

# Online Component: Lexical Reconstruction in Central Chadic

*Part II. Proto-Central Chadic Lexical  
Reconstructions*

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## Part II

### Proto-Central Chadic Lexical Reconstructions

The reconstructions in Part II of this online component are presented in a tabular format for easy identification of individual languages and language GROUPS in terms of diachronic formation processes. The presentation aims at complete transparency of the diachronic processes involved, since at times these turn out to be fairly complex and would be hard to detect by just looking at the examples from modern languages and the respective PCC reconstruction. In order to ensure a unified presentation of the data and analyses, both relatively simple and complex diachronic developments are treated alike and are thus made maximally explicit. The tabular representation of the linguistic evolution of the examples contains only telegram-style listing of diachronic processes. For the full treatment and discussion of these processes, the user is referred to the print edition.

First, we describe and motivate the tabular presentation of the data. The first line presents the lemma, followed in the second line by the deepest-level reconstruction of the root (both simple and including prefixal and suffixal root-augmental elements). The simple root is given in **bold**. The conflated formula indicates potential root types depending on the presence and position of medial \*/a/, usually at the assumed PCC level, but occasionally identified as an ‘areal root’ of limited distribution within the Central Chadic area, and/or as ‘loan’.

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PCC \*(ma-) **s(a)na** (-y, -k<sup>w</sup>, -n, -t; FV)

The third line identifies the language group (always given in SMALL CAPITALS), followed in subsequent lines by the individual languages for which we have data. The last-line box contains numbered telegram-style formulaic comments on the sound changes and processes occurring in individual languages; the comments are numbered in the rightmost column of the individual-language boxes.

BATA

|        |                     |             |                           |                                  |   |
|--------|---------------------|-------------|---------------------------|----------------------------------|---|
| Gude   | <i>fii sʼəʼy</i>    | *sa-yʼ      | *sØa-y                    | *(ma-)sna(-y/-k <sup>w</sup> )-n | 1 |
| Sharwa | <i>sinan səʼnan</i> | *sna-Øy-n   | *sna-y-n                  |                                  | 2 |
| Tsuwan | <i>asənakən</i>     | *Øa-sna-k-n | *ma-sna-k <sup>w</sup> -n |                                  | 3 |

1. \*y > y<sup>y</sup> > i; +Y: \*s > ʃ; lexical-final \*a > ə; +Y: ə > i
2. ə-epenthesis; \*y > Ø<sup>y</sup>; +Y: ə > i
3. \*k<sup>w</sup> > k; ə-epenthesis

In the individual-language boxes, the first column gives the name of the language or language variant as it occurs in the database (e.g. Gude).

The second column gives the data as transcribed by the field linguist or contained in available dictionaries and as quoted from the database (always in *italics*, e.g. *ʃii*). Where differences are to be observed and for clarity of our analysis and internal reconstruction, the data transcription is followed by a non-phonemic hypothetical synchronically underlying representation, which identifies and indicates

- target segments of prosodies (by raised symbols <sup>y</sup>, <sup>w</sup>, <sup>n</sup> and <sup>ʔ</sup>),
- positions of prothetic and/or epenthetic schwa (ə), e.g. s<sup>y</sup>ə<sup>y</sup>y,
- word-final schwa as conditioned synchronic allophone of reconstructed \*/a/.

Since the phonological status of schwa in individual languages is debatable in the Chadicist linguistic community, this representation allows the reader to look at the synchronically underlying word form under the assumption that /ə/ is a synchronic vowel phoneme in the individual language. (This, however, is not the view taken in the present study, where we consider schwa in historical terms to be non-phonemic throughout, i.e. in all other ‘reconstructed’ forms that are marked by \*.) For example, where Psikye (H1GI) ‘arm/hand<sub>1</sub>’ is given in the database as *dzəvə*, we give as underlying the form < dzəvə >, which implies a conditioned change of lexical-final /a/ to [ə] (cf. PCC \***dzva**) that needs to be kept distinct from the insertion of epenthetic schwa in the first syllable. In the accompanying notes, we again follow the general principles of this study and refer to the phonological processes behind the synchronic presence of schwa as either ‘ə-epenthesis’, ‘ə-prothesis, or ‘lexical-final \*a > ə’. – Note that, other than in the preceding volume (Wolff 2022), prenasalisation and glottalisation are systemically treated as prosodies in the present volume.

The third (and possibly fourth) column(s) give(s) the historically underlying and internally reconstructed form for the individual language, marked by \*, e.g. \*sa-y<sup>y</sup> for Gude (BATA) ‘to know’. This reflects – in diachronic perspective – the phonemic structure of the word form (including ‘lost’ segments indicated by Ø); it also marks natural sound changes from the reconstructed PCC forms and identifies the source segments of prosodies by raised symbols, even in cases of the diachronic loss of the segment (indicated by Ø<sup>y</sup>, Ø<sup>w</sup>, Ø<sup>n</sup>, Ø<sup>ʔ</sup>).

When considered necessary for transparency purposes, the fourth column represents intermediate internal reconstructions, indicating kind of first-level loss of segments (Ø) and root-augmental elements that may have optionally

been present in the proto-language form, e.g. \*sØa-y for Gude, indicating loss of original C<sub>2</sub> \*/n/.

The fifth column gives the deepest-level reconstructed word form (PCC) including optionally present root-augmental elements, e.g. \*(ma-)sna(-y/-k<sup>w</sup>)-n). For increased transparency and in cases where languages or language subgroups differ in terms of root types, these are made explicit by giving root-type formulas like √ C C Ca vs. √ C CaCa vs. √ CaCaCa, etc.

The sixth and rightmost column numbers relevant comments, which are made explicit in formulaic style in the bottom-level box of the tabular representation of the reconstructed lexical item. Note that plain deletions/losses of segments are not commented upon since they are overtly marked by Ø in the preceding columns.

Columns 2–5 on the same lines can be read from left to right or from right to left. Reading them from left to right offers a retrospective view, e.g. for the first lexical item ‘to be able to’ in Bachma (BATA) it would read <sup>m</sup>ba(m) (from synchronic underlying form < mbam > – note the discrepancy between the data transcription and our underlying form regarding the status of the initial nasal!) stems from internally reconstructed \*m-ba-n, which in turn stems from \*mØ-ba-n (with deleted prefix vowel), ultimately going back to the PCC form \*ma-ba-n. Reading the columns from right to left, on the other hand, shows the evolutionary development from the reconstructed PCC augmented root \*ma-ba-n via intermediate \*mØ-ba-n (by vowel deletion in the prefix), yielding an internally reconstructable form \*m-ba-n, which results in the synchronic surface form <sup>m</sup>ba(m), which the field linguist interprets as showing an initial prenasalised obstruent <sup>m</sup>b, which internal reconstruction and comparative analysis, however, identify as a nasal+obstruent cluster, which legitimises a synchronically underlying form < mban >. As a shallow assimilation process, the final nasal \*n, if present, either assimilates homorganically to the bilabials of the initial consonant cluster mb or reflects a sporadic sound shift \*n → m (see 3.4.5 in the print edition).

#### *A note on transcription*

At variance with the original transcriptions as contained in the database (Gravina 2015), we have replaced IPA < j > by < y > according to long-established use in Chadic linguistics and African linguistics in general.

Apart from quoting the database entries – always in *italics* – as they are contained in the database, we have replaced < h > and < h<sup>w</sup> > by phonetically more adequate < x > and < x<sup>w</sup> >.

Further, and again at variance with Gravina (2014, 2015), we symbolise the non-low central vowel ‘schwa’ by < ə > and not by < i >.

The abbreviations RED and FV mean REDuplication and Final Vowel, respectively. W and Y stand for W-prosody and Y-prosody.

able, to be

PCC \*(ma-, RED-) **ba** (-a, -y, -k<sup>w</sup>, -n; FV)

BATA

|         |                         |         |          |          |   |
|---------|-------------------------|---------|----------|----------|---|
| Bachama | <sup>m</sup> ba(m) mban | *m-ba-n | *mØ-ba-n | *ma-ba-n | 1 |
| Sharwa  | <sup>m</sup> ban mban   |         |          |          |   |

1. assimilation \*n &gt; m/mba\_(?); see 3.4.5

DABA

|      |                       |         |          |          |  |
|------|-----------------------|---------|----------|----------|--|
| Daba | <sup>m</sup> bay mbay | *m-ba-y | *mØ-ba-y | *ma-ba-y |  |
|------|-----------------------|---------|----------|----------|--|

HURZA

|       |                     |       |        |        |  |
|-------|---------------------|-------|--------|--------|--|
| Mbuko | <sup>m</sup> ba mba | *m-ba | *mØ-ba | *ma-ba |  |
|-------|---------------------|-------|--------|--------|--|

MANDARA

|        |                     |       |        |        |  |
|--------|---------------------|-------|--------|--------|--|
| Podoko | <sup>m</sup> ba mba | *m-ba | *mØ-ba | *ma-ba |  |
|--------|---------------------|-------|--------|--------|--|

MOFU

|         |                                      |                           |                         |                                               |   |
|---------|--------------------------------------|---------------------------|-------------------------|-----------------------------------------------|---|
| Ouldeme | <sup>m</sup> bi mby                  | *m-b-y                    | *mØ-bØ-y                | *(RED-)ma-ba<br>(-a, -y/-n/-k <sup>w</sup> a) | 1 |
|         | <sup>m</sup> bako mbaka <sup>w</sup> | *m-ba-k <sup>w</sup> a    | *mØ-ba-k <sup>w</sup> a |                                               | 2 |
| Zulgo   | <sup>m</sup> ba mba                  | *m-ba                     | *mØ-ba                  |                                               |   |
| Merey   | <sup>m</sup> ba mba                  | *m-ba                     | *mØ-ba                  |                                               |   |
| Gemzek  | ma <sup>m</sup> bana<br>mambana      | *ma-mØ-ba-na              | *RED-ma-ba-na           |                                               |   |
| Dugwor  | ma <sup>m</sup> biy<br>mambə'y       | *ma-mØ-bØ-ay <sup>y</sup> | *RED-ma-ba-a-y          |                                               | 3 |

1. \*y &gt; i

2. +W: FV \*a &gt; o

3. root-augmental /ay/ &gt; əy; \*y &gt; y'; +Y: ə &gt; i

HIGI

|       |                         |          |           |              |   |
|-------|-------------------------|----------|-----------|--------------|---|
| Kirya | <sup>m</sup> banə mbanə | *m-ba-na | *mØ-ba-na | *ma-ba-y/-na | 1 |
| Bana  | <sup>m</sup> ba(y) mbay | *m-ba-y  | *mØ-ba-y  |              |   |

1. FV \*a &gt; ə

GIDAR

|       |       |           |           |            |   |
|-------|-------|-----------|-----------|------------|---|
| Gidar | əbapa | *Øa-ba-pa | *ma-ba-ba | *ma-RED-ba | 1 |
|-------|-------|-----------|-----------|------------|---|

1. prefixal \*a &gt; ə; root-initial \*b &gt; p

arm/hand<sub>1</sub>Areal root \*dzva (-y, -k<sup>w</sup>, -n; FV)

BATA

|        |                        |             |              |              |   |
|--------|------------------------|-------------|--------------|--------------|---|
| Bata   | <i>tife</i> təʔfaʏ     | *tfa-yʏ     | *tva-y       | *dzva-y(-na) | 1 |
| Sharwa | <i>tivi</i> təʔvy      | *tvØ-yʏ     |              |              | 2 |
| Gude   | <i>tʃiinə</i> tsʔəʏynə | *tsØØ-yʏ-na | *tsva-y(-na) |              | 3 |
| Jimi   | <i>tʃiyən</i> tsʔəʏən  | *tsØØ-yʏ-nØ |              |              | 4 |
| Tsuvan | <i>tʃəve</i> tsʔəvaʏ   | *tsva-yʏ    |              |              | 5 |

|                                                                           |
|---------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| 1. *dz > t; *v > f; ə-epenthesis; *y > yʷ; +Y: *a > e; +Y: ə > i          |
| 2. *dz > t; ə-epenthesis; *y > yʷ > i; +Y: ə > i                          |
| 3. *dz > ts; ə-epenthesis; *y > yʷ > i; +Y: ts > tʃ; +Y: ə > i; FV *a > ə |
| 4. *dz > ts; ə-epenthesis; *y > yʷ; +Y: ts > tʃ; +Y: ə > i                |
| 5. *dz > ts; ə-epenthesis; *y > yʷ; +Y: ts > tʃ; +Y: *a > e               |

## MANDARA

|         |                   |         |          |           |   |
|---------|-------------------|---------|----------|-----------|---|
| Mandara | <i>erva</i> aʸrva | *rva-yʸ | *rva(-y) | *dzva(-y) | 1 |
| Malgwa  | <i>ərva</i>       | *rva    |          |           | 2 |
| Glavda  | <i>də</i>         | *dØa    | *dva     |           | 3 |
| Dghwede | <i>dəva</i>       | *dva    |          |           | 4 |

1. \*dz > r; a-prothesis; \*y > yʷ; +Y: \*a > e
2. \*dz > r; ə-prothesis
3. \*dz > d; lexical-final \*a > ə
4. \*dz > d; ə-epenthesis

## LAMANG

|        |                     |          |          |   |
|--------|---------------------|----------|----------|---|
| Lamang | <i>dzəvo</i> dzəvaʷ | *dzva-kʷ | *dzva-kʷ | 1 |
| Hdi    | <i>dzəvu</i> dzəvw  | *dzvØ-kʷ |          | 2 |

1. ə-epenthesis; \*kʷ > Øʷ; +W: lexical-final \*a > o
2. ə-epenthesis; \*kʷ > w > u

## HIGI

|            |                     |          |           |   |
|------------|---------------------|----------|-----------|---|
| Kamwe-Futu | <i>dziḃə</i> dzəʷḃə | *dzḃa-Øʷ | *dzva(-y) | 1 |
| Psikye     | <i>dzəṽə</i> dzəṽə  | *dzva    |           | 2 |
| Bana       | <i>dəṽə</i> dəṽə    | *dva     |           | 3 |

1. \*v > ḃ; ə-epenthesis; \*y > Øʷ; +Y: ə > i; lexical-final \*a > ə
2. ə-epenthesis; lexical-final \*a > ə
3. \*dz > d; ə-epenthesis; lexical-final \*a > ə

arm/hand<sub>2</sub>

PCC/Areal root \*(Ca-) x(a)ra (-a, -y, -kʷ)

## DABA

|       |           |       |        |        |  |
|-------|-----------|-------|--------|--------|--|
| Buwal | <i>ra</i> | < *ra | < *Øra | < *xra |  |
| Gavar | <i>ra</i> |       |        |        |  |

## MAFA

|       |            |       |          |            |  |
|-------|------------|-------|----------|------------|--|
| Mafa  | <i>ray</i> | *r-ay | *ØrØ-a-y | *xra(-a-y) |  |
| Cuvok | <i>ha</i>  | *xa   | *xØa     |            |  |

## TERA

|         |                                 |          |           |   |
|---------|---------------------------------|----------|-----------|---|
| Tera    | <i>xar</i>                      | *xarØ    | *xara(-y) |   |
| Ga'anda | ( <sup>m</sup> bəra) herə xəʷra | *xara-Øʷ |           | 1 |

1. \*y > Øʷ; +Y: a > e

## SUKUR

|       |                |       |        |        |   |
|-------|----------------|-------|--------|--------|---|
| Sukur | <i>ri</i> ry   | *r-y  | *ØrØ-y | *xra-y | 1 |
|       | <i>rəi</i> rəy | *ra-y | *Øra-y |        | 2 |

|                                                                      |             |          |                         |                         |   |  |  |
|----------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------|----------|-------------------------|-------------------------|---|--|--|
| 1. *y > i<br>2. lexical-final *a > ə; *y > i                         |             |          |                         |                         |   |  |  |
| HURZA                                                                |             |          |                         |                         |   |  |  |
| Mbuko                                                                | alay        | *al-ay   | *ØalØ-a-y               | *xara-a-y               | 1 |  |  |
| Vame                                                                 | alay        |          |                         |                         | 1 |  |  |
| 1. *r > l                                                            |             |          |                         |                         |   |  |  |
| MANDARA                                                              |             |          |                         |                         |   |  |  |
| Matal                                                                | ahal axal   | *Øa-xalØ |                         | *(Ca-)xara <sup>1</sup> | 1 |  |  |
| Podoko                                                               | hara xara   | *xara    |                         |                         |   |  |  |
| 1. *r > l                                                            |             |          |                         |                         |   |  |  |
| MOFU                                                                 |             |          |                         |                         |   |  |  |
|                                                                      |             |          |                         | √ C Ca                  |   |  |  |
| Zulgo                                                                | ahər axər   | *axrØ    |                         | *xra(-a-y)              | 1 |  |  |
| Gemzek                                                               | ahər axər   |          |                         |                         |   |  |  |
| Merey                                                                | həlay xəlay | *xl-ay   | *xlØ-a-y                |                         | 2 |  |  |
| Dugwor                                                               | lay         | *l-ay    | *ØlØ-a-y                |                         | 3 |  |  |
|                                                                      |             |          |                         | √ CaCa                  |   |  |  |
| Ouldeme                                                              | ahar axar   | *Øa-xarØ | *(Ca-)xara <sup>2</sup> |                         |   |  |  |
| Muyang                                                               | ahar axar   |          |                         |                         |   |  |  |
| Mada                                                                 | ahar axar   |          |                         |                         |   |  |  |
| Moloko                                                               | ahar axar   |          |                         |                         |   |  |  |
| Mofu North                                                           | har xar     | *xarØ    |                         |                         |   |  |  |
| Mofu-Gudur                                                           | har xar     |          |                         |                         |   |  |  |
| 1. a-prothesis; ə-epenthesis<br>2. *r > l; ə-epenthesis<br>3. *r > l |             |          |                         |                         |   |  |  |
| MAROUA                                                               |             |          |                         |                         |   |  |  |
| Giziga-Marva                                                         | han xan     | *xanØ    |                         | *xara(-k <sup>w</sup> ) | 1 |  |  |
|                                                                      | han̩ xan̩   | *xan̩    | *xanØ-k                 |                         | 2 |  |  |
| Giziga-Muturwa                                                       | han̩ xan̩   |          |                         |                         | 2 |  |  |
| Mbazla                                                               | han̩ xan̩   |          |                         |                         | 2 |  |  |
| 1. *r > n<br>2. *r > n; *k <sup>w</sup> > k; fusion *nk > ŋ          |             |          |                         |                         |   |  |  |

<sup>1</sup> The nature of the presumed initial consonant of the prefixal augment remains obscure in the absence of conclusive comparative evidence.

<sup>2</sup> See footnote 1.



## armpit

PCC \*(ma-, RED-) **x(a)b(a)wa** (-y, -t, -k<sup>w</sup>, -d; FV)

## BATA

|                                                                                                                                        |                                                                                               |                                             |                      |                      |   |
|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------|----------------------|----------------------|---|
| Bachama                                                                                                                                | <i>m<sup>w</sup>am<sup>w</sup>atae</i><br><i>m<sup>w</sup>am<sup>w</sup>wata<sup>wy</sup></i> | <i>*ma-mw<sup>w</sup>a-Ø<sup>y</sup>-ta</i> | <i>*ma-Ømwa-y-ta</i> | <i>*ma-xbwa-y-ta</i> | 1 |
| 1. assimilation *b > m/ma <sub>-</sub> ; *w > w <sup>w</sup> ; +W: m > m <sup>w</sup> ; *y > Ø <sup>y</sup> ; combined +W+Y: FV *a > æ |                                                                                               |                                             |                      |                      |   |

## DABA

|                                                                                                                           |                                                     |                               |                     |                         |   |
|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------|---------------------|-------------------------|---|
| Buwal                                                                                                                     | <i><sup>m</sup>buwa</i><br><i>mbə<sup>w</sup>wa</i> | <i>*m-bw<sup>w</sup>a</i>     | <i>*mØ-Øbwa</i>     | <i>*(RED-)(ma-)xbwa</i> | 1 |
| Mbudum                                                                                                                    | <i>pumpa</i> pə <sup>w</sup> mpa                    | <i>*Øp-mØ-pØ<sup>w</sup>a</i> | <i>*RED-ma-Øbwa</i> |                         | 2 |
| Gavar                                                                                                                     | <i>papa</i>                                         | <i>*pa-pa</i>                 | <i>*RED-ØpØa</i>    |                         | 3 |
| 1. ə-epenthesis; *w > w <sup>w</sup> ; +W: ə > u<br>2. *b > p; *w > Ø <sup>w</sup> ; ə-epenthesis; +W: ə > u<br>3. *b > p |                                                     |                               |                     |                         |   |

## MAFA

|                                                                   |                                             |                           |                  |                  |   |
|-------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------|---------------------------|------------------|------------------|---|
|                                                                   |                                             |                           |                  | <i>√ C C Ca</i>  |   |
| Cuvok                                                             | <i><sup>m</sup>buwa</i> mbə <sup>w</sup> wa | <i>*m-bw<sup>w</sup>a</i> | <i>*mØ-Øbwa</i>  | <i>*ma-xbwa</i>  | 1 |
|                                                                   |                                             |                           |                  | <i>√ C CaCa</i>  |   |
| Mafa                                                              | <i><sup>m</sup>bəhaw</i> mbəxaw             | <i>*m-bxaw</i>            | <i>*mØ-xbawØ</i> | <i>*ma-xbawa</i> | 2 |
| 1. ə-epenthesis; +W: ə > u<br>2. metathesis xb > bx; ə-epenthesis |                                             |                           |                  |                  |   |

## HURZA

|                                                                                                                                                                                                    |                                                                                                    |                                                       |                                 |                                 |   |
|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------|---------------------------------|---|
| Mbuko                                                                                                                                                                                              | <i>a<sup>m</sup>biyoe<sup>k</sup></i> a <sup>m</sup> bə <sup>y</sup> ya <sup>y<sup>w</sup></sup> k | <i>*Ø<sup>n</sup>a-by<sup>y</sup>aØ<sup>w</sup>-k</i> | <i>*m<sup>n</sup>a-Øbwa-y-k</i> | <i>*ma-xbwa-y-k<sup>w</sup></i> | 1 |
| 1. *k <sup>w</sup> > k; metathesis wy > yw; w > Ø <sup>w</sup> ; *m > Ø <sup>n</sup> ; +N: *b > <sup>m</sup> b; ə-epenthesis; *y → y <sup>y</sup> ; +Y: ə > i; combined +W+Y: lexical-final *a > æ |                                                                                                    |                                                       |                                 |                                 |   |

## MARGI

|                                                                                                    |                                            |                                       |                             |                 |   |
|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------|-----------------------------|-----------------|---|
| Margi                                                                                              | <i>hu<sup>m</sup>bu</i> xə <sup>wmbw</sup> | <i>*Ø<sup>n</sup>-xbw<sup>w</sup></i> | <i>*m<sup>n</sup>Ø-xbwØ</i> | <i>*ma-xbwa</i> | 1 |
| Kilba                                                                                              | <i>u<sup>m</sup>bu</i> ə <sup>wmbw</sup>   | <i>*Ø<sup>n</sup>-Øbw<sup>w</sup></i> | <i>*m<sup>n</sup>Ø-ØbwØ</i> |                 | 2 |
| 1. ə-epenthesis; *w > w <sup>w</sup> > u; +W: ə > u; *m > Ø <sup>n</sup> ; +N: *b > <sup>m</sup> b |                                            |                                       |                             |                 |   |
| 2. ə-prothesis; *w > w <sup>w</sup> > u; +W: ə > u; *m > Ø <sup>n</sup> ; +N: *b > <sup>m</sup> b  |                                            |                                       |                             |                 |   |

## MOFU

|                                                  |                                                                                             |                                                                    |                                          |                                        |   |
|--------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------|---|
|                                                  |                                                                                             |                                                                    |                                          | √ C C Ca                               |   |
| Mofu-Gudur                                       | <i><sup>m</sup>bəwa</i> mbəwa                                                               | *m-bwa                                                             | *mØ-Øbwa                                 | *ma-xbwa<br>(-a-y/-d)                  | 1 |
| Mofu North                                       | <i><sup>m</sup>buwa</i> mbə <sup>w</sup> wa                                                 | *m-bw <sup>w</sup> a                                               |                                          |                                        | 2 |
| Zulgo                                            | <i>hi<sup>m</sup>bid</i> xə <sup>m</sup> byd                                                | *Ø <sup>n</sup> -xb-y <sup>y</sup> -d                              | *m <sup>n</sup> Ø-xbØØ-y-d               |                                        | 3 |
| Ouldeme                                          | <i>hu<sup>m</sup>buway</i><br>xə <sup>w</sup> mbə <sup>w</sup> way                          | *Ø <sup>n</sup> -xbw <sup>w</sup> -ay                              | *m <sup>n</sup> Ø-xbwØ-a-y               |                                        | 2 |
|                                                  |                                                                                             |                                                                    |                                          | √ C CaCa                               |   |
| Gemzek                                           | <i>hə<sup>m</sup>bed</i> xə <sup>m</sup> ba <sup>y</sup> d                                  | *Ø <sup>n</sup> -xba-Ø <sup>y</sup> -d                             | *m <sup>n</sup> Ø-xbaØØ-y-d              | *ma-xbawa<br>(-a-y-k <sup>w</sup> /-d) | 4 |
| Dugwor                                           | <i>hu<sup>m</sup>bayek<sup>w</sup></i><br>xə <sup>w</sup> mbaya <sup>y</sup> k <sup>w</sup> | *Ø <sup>n</sup> -xbay <sup>y</sup> aw <sup>w</sup> -k <sup>w</sup> | *m <sup>n</sup> Ø-xbawa-y-k <sup>w</sup> |                                        | 5 |
| Merey                                            | <i>hu<sup>m</sup>beyək</i> xə <sup>w</sup> mba <sup>y</sup> yək                             | *Ø <sup>n</sup> -xbay <sup>y</sup> ØØ <sup>w</sup> -k              |                                          |                                        | 6 |
| Moloko                                           | <i><sup>m</sup>beyewk</i> mba <sup>y</sup> ya <sup>y</sup> wk                               | *m-bay <sup>y</sup> aw-k                                           | *mØ-Øbawa-y-k <sup>w</sup>               |                                        | 7 |
| 1. ə-epenthesis                                  |                                                                                             |                                                                    |                                          |                                        |   |
| 2. ə-epenthesis; *w > w <sup>w</sup> ; +W: ə > u |                                                                                             |                                                                    |                                          |                                        |   |

3. \*m > Ø<sup>n</sup>; +N: \*b > <sup>m</sup>b; ə-epenthesis; \*y > y<sup>y</sup>; +Y: ə > i  
 4. \*m > Ø<sup>n</sup>; +N: \*b > <sup>m</sup>b; ə-epenthesis; \*y > Ø<sup>y</sup>; +Y: \*a > e  
 5. \*m > Ø<sup>n</sup>; +N: \*b > <sup>m</sup>b; metathesis wy > yw; ə-epenthesis; \*w > w<sup>w</sup>; +W: ə > u; +Y: \*a > e  
 6. \*m > Ø<sup>n</sup>; +N: \*b > <sup>m</sup>b; \*k<sup>w</sup> > k; metathesis wy > yw; ə-epenthesis; \*w > Ø<sup>w</sup>; +W: ə > u; \*y > y<sup>y</sup>; +Y: \*a > e; lexical-final \*a > ə  
 7. \*k<sup>w</sup> > k; metathesis wy > yw; \*y > y<sup>y</sup>; +Y: \*a > e

## Higi

|                                                                                                                         |                                                          |                                      |                         |           |   |
|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------|-------------------------|-----------|---|
| Kamwe-Nkafa                                                                                                             | <i>ha<sup>m</sup>buwə xa<sup>m</sup>bə<sup>w</sup>wə</i> | *Ø <sup>n</sup> -xabw <sup>w</sup> a | *m <sup>n</sup> Ø-xabwa | *ma-xabwa | 1 |
| Kamwe-Futu                                                                                                              | <i>ha<sup>n</sup>duwa xa<sup>n</sup>də<sup>w</sup>wa</i> | *Ø <sup>n</sup> -xadw <sup>w</sup> a | *m <sup>n</sup> Ø-xadwa |           | 2 |
| 1. *m > Ø <sup>n</sup> ; +N: *b > <sup>m</sup> b; ə-epenthesis; *w > w <sup>w</sup> ; +W: ə > u; lexical-final *a > ə   |                                                          |                                      |                         |           |   |
| 2. *b > d (dissimilation); *m > Ø <sup>n</sup> ; +N: *d > <sup>n</sup> d; ə-epenthesis; *w > w <sup>w</sup> ; +W: ə > u |                                                          |                                      |                         |           |   |

## ashes

PCC \*pts(a)da (-y, -k<sup>w</sup>, -n ; FV)

## BATA

|                                                                                                                                                                                   |                                                                 |                                      |                           |                            |   |
|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------|---------------------------|----------------------------|---|
|                                                                                                                                                                                   |                                                                 |                                      |                           | √ C C Ca                   |   |
| Bata                                                                                                                                                                              | <i>fite fə'ta<sup>y</sup></i>                                   | *fta-Ø <sup>y</sup>                  | *ftØa-y                   | *ptsda-y                   | 1 |
|                                                                                                                                                                                   |                                                                 |                                      |                           | √ C CaCa                   |   |
| Bachama                                                                                                                                                                           | <i>fitædiye fə'ta<sup>y</sup>w də<sup>y</sup>ya<sup>y</sup></i> | *ftad-Ø <sup>y</sup> -y <sup>a</sup> | *ftadØ-y-k <sup>w</sup> a | *ptsada-y-k <sup>w</sup> a | 2 |
| 1. *p > f; *ts > t; ə-epenthesis; *y > Ø <sup>y</sup> ; +Y: ə > i; +Y: lexical-final *a > e                                                                                       |                                                                 |                                      |                           |                            |   |
| 2. *p > f; *ts > t; ə-epenthesis; metathesis *yk <sup>w</sup> > k <sup>w</sup> y; *k <sup>w</sup> > Ø <sup>w</sup> ; *y > y <sup>y</sup> ; +Y: ə > i; +Y+W: *a > æ; +Y: FV *a > e |                                                                 |                                      |                           |                            |   |

## TERA

|                                                                                                        |                                |                       |          |          |   |
|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------|-----------------------|----------|----------|---|
| Tera                                                                                                   | <i>pədzit pədz'ə't</i>         | *pdztØ-y <sup>y</sup> | *pdzta-y | *ptsda-y | 1 |
|                                                                                                        | <i>pəzit pəz'ə't</i>           | *pztØ-y <sup>y</sup>  |          |          | 2 |
| Hwana                                                                                                  | <i>fijē fə's'a<sup>y</sup></i> | *fsØa-y <sup>y</sup>  | *ftsØa-y |          | 3 |
| 1. *ts > dz; ə-epenthesis; *d > t; *y > y <sup>y</sup> ; +Y: dz > dʒ; +Y: ə > i                        |                                |                       |          |          |   |
| 2. *ts > z; ə-epenthesis; *d > t; *y > y <sup>y</sup> ; +Y: z > ʒ; +Y: ə > i                           |                                |                       |          |          |   |
| 3. *p > f; *ts > s; ə-epenthesis; *y > y <sup>y</sup> ; +Y: s > ʃ; +Y: ə > i; +Y: lexical-final *a > e |                                |                       |          |          |   |

## MARGI

|                                          |                        |         |                       |                       |   |
|------------------------------------------|------------------------|---------|-----------------------|-----------------------|---|
| Kilba                                    | <i>pətsədu pətsədŋ</i> | *ptsd-w | *ptsdØ-k <sup>w</sup> | *ptsda-k <sup>w</sup> | 1 |
| 1. ə-epenthesis; *k <sup>w</sup> > w > u |                        |         |                       |                       |   |

## MANDARA

|                                                                                                                       |                                               |                                       |                                       |                            |   |
|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------|---------------------------------------|----------------------------|---|
| Glavda                                                                                                                | <i>aft</i>                                    | *ftØØ                                 | *ftsda                                | *ptsda(-y-k <sup>w</sup> ) | 1 |
|                                                                                                                       | <i>aftsa</i>                                  | *ftsØa                                |                                       |                            | 2 |
| Dghwede                                                                                                               | <i>fisut'e ftsə<sup>w</sup>da<sup>y</sup></i> | *ftsda-Ø <sup>y</sup> -Ø <sup>w</sup> | *ftsda-y <sup>y</sup> -k <sup>w</sup> |                            | 3 |
| 1. *p > f; a-prothesis                                                                                                |                                               |                                       |                                       |                            |   |
| 2. *p > f; *ts > t; a-prothesis                                                                                       |                                               |                                       |                                       |                            |   |
| 3. *p > f; ə-epenthesis; *k <sup>w</sup> > Ø <sup>w</sup> ; +W: ə > u; *y > Ø <sup>y</sup> ; +Y: lexical-final *a > e |                                               |                                       |                                       |                            |   |

## MOFU

|        |                              |                     |        |           |                            |   |
|--------|------------------------------|---------------------|--------|-----------|----------------------------|---|
| Muyang | <i>viti və'ti</i>            | *vtØ-y <sup>y</sup> | *bta-y | *ptØa(-y) | *ptsda(-y-k <sup>w</sup> ) | 1 |
| Moloko | <i>vəte vətə<sup>y</sup></i> | *vta-y <sup>y</sup> |        |           |                            | 2 |

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| Zulgo                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         | <i>bite</i> bəʔtaʸ   | *bta-yʸ | *bta(-y) |           | 3 |
| Dugwor                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        | <i>bəta</i>          | *bta    |          |           | 4 |
| Mofu North                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    | <i>pətsaw</i> pətsaw | *ptsə-w | *ptsə-kʷ | *ptsəa-kʷ | 5 |
| 1. *p > b > v; ə-epenthesis; *ts > t; *y > i; *y > yʸ; +Y: ə > i<br>2. *p > b > v; ə-epenthesis; *ts > t; *y > yʸ; +Y: lexical-final *a > e<br>3. *p > b; ə-epenthesis; *ts > t; *y > yʸ; +Y: ə > i; +Y: lexical-final *a > e<br>4. *p > b; ə-epenthesis; *ts > t<br>5. ə-epenthesis; *kʷ > w |                      |         |          |           |   |

## MAROUA

|                                                                                   |                      |             |              |                 |   |
|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------|-------------|--------------|-----------------|---|
| Giziga-Marva                                                                      | <i>afifo</i> afɪsʷaʷ | *fɪsa-yʲ-Øʷ | *fɪsØa-yʲ-kʷ | *ptsda-<br>y-kʷ | 1 |
| Giziga-Muturwa                                                                    | <i>fufu</i> fəʷtsʷw  | *fɪs-Øʲ-wʷ  | *fɪsØ-yʲ-kʷ  |                 | 2 |
| Mbazla                                                                            | <i>fufu</i> fəʷtsʷw  | *fɪs-Øʲ-wʷ  |              |                 | 2 |
|                                                                                   | <i>putfu</i> pəʷtsʷw | *pts-Øʲ-wʷ  | *ptsØ-yʲ-kʷ  |                 | 3 |
| 1. *p > f; a-prothesis; *y > yʲ; +Y: *ts > tʃ; *kʷ > Øʷ; +W: lexical-final *a > o |                      |             |              |                 |   |
| 2. *p > f; ə-epenthesis; *y > yʲ; +Y: *ts > tʃ; *kʷ > wʷ > u; +W: ə > u           |                      |             |              |                 |   |
| 3. ə-epenthesis; *y > yʲ; +Y: *ts > tʃ; *kʷ > wʷ > u; +W: ə > u                   |                      |             |              |                 |   |

## KOTOKO-ISLAND

|                                  |              |       |          |          |   |
|----------------------------------|--------------|-------|----------|----------|---|
| Buduma                           | <i>fədan</i> | *fd-n | *ptsəØ-n | *ptsda-n | 1 |
| 1. *p > f; *ts > d; ə-epenthesis |              |       |          |          |   |

## baboon

## PCC \*(na-/ra-) x(a)r(a)gw(a)va (-kʷ)

## DABA

|                                                          |                                                |                      |                        |                        |   |
|----------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------|----------------------|------------------------|------------------------|---|
| Mbudum                                                   | <i>lahaf</i> laxaf                             | *laxaf               | *ØlaxafØ               | *xrag <sup>w</sup> ava | 1 |
| Daba                                                     | <i>lohov</i> la <sup>w</sup> xa <sup>w</sup> v | *lax <sup>w</sup> av | *Ølax <sup>w</sup> avØ |                        | 2 |
| 1. *r > l; *g <sup>w</sup> > x; *v > f                   |                                                |                      |                        |                        |   |
| 2. *r > l; *g <sup>w</sup> > x <sup>w</sup> ; +W; *a > o |                                                |                      |                        |                        |   |

## TERA

|                        |                |      |        |         |   |
|------------------------|----------------|------|--------|---------|---|
| Tera                   | <i>ruf</i> rwf | *rwf | *ØrwfØ | *xrgʷva | 1 |
| 1. *gʷ > w > u; *v > f |                |      |        |         |   |

## HURZA

|                             |                       |         |          |          |   |
|-----------------------------|-----------------------|---------|----------|----------|---|
| Mbuko                       | <i>həgov</i> xərgʷaʷv | *xrgʷav | *xrgʷavØ | *xrgʷava | 1 |
| 1. ə-epenthesis; +W: *a > o |                       |         |          |          |   |

## MANDARA

|        |                         |          |            |                  |   |
|--------|-------------------------|----------|------------|------------------|---|
| Malgwa | <i>nagula</i> nagʷəʷla  | *na-gʷla | *na-ØlgʷØa | *(na-/ra-)xrgʷva | 1 |
|        | <i>lagula</i> lagʷəʷla  | *la-gʷla | *la-ØlgʷØa |                  | 1 |
| Glavda | <i>lukuva</i> laʷkʷəʷva | *lkʷva   | *Ølkʷva    |                  | 2 |

1. \*r > l; metathesis lgʷ > gʷl; ə-epenthesis; +W: \*ə > u

2. \*r > l; \*gʷ > kʷ; ə-epenthesis; +W: \*ə > u

## MOFU

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|                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 |                                                         |                      |                        | √ C C C Ca             |   |
| Merey                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           | wuhuv w <sup>w</sup> ə <sup>w</sup> lə <sup>w</sup> v   | *w <sup>w</sup> lv   | *Ølw <sup>w</sup> vØ   | *xrg <sup>w</sup> va   | 1 |
|                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 |                                                         |                      |                        | √ CaC C Ca             |   |
| Ouldeme                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         | alkuv alk <sup>w</sup> ə <sup>w</sup> v                 | *alk <sup>w</sup> v  | *Øalk <sup>w</sup> vØ  | *xarg <sup>w</sup> va  | 2 |
| Muyang                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          | ahuguv alə <sup>w</sup> g <sup>w</sup> ə <sup>w</sup> v | *alg <sup>w</sup> v  | *Øalg <sup>w</sup> vØ  |                        | 3 |
| Zulgo                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           | aluv alwv                                               | *alwv                | *Øalwv                 |                        | 4 |
|                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 |                                                         |                      |                        | √ C C CaCa             |   |
| Moloko                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          | hərgov xərg <sup>w</sup> a <sup>w</sup> v               | *xrg <sup>w</sup> av | *xrg <sup>w</sup> avØ  | *xrg <sup>w</sup> ava  | 5 |
| Gemzek                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          | hulov xə <sup>w</sup> la <sup>w</sup> v                 | *xlØ <sup>w</sup> av | *xlg <sup>w</sup> avØ  |                        | 6 |
|                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 |                                                         |                      |                        | √ C CaCaCa             |   |
| Mofu-Gudur                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      | lag <sup>w</sup> av                                     | *lag <sup>w</sup> av | *Ølag <sup>w</sup> avØ | *xrag <sup>w</sup> ava | 7 |
| 1. *r > l; *g <sup>w</sup> > w <sup>w</sup> ; metathesis lw > wl; ə-epenthesis; +W: ə > u<br>2. *r > l; *g <sup>w</sup> > k <sup>w</sup> ; ə-epenthesis; +W: ə > u<br>3. *r > l; ə-epenthesis; +W: ə > u<br>4. *r > l; *g <sup>w</sup> > w > u<br>5. ə-epenthesis; +W: *a > o<br>6. *r > l; *g <sup>w</sup> > Ø <sup>w</sup> ; ə-epenthesis; +W: ə > u; +W: *a > o<br>7. *r > l |                                                         |                      |                        |                        |   |

## MAROUA

|                                                                                                                                  |                                                       |                      |                        |                        |   |
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|                                                                                                                                  |                                                       |                      |                        | √ C C C Ca             |   |
| Giziga-Muturwa                                                                                                                   | lu'uf lə <sup>w</sup> ʔ <sup>w</sup> ə <sup>w</sup> f | *lʔ <sup>w</sup> f   | *Ølʔ <sup>w</sup> fØ   | *xrg <sup>w</sup> va   | 1 |
|                                                                                                                                  |                                                       |                      |                        | √ CaC CaCa             |   |
| Giziga-Marva                                                                                                                     | al'of alʔ <sup>w</sup> a <sup>w</sup> f               | *alʔ <sup>w</sup> af | *Øalʔ <sup>w</sup> afØ | *xarg <sup>w</sup> ava | 2 |
| 1. *r > l; *g <sup>w</sup> > ʔ <sup>w</sup> ; ə-epenthesis; +W: ə > u<br>2. *r > l; *g <sup>w</sup> > ʔ <sup>w</sup> ; +W: a > o |                                                       |                      |                        |                        |   |

## LAMANG

|                                                                                                                                                    |                                                       |                       |                        |                                        |   |
|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------|------------------------|----------------------------------------|---|
| Lamang                                                                                                                                             | lk <sup>w</sup> va                                    | *lk <sup>w</sup> va   | *Ølk <sup>w</sup> va   | *xrg <sup>w</sup> va(-k <sup>w</sup> ) | 1 |
|                                                                                                                                                    | luk <sup>w</sup> va lə <sup>w</sup> k <sup>w</sup> va |                       |                        |                                        | 2 |
| Hdi                                                                                                                                                | lkuvak lk <sup>w</sup> ə <sup>w</sup> vak             | *lk <sup>w</sup> va-k | *Ølk <sup>w</sup> va-k |                                        | 2 |
| 1. *r > l; *g <sup>w</sup> > k <sup>w</sup><br>2. *r > l; *g <sup>w</sup> > k <sup>w</sup> ; ə-epenthesis; +W: ə > u; suffixal *k <sup>w</sup> > k |                                                       |                       |                        |                                        |   |

## GIDAR

|                                                          |                                      |                      |                       |                       |   |
|----------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------|----------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|---|
| Gidar                                                    | lovo la <sup>w</sup> va <sup>w</sup> | *laØ <sup>w</sup> va | *Ølag <sup>w</sup> va | *xrag <sup>w</sup> va | 1 |
| 1. *r > l; *g <sup>w</sup> > Ø <sup>w</sup> ; +W: *a > o |                                      |                      |                       |                       |   |

baobab<sub>1</sub>PCC/Loan?<sup>3</sup> \*(ma-, RED-) \*k(a)w(a)ka (-t, -y, -n; FV)

## BATA

|        |                                 |            |              |                |   |
|--------|---------------------------------|------------|--------------|----------------|---|
|        |                                 |            |              | √ C C Ca       |   |
| Gude   | kuku'unə kwkwʔə <sup>w</sup> nə | *kw-kwʔ-na | *RED-kwʔØ-na | *RED-kwka(-na) | 1 |
| Sharwa | kəkə'wə                         | *k-kʔwa    | *RED-kwʔa    |                | 2 |

<sup>3</sup> In the light of Kanuri *kūwa* and Bagirmi *kuka* (Henry Tourneux, p.c. 2022), this word may be borrowed – but in which direction? Note that Newman (1977: 22) reconstructs \*kuka for Proto-Chadic, adding that “Kanuri *kūwa* is undoubtedly a borrowing from Chadic, as is the case with a number of terms for native flora and fauna.”

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|                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           |                                               |                                      |              | √ C CaCa        |   |
| Tsuvan                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    | <i>kuk<sup>w</sup>akən</i> kwkwakən           | *kw-kwak-n                           | *RED-kwakØ-n | *RED-kwaka-n    | 3 |
|                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           |                                               |                                      |              | √ CaC Ca        |   |
| Bata                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      | <i>kawto</i> kawta <sup>w</sup>               | *kaw <sup>w</sup> -ta                | *kawØØ-ta    | *kawka(-ta)(-y) | 4 |
| Bachama                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   | <i>kawtoe</i> kawta <sup>wy</sup>             | *kaw <sup>w</sup> -ta-Ø <sup>y</sup> | *kawØØ-ta-y  |                 | 5 |
|                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           | <i>koewe</i> ka <sup>wy</sup> wa <sup>y</sup> | *kaw <sup>w</sup> -Ø <sup>y</sup>    | *kawØØ-y     |                 | 6 |
|                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           |                                               |                                      |              | √ CaCaCa        |   |
| Bata                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      | <i>kaawe</i> kaØawa <sup>y</sup>              | *kakawa-Ø <sup>y</sup>               | *kawaka-y    | *kawaka-y       | 7 |
| 1. C <sub>3</sub> *k > ?; *w > w <sup>w</sup> > u; ə-epenthesis; +W: ə > u; FV *a > ə<br>2. C <sub>3</sub> *k > ?; metathesis w? > ?w; ə-epenthesis; lexical-final *a > ə<br>3. *w > u; ə-epenthesis; +W: ə > u<br>4. *w > w <sup>w</sup> ; +W: FV *a > o<br>5. *w > w <sup>w</sup> ; *y > Ø <sup>y</sup> ; combined +Y+W: FV *a > æ<br>6. *y > Ø <sup>y</sup> ; +Y: lexical-final *a > e; combined +Y+W: *a > æ<br>7. metathesis wk > kw; *y > Ø <sup>y</sup> ; +Y: lexical-final *a > e |                                               |                                      |              |                 |   |

## TERA

|                                                     |                                                |                        |          |            |   |
|-----------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------|------------------------|----------|------------|---|
| Tera                                                | <i>kukwa</i> kwk <sup>w</sup> a                | *kw <sup>w</sup> ka    | *kwka    | *kwka(-ta) | 1 |
| Ga'anda                                             | <i>kuk<sup>w</sup>ata</i> kwk <sup>w</sup> ata | *kw <sup>w</sup> ka-ta | *kwka-ta |            | 2 |
| 1. *w > w <sup>w</sup> > u; ə-epenthesis; +W: ə > u |                                                |                        |          |            |   |
| 2. *w > w <sup>w</sup> > u; +W: *k > k <sup>w</sup> |                                                |                        |          |            |   |

## HURZA

|                                     |                                             |                                          |           |           |   |
|-------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------|-----------|-----------|---|
| Mbuko                               | <i>koko</i> ka <sup>w</sup> ka <sup>w</sup> | *kØ <sup>w</sup> a-<br>kØ <sup>w</sup> a | *RED-kwØa | *RED-kwka | 1 |
| Vame                                | <i>k<sup>w</sup>ak<sup>w</sup>a</i> kwakwa  | *kwa-kwa                                 | *RED-kwØa |           |   |
| 1. *w > Ø <sup>w</sup> ; +W: *a > o |                                             |                                          |           |           |   |

## MARGI

|                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            |                                            |                    |        |        |   |
|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------|--------------------|--------|--------|---|
| Bura                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       | <i>k<sup>w</sup>agu</i> k <sup>w</sup> agw | *kagw <sup>w</sup> | *kawgØ | *kawka | 1 |
|                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            | <i>kogu</i> ka <sup>w</sup> gw             |                    |        |        | 2 |
| Kilba                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      | <i>gu</i> gw                               | *gw                | *ØØwgØ |        | 3 |
| 1. *w > w <sup>w</sup> > u; C <sub>3</sub> *k > g; metathesis wg > gw; +W: C <sub>1</sub> *k > k <sup>w</sup><br>2. *w > w <sup>w</sup> > u; C <sub>3</sub> *k > g; metathesis wg > gw; +W: *a > o<br>3. C <sub>3</sub> *k > g; metathesis wg > gw; *w > u |                                            |                    |        |        |   |

## MANDARA

|                                                                                                                   |                                                                          |                             |           |             |   |
|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------|-----------|-------------|---|
| Matal                                                                                                             | <i>mak<sup>w</sup>ak<sup>w</sup>a</i> mak <sup>w</sup> ak <sup>w</sup> a | *ma-<br>kaØ <sup>w</sup> ka | *ma-kawka | *(ma-)kawka | 1 |
|                                                                                                                   | <i>makok<sup>w</sup>a</i> maka <sup>w</sup> k <sup>w</sup> a             |                             |           |             | 2 |
| Glavda                                                                                                            | <i>k<sup>w</sup>ak<sup>w</sup>a</i>                                      | *kaØ <sup>w</sup> ka        | *kawka    |             | 1 |
| Mandara                                                                                                           | <i>k<sup>w</sup>ak<sup>w</sup>a</i>                                      |                             |           |             | 1 |
| Malgwa                                                                                                            | <i>k<sup>w</sup>ak<sup>w</sup>a</i>                                      |                             |           |             | 1 |
|                                                                                                                   | <i>kok<sup>w</sup>a</i> ka <sup>w</sup> k <sup>w</sup> a                 |                             |           |             | 2 |
|                                                                                                                   |                                                                          |                             |           |             |   |
| 1. *w > Ø <sup>w</sup> ; +W: *k > k <sup>w</sup><br>2. *w > Ø <sup>w</sup> ; +W: *k > k <sup>w</sup> ; +W: *a > o |                                                                          |                             |           |             |   |

## MOFU

|                                        |                                             |                      |        |   |
|----------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------|----------------------|--------|---|
| Moloko                                 | <i>koko</i> ka <sup>w</sup> ka <sup>w</sup> | *kaØ <sup>w</sup> ka | *kawka | 1 |
| 1. w > Ø <sup>w</sup> ; +W: +W: *a > o |                                             |                      |        |   |

## LAMANG

|                                                                                             |                                             |                     |        |        |   |
|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------|---------------------|--------|--------|---|
| Lamang                                                                                      | <i>kowo</i> ka <sup>w</sup> wa <sup>w</sup> | *kaw <sup>w</sup> a | *kawØa | *kawka | 1 |
| Hdi                                                                                         | <i>ka'u</i> ka?w                            | *ka?w               | *kaw?Ø |        | 2 |
| 1. *w > w <sup>w</sup> ; +W: *a > o<br>2. C <sub>3</sub> *k > ?; metathesis w? > ?w; *w > u |                                             |                     |        |        |   |

## HIGI

|                                                                                       |                                                                  |                     |       |   |
|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------|-------|---|
| Kirya                                                                                 | <i>kuku kwkə<sup>w</sup></i>                                     | *kw <sup>w</sup> ka | *kwka | 1 |
| Bana                                                                                  | <i>k<sup>w</sup>ək<sup>w</sup>ə k<sup>w</sup>ək<sup>w</sup>ə</i> | *kØ <sup>w</sup> ka |       | 2 |
| 1. *w > w <sup>w</sup> > u; lexical-final *a > ə; +W: ə > u                           |                                                                  |                     |       |   |
| 2. *w > Ø <sup>w</sup> ; +W: *k > k <sup>w</sup> ; ə-epenthesis; lexical-final *a > ə |                                                                  |                     |       |   |

## KOTOKO-NORTH

|           |                  |       |       |   |
|-----------|------------------|-------|-------|---|
| Afade     | <i>kuka kwka</i> | *kwka | *kwka | 1 |
| 1. *w > u |                  |       |       |   |

## KOTOKO-CENTRAL

|           |                  |       |       |   |
|-----------|------------------|-------|-------|---|
| Lagwan    | <i>kuka kwka</i> | *kwka | *kwka | 1 |
| 1. *w > u |                  |       |       |   |

baobab<sub>2</sub>

## PCC \*(ma-, RED-) b(a)t(a)w(a)ba

## DABA

|           |                    |         |           |            |   |
|-----------|--------------------|---------|-----------|------------|---|
|           |                    |         |           | √ C C C Ca |   |
| Mbudum    | <i>matuḅ matwḅ</i> | *ma-twḅ | *ma-ØtwḅØ | *ma-btwḅa  | 1 |
|           |                    |         |           | √ C CaC Ca |   |
| Buwal     | <i>mataḅ</i>       | *ma-taḅ | *ma-ØtaḅØ | *ma-btawḅa |   |
| 1. *w > u |                    |         |           |            |   |

## MAFA

|                                     |                                                                                             |                              |                 |                 |   |
|-------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------|-----------------|-----------------|---|
| Cuvok                               | <i><sup>m</sup>baatay mbaḐatay</i>                                                          | *m-bawat-ay                  | *mØ-batawØØ-a-y | *ma-batawḅa-a-y | 1 |
| Mafa                                | <i><sup>m</sup>boto<sup>m</sup>bota<br/>mba<sup>w</sup>ta<sup>w</sup>-mba<sup>w</sup>ta</i> | *m-bata-m-bataØ <sup>w</sup> | *RED-mØ-batawØØ | *RED-ma-batawḅa | 2 |
| 1. metathesis tw > wt               |                                                                                             |                              |                 |                 |   |
| 2. *w > Ø <sup>w</sup> ; +W: *a > o |                                                                                             |                              |                 |                 |   |

## SUKUR

|                                             |                               |         |           |           |   |
|---------------------------------------------|-------------------------------|---------|-----------|-----------|---|
| Sukur                                       | <i><sup>m</sup>butə mbwtə</i> | *m-bwta | *mØ-btwØa | *ma-btwḅa | 1 |
| 1. metathesis tw > wt; lexical-final *a > ə |                               |         |           |           |   |

## MOFU

|                       |                                    |             |                 |                   |   |
|-----------------------|------------------------------------|-------------|-----------------|-------------------|---|
| Mofu North            | <i>maataḅ</i>                      | *ma-ataḅ    | *ma-ØataḅØ      | *ma-batawḅa(-a-y) |   |
| Mofu-Gudur            | <i><sup>m</sup>baatay mbaḐatay</i> | *m-bawat-ay | *mØ-batawØØ-a-y |                   | 1 |
| 1. metathesis tw > wt |                                    |             |                 |                   |   |

## beard

PCC \*(ma-, RED) g<sup>w</sup>(a)ma (-a, -y)

## SUKUR

|                                      |              |        |          |                        |   |
|--------------------------------------|--------------|--------|----------|------------------------|---|
| Sukur                                | <i>yəmay</i> | *ym-ay | *ymØ-a-y | *g <sup>w</sup> ma-a-y | 1 |
| 1. *g <sup>w</sup> > ɣ; ə-epenthesis |              |        |          |                        |   |

## HURZA

|                                      |              |        |          |                        |   |
|--------------------------------------|--------------|--------|----------|------------------------|---|
| Mbuko                                | <i>həmay</i> | *xm-ay | *xmØ-a-y | *g <sup>w</sup> ma-a-y | 1 |
| 1. *g <sup>w</sup> > x; ə-epenthesis |              |        |          |                        |   |

