [JA 1992: 73] | Mubi þírkí (f), pl. þíràayàk “gazelle cobe defassa (ar. nyalat)” [Jng. 1990b MS: 7] < ECh. \*bVrK- “antelope” [GT] || Sem. vbrh: Amharic bahor, bohar “sorte de gazelle (antilope redunca)” [DRS 49, BHR6: isolated in Sem.].

- **75. DM \*barak** “to split in two pieces” [GT]: WDangla þarak “idéophone de /éerà/ ‘déchirer en plusieurs morceaux’ et /pírgé/ ‘décoller, écorcher la peau d’un animal ou d’un fruit’” [Fédry 1971: 104], Bidiya þàrákà (f), pl. þàràk “bûche, bûchette” [AJ 1989: 62]. May be related to either of the following two distinct AA root families (detailed sub #75.1 vs. #75.2, resp.) with numerous root varieties:

**75.1.** Any connection to the root family fundamentally signifying “dividing”?

**75.1.1. AA \***vbrk, cf. Eth.-Sem.: Amharic bäräqqäqä “fracasser” [DRS 87, BRQQ1: isolated in Sem.] and its kindred.

**75.1.2. AA \***vprk, cf. Sem.: Ar. faraqqa I “1. (pour)fendre et séparer en deux” [BK II 582-583] and its kindred. Cf. EDE II 497 and EAAN I 90, #430.

**75.1.3. AA \***vprq “to (split) open” [GT]: MSA \*vfrh [GT] > Jibbali férəħ “(egg) to split open”, fótřəħ “to open one’s legs while lying down relaxing” [Johnstone 1981: 62], Mehri férōħ “(girl) to throw the legs wide apart in playing (which is punished by slap)” [Johnstone 1987: 102] || perhaps Eg. ph3 [if < metathesis of \*p3ħ = \*prħ] “spalten, öffnen” (MK, 201 (ad IS 1971 l.c.); Bomhard 1990: 17-18; Vycichl 1990: 39; Lamberti 1993: 43; HSED #226, #231; Orel 1995: 147-148; Fleming 2000 MS: 14-15].

<sup>23</sup> Cf. Greenberg 1963: 59; Dlg. 1966: 66; 1967a: 5-6, #1; 1983: 123; 1992 MS: 59, #55; IS 1971: 174; Rössler 1971: 317; Fleming 1974: 88, #5; Hodge 1976: 13, fn. 76; 1981a: 374, #36; 1981b: 406; 1988: 273; 1991: 100; Ehret 1980a: 321; 1987: 14; 1995: 86, #23; SISAJa I #110; Sasse 1981: 146; Mukarovský 1987: 240; Blazek 1989: 201 (ad IS 1971 l.c.); Bomhard 1990: 17-18; Vycichl 1990: 39; Lamberti 1993: 43; HSED #226, #231; Orel 1995: 147-148; Fleming 2000 MS: 14-15.

Wb I 542-3) ||| WCh.: Ngizim pářák “openness” [Schuh 1981: 132] || CCh.: Mofu-Gudur -vávárvkw- “ouvrir (une fenêtre après la construction d'un mur)” [Barreteau 1988: 251] | (?) Logone paraka-ze “sich zerstreuen” [Lukas 1936: 115] || ECh.: Bidiya pírkàt “avoir les yeux écarquillés” [AJ 1989: 108]. Cf. EDE II 497 and EAAN I 90, #430.

**75.1.4. NAA \***√prk “to separate” [GT] > MSA \*√frk “to get separated from” [GT] > i.a. Jibbali əftérék “to be dislocated (joint)” (Sem.: Huehnergard 1991: 693-694) ||| NBrb.: Shilh farkk “to separate” [Applegate 1958: 52] | Qabyle fferk·ekk “1. se fendiller, 2. s'ouvrir, 3. se désagréger, tomber en miettes, 4. s'écailler (peinture)” [Dallet 1982: 223] ||| EBrb.: Ghadames ferrek “séparer en deux” [Lanfry 1973: 97, #425].

**75.2.** Alternatively, shall we assume any connection to the root family fundamentally signifying “(separating) bark of tree” (described in EAAN I 91, #426)? Its root varieties are reflected by:

**75.2.1. NAA \***√prk “1. bark, husk, 2. shell” [GT]: Eg. p3q.t [< \*√prk] “1. die Scherbe eines tönernen Topfes, 2. übertragen: als Bez. der Hirnschale des Menschen, 3. von der Schildkrötenhalschale” (Med., Westcar, Wb I 500, 1-3) = “1. shell (of turtle, skull) (Med.), 2. flake of stone (Westcar), 3. potsherd (Illahun, Ebers)” (FD 88) ||| NBrb.: Gurara, Tuat, Tidikelt i-fray (n te-zzal) “coquilles (d’oeufs)” [DRB 637] ||| SBrb.: EWlmd. e-färäy, pl. a- ~ i-färäy-än “coquille” [PAM 1998: 66; 2003: 171]. Cf. EDE II 402. Of biconsonantal origin, cf. AA \*√Pr “bark, skin” (cf. EAAN I 115, #557).

**75.2.2. PBrb. \***tV-färk-it “écorce” [GT pace DRB 626-627] ||| ECh.: Sokoro furkía “Rinde” [Lukas 1937: 33] | Ubi pírikià “écorce” [Alio 2004: 274, #273]. The Brb.-Sokoro match was first proposed by the Russian AA team of I.M. Diakonoff (HCVA I 26, #65).

**75.2.3. PCh. \***√brk ~ \*√blk (?) [from \*\*√brk?] “bark” [GT]: WCh.: Hausa ɓámbáráóókì “1. bark, 2. shell of egg, of groundnut, 3. scurf of scalp-disease, scab, bits of skin from desquamation” [Abraham 1962: 71] ||| CCh.: Mbara ɓólòkò (m) “écorce” [TSL 1986: 257] | PMasa \*búlok “bark of tree” [GT]: Masa-Bongor búlkó-ŋá “pelure”, búlkó gúnā “écorce” [Jng. 1971/2 MS: 77, 79], Masa búlok [búlōkŋá] “l'écorce” [Caitucoli 1983: 54], Gizey/Wina búlkó, Masa ɓúlkó, Ham búlkó, Musey búlkó, Lew búlkó, Marba búlkó “1. écorce, 2. coquille” [Ajello et al. 2001: 22] ||| ECh.: Kera ɓelóngí “Rinde (écorce)” [Ebert 1976 II: 34] = ɓélóng dà képàn “bark” [Ebert apud JI 1994 II: 9].

**75.2.4. Ch. \***√p[k]r “bark” [GT]: WCh.: Pero pékúrò “husk” [Frj. 1985: 44] ||| CCh.: Bachama fò-fíkádá [-d- < \*-r-?] “bark” [Skinner] ||| ECh.: Kera fékré “harte Schale (z.B. bei Nüssen)” [Ebert 1976 II: 45] | Mokilko pákírtè “1. écorce, 2. ardoise (pour écrire), 3. morceau (poterie, calebasse)” [Jng. 1990a: 160].

● **76. Bdy. ɓorok** [GT: regular metathesis < \*borok] “prompt” [AJ 1989: 62] ||| HECu. \*burk-aq- “to jump (intr.)” vs. \*burk- “to spring (flow from spring)” [Hudson 1989: 86, 141, cf. Sasse 1982: 42] ||| SBrb. (Twareg): Nslm.-Wlmd. a-baräy-baräy (var. to a-faräy-faräy) “s’agiter” [DRB 637, fry6: isolated in Brb.] ||| Sem.: Eth.-Sem.: perhaps Amh. bärräqä “fondre sur” [DRS 86: compared with semantically too vague *comparanda*]<sup>24</sup> < PAA \*√brk “to move swiftly” [GT]. An irregular set of further cognates, if we assume an irregular C<sub>1</sub>-shift

<sup>24</sup> Listed by D. Cohen (in his DRS l.c.) among the reflexes of the Common Semitic word for “flash”.

of AA \*b- > Sem. \*p- and Eg. f- etc., or root varieties with a voiceless C<sub>1</sub>- (AA \*p-/f-), and with a simultaneous metathesis of the C<sub>2</sub> with C<sub>3</sub>, may well be found in the following AA roots:

**76.1. NAA \*/frk** “to move swiftly” [GT] > Sem.: Ar.  $\sqrt{\text{frq}}$  I: farqa<sup>a</sup> “1. courir à toutes jambes”, III:  $?i\text{franqa}^a$  “2. courir vite, 4. s’élouigner” [BK II 585-586] ||| OEg. (layer of the ancient *Volkssprache*) \*fq3,<sup>25</sup> only attested as a NEg. imper. j.fq3 (formed by prosthetic alif, i.e., O/NEg. j-): “out, quickly!” (CED 266 after Massart in MDAIK 15, 1957, 176, fn. 1) = “to move hastily” (DLE I 191) = “hastig bewegen, j.fq3 (imp.): \*raus, schnell” (GHWb 307) as well as Coptic (SAL/A<sub>2</sub>) ϖωσε ~ ϖωσε, (B) ϖωσι “to leap, move hastily” (CD 625b) = “sich heftig bewegen, aufspringen, hüpfen, zucken, sich beeilen” (KHW 346-347) = “sauter, courir” (DELc 282) ||| SBrb.: Nslm.-Wlmd. a-farāyfarāy (var. to a-barāybarāy) “s’agiter” [DRB 637, frγ6: isolated in Brb.]. HECu.-Eg.: EDE II 588.

**76.2. NAA \*/frk** “to move away” [GT] > Sem.: perhaps PArabian \*/frk “to leave” [GT]<sup>26</sup> > Ar.  $\sqrt{\text{frk}}$  III “abandonner, quitter qqn.” [BK II 585-586] ||| MSA: cf. esp., i.a., Jibbali əftérék “to be dislocated (joint)” [Johnstone 1981: 60] ||| SBrb.: EWlmd.-Ayr fərəkræk “1. bouger, 3. s’agiter, se mouvoir fortement (corps), 4. se mettre en route” [PAM 2003: 172; DRB 628, FRK15: isolated in Brb.]

● **77. Migama bòróòkìlá (f), pl. bòróòkìlée** “léopard” [JA 1992: 73]: marked as isolated in JI 1994 II: 223, but cf. CCh.: Nzangi mbárōga “lion” [Mouchet in JI 1994 II: 227]. Perhaps Migama b- < \*mb-? A direct cognacy with CCh.: Gidar pālgáám [Strümpell] = bálgam [Mouchet] “leopard” (Gidar: JI 1994 II: 223 l.c.) is hardly conceivable at this moment regarding the non-implosive/glottalized C<sub>1</sub>- . One wonders if one should ponder a cognacy with homophonous CCh.: Bata bółokę “hyène” [Mouchet in JI 1994 II: 205] ||| NOm.: Gofa babarıkke [Moreno], Kullo babarkia [Fleming] = babargia [Alemayehu] “hyena” (NWOMeto: Bender 2003: 319, #48) ||| NBrb.: Qabyle a-barey “renard” | Shilh baryen “renard” (NBrb.: DRB 116, bry3 and bry1, resp.). Of biradical origin in both cases?<sup>27</sup>

● **78. DM \*ber-n-V** (ext. \*-n-) “slave” [GT]: WDangla bērnè “esclave” [Fédry 1971: 106], EDangla bērrē [bērrē] (m) “l’esclave, l’enfant abandonné que l’on prende en charge” [DM 1973: 58], Korlongo berre “esclave” [Fédry], Bidiya bērno (m), bērna (f), pl. bērna “esclave”, bērnèw (bērnìwí, bērnìweŋ), pl. bērnèw (bērnèewí, bērnèeweŋ) “asservir” [AJ 1989: 62] | PMubi-Toram \*bēr- “slave” [GT]: Mubi bēér (m), pl. bērè “Sklave” [Lukas 1937: 180] = bēr (m), pl. bōorúr “éslave” [Jng. 1990b MS: 6], Masmaje bēerungo “esclave” [Alio 2004: 280, #31], Birgit bērnà (m), pl. bērnéy “esclave” [Jng. 2004: 351], Kofa bērró (m), bēré (f), pl. bērrán “slave” [Jng. 1977 MS: 15, #388] < ECh. \*bēr- “slave” [GT] ||| WCh.: Hausa bárà

<sup>25</sup> W. Westendorf (KHW l.c.) and W. Vycichl (DELc 282), however, explained it from NEg. fq3 “to tear out”, which may equally turn out to be correct. In this case, NEg. fq3 might have probably originally come from the old (OK?) *Volkssprache* slang just like Hungarian tép- “1. (lit.) to tear, 2. (slang) run”.

