

PAIWAN PHONOLOGY AND PROTO-AUSTRONESIAN DOUBLETS

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1. PAIWAN'S IMPORTANCE IN AUSTRONESIAN STUDIES¹

Paiwan is unique among Formosan languages in showing nearly one-to-one correspondences with putative Proto-Austronesian (PAN) obstruent segments - all the other Formosan languages show extensive mergers and splits in reflexes of PAN stops. Structurally Paiwan, similarly to some of the other Formosan languages, is characterised by an extreme richness of productive derivational processes. Here as in phonology, Paiwan appears to be quite conservative, and thus is of great interest in comparative studies of morphological and syntactic characteristics of earlier stages of Austronesian. Here also Paiwan's phonological transparency suits it unusually well to such use.

This communication presents a summary of Paiwan reflexes of PAN phonemes, then shows how insights on problems such as that of PAN doublets may be gained from the examination of Paiwan dialect variants and 'pseudo-doublets'.

2. PAIWAN REFLEXES OF PAN PHONEMES

Paiwan reflexes of PAN phonemes are outlined in Figure 1. For comparison, reflexes of PAN phonemes in other Formosan languages are shown in Figure 2. Attestations of Paiwan reflexes are given in the Appendix.

FIGURE 1
Paiwan Reflexes of PAN Phonemes²

In this communication *t is used to represent the PAN segment *t₁ in Dahl's (1973) notation; *c represents *t₂ and *kʷ; *d equates to *d₁ and *ʒ; *dʷ represents *dʷ and *d₂; and *ɖ represents *d₃. Dahl has noted that all Formosan languages appear to have merged PAN *t₂ with *kʷ, *d₁ with *ʒ, and *d₂ with *dʷ.³

PAN	*p	*t	*tʷ	*s	*c	*k	*ʔ(?) *H	*q
Paiwan	p	tʷ	t	s	c[ts]	k	ʔ ∅	q
PAN	*b	*w	*d	*dʷ	*d	*gʷ	*g	
Paiwan	b	v	w	∅	dʷ	z	d	g
PAN	*y	*ɹ(/nʷ ?)	*r	*y	*l	*m	*n	*ŋ
Paiwan	y	ɹ	r	∅	l	m	n	ŋ

FIGURE 2
 Comparison of PAN Reflexes in Selected Formosan Languages
 For further discussion and attestation see Ferrell 1976.

PAN	*s	*tʷ	*c	*t	*dʷ	*d	*d	*gʷ		
Paiwan	s	t	c	tʷ	z	dʷ	d	d		
PAN	*s	*tʷ	*c	*t	*dʷ	*d	*d	*gʷ		
Amis	s	c	t		r		n			
PAN	*s	*tʷ	*c	*t	*dʷ	*d	*d	*gʷ		
Bunun	s		t		d		ɣ			
PAN	*s	*tʷ	*c	*t	*dʷ	*d	*d	*gʷ		
Yami	∅	s	t		r	d	!			
PAN	*s	*tʷ	*c	*t	*dʷ	*d	*d	*gʷ		
Puyuma	∅	s	t	t	ʒ		∅			
PAN	*s	*tʷ	*c	*t	*dʷ	*d	*d	*gʷ		
Rukai	h	s	∅	θ	c	t	d	d	g	y
PAN	*s	*tʷ	*c	*t	*dʷ	*d	*d	*gʷ		
Proto-Tsouic	∅	s	θ	č	c	t	c	r	z	∅
PAN	*s	*tʷ	*c	*t	*dʷ	*d	*d	*gʷ		
Pazeh	h	s	dz	t	d		dz			
PAN	*s	*tʷ	*c	*t	*dʷ	*d	*d	*gʷ		
Saisiat	š	s	h	t	r		z			
PAN	*s	*tʷ	*c	*t	*dʷ	*d	*d	*gʷ		
Squiliq-Atayal	s	h	t		r	h	∅			