## MARGI

|      |                                              |                      |                      |   |
|------|----------------------------------------------|----------------------|----------------------|---|
| Bura | <i>kumi</i> k <sup>w</sup> ə <sup>w</sup> my | *k <sup>w</sup> mØ-y | *g <sup>w</sup> ma-y | 1 |
|------|----------------------------------------------|----------------------|----------------------|---|

1. \*g<sup>w</sup> > k<sup>w</sup>; ə-epenthesis; \*y > i; +W: ə > u

## MANDARA

|         |                                                          |                        |                           |                               |   |
|---------|----------------------------------------------------------|------------------------|---------------------------|-------------------------------|---|
| Matal   | <i>ag<sup>w</sup>ay</i>                                  | *Øa-g <sup>w</sup> -ay | *ma-g <sup>w</sup> ØØ-a-y | *(ma-)g <sup>w</sup> ma(-a-y) | 1 |
|         | <i>ag<sup>w</sup>oy</i> ag <sup>w</sup> a <sup>w</sup> y | *Øag <sup>w</sup> -ay  |                           |                               | 2 |
| Malgwa  | <i>kuuma</i> kə <sup>w</sup> wma                         | *k <sup>w</sup> wma    | *k <sup>w</sup> ma        |                               | 3 |
|         | <i>uuma</i> ə <sup>w</sup> wma                           | *w <sup>w</sup> ma     | *wma                      |                               | 4 |
| Mandara | <i>uma</i>                                               | *wma                   |                           |                               | 5 |

1. +W: \*a &gt; o

2. \*g<sup>w</sup> > k<sup>w</sup> > k<sup>w</sup>+w<sup>w</sup>; \*w > u; ə-epenthesis; +W: ə > u3. ə-prothesis; \*g<sup>w</sup> > w<sup>w</sup> > u4. \*g<sup>w</sup> > w > u5. \*g<sup>w</sup> > w > u; \*y > Ø<sup>y</sup>; +Y: \*a > e

## MOFU

|         |              |          |             |                               |   |
|---------|--------------|----------|-------------|-------------------------------|---|
| Ouldeme | <i>mamay</i> | *ma-m-ay | *ma-ØmØ-a-y | *(ma-)g <sup>w</sup> ma(-a-y) | 1 |
| Gemzek  | <i>hama</i>  | *xma     | *xma        |                               | 2 |

1. \*g<sup>w</sup> > x; ə-epenthesis

## MAROUA

|                |                                                                   |                                     |                            |                                          |   |
|----------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------|----------------------------|------------------------------------------|---|
| Giziga-Muturwa | <i>hummuŋ</i><br>x <sup>w</sup> ə <sup>w</sup> mma <sup>w</sup> ŋ | *x <sup>w</sup> -x <sup>w</sup> m-ŋ | *RED-x <sup>w</sup> mØ-k-n | *RED-g <sup>w</sup> ma-k <sup>w</sup> -n | 1 |
|----------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------|----------------------------|------------------------------------------|---|

1. \*g<sup>w</sup> > x<sup>w</sup>; assimilation x<sup>w</sup>m > mm; \*k<sup>w</sup> > k; fusion kn > ŋ; ə-epenthesis; +W: ə > u

## LAMANG

|        |                                  |                       |                          |   |
|--------|----------------------------------|-----------------------|--------------------------|---|
| Lamang | <i>ɣma</i>                       | *ɣma                  | *g <sup>w</sup> ma(-a-y) | 1 |
| Hdi    | <i>ɣumay</i> ɣə <sup>w</sup> may | *ɣ <sup>w</sup> mØ-ay |                          | 2 |

1. \*g<sup>w</sup> > ɣ2. \*g<sup>w</sup> > ɣ<sup>w</sup>; ə-epenthesis; +W: ə > u

## HIGI

|            |                                                           |                                   |                      |   |
|------------|-----------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------|----------------------|---|
| Kamwe-Futu | <i>ɣuɓe</i> ɣ <sup>w</sup> ə <sup>w</sup> ɓa <sup>y</sup> | *ɣ <sup>w</sup> ɓa-Ø <sup>y</sup> | *g <sup>w</sup> ma-y | 1 |
| Kirya      | <i>ɣumi</i> ɣ <sup>w</sup> ə <sup>w</sup> my              | *ɣ <sup>w</sup> mØ-y              |                      | 2 |

1. \*g<sup>w</sup> > ɣ<sup>w</sup>; \*m > ɓ; ə-epenthesis; +W: ə > u; \*y > Ø<sup>y</sup>; +Y: lexical-final \*a > e2. \*g<sup>w</sup> > ɣ<sup>w</sup>; ə-epenthesis; +W: ə > u; \*y > i

## GIDAR

|       |                                                                         |                                       |                          |                          |   |
|-------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|---|
| Gidar | <i>a<sup>g</sup>geme</i> a <sup>g</sup> ga <sup>y</sup> ma <sup>y</sup> | *Ø <sup>a</sup> a-gama-Ø <sup>y</sup> | *m <sup>a</sup> a-gama-y | *ma-g <sup>w</sup> ama-y | 1 |
|       | <i>e<sup>g</sup>geme</i> a <sup>g</sup> ga <sup>y</sup> ma <sup>y</sup> |                                       |                          |                          | 2 |

1. \*g<sup>w</sup> > g; \*m > Ø<sup>a</sup>; +N: g > <sup>g</sup>g; \*y > Ø<sup>y</sup>; +Y: \*a > ebeer<sub>1</sub> (traditional, from millet)Areal root \*(k<sup>w</sup>a-, na-) v(a)x<sup>w</sup>a (-y, -n)

## BATA

|        |                                                       |                                   |                                          |                                                     |   |
|--------|-------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------|------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------|---|
| Bata   | <i>v<sup>w</sup>e</i> v <sup>w</sup> a <sup>y</sup>   | *vØ <sup>w</sup> a-Ø <sup>y</sup> | *vx <sup>w</sup> a-y                     | *(na-(k <sup>w</sup> a-)) vx <sup>w</sup> a(-y, -n) | 1 |
| Tsuvan | <i>əv<sup>w</sup>e</i> əv <sup>w</sup> a <sup>y</sup> | *vØ <sup>w</sup> a-Ø <sup>y</sup> |                                          |                                                     | 2 |
| Gude   | <i>ənv<sup>w</sup>a</i> ənv <sup>w</sup> a            | *nØ-vØ <sup>w</sup> a             | *na-vx <sup>w</sup> a                    |                                                     | 3 |
| Jimi   | <i>ʔəvun</i> ŋgəvə <sup>n</sup>                       | *ŋ-gØ-vØ <sup>w</sup> -n          | *nØ-k <sup>w</sup> a-vx <sup>w</sup> Ø-n |                                                     | 4 |
| Sharwa | <i>v<sup>w</sup>əh</i> v <sup>w</sup> əx              | *vwx                              | *vxwØ                                    |                                                     | 5 |

1. \*x<sup>w</sup> > Ø<sup>w</sup>; \*y > Ø<sup>y</sup>; +Y: lexical-final \*a > e
2. \*x<sup>w</sup> > Ø<sup>w</sup>; ə-prothesis; \*y > Ø<sup>y</sup>; +Y: lexical-final \*a > e
3. \*x<sup>w</sup> > Ø<sup>w</sup>; ə-prothesis
4. \*x<sup>w</sup> > Ø<sup>w</sup>; \*k<sup>w</sup> > g; homorganic assimilation \*n > ŋ/ \_\_g; ə-epenthesis; +W: ə > u
5. \*x<sup>w</sup> > x<sup>w</sup>; metathesis xw > wx; ə-epenthesis

## DABA

|                                                                                                               |                                             |                      |                        |                        |   |
|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------|----------------------|------------------------|------------------------|---|
|                                                                                                               |                                             |                      |                        | √ C Ca                 |   |
| Gavar                                                                                                         | <i>mavə</i> mavə                            | *ma-va               | *ma-vØa                | *ma-vx <sup>w</sup> a  | 1 |
| Mbudum                                                                                                        | <i>mavu</i> mavw                            | *ma-vw               | *ma-vwØ                |                        | 2 |
| Daba                                                                                                          | <i>movu</i> ma <sup>w</sup> vw              | *ma-vw <sup>w</sup>  | *ma-vw <sup>w</sup> Ø  |                        | 3 |
|                                                                                                               |                                             |                      |                        | √ CaCa                 |   |
| Buwal                                                                                                         | <i>mavaw</i> mavaw                          | *ma-vax <sup>w</sup> | *ma-vax <sup>w</sup> Ø | *ma-vax <sup>w</sup> a | 4 |
| 1. lexical-final *a > ə                                                                                       |                                             |                      |                        |                        |   |
| 2. *x <sup>w</sup> > w > u                                                                                    |                                             |                      |                        |                        |   |
| 3. *x <sup>w</sup> > w <sup>w</sup> > u; +W: *a > o                                                           |                                             |                      |                        |                        |   |
| 4. *x <sup>w</sup> > w                                                                                        |                                             |                      |                        |                        |   |
| MANDARA                                                                                                       |                                             |                      |                        |                        |   |
| Podoko                                                                                                        | <i>pihe</i> pə <sup>y</sup> xa <sup>y</sup> | *pxa-Ø <sup>y</sup>  | *pxa-y <sup>y</sup>    | *vx <sup>w</sup> a(-y) | 1 |
| Malgwa                                                                                                        | <i>h<sup>w</sup>a</i> x <sup>w</sup> a      | *x <sup>w</sup> a    | *Øx <sup>w</sup> a     |                        |   |
| 1. *v (> b) > p; *x <sup>w</sup> > x; ə-epenthesis; *y > Ø <sup>y</sup> ; +Y: ə > i; +Y: lexical-final *a > e |                                             |                      |                        |                        |   |

beer<sub>2</sub> (traditional, from millet/sorghum)Areal root \*(ma-) ʏ<sup>w</sup>(a)z(a)ma (-y, -k<sup>w</sup>; FV)

## MAFA

|                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 |                                                                            |                                        |                          |                                          |   |
|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------|--------------------------|------------------------------------------|---|
| Mafa                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            | <i>zom</i> za <sup>w</sup> m                                               | *Ø <sup>w</sup> zam                    | *ʏ <sup>w</sup> zamØ     | *ʏ <sup>w</sup> zama                     | 1 |
| Cuvok                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           | <i>wuzam</i> w <sup>w</sup> ə <sup>w</sup> zam                             | *w <sup>w</sup> zam                    |                          |                                          | 2 |
| 1. *ʏ <sup>w</sup> > Ø <sup>w</sup> ; +W: *a > o<br>2. *ʏ <sup>w</sup> > w <sup>w</sup> ; ə-epenthesis; +W: *ə > u                                                                                                                                              |                                                                            |                                        |                          |                                          |   |
| MANDARA                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         |                                                                            |                                        |                          |                                          |   |
| Matal                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           | <i>g<sup>w</sup>əzəw</i>                                                   | *g <sup>w</sup> zw                     | *g <sup>w</sup> zmØ      | *ʏ <sup>w</sup> zma(-y-k <sup>w</sup> a) | 1 |
|                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 | <i>guzu</i> g <sup>w</sup> ə <sup>w</sup> zw                               |                                        |                          |                                          | 2 |
| Malgwa                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          | <i>wufike</i> w <sup>w</sup> ə <sup>w</sup> s <sup>y</sup> ka <sup>y</sup> | *w <sup>w</sup> s-s-y <sup>y</sup> -ka | *w <sup>w</sup> sØØ-y-ka |                                          | 3 |
| 1. *ʏ <sup>w</sup> > g <sup>w</sup> ; *m > w; ə-epenthesis<br>2. *ʏ <sup>w</sup> > g <sup>w</sup> ; *m > w > u; ə-epenthesis; +W: ə > u<br>3. *ʏ <sup>w</sup> > w <sup>w</sup> ; *z > s; *k <sup>w</sup> > k; *y > y <sup>y</sup> > i; +Y: s > f; +Y: FV *a > e |                                                                            |                                        |                          |                                          |   |

## MOFU

|            |                                                       |                     |                      |                      |   |
|------------|-------------------------------------------------------|---------------------|----------------------|----------------------|---|
|            |                                                       |                     |                      | √ C C Ca             |   |
| Muyang     | zum zə <sup>w</sup> m                                 | * <sup>w</sup> zm   | *Ø <sup>w</sup> zmØ  | * <sup>ʏ</sup> wzma  | 1 |
| Zulgo      | guzum g <sup>w</sup> ə <sup>w</sup> zə <sup>w</sup> m | *g <sup>w</sup> zm  | *g <sup>w</sup> zmØ  |                      | 1 |
|            |                                                       |                     |                      | √ C CaCa             |   |
| Mofu North | zam                                                   | *zam                | *ØzamØ               | * <sup>ʏ</sup> wzama |   |
| Ouldeme    | wuzam w <sup>w</sup> ə <sup>w</sup> zam               | *w <sup>w</sup> zam | *w <sup>w</sup> zamØ |                      | 2 |
| Mofu-Gudur | wuzam w <sup>w</sup> ə <sup>w</sup> zam               |                     |                      |                      | 2 |
| Mada       | wzom wza <sup>w</sup> m                               |                     |                      |                      | 3 |



|                                                                                |                                                              |                                   |                       |                         |   |
|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------|-----------------------|-------------------------|---|
| Gemzek                                                                         | <i>guzom</i> g <sup>w</sup> ə <sup>w</sup> za <sup>w</sup> m | *g <sup>w</sup> zam               | *g <sup>w</sup> zamØ  |                         | 4 |
| Merey                                                                          | <i>guzom</i> g <sup>w</sup> ə <sup>w</sup> za <sup>w</sup> m |                                   |                       |                         | 4 |
| Dugwor                                                                         | <i>guzom</i> g <sup>w</sup> ə <sup>w</sup> za <sup>w</sup> m |                                   |                       |                         | 4 |
|                                                                                |                                                              |                                   |                       | √ CaCaCa                |   |
| Gemzek                                                                         | <i>gozom</i> g <sup>w</sup> a <sup>w</sup> za <sup>w</sup> m | *g <sup>w</sup> azam              | *g <sup>w</sup> azamØ | *ɣ <sup>w</sup> azama   | 5 |
| 1. ə-epenthesis; +W: ə > u                                                     |                                                              |                                   |                       |                         |   |
| 2. *ɣ <sup>w</sup> > w <sup>w</sup> ; ə-epenthesis; +W: ə > u                  |                                                              |                                   |                       |                         |   |
| 3. *ɣ <sup>w</sup> > w <sup>w</sup> ; +W: a > o                                |                                                              |                                   |                       |                         |   |
| 4. *ɣ <sup>w</sup> > g <sup>w</sup> ; ə-epenthesis; +W: ə > u; +W: a > o       |                                                              |                                   |                       |                         |   |
| 5. *ɣ <sup>w</sup> > g <sup>w</sup> ; +W: a > o                                |                                                              |                                   |                       |                         |   |
| MAROUA                                                                         |                                                              |                                   |                       |                         |   |
| Giziga-Marva                                                                   | <i>muzom</i> mwza <sup>w</sup> m                             | *m-w <sup>w</sup> zam             | *mØ-wzamØ             | *ma-ɣ <sup>w</sup> zama | 1 |
| Mbazla                                                                         | <i>zam</i>                                                   | *zam                              | *ØzamØ                |                         |   |
| 1. *ɣ <sup>w</sup> > w > u; ə-epenthesis; +W: *a > o                           |                                                              |                                   |                       |                         |   |
| LAMANG                                                                         |                                                              |                                   |                       |                         |   |
| Lamang                                                                         | <i>yuzo</i> ɣ <sup>w</sup> ə <sup>w</sup> za <sup>w</sup>    | *ɣ <sup>w</sup> zØ <sup>w</sup> a | *ɣ <sup>w</sup> zwa   | *ɣ <sup>w</sup> zma     | 1 |
| Hdi                                                                            | <i>yuzu</i> ɣ <sup>w</sup> ə <sup>w</sup> zw                 | *ɣ <sup>w</sup> zwØ               |                       |                         | 2 |
| 1. ə-epenthesis; *m > w > Ø <sup>w</sup> ; +W: ə > u; +W: lexical-final *a > o |                                                              |                                   |                       |                         |   |
| 2. ə-epenthesis; *m > w > u; +W: ə > u                                         |                                                              |                                   |                       |                         |   |

beer<sub>3</sub> (traditional, from millet)Areal root/loan?<sup>4</sup> \*(ma-) **paɭa** (-k<sup>w</sup>)DABA<sup>5</sup>

|        |                                  |           |                         |                            |   |
|--------|----------------------------------|-----------|-------------------------|----------------------------|---|
| Mbudum | <i><sup>n</sup>daɭa</i> ndaɭa    | *n-daɭa   | *mØ-daɭa                | *ma-paɭa(-k <sup>w</sup> ) | 1 |
| Daba   | <i><sup>m</sup>baɭa</i> ' mbaɭa? | *m-baɭa-? | *mØ-paɭa-k <sup>w</sup> |                            | 2 |

<sup>4</sup> Central Chadic has three widespread roots for the local traditional 'beer' (now extended to include reference to all alcoholic beverages), which is made from millet/sorghum and sold by women in the villages, and which has very important social and cultural functions. Given the existence of three separate roots, either the culture of beer-making has been invented independently in a parallel fashion across the Central Chadic area, or the roots refer to different stages of the process of beer-making (see footnote 6 on Lamang *mbazla*). The root \*ma-**paɭa** is linked by Gravina (2015) to Kanuri <sup>m</sup>bal. Possibly, the Kanuri borrowed the term from Central Chadic, or both borrowed from an unidentified third donor. It is the only CC root so far that would appear to have both a stable prefixal augment (which almost always fuses with the root-initial consonant and results in a homorganic nasal cluster or prenasalisation) and a stable vocalisation pattern, which does not allow for different root types as is usual for PCC roots. This could be pointing to its nature as a loan into Central Chadic. The relevance of these observations remains unclear in the light of the rather limited number of occurrences of the root across CC languages. Note that Malgwa (MANDARA) is the only language in the database to have reflexes of all three roots.

<sup>5</sup> The change of place of articulation of the initial consonant in Mbudum is unexpected in the light of the rich available data and would appear to be completely unmotivated. In Daba, the final glottal stop has no equivalent in other languages. These two observations might also point in the direction of a non-CC origin of the root, i.e. loan, whereby the details of borrowing remain to

|                                                             |                                 |         |          |          |   |
|-------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------|---------|----------|----------|---|
| 1. *p > d (see footnote); homorganic assimilation *m > n/_d |                                 |         |          |          |   |
| 2. *p > b; *k <sup>w</sup> > ?                              |                                 |         |          |          |   |
| SUKUR                                                       |                                 |         |          |          |   |
| Sukur                                                       | <i>məpaɪə</i>                   | *m-paɪa | *mØ-paɪa | *ma-paɪa | 1 |
| 1. ə-epenthesis; lexical-final *a > ə                       |                                 |         |          |          |   |
| MANDARA                                                     |                                 |         |          |          |   |
| Mandara                                                     | <i><sup>m</sup>baɪa mbaɪa</i>   | *m-baɪa | *mØ-paɪa | *ma-paɪa | 1 |
| Malgwa                                                      | <i><sup>m</sup>badhla mbaɪa</i> |         |          |          | 1 |
| 1. *p > b/m__                                               |                                 |         |          |          |   |
| MOFU                                                        |                                 |         |          |          |   |
| Ouldeme                                                     | <i><sup>m</sup>baɪa mbaɪa</i>   | *m-baɪa | *mØ-paɪa | *ma-paɪa | 1 |
| Muyang                                                      | <i><sup>m</sup>baɪa mbaɪa</i>   |         |          |          | 1 |
| Moloko                                                      | <i><sup>m</sup>baɪa mbaɪa</i>   |         |          |          | 1 |
| Mofu North                                                  | <i><sup>m</sup>baɪa mbaɪa</i>   |         |          |          | 1 |
| Mofu-Gudur                                                  | <i><sup>m</sup>baɪa mbaɪa</i>   |         |          |          | 1 |
| 1. *p > b/m__                                               |                                 |         |          |          |   |
| LAMANG                                                      |                                 |         |          |          |   |
| Lamang <sup>6</sup>                                         | <i>mbazla</i>                   | *m-baɪa | *mØ-baɪa | *ma-paɪa | 1 |
| 1. *p > b/m__                                               |                                 |         |          |          |   |

belch, to<sup>7</sup>

PCC \*(ma-, RED-) **g<sup>w</sup>(a)d(a)ɪa** (-a, -y, -k<sup>w</sup>, -n; FV)

DABA

|                                                                                              |                      |         |           |                        |   |
|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------|---------|-----------|------------------------|---|
|                                                                                              |                      |         |           | √ C C Ca               |   |
| Mbudum                                                                                       | <i>ngərɪɪ ngərɪɪ</i> | *ŋ-grɪɪ | *mØ-grɪɪØ | *ma-g <sup>w</sup> dɪa | 1 |
|                                                                                              |                      |         |           | √ C CaCa               |   |
| Buwal                                                                                        | <i>dəɪɪ</i>          | *dɪaɪɪ  | *ØdɪaɪɪØ  | *g <sup>w</sup> dɪaɪa  |   |
| 1. *g <sup>w</sup> > g; *d <sup>w</sup> > r; ə-epenthesis; homorganic assimilation *m > ŋ/_g |                      |         |           |                        |   |

be worked out. In the present study, we treat this root as if it was a CC areal root and attempt to ‘reconstruct’ it in the same way as other ‘Pseudo’-PCC roots. We consider the Sukur form the key to understanding the original ‘prefixal’ structure of this augmented root.

<sup>6</sup> Used in an expression referring to a calabash shard used to scrape out beer sediment. The general term in Lamang for ‘beer’ made from sorghum/millet is *yuzo* (‘beer<sub>2</sub>’).

<sup>7</sup> As Gravina (2015) points out, this root is the voiced equivalent of the root for ‘cough’ and vice versa – at least on the PCC level of reconstruction. This neat (non-accidental/onomatopoeic?) interrelationship no longer holds for some of the modern CC languages.

## MAFA

|       |                                |                    |                     |                     |   |
|-------|--------------------------------|--------------------|---------------------|---------------------|---|
|       |                                |                    |                     | √ C C Ca            |   |
| Mafa  | <i>guʒa</i> g <sup>w</sup> əʒa | *g <sup>w</sup> ʒa | *g <sup>w</sup> Øʒa | *g <sup>w</sup> dʒa | 1 |
|       |                                |                    |                     | √ C CaCa            |   |
| Cuvok | <i>daʒa</i>                    | *dʒa               | *Ødʒa               | *g <sup>w</sup> dʒa |   |

1. ə-epenthesis; +W: ə &gt; u

## HURZA

|                   |                      |           |               |                                                  |   |
|-------------------|----------------------|-----------|---------------|--------------------------------------------------|---|
| Mbuko             | <i>dəʒe</i> dəʒaʸ    | *dʒa-Øʸ   | *Ødʒa-y       | *g <sup>w</sup> dʒa(-y/-na, -k <sup>w</sup> -na) | 1 |
| Vame <sup>8</sup> | <i>ʒanana</i> ʒanana | *ʒa-na-ŋa | *ØØʒa-na-k-na |                                                  | 2 |

1. ə-epenthesis; \*y &gt; Øʸ; +Y: lexical-final \*a &gt; e

2. \*k<sup>w</sup> > k; fusion kn > ŋ; see footnote

## MARGI

|       |                    |                       |                        |                        |   |
|-------|--------------------|-----------------------|------------------------|------------------------|---|
| Margi | <i>ʒaʸwi</i> ʒaʸwy | *ʒaʸw-y               | *waʸʒØ-y               | *g <sup>w</sup> adʒa-y | 1 |
| Bura  | <i>ʒaʸwi</i> ʒaʸwy | *ʒaʸØ <sup>w</sup> -y | *Ø <sup>w</sup> aʸʒØ-y |                        | 2 |

1. \*g<sup>w</sup> > w; \*d<sup>f</sup> > ʔ; multiple metathesis wʔʒ > ʒʔw; \*y > i2. d<sup>f</sup> > ʔ; multiple metathesis g<sup>w</sup>ʔʒ > ʒʔg<sup>w</sup>; \*g<sup>w</sup> > Ø<sup>w</sup>; fusion Ø<sup>w</sup>+ʔ > ʃ<sup>w</sup>; \*y > i

## MANDARA

|        |                       |           |              |                                                   |   |
|--------|-----------------------|-----------|--------------|---------------------------------------------------|---|
| Matal  | <i>magʒay</i> magʒay  | *ma-gʒ-ay | *ma-gØʒØ-a-y | *(ma-)g <sup>w</sup> dʒa(-a)-y(-k <sup>w</sup> a) | 1 |
| Glavda | <i>gibʒga</i> gəʒʒaga | *gʒ-Øʸ-ga | *gØʒØ-y-ka   |                                                   | 2 |
| Malgwa | <i>iidhla</i> əʸyʒa   | *yʒa-Øʸ   | *Ødʒa-y      |                                                   | 3 |

1. \*g<sup>w</sup> > g2. \*g<sup>w</sup> > g; \*k<sup>w</sup> > k > g; ə-epenthesis; +Y: ə > i3. ə-prothesis; \*d<sup>f</sup> > y; \*y > Øʸ; +Y: ə > i; \*y > i

## MOFU

|            |                                                    |                            |               |                                          |   |
|------------|----------------------------------------------------|----------------------------|---------------|------------------------------------------|---|
|            |                                                    |                            |               | √ C C Ca                                 |   |
| Mofu-Gudur | <i>dəʒ</i> dəʒ                                     | *dʒ                        | *ØdʒØ         | *(ma-/RED-)g <sup>w</sup> dʒa((-a)-y(a)) | 1 |
| Ouldeme    | <i>gəʒay</i> gəʒay                                 | *gʒ-ay                     | *gØʒØ-a-y     |                                          | 2 |
| Mada       | <i>me<sup>ŋ</sup>gʒea</i><br>ma <sup>ŋ</sup> gʒaʸa | *m <sup>a</sup> a-gʒ-a-Øʸa | *ma-gØʒØ-a-ya |                                          | 3 |
| Zulgo      | <i>ʒeʒe</i> ʒaʸʒaʸ                                 | *ʒa-ʒa-Øʸ                  | *RED-ØØʒa-y   |                                          | 4 |
|            |                                                    |                            |               | √ C CaCa                                 |   |
| Merey      | <i>ral</i>                                         | *raʌ                       | *ØraʌØ        | *(ma-)g <sup>w</sup> dʒa(-y)             | 5 |
| Gemzek     | <i>mereʒe</i><br>maʸraʸʒaʸ                         | *ma-raʒa-Øʸ                | *ma-Øraʒa-y   |                                          | 6 |

1. ə-epenthesis

2. \*g<sup>w</sup> > g; ə-epenthesis3. \*g<sup>w</sup> > g; \*y > Øʸ; +Y: \*a > e; \*m > m<sup>n</sup>; +N: g > ŋg

4. \*y &gt; Øʸ; +Y: \*a &gt; e

5. \*d<sup>f</sup> > r; \*ʒ > ʌ6. \*d<sup>f</sup> > r; \*y > Øʸ; +Y: \*a > e

<sup>8</sup> The surface realisation of the Vame augmented root shape is unexpected in terms of the petrified augment surface sequence -na-ŋa < \*-na-k-na. Currently, we have no explanation for the double occurrence of \*{-n(a)} in this form.

## MAROUA

|                |                            |                                             |                               |              |   |
|----------------|----------------------------|---------------------------------------------|-------------------------------|--------------|---|
| Giziga-Muturwa | <i>'irɣi'i</i><br>ʔəʔrɣəʔy | *ʔr-ɣʔ-yʏ<br>< *ʔɣ-ɣʔ-yʏ<br>< *RED-Ødɣʔ-Ø-y | < *ʔɣ-ʔɣ-y<br>< *RED-Ødɣʔ-Ø-y | *RED-gʷdɣa-y | 1 |
|----------------|----------------------------|---------------------------------------------|-------------------------------|--------------|---|

1. \*d' > ʔ; (after reduplication) metathesis in original root only: ʔɣ > ɣʔ; \*ɣ > r (dissimilation in reduplicated root only); ə-epenthesis; \*y > yʏ; +Y: ə > i

## LAMANG

|                     |                     |        |           |              |   |
|---------------------|---------------------|--------|-----------|--------------|---|
| Lamang <sup>9</sup> | <i>wulda</i> wəʔlɗa | *wʷlɗa | *wdla     | * (ma-)gʷdɣa | 1 |
| Hdi                 | <i>ɲəɣu</i> ɲəɣw    | *ɲɣw   | *mØ-gwØɣa |              | 2 |

1. \*gʷ > w; \*ɣ > l; ; ə-epenthesis; +W: ə > u  
2. re-segmentalisation \*gʷ > g+w; fusion \*mg > ɲ; metathesis wɣ > ɣw; w > u; ə-epenthesis

## HIGI

|      |              |      |         |          |   |
|------|--------------|------|---------|----------|---|
| Bana | <i>ɣi</i> ɣy | *ɣ-y | *ØØɣØ-y | *gʷdɣa-y | 1 |
|------|--------------|------|---------|----------|---|

1. \*y > i

## KOTOKO-NORTH

|       |                    |          |            |                             |   |
|-------|--------------------|----------|------------|-----------------------------|---|
| Afade | <i>l'e</i> ʔlaʏ    | *ʔla-Øʏ  | *Øʔla-y    | * (ma-)gʷdɣa<br>(-y/-kʷ/-n) | 1 |
|       | <i>l'aun</i> ʔlawn | *ʔla-w-n | *Øʔla-kʷ-n |                             | 2 |
| Mpade | <i>ms'o</i> mʔsaʷ  | *m-Øʷʔsa | *mØ-gʷʔsa  |                             | 3 |

1. \*d' > ʔ; \*ɣ > l; fusion ʔl > lʔ; \*y > Øʏ; +Y: lexical-final \*a > e  
2. \*gʷ > w; \*kʷ > w; \*d' > ʔ; \*ɣ > l; fusion ʔl > lʔ; w > u  
3. \*d' > ʔ; \*ɣ > s; fusion ʔs > sʔ; \*gʷ > Øʷ; +W: lexical-final \*a > o

## KOTOKO-CENTRAL

|                      |                            |          |          |           |   |
|----------------------|----------------------------|----------|----------|-----------|---|
| Lagwan <sup>10</sup> | <i>(gel)ili</i> (gaʔl)əʔly | *gall-yʏ | *gallØ-y | *gʷadɣa-y | 1 |
|----------------------|----------------------------|----------|----------|-----------|---|

1. \*gʷ > g; \*d' > l; \*ɣ > l; ə-epenthesis; \*y > yʏ; +Y: ə > i; +Y: \*y > i

## belly

PCC \*xʷ(a)ɗa (-y, -d, -kʷ)

## MAFA

|       |              |        |        |  |
|-------|--------------|--------|--------|--|
| Mafa  | <i>hʷad'</i> | *xʷadØ | *xʷada |  |
| Cuvok | <i>hʷad'</i> |        |        |  |

## TERA

|         |                     |          |         |         |   |
|---------|---------------------|----------|---------|---------|---|
| Ga'anda | <i>hʷira</i> xʷəʔra | *xʷra-yʏ | *xʷra-y | *xʷda-y | 1 |
|---------|---------------------|----------|---------|---------|---|

1. \*d' > r; ə-epenthesis; \*y > yʏ; +Y: ə > i

## SUKUR

|       |                    |       |       |   |
|-------|--------------------|-------|-------|---|
| Sukur | <i>hud'</i> xʷəʔd' | *xʷdØ | *xʷda | 1 |
|-------|--------------------|-------|-------|---|

1. ə-epenthesis; +W: ə > u

## MANDARA

|        |                    |       |       |           |   |
|--------|--------------------|-------|-------|-----------|---|
| Podoko | <i>huda</i> xʷəʔda | *xʷda | *xʷda | *xʷda(-y) | 1 |
| Glavda | <i>xuda</i> xʷəʔda |       |       |           | 1 |
|        | <i>xʷad'</i>       | *xʷdØ |       |           | 2 |
| Matal  | <i>hʷad'</i>       |       |       |           | 2 |

<sup>9</sup> Cognate root 'cough' from Wolff (2015), not contained in Gravina (2015). Generally, an etymological relationship between the roots 'cough' and 'belch' would be plausible.

<sup>10</sup> The database gives *gel ili* transcribed as two words, of which only *ili* is considered by the compiler of the database to be the cognate part (see Gravina 2015). Since no separate meaning for *gel* is indicated, we might as well consider the whole expression to be cognate. This is reflected in our reconstruction here, but by enclosing the *gel* part in parentheses.

|                                                                            |                                                           |                                   |                      |  |   |
|----------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------|----------------------|--|---|
| Mandara                                                                    | <i>hude</i> x <sup>w</sup> ə <sup>w</sup> dā <sup>y</sup> | *x <sup>w</sup> dā-Ø <sup>y</sup> | *x <sup>w</sup> dā-y |  | 3 |
| Malgwa                                                                     | <i>hude</i> x <sup>w</sup> ə <sup>w</sup> dā <sup>y</sup> |                                   |                      |  | 3 |
| Dghwede                                                                    | <i>x<sup>w</sup>t'e</i> x <sup>w</sup> dā <sup>y</sup>    |                                   |                      |  | 4 |
| 1. ə-epenthesis; +W: ə > u                                                 |                                                           |                                   |                      |  |   |
| 2. ə-epenthesis; *d' > d (transcription error?)                            |                                                           |                                   |                      |  |   |
| 3. ə-epenthesis; +W: ə > u; *y > Ø <sup>y</sup> ; +Y: lexical-final *a > e |                                                           |                                   |                      |  |   |
| 4. *y > Ø <sup>y</sup> ; +Y: lexical-final *a > e                          |                                                           |                                   |                      |  |   |

## MOFU

|                                                                                                              |                                                |                      |                        |   |
|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------|----------------------|------------------------|---|
|                                                                                                              |                                                |                      | √ C Ca                 |   |
| Ouldeme                                                                                                      | <i>xurad</i> x <sup>w</sup> ə <sup>w</sup> rad | *x <sup>w</sup> ra-d |                        | 1 |
| Muyang                                                                                                       | <i>hud</i> x <sup>w</sup> ə <sup>w</sup> d     |                      |                        | 2 |
| Zulgo                                                                                                        | <i>hud</i> x <sup>w</sup> ə <sup>w</sup> d     |                      | *x <sup>w</sup> dā(-d) | 2 |
| Merey                                                                                                        | <i>hud</i> x <sup>w</sup> ə <sup>w</sup> d     |                      |                        | 2 |
| Gemzek                                                                                                       | <i>hud</i> x <sup>w</sup> ə <sup>w</sup> d     |                      |                        | 2 |
|                                                                                                              |                                                |                      | √ CaCa                 |   |
|                                                                                                              | <i>hod</i> x <sup>w</sup> a <sup>w</sup> d     | *x <sup>w</sup> adØ  | *x <sup>w</sup> adā    | 3 |
| Mada                                                                                                         | <i>hod</i> x <sup>w</sup> a <sup>w</sup> d     |                      |                        | 3 |
| Moloko                                                                                                       | <i>hod</i> x <sup>w</sup> a <sup>w</sup> d     |                      |                        | 3 |
| Mofu North                                                                                                   | <i>h<sup>w</sup>ad</i>                         |                      |                        |   |
| Mofu-Gudur                                                                                                   | <i>h<sup>w</sup>ad</i>                         |                      |                        |   |
| Dugwor                                                                                                       | <i>wad</i>                                     | *wadØ                |                        | 4 |
| 1. *d' > r; ə-epenthesis; +W: ə > u<br>2. ə-epenthesis; +W: ə > u<br>3. +W: *a > o<br>4. *x <sup>w</sup> > w |                                                |                      |                        |   |

## MAROUA

|                                                                                                           |                                                      |                     |                    |                    |   |
|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------|---------------------|--------------------|--------------------|---|
| Mbazla                                                                                                    | wuru w <sup>w</sup> ə <sup>w</sup> rə <sup>w</sup>   | *w <sup>w</sup> ra  | *w <sup>w</sup> ra | *x <sup>w</sup> dā | 1 |
|                                                                                                           | awuru aw <sup>w</sup> ə <sup>w</sup> rə <sup>w</sup> | *aw <sup>w</sup> ra |                    |                    | 2 |
| 1. *x <sup>w</sup> > w <sup>w</sup> ; *d' > r; ə-epenthesis; lexical-final *a > ə; +W: ə > u              |                                                      |                     |                    |                    |   |
| 2. *x <sup>w</sup> > w <sup>w</sup> ; *d' > r; a-prothesis; ə-epenthesis; lexical-final *a > ə; +W: ə > u |                                                      |                     |                    |                    |   |

## LAMANG

|                                    |                                              |                      |                      |   |
|------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------|----------------------|----------------------|---|
| Lamang                             | <i>xudî</i> x <sup>w</sup> ə <sup>w</sup> dî | *x <sup>w</sup> dØ-y | *x <sup>w</sup> dā-y | 1 |
| Hdi                                | <i>xudî</i> x <sup>w</sup> ə <sup>w</sup> dî |                      |                      | 1 |
| 1. ə-epenthesis; +W: ə > u; *y > i |                                              |                      |                      |   |

## HIGI

|                                                                              |                                                        |                    |                      |                        |   |
|------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------|--------------------|----------------------|------------------------|---|
| Kamwe-Nkafa                                                                  | <i>h<sup>w</sup>i</i> x <sup>w</sup> y                 | *x <sup>w</sup> -y | *x <sup>w</sup> ØØ-y | *x <sup>w</sup> dâ(-y) | 1 |
| Kamwe-Futu                                                                   | <i>h<sup>w</sup>i</i> x <sup>w</sup> y                 |                    |                      |                        | 1 |
| Bana                                                                         | <i>x<sup>w</sup>ər</i> x <sup>w</sup> ər               | *x <sup>w</sup> rØ | *x <sup>w</sup> ra   |                        | 2 |
| Kirya                                                                        | <i>h<sup>w</sup>ur</i> x <sup>w</sup> ə <sup>w</sup> r |                    |                      |                        | 3 |
| 1. *y > i<br>2. *d' > r; ə-epenthesis<br>3. *d' > r; ə-epenthesis; +W: ə > u |                                                        |                    |                      |                        |   |

## MUSGUM

|                                 |            |       |       |                     |   |
|---------------------------------|------------|-------|-------|---------------------|---|
| Vulum                           | <i>war</i> | *warØ | *wara | *x <sup>w</sup> adā | 1 |
| Mbara                           | <i>war</i> |       |       |                     | 1 |
| 1. *x <sup>w</sup> > w; *d' > r |            |       |       |                     |   |

bird

PCC \*(ma-) **d(a)y(a)k<sup>w</sup>a** (-n)

MAFA

|       |                     |                      |                       |   |
|-------|---------------------|----------------------|-----------------------|---|
| Mafa  | <i>dɪyak</i> də'yak | *dɪ <sup>y</sup> akØ | *dɪyak <sup>w</sup> a | 1 |
| Cuvok | <i>dɪyak</i> də'yak |                      |                       | 1 |

1. \*k<sup>w</sup> > k; \*y > y<sup>y</sup>; ə-epenthesis; +Y: ə > i

TERA

|      |                                               |                     |                     |   |
|------|-----------------------------------------------|---------------------|---------------------|---|
| Tera | <i>diki</i> dɪkə <sup>y</sup>                 | *dɪ <sup>y</sup> kə | *dɪk <sup>w</sup> a | 1 |
|      | <i>dɪka</i> <sup>11</sup> dɪə <sup>y</sup> ka | *dɪ <sup>y</sup> ka |                     | 2 |

1. \*k<sup>w</sup> > k; lexical-final \*a > ə; \*y > y<sup>y</sup>; \*y > i; +Y: ə > i

2. \*k<sup>w</sup> > k; (\*d = d transcription error); ə-epenthesis; \*y > y<sup>y</sup>; +Y: ə > i

SUKUR

|       |           |        |                       |   |
|-------|-----------|--------|-----------------------|---|
| Sukur | 'yak ʔyak | *ʔyakØ | *dɪyak <sup>w</sup> a | 1 |
|-------|-----------|--------|-----------------------|---|

1. \*d' > ʔ; \*k<sup>w</sup> > k

MARGI

|             |                      |                     |       |                       |   |
|-------------|----------------------|---------------------|-------|-----------------------|---|
|             |                      |                     |       | √ C C Ca              |   |
| Bura        | <i>dika</i> dɪka     | *dɪka               |       | *dɪk <sup>w</sup> a   | 1 |
| Margi       | <i>'ikiyi</i> ʔykʔəʔ | *ʔy <sup>y</sup> ka | *ʔyka |                       | 2 |
|             |                      |                     |       | √ C CaCa              |   |
| Kilba       | <i>'yaku</i> ʔyakw   | *ʔyakwØ             |       | *dɪyak <sup>w</sup> a | 3 |
|             | <i>'yagu</i> ʔyagw   | *ʔyagwØ             |       |                       | 4 |
| Margi-South | <i>'yagu</i> ʔyagw   |                     |       |                       | 4 |

1. \*k<sup>w</sup> > k; \*y > i

2. \*d' > ʔ; \*k<sup>w</sup> > k; \*y > y<sup>y</sup>; \*y > i; lexical-final \*a > ə; +Y: ə > i; +Y: k > k<sup>y</sup>

3. \*d' > ʔ; \*k<sup>w</sup> > k+w; w > u

4. \*d' > ʔ; \*k<sup>w</sup> > g+w; w > u

MANDARA

|         |                         |            |           |             |   |
|---------|-------------------------|------------|-----------|-------------|---|
|         |                         |            |           | √ C C Ca    |   |
| Glavda  | <i>d̪iːka</i> d̪əˈyka   | *d̪yˈka    |           | *d̪ykʷa(-n) | 1 |
|         | <i>d̪ii</i> d̪əˈy       | *d̪yˈØØ    |           |             | 2 |
| Podoko  | <i>d̪iːya</i> d̪əˈya    | *d̪yˈØa    |           |             | 3 |
| Mandara | <i>y̞ie</i> d̪ˈyaː      |            |           |             | 4 |
| Malgwa  | <i>ɡ̞yiye</i> d̪ˈəːyaː  |            |           |             | 5 |
| Dghwede | <i>t̪iːge</i> d̪yˈgaː   | *d̪yˈga-Øⁿ | *d̪yga-nⁿ |             | 6 |
|         |                         |            |           | √ C CaCa    |   |
| Matal   | <i>d̪əyan̪</i> d̪əˈyan̪ | *d̪yan̪    | *d̪yakØ-n | *d̪yakʷa-n  | 7 |
|         | <i>d̪iyan̪</i> d̪əˈyan̪ | *d̪yˈan̪   |           |             | 8 |

1. \*k<sup>w</sup> > k; ə-epenthesis; \*y > y<sup>y</sup>; +Y: ə > i; \*y > i

<sup>11</sup> Transcription error (Newman, p.c. 2022) in the database, which has d instead of d'.

|                                                                             |
|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| 2. ə-epenthesis; *y > yʷ; +Y: ə > i; *y > i                                 |
| 3. ə-epenthesis; *y > yʷ; +Y: ə > i                                         |
| 4. *y > yʷ; +Y: *d' > yʷ; *y > i; +Y: lexical-final *a > e                  |
| 5. *y > yʷ; +Y: *d' > yʷ; ə-epenthesis; +Y: ə > i; +Y: lexical-final *a > e |
| 6. *kʷ > g; *y > yʷ; +Y: lexical-final *a > e; *n > Øⁿ; +N: g > ⁿg          |
| 7. ə-epenthesis; *kʷ > k; fusion *nk > ŋ                                    |
| 8. ə-epenthesis; *kʷ > k; fusion *nk > ŋ; *y > yʷ; +Y: ə > i                |

## MOFU

|            |                         |              |               | √ C C Ca        |   |
|------------|-------------------------|--------------|---------------|-----------------|---|
| Muyang     | <i>edīŋ</i> aʰd̪yŋ      | *Ōa-d̪yʷŋ    | *ma-d̪ykØ-n   | *(ma-)d̪ykʷa-n  | 1 |
| Gemzek     | <i>diyiŋ</i> d̪əʰyaʰŋ   | *d̪yʷŋ       | *dykØ-n       |                 | 2 |
|            | <i>diyiŋ</i> d̪əʰyaʰŋ   | *d̪yʷŋ       | *d̪ykØ-n      |                 | 2 |
| Moloko     | <i>edəyen</i> aʰd̪əyaʰn | *Ōa-d̪yʷŌa-n | *ma-d̪yka-n   |                 | 3 |
|            |                         |              |               | √ C CaCa        |   |
| Zulgo      | <i>d̪iyen</i> d̪əʰyaʰŋ  | *d̪yʷaŋ      | *d̪yakØ-n     | *(ma-)d̪yakʷa-n | 4 |
| Merey      | <i>d̪iyen</i> d̪əʰyaʰŋ  |              |               |                 | 4 |
| Dugwor     | <i>d̪iyen</i> d̪əʰyaʰŋ  |              |               |                 | 4 |
| Mofu-Gudur | <i>d̪iyaŋ</i> d̪əʰyaŋ   |              |               |                 | 5 |
| Ouldeme    | <i>ad̪eŋʷ</i> ad̪aʰŋʷ   | *Ōa-d̪Ōʷaŋʷ  | *ma-d̪yakʷØ-n |                 | 6 |

- \*y > yʷ > i; +Y: \*a > e; \*kʷ > k; fusion \*kn > ŋ
- ə-epenthesis; \*y > yʷ; +Y: ə > i; \*kʷ > k; fusion \*kn > ŋ; (transcription error d = d')
- ə-epenthesis; \*y > yʷ; +Y: a > e
- ə-epenthesis; \*y > yʷ; +Y: ə > i; +Y: \*a > e; \*kʷ > k; fusion \*kn > ŋ
- ə-epenthesis; \*y > yʷ; +Y: ə > i; \*kʷ > k; fusion \*kn > ŋ
- \*y > Øʷ; +Y: \*a > e; fusion \*kʷn > ŋʷ

## MAROUA

|                                                          |                        |          |          |   |
|----------------------------------------------------------|------------------------|----------|----------|---|
|                                                          |                        |          | √ C C Ca |   |
| Giziga-Muturwa                                           | <i>d̪iyu(w)</i> d̪əʰyw | *d̪yʷwØ  | *d̪ykʷa  | 1 |
|                                                          |                        |          | √ C CaCa |   |
| Mbazla                                                   | <i>d̪iyaw</i> d̪əʰyaw  | *d̪yʷawØ | *d̪yakʷa | 1 |
| Giziga-Marva                                             | <i>d̪iyew</i> d̪əʰyaʰw |          |          | 2 |
| 1. *kʷ > w (> u); ə-epenthesis; *y > yʷ; +Y: ə > i       |                        |          |          |   |
| 2. *kʷ > w; ə-epenthesis; *y > yʷ; +Y: ə > i; +Y: *a > e |                        |          |          |   |

## LAMANG

|                                              |                         |          |          |   |
|----------------------------------------------|-------------------------|----------|----------|---|
| Lamang                                       | <i>d̪iyaka</i> d̪əʰyaka | *d̪yʷaka | *d̪yakʷa | 1 |
| Hdi                                          | <i>d̪iyak</i> d̪əʰyak   | *d̪yʷakØ |          | 1 |
| 1. *kʷ > k; ə-epenthesis; *y > yʷ; +Y: ə > i |                         |          |          |   |

## HIGI

|            |                       |         |        |         |   |
|------------|-----------------------|---------|--------|---------|---|
| Kirya      | <i>ikə ykə</i>        | *yka    | *Øyka  | *d̪ykʷa | 1 |
| Kamwe-Futu | <i>iyə əʷyaʷ</i>      | *yʷØʷa  | *Øykʷa |         | 2 |
| Bana       | <i>ʷyigʷu ʔyaʷgʷw</i> | *ʔyʷgʷw | *ʔygʷØ |         | 3 |

1. \*kʷ > k; \*y > i; lexical-final \*a > ə

2. ə-prothesis; +Y: ə > i; \*kʷ > Øʷ; +W: lexical-final \*a > o

3. \*d' > ʔ; \*kʷ > gʷ > gʷ + w; w > u; ə-epenthesis; \*y > yʷ; +Y: ə > i

bite<sub>1</sub>, toPCC \*(ma-, k<sup>w</sup>a-) **dza** (-a, -y, -n, -k<sup>w</sup>, -x; FV)

DABA

|       |                     |                          |                |                              |   |
|-------|---------------------|--------------------------|----------------|------------------------------|---|
| Gavar | <i>ɲtsa</i>         | *ɲ-tsa                   | *mØ-kØ-tsa(-y) | *ma-k <sup>w</sup> a-dza(-y) | 1 |
| Buwal | <i>ɲtʃa ɲtsʔa</i>   | *ɲ-tsa-Ø <sup>y</sup>    |                |                              | 2 |
| Daba  | <i>ʔgatʃ ɲgatsʔ</i> | *ɲ-ga-tsØ-Ø <sup>y</sup> | *mØ-ka-tsa-y   |                              | 3 |

1. \*dz > ts; \*k<sup>w</sup> > k; fusion mk > ɲ
2. \*dz > ts; \*k<sup>w</sup> > k; fusion mk > ɲ; \*y > Ø<sup>y</sup>; +Y: ts > tʃ
3. \*dz > ts; y > Ø<sup>y</sup>; +Y: ts > tʃ; \*k<sup>w</sup> > k > g; homorganic assimilation \*m > ɲ/\_g

MAFA

|      |                    |                       |           |              |   |
|------|--------------------|-----------------------|-----------|--------------|---|
| Mafa | <i>dʒ- dzʔ-</i>    | *dzØ-Ø <sup>y</sup>   |           | * (ma-)dza-y | 1 |
|      | <i>ndʒe ndzʔaʔ</i> | *n-dza-Ø <sup>y</sup> | *mØ-dza-y |              | 2 |

1. \*y > Ø<sup>y</sup>; +Y: dz > dʒ
2. homorganic assimilation \*m > n/\_dz; \*y > Ø<sup>y</sup>; +Y: dz > dʒ; +Y: lexical-final \*a > e

MANDARA

|         |                                    |                           |                            |                                    |   |
|---------|------------------------------------|---------------------------|----------------------------|------------------------------------|---|
| Malgwa  | <i>dʒa dzʔa</i>                    | *dza-Ø <sup>y</sup>       | *dza-y                     |                                    | 1 |
| Dghwede | <i><sup>n</sup>dzaxa ndzaxa</i>    | *n-dza-xa                 | *mØ-dza-xa                 | * (ma-)dza                         | 2 |
| Podoko  | <i><sup>n</sup>dʒewe ndzʔaʔwaʔ</i> | *n-dza-Ø <sup>y</sup> -wa | *mØ-dza-y-k <sup>w</sup> a | (-a, -y, -k <sup>w</sup> , -x, FV) | 3 |
| Matal   | <i>matsay</i>                      | *ma-ts-ay                 | *ma-tsØ-a-y                |                                    | 4 |

1. \*y > Ø<sup>y</sup>; +Y: dz > dʒ
2. homorganic assimilation \*m > n/\_dz
3. \*y > Ø<sup>y</sup>; +Y: dz > dʒ; \*k<sup>w</sup> > w; homorganic assimilation \*m > n/\_dz; +Y: \*a > e
4. \*dz > ts

MOFU

|            |                         |                          |             |                        |   |
|------------|-------------------------|--------------------------|-------------|------------------------|---|
| Ouldeme    | <i>matsay</i>           | *ma-ts-ay                | *ma-tsØ-a-y |                        | 1 |
| Zulgo      | <i>dze(-r) dzaʔ(-r)</i> | *dza-Ø <sup>y</sup> (-n) | *dza-y(-n)  |                        | 2 |
| Gemzek     | <i>dʒay</i>             | *dz-ay                   | *dzØ-a-y    | * (ma-)dza(-a, -y, -n) |   |
|            | <i>medze maʔdzaʔ</i>    | *ma-dza-Ø <sup>y</sup>   | *ma-dza-y   |                        | 3 |
| Mofu North | <i>mezey maʔzaʔy</i>    | *ma-z-ay <sup>y</sup>    | *ma-zØ-a-y  |                        | 4 |
| Mofu-Gudur | <i>z</i>                | *zØ                      |             |                        | 5 |

1. \*dz > ts
2. \*y > Ø<sup>y</sup>; +Y: lexical-final \*a > e; (\*n > r)
3. \*y > Ø<sup>y</sup>; +Y: \*a > e
4. \*dz > z; \*y > y<sup>y</sup>; +Y: \*a > e
5. \*dz > z

MAROUA

|        |                 |                    |        |        |   |
|--------|-----------------|--------------------|--------|--------|---|
| Mbazla | <i>tʃi tsʔy</i> | *ts-y <sup>y</sup> | *tsØ-y | *dza-y | 1 |
|--------|-----------------|--------------------|--------|--------|---|

1. \*dz > ts; \*y > y<sup>y</sup>; +Y: \*ts > tʃ; \*y > i



bite<sub>2</sub>/chew, toPPC \*(ma-, RED-) x<sup>w</sup>(a)p(a)da (-a, -y; -k<sup>w</sup>; FV)

HURZA

|        |                              |                    |       |                     |   |
|--------|------------------------------|--------------------|-------|---------------------|---|
| Mbukio | <i>pa</i>                    | *pa                | *ØpØa | *x <sup>w</sup> pda |   |
| Vame   | <i>piya pə<sup>y</sup>ya</i> | *py <sup>y</sup> a | *Øpya |                     | 1 |

1. ə-epenthesis; \*d' > y > y<sup>y</sup>; +Y: ə > i

MARGI

|       |                |       |         |                         |   |
|-------|----------------|-------|---------|-------------------------|---|
| Margi | <i>bda</i>     | *bda  | *Øbda   | *x <sup>w</sup> pda(-y) | 1 |
| Bura  | <i>bda</i>     | *bda  | *Øbda   |                         | 2 |
|       | <i>bdi bdy</i> | *bd-y | *ØbdØ-y |                         | 3 |

1. \*p &gt; b; lexical-final \*a &gt; ə

2. \*p &gt; b; \*d' &gt; d

3. \*p &gt; b; \*d' &gt; d; \*y &gt; i

MANDARA

|        |                                                           |                                   |                                    |                                        |   |
|--------|-----------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------|------------------------------------|----------------------------------------|---|
| Podoko | <i>upada wpaða</i>                                        | *wpaða                            |                                    | *x <sup>w</sup> pda(-k <sup>w</sup> a) | 1 |
| Malgwa | <i>ukpada ə<sup>w</sup>k<sup>w</sup>pada</i>              | *k <sup>w</sup> pada              |                                    |                                        | 2 |
| Glavda | <i>xupad<sup>ga</sup> x<sup>w</sup>ə<sup>w</sup>padga</i> | *x <sup>w</sup> pad <sup>ga</sup> | *x <sup>w</sup> padØ <sup>ga</sup> |                                        | 3 |