<sup>26</sup> Its semantically far-fetched Semitic cognacy was examined by J. Huehnergard (1991: 693-694).

<sup>27</sup> Cf. AA \*/br “hyena (?)” [GT] described in EAAN I 51, #197 as well as AA \*/br “lion” [GT] in EDE II 22. Cf. perhaps also the common biradical root shared Ar. hawbar- “guépard” [DRS 361, HBR7: isolated in Sem.], Ar. habraq- “taureau”, cf. hibriq- “gros et corpulent” [DRS 362, HBRG3-4: isolated in Sem.]?

“servant” [Abr. 1962: 77] || CCh.: Mandara bara “work, domestic service” [Skinner] || NAgaw: Qwara bārā & Hamir bárá “Knecht” [Reinisch 1885: 43] || LECu.: Somali-Jabarti bára “slave” [Reinisch 1904: 55] || Eth.-Sem.: probably no reflex.<sup>28</sup> An areal *Wanderwort*? Cf. also Mande bara “work, domestic service” [Skinner] and Gbaya “esclave” [Skinner]. For affiliating some of these lexical data with both (!) Eg. b3k<sup>29</sup> and wb3<sup>30</sup> (neither correct) see Skinner 1996: 16<sup>31</sup> contra EDE II 97 s.v. Eg. b3k, #9.

● **79. Bidiya birbiríny** “idéo. de tournoyer dans l’air” [AJ 1989: 62] | MT \*bir- ~ \*bir- “to fly” [GT]: Mubi bír (bérì, bírrà) “voler (oiseau)” [Jng. 1990b MS: 5], Masmaje bìretì “concourir” [Alio 2004: 280, #32], Birgit bérí (bérá, bérò) “voler” [Jng. 2004: 351] < ECh. \*bir- “to fly” [GT] || Sem. \*/br “to fly up” [GT]: Akk. abru “Flügel, Flosse” [AHW 7] || Ug. ?br “fliegen (?)” [WUS], OHbr. √br hifil “sich emporschwingen (v. Habicht)” [GB] (Sem.: GB 7; DRS 5; WUS #33). Eventually related PAA root varieties:

**79.1. PAA \***√br “to jump” [GT]: Sem.: MSA \*/brw [Johnstone]: Jibbali ebré “to jump high and succeed, etc.”, Mehri ḥəbrō “i.a. to jump (from x to y)” (MSA: Johnstone 1981: 28; 1987: 54) || ES \*/brr “to fly” [GT] (borrowed from Cu.?): Geez barra “to fly, run fast” [Leslau], Amh. bärrärä “to fly, run away” [Leslau] (ES-Cu.: Leslau 1987: 107) – and/or ES \*/bry: Geez baraya “to bolt and flee (mount)” [Leslau], Amh. bäräyyä “to flee” [Leslau] = “s’enfuir, épouvanté” [DRS 82] (ES: Leslau 1987: 108) || (???) Eg. b3b3 [regular < \*/brbr] “Verbum in Wortspiel mit der Körnerfrucht b3b3.t (statt des alten nb3b3)” (NK, Wb I 418, 13) = “to tremble, flutter (younger var. of PT nb3b3)” (Ward 1978: 28) = “sauter, tressauter (autre forme du nb3b3)” (AL 78.1228) = “\*zittern, sich hin und her bewegen, aufspringen” (GHWb 240) || Bed. bir ~ bīr “to fly” [Reinisch 1895: 50] || NAgaw: Hamir bir- “fliegen” [Reinisch 1884: 349] | SAgaw: Awngi beräru “to fly” [Leslau] = berer-əŋ (with inf. suffix) “to fly” [Hetzron > HSED] = bir- (sic) “to fly” [HCVA] || LECu.: Saho -ibrir- “to fly” [Sasse] | Oromo barar- “to fly” [Sasse, Lamberti] | HECu. \*barar- “to fly” [Hudson 1989: 406] =

<sup>28</sup> Note that Gurage barya, Amh. barya “slave” comes from the name of the ethnic group Barya, a people in NWEthiopia speaking East Sudanic (cf. Apl. 1977: 53/95; Leslau 1979 III: 157).

<sup>29</sup> The origin of Eg. b3k “Diener” (OK, Wb I 429-430) = “servant” (FD 79) = “1. Diener, Untergebener, 2. Untertan, 3. Sklave” (GHWb 243) is disputed (for a thorough discussion of the alternatives see EDE II 95-97). Most likely appears, however, its affiliation with the widespread Chadic areal word attested, e.g., in WCh.: PSBauchi \*biyak “slave” [Stolbova] || CCh.: PMatakam (Mafa-Mada) \*beke “slave” [GT] || PMusgu \*beke “slave” [GT] || PMasa \*b̥yek “slave” [GT] as suggested in OS 1989: 132; 1992: 185; HSED #273; Orel 1995: 152, #2; Takács 1999b: 107, #30; 1999c: 348.

<sup>30</sup> The ultimate deverbal etymology of Eg. wb3 “Diener, Aufwärter (N.R. auch als priesterlicher Titel)” (MK, Wb I 292, 1-2) = “\*a household servant connected with the preparation and serving of food” (Gardiner apud Ward) = “butler” (FD) < wb3 “(einen Trank) ausschenken” (NE Mag., Wb I 291, 17) seems even more obscure. The only other author to deal with the external derivation of this title to my mind, W.A. Ward (1978: 57 and 91) was disposed to render this function from the primary sense “\*one who carries food and drink” and to derive it from an alleged common Semito-Egyptian \*/wbl “to bring, carry”.

<sup>31</sup> N. Skinner’s (1996: 16) equation of WCh.: Hausa bárà “servant” [Abr. 1962: 77] and Mande bara “work, domestic service” etc. (as listed above) with Eg. b3k “Diener” (OK, Wb I 429-430) and even Hausa bara “begging” (?) < Kanuri bara “to seek, hunt” etc. is untenable in this form. This theory offers no explanation for the function Eg. -k in Egyptian, which seems to be part of the root. Let alone for the meaning “to seek, hunt”, which certainly represents an entirely distinct root family, cf. EDE II 263-264 s.v. Dem. brbr.

\*burr-/\*birr- [GT] (ECu.: Sasse 1982: 44; Cu.: LS 1997: 253-354) ||| WCh.: Hausa bíráárì “1. jumping, 2. surging forward to get at sg.”, cf. bùrbùrnífyáá “gambolling with joy” [Abr. 1962: 102, 121] || CCh.: Daba mbir “1. voler, 2. s’envoler, sauter” [Mouchet 1966: 136] = mbir “to jump” [Lienhard-Gieger], Kola ...mbír... “to jump” [Schubert] | Musgoy mbir “(s’en)voler” [Mouchet] | Musgu bárá “to jump” bárá “(s’en)voler” [Mouchet 1950: 30], Vulum bírì “voler (oiseau)” [Tourneux 1978a: 288, cf. Tourneux 1978b: 93] || ECh.: Kwang-Mobu béré “sauter” [Jng. apud Lenssen 1984: 63], Kwang-Ngam bré “voler (pour un oiseau)” [Jng. apud Lenssen 1984: 63] | DM \*ber- “to spring” [GT] > EDangla béré “sauter en dansant” [Dbr.-Mnt. 1973: 42] = béré “(beim Tanzen) springen” [Ebobisse 1979: 127; 1987: 94], Bidiya ber (berí, bereŋ) “1. apparaître (lune), 2. sauter”, pl. berèw (berèewí, berèewej) “sautiller, danser”, beréwò (f) “danse” [AJ 1989: 58] | Mubi bír “voler (oiseau)” [Jng. 1990b MS: 5], Birgit bérí “voler” [Jng. 1973 MS] (Ch.: JI 1994 II: 211). For the AA comparison see also Mukarovský 1966: 19, #64; 1987: 226; SISAJa I, #112; HCVA II #119; HSED #219 & #291; Takács 1999a: 44; EDE II 65.

**79.2. AA \***√**pr** (var. \*√**phr**) “to run, flee” [GT]: Eg. phrr [infix -h-?] “laufen” (OK, Wb I 541, 2-13) = “to run” (XVIII., FD 92) = “to be swift, travel swiftly, run” (DLE I 180) ||| Bed. för “fliehen” [Reinisch 1895: 81] = for “to flee” [Roper 1928: 181] ||| CCh.: Masa pīrrà [-ii- < \*-iH-?] “fuir (en courant)” [Caïtucoli 1978: 73] ||| ECh.: Mokilko pírpírá (f) “bon coureur” [Jng. 1990a: 162]. Cf. EDE II 492; EAAN I 89, #420.

● **80. WDangla bárùr** “en louchant” [Fédry 1971: 105] may be akin to Sem. \*√<sup>c</sup>br “to cross” [GT]: i.a. Hbr. √<sup>c</sup>br qal “1. to pull along, go on one’s way, move through, 2. pass over s’one, 3. pass by (‘al), 4. pass over, pass by, 5. go over, pass over, 6. changes of position: to go on, go out over, go through, move through, pass on to, 7. overstep, contravene”, piel “1. (arch. tech. term) to draw (chains) across (a room), 2. (of a hull) allow the semen to spread over, mount”, hifil “1. to allow to pass over (wind), 2. allow to stride over, bring over, 3. (acc. and ‘al) allow to pass (by), lead by, lead through, allow to go under, allow to overtake, 4. (with bə-) allow to pass through, (with acc. of person) shout beyond s’one, 5. allow to pass, overlook (guilt), allow an opportunity to pass, 6. allow property to pass to others (with acc.), 7. present offerings of children, 8. (with min-) take away from, remove sin, put away, bring down, turn away, keep away from, remove (clothes)” [KB 779-780] | Ar. ‘abara I “1. passer, traverser, franchir (un fleuve, un gué), passer à travers qqch., traverser, p.ex., un pont” [BK II 152] || MSA: Jibbali √<sup>c</sup>br > ‘ɔ:r “to cross, be/go far away” [Johnstone 1981: 6], Mehri √<sup>c</sup>br > ‘ābōr “to cross” [Johnstone 1987: 10], Soqotri √<sup>c</sup>br > ‘áber “1. passer, 2. transgresser, violer un serment” [Leslau 1938: 295].

**80.1.** Less likely is an eventual cognacy with a fully hypothetic, so far uncharted AA \*\*√<sup>h</sup>br (???) of dubious existence, whose variety with C<sub>3</sub> \*-l might, at least in theory, be ES: Tigre √<sup>h</sup>lblbl > habälbälä “rouler des yeux” [DRS 360, HBLBL1: isolated in Sem.].

● **81. WDangla bərɔy** “und” [Fédry 1971: 107]: origin puzzling at this point. But highly noteworthy is CCh.: PMasa \*bay “and” [GT]: Lame bái – bái (connectif) “et, puis, mais (porte la marque aspectuelle du verbe qui suit, ton haut pour l’inacc., ton bas pour l’acc.)”

[Sachnine 1982: 261], Zime-Dari bāy “et, mais, puis” [Cooper 1984: 3], albeit the *lautgeschichtliche* background of such a connection has not yet been cleared.

### Dangla-Migama \*b- + \*-l-

● 82. **Bidiya bállà (f), pl. bálál** “flèche”, cf. also báalò ~ bálò (m), pl. baałè ~ bále “arc” [AJ 1989: 61] | MT \*bale “arrow” [GT]: Kofa bálé (f), pl. bálàn “arrow” [Jng. 1977 MS: 7, #138], Toram bele “flèche” [Alio 2004: 253, #74] | Sarwa bálaw, Gadang bálū “lance (de guerre)” (Somray gr.: JI 1993 MS: 8, #144). The history of ECh. \*bal- “1. arrow, 2. lance” [GT] underlying these forms has not yet been comprehensively mapped in all its details: this is what an attempt is made for below. Note that, in principle, Ch. \*b is regular < a combination of \*c/\*h/\*?/\*h + \*b as radicals or, alternatively, may also derive from a prenasalized \*mb-.