3. PAIWAN DIALECT VARIANT FORMS

Several phenomena found in Paiwan could, despite the transparency of its regular reflexes of PAN, lead the unwary investigator to reach erroneous conclusions if the only data available were from a single dialect or consisted of a restricted lexicon. Forms with frozen affixes could lead to the reconstruction of multi-syllabic stems in 'Pre-Paiwan'; restructuring could tempt one to posit stems not demonstrably cognate with what are in fact closely related forms in other languages; and 'pseudo-doublets' (see 4. below) could lead to postulation of supposed phonemic mergers and splits which would be spurious. Even putative 'new PAN phonemes' could be set up erroneously.

3.1. IRREGULARITIES AND DIALECT BORROWING

In Paiwan as in most languages, unexplained irregularities do occur between dialects. For example, /a/ = /a/ and /u/ = /u/ regularly across all Paiwan dialect boundaries, but note Kułaláú ʔakay, Tjuábar ʔakay 'swing'. Similarly, /t/ and /s/ correspond identically in all dialects, but note Kułaláú vurati, Tjuábar vurasi 'sweet potato'. Other noteworthy examples of inter-dialect irregularities include: Kułaláú qatʔuɖay, Qatsílay qatʔu!aʔ 'earthworm'; Kułaláú qatʔuvi, Makazayazáya atʔuviʔ 'snake'; and various dialect forms !a-!apit, !a-!atip, !a-!abic, !a-!acip 'bat (winged mammal)'. Many instances of apparently unconditioned inter-dialect irregularities involve the velar and post-velar stops /k ʔ q/, shown in three representative dialects in Figure 3.

FIGURE 3

Reflexes of Post-velar Stops in Three Paiwan Dialects

Note that in Kułaláú and Tjavuáúi /k ʔ q/ all are found, whereas Tjalakávus lacks /q/.

Kułaláú	Tjavuáúi	Tjalakávus	
/ʔ/	/ʔ/	/ʔ/	
ʔəʔə	ʔəʔə	ʔəʔə	'nope!'
/q/	/q/	/ʔ/	
qadid	qadid	ʔadid	'bitter'
quma	quma	ʔuma	'field'
vaqu	vaqu	vaʔu	'millet'
naŋuaq	naŋuaq	naŋuaʔ	'good'
umaq	umaq	umaʔ	'house'
/k/	/k/	/k/	
kəɖi	kəɖi	kəɖi	'little'
kuka	[vuyu]	kuka	'chicken'
məkəɬ	məkəɬ	məkəɬ	'run'
iku	iku	iku	'tail'
/k/	/ʔ/	/ʔ/	
kasiw	ʔasiw	ʔasiβ	'tree'
kaɬat	ʔaɬat	ʔaɬat	'bracelet'
nəka	nəʔa	nəʔa	'none'
tʔamaku	tʔamaʔu	tʔamaʔu	'tobacco/cigarette'
vaik	vaiʔ	vaiʔ	'leave'
aɬak	aɬaʔ	aɬaʔ	'child'

The distribution of these types of apparent irregularities among Paiwan dialects does suggest rather extensive borrowing between dialects, which would be consistent with the 'doublet' or 'dialect-borrowing' phenomenon so frequently posited in comparative Austronesian studies.

3.2. FROZEN AFFIXES

Cross-dialectal studies of Paiwan show considerable variation in the preservation of forms occurring only with 'frozen' affixes. For instance *vay (< PAN *bəyay) 'give' is found in Kułaláú dialect only on the affixed form pa-vay 'give', but in other dialects the stem vay is fully productive. Similarly *cəkad occurs in Kułaláú only in the

complex form *və-cəkad-an* 'middle/centre', but Qatsílay dialect has *cəkad-an* 'middle/centre'. In connection with this example, note that *və-* is not a productive affix in modern Paiwan.

