

Untangling IPP word order restrictions

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1. Introduction

(1) Past participle morphology (Dutch)

- a. Ik heb ge-werk-t
I have GE-work-D
'I have worked.'
- b. Ik ben ge-kom-en
I am GE-come-N
'I have come.'

c. Ablaut

- Ik heb ge-zong-en (< zingen)
I have GE-sing_{ABL}-N
'I have sung.'

d. suppletion

- Ik ben ge-wees-t (< zijn)
I am GE-be_{SUPPL}-N
'I have gone.'

(2) Infinitivus pro participio (IPP) (Dutch)

- a. * Ik heb ge-wil-d werk-en
I have GE-want-D work-INF
'I wanted to work.'
- b. Ik heb will-en werk-en
I have want-INF work-INF
'I wanted to work.'
- c. * Ik heb hem ge-zie-n werk-en
I have him GE-see-N work-INF
'I saw him work.'
- d. Ik heb hem zie-n werk-en
I have him see-INF work-INF
'I saw him work.'
- e. * Ik heb ge-staa-n werk-en
I have GE-stand-N work-inf
'I was working for a while.'
- f. Ik heb staa-n werk-en
I have stand-INF work-INF
'I was working for a while.'

(3) IPP with suppletive form (Dutch)

- Ik ben wez-en zwem-m-en
I am be_{SUPPL}-INF swim-INF
'I went for a swim.'

2. Word order generalizations

- (4) IPP requires: 1-2-3 auxiliary₁ → participle₂ → infinitive₃ (Dutch)

- (5) No IPP with: 3-2-1 infinitive₃ ← participle₂ ← auxiliary₁ (Frisian, Stellingwerfs)

- (6) Stellingwerfs (Bloemhoff 1977)

..dat Jan dat doe-n **kun-d** had (*kunn-en)
that John thatdo-INF can-D had
'..that John could have done that.'

(3-2-1)

- (7) But: cases of optional IPP with 3-2-1:

- a. Achterhoeks (Blom & Hoekstra 1996)

..dat ik schriev-m {will-n, e-wil-d} had
that I write-INF want-INF GE-want-D had
'..that I had wanted to write.'

(3-2-1)

- b. *Swabian* (Steil 1989), among other orders
 ..daß d Anna ons bsuach-a **well-a** had
 that the Anna us visit-INF want-INF has
 '..that Anna wanted to visit us.' (3-2-1)
- c. *Austrian Bavarian* (Wurmbrand 2004): 3-2-1 with IPP acceptable in judgment task
- (8) IPP in optional orders
- a. *Standard German* (Wurmbrand 2004)
 ..daß er es hat **lös-en** könn-en
 that he it has solve-INF can-INF
 '..that he was able to solve it.' (1-3-2)
- b. *West Flemish* (Haegeman 1994)
 ..da Valère nie nor us **will-en** kom-en eet
 that Valery not to house want-INF come-INF has
 '..that Valery did not want to come home.' (2-3-1)
- c. *Austrian Bavarian* (Patocka 1997)
 ..dama wås lean-a hettn **soi-n**
 that we something learn-INF had shall-INF
 '..that we should have learned something.' (3-1-2)
- (9) *New generalization*
 IPP in 2-3 clusters occurs without exception: 1-2-3 Dutch
 2-3-1 West Flemish
 2-1-3 does not occur

3. 2-3 without IPP

- (10) *Samatimeric* (Mileck 1997)
- a. iø hed si **g-se:-ŋ** fuød-foa-n ([1]-2-3)
 you:PL have them GE-see-N away-go-INF
 'You saw them drive off.'
- b. εø hød **k-holf-n** ᵈm̥grɔ:m ([1]-2-3)
 he has GE-help_{ABL}-N dig:INF
 'He helped shovel.'
- (11) *Luxemburgisch* (Bruch 1973)
- a. Hoffentlich huet keen dech **ge-si** go-en ([1]-2-3)
 hopefully has noone you GE-see go-INF
 'Hopefully noone saw you leave.'
- b. Echhun dat **ge-spier-t** komm-en ([1]-2-3)
 I have that GE-see-D come-INF
 'I saw that coming.'
- (12) *Austrian Bavarian* (Patocka 1997)
- a. bin i aa dei **gång** fråg-n ([1]-2-3)
 am I also DEMGE:go_{SUPPL}:Nask-INF
 'So I went and asked them too.'
- b. nåchdem håt des Gårn **miaß-t** g-wåsch-n wead-n ([1]-2-4-3)
 afterwards has the net must-D GE-wash-N become-INF
 'Afterwards the net must be washed.'