**82.1.** The Chadic word exists with a C<sub>2</sub> \*-r also, which may either be due to a reason lying in the historical phonology (not yet cleared) or cf. CCh.: Munjuk-Puss b̄re (m) “pointe de flèche” [Trn. 1991: 79] | Masa \*b̄araw ~ \*b̄ur “arrow-bow” [GT]: Masa-Bongor b̄aràu-ná “arc + carquois + flèche” [Jng. 1971/2 MS: 81], Gizey/Wina gú b̄ur, Masa b̄aràw, Ham b̄oròò, Musey gúmbùrà “arc” [Ajello et al. 2001: 6], cf. Gizey/Wina zìy b̄ur, Masa zì b̄aràw, Ham zì b̄oròò “carquois” (lit. “house of arrow”, cf. PMasa \*ziy “house”) [Ajello et al. 2001: 11], Gizey/Wina b̄ur “flèche” [Ajello et al. 2001: 26].

**82.2.** A deverbal origin of the above term for “arrow” is possible, cf. WCh.: Hausa bállà “to throw” [Stolbova 1996: 27] | Ron \*bol “schießen” [GT]: Fyer bol, Bokkos bol, Daffo-Butura bol (Ron: Jng. 1968: 12, #143; 1970: 392) || CCh.: Daba b̄al “to throw (an arrow)” [Barreteau 1995: 225].

**82.3.** O. V. Stolbova (1996: 27) preferred equating this Chadic verbal root (presented right above sub #80.2.) with some reflexes of WCh. \*v̄mb̄l “to throw (a weapon like arrow)” [GT], cf. WCh.: Kulere b̄il “werfen (Stock usw.), bewerfen” [Jng. 1970: 351] = “to throw” [Newman 1977: 186] | Bole ?umbul “wegschleudern” [Lukas 1971: 133] || CCh.: Zelgwa mbál “to throw an arrow” [Brt. 1995: 202]. V. Orel and O. Stolbova (1990: 80, #51) rightly compared Bole ?umbul with Ar. nabala “jeter, lancer des traits, des dards”, nabl-at- “une flèche” [BK II 1187-8].

**82.4.** Elsewhere, V. Orel & O. Stolbova (HSED #1768) combined Bole ?umbul less convincingly with Ar. mi<sup>v</sup>bal-at- and Eg. m<sup>v</sup>b3 (a well-known isogloss, see below)<sup>32</sup> < AA \*mi<sup>v</sup>Vbal- “arrow, spear”, which is untenable in this direct way, since Ch. \*mb- cannot be immediately equated with Eg.-Sem. \*v̄b, cf. Eg. m<sup>v</sup>b3 “Art Speer” (PT, Wb II 47, 1-3, cf. RdE 15, 1963: 60, n. 1) = “harpoon” (FD 105) = “lance, spear, also harpoon” (Caminos 1972: 219, cf. WD I 85) = “Harpune, (Fisch)Speer” (GHWb 327; ÄWb I 516) || CSem.: Ar. mi<sup>v</sup>bal-at- “a broad and long arrow-head or an iron (iron-head) made broad, an arrow

<sup>32</sup> Literature for this Eg.-Sem. match: Ember 1926: 5, #1; 1930 = ESS, §3.c.3, §5.a.19; Vycichl 1934: 55; 1958: 372; 1983 = DELC, 108; Calice 1936 = GÄSW, #623; Cohen 1947: #57; HSED #1768.

having a broad head” [Lane 1942] = “1. fer de flèche long et large, 2. flèche au fer long et large” [BK II 159] = mi<sup>c</sup>bal-at- “a kind of arrow” [Ember after Nöldeke 1910: 55] = mi<sup>c</sup>bal-at- “arrow with a thick head” [Albright 1919: 179, #11] = mi<sup>c</sup>bal-at- “large arrow point” vs. mi<sup>c</sup>bal- “cutting tool” [Fronzaroli 1977: 164] = mi<sup>c</sup>bal-at- “arrow” [Vycichl in DELC 108] = “arrowhead” [Leslau] || ES: Geez ma<sup>c</sup>bal “sharp instrument, arrow” [Ember] = mab<sup>c</sup>al ~ mā(°)bal “instrument, utensil, weapon” [Albright 1919: 179, #11] = ma<sup>c</sup>bal ~ mab<sup>c</sup>al “trait, javelot” [Cohen] = mā<sup>c</sup>bal “telum, jaculum” [Vycichl] = ma<sup>c</sup>bäl “arrow” [Fronzaroli 1977: 164] = mā<sup>c</sup>əbal ~ mā<sup>c</sup>əbalt “1. tool, instrument, fittings, 2. arrow, weapon, spear” [Leslau 1987: 54]. The Egypto-Semitic stem \*mV-<sup>c</sup>bVI- was apparently a *nomen instrumenti* formation (cf. Grapow 1914: 23), but the basic meaning of the underlying Eg.-Sem. \*<sup>c</sup>bl is obscure in both branches (no trace in Egyptian and highly disputed speculative hypotheses in Semitic),<sup>33</sup> or, at least, such an expectable verbal root does not appear in the logically expectable form, such as a nowhere attested NAA \*\*<sup>c</sup>bl “to shoot” (or sim.) [GT], which is itself a revealing circumstance suggesting that pre-Eg.-Sem. \*mV-<sup>c</sup>bVI- had already been in use as a ready-made (pre-Neolithic, early PAA?) technical term by the time of a secondary Egypto-Semitic cohabitation the Nile valley Neolithic period (5<sup>th</sup>-4<sup>th</sup> mill. BC) when the original verbal root in both branches was no longer in use or, at least, was not the most frequented synonymous variety in both branches. Highly suspicious in this context is the trace of a possible PAA \*<sup>c</sup>bl, instead of NAA (where both Semitic and Egyptian belong) in SAA, namely CCh.: Munjuk-Puss bili (bəla) “1. percer, 2. enfonce (une pointe)” [Tourneux 1991: 79].

**82.5.** Moreover, the weapon name can be pointed out, again from Chadic, in its simplest biradical root form (i.e., void of either C<sub>1</sub>- \*<sup>c</sup>- or prenasalization) also, cf. WCh.: Tangale bal “spear with a long blade” [Jng. 1991: 70] || CCh.: Masa \*bir </~/> \*bil “couteau de jet” [GT]: Masa bīl [bīlla] “1. le couteau de jet, 2. le courant du fleuve (métaph.)” [Caitucoli

<sup>33</sup> Most suggestive is Ar. <sup>c</sup>abala “to cut (off) to extirpate it” or <sup>c</sup>abula “to be(come) large, big, bulky, thick” [Lane 1941]. Already Th. Nöldeke (1910: 55) separated Geez mā<sup>c</sup>əbal “arrow” from Geez mab<sup>c</sup>al “instrument”. Following him, A. Ember (1926: 5, #1) treated Ar. mi<sup>c</sup>bal-at- “a kind of arrow” as a borrowing from Geez mā<sup>c</sup>əbal “arrow”. W. F. Albright (1919: 179, #11), followed later by W. Leslau (1987: 84), combined the Geez and Ar. noun with Akk. (nA, jB) bēlu “etwa: Waffe” [AHW 120], which is uncertain. Following Dillmann, Albright derived Ar. mi<sup>c</sup>bal-at- “arrow with a thick head” from <sup>c</sup>abila “to be thick”. P. Fronzaroli (1977: 160-4), in turn, saw the source of Geez ma<sup>c</sup>bäl “arrow” and Ar. mi<sup>c</sup>bal- “cutting tool”, mi<sup>c</sup>bal-at- “large arrow point” in Sem. \*<sup>c</sup>bl > Ar. <sup>c</sup>abala “to cut”, <sup>c</sup>ablā- “white rock, narrow strip in the blackness of the earth, the stones of which are white”, <sup>c</sup>abäl- “white stone or mountain of which the stones are white” [Fronzaroli], Dathina <sup>c</sup>ibäl (pl.) “heaps of corn” [Fronzaroli] || MSA: Soqotri pl. <sup>c</sup>ébhaléten “sharp stones”, cf. mā<sup>c</sup>bher “rock” [Leslau 1938: 293, 296], Mehri <sup>c</sup>aybēl [Fronzaroli] = <sup>c</sup>aybäl “flint(stone)” [Johnstone 1987: 10] | Geez <sup>c</sup>ubäl “hill” [Leslau 1987: 54]. Fronzaroli set up two PSemitic etymons, namely \*<sup>c</sup>abl-at- “a white stone” vs. \*<sup>c</sup>ibal- “white stones” (supposed source of the name of Ebla), both carrying the basic meaning “a rock of clear, shining appearance similar to flint but coarse-grained, prob. a variety of granite”. In Fronzaroli’s view, the occasional use of this rock as flintstone explains the Mehri and Soqotri data, while the Ar. reflexes suggest the stone \*<sup>c</sup>abl- was used for making baldes and points. Ar. <sup>c</sup>abala I “10. garnir une flèche d’un fer long et large” [BK II 158]. The authors of SISAJa I #96 = Diakonoff team (1981) considered Geez ma<sup>c</sup>bal to be the metathesis of Geez mab<sup>c</sup>al (lit. “working tool”) explained from Sem. \*<sup>c</sup>p<sup>c</sup>I ~ \*<sup>c</sup>b<sup>c</sup>I “make, do”. W. Leslau (1987: 54, 84) assumed in Geez the following scenarios: (1) Geez mā<sup>c</sup>əbal(t) derives directly from Geez <sup>c</sup>bl II <sup>c</sup>abbala “to make, do” (which Leslau linked to Sem. \*<sup>c</sup>ml “to work”). (2) Geez mā<sup>c</sup>əbal(t) is met. of Geez mab<sup>c</sup>al ~ mab<sup>c</sup>əl “iron tool, axe”, cognate with Ug. <sup>c</sup>b<sup>c</sup>I “to make, manufacture, work” [DUL 203] || E/OSA <sup>c</sup>b<sup>c</sup>I “to work, excavate bedrock (travailler, creuser le soubassement rocheux)” [SD 26].

1983: 50], Masa-Bongor bíf-là “couteau de jet” [Jng. 1971/2 MS: 81], Lame bérà “couteau de jet” [Sachnine 1982: 283], Zime-Dari pòrà “couteau de jet” [Cooper 1984: 21]. Accordingly, the underlying verbal root has become known, with no surprise, equally from Chadic, cf. WCh.: Kupto bùuléy “werfen, schleudern” [Leger 1992: 18], Geruma bèel-áálà “to throw” [Schuh 1978: 118] || CCh.: Glavda bal “to throw, cast” [Rapp & Benzing 1968: 13] | Mada bál “to shoot” [Rossing 1978: 324, #635] | Puss bili “lancer, jeter (une seule chose)” [Tourneux 1991: 79], perhaps Mbara vlà [vl- < \*bl-?] “jeter”, vùl “lancer, jeter” [TSL 1986: 280]. Note that these Chadic cognates are to be distinguished from Ch. \*bal- “(to shoot an) arrow” [Stolbova] (discussed above), which Stolbova (CLD I 35) erroneously equated with Ar. nabala.

● 83. EDangla bàlē “couper (pour faire une lanière)” [DM 1973: 57] || Sem.: Ar. ‘abala I “5. couper, retrancher” [BK II 158]. May be eventually akin to the root family specified in the above entry. The underlying biradical PAA root appears in PAA \*vbl “to divide, break” [GT]: (?) Eg. b3b3 [if < \*vblbl] “to distribute, pour out” (NEg. BD 64, Ward 1978: 64, #182, 94-95) = distribuer, répartir” (AL 78.1230) = “\*verteilen” (GHWb 241) || NAgaw: Bilin bäl-inj “teilen” [Reinisch l.c. infra] | SAgaw: Awngi bell-et- “to chop up” [Ehret after Hetzron 1969: 96] || LECu.: (?) Saho & Afar bal [-l correct?] <sup>34</sup> “teilen” [Reinisch 1886: 828] | HECu.: Sidamo böl- “to separate grain (maize)” [Hudson 1989: 354: isolated in HECu.] || SCu.: (?) Qwadza bel-at- [-l- < \*-r- poss.] “to be broken” [Ehret 1980b] | Dahalo balal-e [b- < \*b-] “circumcisior” [EEN 1989: 33] (Cu.: Ehret 1987: 15, #7) || WCh.: Tangale beli “1. to break (stalk, stick), 2. pinch” [Jng. 1991: 71] = bel “to be broken (ломаться)” [Stolbova] || CCh.: (?) Bura bili [-l- < \*-r- also poss.] “to break (wood etc.)” [BED 1953: 21] | Daba böl- “frapper de la hache” [Mouchet 1966: 111] | Uldeme vál-áy “partager, distribuer” [Sachnine 1986: 135] | Puss bili “2. couper (à la hache)” [Tourneux 1991: 77], Vulum bíl “couper (à la hache par ex.), abattre” [Tourneux 1978: 288] || ECh.: Migama bòolâ “hâche” [JA 1992: 71]. Cf. EDE II 67; EAAN I 63, #268.