In some cases all dialects show only affixed forms, as *vaqu-an* 'new'. In other instances all dialects show only affixed forms, but the frozen affix may be different in each dialect; e.g. *Kuʔaʔáú va-rəqʊŋ*, other dialects *sa-rəqʊŋ* 'snore'; *Kuʔaʔáú vuʔiti*, Qatsílay *quʔiti* 'leucoderma'.

In all dialects a suspiciously large number of apparently irreducible stems of more than two syllables begin with a restricted number of elements. Prominent among these latter are *va-*, *və-*, *vu-*, *tʔa-*, *ca-*, *sa-*, *ka-*, *ku-*, *ʔa-*, *ʔi-*, *qa-*, *qu-*. Occasionally there is internal evidence for suspecting these to be frozen prefixes, as in the case of *Kuʔaʔáú* 'middle/centre' (supra): note *qapuʔu* 'trunk/stem', *puʔu* 'haft/handle (as of hoe)'; *qunəvuʔ* 'dusty', *cəvuʔ* 'smoke'. But in numerous instances there is no such internal evidence for treating these as prefixed elements in Paiwan, which means that if they do in fact represent ancient prefixes, they were already 'frozen' in some stage that we can only refer to at present as 'Pre-Paiwan'.

Related to these are other suspected frozen affixes which appear to be complex in nature, notably *kaʔi-*, *qaʔi-*, *qaʔi-*, *quʔi-*, *quʔi-*, *vaʔi-*, *vuʔi-*, *vuʔi-*: *kaʔiɖuŋuɖuŋuʔ* 'butterfly', *qaʔimʊdan/quʔipapuduan/quʔipapunu* 'crown of head', *qaʔiɖuɖu* 'taro (sp.)', *quʔimamadas* 'caterpillar (sp.)', *quʔimamaraw* 'beetle (sp.)', *quʔimaciʔu* 'vine (sp.)', *quʔiməzaw* 'dizziness', *quʔipəpə* 'butterfly (sp.)', *quʔicacəŋəʔaw* 'dragonfly', *quʔivaŋəraw* 'rainbow', *quʔicapudus* 'ants (sp.)', *quʔicaca* 'tree (sp.)', *quʔivawvaw* 'curtain', *vuʔicikacik* 'tree (sp.)', *vuʔiŋəʔaw* 'coil up', *vaʔiŋəʔaw* 'cross-legged', *vuʔiʔawʔaw* 'whirlwind'. It will be noted that traces of several of this type of putative frozen affixes are found in many Austronesian languages from other geographical areas, and would be an interesting subject for further comparative study.

A somewhat different problem arises concerning otherwise identical forms with contrasting initial segments. Examples are: *zaʔum* 'water', *caʔum* 'carry water'; *ʔəɖəp* 'to plunge into', *təɖəp* 'inside/interior'; *umaq* 'house', *tʔumaq* 'inside of house'. Currently productive prefixes in Paiwan are all of the form CV- (cf. *tʔə-zaʔum* 'do at water', *ma-si-zaʔum-an* 'carry water'); however, these contrasting frozen forms look very much like the products of earlier paradigms. Many of the putative PAN doublets reconstructed by Dempwolff similarly differ only in initial segments and may conceivably represent similar processes since fallen into disuse in Austronesian languages. This is certainly a fruitful area for further study.

3.3. RESTRUCTURING

Various Paiwan dialects show different types of restructuring. In Kułááú, for instance, the phonetic merging of contiguous like vowels has led to such restructuring as the following: *caumumu* 'ferret-badger' (< *ca-umu-umu); *qaususu* 'fallen leaves' (< *qa-usu-usu); *taak* 'child (familiar term)' (< *a+a-a+ak). Compare also Kułááú *vuvu-an* 'nest' (< *uvu-uvu-an) with Tjuábar *ruvu*, other dialects *uvuvu*; Kułááú *ka!a!a* 'orchid', Qatsílay *ka-ə!a-ə!a*. Reduplication appears to be involved with much restructuring, as seen also in the following: *Makazayazáya muzi-muzip* 'animal' (< ?/m/uzi-?/m/uzip, cf. Kułááú *q/m/uzi-quzip*); Kułááú *taavi-taviŋ*, other dialects *taavi-aviŋ* 'shore'.