1. \*x<sup>w</sup> > w > u2. \*x<sup>w</sup> > k<sup>w</sup>; ə-prothesis; +W: ə > u3. ə-epenthesis; +W: ə > u; \*k<sup>w</sup> (> k) > g

MOFU

|            |                                                  |                         |                         |                                  |   |
|------------|--------------------------------------------------|-------------------------|-------------------------|----------------------------------|---|
|            |                                                  |                         |                         | √ C C Ca                         |   |
| Muyang     | <i>həpəð</i>                                     | *xpð                    | *xpðØ                   | *(ma-)x <sup>w</sup> pda(-a, -y) | 1 |
| Merey      | <i>həpəð</i>                                     |                         |                         |                                  | 1 |
| Gemzek     | <i>mehəpəðe ma<sup>y</sup>xəpəða<sup>y</sup></i> | *ma-xpda-Ø <sup>y</sup> | *ma-xpda-y              |                                  | 2 |
| Dugwor     | <i>məpəðey məpəða<sup>y</sup>y</i>               | *m-pð-ay <sup>y</sup>   | *mØ-ØpðØ-a-y            |                                  | 3 |
|            |                                                  |                         |                         | √ CaC Ca                         |   |
| Mofu-Gudur | <i>ha<sup>m</sup>bəð</i>                         | *Ø <sup>n</sup> -xabð   | *m <sup>n</sup> Ø-xabðØ | *ma-x <sup>w</sup> apda          | 4 |
|            |                                                  |                         |                         | √ C CaCa                         |   |
| Ouldeme    | <i>pad</i>                                       | *pad                    | *ØpadØ                  | *(RED-)x <sup>w</sup> pda        |   |
| Moloko     | <i>pad</i>                                       |                         |                         |                                  |   |
| Zulgo      | <i>papəð</i>                                     | *pa-pØð                 | *RED-ØpadØ              |                                  | 5 |

1. \*x<sup>w</sup> > x; ə-epenthesis2. \*x<sup>w</sup> > x; ə-epenthesis; \*y > Ø<sup>y</sup>; +Y: \*a > e3. ə-epenthesis; \*y > y<sup>y</sup>; +Y: \*a > e4. \*x<sup>w</sup> > x; \*p > b; ə-epenthesis; \*m > Ø<sup>n</sup>; +N: b > <sup>m</sup>b

5. ə-epenthesis (after REDuplication and medial a &gt; Ø)

LAMANG

|        |                                                         |                      |          |                       |   |
|--------|---------------------------------------------------------|----------------------|----------|-----------------------|---|
|        |                                                         |                      |          | √ C C Ca              |   |
| Hdi    | <i>xi<sup>i</sup>ida xə<sup>y</sup>?ə<sup>y</sup>da</i> | *x?da-Ø <sup>y</sup> | *xØ?da-y | *x <sup>w</sup> pda-y | 1 |
|        |                                                         |                      |          | √ C CaCa              |   |
| Lamang | <i>xpada</i>                                            | *xpada               |          | *x <sup>w</sup> pda   | 2 |

1. \*x<sup>w</sup> > x; re-segmentalisation \*d' > ?d; ə-epenthesis; \*y > Ø<sup>y</sup>; +Y: ə > i2. \*x<sup>w</sup> > x

blind (to be), blind person

PCC \*(ma-, na-)  $\gamma^w(a)r(a)fa(-y, -k^w, -n; FV)$ 

BATA

|        |                                |            |            |                               |   |
|--------|--------------------------------|------------|------------|-------------------------------|---|
| Tsuvan | <i>awəlfə</i> <i>awəlfəʔ</i>   | *a-wlfa-Øʔ | *Øa-wlfa-y | *(ma-) $\gamma^w rfa(-y, -n)$ | 1 |
| Gude   | <i>muurəfa</i> <i>məʔwrəfa</i> | *m-wʳfa    | *mØ-wrfa   |                               | 2 |
|        | <i>uurəfə</i> <i>əʔwrəfə</i>   | *wʳfa      |            |                               | 3 |
| Jimi   | <i>wəɾəfən</i>                 | *wrfa-n    |            |                               | 4 |

1. \* $\gamma^w > w$ ; \* $r > l$ ; ə-epenthesis; \* $y > \emptyset$ ; +Y: lexical-final \* $a > e$   
 2. \* $\gamma^w > w^w$ ; ə-epenthesis; +W: ə > u; w > u  
 3. \* $\gamma^w > w^w > u$ ; ə-pro- & epenthesis; lexical-final \* $a > ə$ ; +W: ə > u  
 4. \* $\gamma^w > w$ ; ə-epenthesis; lexical-final a > ə

DABA

|        |                             |       |        |                   |   |
|--------|-----------------------------|-------|--------|-------------------|---|
|        |                             |       |        | √ C C Ca          |   |
| Gavar  | <i>wələf</i> <i>wələf</i>   | *wlf  | *wlfØ  | * $\gamma^w rfa$  | 1 |
| Daba   | <i>wələf</i> <i>wələf</i>   |       |        |                   | 1 |
| Mbudum | <i>wuləf</i> <i>wʷəʔləf</i> | *wʷlf | *wʷlfØ |                   | 2 |
|        |                             |       |        | √ C CaCa          |   |
| Buwal  | <i>ulaf</i> <i>wlaf</i>     | *wlaf | *wlafØ | * $\gamma^w rafa$ | 3 |

1. \* $\gamma^w > w$ ; \* $r > l$ ; ə-epenthesis  
 2. \* $\gamma^w > w^w$ ; \* $r > l$ ; ə-epenthesis; +W: ə > u  
 3. \* $\gamma^w > w > u$ ; \* $r > l$

HURZA

|       |                             |        |         |                   |   |
|-------|-----------------------------|--------|---------|-------------------|---|
| Mbuko | <i>hurəf</i> <i>xʷəʳaʳf</i> | *xʷraf | *xʷrafØ | * $\gamma^w rafa$ | 1 |
| Vame  | <i>ɣuləf</i> <i>ɣʷəʔləf</i> | *ɣʷləf | *ɣʷləfØ |                   | 2 |

1. \* $\gamma^w > x^w$ ; ə-epenthesis; +W: ə > u; +W: \* $a > o$   
 2. \* $r > l$ ; ə-epenthesis; +W: ə > u

MARGI

|       |                              |        |       |                  |   |
|-------|------------------------------|--------|-------|------------------|---|
| Margi | <i>ləfə</i>                  | *lfa   | *Ølfa | * $\gamma^w rfa$ | 1 |
| Kilba | <i>wulfi</i> <i>wʷəʔlfaʷ</i> | *wʷlfa |       |                  | 2 |

1. \* $r > l$ ; ə-epenthesis; lexical-final \* $a > ə$   
 2. \* $\gamma^w > w^w$ ; \* $r > l$ ; ə-epenthesis; lexical-final \* $a > ə$ ; +W: ə > u

MANDARA

|        |                                |           |            |                           |   |
|--------|--------------------------------|-----------|------------|---------------------------|---|
|        |                                |           |            | √ C C Ca                  |   |
| Glavda | <i>gulfa</i> <i>gʷəʔlfa</i>    | *gʷlfa    |            | *(na-) $\gamma^w rfa(-y)$ | 1 |
| Matal  | <i>guləf</i> <i>gʷəʔləf</i>    | *gʷlf     | *gʷlfØ     |                           | 1 |
|        | <i>gʷələf</i>                  |           |            |                           | 2 |
| Malgwa | <i>wulfe</i> <i>wʷəʔlfaʔ</i>   | *wʷlfa-Øʔ | *wʷlfa-y   |                           | 3 |
|        | <i>ɣulfe</i> <i>ɣwlfaʔ</i>     | *ɣwlfa-Øʔ | *nØ-wlfa-y |                           | 4 |
| Podoko | <i>ɣuləfa</i> <i>ɣgʷəʔləfa</i> | *ɣ-gʷlfa  | *nØ-gʷlfa  |                           | 5 |
|        | <i>ləfa</i>                    | *lfa      | *Ølfa      |                           | 6 |
|        |                                |           |            | √ CaC Ca                  |   |

| Mandara                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             | <i>welfe</i> waʎlfaʎ | *walfa-Øʎ | *walfa-y | *ʎʷarfa-y | 7 |
|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------|-----------|----------|-----------|---|
| 1. *ʎʷ > gʷ; *r > l; ə-epenthesis; +W: ə > u<br>2. *ʎʷ > gʷ; *r > l; ə-epenthesis<br>3. *ʎʷ > wʷ; *r > l; ə-epenthesis; +W: ə > u; *y > Øʎ; +Y: lexical-final *a > e<br>4. *ʎʷ > w > u; *r > l; *y > Øʎ; +Y: lexical-final *a > e; homorganic assimilation *n > ŋ/_w<br>5. *ʎʷ > gʷ; *r > l; ə-epenthesis; homorganic assimilation *n > ŋ/_gʷ<br>6. *r > l; ə-epenthesis<br>7. *ʎʷ > w; *r > l; *y > Øʎ; +Y: *a > e |                      |           |          |           |   |

## MOFU

|            |                          |           |            | √ C C Ca     |   |
|------------|--------------------------|-----------|------------|--------------|---|
| Ouldeme    | <i>wulaf</i> wʷəʎlaf     | *wʷlf     | *wʷlfØ     | *ʎʷrfa       | 1 |
| Zulgo      | <i>guluf</i> gʷəʎlaf     | *gʷlf     | *gʷlfØ     |              | 2 |
| Merey      | <i>guluf</i> gʷəʎlaf     |           |            |              | 2 |
| Mofu-Gudur | <i>huluf</i> xʷəʎlf      | *xʷlf     | *xʷlfØ     |              | 3 |
|            | <i>wulf</i> wʷəʎlf       | *wʷlf     | *wʷlfØ     |              | 1 |
|            |                          |           |            | √ C CaCa     |   |
| Mada       | <i>muwlofa</i> məʷwlaʎfa | *m-wʷlafa | *mØ-wʷlafa | *(ma-)ʎʷrafa | 4 |
| Moloko     | <i>həlof</i> xəʎlaf      | *xʷlaf    | *xʷlafØ    |              | 5 |
| Gemzek     | <i>gulof</i> gʷəʎlaʎf    | *gʷlaf    | *gʷlafØ    |              | 6 |
| Dugwor     | <i>gulof</i> gʷəʎlaʎf    |           |            |              | 6 |
| Mofu North | <i>wulaf</i> wʷəʎlaf     | *wʷlaf    | *wʷlafØ    |              | 7 |
| Mofu-Gudur | <i>wulaf</i> wʷəʎlaf     |           |            |              | 7 |

1. \*ʎʷ > wʷ; \*r > l; ə-epenthesis; +W: ə > u
2. \*ʎʷ > gʷ; \*r > l; ə-epenthesis; +W: ə > u
3. \*ʎʷ > xʷ; \*r > l; ə-epenthesis; +W: ə > u
4. \*ʎʷ > wʷ; \*r > l; ə-epenthesis; +W: ə > u; +W: \*a > o
5. \*ʎʷ > xʷ; \*r > l; ə-epenthesis; +W: \*a > o
6. \*ʎʷ > gʷ; \*r > l; ə-epenthesis; +W: ə > u; +W: \*a > o
7. \*ʎʷ > wʷ; \*r > l; ə-epenthesis; +W: ə > u

## MAROUA

|                |                       |        |         | √ C C Ca |   |
|----------------|-----------------------|--------|---------|----------|---|
| Giziga-Muturwa | <i>huluf</i> xʷəʎlaʎf | *xʷlf  | *xʷlfØ  | *ʎʷrfa   | 1 |
|                |                       |        |         | √ C CaCa |   |
| Giziga-Marva   | <i>hulof</i> xʷəʎlaʎf | *xʷlaf | *xʷlafØ | *ʎʷrafa  | 2 |

1. \*ʎʷ > xʷ; \*r > l; ə-epenthesis; +W: ə > u
2. \*ʎʷ > xʷ; \*r > l; ə-epenthesis; +W: ə > u; +W: \*a > o

## LAMANG

| Lamang | <i>ɣulpa</i> ɣʷəʎlpa     | *ɣʷlpa    | *ɣʷlpa    | *ʎʷrfa(-kʷ) | 1 |
|--------|--------------------------|-----------|-----------|-------------|---|
| Hdi    | <i>ɣulpaku</i> ɣʷəʎlpakw | *ɣʷlpa-kw | *ɣʷlpa-kʷ |             | 2 |

1. \*r > l; \*f > p; ə-epenthesis; +W: ə > u
2. \*r > l; \*f > p; ə-epenthesis; +W: ə > u; re-segmentalisation \*kʷ > k+w; w > u

## HIGI

|             |                    |        |          | √ C C Ca           |   |
|-------------|--------------------|--------|----------|--------------------|---|
| Bana        | <i>ɣʷəʎlaf</i>     | *ɣʷlf  | *ɣʷlfØ   | *(ma-)ʎʷrfa(-y(a)) | 1 |
| Kamwe-Nkafa | <i>ɣuli</i> ɣʷəʎly | *ɣʷl-y | *ɣʷlØØ-y |                    | 2 |

|                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             |                                                                                      |                                                          |                                                  |                                 |   |
|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------|---|
| Kamwe-Futu                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  | <i>yulapi</i> $\gamma^w\text{ə}^w\text{ləp}$                                         | $*\gamma^w\text{l}p\text{-}y$                            | $*\gamma^w\text{l}p\text{Ø}\text{-}y$            |                                 | 3 |
|                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             | <i>yulə</i> $\gamma^w\text{ə}^w\text{lə}$                                            | $*\gamma^w\text{l}a$                                     | $*\gamma^w\text{l}\text{Ø}a$                     |                                 | 4 |
| Kirya                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       | <i>məyuripaə</i><br><i>məy<sup>w</sup>ə<sup>w</sup>l<sup>w</sup>ə<sup>w</sup>paə</i> | $*m\text{-}\gamma^w\text{l}pa\text{-}\text{Ø}^y\text{ə}$ | $*m\text{Ø}\text{-}\gamma^w\text{l}pa\text{-}ya$ |                                 | 5 |
| $\sqrt{\text{CaC Ca}}$                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      |                                                                                      |                                                          |                                                  |                                 |   |
| Kamwe-Nkafa                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 | <i>y<sup>w</sup>eli</i> $\gamma^w\text{ə}^y\text{l}y$                                | $*\gamma^w\text{al}\text{-}y^y$                          | $*\gamma^w\text{al}\text{Ø}\text{Ø}\text{-}y$    | $*\gamma^w\text{arfa}\text{-}y$ | 6 |
| 1. $*r > l$ ; ə-epenthesis<br>2. $*r > l$ ; ə-epenthesis; +W: ə > u; $*y > i$<br>3. $*r > l$ ; $*f > p$ ; ə-epenthesis; +W: ə > u; $*y > i$<br>4. $*r > l$ ; ə-epenthesis; +W: ə > u; lexical-final $*a > \text{ə}$<br>5. $*r > l$ ; $*f > p$ ; ə-epenthesis; +W: ə > u; $*y > \text{Ø}^y$ ; +Y: l > ɭ; +Y: ə > i; FV $*a > \text{ə}$<br>6. $*r > l$ ; $*y > y^y$ ; +Y: $*a > e$ ; $*y > i$ |                                                                                      |                                                          |                                                  |                                 |   |

## KOTOKO-CENTRAL

|                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         |                                               |                                             |                                                    |                                           |   |
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| $\sqrt{\text{C C Ca}}$                                                                                                                                                                                                                  |                                               |                                             |                                                    |                                           |   |
| Lagwan                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  | <i>nxufi</i> $n\text{x}^w\text{ə}^w\text{f}y$ | $*m\text{-}x^w\text{f}\text{-}y$            | $*m\text{Ø}\text{-}x^w\text{Øf}\text{Ø}\text{-}y$  | $*ma\text{-}\gamma^w\text{rfa}\text{-}y$  | 1 |
| $\sqrt{\text{CaC Ca}}$                                                                                                                                                                                                                  |                                               |                                             |                                                    |                                           |   |
| Mser                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    | <i>ng<sup>w</sup>afi</i> $ng^w\text{afə}^y$   | $*m\text{-}g^w\text{afa}\text{-}\text{Ø}^y$ | $*m\text{Ø}\text{-}g^w\text{a}\text{Øfa}\text{-}y$ | $*ma\text{-}\gamma^w\text{arfa}\text{-}y$ | 2 |
| 1. $*\gamma^w > x^w$ ; ə-epenthesis; +W: ə > u; $*y > i$ ; partial assimilation $*m > n/_\text{x}^w$<br>2. $*\gamma^w > g^w$ ; lexical-final $*a > \text{ə}$ ; $*y > \text{Ø}^y$ ; +Y: ə > i; partial assimilation $*m > n/_\text{x}^w$ |                                               |                                             |                                                    |                                           |   |

## KOTOKO-SOUTH

|                         |                          |                        |                                        |                                 |   |
|-------------------------|--------------------------|------------------------|----------------------------------------|---------------------------------|---|
| Zina                    | <i>y<sup>w</sup>ayra</i> | $*\gamma^w\text{ayra}$ | $*\gamma^w\text{ar}\text{Ø}a\text{-}y$ | $*\gamma^w\text{arfa}\text{-}y$ | 1 |
| 1. metathesis $ry > yr$ |                          |                        |                                        |                                 |   |

## blood

PCC \*(RED-, xa-, ma-) **xw(a)b(a)za** (-y)

## BATA

|                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   |                                                                             |                                                            |                                                    |                                      |   |
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| Bachama                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           | <i>za<sup>m</sup>be</i> $z\text{a}^m\text{b}\text{ə}^y$                     | $*\text{Ø}^n\text{-}\text{Ø}z\text{aba}\text{-}\text{Ø}^y$ | $*m^*\text{Ø}\text{-}\text{Ø}b\text{aza}\text{-}y$ | $*ma\text{-}x^w\text{baza}\text{-}y$ | 1 |
| Bata                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              | <i>z\text{a}\text{a}^m\text{be}</i> $z\text{a}\text{a}^m\text{b}\text{ə}^y$ |                                                            |                                                    |                                      | 2 |
| 1. metathesis $bz > zb$ ; $*y > \text{Ø}^y$ ; +Y: lexical-final $*a > e$ ; $*m > m^n$ ; +N: $*b > ^mb$<br>2. metathesis $bz > zb$ ; $*y > \text{Ø}^y$ ; +Y: lexical-final $*a > e$ ; $*m > m^n$ ; +N: $*b > ^mb$ ; (vowel length unaccounted for) |                                                                             |                                                            |                                                    |                                      |   |

## DABA

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|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------|---|
| $\sqrt{\text{C C Ca}}$                                                                                   |                                                            |                                            |                                                                   |                                                   |   |
| Mbudum                                                                                                   | <i>mu<sup>m</sup>bəz</i> $m^w\text{ə}^w\text{mb}\text{ə}z$ | $*m\text{-}m\text{-}^wbz$                  | $*\text{RED}\text{-}m\text{Ø}\text{-}\text{Ø}^w\text{bz}\text{Ø}$ | $*\text{RED}\text{-}ma\text{-}x^w\text{bza}$      | 1 |
| Gavar                                                                                                    | <i>'ampəs</i>                                              | $*?a\text{-}m\text{-ps}$                   | $*ma\text{-}m\text{Ø}\text{-ps}$                                  | $*\text{RED}\text{-}ma\text{-}\text{Øps}\text{Ø}$ | 2 |
| $\sqrt{\text{C CaCa}}$                                                                                   |                                                            |                                            |                                                                   |                                                   |   |
| Buwal                                                                                                    | <i><sup>m</sup>ba<sup>m</sup>baz</i><br><i>mbambaz</i>     | $*m\text{-}ba\text{Ø}\text{-}m\text{-}baz$ | $*\text{RED}\text{-}m\text{Ø}\text{-}\text{Ø}ba\text{z}\text{Ø}$  | $\text{RED}\text{-}*ma\text{-}x^w\text{baza}$     |   |
| 1. $*x^w > \text{Ø}^w$ ; ə-epenthesis; +W: ə > u<br>2. $*b > p$ ; $*z > s$ ; ə-epenthesis; RED: $*m > ?$ |                                                            |                                            |                                                                   |                                                   |   |

## MAFA

|       |                                                                   |                                                    |                                                                           |                                                        |   |
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| Mafa  | <i>pa<sup>m</sup>baz</i> $p\text{a}m\text{b}\text{ə}z$            | $*\text{Ø}ba\text{-}m\text{-}baz$                  | $*\text{RED}\text{-}m\text{Ø}\text{-}\text{Ø}ba\text{z}\text{Ø}$          | $*\text{RED}\text{-}ma\text{-}x^w\text{baza}\text{-}y$ | 1 |
| Cuvok | <i>be<sup>m</sup>bez</i> $b\text{ə}^y\text{m}b\text{ə}^y\text{z}$ | $*\text{Ø}ba\text{-}mb\text{ə}z\text{-}\text{Ø}^y$ | $*\text{RED}\text{-}m\text{Ø}\text{-}\text{Ø}ba\text{z}\text{Ø}\text{-}y$ |                                                        | 2 |

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| 1. RED: *b > p;<br>2. *y > Ø <sup>v</sup> ; +Y: *a > e                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   |                                         |                                                                |                                      |                              |                              |
| SUKUR                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    |                                         |                                                                |                                      |                              |                              |
| Sukur                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    | <i>mu<sup>w</sup>buss</i> <sup>12</sup> | m <sup>w</sup> ə <sup>w</sup> mb <sup>w</sup> ə <sup>w</sup> s | *m-m- <sup>w</sup> bs                | *RED-mØ-Ø <sup>w</sup> bsØ   | *RED-ma-x <sup>w</sup> bza   |
| 1. *x <sup>w</sup> > Ø <sup>w</sup> ; *z > s; ə-epenthesis; RED +W: *m > m <sup>w</sup> ; +W: *b > b <sup>w</sup> ; +W: ə > u; (length of final /ss/ not accounted for; see footnote)                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    |                                         |                                                                |                                      |                              |                              |
| HURZA                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    |                                         |                                                                |                                      |                              |                              |
| Mbuko                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    | <i>mez</i>                              | ma <sup>v</sup> z                                              | *ma-z-Ø <sup>v</sup>                 | *ma-ØØzØ-y                   | *(RED-)                      |
| Vame                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     | <i>munze</i>                            | mə <sup>w</sup> nz <sup>v</sup> a <sup>v</sup>                 | *m-m- <sup>w</sup> za-Ø <sup>v</sup> | *RED-mØ-Ø <sup>w</sup> Øza-y | ma-x <sup>w</sup> bza-y      |
| 1. *y > Ø <sup>v</sup> ; +Y: *a > e<br>2. *x <sup>w</sup> > Ø <sup>w</sup> ; ə-epenthesis; +W: ə > u; *y > Ø <sup>v</sup> ; +Y: z > ʒ; +Y: lexical-final *a > e; homorganic assimilation *m > n/_z                                                                                                                                                                                                                       |                                         |                                                                |                                      |                              |                              |
| MARGI                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    |                                         |                                                                |                                      |                              |                              |
| Kilba                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    | <i>mafi</i>                             | mas <sup>v</sup> y                                             | *ma-s-y <sup>v</sup>                 | *ma-ØØsØ-y                   | *ma-x <sup>w</sup> bza-y     |
| 1. *z > s; *y > y <sup>v</sup> > i; +Y: s > ʃ                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            |                                         |                                                                |                                      |                              |                              |
| MANDARA                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  |                                         |                                                                |                                      |                              |                              |
|                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          |                                         |                                                                |                                      | √ C C Ca                     |                              |
| Podoko                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   | <i>muza</i>                             | mwza                                                           | *m-wza                               | *mØ-wØza                     | 1                            |
| Mandara                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  | <i>uʒe</i>                              | wz <sup>v</sup> a <sup>v</sup>                                 | *wza-Ø <sup>v</sup>                  | *wØza-y                      | *(ma-)x <sup>w</sup> bza(-y) |
| Malgwa                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   | <i>uuʒe</i>                             | əwz <sup>v</sup> a <sup>v</sup>                                |                                      |                              | 3                            |
|                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          |                                         |                                                                |                                      | √ CaC Ca                     |                              |
| Matal                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    | <i>aɲiz</i>                             | aɲə <sup>v</sup> z                                             | *ɲz-Ø <sup>v</sup>                   | *mØ-xaØzØ-y                  | *ma-x <sup>w</sup> abza-y    |
|                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          | <i>aɲiz</i>                             | aɲə <sup>v</sup> z <sup>v</sup>                                |                                      |                              | 5                            |
| 1. *x <sup>w</sup> > w > u<br>2. *x <sup>w</sup> > w > u; *y > Ø <sup>v</sup> ; +Y: *z > ʒ; +Y: lexical-final *a > e<br>3. ə-prothesis; *x <sup>w</sup> > w > u; *y > Ø <sup>v</sup> ; +Y: *z > ʒ; +Y: lexical-final *a > e<br>4. *x <sup>w</sup> > x; ə-epenthesis; fusion *mx > ɲ; *y > Ø <sup>v</sup> ; +Y: ə > i<br>5. *x <sup>w</sup> > x; ə-epenthesis; fusion mx > ɲ; *y > Ø <sup>v</sup> ; +Y: *z > ʒ; +Y: ə > i |                                         |                                                                |                                      |                              |                              |
| MOFU                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     |                                         |                                                                |                                      |                              |                              |
|                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          |                                         |                                                                |                                      | √ C C Ca                     |                              |
| Ouldeme                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  | <i>amiz</i>                             | amə <sup>v</sup> z                                             | *Øamz-Ø <sup>v</sup>                 | *x <sup>w</sup> amØzØ-y      | *ma-x <sup>w</sup> bza-y     |
| Zulgo                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    | <i>mə<sup>w</sup>bəz</i>                | məmbəz                                                         | *m-m-bz                              | *RED-mØ-ØbzØ                 | *RED-ma-x <sup>w</sup> bza   |
|                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          |                                         |                                                                |                                      | √ CaC Ca                     |                              |
| Mada                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     | <i>emeʒ</i>                             | a <sup>v</sup> ma <sup>v</sup> z <sup>v</sup>                  | *Øamaz-Ø <sup>v</sup>                | *x <sup>w</sup> amazØ-y      | *ma-x <sup>w</sup> abza-y    |
|                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          |                                         |                                                                |                                      | √ C CaCa                     |                              |
| Mofu North                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               | <i>ma<sup>w</sup>baz</i>                |                                                                | *ma-mØ-baz                           | *RED-ma-ØbazØ                |                              |
| Mofu-Gudur                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               | <i>mambaz</i>                           |                                                                |                                      |                              | *RED-ma-x <sup>w</sup> baza  |
| Gemzek                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   | <i>ba<sup>w</sup>baz</i>                |                                                                | *Øba-m-baz                           | *RED-mØ-ØbazØ                |                              |
| Merey                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    | <i>bambaz</i>                           |                                                                | < *mba-m-baz                         |                              |                              |
| 1. metathesis mx <sup>w</sup> > x <sup>w</sup> m; ə-epenthesis; *y > Ø <sup>v</sup> ; +Y: ə > i<br>2. ə-epenthesis<br>3. metathesis mx <sup>w</sup> > x <sup>w</sup> m; ə-epenthesis; *y > Ø <sup>v</sup> ; +Y: z > ʒ; +Y: a > e                                                                                                                                                                                         |                                         |                                                                |                                      |                              |                              |

<sup>12</sup> Transcription/copy error (ss instead of s)?

## MAROUA

|                                                                                                                                       |                                                                                         |                                      |                            |                            |   |
|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------|----------------------------|----------------------------|---|
|                                                                                                                                       |                                                                                         |                                      |                            | √ C C Ca                   |   |
| Giziga-Marva                                                                                                                          | <i>pu<sup>m</sup>bus</i> p <sup>w</sup> ə <sup>w</sup> mb <sup>w</sup> ə <sup>w</sup> s | *Øp <sup>w</sup> -m-b <sup>w</sup> s | *RED-mØ-Ø <sup>w</sup> bsØ | *RED-ma-x <sup>w</sup> bza | 1 |
|                                                                                                                                       |                                                                                         |                                      |                            | √ C C Ca                   |   |
| Mbazla                                                                                                                                | <i>ha<sup>m</sup>bus</i> xamb <sup>w</sup> ə <sup>w</sup> s                             | *xa-m-b <sup>w</sup> s               | *xa-mØ-Ø <sup>w</sup> bsØ  | *xa-ma-x <sup>w</sup> bza  | 2 |
|                                                                                                                                       | <i>a<sup>m</sup>bus</i> amb <sup>w</sup> ə <sup>w</sup> s                               | *Øa-m-b <sup>w</sup> s               |                            |                            | 2 |
|                                                                                                                                       | <i>'a<sup>m</sup>bus</i> ʔamb <sup>w</sup> ə <sup>w</sup> s                             | *ʔa-m- <sup>w</sup> s                |                            |                            | 3 |
| 1. *x <sup>w</sup> > Ø <sup>w</sup> ; *z > s; RED *b > p; ə-epenthesis; +W: *b > b <sup>w</sup> ; +W: p > p <sup>w</sup> ; +W: ə > u; |                                                                                         |                                      |                            |                            |   |
| 2. *x <sup>w</sup> > Ø <sup>w</sup> ; *z > s; ə-epenthesis; +W: *b > b <sup>w</sup> ; +W: ə > u;                                      |                                                                                         |                                      |                            |                            |   |
| 3. *x <sup>w</sup> > Ø <sup>w</sup> ; *z > s; *x > ʔ; ə-epenthesis; +W: *b > b <sup>w</sup> ; +W: ə > u;                              |                                                                                         |                                      |                            |                            |   |

## LAMANG

|                                                                                                                                                                                   |                                         |                      |                       |                         |   |
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| Lamang                                                                                                                                                                            | yubsi ɣ <sup>w</sup> ə <sup>w</sup> bsy | *ɣ <sup>w</sup> bs-y | *ɣ <sup>w</sup> bsØ-y | *x <sup>w</sup> bza(-y) | 1 |
|                                                                                                                                                                                   | ubsi wbsy                               | *wbs-y               | *wbsØ-y               |                         | 2 |
| Hdi                                                                                                                                                                               | us ws                                   | *ws                  | *wØsØ                 |                         | 3 |
| 1. *x <sup>w</sup> > ɣ <sup>w</sup> ; *b > ɓ; *z > s; *y > i; ə-epenthesis; +W: ə > u<br>2. *x <sup>w</sup> > w > u; *b > ɓ; *z > s; *y > i<br>3. *x <sup>w</sup> > w > u; *z > s |                                         |                      |                       |                         |   |

## HIGI

|                                                           |                                                |                                     |                |                              |   |
|-----------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------|----------------|------------------------------|---|
| Kamwe-Futu                                                | <i>myimyi</i> m <sup>y</sup> ym <sup>y</sup> y | *m-y <sup>y</sup> -m-y <sup>y</sup> | *RED-mØ-ØØØØ-y | *RED-ma-x <sup>w</sup> bza-y | 1 |
| Kamwe-Nkafa                                               | <i>mimyi</i> mym <sup>y</sup> y                | *m-y-m-y <sup>y</sup>               |                |                              | 1 |
|                                                           | <i>mimi</i> mymy                               | *m-y-m-y                            |                |                              | 2 |
| Kirya                                                     | <i>mimi</i> mymy                               |                                     |                |                              | 2 |
| Bana                                                      | <i>mimi</i> mymy                               |                                     |                |                              | 2 |
|                                                           |                                                |                                     |                |                              |   |
| 1. *y > y <sup>y</sup> ; +Y: *m > m <sup>y</sup> ; *y > i |                                                |                                     |                |                              |   |
| 2. *y > i                                                 |                                                |                                     |                |                              |   |

blow<sub>1</sub>, to<sup>13</sup>PCC \*(ma-) v(a)ɓa (-a, -y, -k<sup>w</sup>, -n)

## BATA

|                                                                  |                 |                     |        |        |   |
|------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------|---------------------|--------|--------|---|
| Bata                                                             | <i>fil</i> fə'l | *fil-Ø <sup>y</sup> | *fla-y | *vɓa-y | 1 |
| 1. *v > f; *ɓ > l; ə-epenthesis; *y > Ø <sup>y</sup> ; +Y: ə > i |                 |                     |        |        |   |

## HURZA

|                                                                 |                               |                     |        |  |   |
|-----------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------|---------------------|--------|--|---|
| Mbuko                                                           | <i>vəɓe</i> vəɓa <sup>y</sup> | *vɓa-Ø <sup>y</sup> | *vɓa-y |  | 1 |
| 1. ə-epenthesis; *y > Ø <sup>y</sup> ; +Y: lexical-final *a > e |                               |                     |        |  |   |

<sup>13</sup> It is not at all clear whether the two roots for 'blow, to' (also meaning 'breathe, to') should be kept distinct, as we do here and following Gravina (2015), or whether they are onomatopoeic variants of just one root. Also, borrowing in whatever direction might have played a role in the light of Shoa/Shuwa Arabic *fasa* ~ *fasi* ~ *fasu* (Gravina 2015).

## MOFU

|                                                                 |                  |              |             |                   |   |
|-----------------------------------------------------------------|------------------|--------------|-------------|-------------------|---|
| Merey                                                           | vəɟ              | *vɟØ         |             | *(ma-)vɟa(-a, -y) | 1 |
| Zulgo                                                           | viɟ vəʔɟ         | *vɟ-Øʏ       | *vɟØ-y      |                   | 2 |
| Dugwor                                                          | məvəɟey məvəɟaʔy | *mØ-vɟØ-a-yʏ | *ma-vɟa-a-y |                   | 3 |
| Gemzek                                                          | məvəɟe məʔvəɟaʔ  | *ma-vɟa-Øʏ   | *ma-vɟa-y   |                   | 4 |
| 1. ə-epenthesis                                                 |                  |              |             |                   |   |
| 2. ə-epenthesis; *y > Øʏ; +Y: ə > i                             |                  |              |             |                   |   |
| 3. ə-epenthesis; *y > Øʏ; +Y: lexical-final *a > e              |                  |              |             |                   |   |
| 4. ə-epenthesis; *y > Øʏ; +Y: prefixal and lexical-final *a > e |                  |              |             |                   |   |

## LAMANG

|                                                                       |              |                       |                         |                         |   |
|-----------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------|-----------------------|-------------------------|-------------------------|---|
| Hdi                                                                   | vulay və'lay | *vl-ay-Ø <sup>w</sup> | *vlØ-a-y-k <sup>w</sup> | *vɟa-a-y-k <sup>w</sup> | 1 |
| 1. *ɟ > l; ə-epenthesis; *k <sup>w</sup> > Ø <sup>w</sup> ; +W: ə > u |              |                       |                         |                         |   |

## KOTOKO-NORTH

|                                                                                                                                                                |                                |                     |        |        |   |
|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------|---------------------|--------|--------|---|
| Mpade                                                                                                                                                          | <i>fil</i> fə'l                | *flØ-Ø <sup>y</sup> | *fla-y | *vɟa-y | 1 |
| Malgbe                                                                                                                                                         | <i>file</i> fə'la <sup>y</sup> | *fla-Ø <sup>y</sup> |        |        | 2 |
| 1. *v > f; *ɟ > l; ə-epenthesis; *y > Ø <sup>y</sup> ; +Y: ə > i<br>2. *v > f; *ɟ > l; ə-epenthesis; *y > Ø <sup>y</sup> ; +Y: ə > i; +Y: lexical-final *a > e |                                |                     |        |        |   |

## KOTOKO-CENTRAL

|                                                                                                                                                                    |                        |                                       |                          |                            |   |
|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------|---------------------------------------|--------------------------|----------------------------|---|
| Mser                                                                                                                                                               | <i>vil</i> və'l        | *vl-Ø <sup>y</sup>                    | *vlØ-y                   | *vɟa-y(-k <sup>w</sup> -n) | 1 |
| Lagwan                                                                                                                                                             | <i>vilwun</i> və'lwə'n | *vl-Ø <sup>y</sup> -w <sup>w</sup> -n | *vlØ-y-k <sup>w</sup> -n |                            | 2 |
| 1. *ɟ > l; ə-epenthesis; *y > Ø <sup>y</sup> ; +Y: ə > i<br>2. *ɟ > l; ə-epenthesis; *y > Ø <sup>y</sup> ; +Y: ə > i; *k <sup>w</sup> > w <sup>w</sup> ; +W: ə > u |                        |                                       |                          |                            |   |

blow<sub>2</sub> (with mouth), breathe, to

PCC \*(ma-, RED-) v(a)tsa (-a, -y, -k<sup>w</sup>, -n; FV)

## BATA

|                                      |          |             |               |                             |   |
|--------------------------------------|----------|-------------|---------------|-----------------------------|---|
| Tsuvan                               | avatskən | *a-vats-k-n | *Øa-vatsØ-k-n | *ma-vatsa-k <sup>w</sup> -n | 1 |
| 1. *k <sup>w</sup> > k; ə-epenthesis |          |             |               |                             |   |

## SUKUR

|                                                                        |          |                    |                     |                      |   |
|------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------|--------------------|---------------------|----------------------|---|
| Sukur                                                                  | vus və's | *vs-Ø <sup>w</sup> | *vsØ-k <sup>w</sup> | *vtsa-k <sup>w</sup> | 1 |
| 1. *ts > s; *k <sup>w</sup> > Ø <sup>w</sup> ; ə-epenthesis; +W: ə > u |          |                    |                     |                      |   |

## HURZA

|                                                                       |            |                   |                       |                        |   |
|-----------------------------------------------------------------------|------------|-------------------|-----------------------|------------------------|---|
| Vame                                                                  | fɪwa fə'wa | *f-w <sup>a</sup> | *fØØ-k <sup>w</sup> a | *vtsa-k <sup>w</sup> a | 1 |
| 1. *v > f; *k <sup>w</sup> > w <sup>w</sup> ; ə-epenthesis; +W: ə > u |            |                   |                       |                        |   |

## MARGI

|                                |         |       |         |            |   |
|--------------------------------|---------|-------|---------|------------|---|
| Bura                           | fya fya | *f-ya | *fØØ-ya | *vtsa-y(a) | 1 |
|                                | fî fy   | *f-y  | *fØØ-y  |            | 2 |
| 1. *v > f<br>2. *v > f; *v > i |         |       |         |            |   |

## MOFU

|            |         |                    |        |                                        |   |
|------------|---------|--------------------|--------|----------------------------------------|---|
|            |         |                    |        | √ C Ca                                 |   |
| Mofu-Gudur | f       | *f                 | *vØØ   | *(ma-)vtsa(-a, -y(a)/-k <sup>w</sup> ) | 1 |
| Moloko     | fə fə'y | *fə-Ø <sup>y</sup> | *vØa-y |                                        | 2 |

|                                                                                                                                                                                                               |                                                   |                         |                       |                           |   |
|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------|-------------------------|-----------------------|---------------------------|---|
| Ouldeme                                                                                                                                                                                                       | <i>vi vy</i>                                      | *v-y                    | *vØØ-y                |                           | 3 |
| Muyang                                                                                                                                                                                                        | <i>vu vw</i>                                      | *v-w                    | *vØØ-k <sup>w</sup>   |                           | 4 |
| Gemzek                                                                                                                                                                                                        | <i>mevətse</i> ma <sup>y</sup> vətsa <sup>y</sup> | *ma-vtsa-Ø <sup>y</sup> | *ma-vtsa-y            |                           | 5 |
| Dugwor                                                                                                                                                                                                        | <i>mafay</i>                                      | *ma-f-ay                | *ma-fØØ-a-y           |                           | 1 |
| Mada                                                                                                                                                                                                          | <i>mevea</i> ma <sup>y</sup> va <sup>y</sup> a    | *ma-va-Ø <sup>y</sup> a | *ma-vØa-ya            |                           | 6 |
|                                                                                                                                                                                                               |                                                   |                         |                       | √ CaCa                    |   |
| Ouldeme                                                                                                                                                                                                       | <i>vatsay</i>                                     | *vats-ay                | *vatsØ-a-y            | *vatsa-a-y                |   |
| 1. *v > f<br>2. *v > f; *y > Ø <sup>y</sup> ; +Y: lexical-final *a > e<br>3. *y > i<br>4. *k <sup>w</sup> > w > u<br>5. ə-epenthesis; *y > Ø <sup>y</sup> ; +Y: *a > e<br>6. *y > Ø <sup>y</sup> ; +Y: *a > e |                                                   |                         |                       |                           |   |
| MAROUA                                                                                                                                                                                                        |                                                   |                         |                       |                           |   |
| Giziga-Muturwa                                                                                                                                                                                                | <i>fi fy</i>                                      | *f-y                    | *fØØ-y                |                           |   |
| Giziga-Marva                                                                                                                                                                                                  | <i>fi fy</i>                                      |                         |                       | *vtsa-y(-k <sup>w</sup> ) | 1 |
| Mbazla                                                                                                                                                                                                        | <i>fuwi</i> fə <sup>w</sup> wy                    | *f-w <sup>w</sup> -y    | *fØØ-y-k <sup>w</sup> |                           | 2 |
| 1. *v > f; *y > i<br>2. *v > f; *k <sup>w</sup> > w <sup>w</sup> ; metathesis yw <sup>w</sup> > w <sup>w</sup> y; ə-epenthesis; +W: ə > u; *y > i                                                             |                                                   |                         |                       |                           |   |
| LAMANG                                                                                                                                                                                                        |                                                   |                         |                       |                           |   |
| Lamang <sup>14</sup>                                                                                                                                                                                          | <i>va</i>                                         | *va                     | *vØa                  | *vtsa(-ya)                |   |
|                                                                                                                                                                                                               | <i>viya</i> və <sup>y</sup> ya                    | *v-y <sup>y</sup> a     | *vØØ-ya               |                           | 1 |
| 1. ə-epenthesis; *y > y <sup>y</sup> ; +Y: ə > i                                                                                                                                                              |                                                   |                         |                       |                           |   |
| HIGI                                                                                                                                                                                                          |                                                   |                         |                       |                           |   |
| Kamwe-Nkafa                                                                                                                                                                                                   | <i>vəsə</i>                                       | *vsə                    | *vsa                  |                           | 1 |
| Kamwe-Futu                                                                                                                                                                                                    | <i>visi</i> və <sup>y</sup> sy                    | *vs-y <sup>y</sup>      | *vsØ-y                |                           | 2 |
|                                                                                                                                                                                                               | <i>vi vy</i>                                      | *v-y                    | *vØØ-y                | *vtsa(-y)                 | 3 |
| Kirya                                                                                                                                                                                                         | <i>vi vy</i>                                      |                         |                       |                           | 3 |
| Bana                                                                                                                                                                                                          | <i>vijy</i> və <sup>y</sup> y                     | *və-y <sup>y</sup>      | *vØa-y                |                           | 4 |
| 1. *ts > s; ə-epenthesis; lexical-final *a > ə<br>2. *ts > s; ə-epenthesis; *y > y <sup>y</sup> ; +Y: ə > i; *y > i<br>3. *y > i<br>4. ə-epenthesis; *y > y <sup>y</sup> ; +Y: ə > i                          |                                                   |                         |                       |                           |   |
| KOTOKO-ISLAND                                                                                                                                                                                                 |                                                   |                         |                       |                           |   |
| Buduma                                                                                                                                                                                                        | <i>fa</i>                                         | *fa                     | *fØa                  | *vtsa                     | 1 |
| 1. *v > f                                                                                                                                                                                                     |                                                   |                         |                       |                           |   |

<sup>14</sup> Clearly, *viya* refers to the blowing of the wind (see the expression *vijy-ük-àa sáfàkà* ‘the blowing of the wind’; Wolff 2015 Vol.2: 493), and at the same time translates as ‘rainy season’, which is characterised by strong and cold winds. Whether and how this relates etymologically to *va* ‘blow, to’ is not clear. Note that the expression *vijy-ük-àa sáfàkà* suggests a synchronic biradical root \**viya* for Lamang. The language is, however, known to occasionally create biradical ‘pseudo’-roots from monoradical roots by fusion with and petrification of grammatical morphemes. This includes the root *va*, which allows for the pseudo-root \**vata* (< *vá-tá*) ‘blow by using bellows; reduce iron ore in furnace’ and, possibly, \**viya* (< *v-ya*) ‘blowing of wind’.



## KOTOKO-NORTH

|                                                                                             |                       |           |               |                |   |
|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------|-----------|---------------|----------------|---|
|                                                                                             |                       |           |               | √ C Ca         |   |
| Afade                                                                                       | <i>fii fty</i>        | *ft-y     | *ftØ-y        | *vtsa-y        | 1 |
|                                                                                             |                       |           |               | √ CaCa         |   |
| Mpade                                                                                       | <i>fasi fasəʸ</i>     | *fasa-Øʸ  | *fasa-y       | *vatsa-y       | 2 |
| Malgbe                                                                                      | <i>fasi fasəʸ</i>     |           |               |                | 2 |
| 1. *v > f; *ts > t; *y > i<br>2. *v > f; *ts > s; lexical-final *a > ə; *y > Øʸ; +Y: *ə > i |                       |           |               |                |   |
| KOTOKO-CENTRAL                                                                              |                       |           |               |                |   |
|                                                                                             |                       |           |               | √ C Ca         |   |
| Lagwan                                                                                      | <i>vifi vəʸsʸy</i>    | *vs-yʸ    | *vsØ-y        | *vtsa-y        | 1 |
|                                                                                             |                       |           |               | √ CaCa         |   |
| Mser                                                                                        | <i>vas</i>            | *vas      | *vasØ         | *vatsa         | 2 |
| 1. *ts > s; ə-epenthesis; *y > yʸ; +Y: s > ʃ; +Y: ə > i; *y > i<br>2. *ts > s               |                       |           |               |                |   |
| MUSGUM                                                                                      |                       |           |               |                |   |
| Mulwi                                                                                       | <i>vuvwi vəʸvəʸwy</i> | *v-v-wʸ-y | *RED-vØØ-y-kʸ | *RED-vtsa-y-kʸ | 1 |
| 1. *kʸ > wʸ; metathesis ywʸ > wʸy; ə-epenthesis; +W: ə > u; *y > i                          |                       |           |               |                |   |

## body, self

PCC \*(na-) ʸ<sup>w</sup>(a)va (-y)

MAFA

|                                            |            |      |       |                     |   |
|--------------------------------------------|------------|------|-------|---------------------|---|
|                                            |            |      |       | √ C Ca              |   |
| Mafa                                       | <i>va</i>  | *va  | *Øva  | *ʸ <sup>w</sup> va  |   |
|                                            |            |      |       | √ CaCa              |   |
| Cuvok                                      | <i>vaw</i> | *vaw | *wavØ | *ʸ <sup>w</sup> ava | 1 |
| 1. *ʸ <sup>w</sup> > w; metathesis wv > vw |            |      |       |                     |   |

TERA

|      |           |     |      |                    |  |
|------|-----------|-----|------|--------------------|--|
| Tera | <i>va</i> | *va | *Øva | *ʸ <sup>w</sup> va |  |
|------|-----------|-----|------|--------------------|--|

SUKUR

|       |           |     |      |                    |   |
|-------|-----------|-----|------|--------------------|---|
| Sukur | <i>və</i> | *və | *Øva | *ʸ <sup>w</sup> va | 1 |
|-------|-----------|-----|------|--------------------|---|

1. lexical-final \*a &gt; ə

MANDARA

|                                                          |                                 |                       |          |                           |   |
|----------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------|-----------------------|----------|---------------------------|---|
|                                                          |                                 |                       |          | √ C Ca                    |   |
| Glavda                                                   | <i>v</i>                        | *v                    | *ØvØ     | *ʏ <sup>w</sup> va(-y)    |   |
| Matal                                                    | <i>vək</i>                      | *vk                   | *kvØ     |                           | 1 |
| Dghwede                                                  | <i>vəga</i>                     | *vga                  | *gva     |                           | 2 |
| Mandara                                                  | <i>vua</i>                      | *vva                  | *wva     |                           | 3 |
| Malgwa                                                   | <i>vuwe</i> və <sup>w</sup> waʏ | *vʷ <sup>w</sup> a-Øʏ | *wva-y   |                           | 4 |
|                                                          |                                 |                       |          | √ CaCa                    |   |
| Podoko                                                   | <i>kava</i>                     | *kava                 |          | *(na-)'ʏ <sup>w</sup> ava | 5 |
|                                                          | <i>nava</i>                     | *nØ-ava               | *na-Øava |                           |   |
| 1. *ʏ <sup>w</sup> > k; metathesis kv > vk; ə-epenthesis |                                 |                       |          |                           |   |
| 2. *ʏ <sup>w</sup> > g; metathesis gv > vg; ə-epenthesis |                                 |                       |          |                           |   |

3. \* $\gamma^w > w$ ; metathesis  $wv > vw$ ;  $w > u$   
 4. \* $\gamma^w > w^w$ ; metathesis  $wv > vw$ ; ə-epenthesis; +W: ə > u; \* $\gamma > \emptyset$ ; +Y: lexical-final \*a > e  
 5. \* $\gamma^w > k$

## MOFU

|            |                    |                    |       | √ C Ca           |   |
|------------|--------------------|--------------------|-------|------------------|---|
| Gemzek     | ba                 | *ba                | *Øba  |                  | 1 |
| Merey      | ba                 |                    |       |                  | 1 |
| Dugwor     | ba                 |                    |       |                  | 1 |
| Zulgo      | ba                 |                    |       |                  | 1 |
|            | va                 | *va                | *Øva  | * $\gamma^w$ va  |   |
| Mada       | va                 |                    |       |                  |   |
| Moloko     | va                 |                    |       |                  |   |
| Muyang     | vu vw              |                    |       |                  | 2 |
| Ouldeme    | vo va <sup>w</sup> | *vØ <sup>w</sup> a | *vwa  |                  | 3 |
|            |                    |                    |       | √ CaCa           |   |
| Mofu North | vaw                | *vaw               | *wavØ | * $\gamma^w$ ava | 4 |

1. \* $v > b$   
 2. \* $\gamma^w > w > u$ ; metathesis  $wv > vw$   
 3. \* $\gamma^w > w > \emptyset^w$ ; metathesis  $wv > vw$ ; +W: lexical-final \*a > o  
 4. \* $\gamma^w > w$ ; metathesis  $wv > vw$

## MAROUA

|              |                    |                    |      |                 |   |
|--------------|--------------------|--------------------|------|-----------------|---|
| Giziga-Marva | vo va <sup>w</sup> | *vØ <sup>w</sup> a | *vwa | * $\gamma^w$ va | 1 |
|--------------|--------------------|--------------------|------|-----------------|---|

1. \* $\gamma^w > w > \emptyset^w$ ; metathesis  $wv > vw$ ; +W: lexical-final \*a > o

## LAMANG

|        |      |      |      |                 |   |
|--------|------|------|------|-----------------|---|
| Lamang | ɣva  | *ɣva |      | * $\gamma^w$ va | 1 |
| Hdi    | vəɣa | *vɣa | *ɣva |                 | 2 |

1. \* $\gamma^w > \gamma$   
 2. \* $\gamma^w > \gamma$ ; metathesis  $\gamma v > v\gamma$ ; ə-epenthesis

## HIGI

|             |                                                |                   |                    |                 |   |
|-------------|------------------------------------------------|-------------------|--------------------|-----------------|---|
| Kirya       | və                                             | *və               | *Øva               | * $\gamma^w$ va | 1 |
| Bana        | vya                                            | *vya              | *ɣva               |                 | 2 |
| Kamwe-Nkafa | g <sup>w</sup> a                               | *g <sup>w</sup> a | *g <sup>w</sup> Øa |                 | 3 |
| Kamwe-Futu  | g <sup>w</sup> o g <sup>w</sup> a <sup>w</sup> |                   |                    |                 | 4 |
| Psikye      | gəva                                           | *gva              |                    |                 | 5 |

1. lexical-final \*a > ə  
 2. \* $\gamma^w > \gamma$ ; metathesis  $\gamma v > v\gamma$   
 3. \* $\gamma^w > g^w$   
 4. \* $\gamma^w > g^w$ ; +W: lexical-final \*a > o  
 5. \* $\gamma^w > g$ ; ə-epenthesis

boil, to

PCC \*(ma-) **k<sup>w</sup>(a)d(a)xa** (-a, -y, -k<sup>w</sup>, -n)

BATA

|                                                           |                                       |                                       |                                          |                              |   |
|-----------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------|---------------------------------------|------------------------------------------|------------------------------|---|
| Bachama                                                   | <i>k<sup>w</sup>ad<sup>h</sup>asa</i> | <i>k<sup>w</sup>ad<sup>h</sup>asa</i> | <i>*k<sup>w</sup>adāsa-Ø<sup>y</sup></i> | <i>*k<sup>w</sup>adāxa-y</i> | 1 |
| 1. *x > s; *y > Ø <sup>y</sup> ; +Y: *d' > d <sup>y</sup> |                                       |                                       |                                          |                              |   |

DABA

|                                                                                                   |                     |                      |                        |                         |   |
|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------|----------------------|------------------------|-------------------------|---|
|                                                                                                   |                     |                      |                        | √ C C Ca                |   |
| Daba                                                                                              | <i>kuday</i> kəwday | *k <sup>w</sup> d-ay | *k <sup>w</sup> dØØ-ay | *k <sup>w</sup> dxa-a-y | 1 |
|                                                                                                   |                     |                      |                        | √ C CaCa                |   |
| Mbudum                                                                                            | <i>kydeh</i> kʸdaʸx | *kdax-Øʸ             | *kdaxØ-y               | *k <sup>w</sup> daxa-y  | 2 |
| 1. ə-epenthesis; +W: ə > u                                                                        |                     |                      |                        |                         |   |
| 2. *k <sup>w</sup> > k; *y > Øʸ; +Y: k > kʸ; +Y: *a > e; (transcription error d = d' or d' > d ?) |                     |                      |                        |                         |   |

MAFA

|                            |               |                                        |                           |                           |   |
|----------------------------|---------------|----------------------------------------|---------------------------|---------------------------|---|
| Cuvok                      | <i>kudaha</i> | <i>k<sup>w</sup>əw<sup>h</sup>dāxa</i> | <i>*k<sup>w</sup>dāxa</i> | <i>*k<sup>w</sup>dāxa</i> | 1 |
| 1. ə-epenthesis; +W: ə > u |               |                                        |                           |                           |   |

TERA

|                                                         |                                                   |                       |                        |                          |   |
|---------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------|-----------------------|------------------------|--------------------------|---|
| Tera                                                    | <i>kuraxi</i> k <sup>w</sup> ə <sup>w</sup> raxy  | *k <sup>w</sup> rax-y | *k <sup>w</sup> raxØ-y | *k <sup>w</sup> daxa(-y) | 1 |
|                                                         | <i>kuḷgakh</i> k <sup>w</sup> ə <sup>w</sup> ḷgax | *k <sup>w</sup> ḷgax  | *k <sup>w</sup> ḷgaxØ  |                          | 2 |
| 1. *d' > r; ə-epenthesis; *y > i; +W: ə > u             |                                                   |                       |                        |                          |   |
| 2. *d' (> r > l ?) > ḷ; ə-epenthesis; *y > i; +W: ə > u |                                                   |                       |                        |                          |   |

