スライアモン・セイリッシュ語のアプリカティブ接尾辞の歴史的起源について

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1. Introduction

Sliammon is one of the twenty-three languages that comprise the Salish language family. Major branches within Salish are: Bella Coola, Central Salish, Tillamook, Tsamosan, and Interior Salish Czaykowska-Higgins and Kinkade (1998:175). Sliammon is the northernmost language of the Central branch. There may be some evidence for three sub-branches in the Central branch: Northern, Mid, and Southern (Kiyosawa & Gerdts 2010:12). See Table 1.

Salishan languages have rather complex morphology, employing reduplication and affixation (mostly suffixes) as main processes. Verbal morphology includes transitive, causative, active-intransitive (antipassive), middle, object (if transitive), reflexive, reciprocal, and applicative.

Each Salish language has at least two applicative suffixes. They are listed in Table 1.

The Sliammon applicative suffixes have been described in Watanabe (1996; 2003:243-261): -?am, -mi, -ni. The purpose of this paper is to add another suffix, -us, as the Dative applicative, and to investigate the historical origins of these suffixes.

Table 1. Salish Language Family and Applicative Suffixes³

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Branch		Language	Applicative suffixes			
Bella Coola			-amk, -m			
	Z	Sliammon/Comox	-?əm, -mi, -ni			
	Northern	Sechelt (Se)	-əm, -mi, -ni			
	ern	Pentlatch				
Central Salish	Mid	Squamish (Sq)	-ši, -mi, -ni			
Central Salish		Halkomelem (Hk)	-as, -{c, -me?, -nəs			
		Nooksack	-ši, -ni, -ns			
		Northern Straits	-si, -ŋiy, -nəs			
		Klallam (Kl)	-si, -ŋi, -nəs			
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¹ Sliammon is also known in the technical literature as the Mainland dialect of Comox. The dialect is spoken by three groups (or bands): Sliammon, Homalco, and Klahoose. For details on the issue of these designations, see Watanabe (2003: 2-3). I refer to this language as "Sliammon" in this paper. Also, I refer to the Salish languages by their anglicized names.

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² Citing Dale Kinkade (p.c.).

³ Kiyosawa and Gerdts (2010:20) with slight modification.

•	Sou	Lushootseed	-yi, -bi, -di, -(a)c
	Southern	Twana	-ši, -ac
Tillamook			-ši, -əwi, -əs
		Upper Chehalis	-ši, -tux ^w t, -mi(s), -ni, -t(a)s, -tmi
Taamaaan		Cowlitz	-ši, -tux ^w t, -mi(s), -ni, -t(a)s, -s
Tsamosan		Quinalt	
		Lower Chehalis	
	Lillooet		-xit, -min
		Thompson	-xi, -mi
		Shuswap	-xi, -mi
Interior Salish		Okanagan	-xi, -\frac{1}{2}, -tu\frac{1}{2}, -mi
		Kalispel	-xi, -⁴, -mi
		Coeur d'Alene	-ši, -4, -tu4, -min
		Columbian	-xit, -ł, -tuł, -mi

Most notably nearly all Salish languages have the reflex of *-xi and *-mi.

Historical sound changes that are relevant to applicative suffixes are given in Table 2.

Table 2. Relevant Sound Changes⁴

Proto-Salish		
*x	š	Sliammon/Comox, Sechelt, Squamish, [Island] Halkomelem, Nooksack,
		Lushootseed, Twana, Tillamook, Upper Chehalis, Cowlitz, Kalispel,
		Coeur d'Alene
*x	S	Northern Straits, Klallam
*m	ŋ	Northern Straits, Klallam
*m	b	Lushootseed, Twana
*m	W	Tillamook
*n	d	Lushootseed, Twana

2. Indirective -?əm.

2.1. Form and function.

The suffix -?am followed immediately by the Control or the Noncontrol transitivizer creates stems that imply an actor and two goals. Since the maximum number of participants that can be encoded in a predicate is two, only the actor and one of the two goals can be marked overtly; the

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⁴ Kiyosawa and Gerdts (2010:16)

second goal must be expressed, if expressed at all, in an oblique NP.⁵

-?am is realized as -a?am immediately after sequences of two or more consonants.

