



Demonstratives & Deictic Relative Clauses in Tami

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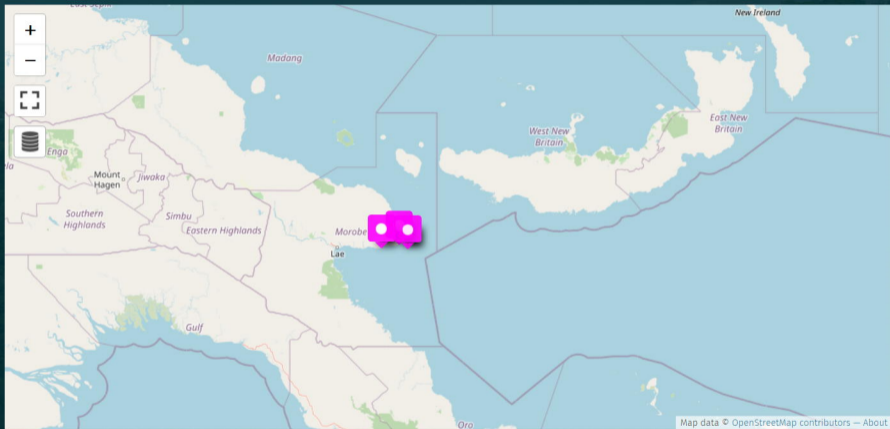




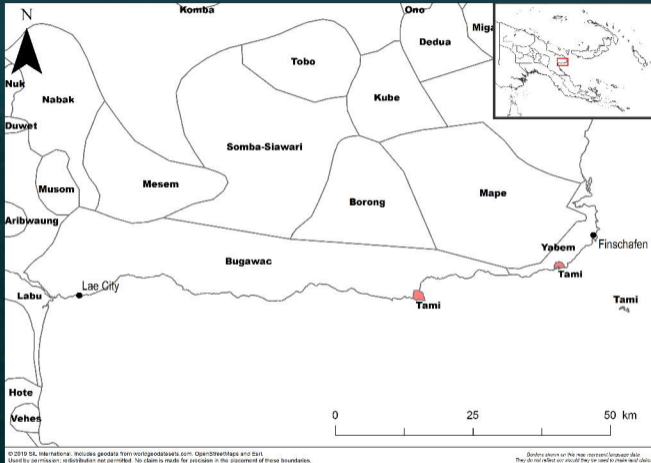


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TAMI



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- Western Oceanic › North New Guinea › Ngero-Vitiaz
- SVO
- ~2300 speakers
- EGIDS 6a (Vigorous)
- ⟨c⟩ = [ʔ], ⟨ê⟩ = [ɪ], ⟨ô⟩ = [ʊ]

BASIC DEMONSTRATIVES

	exophoric	anaphoric
proximal (near speaker)	<i>ke</i>	<i>tawe</i>
medial (near addressee)		<i>tale</i>
distal (far from both)	<i>ko</i>	<i>tawo</i>

BASIC DEMONSTRATIVES

<i>Ku-lisuc</i>	<i>ŋan</i>	<i>tumoandec</i>	<i>ke</i>	<i>lam</i>	<i>gên</i>	<i>ke</i>	<i>ton.</i>
2S.R-slide	thing	all	PROX	come	lie	PROX	first

‘Slide all this stuff over here first.’

BASIC DEMONSTRATIVES

<i>Ngaom</i> lid	<i>pompam</i> white	<i>ninuc...</i> small.PL	<i>ko,</i> DIST	<i>jac</i> be.on.top.of	<i>tebo</i> table	<i>pô,</i> on
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<i>kom</i> 2S	<i>si</i> FUT	<i>kwa-nga.</i> 2S.IR-get	<i>Ngaom</i> lid	<i>pompam</i> white	<i>ninuc</i> small.PL	<i>tôl</i> three
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<i>tawo,</i> DIST.ANA	<i>kwa-nga</i> 2S.IR-get	<i>na-lam.</i> 3S.IR-come
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‘Those... small white lids, on top of the table, you will get them.
Those three small white lids, bring them.’