● 84. PDangla \*bal- “to moisten” [GT]: WDangla bâllè “faire une aspersion rituelle”, cf. also bâlbilè “mettre un liquide par dessus un solide, vg. huile sur riz ou boisson sur l'estomac après avoir mangé” [Fédry 1971: 105], EDangla bâllièy “répandre une libation de réconciliation (pour réconcilier deux femmes brouillées en répandant de la farine mouillée ... )” [DM 1973: 57], Bidiya bâlbâalo (m) “mets fait de petit mil mouillé puis chauffé légèrement” [AJ 1989: 61] || Sem. \*vbl [DRS]: Akk. abl-ūt-u “profusion de plantes” [DRS, but otherwise in AHW 6b and CAD a 54] || Can. \*?abil > PHbr. \*?ōbēl > OT Hbr. ?ābēl II “water-course, brook” vs. ?ubāl “watercourse, canal” [KB 7] = ?ābel “prairie (?), ruisseau (? )” [DRS] | Ar. ?abal- “frais, vert, récent et humide (herbe et fourrage)”, ?abila “manger du fourrage vert qui en même temps tient lieu d'eau (se dit des chameaux)” [BK I 5] = ?abila “to be content or satisfied with green pastures so as to be in no need of water”, ?ubul- “the hilf-at-

<sup>34</sup> L. Reinisch (1886: 828-829) distinguished this from Afar bal “abtrennen, spalten, teilen” [Reinisch] = bäl “dividere, separare, spartire” [Colizza 1887: 111] = bax-(i)se [bad-(i)se] “to divide, separate, share” [PH 1985: 65]. Two distinct roots?

of (dry) herbage growing after a year, upon which camels, or the like, fatten” [Lane 7-8] = ?abila “recevoir la pluie (to catch the rain), être riche”, ?ibil- “nuages chargés de pluie (?) (rain-filled clouds?)” [DAFA 15-16, so also DRS] (Sem.: DRS 3). The ECh.-Sem. isogloss (with a C<sub>1</sub>- as \*?-, whose compensatory loss has resulted in \*b- in Chadic) is part of a large biradical root family:

**84.1. NAA \***√bl “1. to moisten” [GT]: Sem.: Akk. (bab., nA, aAk?) balālu “besprengen, vermischen, legieren” [AHW] || Hbr. √bll qal “1. einröhren mit Öl, 2. verwirren (die Sprache)” [GB] = “1. to moisten (with oil), 2. mix up, confound (languages)” [KB 134] | Aram. √bll “vermischen, befeuchten” [AHW] | OSA (Sabaic) √bll “bewässern” [GB] = √bll “irriguer” [DRS] = √bll > bllm (adj.) “wet, moist” [Biella 1982: 44], Ar. √bll I: balla “mouiller, tremper, humecter, imbiber qqch., apporter l’humidité (la bruine)” [BK I 155; DAFA = Blachère 1967 I: 823-824]<sup>35</sup> | MSA: Jibbali eblél “to give (animals) their fill of water” [Johnstone 1981: 25], Mehri ablél “to milk partially” [Johnstone 1987: 48] || ES: Geez balla “to moisten, wet, immerse in a liquid”, bəlul “humid, wet, moistened, dampened” [Leslau] (Sem.: GB 101; AHW 97; DRS 67; Zaborski 1971: 56, #15; Fronzaroli 1971: 635, #7.50; Leslau 1987: 96) || Eg. b3j “feucht sein (vom Schweiß)” (Med., Wb I 417, 11-12; GHWb 239) = “damp” (FD 77) = “to be damp, moist, clammy” (Ward 1975: 63, #1; 1978: 139-140) || SBr.: Hgr. belulu “être très liquide (un mélange d’un liquide et d’une substance en poudre ou en petits fragments)” [Foucauld 1951-2: 65], EWlmd.-Ayr bələwləw “être très liquide (mélange d’un liquide et d’une substance en poudre)” [PAM 1998: 10]. This AA root is present with a nasal root ext. in ECh. \*ba<sub>2</sub>lāny- “wet” [GT]: Migama bálàanyí (m) “humidité” [JA 1992: 68] | Mubi bélèny (m) “déchets de chèvres (semi-liquides)” [Jng. 1990b MS: 5]. The Sem.-Eg. equation has been well known.<sup>36</sup> Cf. also EDE II 45; EAAN I 64 #272.

**84.2. CAA \***√bl ~ \*√pl “2. to wash” [GT]: Eg. b3j “Art Gerät zum Besprengen der Füße” (CT, NK, Wb I 417, 13) = “foot-ewer” (BM stela 101, FD 77) = “Fußwaschkrug, Wasserkrug (für die Fußwaschung)” (GHWb 239-240) || SCu.: Qwadza bal- “to wash, clean” [Ehret 1980: 134, §I.A.10]<sup>37</sup> || WCh. \*Pal- “to wash” [GT]: AS \*pal(aŋ) > \*pəlaŋ “to rinse” [GT: AS \*p- < Ch. \*b- reg.]: Angas palang ~ palng “to rinse” [Gochal 1994: 41], Sura pəlaŋ “auswaschen” [Jng. 1963: 79], Goemay palang “to rinse” [Sirlinger 1937: 172], Kofyar pal “to wash brewing grain” [Netting 1967: 31] (AS: Takács 2004: 279) | Tangale pálə [p- < \*b- poss.] “bath” [Kidda 1985: 209, #314], cf. Bole búlè “ewer” [Bross-Ibriszimow 1993: 95] || CCh.: Mada bal “se laver” [Mouchet] = bal [Hoffmann] = bálá “to wash” [Rossing] = ábálá “se laver, baigner, laver” [Barreteau & Brunet 2000: 68], Muktele páláy “to wash” [Rossing], Moloko bal “to wash” [Bow 1997: 23] || ECh. \*√pl “to wash” [GT]: Kwang pélē (body) [Jng.], Modgel péle [Hoffmann] | Kabalay pəl (things) [Caprile] = polo-kozu (compound) [Hoffmann], Lele píl “(se) laver” [WP 1982: 76] = píl [Gowers], Nancere pele [Hoffmann],

<sup>35</sup> Following the tradition of Sem. lexicography, also D. Cohen et al. (DRS 1.c.) classified this root together with the reflexes of Sem. \*√bll “to mix”. Shall we distinguish two ultimately distinct, secondarily contaminated roots?

<sup>36</sup> Cf. GÄSW #175 (after p.c. by W. Vycichl); Vergote 1945: 130, §1.d.9; Dolgopol’skij 1966: 54; IS 1966: 15, 18; 1971: #20 (including Twareg too); Ward 1975: 63, #1, fn. 29; 1978: 89-91; Hodge 1978: 2, #10; 1981: 404, 411; 1988: 273 (with a PCh. root); Rössler 1981: 385. Cf. also MM 1983: 181 (Sem.-Hgr.); HSED #334 (Hgr.-Orm.).

<sup>37</sup> Ehret 1980a: 134, §I.A.10: < SCu. \*baš- “to be stripped bare or clean”.

Gabri pelē [Hoffmann], Dormo pelenga [Hoffmann] | Tumak pəl (things) [Caprile] (Ch.: Hoffmann 1971: 11; JI 1994 II: 339). For Eg.-Bole cf. EDE II 44. Ultimately related to AA \* $\sqrt{bl}$  “1. to moisten” (above)? See also EAAN I 64, #272 and #273.

● 85. **Migama béló (béèlé, béláa)** “briller” [JA 1992: 73] || WCh.: PAngas \*bel “clear (of weather)” [Takács 2004: 31]: Angas bél ~ bäl “clear, daylight” [Foulkes 1915: 148] = bél “1. to (be) clear (of weather)”, bél “condition of being (of weather) clear” [Gochal 1994: 48] || Eg.  $\mathbf{b}3$  (reg. < \* $\sqrt{^e bl}$ ) “1. (XVIII.) funkeln, leuchten, 2. (GR) etwas erleuchten” (Wb I 177, 12-13),<sup>38</sup>  $\mathbf{b}3$  “Licht” (GR, Wb I 177, 14) || Sem.: Ar.  $\mathbf{^e abila}$  I “2. devenir blanc, blanchir”, IV “1. id.” [BK II 158] < PAA \* $\sqrt{^e bl}$  “to light, shine” [GT]. Of biconsonantal origin (sine C<sub>1</sub>- root ext. \* $e$ -?), cf. below.

**85.1.** A remotely related root variety appears in **PAA** \* $\sqrt{PI}$  (\*p- or \*f-) “to shine” [GT]: Sem.: Ar. full- “étincelle, éclat d’un tison embrasé” [BK II 626] || NBrb.: Tamazight  $\sqrt{fly} >$  se-flily, sse-flily “briller (subitement), étinceler”, a-se-flily “lumière qui brille, signal lumineux” [Taïfi 1991: 115] | Qabyle ta-fuli “1. insolation, 2. attaque”, cf. flali, fili “1. surgir, paraître, 2. briller subitement” [Dallet 1982: 203, 208; DRB 564: isolated in Brb.!] || SBrb.: Ahaggar  $\sqrt{flw} >$  felww-et “scintiller”, felufelu “miroiter (réfléchir la lumière en produisant des reflets tremblants; se dit, p. ex., d’un miroir, de l’eau, du mirage, de métal poli, d’une étoffe satinée, d’un objet verni, d’une surface luisante d’étoffe, de peau, des cheveux ou de la peau d’une p. quand ils sont luisants, du poil des cheveux quand il est luisant)” [Foucauld 1951-2: 326] || LECu.: Afar  $\sqrt{flk}$  [root ext. -k] > falālak-o “flash (éclair)”, falālak-ite “to flash e.g. lightning (éclairer, lancer des éclaires)” [Parker & Hayward 1985: 99-100] || WCh.: Hausa fàl “shining brightly”, fàlfàlníyáá (Sokoto) “1. brightness (of lamp), 2. sheen, gloss”, fàlàù “shining brightly” [Abr. 1962: 246]. See EAAN I 117, #568.

**85.2. PAA** \* $\sqrt{b^e r}$  “to shine” (or similar) [GT]: Sem.: Ug.  $b^e r$  D “1. encender, 2. quemar, 3. chamuscar, Š “iluminar” [DLU I 103] < Sem. \* $\sqrt{b^e r}$  [infix \*- $e$ -?] “1. to light fire, 2. heat” [GT] (see #68 above) || CCh.: Gude  $\mathbf{b}erə$  “to shine, be bright” [Hoskison 1983: 165]. Ultimately related to PAA \* $\sqrt{b^e r}$  “to heat” [GT].

● 86. **WDangla bàlbilè** “mettre un liquide par dessus un solide, vg. huile sur riz ou boisson sur l’estomac après avoir mangé” [Fédry 1971: 105] || Eg. b3b3 [regular < either \* $\sqrt{lbl}$  or \* $\sqrt{brbr}$ ] “to distribute, pour out” (NEg. BD 64, Ward 1978: 64, #182, 94-95) = distribuer, répartir” (AL 78.1230) = “\*verteilen” (GHWb 241) < AA \* $\sqrt{lbl}$  “pour out” [GT]. The Dangla parallel reflects an additional initial laryngeal extension not present in Egyptian.