HURZA

|       |                           |                            |                            |  |  |
|-------|---------------------------|----------------------------|----------------------------|--|--|
| Mbuko | <i>k<sup>w</sup>adāh</i>  | <i>*k<sup>w</sup>adaxØ</i> | <i>*k<sup>w</sup>adāxa</i> |  |  |
| Vame  | <i>k<sup>w</sup>adāha</i> | <i>*k<sup>w</sup>adāxa</i> | <i>*k<sup>w</sup>adāxa</i> |  |  |

MARGI

|                                                                                     |             |                                                   |                          |                          |   |
|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------|---------------------------------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|---|
| Bura                                                                                | <i>kudu</i> | <i>k<sup>w</sup>əw<sup>h</sup>dəw<sup>h</sup></i> | <i>*k<sup>w</sup>dØa</i> | <i>*k<sup>w</sup>dxa</i> | 1 |
| 1. *d' > d (or transcription error)?; ə-epenthesis; lexical-final *a > ə; +W: ə > u |             |                                                   |                          |                          |   |

MANDARA

|        |                           |                            |                            |                            |  |
|--------|---------------------------|----------------------------|----------------------------|----------------------------|--|
| Podoko | <i>k<sup>w</sup>adāha</i> | <i>*k<sup>w</sup>adāxa</i> | <i>*k<sup>w</sup>adāxa</i> |                            |  |
| Malgwa | <i>k<sup>w</sup>adā</i>   | <i>*k<sup>w</sup>adā</i>   | <i>*k<sup>w</sup>adØØa</i> | <i>*k<sup>w</sup>adāxa</i> |  |

MOFU

|                                                                                  |                              |                                                                             |                                                          |                                                                        |   |
|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------|---|
|                                                                                  |                              |                                                                             |                                                          | √ CaC Ca                                                               |   |
| Zulgo                                                                            | <i>k<sup>w</sup>adā</i>      | <i>*k<sup>w</sup>adØa</i>                                                   | <i>*k<sup>w</sup>adxa</i>                                |                                                                        |   |
|                                                                                  |                              |                                                                             |                                                          | √ CaCaCa                                                               |   |
| Muyang                                                                           | <i>kodahay</i>               | <i>k<sup>w</sup>a<sup>w</sup>daxay</i>                                      | <i>*k<sup>w</sup>adaxØ-a-y</i>                           | <i>*(ma-)k<sup>w</sup>adāxa</i><br><i>(-a, -y, -k<sup>w</sup>, -n)</i> | 1 |
| Ouldeme                                                                          | <i>k<sup>w</sup>adehej</i>   | <i>k<sup>w</sup>adā<sup>y</sup>xa<sup>y</sup>η</i>                          | <i>*k<sup>w</sup>adāxa-Ø<sup>y</sup>-k<sup>w</sup>-n</i> |                                                                        | 2 |
| Gemzek                                                                           | <i>mek<sup>w</sup>edehe</i>  | <i>ma<sup>y</sup>k<sup>w</sup>a<sup>y</sup>da<sup>y</sup>xa<sup>y</sup></i> | <i>*ma-k<sup>w</sup>adāxa-Ø<sup>y</sup></i>              |                                                                        | 3 |
| Mofu North                                                                       | <i>mek<sup>w</sup>edehey</i> | <i>ma<sup>y</sup>k<sup>w</sup>a<sup>y</sup>da<sup>y</sup>xa<sup>y</sup></i> | <i>*ma-k<sup>w</sup>adaxØ-ay<sup>y</sup></i>             |                                                                        | 3 |
| Dugwor                                                                           | <i>mək<sup>w</sup>odehey</i> | <i>mak<sup>w</sup>a<sup>y</sup>da<sup>y</sup>xa<sup>y</sup></i>             |                                                          |                                                                        | 4 |
| Mada                                                                             | <i>mak<sup>w</sup>adāh</i>   | <i>*ma-k<sup>w</sup>adaxØ</i>                                               |                                                          |                                                                        |   |
| 1. +W: *a > o                                                                    |                              |                                                                             |                                                          |                                                                        |   |
| 2. suffixal *k <sup>w</sup> > k; fusion kn > η; *y > Ø <sup>y</sup> ; +Y: *a > e |                              |                                                                             |                                                          |                                                                        |   |
| 3. *y > Ø <sup>y</sup> ; +Y: *a > e                                              |                              |                                                                             |                                                          |                                                                        |   |
| 4. Prefixal *a > ə; +W: *a > o; *y > y <sup>y</sup> ; +Y: *a > e                 |                              |                                                                             |                                                          |                                                                        |   |

## LAMANG

|                                      |                           |                       |           |                          |   |
|--------------------------------------|---------------------------|-----------------------|-----------|--------------------------|---|
|                                      |                           |                       |           | √ C CaCa                 |   |
| Hdi                                  | <i>kəḍahay</i> kəḍaxay    | *kḍax-ay              | *kḍaxØ-ay | *k <sup>w</sup> ḍaxa-a-y | 1 |
|                                      |                           |                       |           | √ CaCaCa                 |   |
| Lamang                               | <i>k<sup>w</sup>adaha</i> | *k <sup>w</sup> adāxa |           | *k <sup>w</sup> adāxa    |   |
| 1. *k <sup>w</sup> > k; ə-epenthesis |                           |                       |           |                          |   |

bone<sub>1</sub>PCC \*(ma-, ta-, RED-) **ḍy(a)la** (-t, -a, -y, -k<sup>w</sup>, -n)

## BATA

|         |                                 |                     |                     |                      |                             |   |
|---------|---------------------------------|---------------------|---------------------|----------------------|-----------------------------|---|
| Tsuvan  | <i>iḡe</i> iḡaʸ                 | *yʸḡa               | *Øyḡa               |                      | *ḍyła(-k <sup>w</sup> , -n) | 1 |
| Sharwa  | <i>allə</i> ayla                | *yla                | *Øyla(-n)           |                      |                             | 2 |
| Gude    | <i>ila</i>                      | *yla                |                     |                      |                             | 3 |
| Jimi    | <i>ilən</i> ylən                | *ylØ-n              |                     |                      |                             | 4 |
| Bachama | <i>uule</i> ə <sup>w</sup> ulaʸ | *Ø <sup>w</sup> ula | *yk <sup>w</sup> la | *Øyla-k <sup>w</sup> |                             | 5 |

1. \*l &gt; ḡ; \*y &gt; yʸ &gt; i; +Y: lexical-final \*a &gt; e

2. \*l &gt; l; a-prothesis; assimilation \*yl &gt; ll; lexical-final \*a &gt; ə

3. \*l &gt; l; \*y &gt; i

4. \*l &gt; l; \*y &gt; i; ə-epenthesis

5. \*l > l; metathesis \*lk<sup>w</sup> > k<sup>w</sup>l; \*k<sup>w</sup> > w<sup>w</sup> > u; ə-prothesis; +W: ə > u; \*y > Øʸ; +Y: lexical-final \*a > e

## MAFA

|           |              |          |             |                  |   |
|-----------|--------------|----------|-------------|------------------|---|
| Mafa      | <i>tal</i>   | *ta-l    | *ta-ØØlØ    | *ta/RED-ḍyła(-n) |   |
| Cuvok     | <i>lalar</i> | *la-la-r | *RED-ØØla-n |                  | 1 |
| 1. *n > r |              |          |             |                  |   |

## TERA

|         |                    |        |       |   |
|---------|--------------------|--------|-------|---|
| Tera    | <i>ḡəl</i> dʰəl    | *ḍyʸlØ | *ḍyła | 1 |
|         | <i>qəli</i> dʰələʸ | *dØʸlə |       | 2 |
| Ga'anda | <i>ela</i> aʸla    | *Øʸla  | *Øyla | 3 |

1. ə-epenthesis; \*y &gt; yʸ; +Y: \*dʰ &gt; dʰ &gt; ḡ

2. ə-epenthesis; \*l &gt; l; \*y &gt; Øʸ; +Y: \*dʰ &gt; dʰ &gt; ḡ; lexical-final \*a &gt; ə; +Y: lexical-final ə &gt; i

3. a-prothesis; \*y &gt; Øʸ; +Y: prothetic a &gt; e

## SUKUR

|       |            |       |          |          |  |
|-------|------------|-------|----------|----------|--|
| Sukur | <i>tal</i> | *ta-l | *ta-ØØlØ | *ta-ḍyła |  |
|-------|------------|-------|----------|----------|--|

## MARGI

|                                                                     |                     |          |  |                       |   |
|---------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------|----------|--|-----------------------|---|
|                                                                     |                     |          |  | √ C C Ca              |   |
| Kilba                                                               | <i>dihʸi</i> ḍyxʸəʸ | *ḍyʸxa   |  | *ḍyła                 | 1 |
|                                                                     |                     |          |  | √ C CaCa              |   |
| Margi                                                               | <i>ḍyahu</i> ḍyaxw  | *ḍyaxØ-w |  | *ḍyala-k <sup>w</sup> | 2 |
| 1. *l > x; *y > yʸ > i; +Y: x > xʸ; lexical-final *a > ə; +Y: ə > i |                     |          |  |                       |   |
| 2. *l > x; *k <sup>w</sup> > w > u                                  |                     |          |  |                       |   |

## MANDARA

|        |             |           |              |                  |  |
|--------|-------------|-----------|--------------|------------------|--|
| Glavda | <i>la</i>   | *la       | *ØØla        | *(ma-, RED-)ḍyła |  |
|        | <i>lala</i> | *la-la    | *RED-ØØla    |                  |  |
| Podoko | <i>lala</i> | *la-la    |              |                  |  |
| Matal  | <i>alal</i> | *Øa-la-lØ | *ma-RED-ØØlØ |                  |  |

|         |                                                                   |                        |                         |  |   |
|---------|-------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------|-------------------------|--|---|
| Dghwede | <i>lale lala<sup>y</sup></i>                                      | *la- <sup>y</sup> la   | *RED-ØØ <sup>y</sup> la |  | 1 |
| Mandara | <i>h<sup>y</sup>ah<sup>e</sup> xyaxya<sup>y</sup></i>             |                        |                         |  | 2 |
| Malgwa  | <i>h<sup>y</sup>eh<sup>e</sup> xya<sup>x</sup>xya<sup>y</sup></i> | *xya-xy <sup>a</sup> a | *RED-Øyxa               |  | 2 |

1. \*y > Ø<sup>y</sup>; +Y: lexical-final \*a > e
2. \*l > x; metathesis yx > xy; \*y > y<sup>y</sup>; +Y: \*a > e

## MOFU

|            |                             |          |              |                            |   |
|------------|-----------------------------|----------|--------------|----------------------------|---|
| Muyang     | <i>alat</i>                 | *a-la-t  | *Øa-ØØla-t   |                            |   |
| Ouldeme    | <i>alat</i>                 | *a-la-lØ | *Øa-RED-ØØla |                            |   |
| Mada       | <i>alat</i>                 |          |              |                            |   |
| Zulgo      | <i>atal</i>                 | *Øa-ta-l |              | *ma(-ta-/RED-)<br>dyla(-t) |   |
| Gemzek     | <i>atal</i>                 |          |              |                            |   |
| Merey      | <i>mətal mətal</i>          |          | *ma-ta-ØØlØ  |                            | 1 |
| Dugwor     | <i>mətal mətal</i>          | *mØ-ta-l |              |                            | 1 |
| Mofu-North | <i><sup>n</sup>dal ndal</i> | *n-da-l  | *mØ-ta-ØØlØ  |                            | 2 |

1. ə-epenthesis
2. homorganic assimilation \*m > n/\_d; \*t > d/N\_\_

## MAROUA

|                |                                              |                          |                |                |   |
|----------------|----------------------------------------------|--------------------------|----------------|----------------|---|
|                |                                              |                          |                | √ C C Ca       |   |
| Giziga-Muturwa | <i>tel(e) ta<sup>y</sup>l(a<sup>y</sup>)</i> | *ta-Ø <sup>y</sup> l(a)  |                |                | 1 |
|                | <i>etel a<sup>y</sup>ta<sup>y</sup>l</i>     |                          |                |                | 1 |
|                | <i>atel ata<sup>y</sup>l</i>                 | *Øa-ta-Ø <sup>y</sup> lØ | * (ma-)ta-Øyla | * (ma-)ta-dyla | 1 |
| Giziga-Marva   | <i>atel ata<sup>y</sup>l</i>                 |                          |                |                | 1 |
|                |                                              |                          |                | √ C CaCa       |   |
| Mbazla         | <i>'a'al</i>                                 | *ʔa-ʔalØ                 | *RED-ʔØala     | *RED-dyala     | 2 |

1. \*y > Ø<sup>y</sup>; +Y: \*a > e
2. \*d' > ʔ

## HIGI

|             |                                         |                      |           |           |   |
|-------------|-----------------------------------------|----------------------|-----------|-----------|---|
| Kamwe-Nkafa | <i>'yithlə ʔya<sup>y</sup>lə</i>        | *ʔy <sup>y</sup> la  |           |           | 1 |
| Bana        | <i>'yilə ʔya<sup>y</sup>lə</i>          |                      |           |           | 1 |
|             | <i>eler a<sup>y</sup>la<sup>r</sup></i> | *Ø <sup>y</sup> la-r |           | *dyla(-n) | 2 |
| Kamwe-Futu  | <i>ila yla</i>                          | *Øyla                | *Øyla(-n) |           | 3 |
| Kirya       | <i>ilə ylə</i>                          |                      |           |           | 4 |

1. \*d' > ʔ; ə-epenthesis; \*y > y<sup>y</sup>; +Y: ə > i; lexical-final \*a > ə
2. a-prothesis; \*y > Ø<sup>y</sup>; +Y: \*a > e; \*n > r
3. \*y > i
4. \*y > i; lexical-final \*a > ə

## KOTOKO-ISLAND

|        |                  |          |              |              |   |
|--------|------------------|----------|--------------|--------------|---|
| Buduma | <i>ahay axay</i> | *a-xØ-ay | *Øa-ØØxa-a-y | *ma-dyla-a-y | 1 |
|--------|------------------|----------|--------------|--------------|---|

1. \*l > x

## KOTOKO-NORTH

|        |                                |                      |          |          |   |
|--------|--------------------------------|----------------------|----------|----------|---|
| Afade  | <i>enl'i a<sup>y</sup>nlʔy</i> | *n-ly <sup>y</sup> ʔ | *mØ-ʔlyØ |          | 1 |
| Malgbe | <i>enli a<sup>y</sup>nly</i>   | *n-ly <sup>y</sup>   | *mØ-ØlyØ | *ma-dyla | 2 |
| Mpade  | <i>enfi a<sup>y</sup>nfy</i>   |                      |          |          | 3 |

1. \*d' > ʔ; a-prothesis; homorganic assimilation \*m > n/\_l; metathesis \*yl > ly; \*y > y<sup>y</sup>; +Y: \*a > e; \*y > i

2. a-prothesis; homorganic assimilation \*m > n/\_l; metathesis \*yl > ly; \*y > y<sup>y</sup>; +Y: \*a > e; \*y > i  
 3. \*l > j; a-prothesis; homorganic assimilation \*m > n/\_l; metathesis \*yl > ly; \*y > Ø<sup>y</sup>; +Y: \*a > e; \*y > i

## KOTOKO-CENTRAL

|        |                               |                    |          |          |   |
|--------|-------------------------------|--------------------|----------|----------|---|
| Lagwan | <i>ali aly</i>                | *a-ly              | *Øa-ØylØ | *ma-dyla | 1 |
| Mser   | <i>enfi a'ns<sup>y</sup>y</i> | *n-sy <sup>y</sup> | *mØ-ØysØ |          | 2 |

1. metathesis yl > ly; \*y > i

2. \*l > s; metathesis ys > sy; \*y > y<sup>y</sup>; +Y: s > j; a-prothesis; homorganic assimilation \*m > n/\_s; +Y: prefixal \*a > e; \*y > i

## KOTOKO-SOUTH

|        |                                                                   |                                     |              |              |   |
|--------|-------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------|--------------|--------------|---|
| Zina   | <i>asasə</i>                                                      | *a-sa-sa                            | *Øa-RED-ØØsa | *ma-RED-dyla | 1 |
| Mazera | <i>asis<sup>e</sup> asə<sup>s</sup>s<sup>2</sup>a<sup>y</sup></i> | *a-s-Ø <sup>s</sup> sØ <sup>a</sup> | *Øa-RED-?ysa |              | 2 |

1. \*l > s; lexical-final \*a > ə

2. \*d' > ? > Ø<sup>?</sup>; \*l > s; metathesis \*ys > sy; +?: \*s > s<sup>2</sup>; ə-epenthesis; \*y > Ø<sup>y</sup>; +Y: ə > i; +Y: lexical-final \*a > e;

## GIDAR

|       |                                              |                                         |               |                             |   |
|-------|----------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------|---------------|-----------------------------|---|
| Gidar | <i>tepleŋ la<sup>y</sup>ŋla<sup>y</sup>ŋ</i> | *Ø <sup>y</sup> laŋ-Ø <sup>y</sup> la-ŋ | *RED-Øyla-k-n | *RED-dyla-k <sup>w</sup> -n | 1 |
|-------|----------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------|---------------|-----------------------------|---|

1. \*k<sup>w</sup> > k; fusion \*kn > ŋ; \*y > Ø<sup>y</sup>; +Y: \*a > e

bone<sub>2</sub>

Areal root \*(k<sup>w</sup>a-, ma-, RED-) **r(a)k(a)la** (-y, -t)

## DABA

|        |                                                                      |                                         |                              |                              |   |
|--------|----------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------|------------------------------|------------------------------|---|
|        |                                                                      |                                         |                              | √ C C Ca                     |   |
| Mbudum | <i>kirŋgil ka<sup>y</sup>r<sup>g</sup>ga<sup>l</sup></i>             | *k-Ø <sup>n</sup> -rgl-Ø <sup>y</sup>   | *kØ-m <sup>n</sup> Ø-rglØ-y  | *k <sup>w</sup> a-ma-rkla-y  | 1 |
| Daba   | <i>g<sup>g</sup>giriŋ g<sup>n</sup>ga<sup>r</sup>ra<sup>y</sup>ŋ</i> | *g-Ø <sup>n</sup> -grŋ-Ø <sup>y</sup>   | *gØ-m <sup>n</sup> Ø-rgŋØ-y  |                              | 2 |
|        |                                                                      |                                         |                              | √ C CaCa                     |   |
| Buwal  | <i>kerə<sup>g</sup>gel ka<sup>y</sup>r<sup>g</sup>ga<sup>l</sup></i> | *ka-Ø <sup>n</sup> -rgal-Ø <sup>y</sup> | *ka-m <sup>n</sup> Ø-rgalØ-y | *k <sup>w</sup> a-ma-rkala-y | 3 |

1. radical \*k > g; prefixal \*k<sup>w</sup> > k; \*m > Ø<sup>n</sup>; +N: g > <sup>g</sup>g; ə-epenthesis; \*y > Ø<sup>y</sup>; +Y: ə > i  
 2. radical \*k > g; \*l > ŋ; metathesis rg > gr; prefixal \*k<sup>w</sup> (> k) > g; \*m > Ø<sup>n</sup>; +N: g > <sup>g</sup>g; ə-epenthesis; \*y > Ø<sup>y</sup>; +Y: ə > i  
 3. radical \*k > g; prefixal \*k<sup>w</sup> > k; \*m > Ø<sup>n</sup>; +N: g > <sup>g</sup>g; ə-epenthesis; \*y > Ø<sup>y</sup>; +Y: \*a > e

## HURZA

|       |                |                      |             |                            |   |
|-------|----------------|----------------------|-------------|----------------------------|---|
| Mbuko | <i>kəlakal</i> | *k-lakal             | *kØ-lakalØ  | * (RED-/k <sup>w</sup> a-) | 1 |
| Vame  | <i>ałalak</i>  | *al-Ølak < *RED-ałak | *RED-ØakalØ | rakala                     | 2 |

1. \*r > l; \*k<sup>w</sup> > k; ə-epenthesis

2. metathesis kl > lk; ə-epenthesis

## MOFU

|        |                |          |            |                          |   |
|--------|----------------|----------|------------|--------------------------|---|
| Moloko | <i>kəlakal</i> | *k-lakal | *kØ-lakalØ | *k <sup>w</sup> a-rakala | 1 |
|--------|----------------|----------|------------|--------------------------|---|

1. \*r > l; prefixal \*k<sup>w</sup> > k; ə-epenthesis

## MUSGUM

|       |                                            |                        |            |                                     |   |
|-------|--------------------------------------------|------------------------|------------|-------------------------------------|---|
| Mulwi | <i>kelke ka<sup>y</sup>lka<sup>y</sup></i> | *ka-lka-Ø <sup>y</sup> | *ka-Økla-y | * (k <sup>w</sup> a-/ma-)rkla-y(-t) | 1 |
| Vulum | <i>kelke ka<sup>y</sup>lka<sup>y</sup></i> |                        |            |                                     | 1 |

|                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    |                      |                         |                          |  |   |
|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------|-------------------------|--------------------------|--|---|
| Mbara <sup>15</sup>                                                                                                                                                                                                                | <i>ᵑgil</i> ᵑgəʔl    | *Ø <sup>n</sup> -Øgl-Øʔ | *m <sup>n</sup> Ø-rglØ-y |  | 2 |
| Muskum                                                                                                                                                                                                                             | <i>kilit</i> kəʔləʔt | *kl-Øʔ-t                | *ØklØ-y-t                |  | 3 |
| 1. prefixal *k <sup>w</sup> > k; metathesis kl > lk; *y > Øʔ; +Y: *a > e<br>2. *k > g; *m > Ø <sup>n</sup> ; +N: g > ᵑg; ə-epenthesis; *y > Øʔ; +Y: ə > i; (for alternative reconstruction, see footnote)<br>3. *y > Øʔ; +Y: ə > i |                      |                         |                          |  |   |

bow

PCC \*(xa-, ma-k<sup>w</sup>a-, ma-k<sup>w</sup>a-da-, RED) **r(a)ga** (-a, -y, -dʔ, -k<sup>w</sup>, -n)

BATA

|                                                         |                    |          |          |               |   |
|---------------------------------------------------------|--------------------|----------|----------|---------------|---|
| Gude                                                    | <i>raga</i>        | *raga    |          |               |   |
| Bata                                                    | <i>rage</i> ragaʔ  | *raga-Øʔ | *raga-yʔ | *raga(-y, -n) | 1 |
| Jimi                                                    | <i>ragən</i> ragən | *ragØ-n  | *raga-n  |               | 2 |
| 1. *y > Øʔ; +Y: lexical-final *a > e<br>2. ə-epenthesis |                    |          |          |               |   |

MAFA

|                                                                             |                        |             |             |                          |   |
|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------|-------------|-------------|--------------------------|---|
| Mafa                                                                        | <i>lekedʔ</i> laʔkaʔdʔ | *laka-Øʔ-dʔ | *laka-yʔ-dʔ | * (RED)raga(-y, -dʔ, -n) | 1 |
| Cuvok                                                                       | <i>lalaŋ</i>           | *la-laØ-ŋ   | *RED-lakØ-n |                          | 2 |
| 1. *r > l; *g > k; *y > Øʔ; +Y: *a > e<br>2. *r > l; *g > k; fusion *kn > ŋ |                        |             |             |                          |   |

TERA

|           |              |        |        |  |   |
|-----------|--------------|--------|--------|--|---|
| Tera      | <i>ri</i> ry | *rØØ-y | *rga-y |  | 1 |
| 1. *y > i |              |        |        |  |   |

SUKUR

|       |            |         |          |  |  |
|-------|------------|---------|----------|--|--|
| Sukur | <i>ray</i> | *rØØ-ay | *rga-a-y |  |  |
|-------|------------|---------|----------|--|--|

HURZA

|                                                                                                                                                                |                     |                         |                         |                |   |
|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------|-------------------------|-------------------------|----------------|---|
| Mbuko                                                                                                                                                          | <i>liᵑge</i> laᵑgaʔ | *Ø <sup>n</sup> -lga-Øʔ | *m <sup>n</sup> Ø-lga-y | * (ma-)rga(-y) | 1 |
| Vame                                                                                                                                                           | <i>laka</i>         | *lka                    |                         |                | 2 |
| 1. *r > l; *m > m <sup>n</sup> > Ø <sup>n</sup> ; +N: g > ᵑg; ə-epenthesis; *y > Øʔ; +Y: ə > i;<br>+Y: lexical-final *a > e<br>2. *r > l; *g > k; ə-epenthesis |                     |                         |                         |                |   |

MARGI

|      |                  |          |            |            |   |
|------|------------------|----------|------------|------------|---|
|      |                  |          |            | √ C Ca     |   |
| Bura | <i>lali</i> laly | *la-lØ-y | *RED-lØa-y | *RED-rga-y | 1 |

<sup>15</sup> This example raises the question of the relative chronology of diachronic processes. If deletion of radical C<sub>1</sub> \*r happened first, then prefixal \*m would not prosodise but undergo homorganic assimilation \*m > ᵑ/g. The resulting synchronic forms would then be ᵑgil with initial nasal+obstruent cluster. If, however, \*m prosodised first, it would have affected radical C<sub>2</sub> \*g across the presence of C<sub>1</sub> \*r (as we indicate in our analysis for Mbara), which would be deleted later. The resulting synchronic form would then correctly be rendered as ᵑgil with N-prosody effects yielding prenasalisation.

|                                          |              |       |        |   |
|------------------------------------------|--------------|-------|--------|---|
|                                          |              |       | √ CaCa |   |
| Margi                                    | <i>laga</i>  | *laga | *raga  | 2 |
| Kilba                                    | <i>laga</i>  |       |        | 2 |
| Margi South                              | <i>lagga</i> |       |        | 3 |
| 1. *r > l; *y > i                        |              |       |        |   |
| 2. *r > l                                |              |       |        |   |
| 3. *r > l ; doubling *g > gg unexplained |              |       |        |   |

## MANDARA

|                                                     |                     |         |          |          |   |
|-----------------------------------------------------|---------------------|---------|----------|----------|---|
|                                                     |                     |         |          | √ C Ca   |   |
| Podoko                                              | <i>lika</i> ləʔka   | *lka-Øʔ | *lka-y   | *rga-y   | 1 |
| Mandara                                             | <i>elke</i> aʔlkaʔ  |         |          |          | 2 |
| Malgwa                                              | <i>elke</i> aʔlkaʔ  |         |          |          | 2 |
|                                                     |                     |         |          | √ CaCa   |   |
| Glavda                                              | <i>la::ka</i> laaya | *laØaya | *laxaya  | *xa-raga | 3 |
| Matal                                               | <i>alak</i>         | *Øa-lak | *xa-lakØ |          | 4 |
| 1. *r > l; *g > k; ə-epenthesis; *y > Øʔ; +Y: ə > i |                     |         |          |          |   |
| 2. *r > l; *g > k; a-prothesis; *y > Øʔ; +Y: *a > e |                     |         |          |          |   |
| 3. *r > l; *g > k; metathesis xl > lx               |                     |         |          |          |   |
| 4. *r > l; *g > k                                   |                     |         |          |          |   |

## MOFU

|            |                            |                 |                |                                |   |
|------------|----------------------------|-----------------|----------------|--------------------------------|---|
|            |                            |                 |                | √ C Ca                         |   |
| Zulgo      | <i>likid</i> ləʔkəʔd       | *lkØ-Øʔ-d       | *lka-y-d       | *rga-y-d                       | 1 |
|            |                            |                 |                | √ CaCa                         |   |
| Gemzek     | <i>halaj</i>               | *xa-laj         | *xa-lakØ-n     | *xa/RED-raga<br>((-y) -n)      | 2 |
| Merey      | <i>lajaj</i>               | *la-la-ŋ        | *RED-lakØ-n    |                                | 2 |
| Mofu North | <i>lajaj</i>               | *la-la-ŋ        |                |                                | 2 |
| Mofu-Gudur | <i>lelej</i> laʔlaʔŋ       | *la-la-Øʔ-ŋ     | *RED-lakØ-y-n  |                                | 3 |
| Ouldeme    | <i>alak</i>                | *Øa-lakØ        | *xa-laka       | *xa-/ma-(kʷa-)<br>raga(-y, -d) | 4 |
| Mada       | <i>eleked</i> aʔlaʔkaʔd    | *Øa-laka-Øʔ-d   | *xa-laka-y-d   |                                | 5 |
| Dugwor     | <i>həlek</i> xəlaʔk        | *x-lak-Øʔ       | *xØ-lakØ-y     |                                | 5 |
| Moloko     | <i>meʔgelek</i> maʔgaʔlaʔk | *ma-ʔga-lakØ-Øʔ | *mʔa-ka-laka-y |                                | 6 |

1. \*r > l; \*g > k; ə-epenthesis; \*y > Øʔ; +Y: ə > i

2. \*r > l; \*g > k; fusion \*kn > ŋ

3. \*r > l; \*g > k; fusion \*kn > ŋ; \*y > Øʔ; +Y: \*a > e

4. \*r > l; \*g > k

5. \*r > l; \*g > k; \*y > Øʔ; +Y: \*a > e

6. r > l; \*g > k; \*kʷ > k > g; \*m > mʙ; +N: g > ʔg; \*y > Øʔ; +Y: \*a > e

## MAROUA

|                                        |                      |            |            |            |   |
|----------------------------------------|----------------------|------------|------------|------------|---|
| Giziga-Marva                           | <i>helek</i> xaʎlaʎk | *xa-lak-Øʎ | *xa-lakØ-y | *xa-raga-y | 1 |
| Mbazla                                 | <i>helek</i> xaʎlaʎk |            |            |            | 1 |
| 1. *r > l; *g > k; *y > Øʎ; +Y: *a > e |                      |            |            |            |   |



## LAMANG

|                                                                                                |                     |            |           |          |   |
|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------|------------|-----------|----------|---|
|                                                                                                |                     |            |           | √ C Ca   |   |
| Hdi                                                                                            | <i>lāyed</i> lāyaʔd | *lāya-Øʔ-d | *lāya-y-d | *rga-y-d | 1 |
|                                                                                                |                     |            |           | √ CaCa   |   |
| Lamang                                                                                         | <i>leye</i> laʔyaʔ  | *lāya-Øʔ   | *lāya-y   | *rga-y   | 2 |
| 1. *r > l; *g > ʔ; ə-epenthesis; *y > Øʔ; +Y: *a > e<br>2. *r > l; *g > ʔ; *y > Øʔ; +Y: *a > e |                     |            |           |          |   |

## HIGI

|                                                                                                                              |                     |          |  |        |   |
|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------|----------|--|--------|---|
|                                                                                                                              |                     |          |  | √ C Ca |   |
| Kamwe-Nkafa                                                                                                                  | <i>ligʷi</i> ləʔgʷy | *lgØ-yʔ  |  | *rga-y | 1 |
| Bana                                                                                                                         | <i>rəgi</i> rəgy    | *rgØ-y   |  |        | 2 |
|                                                                                                                              |                     |          |  | √ CaCa |   |
| Kamwe-Futu                                                                                                                   | <i>regi</i> raʔgy   | *ragØ-yʔ |  | *rga-y | 3 |
| 1. *r > l; ə-epenthesis; *y > Øʔ; +Y: g > gʷ; +Y: ə > i; *y > i<br>2. ə-epenthesis; *y > i<br>3. *y > Øʔ; +Y: *a > e; *y > i |                     |          |  |        |   |

## MUSGUM

|                                                                                                 |                               |             |                    |                    |   |
|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------|-------------|--------------------|--------------------|---|
| Mbara                                                                                           | <i>giᵐdiliŋ</i><br>gəᵐdəʔləʔŋ | *g-ᵐd-lŋ-Øʔ | *ØʔØ-gØ-dØ-lkØ-y-n | *ma-kʷa-da-rga-y-n | 1 |
| 1. radical *g > k; *r > l; *kʷ > g; ə-epenthesis; +N: d > ᵐd; *y > Øʔ; +Y: ə > i; fusion kn > ŋ |                               |             |                    |                    |   |

## brain

PCC \*(ma-, kʷa- (kʷa-)) **r(a)l a** (-y, -kʷ; FV)

## HURZA

|                                                                                                                            |                               |                    |                    |   |
|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------|--------------------|--------------------|---|
| Mbuko                                                                                                                      | <i>məkəliŋgel</i> məkələʔgaʔl | *mᵐØ-ka-ka-ləʔØ-Øʔ | *ma-kʷa-kʷa-raʔa-y | 1 |
| 1. *r > l; prefixal *kʷ > k; metathesis kl > lk; +N: k > ᵐg; ə-epenthesis; *y > Øʔ; +Y: ə > i; +Y: *a > e; prefixal *a > ə |                               |                    |                    |   |

## MANDARA

|                                                  |                   |        |        |        |   |
|--------------------------------------------------|-------------------|--------|--------|--------|---|
| Matal                                            | <i>aril</i> arəʔl | *rl-Øʔ | *rlØ-y | *rla-y | 1 |
| 1. a-prothesis; ə-epenthesis; *y > Øʔ; +Y: ə > i |                   |        |        |        |   |

## MOFU

|         |                         |               |                |                  |   |
|---------|-------------------------|---------------|----------------|------------------|---|
|         |                         |               |                | √ C Ca           |   |
| Muyang  | <i>eʔdil</i> aʔndəʔl    | *n-dl-Øʔ      | *mØ-dlØ-y      | *ma-rla-y        | 1 |
|         |                         |               |                | √ CaCa           |   |
| Ouldeme | <i>aʔdel</i> andaʔl     | *n-dal-Øʔ     | *mØ-dalØ-y     | *ma-(kʷa-)raʔa-y | 2 |
| Zulgo   | <i>areʔ</i> araʔʔ       | *Øa-raʔ-Øʔ    | *ma-raʔØ-y     |                  | 3 |
| Gemzek  | <i>areʔ</i> araʔʔ       |               |                |                  | 3 |
| Merey   | <i>dəʔgel</i> dāʔgaʔl   | *Øⁿ-dakal-Øʔ  | *mⁿØ-ka-dalØ-y |                  | 4 |
| Dugwor  | <i>aleʔgel</i> alaʔgaʔl | *Øⁿa-lagal-Øʔ | *mⁿa-ka-lalØ-y |                  | 5 |

1. \*r > d; a-prothesis; ə-epenthesis; homorganic assimilation \*m > n/\_d; \*y > Øʔ; +Y: \*a > e; +Y: ə > i

2. \*r > d; a-prothesis; homorganic assimilation \*m > n/\_d; \*y > Øʔ; +Y: \*a > e

3. \*l > ʔ; +Y: \*a > e

4. \*r > d; \*kʷ > k; metathesis kdʷ > dk; \*m > Øⁿ; +N: k > ⁿg; \*y > Øʔ; +Y: \*a > e

5. \*r > l; \*kʷ > k; metathesis klʷ > lk; \*m > Øⁿ; +N: k > ⁿg; \*y > Øʔ; +Y: \*a > e

## MAROUA

|                                |                   |           |            |            |   |
|--------------------------------|-------------------|-----------|------------|------------|---|
| Giziga-Marva                   | <i>alet alaʔl</i> | *a-lal-Øʔ | *Øa-lalØ-y | *ma-raʔa-y | 1 |
| 1. *r > l; *y > Øʔ; +Y: *a > e |                   |           |            |            |   |

## KOTOKO-NORTH

|                                                                                                        |                       |           |           |           |   |
|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------|-----------|-----------|-----------|---|
| Afade                                                                                                  | <i>erl'i aʔrlʔy</i>   | *rlØ-ʔ-yʔ | *rlØ-yʔ-ʔ | *rla-y-kʷ | 1 |
| Maltam                                                                                                 | <i>eril'i aʔrəʔʔy</i> |           |           |           | 2 |
| 1. a-prothesis; kʷ (> k) > ʔ; metathesis yʔ > ʔy; *y > Øʔ; +Y: *a > e; *y > i                          |                       |           |           |           |   |
| 2. a-prothesis; ə-epenthesis; kʷ (> k) > ʔ; metathesis yʔ > ʔy; *y > Øʔ; +Y: *a > e; +Y: ə > i; *y > i |                       |           |           |           |   |

## KOTOKO-CENTRAL

|                                                                                        |                           |               |               |                |   |
|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------|---------------|---------------|----------------|---|
| Mser                                                                                   | <i>meres'i ma'raʔsʔəʔ</i> | *ma-rasʔ-Øʔ-ə | *ma-rasØ-y-ʔa | *ma-raʔa-y-kʷa | 1 |
| 1. *l > s; kʷ (> k) > ʔ; metathesis yʔ > ʔy; *y > Øʔ; +Y: *a > e; FV *a > ə; +Y: ə > i |                           |               |               |                |   |

breast (female), udder, milk (fresh)

PCC \*(ma-, RED-) **d(a)w(a)xa** (-y, -kʷ, -t, -n; FV)

## BATA

|                                               |                              |                           |                              |                                                   |   |
|-----------------------------------------------|------------------------------|---------------------------|------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------|---|
| Bata                                          | <i>wato wata<sup>w</sup></i> | <i>*w<sup>w</sup>a-ta</i> | <i>*ØwØa-ta</i>              | <i>*d<sup>w</sup>xa(-t/-k<sup>w</sup>, -n(a))</i> | 1 |
| Jimi                                          | <i>wan wan</i>               | <i>*wa-n</i>              | <i>*ØwØa-n</i>               |                                                   |   |
| Gude                                          | <i>'wanə ʔwanə</i>           | <i>*ʔwa-na</i>            | <i>*ʔwØa-na</i>              |                                                   | 2 |
| Sharwa                                        | <i>'wa ʔwa</i>               | <i>*ʔwa</i>               | <i>*ʔwØa</i>                 |                                                   | 3 |
| Tsuvan                                        | <i>'wakən ʔwakən</i>         | <i>*ʔwa-k-n</i>           | <i>*ʔwØa-k<sup>w</sup>-n</i> |                                                   | 4 |
| 1. *w > Ø <sup>w</sup> ; +W: FV *a > o        |                              |                           |                              |                                                   |   |
| 2. *d' > ʔ; FV *a > ə                         |                              |                           |                              |                                                   |   |
| 3. *d' > ʔ                                    |                              |                           |                              |                                                   |   |
| 4. *d' > ʔ; *k <sup>w</sup> > k; ə-epenthesis |                              |                           |                              |                                                   |   |

## DABA

|                                                |                  |        |          |             |   |
|------------------------------------------------|------------------|--------|----------|-------------|---|
| Buwal                                          | <i>wa</i>        | *wa    | *ØwØa    | *(ma-)d̪wxa |   |
| Mbudum                                         | <i>wa</i>        |        |          |             |   |
| Gavar                                          | <i>ŋ'wa ŋʔwa</i> | *ŋ-ʔwa | *mØ-ʔwØa |             | l |
| 1. *d̪ > ʔ; homorganic assimilation *m > ŋ / ʔ |                  |        |          |             |   |

## MAFA

|       |           |     |       |       |  |
|-------|-----------|-----|-------|-------|--|
| Mafa  | <i>wa</i> | *wa | *ØwØa | *dʷxa |  |
| Cuvok | <i>wa</i> |     |       |       |  |

## TERA

|                                        |                  |         |             |               |   |
|----------------------------------------|------------------|---------|-------------|---------------|---|
| Tera                                   | <i>bubu</i> bʷbʷ | *bʷ-bʷ  | *RED-bʷØØ   | *RED-dʷxa(-y) | 1 |
|                                        | <i>bibi</i> byby | *by-bØy | *RED-bʷØØ-y |               | 2 |
| 1. *dʰ > b/_w<br>2. *dʰ > b/_w; *y > i |                  |         |             |               |   |

## SUKUR

|            |                |      |       |       |   |
|------------|----------------|------|-------|-------|---|
| Sukur      | <i>'wa ʔwa</i> | *ʔwa | *ʔwØa | *dʷxa | 1 |
| 1. *d' > ʔ |                |      |       |       |   |

## MARGI

|                                                           |                          |                    |       |        |   |
|-----------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------|-------|--------|---|
| Bura                                                      | 'uwa ʔə <sup>w</sup> wa  | *ʔw <sup>w</sup> a | *ʔwØa | *d̥wxa | 1 |
| Margi                                                     | u 'wa ə <sup>w</sup> ʔwa |                    |       |        | 2 |
| Margi-South                                               | u 'wa ə <sup>w</sup> ʔwa |                    |       |        | 2 |
| Kilba                                                     | 'wa                      | *ʔwa               |       |        | 3 |
| 1. *d̥ > ʔ; ə-epenthesis; *w > w <sup>w</sup> ; +W: ə > u |                          |                    |       |        |   |
| 2. *d̥ > ʔ; ə-prothesis; *w > w <sup>w</sup> ; +W: ə > u  |                          |                    |       |        |   |
| 3. *d̥ > ʔ                                                |                          |                    |       |        |   |

## MANDARA

|                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                |                                      |                                   |         |            |   |
|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------|-----------------------------------|---------|------------|---|
|                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                |                                      |                                   |         | √ C C Ca   |   |
| Podoko                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         | uḃa wḃa                              | *wḃa                              | *ḃwØa   | *d̥wxa(-y) | 1 |
| Glavda                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         | u:ḃa ə <sup>w</sup> wḃa              | *w <sup>w</sup> ḃa                |         |            | 2 |
| Dghwede                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        | wup'a wə <sup>w</sup> ḃa             |                                   |         |            | 3 |
| Mandara                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        | ube wḃa <sup>y</sup>                 | *wba-Ø <sup>y</sup>               | *ḃwØa-y |            | 4 |
| Malgwa                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         | uube ə <sup>w</sup> wḃa <sup>y</sup> | *w <sup>w</sup> ḃa-Ø <sup>y</sup> | *ḃwØa-y |            | 5 |
|                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                |                                      |                                   |         | √ CaC Ca   |   |
| Matal                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          | awa                                  | *awa                              | *ØawØa  | *d̥awxa    |   |
| 1. *d̥ > ḃ/_w; metathesis ḃw > wḃ; *w > u<br>2. *d̥ > ḃ/_w; metathesis ḃw > wḃ; ə-prothesis; +W: ə > u; *w > u<br>3. *d̥ > ḃ/_w; metathesis ḃw > wḃ; ə-epenthesis; +W: ə > u<br>4. *d̥ > b/_w; metathesis bw > wḃ; *w > u; +Y: lexical-final *a > e<br>5. *d̥ > ḃ/_w; metathesis ḃw > wḃ; ə-prothesis; *w > w <sup>w</sup> ; +W: ə > u; *w > u |                                      |                                   |         |            |   |

## MOFU

|                                                                     |                             |                        |           |             |   |
|---------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------|------------------------|-----------|-------------|---|
|                                                                     |                             |                        |           | √ C C Ca    |   |
| Mada                                                                | d̥wa                        | *d̥wa                  | *d̥wØa    | *(ma-)d̥wxa |   |
| Mofu-Gudur                                                          | d̥əwa                       |                        |           |             | 1 |
| Muyang                                                              | d̥uwa d̥ə <sup>w</sup> wa   | *d̥w <sup>w</sup> a    |           |             | 2 |
| Ouldeme                                                             | ad̥uwa ad̥ə <sup>w</sup> wa | *Øa-d̥w <sup>w</sup> a | *ma-d̥wØa |             | 2 |
|                                                                     |                             |                        |           | √ CaCaCa    |   |
| Zulgo                                                               | awah awax                   | *awax                  | *ØawaxØ   | *d̥awaxa    |   |
| Gemzek                                                              | awah awax                   |                        |           |             |   |
| Dugwor                                                              | awah awax                   |                        |           |             |   |
| Merey                                                               | wah wax                     | *wax                   | *ØØwaxØ   |             |   |
| 1. ə-epenthesis<br>2. ə-epenthesis; *w > w <sup>w</sup> ; +W: ə > u |                             |                        |           |             |   |

## MAROUA

|                                                                                                  |                           |                     |        |          |   |
|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------|---------------------|--------|----------|---|
|                                                                                                  |                           |                     |        | √ C C Ca |   |
| Giziga-Muturwa                                                                                   | d̥uwa d̥ə <sup>w</sup> wa | *d̥w <sup>w</sup> a | *d̥wØa | *d̥wxa   | 1 |
| Giziga-Marva                                                                                     | d̥uwa d̥ə <sup>w</sup> wa |                     |        |          | 1 |
| Mbazla                                                                                           | 'wa ʔwa                   | *ʔwa                | *d̥wØa |          | 2 |
|                                                                                                  |                           |                     |        | √ C CaCa |   |
| Mbazla                                                                                           | wa' waʔ                   | *waʔ                | *wadØØ | *d̥waxa  | 3 |
| 1. ə-epenthesis; *w > w <sup>w</sup> ; +W: ə > u<br>2. *d̥ > ʔ<br>3. *d̥ > ʔ; metathesis ʔw > wʔ |                           |                     |        |          |   |

## LAMANG

|        |                |      |       |       |   |
|--------|----------------|------|-------|-------|---|
| Lamang | <i>uḃa wḃa</i> | *wḃa | *ḃwḚa | *ḃwxa | 1 |
| Hdi    | <i>u'a wʔa</i> | *wʔa | *ʔwḚa |       | 2 |

1. \*ḃ' > ḃ/\_w; metathesis ḃw > wḃ; \*w > u  
2. \*ḃ' > ʔ; metathesis ʔw > wʔ; \*w > u

## HIGI

|            |                  |       |       |       |   |
|------------|------------------|-------|-------|-------|---|
| Kamwe-Futu | <i>uwo ə'wa'</i> | *Øw'a | *ḃwḚa | *ḃwxa | 1 |
| Kirya      | <i>'wa ʔwa</i>   | *ʔwa  | *ḃwḚa |       | 2 |
| Bana       | <i>'wa ʔwa</i>   |       |       |       | 2 |

1. ə-prothesis; \*w > w'; +W: ə > u; +W: lexical-final \*a > o  
2. \*ḃ' > ʔ

## KOTOKO-NORTH

|        |                    |          |            |              |   |
|--------|--------------------|----------|------------|--------------|---|
| Afade  | <i>eʔwi a'ywy</i>  | *ʔw-yʔ   | *ʔwØØ-y    | *(ma-)ḃwxa-y | 1 |
| Maltam | <i>e'mbi a'mby</i> | *m-bØ-yʔ | *mØ-bwØØ-y |              | 2 |

1. \*ḃ' > ʔ; a-prothesis; \*y > yʔ; +Y: \*a > e; \*y > i  
2. \*ḃ' > b/m\_w; a-prothesis; \*y > yʔ; +Y: \*a > e; \*y > i

## KOTOKO-CENTRAL

|        |                 |        |          |         |   |
|--------|-----------------|--------|----------|---------|---|
| Lagwan | <i>iwi ə'wy</i> | *Øw-yʔ | *ḃwØØ-yʔ | *ḃwxa-y | 1 |
|--------|-----------------|--------|----------|---------|---|

1. ə-prothesis; \*y > yʔ; +Y: ə > i; \*y > i

broom<sup>16</sup>PCC \*(ma-, RED-) **l(a)d(a)k'a** (-y)

## BATA

|        |                      |          |            |             |   |
|--------|----------------------|----------|------------|-------------|---|
| Sharwa | <i>ʃimtə s'ə'mtə</i> | *smta-Øʔ | *mØ-stØa-y | *ma-ldk'a-y | 1 |
| Gude   | <i>ʃinta s'ə'nta</i> |          |            |             | 2 |

1. \*l > s; \*ḃ' > t; metathesis ms > sm; ə-epenthesis; lexical-final \*a > ə; \*y > Øʔ; +Y: s > ʃ; +Y: ə > i  
2. \*l > s; \*ḃ' > t; metathesis ms > sm; homorganic assimilation \*m > n/\_t; ə-epenthesis; lexical-final \*a > ə; \*y > Øʔ; +Y: s > ʃ; +Y: ə > i

## DABA

|        |                        |         |           |            |   |
|--------|------------------------|---------|-----------|------------|---|
|        |                        |         |           | √ C C Ca   |   |
| Gavar  | <i>ŋkələḃ' ŋkələḃ'</i> | *ŋ-kld' | *mØ-kldØ  | *ma-ldk'a  | 1 |
| Mbudum | <i>ŋkələḃ' ŋkələḃ'</i> |         |           |            | 1 |
|        |                        |         |           | √ CaC Ca   |   |
| Buwal  | <i>mlad'</i>           | *m-lad' | *mØ-ladØØ | *ma-ladk'a |   |

1. \*k' > k; multiple metathesis ldk > kld'; ə-epenthesis; homorganic assimilation \*m > ŋ/\_k

<sup>16</sup> On first sight, there are three roots for 'broom'; Gravina (2015) gives them as \***kilid'**, \***sirik'**, and \***simit'** with diffuse areal distribution within Central Chadic, of which one could turn out to be a loan in whatever direction in the light of Kanuri *sū'dòk* (besides *ʃəratáram*). Somewhat surprisingly, two of the apparently three roots may co-occur in some language groups, as in MARGI and MANDARA, and also in MUSGUM. We may, of course, be dealing with a cultural *wanderwort* that was introduced at different times in different places in the CC language area. On a deep level of reconstruction, however, these apparently different roots turn out to be cognate, when we allow for spectacular instances of metathesis, which are quite frequent in CC languages. In this case, double occurrence of the root in some language groups may be due to later interdialectal borrowing.