PRESENTATIVE DEMONSTRATIVES

nec

proximal

alê

distal

- presentative *nec* not as common as *alê*
- normally used as relativizers, NOT presentatives
- seemingly used as demonstrative adverbs (here/there) sometimes

PRESENTATIVE DEMONSTRATIVES

Mone | *nec.*
money | PROX.PRSNT

‘Here’s some money.’

(when collecting bus fare)

Pac | *alê!*
rock | DIST.PRSNT

‘There’s a rock!’

(when traveling in a boat)

PRESENTATIVE DEMONSTRATIVES

* *Ku-munji* | *alê.*
2S.R-stand | DIST.PRSNT

‘Stand there.’

Ku-munji | *tale/ko/etc.*
2S.R-stand | DIST

‘Stand there.’

PRESENTATIVE DEMONSTRATIVES

Kat | *alê.*
sun | DIST.PRSNT

‘There’s the sun.’

or

‘There’s some sunlight.’

Kat | *tale.*
sun | MED.ANA

‘that day’

EMPHATIC DEMONSTRATIVES

necke

proximal

alêko

distal

- compound of 'presentative' and exophoric
- more specific or contrastive
- used for choosing to the exclusion of others
- can be accompanied with tapping location or object

EMPHATIC DEMONSTRATIVES

<i>Kom</i>	<i>kuli<m>lô-win</i>	<i>atalek</i>	necke	<i>mu</i>
2S	insides<2S.POSS>-be.with	chicken	PROX.EMPH	or

<i>atalek</i>	<i>tan?</i>
chicken	one

‘Do you want THIS chicken or another one?’

EMPHATIC DEMONSTRATIVES

Yao	<i>a-sik</i>	<i>alêko;</i>	<i>yao</i>	<i>rivetim</i>	<i>ko</i>	<i>na-mbac.</i>
1S	1S.R-put	DIST.EMPH	1S	rivet	DIST	3S.IR-CPL

'I put those right there; I riveted them.'

RELATIVE CLAUSES

NP *alec* CLAUSE *le*

<i>Tamala</i>	<i>alec</i>	<i>yei</i>	<i>tao</i>	<i>panu</i>	<i>le</i>	<i>mat</i>	<i>lil.</i>
person	REL	3S	build	house	REL2	die	3S.R.go

‘The person who built the house has died.’

RELATIVE CLAUSES

<i>Laôkanon</i> elder	<i>alec</i> REL	<i>kanje</i> say	<i>na-win</i> 3S.IR-be.with	<i>yao,</i> 1S	<i>yei</i> 3S	<i>lam</i> come	<i>win</i> also
<i>yao</i> 1S	<i>ta.</i> not						

'The old man that said he would come with me, he didn't come with me.'

DEICTIC RELATIVE CLAUSES

NP *nec* CLAUSE *ke*

NP *alê* CLAUSE *ko*

DEICTIC RELATIVE CLAUSES

<i>Kwa-wot</i>	<i>yao</i>	<i>pa</i>	<i>ŋan</i>	<i>nec</i>	<i>yao</i>	<i>a-basan</i>
2S.IR-ask	1S	about	thing	PROX.REL	1S	1S.R-prepare

he...
PROX

‘Ask me about this thing I am working on here.’

DEICTIC RELATIVE CLAUSES

<i>Kom</i>	<i>kwa-ŋga</i>	<i>tin</i>	<i>alê</i>	<i>munji</i>	<i>ko.</i>
2S	2S.IR-get	can	DIST.REL	stand	DIST

‘Get that can standing there.’

DEICTIC RELATIVE CLAUSES

Just 'this/that N V-ing here/there'?