(1)	Indirect	<u>ives</u>	Control transitives		
	?ix़-?əm-t	'carve (s.t.) for him'	?ix-i-t	'carve it'	
	gət'θ-ʔəm-t	'chop (s.t.) for him'	gət'θ-t	'chop it'	
	gəq'-?əm-t	'open (s.t.) for him'	gəq'-t	'open it'	
	jaxฺ ^w -?əm-t	'thaw (s.t.) for him'	j̃ax̣ʷ-a-t	'thaw it'	
	λ̃əpx ^w -a?am-t	'break (s.t.) for him'	λ̃əpx ^w -a-t	'break it'	
	p'əsx ^w -a?am-t	'flatten (s.t.) for him'	p'əsx ^w -a-t	'flatten it'	
	q'ətx ^w -a?am-t	'burn (s.t.) for him'	q'ətx ^w -a-t	'burn it'	
	t'əmq'w-a?am-t	'break off (a piece, e.g., of bread) for him'	t'əmq' ^w -a-t	'break it [e.g., bread into pieces]'	

(2)	<u>Indirectives</u>		<u>Agentive</u>	Agentive free roots	
	j̇̃əλ'-ʔəm-t	'run for him'	j̇̃əλ̇́'	'run'	
	?iłq'ay-?əm-t	'barbecue seal for him'	?iłq'ay	'barbecue seal'	
	qway-?əm-t	'ask (s.o.) on behalf of him'	qway	'say'	
	?ułq ^w u-?əm-t	'dig clams for him'	?u⁴q ^w u	'dig clams'	

(3)	Indirective	<u>es</u>	Middle ster	<u>ms</u>
	čił-im-?əm-t	'dance for him'	čił-im	'dance'
	č'ah-am-?əm-t	'pray for him'	č'ah-am	'pray'
	tiwš-am-?əm-t	'teach (s.o.) for her'	tiwš-am	'learn'

- (4a) t'əmq'w-a-t-as tə saplin break-LV-CTR-3ERG DET bread 'He breaks off the bread.'
- (4b) t'əmq'w-a?am-t-as tə čuy' ?ə tə saplin break-IND-CTR-3ERG DET child OBL DET bread 'He breaks off the bread for the child.'
- (5) $m \ni k^w$ -?əm- θ -as eat-IND-CTR+1SG.OBJ-3ERG

'He [or an unknown s.o.] ate my food [on me, by stealing it from my plate].'

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⁵ The Sliammon data in this paper are from my own research with its speakers. I have modified the symbols used for other language data for ease of comparison.

'He ate it for me [because I could not finish it].'

2.2. Active-intransitive -?əm.

Morphologically, there are two types of intransitive predicates in Sliammon: unsuffixed and suffixed. Unsuffixed intransitives are equivalent to the bare forms of free roots. Suffixed intransitives are formed with one of the three intransitive suffixes: -?əm 'Active-intransitive', -Vm 'Middle', and -Vš. It is most likely that the Active-intransitive and the Middle are both reflexes of the Proto-Salish *-(ə)m. Sliammon is different from most Salish, and indeed from Sechelt, in that it developed distinct suffixes for Active-intransitive and Middle.

The **Active-intransitive** suffix renders agentive intransitive stems. The subject of such stems is the one who performs the act denoted by the root. The logical patient is demoted to an oblique status and expressed, if expressed at all, in an oblique NP.

The Active-intransitive -?am is realized as -a?am immediately after sequences of two or more consonants.