**86.1.** A further root variety with the same Ch. \*b- (originating in the resolution of a cluster of a lost \*H and a plain \*b reflected by Egyptian), but with an AA \*-r, is preserved by WCh.: AS \* $b^w\bar{e}_2r$ , var. \* $\mathbf{b}\bar{e}_2r$  (?) → PAngas \* $b^w\bar{ir}$  “1. to pour away, out, 2. melt away, dis-

<sup>38</sup> The expression n  $\mathbf{b}3$  (Pap. Edwin Smith 16:1 and 16:14) was rendered as one word (n $\mathbf{b}3$ , elsewhere unattested) by both authors commenting this medical papyrus, viz., as “pallor, clamminess, resp.” (Breasted 1930: 408 and 414, resp.) and as “Blechheit” (Ebbell 1939: 68), but as pointed out by W. Westendorf (WMT I 137), we have to do here with the unusual alphabetic writing of the negation n +  $\mathbf{b}3$  “leuchten, funkeln”.

solve (?)” [GT]:<sup>39</sup> Angas bat-bwir “to capsize”, bat-bir (so, without -w-) “to upset” [Ormsby 1914: 208, 315] = bwir “1. to pour out, spill (as water, or grain from a sack), 2. upset” [Foulkes 1915: 154] = bwir “ausschöpfen, augießen (Hausa zúbár), (Wasser auf Pflanzen) gießen” [Jng. 1962 MS] = [bʷɪf] “to throw out, spill” [Burquest 1971: 14, 41] = bwir “to pour, spill” [ALC 1978: 8] = (plain) bwīr ~ (hill) bīr “to pour” [Gochal 1994: 34, 61], Sura þeer “1. verschütten (Flüssigkeiten), 2. verloren gehen” [Jng. 1963: 60], Mupun þēer “1. to pour away, 2. smother, 3. plaster (a house), paint” [Frj. 1991: 7], perhaps Goemay þēr [þer] “to fall into pieces through being overcooked, overripe” (from \*\*“2. to melt away, dissolve”?) [Sirlinger 1937: 13] = (?) beer “to spread” [Hellwig 2000 MS: 1] (AS: Stolbova 1987: 155, #95; Takacs 2004: 42).

• 87. DM \*þEld- “to teach” [GT]: WDangla þıldé “apprendre, enseigner” [Fédry 1971: 106], EDangla þıldē (m) “apprendre, enseigner” [DM 1973: 58], Migama þèldò (þèldé, þèlèddá) “apprendre” [JA 1992: 73]: in principle, most tempting would be to assume *eo ipso* as metathesis of glottalization like \*vþld < \*vþld where ECh. \*þ may reflect either AA \*t or a glottal sibilant affricate. Still, even after manifold scanning the relevant lexical materials in the cognate branches, my attempts at finding semantically identifiable cognates,<sup>40</sup> the available comparative data make it evident that the C<sub>3</sub> must have been a root extension and that the \*þ- issued from a cluster of primary \*b- with a lost laryngeal, cf. CAA \*v<sup>c</sup>br ~ \*v<sup>c</sup>bl [GT] > Sem.: Ar. v<sup>c</sup>br (prefix c-?) I “7. expliquer, interpréter, p.ex., les songes à qqn., 8. examiner en détail (les marchandises ou les pièces de monnaie, pour s’assurer de leur qualité ou de leur poids), 9. signifier, vouloir dire telle chose, offrir tel ou tel sens”, II “5. expliquer, interpréter (un songe, etc.), 6. énoncer qqch., 7. expliquer qqn., expliquer ce qu’il voulait dire”, VIII “1. considérer avec attention, observer, 2. étonné à la vue de qqch., 3. regarder qqch. comme un exemple dans lequel on doit puiser un enseignement; s’instruire par des exemples, par ce qui arrive à d’autres, 4. examiner avec attention et calculer, supputer, 5. considérer, respecter qqn., 6. avoir égard à qqch., faire attention”, X “4. s’instruire par des exemples, par ce qui arrive aux autres”, ibr-at- “1. considération, estime, case que l’on fait d’une personne ou d’une chose, 2. exemple qui sert d’avertissement aux autres; événement extraordinaire d’où l’on peut tirer quelque enseignement”, but cf. I “1. passer, traverser, franchir (un fleuve, un gué), passer à travers qqch., traverser, p.ex., un pont” [BK II 152-154] = II “erklären” [GB] ||| Eg. ³b3 [regular < either \*v<sup>c</sup>bl or \*v<sup>c</sup>br] “eine Eigenschaft: geschickt? ausgestattet?”, in: ³b3-r3 “mit klugem Rat” (Wb I 177, 5-6) = ³b3-r “beredt, mit klugem Rat, \*kompetent” (1st IMP, ÄWb I 265, II 494-495), cf. ³b3 “(das Schiff) kommandieren, leiten”

<sup>39</sup> AS \*þwēr “to pour away” yields reflexes with a rich semantic dispersion. The most interesting one among all these shifts of meaning is to be seen in Angas bat-bwir “to capsize” [Foulkes]. The same shift occurs, e.g., in French *couler* “1. to pour, 6. to sink (ship, person)” (Le Robert & Collins Super Senior).

<sup>40</sup> It would be probably far-fetched to assume a semantical shift “to teach” < \*\*“to torture” and a kinship with Sem. \*vblṣ ~ vblṭ (root varieties?) [DRS]: Ar. vblṣ III “fondre sur qqn., assaillir”, balṣ-at- (mod.) “vexation, avanie”, cf. vblṭ IV “5. importuner qqn. par ses demandes” [BK I 160] = vblṣ I “faire une avanie à qqn., rançonner (exiger plus qu’il ne faut, opprimer, vexer”, bals- “avanie, vexation”, balṣ-at- “avanie, vexation, aussi: concussion, exaction, maltôte” [Dozy I 111] = vblṣ III “assaillir qqn.”, vblṭ IV “4. harceler qqn., l’importuner par ses demandes” [WKAS 799-800] || Tigre (tə)bälläṣä “tromper” [DRS], Amh. bällätä “l’emporter sur, duper” [DRS] (ES: DRS 69, blṣ4).

(PT, BD, Wb I 177, 1; ÄWb I 264) ||| WCh.: PAngas \*bel “reason, sense” [GT]:<sup>41</sup> Angas bĕl “sense, reason” [Foulkes 1915: 148] = bĕl “Verstand” [Jng. 1962 MS] = bĕl “2. be wise”, bĕl “condition of being wise” [Gochal 1994: 48] (Angas: Takacs 2004: 31).

**87.1.** One may wonder theoretically whether the traces of the ultimate biradical root (without the C<sub>1</sub> extension element \*c-?) are to be seen in CAA \*√br [GT] > Sem. \*√b?r “to become visible” [GT]: Akk. bāru G-stem “1. in Erscheinung treten, sich offenbaren, 2. etwa auftau-chen, greifbar werden, 3. etwa sichtbar Bestand haben”, Hbr. √b?r piel “erklären, deutlich, klar machen” (Sem.: GB 81; AHW 108; DRS 41) ||| (???) Eg. sb3 [Takacs 1994: caus. s- + \* √br?] “to teach” (OK, Wb IV 83-84)<sup>42</sup> ||| SCu. \*bar- “to know” [Ehret]: Qwadza bal-at- [-l- < \*-r- regular] “to know” | Dahalo ḥar- “to know” (SCu.: Ehret 1980a: 135, §I.A.12) ||| ECu. \*bar- “to learn” [GT]: Afar bar-, Oromo bar-ad- | PSam \*bar-o [Heine 1978: 75]: Somali bar-o, Boni bar-o | Darasa bar-ad- (ECu.: Reinisch 1886: 830; Moreno 1937: 233; Dolgopol'skij 1966: 55; Zaborski 1975: 322). ECu.-Hbr.: Reinisch 1902: 85; Dolgopol'skij 1966: 55; 1967b: 279. For this Cu.-Sem. etymology of Eg. sb3 on the analogy of, e.g., LECu.: Boni bar-sīs- (caus.) “lehren” [Sasse 1980: 96] see Takacs 1994; 2000: 71-72, #1.1.

● **88. EDangla bálás** “déséquilibre” [Dbr.-Mnt. 1973: 57] ||| SBrb. (Twareg) \*√blz “to mis-carry (either in speech or in giving birth)” [GT]: Ahaggar belezz-et “2. commettre un maladresse (en paroles), laisser échapper des paroles maladroites”,<sup>43</sup> ā-blezz̄i “maladresse (en paroles)” [Foucauld 1951-2 I: 69], EWlmd.-Ayr bələzz̄-et and zə-bbələzz̄-et “mettre bas avant terme (femelle)”, EWlmd.-Ayr bálzo “avorton” [PAM 2003: 30] (SBrb.: DRB 71, blz̄l, blz̄(t)1-2)<sup>44</sup> ||| Eg. bnd [regular < both OEG. \*bnd < AA \*√blç or < AA \*√blt] “als Bez. für schwere Geburt oder Fehlgebur” (Med., Wb I 465, 1), cf. bnd “übel daran sein (Gegs. rśw)”, bnd n “übel ergeht es dem, Wehe dem” (NE, Wb I 464, 14-16) = “to go ill” (DLE I 157) = “krank werden” (GHWb 255) ||| Sem.: no direct cognates though, but the assumption of the sometime existence of a possible \*\*√bls “to mismanage (???)” may be supported by its variety \*√blt attested by Ar. √blt IV “4. être ruiné, tomber dans la misère” [BK I 160] = √blt

<sup>41</sup> Takacs l.c.: Any connection to AS \*bel “clear”?

<sup>42</sup> Whose s-, however, may well have alternatively been the first radical of a trilateral root (as surmised in the HCVA V 22, #355 s.v. AA \*cVbVr- “to learn, some to know, let know”), cf. PB Hbr. √sbr qal “1. meinen, 2. vertrauen”, hifil “1. klar machen, 2. hisbîr pānīm: freundlich sein” [Dalman 1922: 282] = √sbr “insbes. meinen, der Ansicht sein, vertrauen” [Levy 1924 III: 469] = √sbr hifil “to brighten, illustrate, make clear” [HCVA] | JAr. √sbr qal “1. verstehen, 2. meinen, 3. gedenken, 4. hoffen”, afel “1. hoffen, 2. hoffen machen, 3. ?asbēr ?appīn: freundlich sein, sich jemd. zuwenden, 4. aufklären”, itpael “1. hoffen, 2. einleuchten” [Dalman 1922: 282], Syriac √sbr “to think, expect” [HCVA] | Ar. √sbt I: sabara “sonder, explorer (une plaire à l'aide d'une sonde, etc.)”, sabr- “connaissance qui résulte de l'examen” [BK I 1043] = √sbr I: sabara “1. to probe (the wound), measure (its depth with an iron or other instrument), try, examine (e.g., its extent), endeavour to learn, determine or compute (by conjecture or by the eye, its measure, quantity, size, bulk), try, prove (by experiment or experience), elicit (its true or real condition)”, sabr- “examination, learning” [HCVA < Lane 1293] || Mehri səbūr “to scout, go ahead of the main party to spy out the land” [HCVA < Jns. 1987: 340].

<sup>43</sup> Treated by Ch. de Foucauld (1951-2 I: 69) as a fig. sense of belezz̄-et “être obèse (être chargé de graisse au point d'être presqu'impotent, le sujet peut être une personne ou un animal de tout âge)”.

<sup>44</sup> DRB l.c.: the Twareg data quoted above, understandably, due to the lack of an AA context, were arranged and treated as three distinct Berber roots.

IV “3. réduire qqn. à la misère (?), pass.: tomber dans l’indigence” [WKAS 799-800] < CAA \* $\sqrt{blc}$  with a variety \* $\sqrt{blt}$  “1. to miscarry, 2. suffer some way (?)” [GT].