DEICTIC RELATIVE CLAUSES

<i>Pa</i> because	<i>kip</i> place	<i>nec</i> PROX.REL	<i>ŋgit</i> 1P.INCL	<i>ta-mwa</i> 1P.INCL-be.ANIM
<i>tawe</i> PROX.ANA	<i>yei</i> 3S	<i>kip</i> place	<i>sawai...</i> empty	

‘Because this place where we are is empty...’ (Luke 9:12)

DEICTIC RELATIVE CLAUSES

<i>Kali</i> fence	<i>ngôt</i> piece	<i>alê</i> DIST.REL	<i>mun</i> face	<i>pa</i> to	<i>kat</i> sun	<i>ngê</i> go.up	<i>ka</i> GEN	<i>tale</i> MED.ANA
<i>ka</i> GEN	<i>katam</i> door	<i>tôl.</i> three						

'The part of the wall that faced to the east (had) three doors.'
(Rev 21:13)

DEICTIC RELATIVE CLAUSES

<i>Ngaom</i> lid	<i>pompam</i> white	<i>ninuc</i> small.PL	<i>le,</i> FOC	<i>alê</i> DIST.REL	<i>gên</i> lie	<i>yei</i> 3S
<i>ne</i> 3S.POSS	<i>sagin</i> wall	<i>ka</i> GEN	<i>ko,</i> DIST	<i>jac</i> be.on.top.of	<i>tebo</i> table	<i>pô...</i> on

'The small white lids, lying there behind his house, on top of the table...'

DEICTIC RELATIVE CLAUSES

<i>Ku-ŋga</i>	<i>ŋan</i>	<i>alê</i>	<i>jac</i>	<i>tet</i>	<i>le...</i>
2S.R-get	thing	DIST.REL	be.on.top.of	stairs/ladder	REL2

‘Get the thing there on top of the stairs...’

DEICTIC RELATIVE CLAUSES

<i>Kom</i>	<i>ku-kanje</i>	<i>katô</i>	<i>pa</i>	<i>ngai</i>	<i>pa</i>	<i>nan</i>
2S	2S.R-say	announcement	to	1P.EXCL	about	thing

<i>mapapac</i>	<i>nec</i>	<i>waja</i>	<i>pa</i>	<i>ngit</i>	<i>le</i>	<i>akapuc</i>
heavy	PROX.REL	arrive	to	1P.INCL	REL2	meaning

ton.
first

‘Tell us the source of this trouble that has come to us.’ (Jonah 1:8)

TROUBLESOME EXAMPLES

<i>Yei</i> 3S	<i>na-gên</i> 3S.IR-lie	<i>moŋ</i> only	<i>bai-ke,</i> MAN-PROX	<i>na-didiŋ</i> 3S.IR-connect ₁	<i>na-sai</i> 3S.IR-connect ₂
<i>nec</i> PROX.REL	<i>kandit</i> edge	<i>ka</i> GEN	<i>ke.</i> PROX		

‘It just lays like this, stuck here to the side of this.’

TROUBLESOME EXAMPLES

<i>Matacmatac</i>	<i>tan</i>	<i>na-gên</i>	<i>nec,</i>	<i>na-mun</i>	<i>pa</i>	<i>moêc</i>
green	one	3S.IR-lie	PROX	3S.IR-face	to	ocean

ka.

GEN

‘One green one goes here, facing toward the ocean.’

TROUBLESOME EXAMPLES

<i>Yao</i>	<i>nec</i>	<i>a-lam;</i>	<i>yao</i>	<i>nec</i>	<i>si</i>
1S	PROX	1S.R-come	1S	PROX	FUT

na-wac.

1s.IR-go.toward.addressee

‘Here I come; I will come from here to you.’

TROUBLESOME EXAMPLES

<i>Wusec</i>	<i>ko</i>	<i>waja</i>	<i>si</i>	<i>sulan</i>	<i>alê</i>	<i>lil.</i>
dinghy	DIST	go.out	LOC	bay	DIST	3S.R.go

‘That dinghy goes out from the bay and goes.’

TROUBLESOME EXAMPLES

<i>Woke</i>	<i>alê</i>	<i>mbac</i>	<i>lil,</i>	<i>ema</i>	<i>yei</i>	<i>ma</i>	<i>na-lam...</i>
week	DIST	CPL	3S.R.go	if	3S	VOL	3S.IR-come

‘Last week, if he had come...’