# The extended *siddha*-principle

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## 1 The *siddha*-principle

Pāṇini's grammar includes several types of metarules which determine how its operational rules apply. Among them are "traffic rules" which constrain how rules interact with each other in grammatical derivations. These are typically formulated as designating a rule or class of rules *asiddha* "not effected" (or *asiddhavat* "as if not effected") with respect to another rule or class of rules. For economy, the rules so designated are grouped into several sections, whose headings collectively declare them to be *asiddha(vat)*. The biggest such section, under the famous heading 8.2.1 **pūrvatrāsiddham**, extends from 8.2.1 through the end of the grammar (8.4.68), and is hence called the *Tripādī* 'Three Sections'.

#### [1] 8.2.1 pūrvatrāsiddham

(Any rule in this section is) asiddha with respect to any previous (rule of the grammar).

The heading [1] makes each rule that falls under it invisible to all rules that precede it. This is equivalent to stipulating that the rules in the  $Trip\bar{a}d\bar{\iota}$  apply strictly in the order in which they are enumerated, after which the derivation terminates.

The first great commentator, Kātyāyana, states that for rule A to be *asiddha* with respect to rule B means two things.

- [2] a. *Ādeśalakṣaṇapratiṣedha* 'prohibition of operations conditioned by the output'. The output of A is invisible to B, so A cannot "feed" B.
  - b. *Utsargalakṣaṇabhāva* 'allowing operations conditioned by the input'. The input of A is visible to B, so A cannot "bleed" B.

For the anti-feeding function [2a] of the *asiddha* relation, a standard example is Instr.Pl. *rājabhiḥ* 'by kings'. The following two rules are relevant in its derivation:

#### [3] a. 8.2.7 nalopah prātipadikāntasya

Stem-final n is deleted at the end of a word. E.g.  $r\bar{a}jan-su \rightarrow r\bar{a}jasu$  'in kings' (there is an internal word boundary before -su).

#### b. 7.1.9 ato bhisa ais

After a base ending in short a, Instr.Pl. bhis is replaced by ais. E.g.  $vrksa-ais \rightarrow vrksa-bhis$  ( $\rightarrow vrksaih$ , by other rules) 'by trees'.

These rules potentially interact, for the result of applying 8.2.7 to the *n*-stem  $r\bar{a}jan$ -bhis is  $r\bar{a}ja$ -bhis, a form to which 7.1.9 is is applicable, but must not be allowed to apply. If it did apply, it would cause -bhis in  $r\bar{a}ja$ -bhis to be replaced by -ais, just as in a-stems (such as  $v_rk_sa$ -bhis  $\rightarrow v_rk_sa$ -ais). In other words, the following derivation must be prevented:

#### [4] rājan-bhis

rāja-bhis 8.2.7 nalopah prātipadikāntasya

\*rāja-ais 7.1.9 **ato bhisa ais** 

\*rājaiḥ (other rules)

The grammar achieves this by putting 8.2.7 **nalopaḥ prātipadikāntasya** into the *Tripādī* section and putting rule 7.1.9 **ato bhisa ais** earlier. The restriction [1] then blocks 8.2.7 from feeding 7.1.9 (from supplying new inputs to it).

The anti-bleeding function [2b] of the *asiddha*-relation can be illustrated with the derivation of *bhugna* 'bent', from *bhujO-Kta*. (Here and below the capitalized letters stand for diacritic markers, which are not part of the phonological representation but encode a variety of idiosyncratic grammatical information.) Again there are two rules at stake:

#### [5] a. 8.2.45 **oditaś ca**

t in  $nisth\bar{a}$  suffixes (such as the past participle ending -Kta) is replaced by n after roots with the marker O. E.g.  $Opy\bar{a}y\bar{l}-Kta \to p\bar{v}na$  'swollen'.

#### b. 8.2.30 coh kuh

A palatal is replaced by a velar before an obstruent and at the end of a word. E.g. vac-tum $UN \rightarrow vaktum$  'to speak'.

In underlying bhujO-Kta, both rules are applicable: the replacement of -ta by -na after the root bhujO, and the substitution of the root-final -j by -g before an obstruent. If  $-ta \rightarrow -na$  were to take effect first, it would bleed  $-j \rightarrow -g$ , yielding the wrong form \*bhujna ( $\rightarrow *bhujña$  by 8.4.41 **ścunā ścuḥ**). In order to ensure that [5b] 'does not count' with respect to [5b], it is placed *after* it in the  $Trip\bar{a}d\bar{\iota}$ . It is thereby asiddha with respect to it, and fails to bleed it.

As the commentators' analyses make clear, imposing the *asiddha* relation on operations is equivalent to restricting the relative order in which the rules that enjoin those operations take effect. It seems that  $P\bar{a}nini$  in fact thinks of the *asiddha* relation as a restriction on rule ordering. Furthermore,  $P\bar{a}nini$  seems to presuppose that rules take effect one after the other (and not simultaneously). The restriction "A is *asiddha* (not effected) with respect to B" then has the same import as the restriction "B and A take effect in that order". Therefore, instead of saying that 7.1.9 is inapplicable to *n*-stems because the operation of *n*-deletion enjoined by 8.2.7 is *asiddha* with respect to it by [1], we will say that [1] prohibits derivations where 8.2.7 takes effect before 7.1.9 (such as derivation [4]), and allows derivations where 7.1.9 takes effect before 8.2.7 (such as derivation [6]):

# [6] rājan-bhis — 7.1.9 ato bhisa ais (inapplicable) rāja-bhis 8.2.7 nalopah prātipadikāntasya

Similarly, instead of saying that 8.2.30 is applicable to *bhuj-ta* because the operation enjoined by 8.2.45 is *asiddha* with respect to it by [1], we will say that [1] prohibits derivations where 8.2.45 takes effect before 8.2.30, and allows derivations where 8.2.30 takes effect before 8.2.45.

Traffic rules such as [1] function as restrictions on more basic principles that govern how Pāṇini's rules interact. Although these background principles are not stated in the Astādhyāyī itself, we can infer them

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup>As noted by Bronkhorst 1980, this can be concluded from Pāṇini's use of *asiddhavat* rather than *asiddha* in 6.4.22, where the effect of simultaneous application is desired.

from the derivations of the system (in so far as these can be ascertained from such independent knowledge of the grammar's intended outputs as we possess, of course), from overt restrictions stated in the grammar, and from other internal clues in the wording of the text. These strands of evidence converge to show, in particular, that the converse of the *asiddha* relation, namely the *siddha* relation, holds between rules of the grammar unless some restriction stated in the grammar says otherwise. Like the *asiddha* relation, the *siddha* relation has two aspects.