● 89. **PDangla** \***balge** “to mix” [GT]: WDangla þálgé “1. remuer, 2. gêner” (parler des anciens) [Fédry 1971: 105], EDangla þàlgé “1. remuer (la sauce), mélanger, touiller, brasser, 2. confondre” [Dbr.-Mnt. 1973: 57] = “mischen” [Ebobisse 1979: 135; 1987: 88] ||| SBrb. (Twareg) \* $\sqrt{bly}$  < \*\* $\sqrt{blk}$  “to roll (i.e., in a circular movement?)” [GT]:<sup>45</sup> Hgr. beluley “rouler (le sujet étant les yeux)”, á-blûley, fem. tâ-blûlek “globe de l’oeil” [Foucauld 1951-2 I: 63], EWlmd.-Ayr bæluløy “être de forme sphérique” (DRB: “avoir une forme sphérique”), a-bälalay “objet qcq. ayant la forme d’une sphère”, EWlmd. ta-bæluløq and Ayr tə-bluleq “1. globe, boule, sphère, 2. motte (de beurre), grumeau (de bouillie/lait), 3. brique (pour la construction)” [PAM 2003: 26] (SBrb.: DRB, bly/q1: isolated in Brb.) ||| Sem.: Tigrinya ኃባልäqä (C<sub>1</sub> root ext. ክ-) “1. bouleverser, renverser, 2. mélanger, confondre” [DRS 1973: 819] < CAA \* $\sqrt{blk}$  “to move circularly (?)” [GT], a number of root varies of which are known:

**89.1. CAA** \* $\sqrt{brk}$  “to turn round (?)” [GT] > SCu. \*birik- “to turn over” [Ehret]: Dahalo þiriķ- “to turn over”, þiriķ-ēđ- “to turn (sg.) over” (SCu.: Ehret 1980a: 142, §I.A.70)<sup>46</sup> ||| CCh.: Lame þúrkú “faire rouler qqch. de lourd et massif” [Sachnine 1982: 265].

**89.2. CAA** \* $\sqrt{blk}$  “1. to turn round (?), 2. change (???)” [GT] > Sem. \* $\sqrt{blk}$  [DRS]: Ar. balaka “mêler, mélanger” || ES \* $\sqrt{blk}$ : Tigre bäläk belä “bouillir fortement”, Tigrinya bäläs bälä “déborder (vase)” (Sem.: DRS 57), cf. its quadrilateral variety with a C<sub>1</sub> root ext. ክ- in ES \* $\sqrt{hblk}$ : Tigre ኃብላካ “confondre”, Tna. ኃብላካ “tourner, tordre”, ኃብሉክ “embrouillé”, tähabläkä “être embrouillé” (Sem.: DRS 819) ||| (???) SCu. \*balak- “to move house” [Ehret] < \*“to change dwelling (???)” [GT]: Ma’ā -bále [Ehret: loss of -C# regular] “to move house”, -balé-ti (caus.)<sup>47</sup> “to cause to emigrate” | Dhl. þalak- “to move house” (SCu.: Ehret 1980a: 134, §I.A.8).

**89.3. CAA** \* $\sqrt{blkt}$  (?)<sup>48</sup> “to turn around, roll” [GT]: Sem.: Akk.  $\sqrt{blkt}$ , used in the N stirp: nabalkutu “9. sich umwenden: a) im Schlaf, b) von Eingeweide teilen, c) von verdrehten Augen, d) von Zunge, e) von Hand, f) von der Erde bei Beben” [AHW 695] ||| CCh.: perhaps Mofu-Gudur -pøtkwal- [met. < \* $\sqrt{plkw}t$ ?] “(se) rouler à terre (de douleur, en jouant)” [Brt. 1988: 222] || ECh.: Lele bīlgēdē ~ bīlgīdī ~ būlgūdū ~ bīlgādī “tourner” [WP 1982: 5]. Cf. EDE II 396 (with further possible root vars.); EAAN I 94, #302.

**89.4. NAA** \* $\sqrt{lbk}$  (Eg. var. \* $\sqrt{lbh}$ ) “to mix, mingle” [GT] > SBrb.: EWlmd.-Ayr ə-lbæk “2. se fondre, se diluer (dans l’eau)”, EWlmd. ləbəkk-ət “être mouillé” [PAM 2003: 447] ||| Eg. 3bh (regular < \* $\sqrt{lbh}$  with an irregular -h) “vermischen” (MK, Wb I 8, 8-20) ||| Sem.: Ar.

<sup>45</sup> Thence, on the analogy of Hbr. gal and Talmudic Aram. gal(ə)lā “Welle” < Sem. \* $\sqrt{gl}$  “(sich) wälzen, rollen (Wasser)” (GB 141; Eilers 1987: 514), cf. also Hgr. beleýbeley “former des vagues” treated in DRB, s.v. bly/q3, as isolated in Brb.

<sup>46</sup> Ehret l.c.: equated with false SCu. *comparanda*: ~ Irg. burq-os- and Alagwa buruq-us- “to winnow” | Qwd. bel-ət- “to winnow”, bel-as- “to fold”.

<sup>47</sup> Ehret l.c.: stem + modern -ti caus. suffix, added since C# → Ø had taken place.

<sup>48</sup> Some of the labial, velar, and dental correspondences are apparently irregular. But the Akk.-Lele match indicates that the rare type quadriconsonantal verbal root with a second “sonant” was not limited to Semitic.

labaka I “1. mêler (p.ex. du froment avec du miel), 2. tasser et pétrir un mets moitié liquide, moitié solide, 3. (em)brouiller (une affaire)”, II “mêler, mélanger, brouiller”, IV “2. être embrouillé, en désordre, pêle-mêle (se dit des choses)”, VIII “être embrouillé, en désordre” [BK II 961].

**89.5. CAA \*√plk** (Eg. var. \*√plg?) “1. to turn around (?) 2. change” (orig. \*\*“to turn into” or sim.) [GT]: Sem. \*√plk “to be round (?)” [GT]: Akk. pilakku (a/jB, nA) “Stilett, Spindel”, (a/jB, nA) pilku “Gebiet” [AHW 863] || Hbr. pélek “1. Kreis, Bezirk, 2. Spindel (urspr. wohl der Wirtel, Wertel)” [GB 643] | Ar. falak- “etwas rundes”, falk-at- “Spindel” [GB] || perhaps Eg. p3d [if < \*plg with an irreg. \*-g] (ball det.) “Kugel: 1. von der Kugel, zu der man Weihrauch formt, 2. ein Gebäck, runder Kuchen” (OK, Wb I 501, 9-13) || ECu.: Yaaku -pelk-(intr.), pelk-is- (tr.) “to shift” [Heine 1975: 133] || ECh.: Mubi félégé (félík, filéek), pl. fálágé (félík, fíláak) “échanger, troquer, modifier” [Jng. 1990b MS: 15]. Cf. EDE II 410; EAAN I 94, #449.

● **90. WDangla bàlany ~ bìbàlany** “évoque qqch. rempli jusqu’au bord ou qui déborde” [Fédry 1971: 105]: the C<sub>3</sub> seems to be a suffix, while the biradical root \*√bl (preserved in West Chadic also, cf. below) evidently appears to issue from the regular erosion of CAA \*√hbl “full” [GT], cf. CSem. \*√hbl “concevoir, être einceinte” [DRS 818, hb13]: esp. Ar. √hbl I: ḥabila “1. être rempli, se remplir (de boisson, d’eau), 2. concevoir, devenir enceinte, grosse (d’un foetus)”, ḥubāl- “état de grossesse, ou état de tout ce qui est rempli et comme gros de qqch.”, ḥa/ubl-ān- “1. rempli (de boisson), 2. lourd de, (r)empli de colère, 3. (au fémin. ḥabl-ān-at-) grosse (femme femelle)”, ḥubāl- “état de grossesse, ou état de tout ce qui est rempli et comme gros de qqch.” [BK I 370-371] || perhaps Eg. hb3 [regular < \*√hbl] “ein guter Zustand des Bieres” (Med., Wb III 62, 15) = “(unfermented?) freshly-mixed beer-mash (seems a reasonable translation)” (Ward 1978: 23, §32, 137, §§273-274, 193)<sup>49</sup> = “\*Schaum” (GHWb 522) = “stage in beer fermentation” (HSED 289-290, #1317)<sup>50</sup> || WCh.: Angas-Sura

<sup>49</sup> The hapax “occurs in an incantation to drive out demonic influence, which begins ...: ‘Spell for the beer. The *dsr.t*-beer of Horus of Chemmis, strained (*ȝh*) in Pe and mashed (*ȝbb*) in Buto, you should drink it *hb3*’” (Ward 1978: 137, §273), which is why Ward (1978: 138) guesses that “Helck is therefore probably right in placing these two stages (*ȝh*, *ȝbb*) together in the brewing process, after the dough has been made and partially baked. This is then broken up and mixed with water (*ȝbb*) and strained (*ȝh*) through a basket-sieve by pouring date-juice out into a large jar. This mixture is allowed to set for a few days before the final stages are undertaken”. As a result, it is “this mixture which is to be drunk to remove evil influence” (Ward 1978: 193). Ward thoroughly examined this context. Henceforth, he concluded that Eg. hb3 “describes a stage in which the beer exists at some time during the brewing process, the state of the ingredients after being mixed with water and strained but before the brewing is finished” (Ward 1978: 23, §32), thus, in his view, it appears to describe “beer at that stage where all the ingredients have been mixed together and await the final stages of brewing” (Ward 1978: §§273-274, 137).

<sup>50</sup> Equated by V. Orel and O. Stolbova (HSED 289-290, #1317) with their ill-founded Sem. \*ḥabur- based solely on Akk. ḥabburu “kind of wine” and derived from their AA \*ḥabur- “wine” (as possible cultural loanword?). Irregular Eg. ḥ- vs. Akk. ḥ-, let alone for the substantial semantical difference from Akk. (nA) ḥabburu “eine Weinsorte” [AHW 305a] = “(a qualification of wine)” [CAD ḥ 14b]. Ch. Ehret (2000 MS: 298, #2401), in turn, combined the Egyptian term with Sem.: Ar. ḥa/ibab- “bubble” and LECu.: Oromo hubbo “earthen pot for boiling” derived from AA \*-hub- “to bubble, froth”.

\**γəbəl*<sup>51</sup> “1. to swell (in gen.), 2. be filled with food, be sat(isfi)ed” > PAngas \**γəl*, pl. \**γāl*<sup>52</sup> vs. PSuroid \**γəbəl* > \**γəl* ~ \**bəγəl*<sup>53</sup> vs. PGoemay \**həbəl*, pl. \**habal*<sup>54</sup> [GT] (AS: Takacs 2004: 150-151).

● **91. Migama bəlñlñ** (f) “lézard sp.” [JA 1992: 73] || CCh.: Boka ɓilaña “lizard” [Kraft] || WCh.: AS \*-*bu*₂l (> Goemay \*-*bel*) ~ \*-*bu*₂l > \*-*bəl* (mostly with prefix \*-ti-/\*-tə-, in Suroid with suffix \*-ak) “lizard (in gen.)” [GT] = \*ti-bAla[k] “lizard (ящерица)” [Stolbova]: Gerka boel [b/bəl] “lizard” [Ftp. 1911: 218], Sura tiblák ~ təbəlák [suffix -ak] “Eidechsenart” [Jng. 1963: 85] = tiblak “lizard” [Kraft], Mupun təblák ~ təbùlák “lizard” [Frj. 1991: 62], Kofyar doebel (so, -e-! Goemay influence?) “lizard” [Netting 1967: 7], Mushere tibuul (so, plain b-, false long -uu-) “lizard” [Diyakal 1997 MS: 227] = sim-bul (so, plain b-) “lizard” [Jng. 1999 MS: 18], Montol tubul (so) “lizard” [Ftp. 1911: 218], Goemay tibbel [-e- regular < \*-u₂-] “lizard” [Ftp. 1911: 218] = toebel “a lizard” [Sirlinger 1937: 249] = tibl (so, -i-) “lizard” [Kraft] = təbel “lizard” [Hellwig 2000 MS: 36]<sup>55</sup> (AS: Stolbova 1987: 158, #123; Takacs 2004: 37-38) | Sha ɓòlès “Mauergecko” [Jng. 1970: 283] | Geji ɓàlikij “lizard” [Kraft], Sa/eya ɓèlīh “lizard” [Kraft] || CCh.: Boka ɓilaña “lizard” [Kraft] (Ch.: Kraft 1981 q.v.) < (W/P?)Ch. \*√*bl* (\**b*- probably contracted from \**Hb*-) “lizard” [GT]. This (West) Chadic root (so far unparalleled elsewhere in AA) may have retained the very simplex of the Common AA term (AA \*\*√*bl*) which is only attested with a velar root extension in the other branches (below).

**91.1. CAA \*√*bhl*** “some creeping creature” [GT], if it was a metathesis of CAA \*\*√*blh*, might be regarded as a quadriliteral extension: cf. (???)<sup>56</sup> Eg. ՚bn̥h </> ՚bh̥n “Frosch” (Med., Wb I 178, 16) = “frog” (FD 41) ||| NBrb.: Beni Menacer (DRB: Central Algerian) buylal,

<sup>51</sup> The originally triconsonantal proto-Angas-Sura root has been best preserved in Suroid.