## MAFA

|                                                                            |                          |          |           |                         |   |
|----------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------|----------|-----------|-------------------------|---|
| Cuvok                                                                      | <i>sa<sup>w</sup>bak</i> | *samcfak | *ma-sdākØ | *ma-lđāk <sup>w</sup> a | 1 |
| 1. *k <sup>w</sup> > k; *l > s; metathesis ms > sm; assimilation *md' > mb |                          |          |           |                         |   |

## TERA

|                                                                                             |                            |                         |               |                            |   |
|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------|-------------------------|---------------|----------------------------|---|
| Tera                                                                                        | <i>tʃitʃet tsʷəʔtsʷaʔt</i> | *ts-tsat-Ø <sup>y</sup> | *RED-tsatØØ-y | *RED-ladk <sup>w</sup> a-y | 1 |
| 1. *l > ts; *d' > t; ə-epenthesis; *y > Ø <sup>y</sup> ; +Y: ts > tʃ; +Y: ə > i; +Y: *a > e |                            |                         |               |                            |   |

## SUKUR

|                                                                                                              |              |              |          |                        |   |
|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------|--------------|----------|------------------------|---|
| Sukur                                                                                                        | <i>səbək</i> | *sḅk < *smʔk | *mØ-sʔkØ | *ma-lḁk <sup>w</sup> a | 1 |
| 1. *k <sup>w</sup> > k; *l > s; *d' > ʔ > Ø <sup>ʔ</sup> ; metathesis msʔ > smʔ; fusion mʔ > ḅ; ə-epenthesis |              |              |          |                        |   |

## HURZA

|                                              |                                |                    |                      |                     |   |
|----------------------------------------------|--------------------------------|--------------------|----------------------|---------------------|---|
| Mbuko                                        | <i>sərok səra<sup>w</sup>k</i> | *srak <sup>w</sup> | *srak <sup>w</sup> Ø | *lḁk <sup>w</sup> a | 1 |
| 1. *l > s; *d' > r; ə-epenthesis; +W: *a > o |                                |                    |                      |                     |   |

## MARGI

|                                                                                                                           |                      |                      |            |                          |   |
|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------|----------------------|------------|--------------------------|---|
|                                                                                                                           |                      |                      |            | √ C C Ca                 |   |
| Bura                                                                                                                      | <i>ʃimtu sʷəʔmtw</i> | *smtw-Ø <sup>y</sup> | *mØ-stwØ-y | *ma-lḁk <sup>w</sup> a-y | 1 |
|                                                                                                                           |                      |                      |            | √ CaCCa                  |   |
| Kilba                                                                                                                     | <i>lata</i>          | *lata                | *latØa     | *lḁk <sup>w</sup> a      | 2 |
| 1. *k <sup>w</sup> > w > u; *l > s; *d' > t; ə-epenthesis; metathesis ms > sm; *y > Ø <sup>y</sup> ; +Y: s > ʃ; +Y: ə > i |                      |                      |            |                          |   |
| 2. *d' > t                                                                                                                |                      |                      |            |                          |   |

## MANDARA

|                                        |               |          |           |                         |   |
|----------------------------------------|---------------|----------|-----------|-------------------------|---|
| Matal                                  | <i>malad'</i> | *ma-lad' | *ma-ladØØ | *ma-ladk <sup>w</sup> a |   |
| Podoko                                 | <i>samata</i> | *samata  | *ma-satØa |                         | 1 |
| 1. *l > s; *d' > t; metathesis ms > sm |               |          |           |                         |   |

## MOFU

|                                                                                                                            |                                                        |                       |                       |                         |   |
|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|-------------------------|---|
|                                                                                                                            |                                                        |                       |                       | √ C C Ca                |   |
| Zulgo                                                                                                                      | <i>suluk<sup>w</sup> sə<sup>w</sup>la<sup>w</sup>k</i> | *slk <sup>w</sup>     | *slk <sup>w</sup> Ø   | *lḁk <sup>w</sup> a     | 1 |
|                                                                                                                            |                                                        |                       |                       | √ C CaCa                |   |
| Ouldeme                                                                                                                    | <i>səlak<sup>w</sup></i>                               | *slak <sup>w</sup>    | *slak <sup>w</sup> Ø  | *lḁk <sup>w</sup> a(-y) | 2 |
| Mada                                                                                                                       | <i>səlak<sup>w</sup></i>                               |                       |                       |                         | 2 |
| Mofu North                                                                                                                 | <i>səlak<sup>w</sup></i>                               |                       |                       |                         | 2 |
| Gemzek                                                                                                                     | <i>sulok sə<sup>w</sup>la<sup>w</sup>k</i>             |                       |                       |                         | 3 |
| Merey                                                                                                                      | <i>sulok sə<sup>w</sup>la<sup>w</sup>k</i>             |                       |                       |                         | 3 |
| Moloko                                                                                                                     | <i>səlew<sup>w</sup> səla<sup>y</sup>wk</i>            | *slawk-Ø <sup>y</sup> | *slakwØ-y             |                         | 4 |
| Dugwor                                                                                                                     | <i>səleuk səla<sup>y</sup>wk</i>                       |                       |                       |                         | 4 |
|                                                                                                                            |                                                        |                       |                       | √ CaCaCa                |   |
| Mofu-Gudur                                                                                                                 | <i>salak<sup>w</sup></i>                               | *salak <sup>w</sup>   | *salak <sup>w</sup> Ø | *lḁk <sup>w</sup> a     | 5 |
| 1. *l > s; *d' > l; ə-epenthesis; +W: ə > u                                                                                |                                                        |                       |                       |                         |   |
| 2. *l > s; *d' > l; ə-epenthesis                                                                                           |                                                        |                       |                       |                         |   |
| 3. *l > s; *d' > l; ə-epenthesis; +W: ə > u; +W: *a > o                                                                    |                                                        |                       |                       |                         |   |
| 4. *l > s; *d' > l; re-segmentalisation *k <sup>w</sup> > k+w > w+k; ə-epenthesis; w > u; *y > Ø <sup>y</sup> ; +Y: *a > e |                                                        |                       |                       |                         |   |
| 5. *l > s; *d' > l                                                                                                         |                                                        |                       |                       |                         |   |

## MAROUA

|                                                                               |                                            |                                    |                        |                       |   |
|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------|------------------------------------|------------------------|-----------------------|---|
| Giziga-Marva                                                                  | <i>sulek sə<sup>w</sup>la<sup>w</sup>k</i> | *slak <sup>w</sup> -Ø <sup>y</sup> | *slak <sup>w</sup> Ø-y | *lḁk <sup>w</sup> a-y | 1 |
| 1. *l > s; *d' > l; ə-epenthesis; +W: ə > u; *y > Ø <sup>y</sup> ; +Y: *a > e |                                            |                                    |                        |                       |   |

## LAMANG

|        |                                                  |                      |         |                       |   |
|--------|--------------------------------------------------|----------------------|---------|-----------------------|---|
| Lamang | <i>switi</i> swə <sup>y</sup> ty                 | *swt-y <sup>y</sup>  | *stwØ-y | *ldk <sup>w</sup> a-y | 1 |
|        | <i>siwiti</i> sə <sup>y</sup> wə <sup>y</sup> ty |                      |         |                       | 1 |
| Hdi    | <i>su'it</i> swʔə <sup>t</sup> t                 | *swʔt-Ø <sup>y</sup> | *swdØ-y |                       | 2 |

1. \*k<sup>w</sup> > w; \*l > s; \*d' > t; metathesis tw > wt; ə-epenthesis; +Y: ə > i; \*y > i  
 2. \*k<sup>w</sup> > w > u; \*l > s; metathesis dw > wd; re-segmentalisation \*d' > ʔ+t; ə-epenthesis; \*y > Ø<sup>y</sup>; +Y: ə > i; \*y > i

## KOTOKO-NORTH

|        |                                               |                                    |                       |                          |   |
|--------|-----------------------------------------------|------------------------------------|-----------------------|--------------------------|---|
|        |                                               |                                    |                       | √ C C Ca                 |   |
| Afade  | <i>witso</i> wə <sup>y</sup> tsa <sup>w</sup> | *w <sup>w</sup> tsa-Ø <sup>y</sup> | *stw <sup>w</sup> a-y | *ldk <sup>w</sup> a-y    | 1 |
|        |                                               |                                    |                       | √ CaC Ca                 |   |
| Malgbe | <i>wali</i> walə <sup>y</sup>                 | *wala-Ø <sup>y</sup>               | *laØwa-y              | *ladk <sup>w</sup> a(-y) | 2 |
| Mpade  | <i>wos'o</i> wa <sup>w</sup> sʔa <sup>w</sup> | *w <sup>w</sup> asʔa               | *saʔw <sup>w</sup> a  |                          | 3 |

1. \*k<sup>w</sup> > w<sup>w</sup>; \*l > s; \*d' > t; multiple metathesis stw > wts; \*y > Ø<sup>y</sup>; +Y: ə > i; +W: lexical-final \*a > o  
 2. \*k<sup>w</sup> > w; metathesis lw > wl; lexical-final \*a > ə; \*y > Ø<sup>y</sup>; +Y: ə > i  
 3. \*k<sup>w</sup> > w<sup>w</sup>; \*l > s; \*d' > ʔ; multiple metathesis sʔw > wsʔ; +W: \*a > o

## MUSGUM

|        |                                                |                     |                     |                         |   |
|--------|------------------------------------------------|---------------------|---------------------|-------------------------|---|
| Muskum | <i>liha</i> lə <sup>y</sup> xa                 | *lxa-Ø <sup>y</sup> | *Ølxa-y             | *ldk <sup>w</sup> a(-y) | 1 |
| Vulum  | <i>suruk</i> sə <sup>w</sup> rə <sup>w</sup> k | *srk <sup>w</sup>   | *srk <sup>w</sup> Ø |                         | 2 |

1. \*k<sup>w</sup> (> k) > x; \*d' > l; ə-epenthesis; \*y > Ø<sup>y</sup>; +Y: ə > i  
 2. \*l > s; \*d' > r; ə-epenthesis; +W: ə > u

## GIDAR

|       |                                                |                                     |                                      |                          |   |
|-------|------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--------------------------|---|
| Gidar | <i>səlho</i> səlx <sup>w</sup>                 | *slx <sup>w</sup> a                 |                                      | *(ma-)ldk <sup>w</sup> a | 1 |
|       | <i>sulhō</i> sə <sup>w</sup> lxa <sup>nw</sup> | *Ø <sup>n</sup> -slx <sup>w</sup> a | *m <sup>n</sup> Ø-slx <sup>w</sup> a |                          | 2 |

1. \*k<sup>w</sup> > x<sup>w</sup>; \*l > s; \*d' > l; ə-epenthesis; +W: lexical-final \*a > o  
 2. \*k<sup>w</sup> > x<sup>w</sup>; \*l > s; \*d' > l; ə-epenthesis; +W: ə > u; +W: lexical-final \*a > o; \*m > Ø<sup>n</sup>; +N: lexical-final o > ð

burn, to

Areal root \*(ma-) **d(a)ra** (-a, -y, -k<sup>w</sup>)

## MAFA

|       |                               |         |          |          |   |
|-------|-------------------------------|---------|----------|----------|---|
| Mafa  | <i><sup>n</sup>dar</i> ndar   | *n-dar  | *mØ-darØ | *ma-dara | 1 |
| Cuvok | <i><sup>n</sup>dala</i> ndala | *n-dala | *mØ-dala |          | 2 |

1. homorganic assimilation \*m > n/\_d  
 2. \*r > l; homorganic assimilation \*m > n/\_d

## MANDARA

|         |                                             |                      |         |   |
|---------|---------------------------------------------|----------------------|---------|---|
| Mandara | <i>dere</i> da <sup>y</sup> ra <sup>y</sup> | *dara-Ø <sup>y</sup> | *dara-y | 1 |
|---------|---------------------------------------------|----------------------|---------|---|

1. \*y > Ø<sup>y</sup>; +Y: \*a > e

## MOFU

|            |                              |                    |                     |                             |   |
|------------|------------------------------|--------------------|---------------------|-----------------------------|---|
|            |                              |                    |                     | √ C Ca                      |   |
| Ouldeme    | <i>dəl</i> dəl               | *dlØ               |                     | *(ma-)dra(-k <sup>w</sup> ) | 1 |
| Zulgo      | <i>dul</i> də <sup>w</sup> l | *dl-Ø <sup>w</sup> | *dlØ-k <sup>w</sup> |                             | 2 |
| Mofu-Gudur | <i><sup>n</sup>dəl</i> ndəl  | *n-dl              | *mØ-dlØ             |                             | 3 |

|                                                                                                                                                                             |                       |                      |           |             |   |
|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------|----------------------|-----------|-------------|---|
|                                                                                                                                                                             |                       |                      |           | √ CaCa      |   |
| Ouldeme                                                                                                                                                                     | <i>dalay</i> dalay    | *dal-ay              | *dalØ-a-y | *dara(-a-y) | 4 |
| Moloko                                                                                                                                                                      | <i>dar</i> dar        | *darØ                |           |             |   |
| 1. *r > l; ə-epenthesis<br>2. *r > l; ə-epenthesis; *k <sup>w</sup> > Ø <sup>w</sup> ; +W: ə > u<br>3. *r > l; ə-epenthesis; homorganic assimilation *m > n/_d<br>4. *r > l |                       |                      |           |             |   |
| MAROUA                                                                                                                                                                      |                       |                      |           |             |   |
| Mbazla                                                                                                                                                                      | <i>dili</i> də'yly    | *dl-y <sup>y</sup>   | *dlØ-y    | *(ma-)dra-y | 1 |
|                                                                                                                                                                             | * <i>dili</i> ndə'yly | *n-dl-y <sup>y</sup> | *mØ-dlØ-y |             | 2 |
| 1. *r > l; ə-epenthesis; *y > Ø <sup>y</sup> ; +Y: ə > i; *y > i<br>2. *r > l; ə-epenthesis; *y > Ø <sup>y</sup> ; +Y: ə > i; *y > i; homorganic assimilation *m > n/_d     |                       |                      |           |             |   |
| LAMANG                                                                                                                                                                      |                       |                      |           |             |   |
| Lamang                                                                                                                                                                      | <i>dra</i> dra        | *dra                 |           | *dra(-a-y)  |   |
| Hdi                                                                                                                                                                         | <i>dəray</i> dəray    | *drØ-ay              |           |             | 1 |
| 1. ə-epenthesis                                                                                                                                                             |                       |                      |           |             |   |

## butterfly

PCC \*(k<sup>w</sup>a-, ma-, ta-, na-, RED-) **p(a)ra** (-y, -k<sup>w</sup>, -n; FV)

## BATA

|                                    |                              |               |               |   |
|------------------------------------|------------------------------|---------------|---------------|---|
| Gude                               | <i>pəripərinə</i> pərypəryna | *pry-prØ-y-na | *RED-pra-y-na | 1 |
| 1. ə-epenthesis; *y > i; FV *a > ə |                              |               |               |   |

## DABA

|                                                                      |                                                        |                           |                            |   |
|----------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------|----------------------------|---|
| Mbudum                                                               | <i>məpulpula</i> məpə <sup>w</sup> lpə <sup>w</sup> la | *mØ-pl-pla-Ø <sup>w</sup> | *ma-RED-pra-k <sup>w</sup> | 1 |
| 1. *r > l; ə-epenthesis; k <sup>w</sup> > Ø <sup>w</sup> ; +W: ə > u |                                                        |                           |                            |   |

## TERA

|                 |                |               |             |   |
|-----------------|----------------|---------------|-------------|---|
| Tera            | <i>pəmapər</i> | *ØØ-pr-ma-prØ | *RED-ma-pra | 1 |
| 1. ə-epenthesis |                |               |             |   |

## SUKUR

|                                                                      |                     |         |          |   |
|----------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------|---------|----------|---|
| Sukur                                                                | <i>(məḷə-)pəpər</i> | *pr-prØ | *RED-pra | 1 |
| 1. ə-epenthesis; compound with unidentified preposed *ma(-)ḷə > məḷə |                     |         |          |   |

## HURZA

|                                                                            |                                                    |                          |                        |   |
|----------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------|--------------------------|------------------------|---|
|                                                                            |                                                    |                          | √ C Ca                 |   |
| Mbuko                                                                      | <i>mapərok</i> mapəra <sup>w</sup> k               | *ma-pra-k <sup>w</sup>   | *ma-pra-k <sup>w</sup> | 1 |
|                                                                            |                                                    |                          | √ CaCa                 |   |
| Vame                                                                       | <i>pelpele</i> pa'lpə <sup>y</sup> la <sup>y</sup> | *pal-pala-Ø <sup>y</sup> | *RED-para-y            | 2 |
| 1. ə-epenthesis; +W: *a > o<br>2. *r > l; *y > Ø <sup>y</sup> ; +Y: *a > e |                                                    |                          |                        |   |

## MARGI

|                                                                     |                         |                       |           |              |   |
|---------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------|-----------------------|-----------|--------------|---|
| Bura                                                                | <i>pirpir</i> pə'rɪpə'r | *pr-pr-Ø <sup>y</sup> | *pr-prØ-y | *RED-pra(-y) | 1 |
| Kilba                                                               | <i>pəpər</i>            | *pr-prØ               |           |              | 2 |
| 1. ə-epenthesis; *y > Ø <sup>y</sup> ; +Y: ə > i<br>2. ə-epenthesis |                         |                       |           |              |   |

## MANDARA

|           |                   |               |              |   |
|-----------|-------------------|---------------|--------------|---|
| Malgwa    | <i>napalapala</i> | *na-pala-pala | *na-RED-para | 1 |
| Glavda    | <i>apalapa</i>    | *Øa-pala-paØØ |              | 1 |
| 1. *r > l |                   |               |              |   |

## MOFU

|                         |                   |             |             |   |
|-------------------------|-------------------|-------------|-------------|---|
| Mofu-Gudur              | <i>mapəlapəla</i> | *ma-pla-pla | *ma-RED-pra | 1 |
| 1. *r > l; ə-epenthesis |                   |             |             |   |

## MAROUA

|                                                                       |                           |                            |                               |   |
|-----------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------|----------------------------|-------------------------------|---|
|                                                                       |                           |                            | √ C Ca                        |   |
| Giziga-Muturwa                                                        | <i>miplapla mə'plapla</i> | *mØ-pla-pla-Ø <sup>y</sup> | *ma-RED-pra-y/-k <sup>w</sup> | 1 |
|                                                                       | <i>mulapla mə'plapla</i>  | *mØ-pla-pla-Ø <sup>w</sup> |                               | 2 |
|                                                                       |                           |                            | √ CaCa                        |   |
|                                                                       | <i>mapalapala</i>         | *ma-pala-pala              | *ma-RED-para                  | 3 |
| 1. *r > l; ə-epenthesis; *y > Ø <sup>y</sup> ; +Y: ə > i              |                           |                            |                               |   |
| 2. *r > l; ə-epenthesis; *k <sup>w</sup> > Ø <sup>w</sup> ; +W: ə > u |                           |                            |                               |   |
| 3. *r > l                                                             |                           |                            |                               |   |

## HIGI

|                                 |                            |                          |                              |                              |   |
|---------------------------------|----------------------------|--------------------------|------------------------------|------------------------------|---|
|                                 |                            |                          |                              | √ C Ca                       |   |
| Bana                            | <i>pəpəli</i> pəpəly       |                          | *pl-plØ-y                    | *RED-pra-y                   | 1 |
|                                 |                            |                          |                              | √ CaCa                       |   |
| Kamwe-Nkafa                     | <i>k<sup>w</sup>apalpa</i> | *k <sup>w</sup> a-pal-pa | *(k <sup>w</sup> a-)pal-paØØ | *(k <sup>w</sup> a-)RED-para | 2 |
| Kamwe-Futu                      | <i>paləpa</i>              | *pal-pa                  |                              |                              | 3 |
| 1. *r > l; ə-epenthesis; *y > i |                            |                          |                              |                              |   |
| 2. *r > l                       |                            |                          |                              |                              |   |
| 3. *r > l; ə-epenthesis         |                            |                          |                              |                              |   |

## GIDAR

|                                                          |                                                                                                                        |                                 |                                |   |
|----------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------|--------------------------------|---|
| Gidar                                                    | <i>motopolopolo</i><br>ma <sup>w</sup> ta <sup>w</sup> pa <sup>w</sup> la <sup>w</sup> pa <sup>w</sup> la <sup>w</sup> | *ma-ta-pala-pala-Ø <sup>w</sup> | *ma-ta-RED-para-k <sup>w</sup> | 1 |
| 1. *r > l; *k <sup>w</sup> > Ø <sup>w</sup> ; +W: *a > o |                                                                                                                        |                                 |                                |   |

camel<sup>17</sup>

Loan \*(na-) **k(a)ɓ(a)g(a)m(a)wa** (-y, -k<sup>w</sup>, -t, -n; FV)

## BATA

|        |                                                     |                                       |                                |                |   |
|--------|-----------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------|--------------------------------|----------------|---|
|        |                                                     |                                       |                                | √ C C C C Ca   |   |
| Tsuva  | <i>ɓə'gume</i><br>ɓə <sup>n</sup> gwma <sup>y</sup> | *Ø <sup>n</sup> -ɓgwma-Ø <sup>y</sup> | *n <sup>n</sup> Ø-<br>Øɓgmwa-y | *na-kɓgmwa-y   | 1 |
|        |                                                     |                                       |                                | √ CaC C C Ca   |   |
| Sharwa | <i>ḡyaluba</i><br>ḡḡ <sup>y</sup> alwba             | *ḡ-galwba-Ø <sup>y</sup>              | *nØ-<br>galØbwa-y              | *na-kalɓgmwa-y | 2 |

<sup>17</sup> This well-integrated word is doubtlessly a loan from one or more non-Chadic languages and has likely entered CC languages independently several times (cf. Wolff 2022: 131, 258ff.). We assume that non-Chadic \*l has entered some CC languages as ɓ, others possibly directly as non-reconstructed l. Treating the item as a 'Pseudo-PCC' root, we reconstruct \*ɓ at the ultimate proto-level.



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|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------|--------------|------------------|---|
|                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             |                                                                           |                                        |              | √ C C CaC Ca     |   |
| Bata                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        | luk <sup>w</sup> apto<br>lə <sup>w</sup> k <sup>w</sup> apta <sup>w</sup> | *lkapØ <sup>w</sup> -ta                | *ØlkapwØ-ta  | *kɟgamwa-ta/-y-n | 3 |
| Jimi                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        | lig <sup>w</sup> amən<br>lə <sup>w</sup> g <sup>w</sup> amən              | *lgamØ <sup>w</sup> -Ø <sup>y</sup> -n | *ØlgamwØ-y-n |                  | 4 |
| 1. *n > n <sup>h</sup> ; +N: g > <sup>u</sup> g; metathesis mw > wm; ə-epenthesis; *w > u; *y > Ø <sup>y</sup> ; +Y: *a > e<br>2. *ɟ > l; *k > g; *m > b; metathesis bw > wb; *w > u; homorganic assimilation *n > ŋ/_g;<br>*y > Ø <sup>y</sup> ; +Y: g > g <sup>y</sup><br>3. *ɟ > l; *g > k; *m (> b) > p; ə-epenthesis; *w > Ø <sup>w</sup> ; +W: ə > u; +W: k > k <sup>w</sup> ; +W: *a > o<br>4. *ɟ > l; ə-epenthesis; *w > Ø <sup>w</sup> ; +W: *g > g <sup>w</sup> ; *y > Ø <sup>y</sup> ; +Y: ə > i |                                                                           |                                        |              |                  |   |

## DABA

|                                             |                                                               |                       |            |             |   |
|---------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------|------------|-------------|---|
| Daba                                        | <i>ɪokomo</i> ɪa <sup>w</sup> ka <sup>w</sup> ma <sup>w</sup> | *ɪakamaØ <sup>w</sup> | *ØɪakamawØ | *kɪɟagamawa | 1 |
| 1. *g > k; *w > Ø <sup>w</sup> ; +W: *a > o |                                                               |                       |            |             |   |

## TERA

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|                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       |                                                |                                      |               | √ C C CaC Ca   |   |
| Tera                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  | <i>ɪimox</i> ɪa <sup>w</sup> ma <sup>w</sup> x | *ɪɪmaxØ <sup>w</sup> -Ø <sup>y</sup> | *ØɪxamwØ-y    | *kɪɟgamwa-y    | 1 |
|                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       |                                                |                                      |               | √ CaC C C Ca   |   |
| Ga'anda                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               | <i>ɪgelupa</i> ŋga <sup>w</sup> lwpa           | *n-galwpa-Ø <sup>y</sup>             | *nØ-galØpwa-y | *na-kalɪgmwa-y | 2 |
| 1. *g > x; metathesis xm > mx; ə-epenthesis; *y > Ø <sup>y</sup> ; +Y: ə > i; *w > Ø <sup>w</sup> ; +W: *a > o<br>2. *ɪ > l; *k > g; *m (> b) > p; homorganic assimilation *n > ŋ/_g; metathesis pw > wp;<br>*w > u; *y > Ø <sup>y</sup> ; +Y: *a > e |                                                |                                      |               |                |   |

## SUKUR

|                                                                |                          |                      |           |           |   |
|----------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------|----------------------|-----------|-----------|---|
| Sukur                                                          | <i>ɪɔg<sup>w</sup>am</i> | *ɪɟgamØ <sup>w</sup> | *ØɪɟgamwØ | *kɪɟgamwa | 1 |
| 1. ə-epenthesis; *w > Ø <sup>w</sup> ; +W: *g > g <sup>w</sup> |                          |                      |           |           |   |

## HURZA

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|                                                                                                                                                                                                                   |                                                                                         |                                       |                            | √ C C CaC Ca |   |
| Mbuko                                                                                                                                                                                                             | <i>ɪug<sup>w</sup>eme</i> ɪa <sup>w</sup> g <sup>w</sup> a <sup>y</sup> ma <sup>y</sup> | *ɪɟg <sup>w</sup> ama-Ø <sup>y</sup>  | *ØɪɟgamØ <sup>w</sup> a-y  | *kɪɟgamwa-y  | 1 |
|                                                                                                                                                                                                                   |                                                                                         |                                       |                            | √ CaC CaC Ca |   |
| Vame                                                                                                                                                                                                              | <i>aɪɔg<sup>w</sup>eme</i> aɪɔg <sup>w</sup> a <sup>y</sup> ma <sup>y</sup>             | *aɪɟg <sup>w</sup> ama-Ø <sup>y</sup> | *ØaɪɟgamØ <sup>w</sup> a-y | *kaɪɟgamwa-y | 2 |
| 1. ə-epenthesis; *w > Ø <sup>w</sup> ; +W: *g > g <sup>w</sup> ; +W: ə > u; *y > Ø <sup>y</sup> ; +Y: *a > e<br>2. ə-epenthesis; *w > Ø <sup>w</sup> ; +W: *g > g <sup>w</sup> ; *y > Ø <sup>y</sup> ; +Y: *a > e |                                                                                         |                                       |                            |              |   |

## MARGI

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| Bura                                                                                                             | <i>likamo</i> lə <sup>w</sup> kama <sup>w</sup>            | *lkamaØ <sup>w</sup> -Ø <sup>y</sup> | *ØlkamawØ-y | *kɪɟgamwa(-y) | 1 |
| Margi-South                                                                                                      | <i>ɪug<sup>w</sup>am</i> ɪa <sup>w</sup> g <sup>w</sup> am | *ɪɟgamØ <sup>w</sup>                 | *ØɪɟgamwØ   |               | 2 |
| 1. *ɪ > l; *g > k; ə-epenthesis; *y > Ø <sup>y</sup> ; +Y: ə > i; *w > Ø <sup>w</sup> ; +W: lexical-final *a > o |                                                            |                                      |             |               |   |
| 2. ə-epenthesis; *w > Ø <sup>w</sup> ; +W: *g > g <sup>w</sup> ; +W: ə > u                                       |                                                            |                                      |             |               |   |

## MANDARA

|       |                                                         |                         |             |                |   |
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|       |                                                         |                         |             | √ C C C C Ca   |   |
| Matal | ɪɔg <sup>w</sup> məy ɪa <sup>w</sup> g <sup>w</sup> may | *ɪɟgmØ <sup>w</sup> -ay | *ØɪɟgmwØ-ay | *kɪɟgmwa(-a)-y | 1 |
|       | ɪɔg <sup>w</sup> mi ɪa <sup>w</sup> g <sup>w</sup> my   | *ɪɟgmØ <sup>w</sup> -y  | *ØɪɟgmwØ-y  |                | 2 |
|       | ɪugmi ɪa <sup>w</sup> gmy                               |                         |             |                | 3 |
|       |                                                         |                         |             | √ C C CaC Ca   |   |

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| Podoko                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      | <i>kəg<sup>w</sup>ama</i>                                                                                |                                         |              |                | 4 |
| Dghwede                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     | <i>kug<sup>w</sup>ama</i><br><i>kəg<sup>w</sup>ama</i>                                                   | *kəgamØ <sup>w</sup> a                  | *Økəgamwa    | *kəkəgamwa(-y) | 5 |
| Mandara                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     | <i>ədhlug<sup>w</sup>ame</i><br><i>əlkəg<sup>w</sup>ama<sup>y</sup></i>                                  | *kəgamØ <sup>w</sup> a-Ø <sup>y</sup>   | *Økəgamwa-y  |                | 6 |
|                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             |                                                                                                          |                                         |              | √ CaCaCaC Ca   |   |
| Mandara                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     | <i>eḷeg<sup>w</sup>ame</i><br><i>a<sup>y</sup>ḷa<sup>y</sup>g<sup>w</sup>ama<sup>y</sup></i>             | *a-ḷagamØ <sup>w</sup> a-Ø <sup>y</sup> | *Øaḷagamwa-y | *kaḷagamwa(-y) | 7 |
| Glavda                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      | <i>aḷag<sup>w</sup>ama</i><br><i>aḷag<sup>w</sup>ama</i>                                                 | *aḷagamØ <sup>w</sup> a                 | *Øaḷagamwa   |                | 8 |
| 1. ə-epenthesis; *w > Ø <sup>w</sup> ; +W: *g > g <sup>w</sup><br>2. ə-epenthesis; *w > Ø <sup>w</sup> ; +W: *g > g <sup>w</sup> ; *y > i<br>3. ə-epenthesis; *w > Ø <sup>w</sup> ; +W: ə > u; *y > i<br>4. ə-epenthesis; *w > Ø <sup>w</sup> ; +W: *g > g <sup>w</sup><br>5. ə-epenthesis; *w > Ø <sup>w</sup> ; +W: *g > g <sup>w</sup> ; +W: ə > u<br>6. *ə-pro- & epenthesis; *w > Ø <sup>w</sup> ; +W: *g > g <sup>w</sup> ; +W: ə > u; *y > Ø <sup>y</sup> ; +Y: lexical-final *a > e<br>7. *w > Ø <sup>w</sup> ; +W: *g > g <sup>w</sup> ; *y > Ø <sup>y</sup> ; +Y: *a > e (except penultimate)<br>8. *w > Ø <sup>w</sup> ; +W: *g > g <sup>w</sup> |                                                                                                          |                                         |              |                |   |
| MOFU                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        |                                                                                                          |                                         |              |                |   |
| Zulgo                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       | <i>ḷig<sup>w</sup>ime</i> ḷə <sup>y</sup> g <sup>w</sup> ə <sup>y</sup> ma <sup>y</sup>                  | *ḷgmØ <sup>w</sup> a-Ø <sup>y</sup>     | *Øḷgmwa-y    | √ C C C C Ca   | 1 |
| Gemzek                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      | <i>ḷugme</i> ḷə <sup>w</sup> gma <sup>y</sup>                                                            |                                         |              | *kḷgmwa-y      | 2 |
|                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             | <i>ḷugme</i> ḷw <sup>w</sup> gma <sup>y</sup>                                                            | *ḷwgma-Ø <sup>y</sup>                   | *Øḷwgma-y    |                | 3 |
|                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             |                                                                                                          |                                         |              | √ C CaC C Ca   |   |
| Gemzek                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      | <i>ḷegume</i> ḷa <sup>y</sup> gə <sup>w</sup> ma <sup>y</sup>                                            | *ḷagamØ <sup>w</sup> a-Ø <sup>y</sup>   | *Øḷagamwa-y  | *kḷagamwa-y    | 2 |
|                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             |                                                                                                          |                                         |              | √ C C CaC Ca   |   |
| Merey                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       | <i>ḷəg<sup>w</sup>eme</i> ḷə <sup>y</sup> g <sup>w</sup> a <sup>y</sup> ma <sup>y</sup>                  | *ḷagamØ <sup>w</sup> a-Ø <sup>y</sup>   | *Øḷagamwa-y  | *kḷagamwa-y    | 4 |
|                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             |                                                                                                          |                                         |              | √ C CaCaC Ca   |   |
| Mofu-Gudur                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  | <i>lag<sup>w</sup>ama</i>                                                                                | *lagamØ <sup>w</sup> a                  | *Ølagamwa    | *kḷagamwa(-y)  | 5 |
| Dugwor                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      | <i>ḷeg<sup>w</sup>eme</i> ḷa <sup>y</sup> g <sup>w</sup> a <sup>y</sup> ma <sup>y</sup>                  | *ḷagamØ <sup>w</sup> a-y                | *Øḷagamwa-y  |                | 6 |
|                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             |                                                                                                          |                                         |              | √ CaC CaC Ca   |   |
| Ouldeme                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     | <i>aḷəg<sup>w</sup>eme</i><br><i>aḷəg<sup>w</sup>a<sup>y</sup>ma<sup>y</sup></i>                         | *aḷgamØ <sup>w</sup> a-Ø <sup>y</sup>   | *Øaḷgamwa-y  | *kaḷgamwa-y    | 4 |
| Muyang                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      | <i>eḷig<sup>w</sup>emi</i><br><i>a<sup>y</sup>ḷə<sup>y</sup>g<sup>w</sup>a<sup>y</sup>my</i>             | *aḷgamØ <sup>w</sup> -y                 | *ØaḷgamwØ-y  |                | 7 |
|                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             |                                                                                                          |                                         |              | √ C CaC CaCa   |   |
| Mofu-North                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  | <i>ḷəgiveme</i><br><i>ḷa<sup>y</sup>gə<sup>y</sup>va<sup>y</sup>ma<sup>y</sup></i>                       | *ḷəgavama-Ø <sup>y</sup>                | *Øḷəgawama-y | *kḷəgawama-y   | 8 |
|                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             |                                                                                                          |                                         |              | √ CaCaCaC Ca   |   |
| Moloko                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      | <i>eḷəg<sup>w</sup>eme</i><br><i>a<sup>y</sup>ḷa<sup>y</sup>g<sup>w</sup>a<sup>y</sup>ma<sup>y</sup></i> | *aḷagamØ <sup>w</sup> a-Ø <sup>y</sup>  | *Øaḷagamwa-y | *kaḷagamwa-y   | 9 |

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| 1. ə-epenthesis; *w > Ø <sup>w</sup> ; +W: g > g <sup>w</sup> ; *y > Ø <sup>y</sup> ; +Y: ə > i; +Y: lexical-final *a > e |
| 2. ə-epenthesis; *w > Ø <sup>w</sup> ; +W: ə > u; *y > Ø <sup>y</sup> ; +Y: lexical-final *a > e                          |
| 3. alternative analysis: multiple metathesis gmw > wgm; *w > u; *y > Ø <sup>y</sup> ; +Y: lexical-final *a > e            |
| 4. ə-epenthesis; *w > Ø <sup>w</sup> ; +W: g > g <sup>w</sup> ; *y > Ø <sup>y</sup> ; +Y: *a > e                          |
| 5. *ɟ > l; *w > Ø <sup>w</sup> ; +W: g > g <sup>w</sup>                                                                   |
| 6. *w > Ø <sup>w</sup> ; +W: *g > g <sup>w</sup> ; *y > Ø <sup>y</sup> ; +Y: *a > e                                       |
| 7. *w > Ø <sup>w</sup> ; +W: g > g <sup>w</sup> ; ə-epenthesis; *y > Ø <sup>y</sup> ; +Y: ə > i; +Y: *a > e; *y > i       |
| 8. metathesis mw > wm; *w > v; ə-epenthesis; *y > Ø <sup>y</sup> ; +Y: ə > i; +Y: *a > e                                  |
| 9. *w > Ø <sup>w</sup> ; +W: g > g <sup>w</sup> ; *y > Ø <sup>y</sup> ; +Y: *a > e                                        |

## MAROUA

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|                                                                         |                                                                           |                           |                              | √ CaC CaC Ca                 |   |
| Mbazla                                                                  | <i>'aɣgomo</i><br><i>ʔaɣga<sup>w</sup>ma<sup>w</sup></i>                  | *ʔaɣgamØ <sup>w</sup> a   | *ʔaɣgamwa                    | *kaɣgamwa                    | 1 |
|                                                                         |                                                                           |                           |                              | √ CaCaCaC Ca                 |   |
| Giziga-Muturwa                                                          | <i>(a)ɣgomo(ŋ)</i><br><i>aɣa<sup>w</sup>ga<sup>w</sup>ma<sup>w</sup>ŋ</i> | *aɣagamØ <sup>w</sup> a-ŋ | *Øaɣagamwa-k <sup>w</sup> -n | *kaɣagamwa-k <sup>w</sup> -n | 1 |
| 1. *w > Ø <sup>w</sup> ; +W *a > o; (k <sup>w</sup> > k; fusion kn > ŋ) |                                                                           |                           |                              |                              |   |

## LAMANG

|        |                                                           |                          |               |               |   |
|--------|-----------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------|---------------|---------------|---|
| Lamang | <i>ɣg<sup>w</sup>ama</i>                                  | *ɣgamaØ <sup>w</sup> Ø   | *ØɣgamawØ     | *kɣgamawa     | 1 |
| Hdi    | <i>ngalibwa</i><br><i>ngalə<sup>w</sup>bwa</i>            | *ŋ-galbwa-Ø <sup>y</sup> | *nØ-galØbwa-y | *na-kaɣgmwa-y | 2 |
|        | <i>ŋalibuwa</i><br><i>ŋalə<sup>w</sup>bə<sup>w</sup>a</i> |                          |               |               | 3 |

1. \*w > Ø<sup>w</sup>; +W: \*g > g<sup>w</sup>

2. \*ɣ > l; \*m > b; homorganic assimilation \*n > ŋ/\_g; ə-epenthesis; \*y > Ø<sup>y</sup>; +Y: ə > i

3. \*ɣ > l; \*m > b; homorganic assimilation \*n > ŋ/\_g (> ŋ); ə-epenthesis; \*y > Ø<sup>y</sup>; +Y: ə > i; +W: ə > u; homorganic assimilation and fusion n+g > ŋ

## HIGI

|                                                                                                    |                                                      |                                         |                |                |   |
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|                                                                                                    |                                                      |                                         |                | √ C C CaC Ca   |   |
| Kamwe-Futu                                                                                         | <i>thəg<sup>w</sup>ami</i> <i>ləg<sup>w</sup>amy</i> | *lɣamØ <sup>w</sup> -y                  | *ØlɣamwØ-y     | *kɣgamwa-y     | 1 |
|                                                                                                    |                                                      |                                         |                | √ CaC C C Ca   |   |
| Bana                                                                                               | <i>ŋgaluba</i> <i>ŋgalwba</i>                        | *n-galwba                               | *nØ-galØbwa    | *na-kaɣgmwa    | 2 |
|                                                                                                    |                                                      |                                         |                | √ CaCaC C Ca   |   |
| Kirya                                                                                              | <i>nyaloba</i> <i>n'ala<sup>w</sup>ba</i>            | *n-ØalabØ <sup>w</sup> a-Ø <sup>y</sup> | *nØ-galaØbwa-y | *na-kaɣagmwa-y | 3 |
| 1. *ɟ > l; ə-epenthesis; *w > Ø <sup>w</sup> ; +W: *g > g <sup>w</sup> ; *y > i                    |                                                      |                                         |                |                |   |
| 2. *ɟ > l; *m > b; homorganic assimilation *n > ŋ/_g; metathesis bw > wb; w > u                    |                                                      |                                         |                |                |   |
| 3. *ɟ > l; *m > b; *y > Ø <sup>y</sup> ; +Y: n > n <sup>y</sup> ; *w > Ø <sup>w</sup> ; +W: *a > o |                                                      |                                         |                |                |   |

## KOTOKO-ISLAND

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| Buduma                                                                                                                               | <i>loguəme</i> la <sup>w</sup> g <sup>w</sup> əma <sup>y</sup> | *lagmaØ <sup>w</sup> a-Ø <sup>y</sup> | *Ølagmawa-y | *kɔ́ɔgmawa-y | 1 |
| 1. *ɔ́ > ɪ; ə-epenthesis; *w > Ø <sup>w</sup> ; +W: *g > g <sup>w</sup> ; +W: *a > o; *y > Ø <sup>y</sup> ; +Y: lexical-final *a > e |                                                                |                                       |             |              |   |

## KOTOKO-NORTH

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|                                                                                                                                             |                                                                   |                                       |             | √ C C C C Ca  |   |
| Afade                                                                                                                                       | <i>girgimu</i> gə <sup>y</sup> rgə <sup>y</sup> mw                | *grgmw-Ø <sup>y</sup>                 | *grgmwØ-y   | *kɔ́ɔgmawa-y  | 1 |
| Maltam                                                                                                                                      | <i>girdzimu</i> gə <sup>y</sup> rdz <sup>y</sup> əmw              |                                       |             |               | 2 |
|                                                                                                                                             |                                                                   |                                       |             | √ CaC C CaCa  |   |
| Mpade                                                                                                                                       | <i>galdzimo</i> galdz <sup>y</sup> ə <sup>w</sup> ma <sup>w</sup> | *galgmaØ <sup>w</sup> -Ø <sup>y</sup> | *galgmawØ-y | *kaɔ́ɔgmawa-y | 3 |
|                                                                                                                                             |                                                                   |                                       |             | √ C CaCaCCa   |   |
| Malgbe                                                                                                                                      | <i>logome</i> la <sup>w</sup> ga <sup>w</sup> ma <sup>y</sup>     | *lagamØ <sup>w</sup> a-Ø <sup>y</sup> | *Ølagamwa-y | *kɔ́ɔɔgmawa-y | 4 |
| 1. *k > g; *ɔ́ > r; *w > u; ə-epenthesis; *y > Ø <sup>y</sup> ; +Y: ə > i~i                                                                 |                                                                   |                                       |             |               |   |
| 2. *k > g; *ɔ́ > r; *w > u; ə-epenthesis; *y > Ø <sup>y</sup> ; +Y: *g <sup>y</sup> > dʒ; +Y: ə > i~i                                       |                                                                   |                                       |             |               |   |
| 3. *ɔ́ > ɪ; *k > g; ə-epenthesis; +Y: *g <sup>y</sup> > dʒ; *y > Ø <sup>y</sup> ; +Y: ə > i; *w > Ø <sup>w</sup> ; +W: lexical-final *a > o |                                                                   |                                       |             |               |   |
| 4. *ɔ́ > ɪ; *w > Ø <sup>w</sup> ; +W: *a > o; *y > Ø <sup>y</sup> ; +Y: lexical-final *a > e                                                |                                                                   |                                       |             |               |   |

## KOTOKO-CENTRAL

|                                                                          |                                                    |                      |          |            |   |
|--------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------|----------------------|----------|------------|---|
| Lagwan                                                                   | <i>kurguma</i> kə <sup>w</sup> rgə <sup>w</sup> ma | *krgmaØ <sup>w</sup> | *krgmawØ | *kɔ́ɔgmawa | 1 |
| Mser                                                                     | <i>gurguma</i> gə <sup>w</sup> rgə <sup>w</sup> ma | *grgmaØ <sup>w</sup> |          |            | 2 |
| 1. *ɔ́ (> ɪ?) > r; ə-epenthesis; *w > Ø <sup>w</sup> ; +W: ə > u         |                                                    |                      |          |            |   |
| 2. *k > g; *ɔ́ (> ɪ?) > r; ə-epenthesis; *w > Ø <sup>w</sup> ; +W: ə > u |                                                    |                      |          |            |   |

## KOTOKO-SOUTH

|                                                                  |                                                    |                      |          |            |   |
|------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------|----------------------|----------|------------|---|
| Mazera                                                           | <i>kurguma</i> kə <sup>w</sup> rgə <sup>w</sup> ma | *krgmaØ <sup>w</sup> | *krgmawØ | *kɔ́ɔgmawa | 1 |
| 1. *ɔ́ (> ɪ?) > r; ə-epenthesis; *w > Ø <sup>w</sup> ; +W: ə > u |                                                    |                      |          |            |   |

## MUSGUM

|                                                               |                    |        |         |            |   |
|---------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------|--------|---------|------------|---|
| Mbara                                                         | <i>lukma</i> lwkma | *lwkma | *Ølkmwa | *kɔ́ɔgmawa | 1 |
| 1. *ɔ́ > ɪ; *g > k; multiple metathesis *lkmw > lwkma; *w > u |                    |        |         |            |   |

## GIDAR

|                                              |                                                               |                        |           |             |   |
|----------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------|-----------|-------------|---|
| Gidar                                        | <i>logomo</i> la <sup>w</sup> ga <sup>w</sup> ma <sup>w</sup> | *lagamØ <sup>w</sup> a | *Ølagamwa | *kɔ́ɔɔgmawa | 1 |
| 1. *ɔ́ > ɪ; *w > Ø <sup>w</sup> ; +W: *a > o |                                                               |                        |           |             |   |

change/alter/exchange, to

PCC \*(RED-, ma-) **b(a)ɗa** (-a, -y, -k<sup>w</sup>, -n, -t, -d, -r; FV)

## DABA

|       |                         |         |          |          |  |
|-------|-------------------------|---------|----------|----------|--|
| Buwal | <sup>m</sup> baɗ' mbaɗ' | *m-baɗ' | *mØ-baɗØ | *ma-baɗa |  |
| Gavar | <sup>m</sup> baɗ' mbaɗ' |         |          |          |  |

## SUKUR

|                 |                         |        |         |         |   |
|-----------------|-------------------------|--------|---------|---------|---|
| Sukur           | <sup>m</sup> bəɗa mbəɗa | *m-bɗ' | *mØ-bɗØ | *ma-bɗa | 1 |
| 1. ə-epenthesis |                         |        |         |         |   |

## HURZA

|       |                                                        |                           |              |                |   |
|-------|--------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------|--------------|----------------|---|
| Mbuko | <sup>m</sup> bəɗa mbəɗa                                | *m-bɗ'                    | *mØ-bɗØ      | *ma-bɗa(-y-da) | 1 |
| Vame  | <sup>m</sup> bəɗede mbəɗa <sup>y</sup> da <sup>y</sup> | *m-bɗa-Ø <sup>y</sup> -da | *mØ-bɗa-y-da |                | 2 |

1. ə-epenthesis

2. ə-epenthesis; \*y > Ø<sup>y</sup>; +Y: \*a > e

## MANDARA

|                                                                                  |                                |                        |            |              |   |
|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------|------------------------|------------|--------------|---|
|                                                                                  |                                |                        |            | √ C Ca       |   |
| Matal                                                                            | <i>mabādla</i>                 | *ma-bdØ-la             |            |              | 1 |
| Podoko                                                                           | <i><sup>m</sup>bāda mbāda</i>  | *m-bdā                 | *mØ-bdā    | *ma-bdā(-ra) | 2 |
| Dghwede                                                                          | <i><sup>m</sup>bət'a mbāda</i> |                        |            |              | 2 |
|                                                                                  |                                |                        |            | √ CaCa       |   |
| Malgwa                                                                           | <i><sup>m</sup>bāda mbāda</i>  | *m-badā                | *mØ-badā   |              |   |
| Mandara                                                                          | <i><sup>m</sup>bāda mbāda</i>  |                        |            | *ma-badā(-y) |   |
|                                                                                  | <i><sup>m</sup>bēda mba'dā</i> | *m-badā-Ø <sup>y</sup> | *mØ-badā-y |              | 3 |
| 1. *r > l; ə-epenthesis<br>2. ə-epenthesis<br>3. y > Ø <sup>y</sup> ; +Y: *a > e |                                |                        |            |              |   |

## MOFU

|                                                                                                                                                               |                                           |                                                   |          |                                           |   |
|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------|----------|-------------------------------------------|---|
|                                                                                                                                                               |                                           |                                                   |          | √ C Ca                                    |   |
| Zulgo                                                                                                                                                         | <i><sup>m</sup>bəd' mbəd'</i>             | *m-bd'                                            | *mØ-bdØ  | *(RED-)ma-bdā<br>(-a-y-k <sup>w</sup> -n) | 1 |
| Gemzek                                                                                                                                                        | <i><sup>m</sup>bəd' mbəd'</i>             |                                                   |          |                                           | 1 |
| Mofu-Gudur                                                                                                                                                    | <i><sup>m</sup>bəd' mbəd'</i>             |                                                   |          |                                           | 1 |
| Dugwor                                                                                                                                                        | <i>mə<sup>m</sup>bədəŋ<br/>məmbədə'yŋ</i> | *mØ-m-bdā-Ø <sup>y</sup> -ŋ<br>< *ma-mØ-bdā-y-k-n |          |                                           | 2 |
|                                                                                                                                                               | <i>mə<sup>m</sup>bədəy<br/>məmbədə'y</i>  | *mØ-m-bd-ay <sup>y</sup><br>< *ma-mØ-bdØ-a-y      |          |                                           | 3 |
| Mofu North                                                                                                                                                    | <i>mə<sup>m</sup>bədəy<br/>məmbədə'y</i>  |                                                   |          |                                           | 3 |
|                                                                                                                                                               |                                           |                                                   |          | √ CaCa                                    |   |
| Ouldeme                                                                                                                                                       | <i><sup>m</sup>bəd' mbəd'</i>             | *m-bad'                                           | *mØ-badØ | *ma-badā                                  |   |
| Moloko                                                                                                                                                        | <i><sup>m</sup>bəd' mbəd'</i>             |                                                   |          |                                           |   |
| 1. ə-epenthesis<br>2. ə-epenthesis; *k <sup>w</sup> > k; fusion kn > ŋ; *y > Ø <sup>y</sup> ; +Y: *a > e<br>3. ə-epenthesis; *y > y <sup>y</sup> ; +Y: *a > e |                                           |                                                   |          |                                           |   |

## MAROUA

|                                                      |                           |           |           |           |   |
|------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------|-----------|-----------|-----------|---|
| Giziga-Muturwa                                       | <sup>m</sup> bidī mbəʔdy  | *m-bd'-yʔ | *mØ-bdØ-y | *ma-bdā-y | 1 |
| Giziga-Marva                                         | <sup>m</sup> bide mbəʔdaʔ | *m-bdā-Øʔ | *mØ-bdā-y |           | 2 |
| 1. ə-epenthesis; +Y: ə > i; *y > i                   |                           |           |           |           |   |
| 2. ə-epenthesis; +Y: ə > i; +Y: lexical-final *a > e |                           |           |           |           |   |

## LAMANG

|                 |                           |          |             |               |   |
|-----------------|---------------------------|----------|-------------|---------------|---|
| Lamang          | <sup>m</sup> bəda mbəda   | *m-bda   | *mØ-bda     | *ma-bda(-a-y) | 1 |
| Hdi             | <sup>m</sup> bəday mbəday | *m-bd-ay | *mØ-bdØ-a-y |               | 1 |
| 1. ə-epenthesis |                           |          |             |               |   |

## HIGI

|                                                |                                     |            |              |                |   |
|------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------|------------|--------------|----------------|---|
| Kamwe-Nkafa                                    | <i><sup>m</sup>bərəntə</i> mbərəntə | *m-br-n-ta | *mØ-brØ-n-ta | *ma-bdā(-n-ta) | 1 |
| Kirya                                          | <i><sup>m</sup>bəra</i> mbəra       | *m-bra     | *mØ-bra      |                | 2 |
| Bana                                           | <i><sup>m</sup>bərə</i> mbərə       |            |              |                | 3 |
| 1. *d' > r; ə-epenthesis; FV *a > ə            |                                     |            |              |                |   |
| 2. *d' > r; ə-epenthesis                       |                                     |            |              |                |   |
| 3. *d' > r; ə-epenthesis; lexical-final *a > ə |                                     |            |              |                |   |

## charcoal

PCC \*(ma-) ʕ<sup>w</sup>(a)v(a)na (-y, -k<sup>w</sup>, -n, -t; FV)

BATA

|        |                                                     |                        |            |                            |   |
|--------|-----------------------------------------------------|------------------------|------------|----------------------------|---|
| Gude   | <i>ivənyinə</i> ə <sup>v</sup> vən <sup>y</sup> ynə | *vn-y <sup>y</sup> -na | *ØvnØ-y-na | *ʕ <sup>w</sup> vna-y(-na) | 1 |
| Sharwa | <i>avihi</i> avə <sup>y</sup> xy                    | *vx-y <sup>y</sup>     | *xvØØ-y    |                            | 2 |

1. ə-prothesis; \*y > y<sup>y</sup>; +Y: ə > i; +Y: n > n<sup>y</sup>; \*y > i; FV \*a > ə  
 2. \*ʕ<sup>w</sup> > x; metathesis xv > vx; a-prothesis; ə-epenthesis; \*y > y<sup>y</sup>; +Y: ə > i; \*y > i

DABA

|        |                                                                |                         |                           |                                        |   |
|--------|----------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------|---------------------------|----------------------------------------|---|
| Mbudum | <i>ηguvon</i> ηg <sup>w</sup> ə <sup>w</sup> va <sup>w</sup> η | *η-g <sup>w</sup> van-Ø | *mØ-g <sup>w</sup> vanØ-k | *ma-ʕ <sup>w</sup> vana-k <sup>w</sup> | 1 |
| Daba   | <i>ηgəvan?</i>                                                 | *n-gvan-?               | *mØ-gvanØ-?               |                                        | 2 |

1. \*ʕ<sup>w</sup> > g<sup>w</sup>; \*k<sup>w</sup> > k; ə-epenthesis; +W: ə > u; +W: \*a > o; fusion \*nk > η; homorganic assimilation \*m > η/\_g<sup>w</sup>  
 2. \*ʕ<sup>w</sup> (> g<sup>w</sup>) > g; \*k<sup>w</sup> (> k) > ?; ə-epenthesis; homorganic assimilation \*m > η/\_g

MAFA

|      |            |        |          |                                     |   |
|------|------------|--------|----------|-------------------------------------|---|
| Mafa | <i>vaŋ</i> | *vaŋ-Ø | *ØvanØ-k | *ʕ <sup>w</sup> vana-k <sup>w</sup> | 1 |
|------|------------|--------|----------|-------------------------------------|---|

1. \*k<sup>w</sup> > k; fusion \*nk > ŋ

SUKUR

|       |                              |                    |         |                       |   |
|-------|------------------------------|--------------------|---------|-----------------------|---|
| Sukur | <i>vin</i> və <sup>y</sup> n | *vn-Ø <sup>y</sup> | *ØvnØ-y | *ʕ <sup>w</sup> vna-y | 1 |
|-------|------------------------------|--------------------|---------|-----------------------|---|

1. ə-epenthesis; \*y > Ø<sup>y</sup>; +Y: ə > i

HURZA

|       |                                                |                     |                      |                      |   |
|-------|------------------------------------------------|---------------------|----------------------|----------------------|---|
| Mbuko | <i>uvon</i> wva <sup>w</sup> n                 | *w <sup>w</sup> van | *w <sup>w</sup> vanØ | *ʕ <sup>w</sup> vana | 1 |
| Vame  | <i>huvan</i> x <sup>w</sup> ə <sup>w</sup> van | *x <sup>w</sup> van | *x <sup>w</sup> vanØ |                      | 2 |

1. \*ʕ<sup>w</sup> > w<sup>w</sup> > u; +W: \*a > o  
 2. \*ʕ<sup>w</sup> > x<sup>w</sup>; ə-epenthesis; +W: ə > u

MARGI

|             |                                                                                     |                                                    |                                        |                                          |   |
|-------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------|------------------------------------------|---|
| Bura        | <i>vina</i> və <sup>n</sup> na                                                      | *vna-Ø <sup>y</sup>                                | *Øvna-y                                | *ʕ <sup>w</sup> vna-y(-k <sup>w</sup> a) | 1 |
| Margi       | <i>vunyi</i> v <sup>w</sup> ə <sup>n</sup> n <sup>y</sup> y                         | *v <sup>w</sup> n-y <sup>y</sup>                   | *Ø <sup>w</sup> vnØ-y                  |                                          | 2 |
| Margi South | <i>uv<sup>w</sup>unyi</i> wv <sup>w</sup> ə <sup>n</sup> n <sup>y</sup> y           | *w <sup>w</sup> vn-y <sup>y</sup>                  | *w <sup>w</sup> vnØ-y                  |                                          | 3 |
|             | <i>uv<sup>w</sup>i<sup>n</sup>gi</i> wv <sup>w</sup> ə <sup>n</sup> gə <sup>y</sup> | *wv <sup>w</sup> Ø <sup>n</sup> -Ø <sup>y</sup> ga | *w <sup>w</sup> vn <sup>n</sup> Ø-y-ka |                                          | 4 |

1. ə-epenthesis; \*y > Ø<sup>y</sup>; +Y: ə > i  
 2. ə-epenthesis; \*ʕ<sup>w</sup> > Ø<sup>w</sup>; +W: ə > u; \*y > y<sup>y</sup>; +Y: \*n > n<sup>y</sup>; \*y > i  
 3. ə-epenthesis; \*ʕ<sup>w</sup> > w<sup>w</sup> > u; +W: \*v > v<sup>w</sup>; +W: ə > u; +Y: \*n > n<sup>y</sup>; \*y > i  
 4. ə-epenthesis; \*ʕ<sup>w</sup> > w<sup>w</sup>; +W: \*v > v<sup>w</sup>; w > u; k<sup>w</sup> > g; FV \*a > ə; \*y > Ø<sup>y</sup>; +Y: ə > i; \*n > n<sup>n</sup> > Ø<sup>n</sup>; +N: g > <sup>n</sup>g

MANDARA

|        |                                               |                     |                      |                       |   |
|--------|-----------------------------------------------|---------------------|----------------------|-----------------------|---|
|        |                                               |                     |                      | √ C C Ca              |   |
| Glavda | <i>uvra</i> ʏ <sup>w</sup> ə <sup>w</sup> vra | *ʏ <sup>w</sup> vra | *ʏ <sup>w</sup> vna  |                       | 1 |
|        |                                               |                     |                      | √ C CaCa              |   |
| Podoko | <i>uvara</i> wvara                            | *wvara              | *ʏ <sup>w</sup> vana |                       | 2 |
|        |                                               |                     |                      | √ CaCaCa              |   |
| Matal  | <i>aval</i>                                   | *aval               | *ØavalØ              | *ʏ <sup>w</sup> avana | 3 |

1. \*n > r; ə-epenthesis; +W: ə > u  
2. \*ʏ<sup>w</sup> > w > u; \*n > r  
3. \*n > l

## MOFU

|            |                          |                       |                        |                                         |   |
|------------|--------------------------|-----------------------|------------------------|-----------------------------------------|---|
| Moloko     | <i>déver</i> dā'va'r     | *davar-Ø <sup>y</sup> | *davarØ-y              | *y <sup>w</sup> avana-y/-k <sup>w</sup> | 1 |
| Zulgo      | <i>aver</i> ava'r        | *avar-Ø <sup>y</sup>  | *ØavarØ-y              |                                         | 2 |
| Gemzek     | <i>aver</i> ava'r        |                       |                        |                                         | 2 |
| Mofu-Gudur | <i>avan</i> <sup>w</sup> | *avan <sup>w</sup>    | *ØavanØ-k <sup>w</sup> |                                         | 3 |

1. \*y<sup>w</sup> > (? >) d (back formation?); \*n > r; \*y > Ø<sup>y</sup>; +Y: a > e  
2. \*n > r; \*y > Ø<sup>y</sup>; +Y: a > e  
3. fusion \*nk<sup>w</sup> > ŋ<sup>w</sup>

## MAROUA

|                |                                |                    |                        |                                      |   |
|----------------|--------------------------------|--------------------|------------------------|--------------------------------------|---|
|                |                                |                    |                        | √ C C Ca                             |   |
| Giziga-Muturwa | <i>vu</i> vw                   | *vw                | *wvØØ                  | * <sup>y</sup> wvna                  | 1 |
|                |                                |                    |                        | √ CaC Ca                             |   |
| Giziga-Marva   | <i>avu</i> avw                 | *av-w              | *ØavØØ-k <sup>w</sup>  | * <sup>y</sup> wavna-k <sup>w</sup>  | 2 |
|                |                                |                    |                        | √ CaCaCa                             |   |
|                | <i>avon</i> ava <sup>w</sup> ŋ | *avan <sup>w</sup> | *ØavanØ-k <sup>w</sup> | * <sup>y</sup> wavana-k <sup>w</sup> | 3 |

1. \*<sup>y</sup>w > w > u; metathesis wv > vw  
 2. \*k<sup>w</sup> > w > u  
 3. fusion \*nk<sup>w</sup> > ŋ<sup>w</sup>; +W: \*a > o

## LAMANG

|        |                                                              |                                   |                       |                        |   |
|--------|--------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------|-----------------------|------------------------|---|
|        |                                                              |                                   |                       | √ C C Ca               |   |
| Lamang | <i>yuvini</i> <sup>y</sup> ə <sup>w</sup> və <sup>y</sup> ny | * <sup>y</sup> wvn-y <sup>y</sup> | * <sup>y</sup> wvnØ-y | * <sup>y</sup> wvna-y  | 1 |
|        |                                                              |                                   |                       | √ C CaCa               |   |
| Hdi    | <i>vwani</i> vwany                                           | *vwan-y                           | *wvanØ-y              | * <sup>y</sup> wvana-y | 2 |

1. ə-epenthesis; +W: ə > u; +Y: ə > i; \*y > i  
 2. \*<sup>y</sup>w > w; metathesis wv > vw; \*y > i

## HIGI

|             |                               |                     |                      |                                             |   |
|-------------|-------------------------------|---------------------|----------------------|---------------------------------------------|---|
|             |                               |                     |                      | √ C C Ca                                    |   |
| Kamwe-Nkafa | <i>vyə</i>                    | *v-ya               | *ØvØØ-ya             | * <sup>y</sup> wvna(-y(a/-k <sup>w</sup> )) | 1 |
| Kamwe-Futu  | <i>vəno</i> vəna <sup>w</sup> | *vna-Ø <sup>w</sup> | *Øvna-k <sup>w</sup> |                                             | 2 |
| Bana        | <i>və'i</i> vəʔy              | *vʔ-y               | *ʔvØØ-y              |                                             | 3 |

1. FV \*a > ə  
 2. \*k<sup>w</sup> > Ø<sup>w</sup>; +W: lexical-final \*a > o  
 3. \*<sup>y</sup>w > ʔ; metathesis ʔv > vʔ; ə-epenthesis; \*y > i

## KOTOKO-NORTH

|                     |                                                  |                                      |                          |                          |   |
|---------------------|--------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|---|
| Afade <sup>18</sup> | <i>f'anfaʔn</i>                                  | *fʔan-fʔan                           | *RED-ʔfanØ               | *RED- <sup>y</sup> wvana | 1 |
| Mpade               | <i>fonfon</i> fa <sup>w</sup> nfa <sup>w</sup> n | * <sup>w</sup> fan- <sup>w</sup> fan | *RED-Ø <sup>w</sup> fanØ |                          | 2 |
| Malgbe              | <i>fanfan</i>                                    | *fan-fan                             | *RED-ØfanØ               |                          |   |

1. \*<sup>y</sup>w > ʔ; \*v > f; metathesis/fusion of ʔf > fʔ  
 2. \*<sup>y</sup>w > Ø<sup>w</sup>; \*v > f; +W: \*a > o

## KOTOKO-CENTRAL

|      |                  |        |                      |   |
|------|------------------|--------|----------------------|---|
| Mser | <i>uvan</i> wvan | *wvanØ | * <sup>y</sup> wvana | 1 |
|------|------------------|--------|----------------------|---|

1. \*<sup>y</sup>w > w > u

<sup>18</sup> Transcription error (*f'anfaʔn* instead of *f'anfaʔn*)?