- a. Ādeśalakṣaṇabhāva 'allowing operations conditioned by the output': The output of A is visible to B, so that, if A creates new inputs to B, then B applies to them (A "feeds" B).
  - b. *Utsargalakṣaṇapratiṣedha* 'prohibition of an operation conditioned by the input: the input of A is invisible to B, so that, if A removes inputs to B, then B does not apply to them (A "bleeds" B).

Pāṇini uses the term asiddha 'not realized, not effected' and asiddhavat "as if not realized, as if not effected", in both functions of [7], ādeśalakṣaṇapratiṣedha and utsargalakṣaṇabhāva. Although he does not use its positive counterpart siddha "realized, effected" as a technical term, he knows the concept, for his asiddharestrictions only make sense as limitations on an implicit principle that rules are siddha with respect to each other in so far as possible, so that that when a rule is applied to a form, the relevant effects of other rules are taken into account. The we call the the siddha-principle (for discussion and various formulations of it see Joshi and Kiparsky 1979, Kiparsky 1982, Joshi and Roodbergen 1987, and Joshi and Kiparsky MS):

#### [8] Maximize siddha relations.

The way to maximize *siddha* relations is to apply rules in whatever order yields a result that is *different* from the result of applying them simultaneously. In other words, rules apply in that order in which they interact as much as possible (which maximizes feeding and bleeding).

There can be no doubt that the *siddha*-principle is part of the design of the grammar. Not only does it give the right result in the overwhelming majority of derivations, and is consistently exploited to obtain the simplest possible wording of each rule, but precisely where it fails to predict the right output, Pāṇini takes measures to thwart it. For example, the placement of a rule into the Tripādi=1 (the section headed by [1]) is invariably motivated either directly by the need to prevent it from feeding and/or bleeding an earlier rule, or indirectly by a relation that it bears to such a rule (Buiskool 1939).

Our claim that the siddha-principle defines the normal, default modes of rule interaction in the  $A\underline{sta}dhy\bar{a}y\bar{v}$  (the "unmarked order") is uncontroversial as far as siddha relations of type [7a] are concerned. The tradition does not give this part of the siddha-principle a special name, but it clearly takes it for granted. As for the part of the siddha-principle that relates to siddha relations of type [7b], the situation is more complex. It is similar to the grammarians' nitya-principle:

[9] A is a *nitya* 'constant' rule with respect to B if A is applicable whether or not B applies, but not conversely. A *nitya* rule has precedence over a non-*nitya* rule.

A typical instance of the *nitya*-principle which is subsumed under the *siddha*-principle is the derivation of *tad* 'that' (Neuter Sg.):

[10] tad-sU tad 7.1.23 svamor napumsakāt

The nominative singular case ending is deleted by the following morphologically conditioned rule.

#### [11] 7.1.23 svamor napumsakāt

Nom.Sg. -sU and Acc.Sg. -am are deleted after neuter stems.

until the case ending is deleted, the conditions of rule [12] are met:

#### [12] 7.2.102 tyadādīnām aḥ

Before a case ending, (the final segment) of pronouns of the tyad-class is replaced by a.

If this rule were interpolated in the derivation [10], it would produce a vowel sequence that would then be contracted by [13],

#### [13] 6.1.97 ato gune

For a sequence of the form: short non-word-final a + a, e, o guna), the latter is substituted.

with the end result \*ta:

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[14] tad-sU
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taa-sU 7.2.102 **tyadādīnām aḥ** taa 7.1.23 **svamor napuṃsakāt** \*ta 6.1.97 **ato gune** 

The reason this derivation is wrong is that it violates the *nitya*-principle (and *a fortiori* the *siddha*-principle, which incorporates a generalized form of the *nitya*-principle). Rule 7.2.23 is *nitya* with respect to rule 7.1.102 because 7.2.23 is applicable whether 7.1.102 takes effect or not, while after 7.2.23 takes effect, 7.1.102 is no longer applicable. The *nitya* rule 7.2.23 has priority; hence, -sU is first deleted, after which  $-d \rightarrow -a$  is inapplicable.

But the import of the *siddha*-principle goes beyond that of the *nitya*-principle in several respects. First, the tradition assigns the *nitya*-principle a minor role because it subordinates it to the *antaranga*-principle. In the cited references, we have presented evidence that the *antaranga*-principle does not apply within words, but merely gives word-internal operations priority over operations that apply across word boundaries. If this is correct, there is no competition between the *nitya*- and *antaranga*-principles within words, and the *nitya*-principle (in the form [7b]) comes to play a much larger role in the system than traditionally recognized.

Secondly, the traditional form of the *nitya*-principle, holds only for *simultaneously applicable* rules:

#### [15] nityāntarangayor balavattvam api yaugapadyāsambhava eva

"A *nitya* and an *antarañga* (rule) likewise only then possesses greater force (or, in other words, only then supersedes, or takes effect before, another rule), when it cannot take effect simultaneously (with that rule)." (Nāgeśa, on Pbh. 49, tr. Kielhorn).

The term *yaugapadyāsaṃbhava* refers to simultaneous applicability of rules. What [15] says, then, is that the *nitya* relation (as well as the *antaraāga* relation) are locally assessed. In the following sections of our article we attempt to establish the contrary position, that the *siddha*-principle, unlike the the *nitya*-principle, has a crucially global "lookahead" character. The effect of adopting the global version of the *nitya*-principle is to increase its scope even more, beyond the expansion already created by the elimination of the *antaraāga*-principle from word-internal domains.

# 2 The global nature of the *siddha*-principle

The formulation in [8] is still too vague. There are several ways to maximize *siddha* relations in derivations. Let us explore two of them more closely: the RESTRICTED *siddha*-principle and the EXTENDED *siddha*-principle. The restricted *siddha*-principle applies at each point in a derivation to determine which of the rules applicable at that point should take effect. The extended *siddha*-principle scans entire candidate derivations and chooses the one in which *siddha*-relations are maximized.

- [16] a. Restricted *siddha*-principle: a local condition which prioritizes rule application.
  - b. Extended siddha-principle: a global (transderivational) "lookahead" condition on derivations.