One further type of restructuring must be mentioned. This may be exemplified by Kułááú *k/in/a-cau-cau-an* and *k/in/a-cava-cavan*, free variants for 'body (of person or animal)'. Whether one of these forms may represent dialect borrowing is a moot point; the process involved in the formation of the second form appears to be fairly straightforward (the first form is considered to be regular inasmuch as *cau* 'person' is a fully productive stem, whereas there is no evidence of a separate stem **cavan*). Kułááú stress is regular on the penultimate vowel, thus *cau-cau* 'person' [ca.u.cá.u]; in discourse this may be realised phonetically as [caw.cáw]. Now in Kułááú dialect final /w/ becomes /v/ under affixation, thus a hypothetical root **caw* plus affix /-an/ would become [cá.van]. If this latter form came to be considered to be a separate stem **cavan* in certain 'frozen' complex words, then *cava-cavan* would represent regular reduplication of the reconstructed form.

4. PAIWAN DOUBLETS AND 'PSEUDO-DOUBLETS'

True doublets, in the sense of two words in the same dialect derived from the same source by different routes of transmission, are no doubt common in Austronesian languages.⁴ These may represent 'dialect borrowing', which is as frequently appealed to in Austronesian studies as the rubric 'ceremonial object' is invoked by archaeologists to 'explain' any artifact of which the function is unknown, or borrowings from related languages. However, the large number of so-called doublets reconstructed for Proto-Austronesian by Dempwolff and his successors makes us suspicious of the facile 'borrowing' explanation, particularly in view of the generally tenuous nature of the glosses we can assign to reconstructed proto-forms. Several types of phenomena occur in Paiwan which may serve to call closer attention to the question of doublets and related problems in Austronesian languages.

Phonologically similar forms with identical glosses occur fairly frequently within single Paiwan dialects. Examples are: rəgrəg ~ rətʷrətʷ ~ rəzrəz 'cut with sawing motion', mi-rəŋrəŋ ~ v/ar/əŋvəŋ 'blazing (fire)', ʎiməqu ~ ʎaməqudʷ ~ ʎamədʷ 'to swallow', -səʎak ~ -vəʎak ~ -vaʎak 'to swell'. These are similar in type to free variants such as b/in/iqu ~ v/in/iqu 'banded krait', ra-zaʎum ~ ra-dʷaʎun 'Taiwan green snake'. Such variants may in particular instances represent borrowing and thus perhaps qualify as true doublets; however, the frequency with which free variants are encountered in the world's languages makes it questionable for us to posit such variants automatically as doublets in the ordinary sense.

Extremely common in Paiwan are what I shall call 'pseudo-doublets' - phonologically similar forms with related but not identical glosses, occurring within the same dialect. Consider the following sets: ziwziw 'wave something back-and-forth', ɟiwɟiw 'signal by waving a burning brand'; kaʎus 'a ditch, furrow', ma-qaʎu 'deeply furrowed (terrain, or sow's belly)'; mu-ʎabus 'escape from inside', ma-ʎavut 'escape; become lost to someone'; v/aʎ/ʷŋavʷŋ 'pin-feathers', p/aʎ/ʷŋapʷŋ-an 'down, small feathers'; ʎaɟic 'scar (from burn)', vakic 'scar (of wound)'.