## MUSGUM

|                                                                                                                                                                               |                     |           |               |                 |   |
|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------|-----------|---------------|-----------------|---|
|                                                                                                                                                                               |                     |           |               | √ C C Ca        |   |
| Muskum                                                                                                                                                                        | <i>vet</i> vaʔt     | *va-Øʔ-t  | *ØvØa-y-t     | *ʏʷvna-y-t      | 1 |
|                                                                                                                                                                               |                     |           |               | √ C CaCa        |   |
| Vulum                                                                                                                                                                         | <i>aŋveŋ</i> aʷvaʔŋ | *ŋ-van-Øʔ | *mØ-ʏvanØ-y-k | *ma-ʏʷvana-y-kʷ | 2 |
|                                                                                                                                                                               |                     |           |               | √ CaCaCa        |   |
| Vulum                                                                                                                                                                         | <i>aveŋ</i> avaʔŋ   | *avan-Øʔ  | *ØavanØ-y-k   | *ʏʷavana-y-kʷ   | 3 |
| 1. *ʏ > Øʔ; +Y: lexical-final *a > e<br>2. a-prothesis; *ʏʷ > ʏ; fusion *mʏ > ŋ; *ʏ > Øʔ; +Y: *a > e; *kʷ > k; fusion nk > ŋ<br>3. *ʏ > Øʔ; +Y: *a > e; kʷ > k; fusion nk > ŋ |                     |           |               |                 |   |

## cheek

Areal root/loan? \*(ma-) ʏʷ(a)r(a)ma<sup>19</sup> (-RED, -a, -y, -kʷ, -n)

## SUKUR

|                                    |                       |        |        |   |
|------------------------------------|-----------------------|--------|--------|---|
| Sukur                              | <i>ʏulum</i> ʏʷəʔləʷm | *ʏʷlmØ | *ʏʷrma | 1 |
| 1. *r > l; ə-epenthesis; +W: ə > u |                       |        |        |   |

## HURZA

|                                                                                                                                                  |                           |          |            |            |   |
|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------|----------|------------|------------|---|
|                                                                                                                                                  |                           |          |            | √ C C Ca   |   |
| Vame                                                                                                                                             | <i>mula</i> məʔla         | *mØʔla   | *ʏʷmla     | *ʏʷrma     | 1 |
|                                                                                                                                                  |                           |          |            | √ C CaCa   |   |
| Mbuko                                                                                                                                            | <i>məhulom</i> məxʷəʔlaʷm | *m-xʷlam | *mØ-xʷlamØ | *ma-ʏʷrama | 2 |
| 1. *r > l; multiple metathesis ʏʷlm > ʏʷml > mʏʷl; *ʏʷ > Øʔ; ə-epenthesis; +W: ə > u<br>2. *ʏʷ > xʷ; *r > l; ə-epenthesis; +W: ə > u; +W: *a > o |                           |          |            |            |   |

## MANDARA

|                                          |                 |      |        |        |   |
|------------------------------------------|-----------------|------|--------|--------|---|
| Glavda                                   | <i>uum</i> əʷwm | *wʷm | *ʏʷØmØ | *ʏʷrma | 1 |
| 1. *ʏʷ > wʷ > uʷ; ə-prothesis; +W: ə > u |                 |      |        |        |   |

## MOFU

|                                              |                                |                 |             |                  |   |  |  |
|----------------------------------------------|--------------------------------|-----------------|-------------|------------------|---|--|--|
|                                              |                                |                 |             | √ CaC Ca         |   |  |  |
| Zulgo                                        | <i>mahalum</i> maxaləʷm        | *ma-xʷalm       | *ma-xʷalmØ  | *ma-ʏʷarma       | 1 |  |  |
|                                              |                                |                 |             | √ CaCaCa         |   |  |  |
| Gemzek                                       | <i>maholom</i> maxʷaʔlaʷm      | *ma-xʷalam      | *ma-xʷalamØ | *ma-ʏʷara(RED)ma | 2 |  |  |
| Merey                                        | <i>maholom</i> maxʷaʔlaʷm      |                 |             |                  | 2 |  |  |
|                                              | <i>mahololom</i> maxʷaʔlaʷlaʷm | *ma-xʷala-la-ma |             |                  | 2 |  |  |
|                                              |                                |                 |             |                  |   |  |  |
| 1. *ʏʷ > xʷ; *r > l; ə-epenthesis; +W: ə > u |                                |                 |             |                  |   |  |  |
| 2. *ʏʷ > xʷ; *r > l; +W: *a > o              |                                |                 |             |                  |   |  |  |

<sup>19</sup> Since all available examples from the database contain /l/ in C<sub>2</sub> position of the simple root, we might wish to reconstruct \*/l/. Clearly, this cannot be a PCC-level reconstruction, because the proto-language is reconstructed without \*/l/. Therefore, this root must be either a loan (of unidentified origin) or a later areal innovation after /l/ had been established as a phonemicisation of the allophone [l] of PCC \*/r/. In any case, as a PCC root we would need to reconstruct \*ʏʷ(a)r(a)ma and assume that all reconstructed \*r in this root have shifted to /l/ in all languages where the root occurs synchronically.



## LAMANG

|        |                                             |                                                 |                          |                                       |   |
|--------|---------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------|--------------------------|---------------------------------------|---|
| Lamang | <i>lagen</i> la <sup>g</sup> a <sup>ŋ</sup> | *la <sup>g</sup> a <sup>ŋ</sup> -Ø <sup>y</sup> | *la <sup>g</sup> amØ-y-k | * <sup>y</sup> arama-y-k <sup>w</sup> | 1 |
|        | <i>legen</i> la <sup>g</sup> a <sup>ŋ</sup> |                                                 |                          |                                       | 1 |

1. \*<sup>y</sup>w > g; \*r > l; \*k<sup>w</sup> > k; fusion mk > ŋ; metathesis gl > lg; \*y > Ø<sup>y</sup>; +Y: \*a > e

## HIGI

|       |                                                           |                                  |                                  |                    |   |
|-------|-----------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------|----------------------------------|--------------------|---|
| Kirya | <i>yulum</i> <sup>y</sup> w <sup>a</sup> l <sup>w</sup> m | * <sup>y</sup> l <sup>w</sup> m  | * <sup>y</sup> l <sup>w</sup> mØ | * <sup>y</sup> rma | 1 |
| Bana  | <i>y<sup>w</sup>almə</i>                                  | * <sup>y</sup> l <sup>w</sup> ma |                                  |                    | 2 |

1. \*r > l; ə-epenthesis; +W: ə > u

2. \*r > l; ə-epenthesis; lexical-final \*a > ə

## MUSGUM

|       |              |          |            |                         |   |
|-------|--------------|----------|------------|-------------------------|---|
| Mbara | <i>galay</i> | *galØ-ay | *galØa-a-y | * <sup>y</sup> arma-a-y | 1 |
|-------|--------------|----------|------------|-------------------------|---|

1. \*<sup>y</sup>w (> <sup>y</sup>) > g; \*r > l

## GIDAR

|       |                                    |                         |            |                         |   |
|-------|------------------------------------|-------------------------|------------|-------------------------|---|
| Gidar | <i>galiin</i> galə <sup>y</sup> yn | *galØ-y <sup>y</sup> -n | *galØa-y-n | * <sup>y</sup> arma-y-n | 1 |
|-------|------------------------------------|-------------------------|------------|-------------------------|---|

1. \*<sup>y</sup>w > g; \*r > l; ə-epenthesis; +Y: ə > i; \*y > i

## chicken

PCC \*(ma-) g<sup>w</sup>(a)ts(a)k<sup>w</sup>(a)ra (-y)

## MAFA

|      |                                            |                        |             |                                         |   |
|------|--------------------------------------------|------------------------|-------------|-----------------------------------------|---|
| Mafa | <i>wat<sup>ak</sup></i> wats <sup>ak</sup> | *watsak-Ø <sup>y</sup> | *watsakØØ-y | *g <sup>w</sup> atsak <sup>w</sup> ra-y | 1 |
|------|--------------------------------------------|------------------------|-------------|-----------------------------------------|---|

1. \*g<sup>w</sup> > w; \*k<sup>w</sup> > k; \*y > Ø<sup>y</sup>; +Y: \*ts > tʃ

## SUKUR

|       |                                              |                     |                       |                                      |   |
|-------|----------------------------------------------|---------------------|-----------------------|--------------------------------------|---|
| Sukur | <i>takur</i> tak <sup>w</sup> ə <sup>r</sup> | *tak <sup>w</sup> r | *Øtak <sup>w</sup> rØ | *g <sup>w</sup> tsak <sup>w</sup> ra | 1 |
|-------|----------------------------------------------|---------------------|-----------------------|--------------------------------------|---|

1. \*ts > t; ə-epenthesis; +W: ə > u

## HURZA

|       |                                                    |                        |                          |                                         |   |
|-------|----------------------------------------------------|------------------------|--------------------------|-----------------------------------------|---|
| Mbuko | <i>nzəkar</i>                                      | *n-zkar                | *mØ-ØzkarØ               | *ma-g <sup>w</sup> tsk <sup>w</sup> ara | 1 |
| Vame  | <i>nzugurak</i> nzə <sup>g</sup> w <sup>w</sup> ak | *n-zg <sup>w</sup> rak | *mØ-g <sup>w</sup> zkarØ |                                         | 2 |

1. \*ts > z; \*k<sup>w</sup> > k; ə-epenthesis; homorganic assimilation \*m > n/\_z

2. \*ts > z; \*k<sup>w</sup> > k; ə-epenthesis; homorganic assimilation \*m > n/\_z; metathesis g<sup>w</sup>z > zg<sup>w</sup>; metathesis kr > rk; +W: ə > u

## MANDARA

|        |                           |                       |                         |                                       |   |
|--------|---------------------------|-----------------------|-------------------------|---------------------------------------|---|
|        |                           |                       |                         | √ C C C Ca                            |   |
| Podoko | <i>utsəka</i> wtsəka      | *wtska                | *wtskØa                 | *g <sup>w</sup> tsk <sup>w</sup> ra   | 1 |
|        |                           |                       |                         | √ CaCaC Ca                            |   |
| Matal  | <i>g<sup>w</sup>atsak</i> | *g <sup>w</sup> atsak | *g <sup>w</sup> atsakØØ | *g <sup>w</sup> atsak <sup>w</sup> ra | 2 |

1. \*g<sup>w</sup> > w > u; \*k<sup>w</sup> > k; ə-epenthesis

2. \*k<sup>w</sup> > k

## MOFU

|         |                                                                                                             |                                                     |                                          |                                          |   |
|---------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------|---|
|         |                                                                                                             |                                                     |                                          | √ C C C Ca                               |   |
| Zulgo   | <i>mə<sup>nd</sup>zik<sup>w</sup>ir</i><br>ma <sup>w</sup> dza <sup>y</sup> k <sup>w</sup> ə <sup>y</sup> r | *ma- <sup>n</sup> dzk <sup>w</sup> r-Ø <sup>y</sup> | *m <sup>a</sup> a-Ødzk <sup>w</sup> rØ-y | *ma-g <sup>w</sup> tsk <sup>w</sup> ra-y | 1 |
|         |                                                                                                             |                                                     |                                          | √ C C CaCa                               |   |
| Ouldeme | <i>wutskar</i> wə <sup>w</sup> tskar                                                                        | *w <sup>w</sup> tskar                               | *w <sup>w</sup> tskarØ                   | *g <sup>w</sup> tsk <sup>w</sup> ara(-y) | 2 |
| Dugwor  | <i>wufəker</i> wə <sup>w</sup> ts <sup>y</sup> əka <sup>y</sup> r                                           | *w <sup>w</sup> tskar-Ø <sup>y</sup>                | *w <sup>w</sup> tskarØ-y                 |                                          | 3 |

|                                                                                                                        |                                                                                                             |                                                       |                                            |                                            |   |
|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------|---|
|                                                                                                                        |                                                                                                             |                                                       |                                            | √ C CaCaCa                                 |   |
| Moloko                                                                                                                 | <i>a<sup>n</sup>dʒakar</i><br>a <sup>n</sup> dʒʷakar                                                        | *Øa- <sup>n</sup> dzakar-Ø <sup>y</sup>               | *m <sup>n</sup> a-ØdzakarØ-y               | *ma-g <sup>w</sup> tsak <sup>w</sup> ara-y | 4 |
| Gemzek                                                                                                                 | <i>me<sup>n</sup>dʒek<sup>w</sup>er</i><br>ma <sup>n</sup> dʒa <sup>y</sup> k <sup>w</sup> a <sup>y</sup> r | *ma- <sup>n</sup> dzak <sup>w</sup> ar-Ø <sup>y</sup> | *m <sup>n</sup> a-Ødzak <sup>w</sup> arØ-y |                                            | 5 |
| Merey                                                                                                                  | <i>ma<sup>n</sup>dʒek<sup>w</sup>er</i><br>ma <sup>n</sup> dʒa <sup>y</sup> k <sup>w</sup> a <sup>y</sup> r |                                                       |                                            |                                            | 5 |
| 1. *ts > dz; ə-epenthesis; *y > Ø <sup>y</sup> ; +Y: ə > i; +Y: *a > e; *m > m <sup>n</sup> ; +N: dz > <sup>n</sup> dz |                                                                                                             |                                                       |                                            |                                            |   |
| 2. *g <sup>w</sup> > w <sup>w</sup> ; ə-epenthesis; +W: ə > u                                                          |                                                                                                             |                                                       |                                            |                                            |   |
| 3. *g <sup>w</sup> > w <sup>w</sup> ; ə-epenthesis; +W: ə > u; *y > Ø <sup>y</sup> ; +Y: *ts > tʃ; +Y: *a > e          |                                                                                                             |                                                       |                                            |                                            |   |
| 4. *ts > dz; *y > Ø <sup>y</sup> ; +Y: *dz > dʒ; *m > m <sup>n</sup> ; +N: dʒ > <sup>n</sup> dʒ                        |                                                                                                             |                                                       |                                            |                                            |   |
| 5. *ts > dz; *y > Ø <sup>y</sup> ; +Y: *a > e; *m > m <sup>n</sup> ; +N: dz > <sup>n</sup> dz                          |                                                                                                             |                                                       |                                            |                                            |   |

## MAROUA

|              |                                                                        |                                       |                             |                                             |   |
|--------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------|-----------------------------|---------------------------------------------|---|
| Giziga-Marva | <i>kəʈʃikar</i><br>kəʈsʷə <sup>y</sup> kar                             | *ktskar-Ø <sup>y</sup>                | *ktskarØ-y                  | *(ma-)g <sup>w</sup> tsk <sup>w</sup> ara-y | 1 |
| Mbazla       | <i>mufʃukor</i><br>məʈsʷə <sup>y</sup> k <sup>w</sup> a <sup>w</sup> r | *m-ʈsk <sup>w</sup> ar-Ø <sup>y</sup> | *mØ-Øʈsk <sup>w</sup> arØ-y |                                             | 2 |

1. \*g<sup>w</sup> > k; \*k<sup>w</sup> > k; ə-epenthesis; \*y > Ø<sup>y</sup>; +Y: \*ʈs > tʃ; +Y: ə > i

2. ə-epenthesis: \*y > Ø<sup>y</sup>; +Y: \*ʈs > tʃ; +W: ə > u; +W: \*a > o

## LAMANG

|                                                                                                                                   |                        |                         |                         |                                        |   |
|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------|-------------------------|-------------------------|----------------------------------------|---|
| Lamang                                                                                                                            | yatak <sup>w</sup> ala | *yatak <sup>w</sup> ala |                         | *g <sup>w</sup> atsak <sup>w</sup> ara | 1 |
|                                                                                                                                   | yatalak <sup>w</sup>   | *yatalak <sup>w</sup>   | *yatak <sup>w</sup> alØ |                                        | 2 |
| 1. *g <sup>w</sup> > y; *ts > t; *r > l<br>2. *g <sup>w</sup> > y; *ts > t; *r > l; metathesis k <sup>w</sup> l > lk <sup>w</sup> |                        |                         |                         |                                        |   |

## KOTOKO-SOUTH

|                                                                                      |                         |             |             |               |   |
|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------|-------------|-------------|---------------|---|
|                                                                                      |                         |             |             | √ C C C Ca    |   |
| Mazera                                                                               | <i>tʃikre</i> tsʷəʸkraʸ | *tskra-Øʸ   | *Øtskra-y   | *gʷtskʷra-y   | 1 |
|                                                                                      |                         |             |             | √ C CaCaCa    |   |
|                                                                                      | <i>tʃakar</i> tsʷakar   | *tsakar-Øʸ  | *ØtsakarØ-y | *gʷtsakʷara-y | 2 |
| Zina                                                                                 | <i>tʃakara</i> tsʷakara | *tsakara-Øʸ | *Øtsakara-y |               | 2 |
| 1. *kʷ > k; ə-epenthesis; *y > Øʸ; +Y: *ts > tʃ; +Y: ə > i; +Y: lexical-final *a > e |                         |             |             |               |   |
| 2. *kʷ > k; *y > Øʸ; +Y: *ts > tʃ                                                    |                         |             |             |               |   |

## MUSGUM

|                                                                          |                                                  |                       |             |                                          |   |
|--------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------|-----------------------|-------------|------------------------------------------|---|
| Muskum                                                                   | <i>miskir</i> mə <sup>y</sup> skə <sup>y</sup> r | *m-skr-Ø <sup>y</sup> | *mØ-ØskrØ-y | *ma-g <sup>w</sup> tsk <sup>w</sup> ra-y | 1 |
| 1. *, *k <sup>w</sup> > k; ə-epenthesis; *y > Ø <sup>y</sup> ; +Y: ə > i |                                                  |                       |             |                                          |   |

child<sup>20</sup>PCC \*(ma-, RED-) **z(a)g<sup>w</sup>(a)na** (-y, -k<sup>w</sup>; FV)

## BATA

|                                                          |                                  |                      |          |                        |   |
|----------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------|----------------------|----------|------------------------|---|
| Jimi                                                     | <i>zegən</i> za <sup>y</sup> gən | *zagn-Ø <sup>y</sup> | *zagnØ-y | *zag <sup>w</sup> na-y | 1 |
| 1. *g <sup>w</sup> > g; *y > Ø <sup>y</sup> ; +Y: *a > e |                                  |                      |          |                        |   |

<sup>20</sup> Gravina (2015) considers this root “difficult to reconstruct” and obviously does not include all potential cognates in his database: “There are several roots in other languages which look similar and may be cognate, e.g. Bura /bzər/ and Mbuko /wan/.” We consider these to indeed be cognates and include those explicitly mentioned in our sample.

## HURZA

|       |            |      |        |                      |   |
|-------|------------|------|--------|----------------------|---|
| Mbuko | <i>wan</i> | *wan | *ØwanØ | *zg <sup>w</sup> ana | 1 |
|-------|------------|------|--------|----------------------|---|

1. \*g<sup>w</sup> > w

## MARGI

|      |                              |                   |                     |                     |   |
|------|------------------------------|-------------------|---------------------|---------------------|---|
| Bura | <i>bzər</i> z <sup>w</sup> r | *z <sup>w</sup> r | *zØ <sup>w</sup> rØ | *zg <sup>w</sup> na | 1 |
|------|------------------------------|-------------------|---------------------|---------------------|---|

1. \*n > r; \*g<sup>w</sup> > Ø<sup>w</sup>; +W \*z > z<sup>w</sup> (= orthographic bz)

## MANDARA

|         |                                                  |                       |          |                         |   |
|---------|--------------------------------------------------|-----------------------|----------|-------------------------|---|
| Podoko  | <i>udzəra</i> wdzəra                             | *wdzra                | *dzwra   | *zg <sup>w</sup> na(-y) | 1 |
| Dghwede | <i>vdʒire</i> vdzʼə <sup>y</sup> ra <sup>y</sup> | *vdzra-Ø <sup>y</sup> | *dzvra-y |                         | 2 |
| Malgwa  | <i>əgza</i>                                      | *gza                  | *zgØa    |                         | 3 |
| Glavda  | <i>zra</i>                                       | *zra                  | *zØra    |                         | 4 |
|         | <i>zə</i>                                        | *zə                   | *zØØa    |                         | 5 |

1. \*z > dz; \*g<sup>w</sup> > w > u; \*n > r; metathesis dzw > wdz; ə-epenthesis2. \*z > dz; \*g<sup>w</sup> (> b) > v; \*n > r; metathesis dzv > vdz; ə-epenthesis; \*y > Ø<sup>y</sup>; +Y: dz > dʒ; +Y: ə > i; +Y: lexical-final \*a > e3. \*g<sup>w</sup> > g; metathesis zg > gz; ə-prothesis

4. \*n &gt; r

5. lexical-final \*a &gt; ə

## MOFU

|         |                                                |                        |              |                            |   |
|---------|------------------------------------------------|------------------------|--------------|----------------------------|---|
| Ouldeme | <i>zezeŋ</i> za <sup>y</sup> za <sup>y</sup> ŋ | *za-zan-Ø <sup>y</sup> | *RED-zagnØ-y | *RED-zag <sup>w</sup> na-y | 1 |
|---------|------------------------------------------------|------------------------|--------------|----------------------------|---|

1. \*g<sup>w</sup> > g; fusion gn > ŋ; \*y > Ø<sup>y</sup>; +Y: \*a > e

## MAROUA

|                      |                                |                      |                     |                              |   |
|----------------------|--------------------------------|----------------------|---------------------|------------------------------|---|
| Giziga-Marva         | <i>zun</i> zwn                 | *zwn                 | *zg <sup>w</sup> nØ | *(ma-)zg <sup>w</sup> na(-y) | 1 |
| Giziga-Muturwa       | <i>zuŋ</i> zə <sup>y</sup> ŋ   | *zŋ <sup>w</sup>     |                     |                              | 2 |
| Mbazla <sup>21</sup> | <i>ziŋ</i> zə <sup>y</sup> ŋ   | *zŋ-Ø <sup>y</sup>   | *zgnØ-y             |                              | 3 |
|                      | <i>nzil</i> nzə <sup>y</sup> l | *n-zl-Ø <sup>y</sup> | *mØ-zØlØ-y          |                              | 4 |

1. \*g<sup>w</sup> > w2. fusion g<sup>w</sup>n > ŋ<sup>w</sup>; ə-epenthesis; +W: ə > u3. \*g<sup>w</sup> > g; fusion gn > ŋ; ə-epenthesis; \*y > Ø<sup>y</sup>; +Y: \*ə > i4. \*n (> r) > l; homorganic assimilation \*m > n/\_z; ə-epenthesis; \*y > Ø<sup>y</sup>; +Y: \*ə > i

## LAMANG

|        |                    |           |           |                                           |   |
|--------|--------------------|-----------|-----------|-------------------------------------------|---|
| Lamang | <i>uz</i> wz       | *wz < *zw | *zwØØØ    | *zg <sup>w</sup> ana(-k <sup>w</sup> (a)) | 1 |
|        | <i>uzaŋa</i> wzaŋa | *wzaŋa    | *zwanØ-ka |                                           | 2 |
| Hdi    | <i>zwaŋ</i>        | *zwaŋ     | *zwanØ-k  |                                           | 3 |

1. \*g<sup>w</sup> > w > u; metathesis zw > wz2. \*g<sup>w</sup> > w > u; metathesis zw > wz; \*k<sup>w</sup> > k; fusion nk > ŋ3. \*g<sup>w</sup> > w; \*k<sup>w</sup> > k; fusion nk > ŋ

## HIGI

|             |                                            |                     |                       |                         |   |
|-------------|--------------------------------------------|---------------------|-----------------------|-------------------------|---|
| Kamwe-Nkafa | <i>zəg<sup>w</sup>i</i> zəg <sup>w</sup> y | *zg <sup>w</sup> -y | *zg <sup>w</sup> ØØ-y | *zg <sup>w</sup> na(-y) | 1 |
| Kamwe-Futu  | <i>zəg<sup>w</sup>i</i> zəg <sup>w</sup> y |                     |                       |                         | 1 |

<sup>21</sup> Our reconstruction of \*{ma-} here is arbitrary and motivated by intuitive analogy. We could also have reconstructed \*{na-} for lack of any comparative evidence as to the original nature of the initial nasal of the augmental prefix.

|        |                                  |                     |                     |   |
|--------|----------------------------------|---------------------|---------------------|---|
| Bana   | <i>z(ə)ɣ<sup>w</sup>ə</i>        | *zɣ <sup>w</sup> ə  | *zɣ <sup>w</sup> Øa | 2 |
| Kirya  | <i>zwəga</i>                     | *zwga               | *zgwØa              | 3 |
| Psikye | <i>wuzəgə wə<sup>w</sup>zəgə</i> | *w <sup>w</sup> zgə | *zgwØa              | 4 |

1. \*y > i  
2. \*g<sup>w</sup> > ɣ<sup>w</sup>; lexical-final \*a > ə  
3. re-segmentalisation \*g<sup>w</sup> > g+w; metathesis gw > wg; ə-epenthesis  
4. re-segmentalisation \*g<sup>w</sup> > g+w<sup>w</sup>; multiple metathesis zgw > wzg; ə-epenthesis; +W: ə > u; lexical-final \*a > ə

claw, fingernail

PCC \*(na-, xa-)<sup>22</sup> **d(a)k(a)na** (-y, -k<sup>w</sup>)

MAFA

|       |                      |                      |            |                         |   |
|-------|----------------------|----------------------|------------|-------------------------|---|
| Cuvok | <i>rəheŋ rəxa'yŋ</i> | *rxan-Ø <sup>y</sup> | *rxanØ-y-k | *dkana-y-k <sup>w</sup> | 1 |
|-------|----------------------|----------------------|------------|-------------------------|---|

1. \*d' > r; radical \*k > x; suffixal \*k<sup>w</sup> > k; fusion \*nk > ŋ; ə-epenthesis; \*y > Ø<sup>y</sup>; +Y: \*a > e

MAROUA

|        |                       |                     |           |                        |   |
|--------|-----------------------|---------------------|-----------|------------------------|---|
| Mbazla | <i>dikiŋ də'kə'yŋ</i> | *dkŋ-Ø <sup>y</sup> | *dknØ-y-k | *dkna-y-k <sup>w</sup> | 1 |
|        | <i>likiŋ lə'kə'yŋ</i> | *lkŋ-Ø <sup>y</sup> | *lknØ-y-k |                        | 2 |

1. suffixal \*k<sup>w</sup> > k; fusion \*nk > ŋ; ə-epenthesis; \*y > Ø<sup>y</sup>; +Y: ə > i  
2. \*d' (> r) > l; suffixal \*k<sup>w</sup> > k; fusion \*nk > ŋ; ə-epenthesis; \*y > Ø<sup>y</sup>; +Y: ə > i

LAMANG

|        |                    |        |           |                        |   |
|--------|--------------------|--------|-----------|------------------------|---|
|        |                    |        |           | √ CaC Ca               |   |
| Hdi    | <i>dahəŋ daxəŋ</i> | *daxŋ  | *daxnØ-k  | *dakna-k <sup>w</sup>  | 1 |
|        |                    |        |           | √ CaCaCa               |   |
| Lamang | <i>dahan daxan</i> | *daxan | *daxanØ-k | *dakana-k <sup>w</sup> | 2 |

1. radical \*k > x; suffixal \*k<sup>w</sup> > k; fusion \*nk > ŋ; ə-epenthesis  
2. radical \*k > x; suffixal \*k<sup>w</sup> > k; fusion \*nk > ŋ

KOTOKO-NORTH

|        |                      |                        |             |               |   |
|--------|----------------------|------------------------|-------------|---------------|---|
|        |                      |                        |             | √ C C Ca      |   |
| Malgbe | <i>nk'in nk'ə'n</i>  | *n-ʔkn-Ø <sup>y</sup>  | *nØ-ʔknØ-y  | *na-dkna-y    | 1 |
|        |                      |                        |             | √ C CaCa      |   |
| Afade  | <i>nk'an nk'an</i>   | *n-ʔkan                | *nØ-ʔkanØ   | *na-dkana(-y) | 2 |
| Mpade  | <i>nk'an nk'an</i>   |                        |             |               | 2 |
| Maltam | <i>ɣgare ŋgara'y</i> | *ŋ-gara-Ø <sup>y</sup> | *nØ-Øgara-y |               | 3 |

1. \*d' > ʔ; fusion ʔk > k'; ə-epenthesis; \*y > Ø<sup>y</sup>; +Y: ə > i  
2. \*d' > ʔ; fusion ʔk > k'  
3. \*k > g; \*n > r; \*y > Ø<sup>y</sup>; +Y: lexical-final a > e; homorganic assimilation \*n > ŋ/\_g

KOTOKO-CENTRAL

|        |                       |                       |            |            |   |
|--------|-----------------------|-----------------------|------------|------------|---|
| Lagwan | <i>nk'ini nk'ə'ny</i> | *n-ʔkn-y <sup>y</sup> | *nØ-ʔknØ-y | *na-dkna-y | 1 |
| Mser   | <i>nk'ir nk'ə'r</i>   | *n-ʔkr-Ø <sup>y</sup> | *nØ-ʔkrØ-y |            | 2 |

<sup>22</sup> Our reconstruction of \*{na-} here is arbitrary and motivated by intuitive analogy. We could also have reconstructed \*{ma-} for lack of any comparative evidence as to the original nature of the initial nasal of the augmental prefix.

|                                                                             |                         |             |             |                    |   |
|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------|-------------|-------------|--------------------|---|
| 1. *d' > ʔ; fusion ʔk > k'; ə-epenthesis; *y > y'; +Y: ə > i; *y > i        |                         |             |             |                    |   |
| 2. *d' > ʔ; *n > r; fusion ʔk > k'; ə-epenthesis; *y > Ø'; +Y: ə > i        |                         |             |             |                    |   |
| KOTOKO-SOUTH                                                                |                         |             |             |                    |   |
|                                                                             |                         |             |             | √ C C Ca           |   |
| Mazera                                                                      | <i>hikine</i> xəʔkəʔnaʏ | *xØ-kna-Øʏ  | *xa-Økna-y  | *xa-dkna-y         | 1 |
|                                                                             |                         |             |             | √ C CaCa           |   |
|                                                                             | <i>hakane</i> xakanaʏ   | *xa-kana-Øʏ | *xa-Økana-y | *(xa-)dkana-y(-kʷ) | 2 |
|                                                                             | <i>kʷare</i> kʷaraʏ     | *kara-Øʏ-Øʷ | *Økara-y-kʷ |                    | 3 |
| 1. ə-epenthesis; *y > Øʏ; +Y: ə > i; +Y: lexical-final *a > e               |                         |             |             |                    |   |
| 2. *y > Øʏ; +Y: lexical-final *a > e                                        |                         |             |             |                    |   |
| 3. *n > r; *kʷ > Øʷ; +W: radical *k > kʷ; *y > Øʏ; +Y: lexical-final *a > e |                         |             |             |                    |   |

cold, to be

PCC \*(ma-) **t(a)la** (-a, -y, -kʷ, -n; FV)

MAFA

|                 |               |          |          |          |   |
|-----------------|---------------|----------|----------|----------|---|
| Mafa            | <i>matal</i>  | *m-tal   | *mØ-talØ | *ma-tala | 1 |
| Cuvok           | <i>matala</i> | *ma-tala |          |          |   |
| 1. ə-epenthesis |               |          |          |          |   |

MARGI

|                         |                                                   |                          |                           |                              |   |
|-------------------------|---------------------------------------------------|--------------------------|---------------------------|------------------------------|---|
| Bura                    | <i>mtali</i> mtały                                | *m-tal-y                 | *mØ-talØ-y                | *ma-tala-y/-k <sup>w</sup> a | 1 |
|                         | <i>mtalaku</i> mtałak <sup>w</sup> ə <sup>w</sup> | *m-tala-k <sup>w</sup> ə | *mØ-tala-k <sup>w</sup> a |                              | 2 |
| 1. *y > i               |                                                   |                          |                           |                              |   |
| 2. FV *a > ə; +W: ə > u |                                                   |                          |                           |                              |   |

MANDARA

|                                              |                    |         |          |          |   |
|----------------------------------------------|--------------------|---------|----------|----------|---|
| Podoko                                       | <i>matala</i>      | *m-tala | *mØ-tala | *ma-tala | 1 |
| Dghwede                                      | <i>nɗala</i> ndala | *n-dala | *mØ-dala |          | 2 |
| 1. ə-epenthesis                              |                    |         |          |          |   |
| 2. *t > d; homorganic assimilation *m > n/_d |                    |         |          |          |   |

MOFU

|        |                      |           |              |                  |   |
|--------|----------------------|-----------|--------------|------------------|---|
| Moloko | <i>*dalay</i> ndalay | *n-dal-ay | *mØ-dalØ-a-y | *(ma-)tala(-a-y) | 1 |
| Gemzek | <i>matal</i>         | *m-tal    | *mØ-talØ     |                  | 2 |
| Merey  | <i>matal</i>         |           |              |                  | 2 |
|        | <i>tala</i>          | *tala     |              |                  |   |

1. \*t > d; homorganic assimilation \*m > n/\_d

2. ə-epenthesis

MAROUA

|                                                                   |                          |               |                 |                 |   |
|-------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------|---------------|-----------------|-----------------|---|
| Giziga-Marva                                                      | <i>mutelaŋ</i> məʷtaʷlaŋ | *m-tala-Øʏ-ŋʷ | *mØ-tala-y-kʷ-n | *ma-tala-y-kʷ-n | 1 |
| 1. *y > Øʏ; +Y: *a > e; ə-epenthesis; fusion *kʷn > ŋʷ; +W: ə > u |                          |               |                 |                 |   |

LAMANG

|                 |              |         |          |          |   |
|-----------------|--------------|---------|----------|----------|---|
| Lamang          | <i>mtala</i> | *m-tala | *mØ-tala | *ma-tala |   |
| Hdi             | <i>matal</i> | *m-tal  | *mØ-talØ |          | 1 |
| 1. ə-epenthesis |              |         |          |          |   |

## HIGI

|           |                  |        |         |         |   |
|-----------|------------------|--------|---------|---------|---|
| Bana      | <i>tali taly</i> | *tal-y | *talØ-y | *tala-y | 1 |
| 1. *y > i |                  |        |         |         |   |

## KOTOKO-CENTRAL

|                                             |                   |          |         |         |   |
|---------------------------------------------|-------------------|----------|---------|---------|---|
| Lagwan                                      | <i>tali taləʸ</i> | *talə-Øʸ | *talə-y | *tala-y | 1 |
| 1. lexical-final *a > ə; *y > Øʸ; +Y: ə > i |                   |          |         |         |   |

compound, house, home

## PCC \*(ta-/tsa-/xa-) y(a)ya (-kʷ)

## BATA

|                                 |             |       |       |   |
|---------------------------------|-------------|-------|-------|---|
| Sharwa                          | <i>hayə</i> | *xaya | *yaya | 1 |
| 1. *y > x; lexical-final *a > ə |             |       |       |   |

## DABA

|                                              |               |       |      |      |   |
|----------------------------------------------|---------------|-------|------|------|---|
| Buwal                                        | <i>ge gaʸ</i> | *gØʸa | *gya | *yya | 1 |
| Mbudum                                       | <i>ge gaʸ</i> |       |      |      | 1 |
| 1. *y > g; *y > Øʸ; +Y: lexical-final *a > e |               |       |      |      |   |

## MAFA

|           |            |       |       |   |
|-----------|------------|-------|-------|---|
| Mafa      | <i>gay</i> | *gayØ | *yaya | 1 |
| 1. *y > g |            |       |       |   |

## SUKUR

|                         |                |      |      |   |
|-------------------------|----------------|------|------|---|
| Sukur                   | <i>yi yy</i>   | *yyØ | *yya | 1 |
|                         | <i>yəi yəy</i> |      |      | 2 |
| 1. *y > i               |                |      |      |   |
| 2. ə-epenthesis; *y > i |                |      |      |   |

## HURZA

|                     |              |      |      |   |
|---------------------|--------------|------|------|---|
| Mbuko <sup>23</sup> | <i>(a)ga</i> | *gØa | *yya | 1 |
| 1. *y > g           |              |      |      |   |

## MANDARA

|                      |                |       |       |   |
|----------------------|----------------|-------|-------|---|
| Matal                | <i>gay</i>     | *gayØ | *yaya | 1 |
| Podoko               | <i>kaya</i>    | *kaya |       | 2 |
| Mandara              | <i>ha</i>      | *xØØa |       | 3 |
| Glavda <sup>24</sup> | <i>xa(:wa)</i> |       |       | 3 |
| 1. *y > g            |                |       |       |   |
| 2. *y (> g) > k      |                |       |       |   |
| 3. *y > x            |                |       |       |   |

## MOFU

|                      |             |          |            |   |
|----------------------|-------------|----------|------------|---|
| Ouldeme              | <i>yay</i>  | *yayØ    | *(Ca-)yaya |   |
| Muyang <sup>25</sup> | <i>ahay</i> | *Øa-xayØ |            | 1 |

<sup>23</sup> The full Mbuko expression translates as 'at the house of'.

<sup>24</sup> The full Glavda expression translates as 'entrance hut' i.e. 'house-mouth/opening', where *wa* represents 'mouth'.

<sup>25</sup> The nature of the assumed initial prefix consonant in Muyang remains obscure for lack of conclusive comparative evidence other than from the LAMANG group, which in itself is somewhat inconclusive, see footnote 26.

|                                                                                                                                                                                                                |                                                |                    |                     |                        |
|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------|--------------------|---------------------|------------------------|
| Moloko                                                                                                                                                                                                         | hay                                            | *xayØ              |                     | 1                      |
| Gemzek                                                                                                                                                                                                         | ga                                             |                    |                     | 2                      |
| Dugwor                                                                                                                                                                                                         | gay                                            | *gayØ              |                     | 2                      |
| Merey                                                                                                                                                                                                          | gay                                            |                    |                     | 2                      |
|                                                                                                                                                                                                                | gə                                             | *gØØa              |                     | 3                      |
| Mofu North                                                                                                                                                                                                     | ʔay                                            | *ʔayØ              |                     | 4                      |
| Mofu-Gudur                                                                                                                                                                                                     | way                                            | *wayØ              |                     | 5                      |
| 1. *ʔ > x<br>2. *ʔ > g<br>3. *ʔ > g; lexical-final *a > ə<br>4. *ʔ (> g) > ?<br>5. *ʔ (> g) > w                                                                                                                |                                                |                    |                     |                        |
| MAROUA                                                                                                                                                                                                         |                                                |                    |                     |                        |
| Mbazla                                                                                                                                                                                                         | gai gay                                        | *gayØ              | *yaya               | 1                      |
| 1. *ʔ > g                                                                                                                                                                                                      |                                                |                    |                     |                        |
| LAMANG <sup>26</sup>                                                                                                                                                                                           |                                                |                    |                     |                        |
| Lamang                                                                                                                                                                                                         | xga                                            | *x-ga              | *xØ-gØØa            | 1                      |
| Hdi                                                                                                                                                                                                            | xga                                            | *x-ga              | *xØ-gØØa            | 1                      |
| Lamang                                                                                                                                                                                                         | tgha                                           | *t-ya              | *tØ-yØØa            | *(ta--tsa-/xa-)yaya    |
| Hdi                                                                                                                                                                                                            | dzagha                                         | *dza-ya            | *tsa-yØØa           |                        |
| 1. *ʔ > g<br>2. *t (> ts) > dz                                                                                                                                                                                 |                                                |                    |                     |                        |
| HIGI                                                                                                                                                                                                           |                                                |                    |                     |                        |
|                                                                                                                                                                                                                |                                                |                    | √ C Ca              |                        |
| Bana                                                                                                                                                                                                           | yyi ʔy                                         | *yyʔØ              |                     | *yya(-k <sup>w</sup> ) |
| Psikye                                                                                                                                                                                                         | ge gaʔ                                         | *gØʔa              | *gya                |                        |
| Kamwe-Futu                                                                                                                                                                                                     | ʔ <sup>w</sup> o ʔ <sup>w</sup> a <sup>w</sup> | *ʔa-Ø <sup>w</sup> | *ʔØa-k <sup>w</sup> |                        |
|                                                                                                                                                                                                                |                                                |                    | √ CaCa              |                        |
| Kirya                                                                                                                                                                                                          | yay                                            | *yayØ              | *yaya               |                        |
| 1. *y > y <sup>y</sup> ; +Y: *y > y <sup>y</sup> ; *y > i<br>2. *y > g; *y > Ø <sup>y</sup> ; +Y; lexical-final *a > e<br>3. *k <sup>w</sup> > Ø <sup>w</sup> ; +W: *y > y <sup>w</sup> ; lexical-final *a > o |                                                |                    |                     |                        |
| KOTOKO-NORTH                                                                                                                                                                                                   |                                                |                    |                     |                        |
| Malgbe                                                                                                                                                                                                         | ha                                             | *xØØa              |                     | *yya(-k <sup>w</sup> ) |
| Mpade                                                                                                                                                                                                          | ho xa <sup>w</sup>                             | *xa-Ø <sup>w</sup> | *xØa-k <sup>w</sup> |                        |
| Afade                                                                                                                                                                                                          | ho xa <sup>w</sup>                             |                    |                     |                        |
| 1. *ʔ > x<br>2. *k <sup>w</sup> > Ø <sup>w</sup> ; +W: lexical-final *a > o                                                                                                                                    |                                                |                    |                     |                        |

<sup>26</sup> Not contained in Gravina (2015). Both languages of this group appear to have a double reflex of the same (?) PCC root that reflects semantic differences, i.e. *ʔya/dzaya* ‘home/place of residence’ and *xga* ‘compound/house’. Note the different sound correspondences of the initial root consonant \*ʔ = ʔ, \*ʔ > g, and the – somewhat disturbing assumption of – unusual prefixal root augments that no other languages of the sample share – if at all we are dealing with cognates stemming from the same root. Note that a parallel case of a ‘double reflex’ of possibly the same PCC root is provided by the pair ‘belch’ and ‘cough’.

## KOTOKO-CENTRAL

|        |            |               |               |  |
|--------|------------|---------------|---------------|--|
| Lagwan | <i>yaa</i> | * <i>yaØa</i> | * <i>yaya</i> |  |
|--------|------------|---------------|---------------|--|

## KOTOKO-SOUTH

|        |               |               |              |   |
|--------|---------------|---------------|--------------|---|
| Mazera | <i>ye yaʸ</i> | * <i>ʸØʸa</i> | * <i>yya</i> | 1 |
|--------|---------------|---------------|--------------|---|

1. \**y* > Øʸ; +Y: lexical-final \**a* > *e*

cook, to

PCC \*(*kʷa*-, *ma*-, RED) *da* (-*a*-, *-y*-, *-kʷ*-, FV)

## DABA

|        |                       |                     |                       |   |
|--------|-----------------------|---------------------|-----------------------|---|
| Buwal  | <i>da</i>             | * <i>da</i>         |                       |   |
| Gavar  | <i>da</i>             |                     |                       |   |
| Mbudum | <i>kəda kəda</i>      | * <i>kØ-da</i>      |                       |   |
|        | <i>kəduda kədəʷda</i> | * <i>kØ-d-da-Øʷ</i> | * <i>ka-RED-da-kʷ</i> | 1 |
| Daba   | <i>ta</i>             | * <i>ta</i>         |                       | 2 |
|        |                       |                     |                       | 3 |

1. prefixal \**kʷ* > *k*; ə-epenthesis2. prefixal \**kʷ* > *k*; ə-epenthesis; suffixal \**kʷ* > Øʷ; +W: ə > *u*3. \**d* > *t*

## SUKUR

|       |              |             |  |             |   |
|-------|--------------|-------------|--|-------------|---|
| Sukur | <i>də də</i> | * <i>da</i> |  | * <i>da</i> | 1 |
|-------|--------------|-------------|--|-------------|---|

1. lexical-final \**a* > ə

## HURZA

|       |           |             |  |             |  |
|-------|-----------|-------------|--|-------------|--|
| Mbuko | <i>da</i> | * <i>da</i> |  | * <i>da</i> |  |
|-------|-----------|-------------|--|-------------|--|

## MARGI

|       |              |               |  |                 |   |
|-------|--------------|---------------|--|-----------------|---|
| Margi | <i>ta</i>    |               |  |                 | 1 |
| Kilba | <i>ta</i>    | * <i>ta</i>   |  |                 | 1 |
| Bura  | <i>ta</i>    |               |  | * <i>da(-y)</i> | 1 |
|       | <i>ti ty</i> | * <i>tØ-y</i> |  |                 | 2 |

1. \**d* > *t*2. \**d* > *t*; \**y* > *i*

## MANDARA

|        |                |                  |                    |  |   |
|--------|----------------|------------------|--------------------|--|---|
| Malgwa | <i>gya dʸa</i> | * <i>da-Øʸ</i>   | * <i>da-y</i>      |  | 1 |
| Podoko | <i>ta</i>      | * <i>ta</i>      |                    |  | 2 |
| Glavda | <i>ta</i>      |                  |                    |  | 2 |
| Matal  | <i>matay</i>   | * <i>ma-t-ay</i> | * <i>ma-dØ-a-y</i> |  | 2 |

1. \**y* > Øʸ; +Y: dʸ > gʸ2. \**d* > *t*

## MOFU

|         |                    |                   |                    |  |   |
|---------|--------------------|-------------------|--------------------|--|---|
| Zulgo   | <i>da</i>          | * <i>da</i>       |                    |  |   |
| Merey   | <i>da</i>          |                   |                    |  |   |
| Ouldeme | <i>di dy</i>       | * <i>d-y</i>      | * <i>dØ-y</i>      |  | 1 |
| Muyang  | <i>di dy</i>       |                   |                    |  | 1 |
| Moloko  | <i>de daʸ</i>      | * <i>da-Øʸ</i>    |                    |  | 2 |
| Gemzek  | <i>mede maʸdaʸ</i> | * <i>ma-da-Øʸ</i> | * <i>(ma-)da-y</i> |  | 2 |
| Mada    | <i>mede maʸdaʸ</i> |                   |                    |  | 2 |



|                                                                                                              |                      |                       |           |  |   |
|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------|-----------------------|-----------|--|---|
| Dugwor                                                                                                       | <i>maday</i>         | *ma-d-ay              | *ma-dØ-ay |  |   |
| Mofu North                                                                                                   | <i>metey</i> ma'ta'y | *ma-t-ay <sup>y</sup> |           |  | 3 |
| Mofu-Gudur                                                                                                   | <i>t-</i>            | *ta                   | *da       |  | 4 |
| 1. *y > i<br>2. *y > Ø <sup>y</sup> ; +Y: *a > e<br>3. *d > t; *y > y <sup>y</sup> ; +Y: *a > e<br>4. *d > t |                      |                       |           |  |   |

## MAROUA

|                |              |      |       |       |   |
|----------------|--------------|------|-------|-------|---|
| Giziga-Muturwa | <i>di dy</i> | *d-y | *dØ-y | *da-y | 1 |
| Giziga-Marva   | <i>di dy</i> |      |       |       | 1 |
| Mbazla         | <i>di dy</i> |      |       |       | 1 |
| 1. *y > i      |              |      |       |       |   |

## LAMANG

|        |           |     |     |  |  |
|--------|-----------|-----|-----|--|--|
| Lamang | <i>da</i> | *da | *da |  |  |
|--------|-----------|-----|-----|--|--|

## HIGI

|                                                                     |                               |                        |                        |                          |   |
|---------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------|------------------------|------------------------|--------------------------|---|
| Kamwe-Nkafa                                                         | <i>ta</i>                     | *ta                    | *da                    | *da(-y-k <sup>w</sup> a) | 1 |
| Kirya                                                               | <i>ta</i>                     |                        |                        |                          | 1 |
| Bana                                                                | <i>ta</i>                     |                        |                        |                          | 1 |
| Psikye                                                              | <i>take</i> taka <sup>y</sup> | *ta-Ø <sup>y</sup> -ka | *da-y-k <sup>w</sup> a |                          | 2 |
| 1. *d > t                                                           |                               |                        |                        |                          |   |
| 2. *d > t; *k <sup>w</sup> > k; *y > Ø <sup>y</sup> ; +Y: FV *a > e |                               |                        |                        |                          |   |

## KOTOKO-NORTH

|       |           |     |     |  |  |
|-------|-----------|-----|-----|--|--|
| Mpade | <i>da</i> | *da | *da |  |  |
|-------|-----------|-----|-----|--|--|

## KOTOKO-SOUTH

|                                                                                    |                             |                    |       |                    |   |
|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------|--------------------|-------|--------------------|---|
| Mazera                                                                             | <i>udo</i> wda <sup>w</sup> | *w <sup>w</sup> da | *da-w | *da-k <sup>w</sup> | 1 |
| 1. *k <sup>w</sup> > w <sup>w</sup> ; metathesis dw > wd; +W: lexical-final *a > o |                             |                    |       |                    |   |

## MUSGUM

|                                                                              |                 |                   |       |       |   |
|------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------|-------------------|-------|-------|---|
| Mulwi                                                                        | <i>di dy</i>    | *d-y              | *dØ-y | *da-y | 1 |
| Mbara                                                                        | <i>tii tə'y</i> | *t-y <sup>y</sup> |       |       | 2 |
| 1. y > i<br>2. *d > t; ə-epenthesis; *y > y <sup>y</sup> ; +Y: ə > i; *y > i |                 |                   |       |       |   |

## GIDAR

|                                                 |                 |                    |  |       |   |
|-------------------------------------------------|-----------------|--------------------|--|-------|---|
| Gidar                                           | <i>ida</i> ə'da | *da-Ø <sup>y</sup> |  | *da-y | 1 |
| 1. ə-prothesis; *y > Ø <sup>y</sup> ; +Y: ə > i |                 |                    |  |       |   |

cough, to

PCC \*(ma-) x<sup>w</sup>(a)d(a)la (-y, -k<sup>w</sup>, -n, -x; FV)

## MAFA

|                                                               |                                 |                    |       |                     |   |
|---------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------|--------------------|-------|---------------------|---|
| Mafa                                                          | <i>wula</i> w <sup>w</sup> ə'la | *w <sup>w</sup> la | *wØla | *x <sup>w</sup> dla | 1 |
| 1. *x <sup>w</sup> > w <sup>w</sup> ; ə-epenthesis; +W: ə > u |                                 |                    |       |                     |   |

## TERA

|      |                                 |                    |                     |                     |   |
|------|---------------------------------|--------------------|---------------------|---------------------|---|
| Tera | <i>kuḷa</i> k <sup>w</sup> ə'ḷa | *k <sup>w</sup> ḷa | *k <sup>w</sup> Øḷa | *x <sup>w</sup> dla | 1 |
|------|---------------------------------|--------------------|---------------------|---------------------|---|

|                                                                       |  |  |  |  |
|-----------------------------------------------------------------------|--|--|--|--|
| 1. *x <sup>w</sup> > k <sup>w</sup> ; *l > ʁ; ə-epenthesis; +W: ə > u |  |  |  |  |
|-----------------------------------------------------------------------|--|--|--|--|