After explaining how the two versions of the siddha-principle work we will present internal evidence from the wording of the  $Ast\bar{a}dhy\bar{a}y\bar{\imath}$  that Pāṇini assumed the latter.

To return to the *siddha*-relation itself: what exactly does it mean to say that a rule or operation A is *siddha* "effected", or *asiddha* "not effected", with respect to another rule or operation B? The idea is that A is visible or invisible to B in a derivation. Kiparsky 1982 proposed that A is *asiddha* with respect to B just in case B applies crucially as if A had not taken effect, in the sense that B would produce a *different* result if it applied as if A *had* taken effect; otherwise A is *siddha* with respect to B.

To facilitate the formal statement of this and other definitions of the *siddha* relation, let us introduce a bit of notation. Let  $\mathcal{C}(\phi)$  stand for the result of applying  $\mathcal{C}$  to  $\phi$ . Then  $B(A(\phi))$  is the result of first applying rule A to  $\phi$ , and then applying rule B to the result. And  $A,B(\phi)$  is the result of applying A and B simultaneously to  $\phi$ ). Using this notation, the idea that *asiddha* means "crucially non-interacting" is captured by the following definition:

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[17] Definition 1 In B(A(\phi)),
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- a. A is asiddha with respect to B if  $B(A(\phi)) = B, A(\phi)$  and  $A(B(\phi)) \neq B, A(\phi)$ ,
- b. otherwise A is siddha w.r.t. B.

[17] defines the *asiddha* relation positively as crucial non-interaction, and makes anything which is not *asiddha siddha*. Now let us consider a somewhat different idea: still defining *asiddha* as crucial non-interaction, let us redefine *siddha* as *crucial interaction*, leaving the relations undefined in the case of mutually non-interacting rules:

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[18] Definition 2 In B(A(\phi)),
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- a. A is asiddha with respect to B if  $B(A(\phi)) = B, A(\phi)$  and  $A(B(\phi)) \neq B, A(\phi)$ ,
- b. A is siddha w.r.t. B if  $B(A(\phi)) \neq BA(\phi)$
- c. otherwise the *siddha* and *asiddha* relations are undefined.

The two definitions [17] and [18] converge for rules that can interact, but they differ for rules that can't interact, namely where  $B(A(\phi)) = B, A(\phi) = A(B(\phi))$ . In this case, A and B are vacuously *siddha* with respect to each other in both  $B(A(\phi))$  and  $A(B(\phi))$  by [17], but the *siddha* relation is undefined by [18].

Under the former definition, a vacuous *siddha* relation is formally equated to a crucial one, under the latter, only the crucial one counts. The *siddha*-principle will apply differently depending on which definition is adopted.

At first blush it might seem that the distinction between [17] and [18] is otiose. Why would it matter whether a rule is siddha or not with respect to a rule that it cannot interact with? Indeed, in the examples we have discussed so far, it makes no difference. Let's see how the new interpretation of the siddha relation as crucial interaction works in the derivation of tad 'that'. Applying  $-d \rightarrow -a$  and -sU-deletion simultaneously to tad-sU results in \*taa, as does applying them in that order (see [10]). The siddha-principle accordingly dictates that -sU-deletion should be applied before  $-d \rightarrow -a$ . For purposes of -sU deletion, it makes no difference whether  $-d \rightarrow -a$  has taken effect or not (we shall say that the siddha relation is undefined in such cases). So, one effect of maximizing of siddha relations is that nitya rules get precedence.

Yet, surprisingly, the two *siddha*-relations lead to quite different versions of the *siddha*-principle: [17] commits us to the restricted *siddha*-principle [16a], which is assessed locally. By defining *siddha* more narrowly, [18] makes the *siddha*-principle more stringent. Only [18] allows the formulation of the extended *siddha*-principle [16b], a "look ahead" condition that maximizes the *siddha*-relation across derivations. In the next sections we will see that this version is the one that operates in Pāṇini's gramnar.

## 3 Evidence for the extended *siddha*-principle

The derivation of  $adh\bar{\imath}tya$  'having approached' from  $adhi-i-Ktv\bar{a}$  involves three processes: the replacement of the absolutive suffix  $-Ktv\bar{a}$  by -LyaP after prefixed roots, insertion of the augment -t after a short root vowel before -LyaP, and vowel contraction, here  $i i \to \bar{\iota}$ .

#### [19] a. 6.1.101 akaḥ savarṇe dīrghaḥ

In close contact, (a, i, u, r, !) and a following vowel of the same color are (together) replaced by a long vowel.

#### b. 7.1.37 samāse 'nañpūrve ktvo lyap

In a compound that does not begin with  $a\tilde{N}$ -,  $-Ktv\bar{a}$  is replaced by -LyaP.

#### c. 6.1.71 hrasvasya piti krti tuk

t is inserted after a short vowel before a krt suffix marked with P.

If no further ordering restrictions are placed on the three rules, the outcome is  $*adh\bar{\imath}ya$ . This is determined as follows. The input  $adhi-i-Ktv\bar{a}$  is subject to [19a] and [19b]. If [19a] takes effect first, then [19b] is still applicable and the derivation terminates in  $*adh\bar{\imath}ya$ . If [19b] takes effect first, then both [19a] and [19c] are applicable to the output, and the siddha-principle selects [19a], because it is nitya, after which the derivation again terminates in  $*adh\bar{\imath}ya$ . The grammar achieves the right output  $adh\bar{\imath}tya$  by stipulating that vowel contraction is asiddha with respect to insertion of the augment tUK:

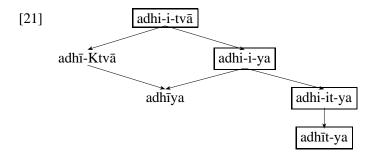
#### [20] 6.1.86 satvatukor asiddhah

The following rules (up to 6.1.110) are not effected with respect to s-retroflexion and insertion of the augment tUK.

By [20], [19a] is invisible to [19c], so that t is added in spite of the surface length of the root's vowel, yielding  $adh\bar{\imath}tya$ .

The possible derivations can be represented by a lattice diagram as follows (I omit the silent diacritics):

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup>Again, 6.1.86 is more general than that, but the other *asiddha* relations that it stipulates will not play a role here.