If some of the preceding sets of 'pseudo-doublets' may be suspected of representing phoneme split/restructuring or dialect borrowing, such sets as the following can hardly be explained away in this manner:

caqəv	'cover, lid'
taquv	'cap (of mushroom)'
ʎaquv	'cover for millet beer jug (leaf or cloth)'
ʎakəv	'protect, ward off attack'
ʎakup	'loose covering (as roof, vine)'
ʎaub	'to cover (as water covers ground)'
cauv	'to cover (as with blanket)'
cukəv	'large, removable cover (as for cook-pan)'

Nor do the Paiwan hesitate to invent new 'pseudo-doublets', as evidenced by such terms as puday 'maize' (cf. paday 'rice', paɟay 'discoloured peanut kernel'). It is amusing to speculate on the dilemma of an unsuspecting comparativist faced with a seeming PAN *a = Paiwan /u/ correspondence (PAN *pagʷey 'rice' > Paiwan puday 'maize' < *'grain' < *'rice'!) if paday had happened to have dropped from the Paiwan lexicon before being recorded by linguists!

5. CONCLUSIONS

'Dialect borrowing' has for many years been the catch-phrase for brushing aside the problem of the large number of putative doublets reconstructed for PAN. Data from an actual Austronesian language, Paiwan, have shown that similar forms may in fact represent various phenomena including (1) true dialect borrowing (probably a small percentage of cases), (2) free variants, (3) restructuring, (4) frozen or no-longer-productive affixes (such as *za+um* 'water', *ca+um* 'carry water', which may represent earlier paradigms), (5) 'pseudo-doublets', and (6) analogously invented forms. Many putative PAN doublets may in fact turn out to be the result of processes similar to these; at any rate the question should be examined further.

Awareness of the possibilities of processes similar to these having been at work in PAN should raise a healthy note of caution for Austronesian phonological reconstructions. Working either from a limited lexical base or with a naïve phoneme-to-phoneme bias could easily lead an investigator to erroneous conclusions with regard to correspondences with PAN. The investigator could also easily fall into the trap of positing 'new PAN phonemes', based upon different reflexes in daughter languages, of forms which were in fact not paradigmatically identical in Proto-Austronesian and/or the daughter languages in question.

APPENDIX

Paiwan Reflexes of Proto-Austronesian

- A.1. *p = Paiwan /p/: *panaq 'arrow/shoot' /panaq/; *piliq 'choose' /piliq/; *punay 'dove' /punay/; *sipi 'dream' /səpi/; *tʷapaw 'roof' /tapaw/ 'hut'; *siyup 'suck' /siup/ 'inhale'.
- A.2. *t = /tʷ/: *tiaʔ 'belly' /tʷiaʔ/; *tud₂uq 'drop/leak' /tʷuzuq/; *pitu 'seven' /pitʷu/; *[]utaq 'vomit' /utʷaq/; *qətut 'flatulence' /qətʷutʷ/.
- A.3. *tʷ = /t/: *tʷutʷu 'breasts' /tutu/; *tʷuquʔ 'carry on head' /tuquʔ/; *watʷu 'dog' /vatu/; *itʷa 'one' /ita/; *bəyatʷ 'husked rice' /vat/ 'seed'.
- A.4. *c = /c/: *cuʔu 'roast' /cuʔu/; *caliŋa 'ear' /ca|iŋa/; *maca 'eye' /maca/; *kucu 'head-louse' /kucu/; *kayac 'bite' /kac/; *[d₁z]əkək 'adhere' /dʷəkək/.
- A.5. *s = /s/: *sapuy 'fire' /sapuy/; *səpat 'four' /səpatʷ/; *kasiw 'tree' /kasiw/; *daqis 'forehead' /dʷaqis/; *(kus)kus 'nail/claw' /k-aʔ-uskus-an/.
- A.6. *k = /k/: *kaən 'eat' /kan/; *kali 'dig' /ka|i/; *likud₂ 'back' /|ikuz/; *taʔək 'cook' /tʷaʔək/ 'cook for journey'; *aʔak 'child' /aʔak/.
- A.7. *q = /q/: *qauy 'bamboo' /qau/; *qud₂əŋ 'crustacean' /quzəŋ/; *liqəy 'neck' /|iqu/; *bayəqəŋ 'molar' /vaqəŋ/; *təyay 'plane/whet' /ta-taq/; *pəʔuq 'full' /pəʔuq/.
- A.8. *b = /v/: *biyaq 'arum' /viaq/ 'leaf (sp.)'; *bətʷuy 'satiated' /mə-vətu/; *lubəŋ 'hole' /|uvaŋ/; *labaw 'rat' /ku-|avaw/; *laba 'big' /mə-|ava/ 'wide'. [NOTE: words ending in /-v/ are fairly common in Paiwan, but I have thus far not positively linked any of these with PAN *-b.]
- A.9. *b = /b/: *blbi 'duck' /bibi/; *cabcab 'beat' /cabcab/ 'slap'.
- A.10. *-w = /-w/: *babaw 'above' /vavaw/; *cakaw 'steal' /cakaw/; *laŋaw 'blow-fly' /|a-|aŋaw/ 'house-fly'; *qagʷaw 'sun' /qadaw/.
- A.11. *w = /v/: *watʷu 'dog' /vatu/; *tʷiwa 'nine' /siva/ [NOTE /s/ for *tʷ.]