(6	Active	_intrai	nsitives	formed	with	free	roots
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Active-int	ransitive	<u>Unsuffi</u>	xed intransitive
gət' ^ө -?əm	'chop (wood)'	gət' ^θ	'split' (Intr.)
j̃axฺ ^w −?əm	'melt (s.t.)'	ўах ^w	'melt' (Intr.)
kwəł-?əm	'untie (s.t.); loosen (s.t.)'	k^w ə $^{\downarrow}$	'become untied; get loose'
k'®ə\-?əm	'pour (s.t.)'	k' ^w ə⁴	'be spilled'
k'wəq-?əm	'chop (wood)'	k' ^w əq	'split' (Intr.)
λ'u4-?əm	'raise (a child)'	χ'uŧ	'grow up'
yəč'-?əm	'fill (s.t.)[container]'	yəč'	'[container is] full'
kwətxw-a?am	'light (s.t.)'	k^w ə tx^w	'catch fire'
λəpx ^w -a?am	'break (s.t.) [in two]'	λ ə px^w	'break [in two]' (Intr.)
p'əsx ^w -a?am	'burst (s.t.); deflate	p'əsx ^w	'burst; deflate' (Intr.)
	(s.t.)[e.g., tire, ball]'		
q'ətxw-a?am	'burn (s.t.)'	q'ətx ^w	'burn' (Intr.)

- (7) Active-intransitives formed with bound roots: $y = 7 \pi$ 'buy (s.t.)', $\theta = 7 \pi$ 'dig (s.t.)', $\theta = x^w 7 \pi$ 'stab (s.t.)', $\theta = x^w 7 \pi$ 'chop (wood)', $\theta = 7 \pi$ 'boil (meat)'
- (8a) q'ətxw čən burn lsg.indc.sbj 'I got burnt.'
- (8b) q'ətxw-a?am č burn-A.INTR JSG.INDC.SBJ 'I burn (s.t.).'

- (8c) q'ətxw-a?am č ?ə tə pipa burn-A.INTR 1SG.INDC OBL DET paper 'I burned (some) paper.'
- (8d) q'ətxw-a-t t⁰əm ti?i pəq pipa burn-LV-CTR 1SG.INDC.SBJ+FUT DEM whilte paper 'I am going to burn this white paper.'

The **Middle** suffix -Vm forms stems whose meanings fall reasonably within the category of the 'middle voice' (as discussed, for example, by Kemmer (1994)). This suffix is realized with any one of the four phonemic vowels.

- (9) -am: \check{c} 'ah-am 'pray', has-am 'sneeze', \check{j} aq'w-am 'sweat', $\check{\lambda}$ an-am 'be embarrassed', qah-am 'open mouth', san-am 'fall overboard', \check{s} as-am 'sneak', t' θ aq-am 'be sour [e.g., berries]', \check{x} ag-am 'cry', t' θ ik'w-am' '(be on) left side', yikw-am 'go around [e.g., a point]', kwət-am 'go over', $\check{\lambda}$ 'a θ -am 'be strong', tiw θ -am 'learn'
- (10) -im: čił-im 'dance', čiq-im 'be squished, torn', jix-im 'collapse', k'wit'θ-im 'jump', łiθ-im 'drizzle' p'it'θ-im 'squeezing (s.t.)', t'ig-im 'sweet', t'iq-im 'shining', xit'θ-im 'be raw, not ripe', həš-im 'smell bad', kwəj-im 'shining', č'əyk'-im 'being fried', gəsx-im 'making banging noise', jətkw-im 'shaking [e.g., leaves]', t'θətq-im 'jingling'
- (11) **-um**: *t'ik*^w-um 'disembark [from boat, car]', *guh*-um '[animal] bark', *k'*^wu\(\lambda'\)-um 'salty taste', *luq'*^w-um 'be stuck [in mud, sand]', *nuh*-um '[people] gather [esp. for a feast]', *tuq'*^w-um 'cough', *t'us*-um 'be quiet', *kapu-h*-um 'put on a coat'
- (12) -əm: ?at'-əm '[hair] fall off', jat-əm 'move', mač'-əm 'lubricate, rub [with oil]', tač-əm 'be visible' (possibly tač-am), xas-əm 'rustle, make rustling sound', xway-əm 'dive', juk'w-əm '[glass] break, shatter', kwət-əm 'get sick', nəš-əm 'swim', pəč-əm 'wake up', p'əλ-əm 'pick fruit', q'ay'-əm 'camp', qəkw-əm 'stop', qəs-əm 'laugh', qwa?q'w-əm 'bump (into s.t.)', səč-əm 'itch', səkw-əm 'shake [from cold]', θay'-əm 'sink', məsq'w-əm 'be soft', tətq'w-əm '[ball] bounce, be bouncy'