The path through the boxed forms is the correct derivation. The remaining two paths, which converge on unwanted \*adhīya, are excluded by [20] 6.1.86 **ṣatvatukor asiddhah**. How exactly does stipulating that contraction is asiddha w.r.t. t-insertion accomplish that, on the understanding that it restricts rule ordering? There is no problem after -tvā is replaced by -ya to give adhi-i-ya). At that point, either version of the siddha-principle requires contraction, being the nitya rule, to apply first. But at the initial stage of the derivation, the restricted siddha-principle does not choose between [19a] and [19b]. In other words, how do we exclude the leftmost path in [21] (\*adhīya via adhī-Ktvā)? The answer is that it is excluded because in it [19a] (contraction) is neither asiddha not siddha to [19c] (t-insertion), while in the actual (boxed) derivation it is asiddha. So we can think of [20] as a filter which excludes all derivations in which [19a] is not asiddha to [19c].

This example of the global "lookahead" character of Pāṇinian derivations would still have worked with the old definition [17]. The need for [18] is demonstrated examples where crucial *siddha* relations must be chosen over what in [17] would have been vacuous *siddha*-relations.

The active perfect participle of *sad* 'sit' is *sed-vas*, where *sed-* replaces the reduplicated stem *sa-sad*-by rules which need not be detailed here. In *bha* stems (i.e. before oblique vocalic suffixes such as Gen.Sg. *-as*), the suffix *-vas* is vocalized to *-us* by rule 6.4.131, given in [22a], e.g. Gen.Sg. *seduṣaḥ*. Otherwise, when *-vas* does not undergo vocalization, it receives an initial augment *i* under certain conditions by rule 7.2.67, given in [22b], as in Nom.Sg. *sedivān* (with deleted *-sU*).

#### [22] a. 6.4.131 vasoh samprasāranam

The semivowel v of the suffix -vasU is vocalized in bha stems.

#### b. 7.2.67 vasv ekājādghasām

The augment iT is inserted before -vas after a monosyllabic root.

#### c. 6.1.8 liţi dhātor anabhyāsasya

Before IIT suffixes, an unreduplicated root is reduplicated.

The derivations of Nom.Sg  $sed\bar{v}an$  shows the insertion of the augment i before -vas by [22b].

# [23] sad sad-IIT

sad-IIT 3.2.115 parokse lit

sad-KvasU 3.2.108 **bhāṣāyāṃ sadavasaśruvaḥ** sasad-vas [22c] 6.1.8 **liṭi dhātor anabhyāsasya**, etc. sed-vas 6.4.120 **ata ekahalmadhye 'nādeśāder liti** 

sed-vas-sU 4.1.2 svau...

sed-ivas-sU [22b] 7.2.67 vasv ekājādghasām

sedivān (other rules)

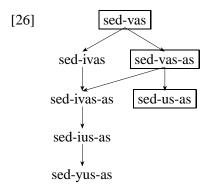
In the derivation of *seduṣaḥ*, vocalization of *-vas* to *-us* by [22a] bleeds *i*-insertion (the first part of the derivation is the same as in [23] and is not repeated in [24]):

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[24] sed-vas
sed-vas-Nas 4.1.2 svau...
sed-us-as [22a] 6.4.131 vasoḥ saṃprasāraṇam
sed-uṣ-aḥ (other rules)
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It is this second derivation that requires the extended *siddha*-principle. It is needed to prevent *i*-insertion from taking effect *while its conditioning environment is still present*, as in [25].

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[25] sed-vas
sed-ivas
7.2.35 ārdhadhātukasyeḍ valādeḥ
sed-ivas-Nas
4.1.2 svau...
sed-ius-as
*sed-juṣ-aḥ
(other rules)
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Here is the lattice representing the possible derivations (beginning with the stage sed-vas):



At the stage sed-vas, there is a choice between adding the case ending  $(sed\text{-}vas\text{-} \to sed\text{-}vas\text{-}\bar{N}as)$  and adding  $i\c{T}$   $(sed\text{-}vas\text{-} \to sed\text{-}ivas\text{-})$ . The correct output is derived only if case affixation takes effect first. For then, at the stage  $sed\text{-}vas\text{-}\bar{N}as$ , the siddha-principle favors  $sampras\bar{a}rana$  (the nitya rule) over  $i\c{T}$ , so the output is sedusah. If, on the other hand,  $i\c{T}$  is added first, the derivation proceeds inexorably from sed-ivas to the wrong output \*sed-yus-ah, as shown in [25] above. So the question is why, at the stage sed-vas, case affixation gets priority over  $i\c{T}$ -augmentation. The restricted siddha-principle does not say anything about it. The extended siddha-principle does. It selects the derivation in [24] because it creates a siddha-relation between the  $sampras\c{a}rana$  and  $i\c{T}$  rules, which (according to Definition 2 in [18]) is not present if the  $i\c{T}$  rule takes effect before the case ending is added. The relevant siddha-relations according to the two definitions in [17] and [18] are displayed in [27]:

[27] The relation of samprasārana (6.4.131) to iT(7.2.35) in derivations [24] and [23]:

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by [17] by [18]
in [24] siddha siddha
in [25] siddha undefined
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By restricting the *siddha*-relation to crucial rule interactions, [18] characterizes the fact that derivation [24] is optimal because it maximizes rule interaction. It does not just avoid local violations of the *siddha*-principle, but it is constructed in such a way that the *siddha*-principle does as much work in the derivation as possible.

The following example is similar in that it involves the relationship of *saṃprasāraṇa* with another augmentation rule. In past tense forms, verbs receive an augment, whose shape depends on whether the root begins with a consonant or with a vowel, Before a consonant, they get a short augment *a*- by 6.4.71 **lun̄lan̄lrn̄ksv ad udāttah**, and before a vowel, they get a long augment by 6.4.72 **ād ajādīnām**.

#### [28] a. 6.4.71 lunlanlrnksv ad udattah

Short accented a is added before (a root ending in) a  $lu\bar{n}$  (aorist),  $la\bar{n}$  (imperfect), or  $lr\bar{n}$  (conditional) suffix.

#### b. 6.4.72 **āḍ ajādīnām**

Long accented  $\bar{a}$  is added (under the same conditions) before (a root) which begins with a vowel.

Which form of the augment is chosen depends not on the underlying shape of the root, but on its *surface* shape, as determined by morphological and phonological operations which include *saṃprasāraṇa*. [29] shows how this works in the derivation of *aupyata* 'it was sowed'.