- (13) *Siberian Mennonite Plautdiitsch* (Jedig 1969)
- a. äm kunt^a haud-st **kun-t** ne:m^e
the Walachian had-2SG can-D take:INF
'You could have taken the Walachian [a horse].'
- b. däi ha:ft **j^e-spire-t** äm prodaväts ko:m^e
DEMhas GE-see-D the merchant come:INF
'He saw the merchant come.'
- (14) *Zimbrian* (Schweitzer 1939)
- a. de pruoder dahuame henn-en nixt **ga-sex-t** kxenn-j
the brothers at.home have-him not GE-see-D come-INF
'The brothers at home did not see him come.'
- b. alora inj hêrre hêt-ar **ga-wou-t** fang-an wânte
then the man has-he GE-want-D take-INFrocks
'Then the man wanted to pick up rocks.'
- (15) *Afrikaans* (Du P. Scholtz 1963)
- ..dat ek **ge-kom** werk het
that I GE-come work:INF have
- (16) Yiddish, Middle High German, Middle Dutch

4. Status of the V3 infinitive

- (17) Funny aspects about the [2-3] orders without IPP:
- a. V3 infinitive must be final, yielding the 2-1-3 order found **only with extraposition** elsewhere
(18)
- b. the relevant dialects generally have descending (3-2-1) orders (19)
- c. there is a 3-2 alternative with IPP (20)
- d. the infinitive may be 'satzwertig' (21)
- (18) V3 infinitive must be final (*d.n.a.* to Afrikaans, Zimbrian, Yiddish)
- a. *Luxemburgish* (Bruch 1973)
ob-s de hollänesch **ge-léier-t** hues schwätz-en
whether-2SG you Dutch GE-learn-D have speak-INF
'whether you learned to speak Dutch.'
- b. *Zurich Swiss German* (Lötscher 1978)
.wil er en **ghöör-t** hät choo
because he him hear-D has come:INF
'..because he heard him come.'

[Note: Zurich Swiss German has IPP with [1]-2-3, but Lötscher notes that there is a tendency for participles to appear where infinitives are expected, suggesting another case of 2-3 without IPP]

- (19) temporal auxiliary follows the participle in embedded clauses

Siberian Mennonite Plautdiitsch (Jedig 1969)

van mo^a de mut^a niç j^e-śtorv^e ve:^a
if only the mother not GE-die:N were
'If only mother hadn't died.'

- (20) competition with IPP-variant
- a. *Siberian Mennonite Plautdiitsch* (Jedig 1969)

ji:	haud	t'εɪn^e	hä:v ^e	
you:PL	had	can:INF	mow:INF	
'You could have mown.'				

([1]-2-3)
 - b. *Samatimeric* (Mileck 1997)

iə	hed	si	fuəd-fçɑ-n	sɛx-ŋ
you:PL	have	them	away-go-INF	see-INF
'You saw them drive off.'				

([1]-3-2)
 - c. *Luxemburgish* (Bruch 1973)

wa	keen	dech	hätt héier-e	komm-en
when	noone	you	hadhear-INF	come-INF
'..when noone would have heard you come.'				

(1-2-3)
 - d. *Austrian Bavarian* (Patocka 1997)

wiar	i	mit	knecht	unddian	håun	åabat-n	miass-n
how	I	with	servant	and maid	have	work-INF	must-INF
'how I had to work with servants and maids.'							

(1-3-2)
 - e. *Zurich Swiss German* (Lötscher 1978)

..wil	er	en	ghöör-e	choo	hät
because	he	him	hear-INF	come:INF	has
'..because he heard him come.'					

(2-3-1)
- (21) V3 infinitive may be 'satzwertig'
- a. *Samatimeric* (Mileck 1997)

miəhōm	si	k-sɛx-ŋ	[midiən	kīnd	ha:m	gɛ:]
we have	her	GE-see-N	with	her child	home	go:INF
'We saw her go home with her child.'						

([1]-2-3)
 - b. *Siberian Mennonite Plautdiitsch* (Jedig 1969)

däi	ha:ft	j^e-špir^e-t	[äm	prodaväts	ko:m ^e]
DEMhas	GE-see-D	the merchant	come:INF		
'He saw the merchant come.'					

([1]-2-3)
- (22) *reminiscent of the 'third construction'*
- a. *Dutch*

..dat	hij	het	ge-probeer-d	heeft	[te	lez-en]
that	he	it	GE-try-D	has	to	read-INF
'..that he tried to read it.'						

(2-1-3)
 - b. *Frisian* (Reuland 1990)

..dat	er	my	dat	boek	ferbea-n	hat	[te	lēz-en]
that	he	me	that	book	forbid-N	has	to	read-INF
'..that he forbid me to read that book.'								