<sup>52</sup> Hence Angas ril (r- for γ-) [act. ɣəl] “to be satisfied” [Ormsby 1914: 314] = ɣül [act. ɣəl] “to be satisfied”, γāl (generally used reduplicated) ~ ɣāl ~ gwāl (so, gw-, obscure) [different ablaut grade? perhaps \*ɣāl?] “a swelling, an abscess, a blister (such as is caused by a first working with an unaccustomed tool), skin eruptions, such as pimples, etc.” [Foulkes 1915: 186-187] = (Kabwir dialect) ɣəl (verbal noun ɣəl) “1. to be satisfied, 2. swell (intr.)” [Jng. 1962 MS] = ɦəl (sg.), ɦal (pl.) “to swell” [ALC 1978: 21] = ɣɪl [act. ɣəl], pl. ɣāl “to swell”, ɣɪl [act. ɣəl] (no pl.) “to be belly-full with food” [Gochal 1994: 39, 74, note 2]. In Angas, in turn, the regular loss of AS \*-b- has been accompanied by the compensatory lengthening of \*-ð-.

<sup>53</sup> Hence Sura ɣəbəl “1. anschwellen, 2. sattwerden” [Jng. 1963: 67], Mupun əbəl [< \**γəbəl*] ~ ɦəl [from \**bəγəl*, met. of \**γəbəl*] “to be well fed, satisfied (only about food)”, also bəəl “to swell up, be filled up (e.g. with food)” [Frj. 1991: 8, 70], Kofyar oegoel [əgəl reg. both < \**ɛyəl* and from \**γəbəl*] “to swell, be full of food” [Netting 1967: 30]. Note that Kofyar -g- < AS \*-b- is regular. The Mushere cognate is highly dubious: cf. perhaps Mushere wuul [irreg. < \**yubul* via \**yuwul*?] “to swell” (Hausa kumbura) [Diyakal 1997 MS: 305]?

<sup>54</sup> Hence: Goemay hool [reg. < \**həbəl*] (sg.) vs. habal (pl.) [irreg. h-] “1. to make full, be full (with food or drinks), 2. be swollen” [Sirlinger 1937: 73, 78, 79] = hool “to be satisfied, replete” [Hellwig 2000 MS: 13]. Goemay \*hōl, pl. \*habal “to be full, sated” is an irregular cognate, since Goemay h- does not correspond to AS \*γ- as a rule. Goemay \*-ō- < AS \*-əbə- is, however, normal (cf. e.g., AS \*kəbən “buffalo”).

<sup>55</sup> Goemay \*-b- due to the cluster \*mb- (i.e., \*tə-*bel* < \*tim-*bu*₂l)?

<sup>56</sup> The Egyptian term might alternatively be equated with SBrb.: EWlmd. a-bəgəngən “lézard (qcq.)” [PAM 1998: 6] ||| NOm.: Male fajko “frog” [Siebert 1994-5: 8] ||| SOM.: Ari (Galila) fanqá, Hamer (Karo) fanķa “frog, toad” (SOM.: Bender 1994: 150) ||| WCh.: Miya əbàngu “lizard” | Burma bəŋgàl “lizard” || CCh.: Ngwahyi bənžà “frog” (Ch.: Kraft 1981 q.v.), whose areal parallel appears in PKoman \*bánkó “frog” [Bender 1983: 281]. This cognate set, by the way, supplies further evidence for the semantical dispersion of “lizard” vs. “frog”.

pl. i-buyłal-en “escargot” [Basset 1885: 163], Senhazha a-berylal “escargot” [DRB 116: isolated, with an inner etymology]<sup>57</sup> | Tamazight a-buyłal, pl. i-buyłal-n “1. escargot, 2. limacon” [Taïfi 1991: 12] (NBrb.: DRB 83) ||| WCh.: Geji ḩuyillul “chamaeleon” [Kraft 1981].

● 92. **Migama** ɓìlw ~ ɓìlwñicè (m), **pl.** ɓìlw ~ ɓìlwñigè “loup” [JA 1992: 73]: the initial b- may be here due to a former prenasalization, cf. WCh.: Siri mbəli “hyena” [Skinner 1977: 27]. The simplex root, viz. CAA \*√bl “jackal, hyena” [GT], is more widespread in Chadic, cf. Sem.: Geez ?abbəl “jackal” [Leslau 1987: 3: isolated in Sem.] ||| CCh.: Gude bólà “tan colored dog” [Hoskison 1983: 162] | Bata bóloke “hyena” [Mouchet 1950: 25] ||| ECh. \*böl- “jackal” [GT] > EDangla bólóló (f) “le chacal” [Dbr. & Mnt. 1973: 50], WDangla bòllò “espèce de chat sauvage au pelage fauve (il creuse des galeries en terre, aboie comme un chien, se bat avec l’hyène)” [Fédry 1971: 93] | Ubi boole “hyène” [Alio 2004: 268, #38], Jegu báló, pl. bálē & balan “Fuchs” [Jng. 1961: 110]. Cf. also ECh.: Jegoid \*bolond- (?) [GT] > Jegu bólónnó, pl. bólán ~ bólónnân “Hyäne”, bolonne “weibl. Hyäne” [Jng. 1961: 111], Kofa bólódè (m), pl. bólódân “hyena” [Jng. 1977 MS: 12]. Cf. EDE II 20 (with further discussion); EAAN I 64, #271.

### Dangla-Migama \*b- and semi-vowels

● 93. **Migama** bàawò (bàawé, bàkáa) “séquestrer une femme” [JA 1992: 73]: apparently isolated in the DM group and its AA etymology is equivocally puzzling:

**93.1.** Perhaps a tr. reflex of **CAA** \*√bw? “to enter” [GT] from a primary sense \*“to put into (a closed room, i.e., seclusion?)”? Cf. Sem. \*√bw? “to enter” [GT] (Sem.: GB 86; Aro 1964: 176; DRS 50; Leslau 1987: 114-115) ||| (?) Eg. bb (redupl.?) “entrer dans, pénétrer” (CT III 98g, AL 78.1312, cf. Osing 1978: 187) = “eindringen in” (GHWb 251) = “to wade in (m)” (DCT 120) ||| SCu. \*bu?- “to put into” [Ehret]: Irq. -bú?u “to enter”,<sup>58</sup> -bú?-ižā<sup>59</sup> (-j-) “to put into”, -bú-tu “to apply, put”<sup>60</sup> | Dahalo ḩuw-ať- “to descend (of sun in afternoon)” [Ehret 1980a: 142, §I.A.69]<sup>61</sup> = bu?- “1. to put into, 2. pour, 3. plant”, ḩu?-um- “to go in” [EEN 1989: 34] = bu?- “1. to put into, 2. plant”, ḩu?-ud- “to enter” [Tosco 1991: 130] (SCu.: Ehret 1980a: 141, §I.A.67) ||| ECh.: Kwang-Mobu báyé “entrer” [Lenssen 1984: 63]. Sem.-Mobu: HSED #157. The rest of the AA *comparanda* was added in EDE II 186 and EAAN I 71, #317.

<sup>57</sup> Ignoring the cognates deriving from Brb. \*√byll, K. Naït-Zerrad (DRB 116) segmented it into two juxtaposed terms, viz. \*√br (unexplained which one of the multiple homophonous roots is meant) + \*a-γlal “coquille”.

<sup>58</sup> Ehret l.c.: “-bu?u consists of the original stem plus the stative extension added before C# > Ø.”

<sup>59</sup> Ehret l.c.: “-bu?ija is back-formation from -bu?a ‘to enter’ by addition of the causative -ija, adopted from Bantu.”

<sup>60</sup> Ehret l.c.: “-butu consists of the stem plus -tu extension after C# > Ø; -tu was apparently added for continuative sense.”

<sup>61</sup> Ehret l.c.: ~ Irq. busi “cow obtained in Mbugwe” < SCu. \*buw- “to go down” [Ehret].

**93.2.** Alternatively, it might be rendered from the primary sense “\*to arrest”, i.e., “to make stop”, cf. Sem.: Thamudic bw (for bw??) “faire halte (?)” [DRS 50], Ar.  $\sqrt{bw}$  I: bawā “faire halte” [DRS 51: isolated].

● **94. PDangla \*baw-** “to go” [GT]: WDangla báwè “aller (jamais dans le sens de venir /ásè)” [Fédry 1971: 104], Mawa (close to Dangla) bəŋ (bē, ɓa) “gehen (aller), weggehen (partir)” [Jng. 1978 MS: 2; 1980 MS: 28] | Muboid \*baw- “to go” [GT]: Mubi ɓau “gehen, laufen” [Lukas 1937: 180] = ɓów (bâ, nžáà) “partir, aller, se promener” [Jng. 1990b MS: 7], cf. also Mubi ɓa “gehen” [Lukas 1937: 180], Masmaje ɓo “aller” [Alio 2004: 280, #34] | Sokoro ɓěy “to go” [Saxon in JI 1994 II: 163] || CCh.: Tera ɓá “to come” [Newman 1964: 47] < PCh. \*bV “идти, уходить” [Dlg.] = \*b- “to go” [NM] = \*b<sub>2</sub>- “to come, go (out)” [JI] ||| Om. \*bV “gehen” [Sasse]: extended Wolayta cluster (EWC) \*b- (mono-consonantal) “to go, walk” [Bender 2003: 17, #59] > COmeto \*b- and EOmeto \*ba(y) “to go” [Fleming] | SEOmeto \*ba “to go” [Bender 2003: 117, #59] > Kachama bā “to go, walk” [Conti Rossini in Bender 2003: 87, #59] ||| ECu. \*bah- “to go out” [Bender] || SCu.: Ma'a būhɛ “gehen” [Meinhof 1906: 308] = bu? ~ buh “to go” [Fleming] = -buhe ~ -bu “to go” [Ehret 1980a: 139, #50] < CAA \* $\sqrt{bh}$  “to go” [GT], which is otherwise a well-known root.<sup>62</sup>

● **95. Bidiya biw** “idéo. évoquant un coup de poing sur le dos” [AJ 1989: 62] || WCh.: Miya báá- “to beat (in gen.)” [Skinner in JI 1994 II: 14] < Ch. \* $\sqrt{bw}$  “to beat” < AA \* $\sqrt{bwH}$  [GT]? Part of a large root family existing in a few root varieties:

**95.1. SAA \* $\sqrt{ph}$**  “to pound” [GT] > SCu.: WRift \*puh-um- (dur.) “to smash grains, pound grains” (cf. Sandawe pùé “to pound”) > WRift \*puh-uru “smashing, pounding” > (via irregular loss of \*h) PIraqw \*pūrú “flour” [KM 2004: 226-227] ||| WCh.: Bokkos fayî “to beat (in gen.)” [Jng.] || CCh.: Buduma (Yedina) fó “to pound (in mortar)” [Cyffer] (Ch.: JI 1994 II: 14, 269) || ECh.: Kera épé “to pound (in mortar)” [Ebert].

**95.2. SAA \* $\sqrt{ph}$**  “1. to strike, hit (orig. by shooting), 2. sting” [GT]: SCu. \*pah- [GT]: Dahalo pah- “to hit, strike” [Ehret 1980: 144] = pah- “to hit, shoot” [EEN 1989: 7] = pah- “to beat” [Tosco 1991: 145] ||| NOm.: Mao: Hozo pā ~ pā? “to stab, pierce”, Sezo pe, pē? “to stab, pierce”, EMao piy-a “1. to stab, pierce, 2. kill”<sup>63</sup> (Mao: Fleming 1988: 38) ||| WCh.: Tangale peyi “to kick, shoot, sting” [Jng. 1991: 131] | Ngizim vău “1. to shoot, 2. sting (scorpion)” [Schuh 1981: 167] || CCh.: Bura pwa “to strike (in shooting)” [BED 1953: 177] | (?) Mofu-Gudur văv ~ vĕv [redupl.?] “piquer (insecte)” [Brt. 1988: 251]. Eventually identical with AA \* $\sqrt{ph}$  “1. to find, 2. get, obtain” [GT in EAAN I 82, #380] (as shown by the semantic dispersion of Eg. ph?)? Cf. EDE II 488; EAAN I 81, #379.