#### [29] vap-laN

vap-ta (3.1.67 must apply here if the right output is to be derived)

vap-yaK-ta 3.1.67 **sārvadhātuke yak** 

up-ya-ta 6.1.15 **vacisvapiyajādinām kiti** (6.4.72 is applicable but 6.4.71 wins by the *siddha*-principle)

ā-up-ya-ta 6.4.72 **ād ajādīnām** (now 6.4.72, not 6.4.71, is applicable)

aupyata (other rules)

The augment must "wait" for the root vocalism to be changed by rule [30a], hence for the suffix *yaK* which triggers that change to be added by [30b].

#### [30] a. 6.1.15 vacisvapiyajādinām kiti

A semivowel is replaced by  $sampras\bar{a}rana$  in the roots vac, vaj,... before a suffix marked K.

#### b. 3.1.67 sārvadhātuke yak

yaK is added before a sārvadhātuka suffix which denotes the Goal or the Process.

So, at the stage vap-ta in [29], why isn't the augment added immediately, which would result in \*opyata?

#### [31] $vap-la\bar{N}$

vap-ta (suppose now we apply 6.4.71 instead of 3.1.67 here)

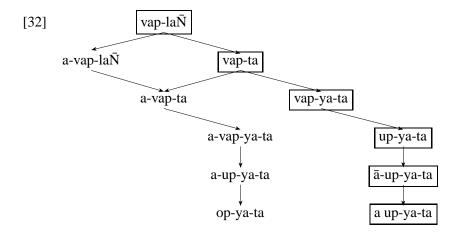
a-vap-ta 6.4.71 lunlanlrnksv ad udattah

a-vap-yaK-ta 3.1.67 sārvadhātuke yak

a-up-ya-ta 6.1.15 **vacisvapiyajādinām kiti** 

\*op-ya-ta (other rules)

The restricted, locally defined *siddha*-principle does not distinguish between this derivation and the one in which -*yaK* is added before the augment. The extended, global *siddha*-principle does give the right result. It chooses the derivation in [29] over the one in [38] because the former has two extra *siddha*-relations, namely between the *saṃprasāraṇa* rule 6.1.15 and the augmentation rules 6.4.71 (feeding, *ādeśalakṣaṇabhāva*) and 6.4.72 (bleeding, *utsargalakṣaṇapratiṣedha*).



# 4 Are samprasāraņa rules special?

The last two examples, *seduṣaḥ* and *aupyata*, have something in common. In both, the winning rule vocalizes a semivowel (*saṃprasāraṇa*). From such cases, grammarians have drawn the generalization that *saṃprasāraṇa* rules, such as [22a] and [30], have priority over other rules (this is *Pbh*. 119 of Nāgeśa'a *paribhāṣenduśekhara*, where it is however rejected as superfluous). This idea is inconsistent with the general character of the grammar. The well-established unstated principles behind the grammar are very general. Anything as parochial as a constraint on *saṃprasāraṇa* rules would have been recorded as a rule in the grammar itself. There is also a more technical objection, which is simply that *saṃprasāraṇa* rules do *not* always have priority over other rules. The derivation of *śvayitvā* 'having swelled' is a case in point.

[33]	śvi-Ktvā		
	śvi-itvā	7.2.35 ārdhadhātukasyedvalādeḥ	augment iŢ
	śvi-itvā	1.2.18 na ktvā set	Ktvā loses its marker K
	śve-itvā	7.3.84 sārvadhātukārdhadhāyukayoḥ	<i>guṇa</i> , triggered by suffixes not marked with $K$ or $\bar{N}$
	śvayitvā	(other rules)	

The relevant rules are given in [34].

#### [34] a. 7.2.35 **ārdhadhātukasyed valādeh**

*i* is inserted before an *ārdhadhātuka* suffix beginning with a consonant other than *y*.

#### b. 1.2.18 na ktvā set

 $Ktv\bar{a}$  does not have the marker K when it has the augment iT.

# c. 7.3.84 sārvadhātukārdhadhātukayoḥ (82 guṇaḥ) (6.4.1 angasya) Before sārvadhātuka and ārdhadhātuka suffixes, (the last segment of) (a base) is replaced by (guna).

In [33], rule [34a] inserts the augment  $i\bar{T}$  before a class of suffixes including the absolutive suffix  $-Ktv\bar{a}$ . The augmented  $-itv\bar{a}$  lacks the original triggering marker K, because of rule [34b]. Therefore it no longer conditions  $sampras\bar{a}rana$  by [30], and triggers strong grade of the root by rule [34c].

In the derivation in [33], *saṃprasāraṇa* replacement cannot be allowed to take place at the stage before the augment is added. But this contradicts the stipulation that *saṃprasāraṇa* rules have priority over other rules. That stipulation, in fact, predicts the wrong derivation in [35].

# [35] śvi-Ktvā śu-Ktvā śu-itvā śo-itvā śo-itvā śavitvā śavitvā śavitvā śo-tvā śavitvā

As for the traditional *nitya*-principle, and the restricted *siddha*-principle which incorporates it, they do not distinguish [35] from [33]. The extended *siddha*-principle, however, correctly selects the derivation [33] over [35]. The reason is that [33] instantiates two *siddha*-relations which are not instantiated in [35], namely that [34a] 7.2.35 (via [34] 1.2.18) bleeds *saṃprasāraṇa* by [30] 6.1.15, and that it feeds *guṇa* by [34c] 7.3.84. Thus, [33] is the derivation in which the rules interact maximally.

The putative principle that *samprasāraṇa* rules have priority over other rules does not come even close to doing justice to the "lookahead" cases that the extended *siddha*-principle accounts for. Consider the derivation of forms like *dadhati* 'they give'. The realization of the 3.Pl. ending depends on the form of the root according to [36].

#### [36] a. 7.1.3 **jho 'ntah**

ant is substituted for jha in a suffix.

#### b. 7.1.4 ad abhyastāt

After a reduplicated root, at (instead of ant) is substituted for jha in a suffix.

In the derivation shown in [37], 7.1.4 applies to replace the jh of the underlying the 3.Pl. ending by at because the root is reduplicated.