Given the allormorphy and function (demotion of logical patient), it is likely that the Active-intransitive suffix came to be used as an applicative suffix, in which case the (reflex of the) Proto-Salish *-xi must have been replaced by it.

However, we should also take Sechelt into consideration.

2.3. Sechelt

One of the applicative suffixes in Sechelt is $-\delta m$ 'benefactive' (Beaumont 1985; 2011). It is apparently always realized as $-\delta m$, even after two consonants.

(13) Se. t'i čən lácəm-**5m**-t-cí AUX 1SG.INDC.SBJ fix-APPL-CTR-2SG.OBJ 'I fixed it for you.' (Beaumont 1985:109)

(14) Se. xál-**ám**-t-cí-m sk^wa ?ə X'ə tán write-APPL-CTR-2SG.OBJ-PASS FUT OBL 2SG.POSS mother 'Your mother will write it for you.' (*lit.* 'It will be written for you by your mother.') (Beaumont 1985:110)

Sechelt applicative -óm after CC: no allomorph.

(15) Se. qwáλ'-st-**ám**-t come-cau-appl-tr 'bring/take s.t. to s.o.' (Beaumont 2011:581)

(16) Se. yú-st-**ám**-t go.home-CAU-APPL-TR 'bring/take (s.t.) home for s.o.'

In Sechelt -(V)m is a quite common marker of intransitives that corresponds to both Active-intransitives and Middles in Sliammon.

(17a)		Sliammon	Sechelt	(17b)	Sliammon	Sechelt
		Active-intr.			Middle	
	'shoot'	t'ut' ⁰ -?əm	t'úc'-əm	'learn'	tiwš-am	tíwš-ám
	'squeeze'	p'it' ⁰ -?əm	p'éc'-ém	ʻpray'	č'ah-am	č'íy-im
	'stab'	θəx ^w -ʔəm	łóq-óm	'collapse'	j̃ix̞-im	yíx-im
	'dig'	θiq-?əm	cíq-əm	'bark (dog)'	guh-um	wu?-əm, wu-m
	'pinch'	t' ⁰ əyp'-a?am	c'álp'-ám	'be quiet'	t'us-um	t'ús-um

(18) Se. láp'-ám-la ?ə¸ šə¸ sáplín break-MDL-IMP OBL, DET, bread 'Break off some bread.' (Beaumont 2011:59)

(19) Se. q'wá-q'wal-am ?a ta ?ásxw-iws

IMPF-cook-MDL OBL DET seal-body

'He is cooking seal-meat.' (Beaumont 2011:98)

(20) Se. tí-tiwš-**ám** ?ə tə ms qwáltən

IMPF-learn-MDL OBL DET 1PL.POSS language
'He is learning our language.' (Beaumont 2011:253)

2.4. Sliammon and Sechelt

If the intransitive suffix *-Vm actually came to be used as an applicative suffix in both Sliammon and Sechelt, we need to account for the difference in form of the intransitive/applicative suffixes.