<sup>62</sup> See Greenberg 1955: 56; Fleming 1969: 25; 1974: 89; Dlg 1973: 318; Sasse 1981: 152, #4; SISAJa I #129; JI 1994 I: 38; HSED #157; HCVA II #143; Voigt 1998: 609-610. The Mubi with Ometo reflexes have already been affiliated by M.L. Bender (1975: 165) with ECu. \*bah- “to go out” and/or Sem. \* $\sqrt{bw}$ ? “1. to enter, 2. return”. Bender (2003: 117, #59), in turn, equated the Ometo root with Ch. \*b<sub>2</sub> “to go” [JI 1994 I: 78].

<sup>63</sup> The EMao form in the sense “to kill” may be a contamination, cf. AA \* $\sqrt{fy}$  “1. to hurt, 2. be sick, 3. destroy” (below).

● 96. **Migama bàayò (bàayé, bàyáa)** “jouer (à un jeu spécial)” [JA 1992: 73] ||| Sem. \*/b<sup>v</sup>y<sup>v</sup> [DRS] > JPAram. beyā<sup>v</sup>ā, biy<sup>v</sup>a<sup>v</sup>tā “joie, allégresse” [DRS 63, by<sup>v</sup>2: isolated in Sem.]<sup>64</sup> < PAA (???) \*/b<sup>v</sup>y<sup>v</sup> “to have fun (???)” [GT]. Perhaps the metathesis of the otherwise unattested biliteral PAA simplex of a multiply strangely triradicalized CAA (?) root, viz. \*/b<sup>v</sup>b “to play” [GT],<sup>65</sup> which only occurs with diverse additional C<sub>1</sub>-root extensions (namely, NAgaw \*w-, Eg. h-, Sem. \*l-, neither of which can regularly correspond), cf. NAgaw: Bilin wa<sup>v</sup>ab ~ wā<sup>v</sup>ab ~ wā<sup>v</sup>eb, Nebenform mā<sup>v</sup>eb “1. spielen, lachen, 2. sich ergötzen”, wa<sup>v</sup>ab-d “1. zum spielen auffordern, 2. zum lachen reizen”, cf. mā<sup>v</sup>eb “1. spielen, lachen, 2. verlachen, verhönen” [Reinisch 1887: 262, 352] = wā<sup>v</sup>ab “to pass the time in conversation, be free from work” vs. mā<sup>v</sup>ab “to rest, sitting down, and mingle conversation and laughter”, mā<sup>v</sup>ab “game, conversation” [Kiflemariam Hamde apud Apl.] = wā<sup>v</sup>ab ~ mā<sup>v</sup>ab “1. to play, 2. game” [Apl.] (Appleyard 2006: 73, 110: no Agaw/AA cognates) ||| Eg. h<sup>v</sup>b (Wb III 62: also var. hb<sup>v</sup>) “(ein Spiel) spielen (alt mit Objekt des Spiels, später auch mit m, noch später mit r des Spiels)” (OK-, Wb III 42, 6-8) = h<sup>v</sup>b “to play (draughts)” (CT, DCT 313) = hb<sup>v</sup> (sic: read -b<sup>v</sup>) “spielen”, hb<sup>v</sup> (m) zn.t “das Senet-Brettspiel spielen” (late OK: Dyn. V-VI., ÄWb I 795a) ||| Sem. \*/l<sup>v</sup>b: OHbr. √l<sup>v</sup>b hitpael “verspotten” [GB] = hifil “to make sport of, deride with” [KB], MHbr. √l<sup>v</sup>b “to encourage, mischief” [KB], NHbr. √l<sup>v</sup>b hifil “verspotten” [GB] | Syr. √l<sup>v</sup>b etpael “seine Lust an etwas haben, gierig sein” [GB] = “to long for, be covetous” [KB] | Ar. √l<sup>v</sup>b I: lu<sup>v</sup>iba “2. jouer, badiner, folâtrer, 3. jouer à un jeu de hasard, 4. jouer d’un instrument de musique, 5. faire des exercies à cheval avec des javelots”, II “se livrer aux jeux (de hasard ou autres), se divertir, s’amuser”, III “jouer, folâtrer, badiner avec qqn.”, la<sup>v</sup>b- “2. jeu, badinage, divertissement”, la<sup>v</sup>b-at- “1. un jeu, une partie de jeu, de divertissement, 2. tout ce qui sert à jouer, hochet, joujou, dé, ou tout instrument de musique, 3. fig. plastron, celui que tout le monde prend pour objet de ses plaisanteries”, lu<sup>v</sup>b-at- “1. jeu d’échecs ou espèce de trictrac, 2. homme avec lequel on joue, partenaire, 3. pl. lu<sup>v</sup>ab-: jeu, divertissement, partie de jeu, de plaisir”, la<sup>v</sup>üb- “gai, enjoué, qui folâtre” [BK II 999] = √l<sup>v</sup>b “scherzen, spielen, mutwillig behandeln, quälen” [GB] = la<sup>v</sup>iba I “to play, cheat” [KB] = la<sup>v</sup>iba I “spielen, scherzen, spaßen, sein Spiel treiben, Possen reißen (to play games, joke, jest, fool around, play the fool)” [WKAS 779] (Sem.: GB 388; KB 532b). Bilin-Sem.: Reinisch 1887: 262. The old Eg.-Sem. match (mentioned already in the GB l.c.) with their strangely alternating first radicals was preferred by J.H. Greenberg (1950: 180) too, who wrote on Eg. h<sup>v</sup>b: “I don’t think we can keep apart from” Sem. \*/l<sup>v</sup>b.

● 97. **Migama bàytà (adj.)** “vert (pas mûr)” [JA 1992: 73], cf. Bidiya ɓaràč (ɓarčí, ɓarčèj), pl. ɓaràč (ɓaràací, ɓaràačej) “verdir, bleuir”, ɓàràači (pl.) “verdure, légumes”, ɓaràčga “vert” [AJ 1989: 62] < DM \*barč/t- “green” [GT]?

<sup>64</sup> SCu.\*bo/ð<sup>v</sup>- “to be good, be in good or proper condition” [Ehret]: Alagwa bo<sup>v</sup> “better, superior”, bo<sup>v</sup>-ot “beautiful”, rawa-bo<sup>v</sup>- “to be pleased” (cf. rawa “above”) (SCu.: Ehret 1980a: 139, §I.A.48). Ehret l.c.: “This root must be reconstructed for proto-Southern Cushitic because its derivative is reconstructed in #49 following.”

<sup>65</sup> I wonder if the underlying PAA \*/b<sup>v</sup>b “to play” [GT] is reflected in its original biradical shape by SEOMeto \*?ēb-a “fool(ish)” [Bender 2003: 109, #33], attested, in fact, in Zayse ?ēwa [Siebert & Hoeft] = ?ēba [Hayward], Zergulla ?ēba [Siebert & Hoeft] “fool(ish)” (SEOMeto: Bender 2003: 333, #33).

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### Special symbols

P: any labial stop (f, p, b, þ), T: unspecified dental stop (t, d, t̪), S: any voiceless sibilant and/or affricate (s, š, ș, c, č, ē), Z: unspecified voiced sibilant and/or affricate (z, ȝ, ȝ̄), K: any velar stop (k, g, k̪), Q: unspecified uvular or postvelar etc. (q, g, q̪, h), H: any of the pharyngeals or laryngeals etc. (ḥ, γ, ḥ̄, h̄, ʔ). The vertical strokes signify the degree of closeness of the language groups (e.g. Kotoko | Masa), subbranches (e.g. North Berber || East Berber), and branches (Semitic ||| Egyptian), from which the individual lexical data are quoted.

### Abbreviations of languages and other terms

(A): Ahmimic, (A<sub>2</sub>) = (L): sub-Ahmimic = Lycopolitan dialect, aA: Old Assyrian (altassyrisch), aAk: Old Akkadian (altakkadisch), AA: Afro-Asiatic (Afrasian, Semito-Hamitic), Akk.: Akkadian, Alg.: Alagwa, Amh.: Amharic, Ar.: Arabic, Aram.: Aramaic, AS: Angas-Sura, Ass.: Assyrian, (B) Bohairic, b/Bab.: Babylonian, BAram.: Biblical Aramaic, Bed.: Bed'awye (Beja), Brb.: Berber (Libyo-Guanche), Brg.: Burunge, BT: Bole-Tangale, C: Central, CAA: Common Afro-Asiatic, Can.: Canaanite, Ch.: Chadic, Cpt.: Coptic, CT: Coffin Texts, Cu.: Cushitic, Dem.: Demotic, Dhl.: Dahalo, DM: Dangla-Migama, E: East, Eg.: Egyptian, ES: Ethio-Semitic, ESA: Epigraphic South Arabian, Eth.: Ethiopian, Eth.-Sem.: Ethio-Semitic, (F): Fayumic, GR: Ptolemaic and Roman period, Grw.: Gorowa, H: Highland (in Cushitic), Hbr.: Hebrew, Hgr.: Ahaggar, Hrs.: Harsusi, jB: younger Babylonian (jungbabylonisch), Jbl.: Jibbali, L: Late, L: Low(land), (L) = (A<sub>2</sub>): Lycopolitan dialect = sub-Ahmimic, lit.: literature, LP: Late Period, M: Middle, Mag.: magical texts, Med.: medical texts, MK: Middle Kingdom, MSA: Modern South Arabian, MT: Mubi-Toram, N: New, N: North, nA: Neo-Assyrian, NE (or NEg.): New Egyptian, NK: New Kingdom, Nslm.: Taneslemt, O: Old, OK: Old Kingdom, Om.: Omotic, Omt.: Omoto, OSA: Old South Arabian, OT: Old Testament, P: Proto-, PB: Post-Biblical, PT: Pyramid Texts, reg.: regular, S: South, (S): Sahidic, Sem.: Semitic, Sqt.: Soqotri, Syr.: Syriac, Ug.: Ugaritic, W: West, Wlmd.: Tawllemmet.

### Abbreviations of author names

Abr.: Abraham, AJ: Alio & Jungraithmayr, Akl.: Akliilu, Alm.: Alemayehu, Apl.: Appleyard, Ast.: Aistleitner, BK: Bieberstein & Kazimirski, Bnd.: Bender, Brg.: Bargery, Brq.: Burquest, Brt.: Barreteau, Cpr.: Caprile, CR: Conti Rossini, Crl.: Cerulli, Csp.: Cosper, Dbr.: Djibrine, Djk.: D'jakonov, Dkl.: Diyakal, Dlg.: Dolgopolsky, Drn.: Doornbos, Ehr.: Ehret, Fcd.: Foucauld, Flk.: Foulkes, Flm.: Fleming, Frj.: Frajzyngier, Ftp.: Fitzpatrick, GB: Gesenius & Buhl, Grt.: Grottanelli, GT: Takács, Hds.: Hudson, Hfm.: Hoffmann, Hsk.: Hoskison, Hyw.: Hayward, Ibr.: Ibriszimow, IL: Institute of Linguistics, IS: Illič-Svityč, JA: Jungraithmayr & Adams, JI: Jungraithmayr & Ibriszimow, Jng.: Jungraithmayr, Jns.: Johnstone, JS: Jungraithmayr & Shimizu, KM: Kießling & Mous, Lmb.: Lamberti, LS: Lamberti & Sottile, Lsl.: Leslau, Mch.: Mouchet, Mkr.: Mukarovsky, MM: Majzel' and Militarev, Mnt.: Montgolfier, Mts.: Matsushita, NM: Newman & Ma, Ntg.: Netting, Nwm.: Newman, OS: Orel and Stolbova, PAM: Prasse, Alojaly, Mohamed, PG: Pillinger & Galboran, PH: Parker & Hayward, Prd.: Paradisi, Prh.: Porhomovskij, RB: Rapp and Benzing, Rn.: Reinisch, Rsg.: Rossing, Rsl.: Rössler, Sbr.: Siebert, Skn.: Skinner, Smz.: Shimizu, Srl.: Sirlinger, Stl.: Stolbova, TC: Taïne-Cheikh, Tf.: Taïfi, TG: Takács, Trn.: Tourneux, TSL: Tourneux, Seignobos, Lafarge, Vrg.: Vergote, Wdk.: Wedekind, WP: Weibegué and Palayer, Zbr.: Zaborski.

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