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[37] dhā-jhi
dhā-ŚaP-jhi 3.1.68 kartari śap
dhā-(Ślu)-jhi 2.4.75 juhotyādibhyaḥ śluḥ
da-dhā-jhi 6.1.10 ślau, etc.
da-dhā-ati 7.1.4 ad abhyastāt
dadhati (other rules)
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After a simple root, *jh* would have been replaced by *ant* instead by 7.1.3. The problem is to prevent this from happening prematurely before reduplication actually takes effect:

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[38] dhā-jhi
dhā-ŚaP-jhi
3.1.68 kartari śap
dhā-ŚaP-anti
7.1.3 jho 'ntaḥ
dhā-(Ślu)-anti
da-dhā-anti
6.1.10 ślau, etc.
*dadhanti
(other rules)
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Let's look at what goes wrong here. At the stage  $dh\bar{a}$ - $\acute{S}aP$ -jhi, two rules present themselves: [36a] 7.1.3 **jho** '**ntah**  $(jhi \rightarrow anti)$  and [39] 2.4.75 **juhotyādibhyah** śluh  $(\acute{S}aP \rightarrow \acute{S}lu)$ .

#### [39] 2.4.75 juhotyādibhyah śluh

After hu and the other roots of the third class, ŚaP is replaced by Ślu.

The restricted siddha-principle, and the traditional nitya-principle that it incorporates, do not decide between these two rules. These rules do not interact, so neither of them is nitya, or siddha by definition 1 (see [17]). And of course there is no  $sampras\bar{a}rana$  rule involved. What does ensure the correct derivation [37] is the extended siddha-principle. It says that [39] takes precedence because it maximizes siddha-relations in the derivation (under the definition of siddha in [18]). The replacement of  $\hat{S}aP$  by  $\hat{S}lu$  feeds 6.1.10  $\hat{S}lau$ , which in turn bleeds 7.1.3  $\hat{J}ho$  'ntah and feeds 7.1.4 ad abhyastāt. If the  $\hat{J}hi \rightarrow anti$  replacement applies first, these siddha-relations are lost. Thus, the correct derivation globally maximizes siddha-relations, as the extended (lookahead) version of the siddha-principle requires.

## 5 Are morphologically conditioned rules special?

The examples of the extended *siddha*-principle considered so far have something else in common: the right derivation involves applying a "morphological" substitution before a "phonological" substitution. This suggests yet another alternative to the extended *siddha*-principle. Pāṇini could have made what in modern terms amounts to a separation between morphology and phonology (after all, he distinguishes a class of rule which he calls *alvidhi*, which seems to mean "phonological rule"). A derivation would proceed by lining up all its morphemes, and then applying any substitution or augmentation rules that may be applicable. This idea is actually considered by the tradition under the rubric of the *padasaṃskārapakṣa* (and the *vākyasaṃskārapakṣa*, when the same procedure is generalized to the level of the whole sentence).

Undoubtedly morphological operations do tend to "precede" phonological operations in Sanskrit, as they do in other languages. But it would neither be necessary nor sufficient to impose a constraint to that effect. Pāṇinian derivations allow the full range of interactions between morphological and phonological operations. They can be freely interspersed as the form is built up — the method called *krameṇānvākhyānapakṣa*. so it is unlikely that Pāṇini operated with a constraint that gives morphological rules priority over phonological rules. The tendency for morphology to precede phonology in derivations simply emerges from the extended *siddha*-principle, for affixation and other morphological operations usually determine the conditions under which phonological processes apply, rather than vice versa. It is not an autonomous stipulation of the grammar, but a side effect of the extended *siddha*-principle. Making Pāṇini's metatheory simpler and more general, this is a conceptually attractive as well as historically plausible position.

An example of the insufficiency of stipulating the precedence of morphological operations over phonological operations, is the derivation of *asmai* 'to him', where the extended *siddha*-principle is needed to establish the priority among morphological rules. The underlying *idam-e* is subject to two rules, 7.2.112 **anāpy akaḥ** ( $id-\rightarrow ana$ ), and [12] 7.2.102 **tyadādīnām aḥ** ( $idam \rightarrow idaa$ , followed by  $idaa \rightarrow ida \rightarrow a$  by other rules). Of these two rules, it is 7.2.102 which should take effect:

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idam-e (at this point, id- → ana- by 7.2.112 anāpy akaḥ must be blocked)
idaa-e [12] 7.2.102 tyadādīnām aḥ
ida-e 6.1.97 ato guṇe 'short non word-final a + a, e, o (guṇa) is replaced by the latter.'
ida-smai 7.1.14 sarvanāmnaḥ smai 'After a pronoun stem in a, (Dat. Sg.) N̄e is replaced by smai.'
7.2.113 hali lopah 'id → Ø before a consonantal ending'
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A constraint which requires that morphological operations precede phonological operations does not decide between 7.2.102 and 7.2.112 at the first stage of the derivation, since the losing rule 7.2.112 anāpy akaḥ is certainly morphological. The restricted *siddha*-principle does not help either. But the extended *siddha*-principle correctly chooses 7.2.102 over 7.2.112, because application of 7.2.102 creates an extra *siddha* relation in the derivation, at the point where 7.1.14 **sarvanāmnah smai** feeds 7.2.113 **hali lopah**.

# 6 Internal evidence for the extended siddha-principle

We have seen that that the extended *siddha*-principle predicts the right rule interactions even in cases where plausible alternatives fail. We now proceed to a different kind of evidence which shows that just when the extended *siddha*-principle predicts the *wrong* rule interaction, the grammar takes steps to fix the problem.

The verb forms  $ag\bar{a}t$  'he went' and  $\bar{a}yan$  'they went' offer a minimal pair which demonstrates that the siddha-principle in its extended (lookahead) version plays a role in the design of the grammar, regardless of the morphological or phonological status of the rules. Both verb forms have the underlying root i, which is replaced by suppletive  $g\bar{a}$  in  $ag\bar{a}t$ , and becomes y in  $\bar{a}yan$ . Thus, the originally vocalic root comes to begin with a consonant in both forms. Recall from [28] that the past tense augment is  $\bar{a}$ - before a vowel and a-before a consonant. The siddha-principle dictates that this distribution should be checked on the surface, predicting a short augment in both forms. This is right for  $ag\bar{a}t$  'he went':

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[41] i-luÑ
i-ti 3.4.78 tip tas jhi...
i-t 3.4.100 itaś ca (up to this point, [28b] 6.4.72 āḍ ajādīnām is applicable, giving *ā-i-t(i))
gā-t 2.4.45 iņo gā luñi
a-gā-t (now [28a] 6.4.71 luñlañlṛñkṣv aḍ udāttaḥ inserts the augment a)
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Only the extended siddha-principle works here. The correct augment a cannot be inserted until the suppletive root  $g\bar{a}$  has replaced i, after which point the root has a consonantal onset. This replacement is conditioned by the inflectional ending -t(i). At the stage i-ti, the restricted siddha-principle (like the traditional nitya-principle) does not give priority to the replacement operation  $i \to g\bar{a}$  because it is not nitya with respect to augmentation. Nor, for that matter, is it nitya with respect to  $lu\bar{N} \to ti$  and subsequent  $ti \to t$ .