Table 3. Sliammon and Sechelt Middle/Active-intransitive and Applicative

	Sliammon	Sechelt
Middle	-Vm	17.00
Active-intr.	-?əm (-a?am)	-Vm
Applicative	-?əm (-a?am)	-ám

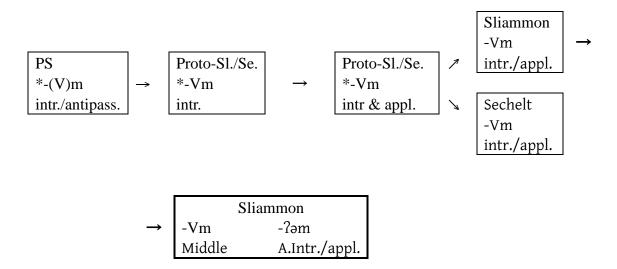


Figure 1. Evolution of Sliammon/Sechelt applicative suffix

Development of intransitive markers (with antipassive function) to applicatives is not found in previous literature on applicatives (e.g. Peterson 2007). Kiyosawa and Gerdts (2010:175) speculate that these applicative suffixes in Sliammon and Sechelt might be the result of grammaticalization of an older verb form 'give', as in Halkomelem *?a?am*. The verb that means 'give' is a source for applicative markers in genetically unrelated languages in the world (Peterson 2007:130-133). However, this verb form is not reconstructed to Proto-Salish or Proto-Central Salish (according to Kuipers 2002), and there is no evidence that there ever was a cognate form which meant 'give' in Sliammon or Sechelt. Alternatively, homonymy between an intransitive (antipassive) marker and an applicative marker is not unique to Sliammon/Sechelt; Central Alaskan Yupik has homophonous antipassive and applicative suffix, -yi (Miyaoka 2012:1105).

3. Dative applicative -us.

Gerdts and Hinkson (2004) conclude that the dative applicative suffix -as in Island Halkomelem is an innovation and that its origin is the lexical suffix -as 'face'.

The dative applicative suffix -as (-as in unstressed environment) is found in the stems listed in (21)(Gerdts & Hinkson 2004:229):

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⁶ Kiyosawa and Gerdts (2010:175) refute an earlier reconstruction *-*VmV* by Kinkade for Sliammon -*?əm*, Sechelt -*əm*, and Upper Chehalis -*tmi* (Czaykowska-Higgins & Kinkade 1998:56).

⁷ Kuipers (2002:37) reconstructs *-kał 'to give' for Proto-Salish. In Sliammon the root 'to give' is xənat- and in Sechelt yat (Beaumont 2011:183).

-as dative

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(21) Hk. ?e?əm
                     'give'
                                 ?aːm-əs-t
                                                 'give it to him/her'
           sem'-ət
                     'sell it'
                                 sam'-əs-t
                                                'sell it to him/her'
           xwayəm
                     'sell'
                                 xwayəm-əs-t
                                                'sell it to him/her'
           √?iw'
                     'instruct'
                                 ?iw'-əs-t
                                                'show it to him/her'
           √yəθ
                     'tell'
                                 yəθ-əs-t
                                                'tell him/her about it'
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somatic use 'face' (22) \rightarrow locational/directional extensions (23) \rightarrow metonymic extensions ('person')(24) \rightarrow dative applicative (21)
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Figure 2. Grammaticalization of Halkomelem lexical suffix 'face' to dative applicative

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(22) Hk. xw-4aq'w-əs-t
                          'slap him/her on the face'
          š-ť'θxw-as
                          'washed face'
          xw-yəqw-s
                          'burn face'
                          (Gerdts & Hinkson 2004:234)
(23) Hk. nə?-as
                         'facing away' (ni? 'be there')
                         'facing this way' (tə?i 'this')
          təh-as
          xwta?-əs-əm
                         'face toward, head toward' (xwte? 'toward')
          q'p'-as-t
                         'turn it upside down' (qp'ə 'down')
                         'look back, turn around' (\sqrt{c}'al 'change, switch')
          c'al-əs-əm
                         (Gerdts & Hinkson 2004:235)
                      'happy' (cf. ?ay' 'good')
(24) Hk. ?iy-əs
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qil-əs 'sad' (cf. qəl 'bad')
k'w\f-as-t 'throw liquid on him'
\fəlt-əs-t 'sprinkle him/her'
miq'-əs-t 'push, force him/her underwater'
(Gerdts & Hinkson 2004:236)
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Gerdts and Hinkson (2004:236) cite three Interior Salish languages that show the metonymic extension of the lexical suffix 'face' to 'person': Shuswap, Lillooet, and Thompson.