## SUKUR

|       |                  |                     |          |                        |   |
|-------|------------------|---------------------|----------|------------------------|---|
| Sukur | <i>kyar</i> kʔar | *ʁar-Ø <sup>y</sup> | *ØraʁØ-y | *x <sup>w</sup> dala-y | 1 |
|-------|------------------|---------------------|----------|------------------------|---|

1. \*d' > r; \*l > ʁ; metathesis rʁ > ʁr; \*y > Ø<sup>y</sup>; +Y: ʁ > ʁ<sup>y</sup>

## HURZA

|       |                                      |                         |               |                             |   |
|-------|--------------------------------------|-------------------------|---------------|-----------------------------|---|
| Mbuko | <i>ʁaʁe(h)</i> ʁaʁa <sup>y</sup> (x) | *ʁ-ʁa-Ø <sup>y</sup> -x | *RED-ØØʁa-y-x | *RED-x <sup>w</sup> dla-y-x | 1 |
|-------|--------------------------------------|-------------------------|---------------|-----------------------------|---|

1. \*l > ʁ; ə-epenthesis; \*y > Ø<sup>y</sup>; +Y: lexical-final \*a > e

## MARGI

|       |                                 |                    |                     |                     |   |
|-------|---------------------------------|--------------------|---------------------|---------------------|---|
| Kilba | <i>ʔula</i> ʔwla                | *ʔwla              | *wʔla               | *x <sup>w</sup> dla | 1 |
| Bura  | <i>bula</i> b <sup>w</sup> əwla | *b <sup>w</sup> la | *w <sup>w</sup> Øla |                     | 2 |

1. \*x<sup>w</sup> > w > u; \*d' > ʔ; metathesis wʔ > ʔw2. \*x<sup>w</sup> (> w<sup>w</sup>) > b<sup>w</sup>; ə-epenthesis; +W: ə > u

## MANDARA

|         |                                                            |                                    |                                      |                                                           |   |
|---------|------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------|--------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------|---|
| Podoko  | <i>kulaha</i> k <sup>w</sup> əwaxa                         | *k <sup>w</sup> la-xa              | *k <sup>w</sup> Øla-xa               | *(ma-)x <sup>w</sup> dla<br>(-y, -xa (-k <sup>w</sup> a)) | 1 |
| Dghwede | <i>wuʁaxa</i> wəwaxa                                       | *w <sup>w</sup> ʁa-xa              | *wØʁa-xa                             |                                                           | 2 |
| Glavda  | <i>wuɕga</i> wəwɕga                                        | *wɪ-ga                             | *w <sup>w</sup> ØlØ-k <sup>w</sup> a |                                                           | 3 |
| Mandara | <i>uhya</i> wx'a                                           | *wx'a                              | *wØx'a                               |                                                           | 4 |
| Malgwa  | <i>ɲ<sup>w</sup>ihya</i> ɲ <sup>w</sup> ə <sup>y</sup> x'a | *ɲ <sup>w</sup> x'a-Ø <sup>y</sup> | *mØ-x <sup>w</sup> Øla-y             |                                                           | 5 |
| Matal   | <i>mabəʁəh<sup>w</sup>ay</i><br>mabəʁəx <sup>w</sup> ay    | *ma-b <sup>w</sup> ʁ-xa-y          | *ma-b <sup>w</sup> ØʁØ-y-xa          |                                                           | 6 |

1. \*x<sup>w</sup> > k<sup>w</sup>; ə-epenthesis; +W: ə > u2. \*x<sup>w</sup> > w; \*l > ʁ; ə-epenthesis; +W: ə > u3. \*x<sup>w</sup> > w; \*l > X; \*k<sup>w</sup> (> k) > g; ə-epenthesis; +W: ə > u4. \*x<sup>w</sup> > w > u; \*l > x<sup>y</sup>5. \*l > x<sup>y</sup>; ə-epenthesis; \*y > Ø<sup>y</sup>; +Y: ə > i; fusion \*mx<sup>w</sup> > ɲ<sup>w</sup>6. \*x<sup>w</sup> (> w<sup>w</sup>) > b<sup>w</sup>; \*l > ʁ; irregular metathesis yxa > xay involving vowel /a/; ə-epenthesis; +W: x > x<sup>w</sup>

## MOFU

|         |                    |                         |               |                                     |   |
|---------|--------------------|-------------------------|---------------|-------------------------------------|---|
|         |                    |                         |               | √ C C Ca                            |   |
| Ouldeme | <i>dəlay</i> dəlay | *dɪ-ay                  | *ØdɪØ-a-y     | *x <sup>w</sup> dla<br>((-a)-y, -x) | 1 |
| Muyang  | <i>bəlay</i> bəlay | *bɪ-ay                  | *wdɪØ-a-y     |                                     | 2 |
| Moloko  | <i>bəlay</i> bəlay |                         |               |                                     | 2 |
| Gemzek  | <i>ʁəʁah</i> ʁəʁax | *ʁ-ʁa-x                 | *RED-ØØʁa-xØ  |                                     | 3 |
| Merey   | <i>ʁəʁeh</i> ʁəʁax | *ʁ-ʁa-Ø <sup>y</sup> -x | *RED-ØØʁa-y-x |                                     | 4 |
| Dugwor  | <i>ʁəʁe</i> ʁəʁax  | *ʁɪ-ʁØa-Ø <sup>y</sup>  | *ʁɪd-ʁɪdā-y   | *RED-Øʁɪdā-y                        | 5 |
|         |                    |                         |               | √ C CaCa                            |   |
| Zulgo   | <i>aʁah</i> aʁax   | *aʁa-x                  | *ØØaʁa-xØ     | *x <sup>w</sup> dala-xa             | 6 |

1. ə-epenthesis

2. \*d' > ʔ; \*x<sup>w</sup> > w; fusion wd > b; ə-epenthesis

3. \*l &gt; ʁ; ə-epenthesis

4. \*l > ʁ; ə-epenthesis; \*y > Ø<sup>y</sup>; +Y: lexical-final \*a > e5. \*l > ʁ; \*d' > l (in reduplication); ə-epenthesis; \*y > Ø<sup>y</sup>; +Y: lexical-final \*a > e

6. \*l &gt; ʁ

## MAROUA

|                                                                                                                                                           |                      |          |         |          |   |
|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------|----------|---------|----------|---|
| Giziga-Muturwa                                                                                                                                            | <i>hirle</i> xə'rlaʷ | *xrla-Øʷ | *xrla-y | *xʷdla-y | 1 |
| Giziga-Marva                                                                                                                                              | <i>irle</i> ə'rlaʷ   | *rla-Øʷ  | *Ørla-y |          | 2 |
| 1. *xʷ > x; *d' > r; ə-epenthesis; *y > Øʷ; +Y: ə > i; +Y: lexical-final *a > e<br>2. *d' > r; ə-epenthesis; *y > Øʷ; +Y: ə > i; +Y: lexical-final *a > e |                      |          |         |          |   |

## LAMANG

|                                                           |                     |        |        |        |   |
|-----------------------------------------------------------|---------------------|--------|--------|--------|---|
| Lamang                                                    | <i>wuldā</i> wəʷldā | *wʷldā | *wʷdla | *xʷdla | 1 |
| 1. *xʷ > wʷ; metathesis dʌ > ldʌ; ə-epenthesis; +W: ə > u |                     |        |        |        |   |

## HIGI

|                                                                                                                                      |                      |          |           |           |   |
|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------|----------|-----------|-----------|---|
|                                                                                                                                      |                      |          |           | √ C C Ca  |   |
| Psikye                                                                                                                               | <i>'yila</i> ʔəʷla   | *ʔla-Øʷ  | *Øʔla-y   | *xʷdla-y  | 1 |
| Bana                                                                                                                                 | <i>'yila</i> ʔəʷla   |          |           |           | 1 |
|                                                                                                                                      |                      |          |           | √ C CaCa  |   |
| Kamwe-Nkafa                                                                                                                          | <i>'yala</i> ʔala    | *ʔala-Øʷ | *Øʔala-y  | *xʷdala-y | 2 |
| Kamwe-Futu                                                                                                                           | <i>tsaila</i> tsayla | *tsayla  | *Øtsala-y |           | 3 |
| 1. *d' > ʔ; ə-epenthesis; *y > Øʷ; +Y: ə > i; +Y: ʔ > ʔʷ<br>2. *d' > ʔ; *y > Øʷ; +Y: ʔ > ʔʷ<br>3. *d' (> t) > ts; metathesis ly > yl |                      |          |           |           |   |

## KOTOKO-NORTH

|                                                                                                                                                                                       |                         |             |              |                     |   |
|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------|-------------|--------------|---------------------|---|
|                                                                                                                                                                                       |                         |             |              | √ C C Ca            |   |
| Afade                                                                                                                                                                                 | <i>dila</i> dəʷla       | *dla-Øʷ     | *Ødla-y      | *xʷdla-y(-kʷ-n)     | 1 |
|                                                                                                                                                                                       | <i>dilaun</i> dəʷlawŋ   | *dla-Øʷ-w-n | *Ødla-y-kʷ-n |                     | 2 |
|                                                                                                                                                                                       |                         |             |              | √ C CaCa            |   |
| Mpade                                                                                                                                                                                 | <i>kʷafan</i> kʷasʷan   | *kʷasa-Øʷ-n | *kʷasa-y-n   |                     | 3 |
| Malgbe                                                                                                                                                                                | <i>dala</i> dala        | *Ødala      |              | *xʷdala((-y/-kʷ)-n) |   |
|                                                                                                                                                                                       | <i>dalaŋun</i> dalaŋəʷn | *dala-w-n   | *Ødala-kʷ-n  |                     | 4 |
| 1. ə-epenthesis; *y > Øʷ; +Y: ə > i<br>2. *kʷ > w > u; ə-epenthesis; *y > Øʷ; +Y: ə > i<br>3. *xʷ > kʷ; *d' > ʔ; *l > s; *y > Øʷ; +Y: s > sʷ/f<br>4. *kʷ > w; ə-epenthesis; +W: ə > u |                         |             |              |                     |   |

## KOTOKO-CENTRAL

|                                                                |                       |           |            |             |   |
|----------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------|-----------|------------|-------------|---|
|                                                                |                       |           |            | √ C C Ca    |   |
| Lagwan                                                         | <i>ulawun</i> ʷlawəʷn | *wʷla-w-n | *wØla-kʷ-n | *xʷdla-kʷ-n | 1 |
|                                                                |                       |           |            | √ C CaCa    |   |
| Mser                                                           | <i>dasa</i> dasa      | *dasa     | *Ødasa     | *xʷdala     | 2 |
| 1. *xʷ > wʷ > u; *kʷ > w; ə-epenthesis; +W: ə > u<br>2. *l > s |                       |           |            |             |   |

## KOTOKO-SOUTH

|                    |                    |         |           |            |   |
|--------------------|--------------------|---------|-----------|------------|---|
| Zina               | <i>wasya</i> wasya | *was-ya | *wØasØ-ya | *xʷdala-ya | 1 |
| 1. *xʷ > w; *l > s |                    |         |           |            |   |

## MUSGUM

|       |                    |        |          |          |   |
|-------|--------------------|--------|----------|----------|---|
|       |                    |        |          | √ C C Ca |   |
| Mulwi | <i>huli</i> xʷəʷly | *xʷl-y | *xʷØlØ-y | *xʷdla-y | 1 |
|       |                    |        |          | √ C CaCa |   |
|       | <i>hol</i> xʷaʷl   | *xʷal  | *xʷØalØ  | *xʷdala  | 2 |
| Mbara | <i>'ol</i> ʔaʷl    | *Øʔal  | *xʷʔalØ  |          | 3 |

1. ə-epenthesis; +W: ə > u; \*y > i  
 2. +W: \*a > o  
 3. \*x<sup>w</sup> > Ø<sup>w</sup>; \*d > ʔ; +W: \*a > o

## GIDAR

|                                              |             |       |                     |   |
|----------------------------------------------|-------------|-------|---------------------|---|
| Gidar                                        | wərla wərla | *wrla | *x <sup>w</sup> dla | 1 |
| 1. *x <sup>w</sup> > w; *d > r; ə-epenthesis |             |       |                     |   |

## COW

PCC \*(k<sup>w</sup>a-, na-) **la** (-a, -y, -n; FV)

## BATA

|           |     |       |         |   |
|-----------|-----|-------|---------|---|
| Gude      | la  |       |         | 1 |
| Sharwa    | la  | *la   |         | 1 |
| Jimi      | lan | *la-n | *la(-n) | 1 |
| Tsuvan    | ɭa  | *ɭa   |         | 2 |
| 1. *l > l |     |       |         |   |
| 2. *l > ɭ |     |       |         |   |

## DABA

|               |    |     |     |   |
|---------------|----|-----|-----|---|
| Mazagway Hidi | ɭa | *ɭa | *la | 1 |
| Daba          |    |     |     | 1 |
| 1. *l > ɭ     |    |     |     |   |

## MAFA

|                                     |                    |                    |       |   |
|-------------------------------------|--------------------|--------------------|-------|---|
| Cuvok                               | ɭa                 | *ɭa                | *la   | 1 |
| Mafa                                | ɭe ɭa <sup>y</sup> | *ɭa-Ø <sup>y</sup> | *la-y | 2 |
| 1. *l > ɭ                           |                    |                    |       |   |
| 2. *l > ɭ; +Y: lexical-final *a > e |                    |                    |       |   |

## TERA

|                                     |                    |                    |       |   |
|-------------------------------------|--------------------|--------------------|-------|---|
| Tera                                | ɭa                 | *ɭa                | *la   | 1 |
|                                     | ɭe ɭa <sup>y</sup> | *ɭa-Ø <sup>y</sup> | *la-y | 2 |
| 1. *l > ɭ                           |                    |                    |       |   |
| 2. *l > ɭ; +Y: lexical-final *a > e |                    |                    |       |   |

## SUKUR

|                                 |       |     |     |     |   |
|---------------------------------|-------|-----|-----|-----|---|
| Sukur                           | ɭə ɭə | *ɭa | *la | *la | 1 |
| 1. *l > ɭ; lexical-final *a > ə |       |     |     |     |   |

## HURZA

|       |     |        |          |  |
|-------|-----|--------|----------|--|
| Mbuko | la  | *la    |          |  |
| Vame  | ala | *Øa-la | *(Ca-)la |  |

## MARGI

|             |       |      |      |   |
|-------------|-------|------|------|---|
| Margi       | la    |      |      |   |
| Margi-South | la    | *la  |      |   |
| Kilba       | la    |      |      |   |
| Bura        | li ly | *l-y | lØ-y | 1 |
| 1. *y > i   |       |      |      |   |

## MANDARA

|                                              |                            |                      |          |              |   |
|----------------------------------------------|----------------------------|----------------------|----------|--------------|---|
| Matal                                        | <i>la</i>                  |                      |          | *(na-)la(-y) |   |
| Podoko                                       | <i>la</i>                  | *la                  |          |              |   |
| Glavda                                       | <i>la</i>                  |                      |          |              |   |
| Malgwa                                       | <i>əthla ala</i>           |                      |          |              | 1 |
| Mandara                                      | <i>ela a<sup>y</sup>la</i> | *a-la-Ø <sup>y</sup> | *Øa-la-y |              | 2 |
| 1. prefixal *a > ə                           |                            |                      |          |              |   |
| 2. *y > Ø <sup>y</sup> ; +Y: prefixal *a > e |                            |                      |          |              |   |

## MOFU

|            |           |     |  |     |  |
|------------|-----------|-----|--|-----|--|
| Ouldeme    | <i>la</i> | *la |  | *la |  |
| Moloko     | <i>la</i> |     |  |     |  |
| Zulgo      | <i>la</i> |     |  |     |  |
| Gemzek     | <i>la</i> |     |  |     |  |
| Merey      | <i>la</i> |     |  |     |  |
| Dugwor     | <i>la</i> |     |  |     |  |
| Mofu North | <i>la</i> |     |  |     |  |
| Mofu-Gudur | <i>la</i> |     |  |     |  |

## MAROUA

|                |           |     |  |     |  |
|----------------|-----------|-----|--|-----|--|
| Giziga-Muturwa | <i>la</i> | *la |  | *la |  |
| Giziga-Marva   | <i>la</i> |     |  |     |  |
| Mbazla         | <i>la</i> |     |  |     |  |

## LAMANG

|        |           |     |  |     |  |
|--------|-----------|-----|--|-----|--|
| Lamang | <i>la</i> | *la |  | *la |  |
| Hdi    | <i>la</i> |     |  |     |  |

## HIGI

|             |           |     |  |     |  |
|-------------|-----------|-----|--|-----|--|
| Kamwe-Nkafa | <i>la</i> | *la |  | *la |  |
| Kirya       | <i>la</i> |     |  |     |  |
| Psikye      | <i>la</i> |     |  |     |  |
| Bana        | <i>la</i> |     |  |     |  |

## KOTOKO-ISLAND

|           |           |     |  |     |   |
|-----------|-----------|-----|--|-----|---|
| Buduma    | <i>ha</i> | *xa |  | *la | 1 |
| 1. *l > x |           |     |  |     |   |

## KOTOKO-NORTH

|                                            |                          |                    |       |         |   |
|--------------------------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------|-------|---------|---|
| Afade                                      | <i>la</i>                | *la                |       | *la(-y) |   |
| Malgbe                                     | <i>la</i>                |                    |       |         |   |
| Mpade                                      | <i>fa s<sup>y</sup>a</i> | *sa-Ø <sup>y</sup> | *la-y |         | 1 |
| 1. *l > s; *y > Ø <sup>y</sup> ; +Y: s > ʃ |                          |                    |       |         |   |

## KOTOKO-CENTRAL

|           |            |        |          |   |
|-----------|------------|--------|----------|---|
| Lagwan    | <i>nla</i> | *nØ-la | *(na-)la |   |
| Mser      | <i>sa</i>  | *la    |          | 1 |
| 1. *l > s |            |        |          |   |

## KOTOKO-SOUTH

|                                                                               |                                |                      |          |                          |   |
|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------|----------------------|----------|--------------------------|---|
| Zina                                                                          | <i>asa</i>                     | *Øa-sa               |          | *k <sup>w</sup> a-la(-y) | 1 |
| Mazera                                                                        | <i>kisa</i> kə <sup>s</sup> sa | *k-sa-Ø <sup>y</sup> | *kØ-la-y |                          | 2 |
| 1. *l > s                                                                     |                                |                      |          |                          |   |
| 2. *l > s; *k <sup>w</sup> > k; ə-epenthesis; *y > Ø <sup>y</sup> ; +Y: ə > i |                                |                      |          |                          |   |

## MUSGUM

|       |                                  |                         |                             |                                 |   |
|-------|----------------------------------|-------------------------|-----------------------------|---------------------------------|---|
| Vulum | <i>lay</i>                       | *l-ay                   | *lØ-a-y                     |                                 |   |
| Mulwi | <i>le laʸ</i>                    | *la-Øʸ                  | *la-y                       | *(k <sup>w</sup> a-na-)la(-a)-y | 1 |
| Mbara | <i>wurɣay w<sup>w</sup>əʀɣay</i> | *w <sup>w</sup> -r-ɣ-ay | *w <sup>w</sup> Ø-rØ-ɣØ-a-y |                                 | 2 |

1. \*y > Øʸ; +Y: lexical-final \*a > e  
 2. \*l > ɣ; \*n > r; \*k<sup>w</sup> > w<sup>w</sup>; ə-epenthesis; +W: ə > u

## GIDAR

|       |                       |            |                         |   |
|-------|-----------------------|------------|-------------------------|---|
| Gidar | <i>waliya waləʸya</i> | *wa-lØ-yʸa | *k <sup>w</sup> a-la-ya | 1 |
|-------|-----------------------|------------|-------------------------|---|

1. \*k<sup>w</sup> > w; ə-epenthesis; \*y > yʸ; +Y: ə > i

crocodile<sub>1</sub><sup>27</sup>

PCC/loan? \*k(a)d(a)ma ~ k<sup>w</sup>(a)r(a)ma (-y, -k<sup>w</sup>, -n)

## BATA

|      |                |         |                         |   |
|------|----------------|---------|-------------------------|---|
| Gude | <i>kəɾama</i>  | *krma   | *k <sup>w</sup> rma(-n) | 1 |
| Jimi | <i>kəɾamən</i> | *krma-n |                         | 2 |

1. \*k<sup>w</sup> > k; ə-epenthesis  
 2. \*k<sup>w</sup> > k; ə-epenthesis; lexical-final \*a > ə

## MAFA

|       |              |                      |                             |                             |   |
|-------|--------------|----------------------|-----------------------------|-----------------------------|---|
| Cuvok | <i>gədam</i> | *gdam                | *gdamØ                      | *kdama                      | 1 |
| Mafa  | <i>kədam</i> | *krdam <sup>28</sup> | *k <sup>w</sup> ramØ/*kdamØ | *kdama/*k <sup>w</sup> rama | 2 |

1. \*k > g; ə-epenthesis  
 2. merger of parallel forms: \*k<sup>w</sup>ram/\*kdam > \*krdam

## SUKUR

|       |                     |                    |                     |                     |   |
|-------|---------------------|--------------------|---------------------|---------------------|---|
| Sukur | <i>kəlum kələʸm</i> | *k <sup>w</sup> lm | *k <sup>w</sup> lmØ | *k <sup>w</sup> rma | 1 |
|       | <i>kələm</i>        | *klm               | *klmØ               |                     | 2 |

1. \*r > l; ə-epenthesis; +W: ə > u  
 2. \*k<sup>w</sup> > k; \*r > l; ə-epenthesis

## HURZA

|       |              |       |        |        |   |
|-------|--------------|-------|--------|--------|---|
| Mbuko | <i>gədam</i> | *gdam | *gdamØ | *kdama | 1 |
|-------|--------------|-------|--------|--------|---|

1. \*k > g; ə-epenthesis

## MARGI

|             |              |         |       |                       |   |
|-------------|--------------|---------|-------|-----------------------|---|
| Margi       | <i>həm</i>   | *xm     | *xØmØ | √ C C Ca              | 1 |
| Margi-South | <i>həm</i>   |         |       | *k <sup>w</sup> rma   |   |
|             |              |         |       | √ CaCaCa              | 2 |
| Kilba       | <i>karam</i> | *karamØ |       | *k <sup>w</sup> arama |   |

1. \*k<sup>w</sup> > k > x; ə-epenthesis  
 2. \*k<sup>w</sup> > k; or: re-loan from Kanuri *karam*

<sup>27</sup> In the light of Kanuri *karam*, one wonders about the direction of probably very early borrowing, whether from Nilo-Saharan into Chadic or vice versa, and whether this happened once or several times, in the latter case reflecting different shapes of the original root, such as \*k<sup>w</sup>(a)r(a)ma and \*k(a)d(a)ma, which may have coexisted in the area. Note the case of Mafa *kədam*, which may be a rare conflation of the two parallel forms. While \*k(a)d(a)ma would be the original Chadic root (cf. PC \*kədam, Newman 1977), it was likely borrowed into Kanuri as *karam*, and has been re-imported into Central Chadic languages as ‘Pseudo’-PCC root in the shape of \*k<sup>w</sup>(a)r(a)ma. We will, therefore, allow both shapes of the root to serve as etymological references.

<sup>28</sup> See footnote 27.

## MANDARA

|                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             |                                                   |                       |                     | √ C C Ca |   |
|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------|-----------------------|---------------------|----------|---|
| Matal                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       | <i>kʷədəw</i>                                     | *kdw <sup>w</sup>     | *kdw <sup>w</sup> Ø | *kdma    | 1 |
|                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             | <i>kudu</i> kʷə <sup>w</sup> də <sup>w</sup>      | *kdØ <sup>w</sup>     |                     |          | 2 |
| Malgwa                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      | <i>kirwe</i> kə <sup>y</sup> rwa <sup>y</sup>     | *krwa-Ø <sup>y</sup>  |                     |          | 3 |
| Glavda                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      | <i>kirwa</i> kə <sup>y</sup> rwa <sup>y</sup>     |                       | *krwa-y             | *kdma-y  | 4 |
|                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             | <i>kir</i> kə <sup>y</sup> r                      | *krØØ-Ø <sup>y</sup>  |                     |          | 5 |
|                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             |                                                   |                       |                     | √ CaC Ca |   |
| Mandara                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     | <i>kyerrue</i> k'a <sup>y</sup> rrwa <sup>y</sup> | *karwa-Ø <sup>y</sup> | *karwa-y            | *kadma-y | 6 |
| 1. *m > w <sup>w</sup> ; ə-epenthesis; +W: k > k <sup>w</sup><br>2. *m > w <sup>w</sup> > Ø <sup>w</sup> ; ə-epenthesis; lexical-final *a > ə; +W: k > k <sup>w</sup> ; +W: ə > u<br>3. *m > w; *d > r; ə-epenthesis; *y > Ø <sup>y</sup> ; +Y: ə > i; +Y: lexical-final *a > e<br>4. *m > w; *d > r; *ə-epenthesis; *y > Ø <sup>y</sup> ; +Y: ə > i<br>5. *d > r; ə-epenthesis; *y > Ø <sup>y</sup> ; +Y: ə > i<br>6. *m > w > u; *d > r; *y > Ø <sup>y</sup> ; +Y: k > k <sup>y</sup> ; *a > e; (long rr unaccounted for) |                                                   |                       |                     |          |   |

## MOFU

|                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           |                                                                          |                                   |                      | √ C C Ca             |   |
|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------|----------------------|----------------------|---|
| Zulgo                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     | <i>kəram</i>                                                             | *krm                              | *krmØ                | *k <sup>w</sup> rma  | 1 |
| Muyang                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    | <i>kur<sup>m</sup>bu</i> kʷə <sup>w</sup> r <sup>m</sup> bə <sup>w</sup> | *k <sup>w</sup> r <sup>m</sup> ba |                      |                      | 2 |
|                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           |                                                                          |                                   |                      | √ C CaCa             |   |
| Gemzek                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    | <i>kəram</i>                                                             | *kram                             | *kramØ               | *k <sup>w</sup> rama | 1 |
| Mada                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      | <i>akram</i>                                                             |                                   |                      |                      | 3 |
| Moloko                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    | <i>kəra<sup>m</sup>ba</i> kəra <sup>m</sup> ba                           | *kra <sup>m</sup> ba              | *kra <sup>m</sup> ba |                      | 4 |
| Dugwor                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    | <i>gədam</i>                                                             |                                   |                      |                      | 5 |
| Merey                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     | <i>gədam</i>                                                             | *gdam                             | *gdamØ               | *kdama(-y)           | 5 |
| Mofu North                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                | <i>gədam</i>                                                             |                                   |                      |                      | 5 |
| Mofu-Gudur                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                | <i>gədem</i> gəda <sup>y</sup> m                                         | *gdam-Ø <sup>y</sup>              | *gdamØ-y             |                      | 6 |
| 1. *k <sup>w</sup> > k; ə-epenthesis<br>2. *m > <sup>m</sup> b; ə-epenthesis; lexical-final *a > ə; +W: ə > u<br>3. *k <sup>w</sup> > k; a-prothesis<br>4. *k <sup>w</sup> > k; *m > <sup>m</sup> b; ə-epenthesis<br>5. *k > g; ə-epenthesis<br>6. *k > g; ə-epenthesis; *y > Ø <sup>y</sup> ; +Y: *a > e |                                                                          |                                   |                      |                      |   |

## MAROUA

|                                                                                                                                            |                                                              |                     |                      | √ C C Ca             |   |
|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------|----------------------|----------------------|---|
| Giziga-Muturwa                                                                                                                             | <i>hurum</i> x <sup>w</sup> ə <sup>w</sup> ra <sup>w</sup> m | *x <sup>w</sup> rm  | *x <sup>w</sup> rmØ  | *k <sup>w</sup> rma  | 1 |
| Mbazla                                                                                                                                     | <i>hurum</i> x <sup>w</sup> ə <sup>w</sup> ra <sup>w</sup> m |                     |                      |                      | 1 |
|                                                                                                                                            |                                                              |                     |                      | √ C CaCa             |   |
| Giziga-Marva                                                                                                                               | <i>hurom</i> x <sup>w</sup> ə <sup>w</sup> ra <sup>w</sup> m | *x <sup>w</sup> ram | *x <sup>w</sup> ramØ | *k <sup>w</sup> rama | 2 |
| 1. *k <sup>w</sup> > x <sup>w</sup> ; ə-epenthesis; +W: ə > u<br>2. *k <sup>w</sup> > x <sup>w</sup> ; ə-epenthesis; +W: ə > u; +W: *a > o |                                                              |                     |                      |                      |   |

## LAMANG

| Lamang                               | <i>kəram</i> | *kram | *kramØ | *k <sup>w</sup> rama | 1 |
|--------------------------------------|--------------|-------|--------|----------------------|---|
| Hdi                                  | <i>kəram</i> |       |        |                      | 1 |
| 1. *k <sup>w</sup> > k; ə-epenthesis |              |       |        |                      |   |

## HIGI

| Kamwe-Nkafa | <i>kəlmi</i> kəlmy                | *klm-y              | *klmØ-y   |                                            | 1 |
|-------------|-----------------------------------|---------------------|-----------|--------------------------------------------|---|
| Kamwe-Futu  | <i>kələmə<sup>g</sup></i> kələməŋ | *klma-ŋ             | *klma-k-n | *k <sup>w</sup> rma(-y/-k <sup>w</sup> -n) | 2 |
| Bana        | <i>kələ<sup>m</sup>bə</i>         | *kl <sup>m</sup> ba |           |                                            | 3 |
| Kirya       | <i>hələmə</i>                     | *xlma               |           |                                            | 4 |

1. \*k<sup>w</sup> > k; \*r > l; ə-epenthesis; \*y > i
2. \*k<sup>w</sup> > k; \*r > l; ə-epenthesis; lexical-final \*a > ə; fusion \*kn > ŋ
3. \*k<sup>w</sup> > k; \*r > l; m > <sup>m</sup>b; ə-epenthesis; lexical-final \*a > ə
4. \*k<sup>w</sup> > x; \*r > l; ə-epenthesis; lexical-final \*a > ə

## MUSGUM

|                                                                     |                                                              |                     |                      |                      |   |
|---------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------|----------------------|----------------------|---|
|                                                                     |                                                              |                     |                      | √ C C Ca             |   |
| Mbara                                                               | <i>hurum</i> x <sup>w</sup> ə <sup>w</sup> rə <sup>w</sup> m | *x <sup>w</sup> rm  | *x <sup>w</sup> rmØ  | *k <sup>w</sup> rma  | 1 |
|                                                                     |                                                              |                     |                      | √ CaC Ca             |   |
| Vulum                                                               | <i>horum</i> x <sup>w</sup> a <sup>w</sup> rə <sup>w</sup> m | *x <sup>w</sup> arm | *x <sup>w</sup> armØ | *k <sup>w</sup> arma | 2 |
| 1. *k <sup>w</sup> > x; *r > l; ə-epenthesis; +W: ə > u             |                                                              |                     |                      |                      |   |
| 2. *k <sup>w</sup> > x; *r > l; ə-epenthesis; +W: ə > u; +W: *a > o |                                                              |                     |                      |                      |   |

crocodile<sub>2</sub>Areal root<sup>29</sup> \*(ma-) rga (-y, -k<sup>w</sup>)

## KOTOKO-ISLAND

|                                                                                |                                |                     |        |        |   |
|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------|---------------------|--------|--------|---|
| Buduma                                                                         | <i>ligə</i> lə <sup>y</sup> ga | *lga-Ø <sup>y</sup> | *lga-y | *rga-y | 1 |
| 1. *r > l; ə-epenthesis; *y > Ø <sup>y</sup> ; +Y: ə > i; lexical-final *a > ə |                                |                     |        |        |   |

## KOTOKO-NORTH

|                                                                                                                       |                                             |                                     |                       |                          |   |
|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------|-----------------------|--------------------------|---|
| Afade                                                                                                                 | <i>ligo</i> lə <sup>y</sup> ga <sup>w</sup> | *lga-Ø <sup>y</sup> -Ø <sup>w</sup> | *lga-y-k <sup>w</sup> | *rga-y(-k <sup>w</sup> ) | 1 |
| Mpade                                                                                                                 | <i>ligi</i> lə <sup>y</sup> ga <sup>y</sup> | *lga-Ø <sup>y</sup>                 | *lga-y                |                          | 2 |
| Malgbe                                                                                                                | <i>ligi</i> lə <sup>y</sup> ga <sup>y</sup> |                                     |                       |                          | 2 |
| 1. *r > l; ə-epenthesis; *y > Ø <sup>y</sup> ; +Y: ə > i; *k <sup>w</sup> > Ø <sup>w</sup> ; +W: lexical-final *a > o |                                             |                                     |                       |                          |   |
| 2. *r > l; ə-epenthesis; lexical-final *a > ə; *y > Ø <sup>y</sup> ; +Y: ə > i ~ i                                    |                                             |                                     |                       |                          |   |

## KOTOKO-CENTRAL

|                                                                                    |                                                               |                        |           |   |
|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------|-----------|---|
| Lagwan                                                                             | <i>midige</i> mə <sup>y</sup> də <sup>y</sup> ga <sup>y</sup> | *mØ-dga-Ø <sup>y</sup> | *ma-rga-y | 1 |
| Mser                                                                               | <i>mirge</i> mə <sup>y</sup> rga <sup>y</sup>                 | *mØ-rga-Ø <sup>y</sup> |           | 2 |
| 1. *r > d; ə-epenthesis; *y > Ø <sup>y</sup> ; +Y: ə > i; +Y: lexical-final *a > e |                                                               |                        |           |   |
| 2. ə-epenthesis; *y > Ø <sup>y</sup> ; +Y: ə > i; +Y: lexical-final *a > e         |                                                               |                        |           |   |

## KOTOKO-SOUTH

|                                                                                    |                                             |                     |        |   |
|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------|---------------------|--------|---|
| Mazera                                                                             | <i>liye</i> lə <sup>y</sup> ga <sup>y</sup> | *lga-Ø <sup>y</sup> | *rga-y | 1 |
| 1. *r > l; ə-epenthesis; *y > Ø <sup>y</sup> ; +Y: ə > i; +Y: lexical-final *a > e |                                             |                     |        |   |

## crow

PCC \*(ma-, RED-) g<sup>w</sup>(a)r(a)x(a)ka (-y)

## BATA

|        |                                                 |                         |                           |                             |   |
|--------|-------------------------------------------------|-------------------------|---------------------------|-----------------------------|---|
|        |                                                 |                         |                           | √ CaC C Ca                  |   |
| Bata   | <i>galike</i> galə <sup>y</sup> ka <sup>y</sup> | *galka-Ø <sup>y</sup>   | *galØka-y                 | *g <sup>w</sup> arxka-y     | 1 |
|        |                                                 |                         |                           | √ CaC CaCa                  |   |
| Gude   | <i>məg<sup>w</sup>a'akə</i>                     | *m-g <sup>w</sup> aʔaka | *mØ-g <sup>w</sup> aØʔaka | *(ma-)g <sup>w</sup> arxaka | 2 |
|        | <i>yaaka</i>                                    | *yaaka                  | *yaØØaka                  |                             | 3 |
| Sharwa | <i>k<sup>w</sup>aa</i>                          | *k <sup>w</sup> aa      | *k <sup>w</sup> aØØaØØ    |                             | 4 |

<sup>29</sup> The restricted distribution of this word for 'crocodile' (KOTOKO groups) could be an indication of its nature as an areal innovation or a loanword, with the donor language not (yet) identified.



1. \*g<sup>w</sup> > g; \*r > l; ə-epenthesis; \*y > Ø<sup>y</sup>; +Y: ə > i; +Y: lexical-final \*a > e
2. \*x > ʔ; ə-epenthesis; lexical-final \*a > ə
3. \*g<sup>w</sup> > ɣ
4. \*g<sup>w</sup> > k<sup>w</sup>

## DABA

|        |                                       |                                         |                                |                                |   |
|--------|---------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------|--------------------------------|--------------------------------|---|
|        |                                       |                                         |                                | √ C CaC Ca                     |   |
| Gavar  | <sup>ŋ</sup> grak                     | *ŋ-grak                                 | *mØ-graØkØ                     | *(RED-)ma-g <sup>w</sup> rxaka | 1 |
| Daba   | <sup>ŋ</sup> garan <sup>ŋ</sup> garak | * <sup>ŋ</sup> gra-n- <sup>ŋ</sup> grak | *(RED-)m <sup>w</sup> Ø-graØkØ |                                | 2 |
|        |                                       |                                         |                                | √ CaC CaCa                     |   |
| Mbudum | məŋgarhax                             | *m- <sup>ŋ</sup> garxax                 | *m <sup>w</sup> Ø-garxakØ      | *ma-g <sup>w</sup> arxaka      | 3 |

1. \*g<sup>w</sup> > g; homorganic assimilation \*m > ŋ/\_g
2. \*g<sup>w</sup> > g; \*m > m<sup>n</sup>; +N: g > <sup>ŋ</sup>g; partial assimilation \*m > n/\_<sup>ŋ</sup>g; ə-epenthesis
3. \*g<sup>w</sup> > g; \*k > x; \*m > m<sup>n</sup>; +N: g > <sup>ŋ</sup>g; ə-epenthesis

## MAFA

|       |                       |                         |                           |                           |   |
|-------|-----------------------|-------------------------|---------------------------|---------------------------|---|
| Cuvok | ma <sup>ŋ</sup> gawak | *ma- <sup>ŋ</sup> gawak | *m <sup>n</sup> a-gaØwakØ | *ma-g <sup>w</sup> arxaka | 1 |
|-------|-----------------------|-------------------------|---------------------------|---------------------------|---|

1. \*g<sup>w</sup> > g; \*x > w; \*m > m<sup>n</sup>; +N: g > <sup>ŋ</sup>g

## TERA

|      |                   |                    |                       |                       |   |
|------|-------------------|--------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|---|
| Tera | k <sup>w</sup> ax | *k <sup>w</sup> ax | *k <sup>w</sup> aØxØØ | *g <sup>w</sup> arxka | 1 |
|------|-------------------|--------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|---|

1. g<sup>w</sup> > k<sup>w</sup>

## HURZA

|       |                           |          |             |                           |   |
|-------|---------------------------|----------|-------------|---------------------------|---|
| Mbuko | <sup>ŋ</sup> gahak ŋgaxak | *ŋ-gaxak | *mØ-gaØxakØ | *ma-g <sup>w</sup> arxaka | 1 |
|-------|---------------------------|----------|-------------|---------------------------|---|

1. \*g<sup>w</sup> > g; homorganic assimilation \*m > ŋ/\_g

## MANDARA

|        |                 |           |              |                            |   |
|--------|-----------------|-----------|--------------|----------------------------|---|
|        |                 |           |              | √ C C CaCa                 |   |
| Podoko | həhaka xəxaka   | *x-xaka   | *RED-ØØxaka  | *RED-g <sup>w</sup> rxaka  | 1 |
|        |                 |           |              | √ CaC CaCa                 |   |
| Glavda | kaɣaxra ɣaɣaxra | *ɣa-ɣaxra | *RED-ɣarxaØØ | *RED-g <sup>w</sup> arxaka | 2 |

1. ə-epenthesis
2. \*g<sup>w</sup> > ɣ; metathesis rx > xr

## MOFU

|            |                           |                         |                           |                           |   |
|------------|---------------------------|-------------------------|---------------------------|---------------------------|---|
|            |                           |                         |                           | √ C C CaCa                |   |
| Merey      | ma <sup>ŋ</sup> gəhək     | *ma- <sup>ŋ</sup> gaxak | *m <sup>n</sup> a-gØxakØ  | *ma-g <sup>w</sup> rxaka  | 1 |
| Mofu North | ma <sup>ŋ</sup> gəhək     |                         |                           |                           | 1 |
|            |                           |                         |                           | √ CaC CaCa                |   |
| Moloko     | mə <sup>ŋ</sup> gahək     | *m- <sup>ŋ</sup> gaxak  | *m <sup>w</sup> Ø-gaØxakØ | *ma-g <sup>w</sup> arxaka | 1 |
| Dugwor     | mə <sup>ŋ</sup> gahək     |                         |                           |                           | 1 |
| Mofu-Gudur | ma <sup>ŋ</sup> gahək     | *ma- <sup>ŋ</sup> gaxak | *m <sup>n</sup> a-gaØxakØ |                           | 2 |
| Mada       | <sup>ŋ</sup> gawək ŋgawək | *ŋ-gawək                | *mØ-gaØwakØ               |                           | 3 |
| Gemzek     | <sup>ŋ</sup> ga'ak ŋgaʔak | *ŋ-gaʔak                | *mØ-gaØʔakØ               |                           | 4 |
| Zulgo      | <sup>ŋ</sup> gaək ŋgaək   | *ŋ-gaək                 | *mØ-gaØØakØ               |                           | 5 |

1. \*g<sup>w</sup> > g; \*m > m<sup>n</sup>; +N: g > <sup>ŋ</sup>g; ə-epenthesis
2. \*g<sup>w</sup> > g; \*m > m<sup>n</sup>; +N: g > <sup>ŋ</sup>g
3. \*g<sup>w</sup> > g; \*x > w; homorganic assimilation \*m > ŋ/\_g
4. \*g<sup>w</sup> > g; \*x (> k) > ʔ; homorganic assimilation \*m > ŋ/\_g
5. \*g<sup>w</sup> > g; homorganic assimilation \*m > ŋ/\_g

## MAROUA

|              |                 |             |                 |                                 |   |
|--------------|-----------------|-------------|-----------------|---------------------------------|---|
| Giziga-Marva | <i>məgahak</i>  | *m-gaxak    | *mØ-gaØxakØ     |                                 | 1 |
| G.-Mutturwa  | <i>magaḡak</i>  | *ma-ga-gak  | *ma-RED-gaØØØkØ | *ma-(RED-)g <sup>w</sup> arxaka | 2 |
|              | <i>magakgak</i> | *ma-gak-gak |                 |                                 | 2 |

1. \*g<sup>w</sup> > g; prefixal \*a > ə2. \*g<sup>w</sup> > g

## KOTOKO-NORTH

|        |                   |          |           |                         |   |
|--------|-------------------|----------|-----------|-------------------------|---|
| Afade  | <i>hagi xagəʸ</i> | *xaga-Øʸ | *ØØxaga-y | *g <sup>w</sup> rxaka-y | 1 |
| Malgbe | <i>hagi xagəʸ</i> |          |           |                         | 1 |
| Mpade  | <i>hagi xagəʸ</i> |          |           |                         | 1 |

1. \*k &gt; g; lexical-final \*a &gt; ə; \*y &gt; Øʸ; +Y: ə &gt; i

## KOTOKO-CENTRAL

|        |                     |            |              |                            |   |
|--------|---------------------|------------|--------------|----------------------------|---|
|        |                     |            |              | √ CaC C Ca                 |   |
| Mser   | <i>ᵑgayi ᵑgayəʸ</i> | *ᵑ-gaya-Øʸ | *mØ-gaØyØa-y | *ma-g <sup>w</sup> arxka-y | 1 |
|        |                     |            |              | √ C C CaCa                 |   |
| Lagwan | <i>nyaki nyakəʸ</i> | *n-yaka-Øʸ | *mØ-yØØaka-y | *ma-g <sup>w</sup> rxaka-y | 2 |

1. \*g<sup>w</sup> > g; \*x > y; homorganic assimilation \*m > ᵑ/\_g; lexical-final \*a > ə; \*y > Øʸ; +Y: ə > i2. \*g<sup>w</sup> > y; partial assimilation \*m > n/\_y; lexical-final \*a > ə; \*y > Øʸ; +Y: ə > i

## GIDAR

|       |                 |             |                 |                               |   |
|-------|-----------------|-------------|-----------------|-------------------------------|---|
| Gidar | <i>gaᵑgraka</i> | *ga-ᵑgØraka | *ØᵑØ-ga-garØaka | *ma-RED-g <sup>w</sup> arxaka | 1 |
|-------|-----------------|-------------|-----------------|-------------------------------|---|

1. \*g<sup>w</sup> > g; \*m > mᵑ > Øᵑ; +N: g > ᵑg

cry, to

PCC \*(ma-) ts(a)wa (-a, -y, -k; FV)

## BATA

|        |                   |                    |      |       |   |
|--------|-------------------|--------------------|------|-------|---|
| Bata   | <i>tuu təʷw</i>   | *tw <sup>w</sup> Ø | *twa | *tswa | 1 |
| Gude   | <i>tuu təʷw</i>   |                    |      |       | 1 |
| Sharwa | <i>tuwə təʷwa</i> | *tw <sup>w</sup> a |      |       | 2 |

1. \*ts > t; ə-epenthesis; +W: ə > u; \*w > w<sup>w</sup> > u2. \*ts > t; ə-epenthesis; \*w > w<sup>w</sup>; +W: ə > u; lexical-final \*a > ə

## MARGI

|             |                                    |                     |        |           |   |
|-------------|------------------------------------|---------------------|--------|-----------|---|
| Bura        | <i>tuwa-tua</i> tə <sup>w</sup> wa | *tw <sup>w</sup> a  |        | *tswa(-y) | 1 |
| Kilba       | <i>tiwi</i> tə <sup>w</sup> wy     | *twØ-y <sup>y</sup> | *twa-y |           | 2 |
| Margi-South | <i>tiwi</i> tə <sup>w</sup> wy     |                     |        |           | 2 |
| Margi       | <i>ti</i> ty                       | *t-y                | tØØ-y  |           | 3 |

1. \*ts > t; ə-epenthesis; \*w > w<sup>w</sup>; +W: ə > u

2. \*ts &gt; t; ə-epenthesis; \*y &gt; yʸ; +Y: ə &gt; i; \*y &gt; i

3. \*ts &gt; t; \*y &gt; i

## MANDARA

|         |                        |                       |             |                                           |   |
|---------|------------------------|-----------------------|-------------|-------------------------------------------|---|
|         |                        |                       |             | √ C Ca                                    |   |
| Mandara | <i>kʷua tʷua</i>       | *twa-Øʸ               | *twa-y      | *(ma-)tswa<br>(-a, -y, -k <sup>w</sup> a) | 1 |
| Malgwa  | <i>kʷuwa tʷaʷwa</i>    | *tw <sup>w</sup> a-Øʸ |             |                                           | 2 |
| Glavda  | <i>tu:ga təʷwga</i>    | *tw <sup>w</sup> -ka  |             |                                           | 3 |
| Matal   | <i>matəway matəway</i> | *ma-tw-ay             | *ma-twØ-a-y |                                           | 4 |
|         |                        |                       |             | √ CaCa                                    |   |
| Podoko  | <i>tawa</i>            | *tawa                 |             | *tsawa                                    | 4 |

1. \*ts > t; \*w > u; \*y > Ø<sup>y</sup>; +Y: t > t' > k'
2. \*ts > t; \*y > Ø<sup>y</sup>; +Y: t > t' > k'; ə-epenthesis; \*w > w<sup>w</sup>; +W: ə > u
3. \*ts > t; \*k > g; ə-epenthesis; \*w > w<sup>w</sup>; +W: ə > u; \*w > u
4. \*ts > t

## MOFU

|            |                                                        |                                      |             |  |                        |   |
|------------|--------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------|-------------|--|------------------------|---|
| Mofu-Gudur | təw                                                    | *twØ                                 |             |  | *(ma-)tswa<br>(-a, -y) | 1 |
| Zulgo      | tuwa tə <sup>w</sup> wa                                | *tw <sup>w</sup> a                   |             |  |                        | 2 |
| Ouldeme    | tuwo tə <sup>w</sup> wa <sup>w</sup>                   |                                      | *twa        |  |                        | 3 |
| Moloko     | təwe təwa <sup>y</sup>                                 | *twa-Ø <sup>y</sup>                  |             |  |                        | 4 |
| Muyang     | təwi tə <sup>w</sup> wy                                | *tw <sup>w</sup> Ø-y                 | *twa-y      |  |                        | 5 |
| Dugwor     | mətuway mətə <sup>w</sup> way                          | *ma-tw <sup>w</sup> -ay              | *ma-twØ-a-y |  |                        | 6 |
| Gemzek     | metuwe ma <sup>y</sup> tə <sup>w</sup> wa <sup>y</sup> | *ma-tw <sup>w</sup> a-Ø <sup>y</sup> | *ma-twa-y   |  |                        | 7 |

1. \*ts > t; ə-epenthesis
2. \*ts > t; ə-epenthesis; \*w > w<sup>w</sup>; +W: ə > u
3. \*ts > t; ə-epenthesis; \*w > w<sup>w</sup>; +W: ə > u; +W: lexical-final \*a > o
4. \*ts > t; ə-epenthesis; \*y > Ø<sup>y</sup>; +Y: lexical-final \*a > e
5. \*ts > t; ə-epenthesis; \*w > w<sup>w</sup>; +W: ə > u; \*y > i
6. \*ts > t; ə-epenthesis; \*w > w<sup>w</sup>; +W: ə > u
7. \*ts > t; ə-epenthesis; \*w > w<sup>w</sup>; +W: ə > u; \*y > Ø<sup>y</sup>; +Y: \*a > e

## MAROUA

|                |                                       |                      |          |  |               |   |
|----------------|---------------------------------------|----------------------|----------|--|---------------|---|
| Giziga-Marva   | tuwa tə <sup>w</sup> wa               | *tw <sup>w</sup> a   |          |  | *tswa((-a)-y) | 1 |
|                | tuway tə <sup>w</sup> way             | *tw <sup>w</sup> -ay | *twØ-a-y |  |               | 1 |
| Mbazla         | tuway tə <sup>w</sup> way             |                      |          |  |               | 1 |
| Giziga-Muturwa | tuway tə <sup>w</sup> wa <sup>y</sup> | *tw <sup>w</sup> Ø-y | *twa-y   |  |               | 1 |

1. \*ts > t; ə-epenthesis; \*w > w<sup>w</sup>; +W: ə > u

## LAMANG

|        |       |         |           |  |                |   |
|--------|-------|---------|-----------|--|----------------|---|
| Lamang | tawa  | *tawa   |           |  | *tsawa(-a, -y) | 1 |
| Hdi    | taway | *taw-ay | *tawØ-a-y |  |                | 1 |

1. \*ts > t

## KOTOKO-ISLAND

|        |                         |                     |         |         |   |
|--------|-------------------------|---------------------|---------|---------|---|
| Buduma | tʃuy ts <sup>y</sup> wy | *tsw-y <sup>y</sup> | *tswØ-y | *tswa-y | 1 |
|--------|-------------------------|---------------------|---------|---------|---|

1. \*w > u; \*y > y<sup>y</sup>; +Y: ts > ts<sup>y</sup> > tʃ; (\*y > i)

## KOTOKO-NORTH

|        |                                        |                                   |         |         |   |
|--------|----------------------------------------|-----------------------------------|---------|---------|---|
| Afade  | tsiwe tsə <sup>y</sup> wa <sup>y</sup> | *tswa-Ø <sup>y</sup>              | *tswa-y | *tswa-y | 1 |
| Mpade  | swe swa <sup>y</sup>                   | *swa-Ø <sup>y</sup>               |         |         | 2 |
| Malgbe | siwe sə <sup>w</sup> wa <sup>y</sup>   | *sw <sup>w</sup> a-Ø <sup>y</sup> | *swa-y  |         | 3 |

1. ə-epenthesis; \*y > Ø<sup>y</sup>; +Y: ə > i; +Y: lexical-final \*a > e
2. \*ts > s; \*y > Ø<sup>y</sup>; +Y: lexical-final \*a > e
3. \*ts > s; ə-epenthesis; \*w > w<sup>w</sup>; +W: ə > u; \*y > Ø<sup>y</sup>; +Y: lexical-final \*a > e

## KOTOKO-CENTRAL

|        |                                      |                     |        |         |   |
|--------|--------------------------------------|---------------------|--------|---------|---|
| Lagwan | siwe sə <sup>y</sup> wa <sup>y</sup> | *swa-Ø <sup>y</sup> | *swa-y | *tswa-y | 1 |
| Mser   | swe swa <sup>y</sup>                 | *swa-Ø <sup>y</sup> |        |         | 2 |

1. \*ts > s; ə-epenthesis; \*y > Ø<sup>y</sup>; +Y: ə > i; +Y: lexical-final \*a > e
2. \*ts > s; \*y > Ø<sup>y</sup>; +Y: lexical-final \*a > e

## KOTOKO-SOUTH

|                                                                                                        |                                   |                                         |                 |   |
|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------|-----------------------------------------|-----------------|---|
| Zina                                                                                                   | <i>tʃuɲya ts'ə<sup>w</sup>wya</i> | <i>*tsw<sup>w</sup>Ø-y<sup>y</sup>a</i> | <i>*tswa-ya</i> | 1 |
| 1. ə-epenthesis; *w > w <sup>w</sup> ; +W: ə > u; *y > y <sup>y</sup> ; +Y: *ts > ts <sup>y</sup> > tʃ |                                   |                                         |                 |   |

## MUSGUM

|                                                          |                              |                           |                           |                  |   |
|----------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------|---------------------------|---------------------------|------------------|---|
| Mbara                                                    | <i>tuwa tə<sup>w</sup>wa</i> | <i>*tw<sup>w</sup>a</i>   |                           | <i>*tswa(-y)</i> | 1 |
| Mulwi                                                    | <i>tuwi tə<sup>w</sup>wy</i> | <i>*tw<sup>w</sup>Ø-y</i> | <i>*tw<sup>w</sup>a-y</i> |                  | 2 |
| 1. ə-epenthesis; *w > w <sup>w</sup> ; +W: ə > u         |                              |                           |                           |                  |   |
| 2. ə-epenthesis; *w > w <sup>w</sup> ; +W: ə > u; *y > i |                              |                           |                           |                  |   |

cut, to

PCC \*(k<sup>w</sup>a-, ma-) **la** (-y, -k<sup>w</sup>, -n, -r; FV)

## BATA

|                                              |               |                   |                                     |   |
|----------------------------------------------|---------------|-------------------|-------------------------------------|---|
| Gude                                         | <i>la</i>     | <i>*la</i>        | <i>*(ma-)la((-k<sup>w</sup>)-n)</i> | 1 |
| Sharwa                                       | <i>la</i>     |                   |                                     | 1 |
| Jimi                                         | <i>lan</i>    | <i>*la-n</i>      |                                     | 1 |
| Tsuvan                                       | <i>aʒakən</i> | <i>*Øa-ʒa-k-n</i> | <i>*ma-ʒa-k-n</i>                   | 2 |
| 1. *l > l                                    |               |                   |                                     |   |
| 2. *l > ʒ; *k <sup>w</sup> > k; ə-epenthesis |               |                   |                                     |   |