The extended *siddha*-principle works, however. It requires the augment rule to "look ahead" and apply in such a way that *siddha* relations are maximized over the derivation.

By the same token, however, the extended siddha-principle gives the wrong result for the other form,  $\bar{a}yan$  'they went', where long a is inserted by 6.4.72  $\bar{a}d$   $aj\bar{a}d\bar{n}am$ , as though the root still begins with a vowel. It does begin with a vowel underlyingly, but the siddha-principle says that the relevant context is the surface y, which replaces i before a vocalic ending by 6.4.81 ino yan. With this in mind, Pāṇini has put both relevant rules, 6.4.72  $\bar{a}d$   $aj\bar{a}d\bar{n}am$  and 6.4.81 ino yan, into the special section headed by 6.4.22 asiddhavad  $atr\bar{a}$   $bh\bar{a}t$ , which states that all rules in this section are as if asiddha with respect to each other. This rule sets aside the siddha-principle and tells us to "pretend" that the root still begins with a vowel, ensuring that the augment  $\bar{a}$  is selected as if the root vowel had not been replaced by y.

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i-laÑ
i-anti 3.4.78 tip tas jhi..., [36a] 7.1.3 jho 'ntaḥ
i-an (up to this point, the desired augment ā could be derived by 6.4.72 āḍ ajādīnām)
y-an 6.4.81 iṇo yaṇ
āyan 6.4.72 āḍ ajādīnām (in virtue of 6.4.22 asiddhavad atrā bhāt)
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This constitutes evidence that the construction of Pāṇini's grammar assumes the extended *siddha*-principle. Rules have been put under the scope of 6.4.22 *only* in order to defeat the *siddha*-principle. If only the extended *siddha*-principle provides sufficient reason for putting 6.4.81 into that section, that is the version that Pāṇini must have worked with.

A similar example is 3.Pl.  $\bar{a}san$ , where the deletion of the root vowel of as by 6.4.111 **śnasor allopaḥ** is asiddha, so the long augment  $\bar{a}$ - is still inserted. Again, both rules are put under the scope of 6.4.22 in order to defeat the siddha-principle.

In *cakratus*, from kr-atus, the reduplication rule [22c] must apply to the syllabic form of the root, ignoring the replacement of r by r due to the glide formation rule [43].

#### [43] 6.1.77 iko yan aci

 $i, u, r, l(iK) \rightarrow y, v, r, l(yaN)$  before a vowel (aC) in close contact.

The required derivation is:

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[44] kṛ-liṭ (perfect of kṛ 'protect')
kṛ-tas 3.4.78 tip tas jhi...
kṛ-atus 3.4.82 parasmaipadānām...
kṛ-kṛ-atus [22c] 6.1.8 liṭi dhātor anabhyāsasya and other rules
kṛ-kr-atus [43] 6.1.77 iko yaṇ aci
ca-kṛ-atus other rules
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If the *antaranga*-principle were operative inside words, it would predict this result (as Kātyāyana points out). But if we are right that the *antaranga*-principle does not apply inside words, it says nothing about the rule interaction in this example. On the contrary, the extended *siddha*-principle says that reduplication should "wait" for [43] to change the shape of the root. It is significant, therefore, that Pāṇini has included a special rule for just these cases:

#### [45] 1.1.59 dvirvacane 'ci

The substitute of a vowel, when conditioned by a following vowel, is treated like the original with respect to reduplication.

The only function of [45] is really to set things right where the extended *siddha*-principle fails.

It is instructive to compare the derivation of  $dudy\bar{u}$ , where reduplication takes place before a consonant, the siddha-principle gives the correct result.

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[46] div-saN-tiP
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diū-sa-ti 6.4.19 **chvoḥ śūḍ anunāsike ca** 

dyū-sa-ti [43] 6.1.77 iko yan aci

dyū-dyū-sa-ti [22c] 6.1.8 liti dhātor anabhyāsasya

dudyūṣati other rules

[45] makes vowel substitution *asiddha* only before before a vowel (*aci*), not before a consonant. This confirms that the author of the grammar was well aware of the extended *siddha*-principle and took care to curb it just where needed. Thus, our interpretation of the *siddha*-principle justifies the wording of the grammar.

Once the proper domain of the  $antara\bar{n}ga$ -principle as giving priority to word-internal operations over operations across word boundaries is understood, the issue whether the siddha-principle is stronger than the  $antara\bar{n}ga$ -principle arises anew. There are examples which suggest that it is, including the familiar  $gomatpriya\dot{h}$  'fond of cow-owners'. In the underlying ((gomat+sU) + (priya+sU))+sU, the first member of the compound can lose its case suffix -sU by one of two rules:

#### [47] a. 6.1.68 halnyābbhyo dīrghāt sutisyapṛktam hal

After a consonant and after (the feminine endings) long  $\bar{a}P$ ,  $n\bar{\imath}$ , (the endings) -sU, -tiP, -siP are deleted (replaced by the null element lopa) if they consist of a single consonant.

#### b. 2.4.71 supo dhātuprātipadikayoh

Case endings in roots and stems are deleted (replaced by the null element *luk*).

The competition between *lopa*-deletion of the case suffix by rule 6.1.68, and its *luk*-deletion by 2.4.71, has indirect repercussions. If *lopa*-deletion takes place, the stem will undergo the phonological changes triggered by the deleted ending (because of principle [48a] 1.1.62 **pratyayalope pratyalalakṣaṇam**), and will develop into \*gomān-. If *luk*-deletion takes place, the stem will not be affected by these changes (because of [48b] **na lumatāngasya**), and it will emerge as *gomat*-.

#### [48] a. 1.1.62 pratyayalope pratyayalaksanam

When a suffix is deleted, the operations triggered by it still apply.

#### b. 1.1.63 **na lumatāṅgasya**

When a suffix is deleted by an element containing lu, the operations it triggers on an  $a\bar{n}ga$  (stem) do not apply.