- A.12. *w = /ø/: *walu 'eight' /a!u/; *(w)ada 'exist/be present' /m-aza/; *luwaq 'spit out/vomit' /pa-ðə-!uaq/ 'make gagging sound'.
- A.13. *d₁ = /dʏ/: *d₁anaw 'lake' /dʏanaw/; *d₁uyi 'thorn' /dʏui/; *!ud₁aq 'spittle' /!udʏaq/ 'betel spittle'; *qanʏud₁ 'float/drift' /qa!udʏ/.
[NOTE: *d₁ is a variant of *d₂.]
- A.14. *Z = /dʏ/: *Zilaq 'tongue' /dʏi!aq/ 'lick'; *Zəyami 'straw/stubble' /dʏami-a/ 'rice-straw'; *qu[Z/d₁]a+ 'rain' /qudʏa+/.
[NOTE: *Z is a variant of *d₂.]
- A.15. *d₂ = /z/: *d₂ataɣ 'flat' /ma-zatʏa/ 'level'; *d₂aya 'upland' /zaya/; *tʏəd₂u 'hiccup' /təzu(q)/; *qud₂ip 'live/life' /q-m-uzi-quzip/ 'animal'; *satəd₂ 'bring' /satʏəz/ 'return something'; *likud₂ 'back/behind'. [NOTE exceptionally /z/ from *d₁ and from *Z in: *d₁amay 'light/torch/resin' /zama-n/ 'torch'; *Zalaŋ 'rare/expensive' /pa-zana!/[metathesis].]
- A.16. *ɟ = /ɟ/: *ɟusa/*ɟewsa 'two' /ɟusa/; *uɟay 'worm' /qa-tʏ-uɟay/ 'earthworm'; *kuɟkuɟ 'rasp' /kuɟkuɟ/ 'weeding hoe'; *pa[ŋ][]ɟa+ 'pandanus' /paŋuɟa+/. [NOTE exceptionally /z/ from *ɟ: *waɟa 'exist/be present' /m-aza/; *ɟə-ɟəm 'dark' /zəm-zəm/ 'pitch-dark'.]
- A.17. *gʏ = /d/: *pagʏay 'rice-plant' /paday/; *bagʏaq 'inform/communicate' /vadaq/; *qapəgʏu 'gall' /qapədu/; *pigʏa 'how many' /pida/; *qugʏiŋ 'charcoal' /qiduŋ/ [metathesis].
- A.18. *g = /g/: *gacəl 'itch' /gacəl/; *garuc 'scratch' /garuc/ 'comb'; *gəmgəm 'fist' /gəmgəm/; *[t]agəraŋ 'ribs' /tʏageraŋ/ 'trachea'.
- A.19. *H = /ø/: *bəHi[] 'woman' /va-vai-an/; *qumaH 'field' /quma/; *amaH 'father' /kama/.
- A.20. *y = /y/: *[]acay 'die' /pacay/; *sapuy 'fire' /sapuy/; *bəyay 'give' /vay/; *gayaŋ 'spear' /gayaŋ/.
- A.21. *ɬ = /ɬ/: *ɬimatək 'leech' /ɬimatʏək/; *ɬacəŋ 'vegetable' /ɬacəŋ/; *aɬak 'child' /aɬak/; *tuɬa 'eel' /tʏuɬa/; *qubaɬ 'grey hair' /quvaɬ/.
- A.22. *r = /r/: *giriŋ 'growl' /giriŋ/; *garuc 'scratch' /garuc/ 'comb'; *[t]agəraŋ 'ribs' /tʏageraŋ/ 'trachea'.
- A.23. *ɣ = /r/: *kəyət 'to cut off' /kəɾətʏ/ 'to cut ramie'; *qayutʏ 'allowed' /qarut/ 'portion'; *wiɣi 'left (hand)' /viri/; *[]uyitʏa 'squid' /sərita/. [NOTE also doublets: *tʏiɬay 'light' /təɬar/ 'light', /ma-siɬar/ 'squint from brightness'.]