(2-1-3)
- (23) *Hypothesis*
- a. 2 = IPP [1 - 2 - 3] (order irrelevant)
 - b. 2 = participle [1 - 2] 3 (order irrelevant within [cluster])

(38) *Hypothesis*

The IPP-effect is the result of analogical leveling of a *ge*-less participle to an infinitive

6. The tense of infinitives

(39) An infinitive is [+tense] if it expresses tense information

(40) Simple past = once removed from the here and now (cf. Ebeling 1962:92)

(41) Test: cotemporaneity with reference point in the past → (34a,b)

(42) An infinitive is [+tense] if it shifts to an aux+participle construction to express cotemporaneity with a reference point in the past

a. Ik { sliep / *heb ge-slap-en } toen hij binnен kwam
I sleep:PAST have GE-sleep-N when he in came

b. Ik moet { ge-slap-en hebben / *slap-en } toen hij binnен kwam
I must GE-sleep-N have:INF sleep-INF } when he in came

(43) The complement of IPP-verbs is always [-tense]

	subject control (proberen, durven)	ECM (zien, horen)	deontic modal	epistemic modal	raising (schijnen, blijken)	subject control (beweren, hopen)
TENSE	–	–	–	+	+	+
IPP	+	+	+	(–)	(–)	–

(44) deontic vs. epistemic

a. Jij moet ge-slap-en hebben toen ik binnен kwam (probability/*obligation)
you must GE-sleep-N have:INF when I in came
'You must have been asleep when I came in.'

NB, also irrelevant relative tense reading: You must have had your nap when I came in.

b. Jij moet van mij ge-slap-en hebben toen hij binnен kwam (only obligation)
you must of me GE-sleep-N have:INF when he in came
'I demand that you have rested by the time he came in.'

c. Jij hebt moet-en slapen (IPP: only obligation)
you have must-INF sleep:INF
'It had to sleep.'
**'You probably slept.'

(45) conative verbs may have a coerced tensed complement: then no IPP

a. Hij heeft ge-probeer-d [gekozen te worden morgen]
he has GE-try-D elected to become tomorrow
'He tried to (make arrangements such that he would) be elected tomorrow.'

b. * Hij heeft prober-en [gekozen te worden morgen]
he has try-INF elected to become tomorrow

(46) Proposal: an event is bounded by: D on a nominal complement
T on a clausal complement

- (47) a. John completed the/a letter {in/*for} 10 minutes
 b. John completed letters {for/*in} 10 minutes
- (48) a. John saw the play {in/for} 10 minutes
 b. John saw us play {for/*in} 10 minutes
- (49) *Atelicity of ECM complements*
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|----|--|----|--|
| a. | Ik heb het boek ge-lez-en
I have the book GE-read-N
'I read the book.'
[book is finished] | b. | Ik liet het boek lez-en
I let:PAST the book read-INF
'I let (sc. them) read the book.'
[book is not finished, possibly not even read] |
| c. | Ik heb de film ge-zie-n
I have the movie GE-see-N
'I saw the movie.'
[the whole movie] | d. | Ik heb de film zien op nem-en
I have the movie see-INF up take-INF
'I saw (sc. them) shoot the movie.'
[some segment of the shooting process] |
- (50) tenseless complement → unbounded event → incompatible with *ge* → *ge-less* participle/IPP
- (51) Perhaps: no T → no C → no phase (phasal/interpreted complement is what bounds events)
- (52) *let*
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|----|---|----|--|
| a. | laten stikken
let suffocate
'abandon, leave to one's own devices' | b. | laten zitten
let sit
'give up, forget about' |
| c. | laten vallen
let fall
'drop, cease to pursue' 'abandon, withdraw support' | | |
- (53) *see*
- | | | | |
|----|---|----|--|
| a. | iemand zien zitten
someone see sit
'appreciate someone' | b. | iemand niet zien staan
someone not see stand
'ignore someone, fail to respect someone' |
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- (54) *noncompositionality*
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|------|--|----|---|
| a. | Hij heeft mij lat-en stikk-en
he has me let-INF suffocate-INF
'He abandoned me.' | b. | # Ik benge-stik-t
I am GE-suffocate-D
'I suffocated'
(<i>not</i> 'I was abandoned') |
| c. | Hij heeft mij nooit zie-n zitt-en
he has me never see-INF sit-INF
'He never liked me.' | | |
| d. # | Ik heb nooit ge-zet-en volgens hem
I have never GE-sit-N according.to him
'I never sat, according to him.'
(<i>not</i> 'He never liked me.') | | |

7. Conclusion

- the complement of IPP-verbs is (inherently) tenseless
- tenseless complements yield unbounded events, incompatible with the completive particle *ge*
- originally, all perfect participles were *ge-less*, but some (the ones indicating bounded events) came to be associated with *ge*, which then got reanalyzed as a prefix.
- participles without *ge* were leveled with infinitives: the IPP effect.
- [2-3] clusters without IPP then must be tenseless, and the alternation with IPP variants must be a function of the tense properties of the infinitival complement
- if so: IPP is not restricted by word order, but by the (phasal) status of V3

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