Sliammon shows the same somatic and extended uses of the lexical suffix 'face'.

Lexical suffix -us 'face, head, round object, opening, flat surface' (mu?us 'face, head')

Somatic uses:

- (25) sa-saxw-us-əm č IMPF-shave-face-MDL 1sg.INDC.sbJ 'I am shaving my face.'
- (26) t'⁶əč'xw**-us**-t cxw cut-face-CTR 2SG.INDC.SBJ 'Cut the head off (of the fish)!'

(27) kwət-us-t t⁰əm go.over-face-ctr 1sg.indc.sbj+fut 'I will turn it around. (e.g. mirror)'

Metonymic uses ('person')

- (28) kwət-us-əm čxw go.over-face-MDL 'You turn around.'
- (29) xwam-us-t ga wave?-face-CTR JMP 'Wave at her!'

Although limited to only three stems, -us is used in dative applicative sense:

Dative applicative uses:

- (30) q'waq'wθ-us-t-as tə saltxw ?ə kw xwaxwaj'im' tell.stories-dat-ctr-3erg det woman obl det legend 'He told the woman a legend.'
- (31) q'waq'wθ-us-θi tθθm tell.stories-dat-ctr+2sg.obj lsg.indc.sbj+fut 'I will tell you a story.'
- (32a) q'waq'wθ-əm' to tell.stories-MDL 1sg.INDC.sbj+fut 'I will tell a story.'
- (32b) $q''waq''w\theta-əm'$ $t^\theta am$ $tell.stories-mdl_1sg.indc.sbj+fut$ obl_ det_joke 'I am going to tell a joke.'
- (32c) q'waq'w θ -a-t-as tə ya-y'a- θ ut-s tə $\frac{1}{2}$ čuy' tell.stories-link-ctr-3erg det impf-do-ctr+rfl-3poss det bad child 'He is telling about what the bad child is doing.'

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- (33) xwuj-um-us-t-uł č ?ə tə janxw sell-mdl-dat-ctr-past 1sg.indc.sbj obl det fish 'I sold him the fish.'
- (34) x^wuj -um-us- θ -as- u^4 ? θ _ t θ _ janx θ sell-MDL-DAT-CTR+1SG.OBJ-3ERG-PAST OBL_ DET_ fish 'He sold me the fish.'

- (35a) x^wu-x^wuj-um θu (k^w) pəču

 IMPF-sell-MDL go DET basket

 'She used to go and sell her basket.'
- (35b) xwaj-əxw-uł č šə tə pəču sell-ntr-past isg.indc.sbj det isg.poss basket 'I sold a basket (to him).'
- (35c) xway' tə janxw sell DET fish 'The fish is sold.'
- (36a) ta?at xič-us-θ-as-uł kw šin' t'it'ist'is

 DEM point-DAT-CTR+1SG.OBJ-3ERG-PAST DET DEM bird

 'He pointed out the bird to me.'
- (36b) xič-i-t-as point-LV-CTR-3ERG 'He pointed at it.'
- (36c) hu št xič-ig-us-?əm ta?a go lpl.indc.sbj point-pl-dat?-A.intr dem 'We went pointing out some areas over there.'

Sliammon is not the only Central Salish language that shows the same phenomenon as Halkomelem. Sechelt and Squamish have comparable uses of the cognate lexical suffix, and Klallam has a "recipient applicative" suffix -us along with the lexical suffix -us 'face'.