A.24. *γ = /ø/: *γumaq 'house' /umaq/; *uyac 'vein' /uac/; *qatʷiya 'salt' /qatia/; *kiyim 'send' /kim/ 'search for'; *buyuk 'rotten' /ma-vuk/; *baqəyu 'new' /vaqu-an/; *ikuy 'tail' /iku/; *qəcəluy 'egg' /qəci!u/; *sapay 'lay mats' /sapa/; *layay 'sail' /!a-!aya/ 'banner'.

A.25. *l = /!/: *laba 'big' /ma-!ava/ 'wide'; *lima 'five' /!ima/; *luban 'hole' /!uvaŋ/; *qulu 'head' /qu!u/; *[d₁Z]alan 'road' /dʷa!an/; *buluq 'bamboo (sp.)' /vu!uq/ 'spear'; *ŋilu 'rheumatic pain' /ŋi!u/ 'pain'; *gacəl 'itch' /gacəl!/; *capəl 'patch' /capəl!/. [Note exceptional *l = /ø/: *kilac 'lightning' /kiac/.]

A.26. *m = /m/: *maca 'eye' /maca/; *γumaq 'house' /umaq/; *d₂a+um 'water' /za+um/; *sa[l]um 'odour' /sa-!um/ 'ripe/fragrant'.

A.27. *n = /n/: *wana+ 'right (hand)' /nava+/ [metathesis]; *panaq 'shoot/arrow' /panaq/; *kaən 'eat' /kan/.

A.28. *ŋ = /ŋ/: *ŋilu 'rheumatic pain' /ŋi!u/; *[ŋ]agʷan 'name' /ŋadán/; *bayəqan 'molar' /vaqan/; *qud₂an 'crustacean' /quzan/.

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2. Paiwan data in this paper represent Kulalao [kułaláu] dialect unless otherwise noted.

3. Studies in phonologically more complex languages such as Atayalic are not yet far enough along for us to be truly certain at this point that all Formosan languages do in fact share all these mergers, or that the latter are not shared with any extra-Formosan languages. To the extent that these mergers may be shared by all Formosan languages (and only by Formosan languages), that the Formosan languages may form a discrete Austronesian subgroup would be strongly indicated.

4. Blust (1970:148, note 13) mentions that over 10% of Dempwolff's PAN lexicon represents doublets of other reconstructions. Blust further cautions against unwarranted proliferation of phonemes, and notes that doubling is 'extremely common' in living Indonesian languages.

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