If the priority between the two deletion rules were decided by the *antaranga*-principle, according to which word-internal processes take precedence over cross-word processes, *lopa* deletion, which is applicable to the first part of the compound, should take precedence over *luk* deletion, which is applicable only to the whole compound. But this would yield the wrong form \*gomānpriyaḥ.³ However, if the antaranga-principle is subordinated to the extended *siddha*-principle, the correct result is derived. For the extended *siddha*-principle gives priority to *luk* deletion because it bleeds (via 1.1.63) the phonological changes triggered by the deleted case ending, thereby establishing an extra *siddha* relation.

The *siddha*-principle is not the only traffic rule' of the grammar that works on a global, "lookahead" basis. The tradition expressly says that the *utsarga/apavāda* (general/special rule) relation does so too.

[49] *Pbh. 64:* **upasamjaniṣyamāṇanimitto 'py apavāda upasamjānimittam apy upasargaṃ bādhate** "An *apavāda* supersedes, even though the causes of its (application) are still to present themselves, a general rule the causes of which are already present." (tr. Kielhorn)

An example is the derivation of aśvakrītī 'bought with a horse' (fem.), which must go like this:

[50] aśva-ina krī-Kta-sU

aśvakrīta 2.1.32 **kartṛkaraņe kṛtā bahulam** 

aśvakrīta-NīS 4.1.50 **krītāt karanapūrvāt** 

aśvakrītī

The feminine suffix  $-\bar{N}\bar{\imath}\bar{S}$  is added to  $kr\bar{\imath}ta$  in an instrumental compound by the special rule 4.1.50. But at the input stage, prior to compounding,  $kr\bar{\imath}ta$  runs the risk of getting the general feminine suffix  $-\bar{T}\bar{a}$ . The suffixation rule must have the foresight to wait until compounding establishes the proper environment for the feminine suffix.<sup>4</sup>

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup>To get *gomatpriyaḥ*, Patañjali posits a special exception to the *antarañga*-principle: Pbh. 52 **antarañgān api vidhīn lug bahirañgo bādhate** "a *bahirañga* deletion by *luk* supersedes even *antarañga* rules". This is quite obviously unacceptable and extremely unlikely to have been a tacit principle of Pāṇini's grammar. The tradition also entertains (but does not ultimately endorse) the idea that some of the "lookahead" effects are due to a convention that operations are undone when their trigger is eliminated (**nimittāpāye naimittikasyaivāpayaḥ**). This convention is obviously too strong because it forbids any type of *utsargalakṣaṇabhāva* rule interaction.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup>See further the discussion around Pbh. 75: gatikārakopapadānām krdbhih saha samāsavacanam prāk subutpatteh.

[51] krī-Kta

krīta-Ṭā 4.1.4 **ajādy ataṣṭāp** 

aśva-ina krītā-sU 4.1.2 svau...

aśvakrītā 2.1.32 **kartrkaraņe kṛtā bahulam** 

#### 7 Rules vs. constraints

The *siddha*-principle, especially its extended "lookahead" version, emerges rather naturally in nonderivational, constraint-based phonological theories. It is therefore of some interest to ask whether Pāṇini's grammar could be reformulated in constraint-based terms without loss of generality. (This is no longer simply a matter of interpreting Pāṇini, of course, but of using his work to learn something about language.) The answer is that, in spite of the lookahead property, Pāṇini's system is crucially *derivational*. The context of rules can't necessarily be defined in terms of the output representation. Consequently, the rules must apply in sequence, and the grammar cannot be reformulated as an OT-type of constraint system without loss of generalization.

The point is illustrated by the derivation of the perfect participle  $bibh\bar{\imath}$ -vas- (Nom. Sg.  $bibh\bar{\imath}v\bar{a}n$ ), from bhi- 'fear'.

[52] bhī

bhī-IIȚ 3.2.115 **parokṣe liṭ** perfect tense *lIṬ* is assigned bhī-KvasU 3.2.107 **kvasuś ca** *lIṬ* replaced by *KvasU* 

bibhī-vas [22c] 6.1.8 **liṭi dhātor anabhyāsasya**, etc. reduplication

In this derivation, rule 7.2.67 **vasv ekājādghasām** becomes applicable at the intermediate stage when the suffix *-KvasU* has been added but reduplication has not taken effect yet:

#### [53] 7.2.67 vasvekāj ādghasām

The augment  $i\bar{T}$  is added to the  $\bar{a}rdhadh\bar{a}tuka$  suffix vasu after a monosyllabic stems, stems ending in  $-\bar{a}$ , and ghas 'eat'.

This throws a potential spanner in the works, for interpolating an application of [53] leads to \*bibhyivān:

[54] bhī

bhī-IIṬ 3.2.115 **parokṣe liṭ** bhī-KvasU 3.2.107 **kvasuś ca** 

bhī-ivas 7.2.67 **vasv ekājādghasām** 

bibhī-ivas [22c] 6.1.8 **liṭi dhātor anabhyāsasya**, etc. bibhy-ivas 6.4.82 **er anekāco 'samogapūrvasya** 

Each rule in [54] applies properly. The  $ek\bar{a}c$  (monosyllable) condition on 7.2.67 is satisfied both in the input and in the output. But in fact 7.2.67 cannot apply. Our theory explains why. The derivation in [54] violates the extended siddha-principle at the stage  $bh\bar{\imath}$ -vas. The extended siddha-principle requires reduplication to apply before  $i\bar{T}$ -insertion, because the augment  $i\bar{T}$  is not inserted before -vas because the reduplicated root is disyllabic, and 7.2.67 vasv ekājādghasām allows insertion of  $i\bar{T}$  before -vas only after a monosyllabic  $(ek\bar{a}c)$  root.

The lesson of this example is that lookahead allows no "amnesties": each rule applies only when the conditions on its application are satisfied, and the derivation must obey the *siddha*-principle. That is why Pāṇini's phonological rules cannot be translated into constraints (even into violable OT constraints).

In this paper we hope to have shown three things: (1) that the two versions of the *siddha*-principle differ formally in how the *siddha*-relation is defined, (2) that they differ substantively in that the strict version subsumes exactly the traditional *nitya*-principle, whereas the extended version subsumes a generalized form of it, and (3) that Pāṇini's grammar presupposes the extended *siddha*-principle. This finding further strengthens our claim that the *siddha*-principle is the fundamental principle governing the interaction of rules in Pāṇini's grammar.

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