Sechelt

"-us dollar, end (bow of boat, point of pencil/tool/etc.), eye, face, flat face/object/surface, hair, head, money, opening, round object.... There are a few words in which the meaning of 'eyes', 'face' or 'head' seems to refer to the whole person:

- (37) Se. *qáyx-ús-t* 'wave at/to s.o.';
- (38) Se. qów-ús-əm 'share a bed, sleep together';
- (39) Se. sáy-**us**-t 'show to s.o.';
- (40) Se. wíx-us-t 'accuse s.o., blame s.o., expose s.o.';
- (41) Se. yíyc-ús-əm 'talk(ing)/tell(ing) about things'; etc." (Beaumont 2011:899)
- (42) Se. yíyc**-ús**-t-cí čən sk^wa ... 'I'll tell you (about) ... ' (Beaumont 2011:462)
- (43) Se. yíyc-ít 'tell(ing) about s.o./s.t.' (Beaumont 2011:462)

Squamish

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-us 'face' (s-?ác-us 'face', s-m?-us 'head') (Kuipers 1967:124) (44) Sq. mik'w-us-m 'wash one's face' (Kuipers 1967:124) (45a) Sq. xwə-xwi?-ús-n 'tell a story to someone' (Kuipers 1967:124)
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(45b) Sq. xwə-xwi?-ám? 'tell a story (Intr.)' (Kuipers 1967:371)

Klallam

-us 'face' (*s?acs* 'face') (Montler 2012:354, 812-813)
(46) Kl. *q*^w*ay*-*us*-*t* 'to talk to s.o. directly in the face' (*q*^w*ay* 'to talk, speak') (Montler 2012:337-338)

-us 'recipient applicative' "occurs on three participant stems marking the direct object as a recipient" Examples listed in Montler (2012:800-801): 'exchange', 'give', 'throw sand on', 'hang up', 'getting paid', 'throw to', 'hug/kiss', 'bend down for', 'take away from', 'cull', 'pour on/be spilled on', 'hang on hook', 'salt it', 'take in', 'pay', 'lend', 'sell', 'tell a story', 'drag', 'argue with', 'tell'

(47) Kl. sxwi?am'-ús-t cn tiə sλ'ayé?λ'qł story-rcpnt-tr 1sg.indc.sbj dem children 'I told these children a story.' (Montler 2012:441)

Hence, Halkomelem is not the only language where the lexical suffix *-us 'face' developed into a dative applicative.

4. Relational -mi.

The Relational -mi can be reconstructed to Proto-Salish *-mi.

- (48a) j̃əλ'-mi-t ga tə θ man run-RLT-CTR JMP DET 2SG.POSS father 'Run to your father!'
- (48b) hu č jə¾' ʔə kw naʔa t'at'miʔim' taʔat l jaʔam-as go lsg.indc.sbj run obl det filler Bingo dem when some-3cnj.sbj 'I run to bingo sometimes.'
- (49a) xwit qwəl' xəl-mi-t-as qayx really come angry-rlt-ctr-3erg Mink 'She was getting angry at Mink.'
- (49b) xwit qwəl' xəl lə xawgas really come angry DET grizzly.bear 'Grizzly was starting to get mad.'

5. -ni.

The Sliammon suffix -ni occurs with only two roots: čəw'ut 'steal' and č'ət 'rain'. The applied object is the malefactive.

(50a) čəw'u-ni-θ-as ?ə tə tθ tala steal-IND-CTR+1SG.OBJ-3ERG OBL DET 1SG.POSS money 'He stole money from me.'

- (50b) čəw'uł tə čuy' steal DET child 'The child stole (s.t.).'
- (51) č'əł-ni-t-əm rain-IND-CTR-PASS 'He got rained on.'
- (52) č'əł-**ni**-θay-əm rain-IND-CTR+1SG.OBJ-PASS 'I got rained on.'

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(53) Se. čál(?)úł-ni-t 'steal s.t. from s.o.' (54) Se. č'áł-ní-t-əm 'get rained on'

Kiyosawa and Gerdts (2010:112-113) provides two possible scenarios for -ni attested in Central and Tsamosan Salish (though not all): (i) it was innovated in Proto-Central/Tsamosan branch or (ii) it was innovated in a single modern language (they speculate either Squamish or Nooksack to be the origin) and spread through the region.

6. Final remarks

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