## DABA

|                                                       |              |               |                                             |   |
|-------------------------------------------------------|--------------|---------------|---------------------------------------------|---|
| Buwal                                                 | <i>ʒa</i>    | <i>*ʒa</i>    | <i>*(k<sup>w</sup>a-)la(-k<sup>w</sup>)</i> | 1 |
| Gavar                                                 | <i>ʒa</i>    |               |                                             | 1 |
| Daba                                                  | <i>ʒa</i>    |               |                                             | 1 |
| Mbudum                                                | <i>kəʒa</i>  | <i>*kØ-ʒa</i> |                                             | 2 |
|                                                       | <i>ʒu ʒw</i> | <i>*ʒØ-w</i>  | <i>*ʒa-k<sup>w</sup></i>                    | 3 |
| 1. *l > ʒ                                             |              |               |                                             |   |
| 2. *l > ʒ; prefixal *k <sup>w</sup> > k; ə-epenthesis |              |               |                                             |   |
| 3. *l > ʒ; *k <sup>w</sup> > w > u                    |              |               |                                             |   |

## TERA

|           |           |            |            |   |
|-----------|-----------|------------|------------|---|
| Tera      | <i>ʒa</i> | <i>*ʒa</i> | <i>*la</i> | 1 |
| 1. *l > ʒ |           |            |            |   |

## SUKUR

|           |           |            |            |   |
|-----------|-----------|------------|------------|---|
| Sukur     | <i>ʒə</i> | <i>*ʒa</i> | <i>*la</i> | 1 |
| 1. *l > ʒ |           |            |            |   |

## HURZA

|                        |             |               |                             |   |
|------------------------|-------------|---------------|-----------------------------|---|
| Mbuko                  | <i>la</i>   | <i>*la</i>    | <i>*la(-k<sup>w</sup>a)</i> |   |
| Vame                   | <i>lawā</i> | <i>*la-wa</i> | <i>*la-k<sup>w</sup>a</i>   | 1 |
| 1. *k <sup>w</sup> > w |             |               |                             |   |

## MARGI

|                            |                 |              |                            |   |
|----------------------------|-----------------|--------------|----------------------------|---|
| Bura                       | <i>la</i>       | <i>*la</i>   | <i>*la(-k<sup>w</sup>)</i> |   |
| Margi                      | <i>lə</i>       |              |                            | 1 |
| Kilba                      | <i>la</i>       |              |                            |   |
|                            | <i>lau *law</i> | <i>*la-w</i> | <i>*la-k<sup>w</sup></i>   | 2 |
| 1. lexical-final *a > ə    |                 |              |                            |   |
| 2. *k <sup>w</sup> > w > u |                 |              |                            |   |

## MANDARA

|        |           |            |            |  |
|--------|-----------|------------|------------|--|
| Podoko | <i>la</i> | <i>*la</i> | <i>*la</i> |  |
|--------|-----------|------------|------------|--|

## MOFU

|                                                                                                              |                                            |                       |            |                  |   |
|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------|-----------------------|------------|------------------|---|
| Mofu-Gudur                                                                                                   | <i>l</i>                                   | *lØ                   | *la        | *(ma-)la((-a)-y) |   |
| Muyang                                                                                                       | <i>lay</i>                                 | *l-ay                 | *lØ-a-y    |                  |   |
| Ouldeme                                                                                                      | <i>li ly</i>                               | *l-y                  | *lØ-y      |                  | 1 |
| Dugwor                                                                                                       | <i>malay</i>                               | *ma-l-ay              | *ma-lØ-a-y |                  |   |
| Mofu North                                                                                                   | <i>meley ma<sup>y</sup>la<sup>y</sup>y</i> | *ma-l-ay <sup>y</sup> |            |                  | 2 |
| Zulgo                                                                                                        | <i>ʒe ʒa<sup>y</sup></i>                   | *ʒa-Ø <sup>y</sup>    | *ʒa-y      |                  | 3 |
| 1. *y > i<br>2. *y > y <sup>y</sup> ; +Y: *a > e<br>3. *l > ʒ; y > Ø <sup>y</sup> ; +Y: lexical-final *a > e |                                            |                       |            |                  |   |

## MAROUA

|           |              |      |       |       |   |
|-----------|--------------|------|-------|-------|---|
| Mbazla    | <i>li ly</i> | *l-y | *lØ-y | *la-y | 1 |
| 1. *y > i |              |      |       |       |   |

## LAMANG

|                  |            |      |     |   |
|------------------|------------|------|-----|---|
| Lamang           | <i>tsa</i> | *tsa | *la | 1 |
| Hdi              | <i>tsa</i> |      |     | 1 |
| 1. *l (> s) > ts |            |      |     |   |

## HIGI

|            |           |     |  |     |  |
|------------|-----------|-----|--|-----|--|
| Kamwe-Futu | <i>la</i> | *la |  | *la |  |
| Kirya      | <i>la</i> |     |  |     |  |
| Psikye     | <i>la</i> |     |  |     |  |
| Bana       | <i>la</i> |     |  |     |  |

## KOTOKO-NORTH

|                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            |                                                      |                                                                                                                                |                                           |                                            |   |
|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------|---|
| Afade                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      | <i>s'el s<sup>a</sup>l</i>                           | *s <sup>2</sup> a-Ø <sup>y</sup> -l<br>< *sa-y-l-Ø <sup>?</sup>                                                                | *sa-y-l-k                                 | *(ma-)la<br>(-y(a),-r,-k <sup>w</sup> ,-n) | 1 |
|                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            | <i>s'a</i>                                           | *sa-Ø <sup>?</sup> < *sa-?                                                                                                     | *sa-k                                     |                                            | 2 |
| Mpade                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      | <i>s'a</i>                                           |                                                                                                                                |                                           |                                            | 2 |
|                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            | <i>ns'a ns'a</i>                                     | *n-sa-Ø <sup>?</sup><br>< *n-sa-?                                                                                              | *mØ-sa-k                                  |                                            | 3 |
| Malgbe                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     | <i>s'inyawun<br/>s'ə<sup>n</sup>yawə<sup>n</sup></i> | *s <sup>n</sup> y <sup>y</sup> a-Ø <sup>?</sup> w <sup>w</sup> -n<br>< *Ø <sup>n</sup> -s-y <sup>y</sup> a-ʔ+w <sup>w</sup> -n | *m <sup>0</sup> Ø-sØ-ya-k <sup>w</sup> -n |                                            | 4 |
|                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            | <i>lawun lawə<sup>n</sup></i>                        | *la-w <sup>w</sup> -n                                                                                                          | *la-k <sup>w</sup> -n                     |                                            | 5 |
| 1. *l > s; *r > l; *k <sup>w</sup> (> k) > ʔ; *ʔ > Ø <sup>?</sup> ; *+ʔ: s > s <sup>?</sup> ; y > Ø <sup>y</sup> ; +Y: *a > e<br>2. *l > s; *k <sup>w</sup> > k > ʔ; *ʔ > Ø <sup>?</sup> ; +ʔ: s > s <sup>?</sup><br>3. *l > s; *k <sup>w</sup> > k > ʔ; homorganic assimilation *m > n/_s; *ʔ > Ø <sup>?</sup> ; +ʔ: s > s <sup>?</sup><br>4. *l > s; ə-epenthesis; *y > y <sup>y</sup> ; +Y: ə > i; re-segmentalisation *k <sup>w</sup> > ʔ+w <sup>w</sup> ; +W: ə > u;<br>*ʔ > Ø <sup>?</sup> ; +ʔ: s > s <sup>?</sup> ; *m > Ø <sup>n</sup> ; +N: *y > <sup>n</sup> y<br>5. *k <sup>w</sup> > w <sup>w</sup> ; ə-epenthesis; +W: ə > u |                                                      |                                                                                                                                |                                           |                                            |   |

## KOTOKO-CENTRAL

|                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      |                                            |                                      |                         |                                |   |
|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------|-------------------------|--------------------------------|---|
| Lagwan                                                                                                                                                                                                                               | <i>s'awun s<sup>2</sup>awa<sup>n</sup></i> | *sa-Ø <sup>?</sup> w <sup>w</sup> -n | *sa-ʔ+w <sup>w</sup> -n | *la(-y)-k <sup>w</sup> (a)(-n) | 1 |
| Mser                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 | <i>s'ia s<sup>2</sup>ya</i>                | *s-y-Ø <sup>?</sup> a                | *sØ-y-ʔa                |                                | 2 |
| 1. *l > s; ə-epenthesis; re-segmentalisation *k <sup>w</sup> > ʔ+w <sup>w</sup> ; +W: ə > u; ʔ > Ø <sup>?</sup> ; +ʔ: s > s <sup>?</sup><br>2. *l > s; *k <sup>w</sup> > k > ʔ; ʔ > Ø <sup>?</sup> ; +ʔ: s > s <sup>?</sup> ; *y > i |                                            |                                      |                         |                                |   |

## MUSGUM

|                                                                      |                 |                   |       |       |   |
|----------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------|-------------------|-------|-------|---|
| Mulwi                                                                | <i>li ly</i>    | *l-y              | *lØ-y | *la-y | 1 |
| Mbara                                                                | <i>lii lə'y</i> | *l-y <sup>y</sup> | *lØ-y |       | 2 |
| 1. *y > i                                                            |                 |                   |       |       |   |
| 2. ə-epenthesis; *y > y <sup>y</sup> ; +Y: ə > i; *y > i; Cə'y > Cii |                 |                   |       |       |   |

dance (to, spec.)

PCC \*(ma-, k<sup>w</sup>a-, RED-) **ɣ<sup>w</sup>(a)tsa** (-a, -y, -k<sup>w</sup>, -n)

BATA

|        |                          |                           |                                               |   |
|--------|--------------------------|---------------------------|-----------------------------------------------|---|
| Gude   | <i>udzə wdzə</i>         | *wdza                     | *ɣ <sup>w</sup> tsa(-y, -k <sup>w</sup> , -n) | 1 |
| Jimi   | <i>udzən wdzən</i>       | *wdza-n                   |                                               | 1 |
| Sharwa | <i>udz wdz</i>           | *wdzØ                     |                                               | 2 |
| Tsuvan | <i>wədzəkən wədzəkən</i> | *wdza-Ø <sup>y</sup> -k-n |                                               | 3 |

1. \*ɣ<sup>w</sup> > w > u; \*ts > dz; lexical-final \*a > ə
2. \*ɣ<sup>w</sup> > w > u; \*ts > dz
3. \*ɣ<sup>w</sup> > w; \*ts > dz; ə-epenthesis; \*y > Ø<sup>y</sup>; +Y: \*a > e

MAFA

|      |                      |                       |          |                        |   |
|------|----------------------|-----------------------|----------|------------------------|---|
| Mafa | <i>geɬe gaʔtsʔaʔ</i> | *gatsa-Ø <sup>y</sup> | *gatsa-y | *ɣ <sup>w</sup> atsa-y | 1 |
|------|----------------------|-----------------------|----------|------------------------|---|

1. \*ɣ<sup>w</sup> > g; \*y > Ø<sup>y</sup>; +Y: \*ts > tʃ; +Y: \*a > e

SUKUR

|       |                                           |                                          |                          |                          |   |
|-------|-------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|---|
|       |                                           |                                          |                          | √ C Ca                   |   |
| Sukur | <i>dzu dzw</i>                            | *dzw                                     | *wdzØ                    | *ɣ <sup>w</sup> tsa      | 1 |
|       |                                           |                                          |                          | √ CaCa                   |   |
|       | <i>k<sup>w</sup>atsak<sup>w</sup>atsa</i> | *k <sup>w</sup> atsa-k <sup>w</sup> atsa | *RED-k <sup>w</sup> atsa | *RED-ɣ <sup>w</sup> atsa | 2 |

1. \*ɣ<sup>w</sup> > w > u; \*ts > dz; metathesis wdz > dzw
2. \*ɣ<sup>w</sup> > k<sup>w</sup>

MARGI

|       |                  |       |                     |   |
|-------|------------------|-------|---------------------|---|
| Kilba | <i>utsa wtsa</i> | *wtsa | *ɣ <sup>w</sup> tsa | 1 |
|-------|------------------|-------|---------------------|---|

1. \*ɣ<sup>w</sup> > w > u

MOFU

|            |                                    |                            |                 |                                              |   |
|------------|------------------------------------|----------------------------|-----------------|----------------------------------------------|---|
| Mofu North | <i>mekesewey<br/>maʔkaʔsaʔwaʔy</i> | *ma-ka-saw-ay <sup>y</sup> | *ma-ka-wasØ-a-y | *ma-k <sup>w</sup> a-ɣ <sup>w</sup> atsa-a-y | 1 |
|------------|------------------------------------|----------------------------|-----------------|----------------------------------------------|---|

1. \*ɣ<sup>w</sup> > w; \*k<sup>w</sup> > k; \*ts > s; metathesis ws > sw; \*y > y<sup>y</sup>; +Y: \*a > e

LAMANG

|        |                                           |                                          |                          |                          |   |
|--------|-------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|---|
| Lamang | <i>dzag<sup>w</sup>adzag<sup>w</sup>a</i> | *dzag <sup>w</sup> a-dzag <sup>w</sup> a | *RED-g <sup>w</sup> adza | *RED-ɣ <sup>w</sup> atsa | 1 |
|--------|-------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|---|

1. \*ɣ<sup>w</sup> > g<sup>w</sup>; \*ts > dz; metathesis g<sup>w</sup>dz > dzg<sup>w</sup>

HIGI

|             |                                    |                        |                     |                                        |   |
|-------------|------------------------------------|------------------------|---------------------|----------------------------------------|---|
| Bana        | <i>tsə</i>                         | *tsa                   | *Øtsa               | *(k <sup>w</sup> a-)ɣ <sup>w</sup> tsa | 1 |
| Kirya       | <i>tswə</i>                        | *tswa                  | *wtsa               |                                        | 2 |
| Kamwe-Nkafa | <i>tswə</i>                        |                        |                     |                                        | 2 |
| Kamwe-Futu  | <i>tso tsə<sup>w</sup></i>         | *Ø <sup>w</sup> tsa    | *w <sup>w</sup> tsa |                                        | 3 |
| Psikye      | <i>kawutsə kaw<sup>w</sup>ətsə</i> | *ka-w <sup>w</sup> tsa |                     |                                        | 4 |

1. lexical-final \*a > ə
2. \*ɣ<sup>w</sup> > w; metathesis wts > tsw; lexical-final \*a > ə
3. \*ɣ<sup>w</sup> > w<sup>w</sup> > Ø<sup>w</sup>; +W: lexical-final \*a > o
4. \*k<sup>w</sup> > k; ə-epenthesis; \*ɣ<sup>w</sup> > w<sup>w</sup>; +W: ə > u; lexical-final \*a > ə

KOTOKO-ISLAND

|        |                     |                       |          |                        |   |
|--------|---------------------|-----------------------|----------|------------------------|---|
| Buduma | <i>watʃa watsʔa</i> | *watsa-Ø <sup>y</sup> | *watsa-y | *ɣ <sup>w</sup> atsa-y | 1 |
|--------|---------------------|-----------------------|----------|------------------------|---|

1. \*ɣ<sup>w</sup> > w; \*y > Ø<sup>y</sup>; +Y: \*ts > tʃ

## deaf

PCC \*(ma-) d(a)k(a)(+l(a)ma)<sup>30</sup> (-y, -k<sup>w</sup>, -n)

## MAFA

|                                                      |                            |             |               |               |   |
|------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------|-------------|---------------|---------------|---|
| Mafa                                                 | <i>*dakaɓam</i> ndakaɓam   | *n-daka+ɓam | *mØ-daka+ɓamØ | *ma-daka+lama | 1 |
|                                                      | <i>*dabaɓam</i> ndabaɓam   | *n-daba+ɓam | *mØ-daɓa+ɓamØ |               | 2 |
| Cuvok                                                | <i>madagaɓam</i> madagaɓam |             | *ma-daga+ɓamØ |               | 3 |
| 1. *l > ɓ; homorganic assimilation *m > n/_d         |                            |             |               |               |   |
| 2. *l > ɓ; *k > ɓ; homorganic assimilation *m > n/_d |                            |             |               |               |   |
| 3. *l > ɓ; *k > g                                    |                            |             |               |               |   |

## HURZA

|                                                                                                         |                                                            |                                      |                              |                         |   |
|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------|------------------------------|-------------------------|---|
| Mbuko                                                                                                   | <i>di<sup>h</sup>gib</i> də <sup>h</sup> gə <sup>h</sup> ɓ | *Ø-d <sup>h</sup> g+ɓ-Ø <sup>y</sup> | *m <sup>h</sup> Ø-dkØ+ɓØØØ-y | *ma-dka                 | 1 |
|                                                                                                         | <i>madə<sup>h</sup>gaɓak</i>                               | *m-d <sup>h</sup> ga+ɓa-k            | *m <sup>h</sup> Ø-dka+ɓØØa-k | +lama-y/-k <sup>w</sup> | 2 |
| 1. *l > ɓ; *m > m <sup>h</sup> ; +N: *k > <sup>h</sup> g; ə-epenthesis; *y > Ø <sup>y</sup> ; +Y: ə > i |                                                            |                                      |                              |                         |   |
| 2. *l > ɓ; +N: *g > <sup>h</sup> g; *k <sup>w</sup> > k; ə-epenthesis                                   |                                                            |                                      |                              |                         |   |

## MANDARA

|                   |                  |               |               |   |
|-------------------|------------------|---------------|---------------|---|
| Matal             | <i>madagaɓam</i> | *ma-daga+ɓamØ | *ma-daka+lama | 1 |
| 1. *l > ɓ; *k > g |                  |               |               |   |

## MOFU

|                                                                                           |                                                    |                                             |                   |   |
|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------|-------------------|---|
|                                                                                           |                                                    |                                             | √ C Ca(+CaCa)     |   |
| Merey                                                                                     | <i>ma<sup>a</sup>dək</i>                           | *m <sup>a</sup> a-dkØ                       | *(ma-)dka(+lama)  | 1 |
| Moloko                                                                                    | <i>madə<sup>h</sup>gəɓa</i>                        | *m <sup>a</sup> a-dgØ+ɓaØØ                  |                   | 2 |
| Mofu-Gudur                                                                                | <i>dəgəɓam</i>                                     | *dgØ+ɓamØ                                   |                   | 3 |
|                                                                                           |                                                    |                                             | √ CaCa(+CaCa)     |   |
| Dugwor                                                                                    | <i>ma<sup>a</sup>dak</i>                           | *m <sup>a</sup> a-dakØ                      | *(ma-)daka(+lama) | 4 |
| Mofu North                                                                                | <i>ma<sup>a</sup>dak</i>                           |                                             |                   | 4 |
| Gemzek                                                                                    | <i>ma<sup>a</sup>dak</i>                           |                                             |                   | 4 |
|                                                                                           | <i>ma<sup>a</sup>dakaɓam</i>                       | *m <sup>a</sup> a-daka+ɓamØ                 |                   | 5 |
| Mofu-Gudur                                                                                | <i>madakaɓam</i>                                   | *ma-daka+ɓamØ                               |                   | 6 |
| Mada                                                                                      | <i>madagaɓam</i>                                   | *ma-daga+ɓamØ                               |                   | 7 |
| Dugwor                                                                                    | <i>mədə<sup>h</sup>gəɓa</i> mada <sup>h</sup> gəɓa | *m <sup>a</sup> Ø-dagØ+ɓaØØØ-Ø <sup>y</sup> | *ma-daka+lama-y   | 8 |
| 1. *m > m <sup>n</sup> ; +N: *d > <sup>n</sup> d; ə-epenthesis                            |                                                    |                                             |                   |   |
| 2. *l > ɓ; *k > g; *m > m <sup>n</sup> ; +N: *g > <sup>n</sup> g; ə-epenthesis            |                                                    |                                             |                   |   |
| 3. *l > ɓ; *k > g; ə-epenthesis                                                           |                                                    |                                             |                   |   |
| 4. *m > m <sup>n</sup> ; +N: *d > <sup>n</sup> d                                          |                                                    |                                             |                   |   |
| 5. *l > ɓ; *m > m <sup>n</sup> ; +N: *d > <sup>n</sup> d                                  |                                                    |                                             |                   |   |
| 6. *l > ɓ                                                                                 |                                                    |                                             |                   |   |
| 7. *l > ɓ; *k > g                                                                         |                                                    |                                             |                   |   |
| 8. *l > ɓ; *k > g; +N: *g > <sup>n</sup> g; ə-epenthesis; *y > Ø <sup>y</sup> ; +Y: a > e |                                                    |                                             |                   |   |

<sup>30</sup> Gravina (2015) plausibly assumes that this root is a compound of a verb and a reflex of the word for 'ear' (PCC \*l(a)ma) and in some languages involving an old agentive nominaliser \*ma-.

## MAROUA

|            |                             |                         |               |        |   |
|------------|-----------------------------|-------------------------|---------------|--------|---|
| G.-Maturwa | <i>digil</i> də'gə'l        | *dg+I-Ø <sup>y</sup>    | *dgØ+HØØ-y    | *(ma-) | 1 |
|            | <i>midigiḡa</i> mə'də'gə'ḡa | *m-dg-ḡa-Ø <sup>y</sup> | *mØ-dgØ-ḡØa-y | dka    | 2 |
| G.-Marva   | <i>mədigḡa</i> mədə'gḡa     |                         |               | +ḡma-y | 2 |

1. \*k > g; ə-epenthesis; \*y > Ø<sup>y</sup>; +Y: ə > i
2. \*k > g; \*l > ḡ; ə-epenthesis; \*y > Ø<sup>y</sup>; +Y: ə > i

## LAMANG

|        |                                  |                       |                           |                           |   |
|--------|----------------------------------|-----------------------|---------------------------|---------------------------|---|
| Lamang | <i>matoŋ</i> mata <sup>w</sup> ŋ | *ma-ta-ŋ <sup>w</sup> | *ma-tØa-k <sup>w</sup> -n | *ma-dka-k <sup>w</sup> -n | 1 |
|--------|----------------------------------|-----------------------|---------------------------|---------------------------|---|

1. \*d > t; fusion k<sup>w</sup>n > ŋ<sup>w</sup>; +W: lexical-final \*a > o

die, to

PCC \*(k<sup>w</sup>a-, ma-) **m(a)ta** (-a, -y, -k<sup>w</sup>, -n; FV)

## BATA

|        |                   |                     |        |             |   |
|--------|-------------------|---------------------|--------|-------------|---|
| Jimi   | <i>mətan</i>      | *mtØ-n              |        | *mta(-y/-n) | 1 |
| Sharwa | <i>mitə</i> mə'tə | *mta-Ø <sup>y</sup> | *mta-y |             | 2 |

1. ə-epenthesis
2. ə-epenthesis; \*y > Ø<sup>y</sup>; +Y: ə > i; lexical-final \*a > ə

## DABA

|        |                                   |                        |                            |                           |   |
|--------|-----------------------------------|------------------------|----------------------------|---------------------------|---|
|        |                                   |                        |                            | √ C Ca                    |   |
| Gavar  | <i>mtfa</i> mts <sup>y</sup> a    | *mtsa-Ø <sup>y</sup>   | *mtsa-y                    |                           | 1 |
| Daba   | <i>mətf</i> məts <sup>y</sup>     | *mts-Ø <sup>y</sup>    | *(k <sup>w</sup> a-)mtsØ-y | *(k <sup>w</sup> a-)mta-y | 2 |
| Mbudum | <i>kəmətf</i> kəməts <sup>y</sup> | *kØ-mts-Ø <sup>y</sup> |                            |                           | 2 |
|        |                                   |                        |                            | √ CaCa                    |   |
| Buwal  | <i>matf</i> mats <sup>y</sup>     | *mats-Ø <sup>y</sup>   | *matsØ-y                   | *mata-y                   | 1 |

1. \*t > ts; \*y > Ø<sup>y</sup>; +Y: ts > ts<sup>y</sup> > tʃ
2. \*t > ts; ə-epenthesis; \*y > Ø<sup>y</sup>; +Y: ts > ts<sup>y</sup> > tʃ
2. \*k<sup>w</sup> > k; t > ts; ə-epenthesis; \*y > Ø<sup>y</sup>; +Y: ts > ts<sup>y</sup> > tʃ

## MAFA

|       |              |       |  |      |   |
|-------|--------------|-------|--|------|---|
| Mafa  | <i>mətsa</i> | *mtsa |  | *mta | 1 |
| Cuvok | <i>mətsa</i> |       |  |      | 1 |

1. \*t > ts; ə-epenthesis

## TERA

|      |                 |      |      |      |   |
|------|-----------------|------|------|------|---|
| Tera | <i>mət</i> məd' | *mdØ | *mdā | *mta | 1 |
|------|-----------------|------|------|------|---|

1. \*t > d; \*d' > [t] in final position; ə-epenthesis

## SUKUR

|       |                |                    |                     |                     |   |
|-------|----------------|--------------------|---------------------|---------------------|---|
| Sukur | <i>ŋus</i> ŋws | *mk <sup>w</sup> s | *msØ-k <sup>w</sup> | *mta-k <sup>w</sup> | 1 |
|-------|----------------|--------------------|---------------------|---------------------|---|

1. \*t (> ts) > s; metathesis sk<sup>w</sup> > k<sup>w</sup>s; re-segmentalisation \*k<sup>w</sup> > k+w; fusion \*mk > ŋ; w > u

## HURZA

|       |              |        |        |        |   |
|-------|--------------|--------|--------|--------|---|
|       |              |        |        | √ C Ca |   |
| Vame  | <i>mətsa</i> | *mtsa  |        | *mta   | 1 |
|       |              |        |        | √ CaCa |   |
| Mbuko | <i>mats</i>  | *matsØ | *matsa | *mata  | 2 |

1. \*t > ts, ə-epenthesis
2. \*t > ts

## MARGI

|      |            |      |  |      |  |
|------|------------|------|--|------|--|
| Bura | <i>mta</i> | *mta |  | *mta |  |
|------|------------|------|--|------|--|



## MANDARA

|                                                                                                                                                                                                       |                                                |                         |                          |                                     |   |
|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------|-------------------------|--------------------------|-------------------------------------|---|
| Malgwa                                                                                                                                                                                                | <i>mtsa</i>                                    | *mtsa                   |                          | *(ma-)mta(-a,-y, -k <sup>w</sup> a) | 1 |
| Dghwede                                                                                                                                                                                               | <i>mtsa</i>                                    |                         |                          |                                     | 1 |
| Podoko                                                                                                                                                                                                | <i>mitfe</i> mə'ts <sup>y</sup> a <sup>y</sup> | *mtsa-Ø <sup>y</sup>    | *mtsa-y                  | *(ma-)mta(-a,-y, -k <sup>w</sup> a) | 2 |
| Glavda                                                                                                                                                                                                | <i>imts<sup>y</sup>ga</i> ə'mtsga              | *mts-Ø <sup>y</sup> -ga | *mtsØ-y-k <sup>w</sup> a |                                     | 3 |
| Matal                                                                                                                                                                                                 | <i>mamtsay</i>                                 | *ma-mts-ay              | ma-mtsØ-a-y              |                                     | 1 |
| 1. *t > ts<br>2. *t > ts; ə-epenthesis; *y > Ø <sup>y</sup> ; +Y: *ts > tʃ; +Y: ə > i; +Y lexical-final *a > e<br>3. *t > ts; *k <sup>w</sup> (> k) > g; ə-prothesis; *y > Ø <sup>y</sup> ; +Y: ə > i |                                                |                         |                          |                                     |   |

## MOFU

|                                                                                                                                                                                   |                                                    |                         |                |                   |        |
|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------|-------------------------|----------------|-------------------|--------|
|                                                                                                                                                                                   |                                                    |                         |                | √ C Ca            |        |
| Ouldeme                                                                                                                                                                           | <i>mət</i>                                         | *mtØ                    | *mta           | *(ma-)mta(-a, -y) | 1      |
| Merey                                                                                                                                                                             | <i>mət</i>                                         |                         |                |                   | 1      |
| Zulgo                                                                                                                                                                             | <i>mət</i>                                         |                         |                |                   | 1      |
| Mada                                                                                                                                                                              | <i>mamta</i>                                       | *ma-mta                 | *ma-mta        |                   |        |
| Gemzek                                                                                                                                                                            | <i>meməte</i> ma <sup>y</sup> məta <sup>y</sup>    | *ma-mta-Ø <sup>y</sup>  | *ma-mta-y      |                   | 2      |
| Dugwor                                                                                                                                                                            | <i>məmtay</i> mamtay                               | *mØ-mt-ay               | *ma-mtØ-a-y    |                   | 3      |
| Mofu-Gudur                                                                                                                                                                        | <i>məts</i>                                        | *mtsØ                   |                |                   | 4      |
|                                                                                                                                                                                   | <i>memətsəy</i> ma <sup>y</sup> mətsa <sup>y</sup> | *ma-mtsa-y <sup>y</sup> | *(ma-)mtsə(-y) |                   | 5      |
|                                                                                                                                                                                   |                                                    |                         |                |                   | √ CaCa |
| Moloko                                                                                                                                                                            | <i>mat</i>                                         | *matØ                   |                | *mata             |        |
| 1. ə-epenthesis<br>2. ə-epenthesis; *y > Ø <sup>y</sup> ; +Y: *a > e<br>3. ə-epenthesis<br>4. *t > ts; ə-epenthesis<br>5. *t > ts; ə-epenthesis; *y > y <sup>y</sup> ; +Y: *a > e |                                                    |                         |                |                   |        |

## MAROUA

|                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             |                                             |                                     |                        |                       |   |
|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------|------------------------|-----------------------|---|
| Giziga Maturwa                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              | <i>mutf</i> mə <sup>w</sup> ts <sup>y</sup> | *mts-Ø <sup>y</sup> -Ø <sup>w</sup> | *mtsØ-y-k <sup>w</sup> | *mta-y-k <sup>w</sup> | 1 |
| Giziga Marva                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                | <i>mutf</i> mə <sup>w</sup> ts <sup>y</sup> |                                     |                        |                       | 1 |
| Mbazla                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      | <i>mutf</i> mə <sup>w</sup> ts <sup>y</sup> |                                     |                        |                       | 1 |
|                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             | <i>mutf</i> mə <sup>w</sup> ys <sup>y</sup> | *my <sup>y</sup> ts-Ø <sup>w</sup>  |                        |                       | 2 |
| 1. *t > ts; ə-epenthesis; *k <sup>w</sup> > Ø <sup>w</sup> ; +W: ə > u; *y > Ø <sup>y</sup> ; +Y: ts > ts <sup>y</sup> > tʃ<br>2. *t > ts; metathesis tsy > yts; ə-epenthesis; *k <sup>w</sup> > Ø <sup>w</sup> ; +W: ə > u; *y > y <sup>y</sup> ; +Y: ts > ts <sup>y</sup> > tʃ;<br>*y > i |                                             |                                     |                        |                       |   |

## LAMANG

|                 |              |        |          |            |   |
|-----------------|--------------|--------|----------|------------|---|
| Lamang          | <i>mta</i>   | *mta   |          | *mta(-a-y) |   |
| Hdi             | <i>mətay</i> | *mt-ay | *mtØ-a-y |            | 1 |
| 1. ə-epenthesis |              |        |          |            |   |

## HIGI

|                                                                                                                      |                             |                     |                     |                           |   |
|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------|---------------------|---------------------|---------------------------|---|
| Kamwe-Nkafa                                                                                                          | <i>mtə</i> mtə              | *mta                |                     | *mta(-y/-k <sup>w</sup> ) | 1 |
| Psikye                                                                                                               | <i>mtə</i> mtə              |                     |                     |                           | 1 |
| Bana                                                                                                                 | <i>m(a)ti</i> məty          | *mtØ-y              | *mta-y              |                           | 2 |
| Kamwe-Futu                                                                                                           | <i>mtə</i> mta <sup>w</sup> | *mta-Ø <sup>w</sup> | *mta-k <sup>w</sup> |                           | 3 |
| 1. lexical-final *a > ə<br>2. ə-epenthesis; *y > i<br>3. *k <sup>w</sup> > Ø <sup>w</sup> ; +W: lexical-final *a > o |                             |                     |                     |                           |   |

## KOTOKO-ISLAND

|                         |                  |       |  |       |   |
|-------------------------|------------------|-------|--|-------|---|
| Buduma                  | <i>matə</i> matə | *mata |  | *mata | 1 |
| 1. lexical-final *a > ə |                  |       |  |       |   |

## KOTOKO-NORTH

|        |                   |          |         |         |   |
|--------|-------------------|----------|---------|---------|---|
| Afade  | <i>madi madəʸ</i> | *mada-Øʸ | *mada-y | *mata-y | 1 |
| Mpade  | <i>madi madəʸ</i> |          |         |         | 1 |
| Malgbe | <i>madi mady</i>  | *madØ-y  |         |         | 2 |

1. \*t &gt; d; lexical-final \*a &gt; ə; +Y: ə &gt; i

2. \*t &gt; d; \*y &gt; i

## KOTOKO-CENTRAL

|        |                   |          |          |   |
|--------|-------------------|----------|----------|---|
|        |                   |          | √ C Ca   |   |
| Lagwan | <i>miti məʸty</i> | *mtØ-yʸ  | *mta-y   | 1 |
|        |                   |          | √ CaCa   |   |
| Mser   | <i>mato mataʷ</i> | *mata-Øʷ | *mata-kʷ | 2 |

1. ə-epenthesis; \*y &gt; yʸ; +Y: ə &gt; i; \*y &gt; i

2. \*kʷ &gt; Øʷ; +W: lexical-final \*a &gt; o

## KOTOKO-SOUTH

|      |             |       |       |   |
|------|-------------|-------|-------|---|
| Zina | <i>mara</i> | *mara | *mata | 1 |
|------|-------------|-------|-------|---|

1. \*t &gt; r

## MUSGUM

|       |                      |           |            |               |   |
|-------|----------------------|-----------|------------|---------------|---|
| Vulum | <i>miri məʸry</i>    | *mrØ-yʸ   | *mra-y     | *mta-y(-kʷ-n) | 1 |
| Mulwi | <i>miri məʸry</i>    |           |            |               | 1 |
| Mbara | <i>mi'dij məʸdɨŋ</i> | *mdʼ-yʸ-ŋ | *mdØ-y-k-n |               | 2 |

1. \*t &gt; r; ə-epenthesis; \*y &gt; yʸ; +Y: ə &gt; i; \*y &gt; i

2. \*t &gt; d; ə-epenthesis; \*kʷ &gt; k; fusion kn &gt; ŋ; +Y: ə &gt; i; \*y &gt; i

## GIDAR

|       |                   |         |           |   |
|-------|-------------------|---------|-----------|---|
| Gidar | <i>əmta</i>       | *mta    | *mta(-kʷ) | 1 |
|       | <i>umta əʷmta</i> | *mta-Øʷ | *mta-kʷ   | 2 |

1. ə-prothesis

2. ə-prothesis; \*kʷ &gt; Øʷ; +W: ə &gt; u

## dig (up)/bury, to

PCC \*(kʷa-, ma-) **ra** (-a, -y, -kʷ, -n, -x; FV)

## BATA

|      |            |       |         |  |
|------|------------|-------|---------|--|
| Bata | <i>ra</i>  | *ra   | *ra(-n) |  |
| Gude | <i>ra</i>  |       |         |  |
| Jimi | <i>ran</i> | *ra-n |         |  |

## DABA

|               |             |        |           |   |
|---------------|-------------|--------|-----------|---|
| Buwal         | <i>ra</i>   | *ra    | *(kʷa-)ra |   |
| Gavar         | <i>ra</i>   |        |           |   |
| Mbudum        | <i>kəra</i> | *kØ-ra |           | 1 |
| Daba          | <i>la</i>   | *la    |           | 2 |
| Mazagway Hidi | <i>la</i>   |        |           | 2 |

1. ə-epenthesis; \*kʷ &gt; k

2. \*r &gt; l

## TERA

|      |           |     |     |  |
|------|-----------|-----|-----|--|
| Tera | <i>ra</i> | *ra | *ra |  |
|------|-----------|-----|-----|--|

## SUKUR

|       |              |     |     |   |
|-------|--------------|-----|-----|---|
| Sukur | <i>rə rə</i> | *ra | *ra | 1 |
|-------|--------------|-----|-----|---|

1. lexical-final \*a &gt; ə

## HURZA

|       |             |        |                      |   |
|-------|-------------|--------|----------------------|---|
| Mbuko | <i>la</i>   | *la    |                      | 1 |
| Vame  | <i>rawa</i> | *ra-wa | *ra-k <sup>w</sup> a | 2 |
|       | <i>ra</i>   | *ra    |                      |   |

1. \*r &gt; l

2. \*k<sup>w</sup> > w

## MARGI

|       |           |     |     |   |
|-------|-----------|-----|-----|---|
| Bura  | <i>la</i> |     |     | 1 |
| Margi | <i>la</i> | *ra | *ra | 1 |
| Kilba | <i>la</i> |     |     | 1 |

1. \*r &gt; l

## MANDARA

|        |              |          |            |   |
|--------|--------------|----------|------------|---|
| Matal  | <i>malay</i> | *ma-l-ay | *ma-lØ-a-y | 1 |
| Podoko | <i>laha</i>  | *la-xa   |            | 1 |

1. \*r &gt; l

## MOFU

|         |                               |                       |          |   |
|---------|-------------------------------|-----------------------|----------|---|
| Merey   | <i>la</i>                     | *la                   |          | 1 |
| Moloko  | <i>lay</i>                    | *l-ay                 | *lØ-a-y  | 1 |
| Zulgo   | <i>le la<sup>y</sup></i>      | *la-Ø <sup>y</sup>    | *la-y    | 2 |
| Ouldeme | <i>li ly</i>                  | *l-y                  | *lØ-y    | 3 |
| Muyang  | <i>li ly</i>                  |                       |          | 3 |
| Gemzek  | <i>mele</i>                   | *ma-la-Ø <sup>y</sup> | *ma-la-y | 4 |
| Mada    | <i>mele</i>                   |                       |          | 4 |
| Dugwor  | <i>maliy malə<sup>y</sup></i> | *ma-l-y <sup>y</sup>  | *ma-lØ-y | 5 |
|         | <i>mala</i>                   | *ma-la                |          | 1 |

1. \*r &gt; l

2. \*r > l; \*y > Ø<sup>y</sup>; +Y: lexical-final \*a > e

3. \*r &gt; l; \*y &gt; i

4. \*r > l; y > Ø<sup>y</sup>; +Y: \*a > e5. \*r > l; ə-epenthesis; \*y > y<sup>y</sup>; +Y: ə > i

## MAROUA

|              |              |      |       |       |   |
|--------------|--------------|------|-------|-------|---|
| Giziga-Marva | <i>li ly</i> | *l-y | *lØ-y | *ra-y | 1 |
|--------------|--------------|------|-------|-------|---|

1. \*r &gt; l; \*y &gt; i

## LAMANG

|        |           |     |     |   |
|--------|-----------|-----|-----|---|
| Lamang | <i>la</i> | *la |     | 1 |
| Hdi    | <i>la</i> |     | *ra | 1 |

1. \*r &gt; l

## HIGI

|             |                  |        |                        |   |
|-------------|------------------|--------|------------------------|---|
| Kamwe-Futu  | <i>lakə lakə</i> | *la-ka |                        | 1 |
| Kamwe-Nkafa | <i>la</i>        |        | *ra(-k <sup>w</sup> a) | 2 |
| Kirya       | <i>la</i>        | *la    |                        | 2 |

|                                                        |           |     |     |   |
|--------------------------------------------------------|-----------|-----|-----|---|
| Psikye                                                 | <i>la</i> |     |     | 2 |
| Bana                                                   | <i>la</i> |     |     | 2 |
| 1. *r > l; *k <sup>w</sup> > k; FV *a > ə<br>2. *r > l |           |     |     |   |
| KOTOKO-ISLAND                                          |           |     |     |   |
| Buduma                                                 | <i>la</i> | *la | *ra | 1 |
| 1. *r > l                                              |           |     |     |   |

## dog

PCC \*k(a)ra (-a, -y, -k<sup>w</sup>; FV)

MAFA

|                                 |             |      |      |   |
|---------------------------------|-------------|------|------|---|
| Mafa                            | <i>kəda</i> | *kda | *kra | 1 |
| Cuvok                           | <i>gəda</i> | *gda |      | 2 |
| 1. *r > d; ə-epenthesis         |             |      |      |   |
| 2. *k > g; *r > d; ə-epenthesis |             |      |      |   |

SUKUR

|                 |             |      |      |   |
|-----------------|-------------|------|------|---|
| Sukur           | <i>kəra</i> | *kra | *kra | 1 |
| 1. ə-epenthesis |             |      |      |   |

HURZA

|                         |             |      |      |   |
|-------------------------|-------------|------|------|---|
| Mbuko                   | <i>kəla</i> | *kla | *kra | 1 |
| Vame                    | <i>kəla</i> |      |      | 1 |
| 1. *r > l; ə-epenthesis |             |      |      |   |

MARGI

|                                                          |                                |                     |        |        |   |
|----------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------|---------------------|--------|--------|---|
| Bura                                                     | <i>kila</i> kə <sup>y</sup> la | *kla-Ø <sup>y</sup> | *kla-y | *kra-y | 1 |
| 1. *r > l; ə-epenthesis; *y > Ø <sup>y</sup> ; +Y: ə > i |                                |                     |        |        |   |

MANDARA

|                                                                                                                                                                                                        |                                             |                      |          |          |   |
|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------|----------------------|----------|----------|---|
|                                                                                                                                                                                                        |                                             |                      |          | √ C Ca   |   |
| Matal                                                                                                                                                                                                  | <i>kəda</i>                                 | *kda                 | *kda(-y) | *kra(-y) | 1 |
| Podoko                                                                                                                                                                                                 | <i>kəda</i>                                 |                      |          |          | 1 |
| Dghwede                                                                                                                                                                                                | <i>gde</i> gda <sup>y</sup>                 | *gda-Ø <sup>y</sup>  |          |          | 2 |
| Malgwa                                                                                                                                                                                                 | <i>kəre</i> kəra <sup>y</sup>               | *kra-Ø <sup>y</sup>  | *kra-y   |          | 3 |
|                                                                                                                                                                                                        |                                             |                      |          | √ CaCa   |   |
| Mandara                                                                                                                                                                                                | <i>kere</i> ka <sup>y</sup> ra <sup>y</sup> | *kara-Ø <sup>y</sup> |          | *kara-y  | 4 |
| 1. *r > d; ə-epenthesis<br>2. *r > d; *k > g; *y > Ø <sup>y</sup> ; +Y: lexical-final *a > e<br>3. ə-epenthesis; *y > Ø <sup>y</sup> ; +Y: lexical-final *a > e<br>4. *y > Ø <sup>y</sup> ; +Y: *a > e |                                             |                      |          |          |   |

MOFU

|         |             |      |            |   |
|---------|-------------|------|------------|---|
| Ouldeme | <i>kəra</i> | *kra | *kra(-a-y) | 1 |
| Muyang  | <i>kəra</i> |      |            | 1 |
| Moloko  | <i>kəra</i> |      |            | 1 |
| Zulgo   | <i>kəra</i> |      |            | 1 |

|                                                                    |                      |         |          |   |
|--------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------|---------|----------|---|
| Gemzek                                                             | <i>kəra</i>          |         |          | 1 |
| Dugwor                                                             | <i>kəra</i>          |         |          | 1 |
| Mofu North                                                         | <i>gədey</i> gəd-aʸy | *gd-ayʸ | *gdØ-a-y | 2 |
| Mofu-Gudur                                                         | <i>gədey</i> gəd-aʸy |         |          | 2 |
| 1. ə-epenthesis                                                    |                      |         |          |   |
| 2. *k > g; *r > d; ə-epenthesis; *y > yʸ; +Y: lexical-final *a > e |                      |         |          |   |

## MAROUA

|                |                    |           |          |             |   |
|----------------|--------------------|-----------|----------|-------------|---|
| Giziga-Muturwa | <i>kiri</i> kəʸry  | *kr-yʸ    | *krØ-y   |             | 1 |
| Giziga-Marva   | <i>kre</i> kraʸ    | *kra-Øʸ   | *kra-y   | *kra-y(-kʷ) | 2 |
| Mbazla         | <i>kire</i> kəʸraʸ |           |          |             | 3 |
|                | <i>kreʸ</i> kraʸʔ  | *kra-Øʸ-ʔ | *kra-y-ʔ |             | 4 |

1. ə-epenthesis; \*y > yʸ; +Y: ə > i; \*y > i
2. \*y > Øʸ; +Y: lexical-final \*a > e
3. ə-epenthesis; \*y > Øʸ; +Y: ə > i; +Y: lexical-final \*a > e
4. \*kʷ > ʔ; \*y > Øʸ; +Y: lexical-final \*a > E

## LAMANG

|        |                   |         |  |        |   |
|--------|-------------------|---------|--|--------|---|
| Lamang | <i>kəre</i> kəraʸ | *kra-Øʸ |  |        | 1 |
| Hdi    | <i>kəri</i> kəry  | *krØ-y  |  | *kra-y | 2 |

1. ə-epenthesis; \*y > Øʸ; +Y: lexical-final \*a > e
2. ə-epenthesis; \*y > i

## HIGI

|             |                    |         |  |        |   |
|-------------|--------------------|---------|--|--------|---|
| Kamwe-Nkafa | <i>kəlyə</i> kəʸʌ  | *kla-Øʸ |  | *kra-y | 1 |
| Kamwe-Futu  | <i>kəlye</i> kəʸʌʸ |         |  |        | 2 |
| Kirya       | <i>kəri</i> kəʸry  | *krØ-yʸ |  |        | 3 |

1. \*r > l; ə-epenthesis; \*y > Øʸ; +Y: l > lʸ; lexical-final \*a > ə
2. \*r > l; ə-epenthesis; \*y > Øʸ; +Y: l > lʸ; +Y: lexical-final \*a > e
3. ə-epenthesis; \*y > yʸ; +Y: r > rʸ > r̥; \*y > i

## KOTOKO-ISLAND

|        |                        |         |         |         |   |
|--------|------------------------|---------|---------|---------|---|
| Buduma | <i>kəli(ə)</i> kəly(a) | *klØ-ya | *kla-ya | *kra-ya | 1 |
|--------|------------------------|---------|---------|---------|---|

1. \*r > l; ə-epenthesis; \*y > i; FV \*a > ə

## KOTOKO-NORTH

|        |                     |           |           |           |   |
|--------|---------------------|-----------|-----------|-----------|---|
| Mpade  | <i>kilew</i> kəʸlaʷ | *kla-Øʸ-w | *kla-y-kʷ | *kra-y-kʷ | 1 |
| Afade  | <i>gilew</i> gəʸlaʷ |           |           |           | 2 |
| Malgbe | <i>gilew</i> gəʸlaʷ | *gla-Øʸ-w | *gla-y-kʷ |           | 2 |

1. \*r > l; \*kʷ > w; ə-epenthesis; \*y > Øʸ; +Y: ə > i; +Y: lexical-final \*a > e
2. \*k > g; \*r > l; \*kʷ > w; ə-epenthesis; \*y > Øʸ; +Y: ə > i; +Y: lexical-final \*a > e

## KOTOKO-CENTRAL

|        |                    |         |  |        |   |
|--------|--------------------|---------|--|--------|---|
| Lagwan | <i>kile</i> kəʸlaʸ | *kla-Øʸ |  | *kra-y | 1 |
|        | <i>kile</i> klaʸ   |         |  |        | 2 |
| Mser   | <i>kile</i> klaʸ   |         |  |        | 2 |

1. \*r > l; ə-epenthesis; \*y > Øʸ; +Y: ə > i; +Y: lexical-final \*a > e
2. \*r > l; \*y > Øʸ; +Y: lexical-final \*a > e

## GIDAR

|       |             |      |      |   |
|-------|-------------|------|------|---|
| Gidar | <i>kra</i>  | *kra | *kra | 1 |
|       | <i>kəra</i> |      |      |   |

1. ə-epenthesis

donkey<sub>1</sub>PCC \*(ma-, xa-) **z(a)g<sup>w</sup>a** (-y, -k<sup>w</sup>)

## DABA

|        |                                                      |                                     |                                      |                        |   |
|--------|------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------|--------------------------------------|------------------------|---|
| Mbudum | <i>zo<sup>o</sup>go za<sup>w</sup>ga<sup>w</sup></i> | *Ø-za <sup>n</sup> g <sup>w</sup> a | *m <sup>n</sup> Ø-zag <sup>w</sup> a | *ma-zag <sup>w</sup> a | 1 |
|--------|------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------|--------------------------------------|------------------------|---|

1. \*m > Ø<sup>n</sup>; +N: g<sup>w</sup> > <sup>n</sup>g<sup>w</sup>; +W: \*a > o

## MAFA

|       |                          |                                     |                                      |                        |   |
|-------|--------------------------|-------------------------------------|--------------------------------------|------------------------|---|
| Cuvok | <i>za<sup>o</sup>gwa</i> | *Ø-za <sup>n</sup> g <sup>w</sup> a | *m <sup>n</sup> Ø-zag <sup>w</sup> a | *ma-zag <sup>w</sup> a | 1 |
|-------|--------------------------|-------------------------------------|--------------------------------------|------------------------|---|

1. \*m > Ø<sup>n</sup>; +N: g<sup>w</sup> > <sup>n</sup>g<sup>w</sup>

## SUKUR

|       |                                                                  |                                    |                                     |                         |   |
|-------|------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------|-------------------------------------|-------------------------|---|
| Sukur | <i>zu<sup>o</sup>g<sup>w</sup>a za<sup>w</sup>ga<sup>w</sup></i> | *Ø-z <sup>n</sup> g <sup>w</sup> a | *m <sup>n</sup> Ø-zg <sup>w</sup> a | *(ma-)zg <sup>w</sup> a | 1 |
|       | <i>zəg<sup>w</sup>a</i>                                          | *zg <sup>w</sup> a                 |                                     |                         | 2 |

1. \*m > Ø<sup>n</sup>; +N: g<sup>w</sup> > <sup>n</sup>g<sup>w</sup>; ə-epenthesis; +W: ə > u

2. ə-epenthesis

## HURZA

|       |                                                        |                                                    |                                       |                           |   |
|-------|--------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------|---------------------------|---|
| Mbuko | <i>zu<sup>o</sup>go za<sup>w</sup>ga<sup>w</sup></i>   | *Ø-z <sup>n</sup> g <sup>w</sup> a                 | *m <sup>n</sup> Ø-zg <sup>w</sup> a   | *ma-zg <sup>w</sup> a(-y) | 1 |
| Vame  | <i>aziŋ<sup>w</sup>a azə<sup>y</sup>ŋ<sup>w</sup>a</i> | *Øa-z <sup>n</sup> g <sup>w</sup> a-Ø <sup>y</sup> | *m <sup>n</sup> a-zg <sup>w</sup> a-y |                           | 2 |

1. \*m > Ø<sup>n</sup>; +N: g<sup>w</sup> > <sup>n</sup>g<sup>w</sup>; ə-epenthesis; +W: ə > u; +W: lexical-final \*a > o2. \*m > Ø<sup>n</sup>; +N: g<sup>w</sup> > <sup>n</sup>g<sup>w</sup> > ŋ<sup>w</sup>; ə-epenthesis; \*y > Ø<sup>y</sup>; +Y: ə > i

## MANDARA

|         |                                                                    |                                                       |                                                         |                                               |    |
|---------|--------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------|----|
|         |                                                                    |                                                       |                                                         | √ C Ca                                        |    |
| Dghwede | <i>zu<sup>o</sup>g<sup>w</sup>e za<sup>w</sup>ga<sup>y</sup></i>   | <i>*Ø-z<sup>n</sup>g<sup>w</sup>a-Ø<sup>y</sup></i>   | <i>*m<sup>n</sup>Ø-zg<sup>w</sup>a-y</i>                | <i>*ma-zg<sup>w</sup>a-y</i>                  | 1  |
| Podoko  | <i>ʒəŋ<sup>w</sup>a z<sup>y</sup>əŋ<sup>w</sup>a</i>               | <i>*Ø-z<sup>n</sup>g<sup>w</sup>a-Ø<sup>y</sup></i>   |                                                         |                                               | 2  |
| Malgwa  | <i>əzuŋ<sup>w</sup>a azə<sup>w</sup>ŋ<sup>w</sup>a</i>             | <i>*Øa-z<sup>n</sup>g<sup>w</sup>a</i>                | <i>*m<sup>n</sup>a-zg<sup>w</sup>a-y</i>                |                                               | 3  |
| Glavda  | <i>əyuŋ<sup>w</sup>a az<sup>y</sup>ə<sup>w</sup>ŋ<sup>w</sup>a</i> | <i>*Øa-z<sup>n</sup>g<sup>w</sup>a-Ø<sup>y</sup></i>  |                                                         |                                               | 4  |
|         | <i>a<sup>y</sup>iŋ az<sup>y</sup>ə<sup>y</sup>ŋ</i>                | <i>*Øa-z<sup>n</sup>gØ-Ø<sup>y</sup></i>              |                                                         |                                               | 5  |
|         |                                                                    |                                                       |                                                         | √ CaCa                                        |    |
| Mandara | <i>ezeŋ<sup>w</sup>a a<sup>y</sup>za<sup>y</sup>ŋ<sup>w</sup>a</i> | <i>*Øa-za<sup>n</sup>g<sup>w</sup>a-Ø<sup>y</sup></i> | <i>*m<sup>n</sup>a-zag<sup>w</sup>a-y</i>               | <i>*ma-zag<sup>w</sup>a-y(-k<sup>w</sup>)</i> | 6  |
| Matal   | <i>ʒaŋ<sup>w</sup>əw z<sup>y</sup>aŋ<sup>w</sup>əw</i>             | <i>*Ø-zag<sup>nw</sup>-Ø<sup>y</sup>-w</i>            | <i>*m<sup>n</sup>Ø-zag<sup>w</sup>Ø-y-k<sup>w</sup></i> |                                               | 7  |
|         | <i>zeŋəw za<sup>y</sup>ŋəw</i>                                     | <i>*Ø-za<sup>n</sup>g-Ø<sup>y</sup>-w</i>             |                                                         |                                               | 8  |
|         | <i>ʒaŋu z<sup>y</sup>aŋw</i>                                       |                                                       |                                                         |                                               | 9  |
|         | <i>zeŋu za<sup>y</sup>ŋw</i>                                       |                                                       |                                                         |                                               | 10 |

|                                                                                                                                                            |
|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| 1. *m > Ø <sup>n</sup> ; +N: g <sup>w</sup> > <sup>ŋ</sup> g <sup>w</sup> ; ə-epenthesis; +W: ə > u; *y > Ø <sup>y</sup> ; +Y: lexical-final *a > e        |
| 2. *m > Ø <sup>n</sup> ; +N: g <sup>w</sup> > <sup>ŋ</sup> g <sup>w</sup> > <sup>ŋ</sup> w; ə-epenthesis; *y > Ø <sup>y</sup> ; +Y: z > z' > ʒ             |
| 3. *m > Ø <sup>n</sup> ; +N: g <sup>w</sup> > <sup>ŋ</sup> g <sup>w</sup> > <sup>ŋ</sup> w; ə-epenthesis; +W: ə > u                                        |
| 4. *m > Ø <sup>n</sup> ; +N: g <sup>w</sup> > <sup>ŋ</sup> g <sup>w</sup> > <sup>ŋ</sup> w; ə-epenthesis; +W: ə > u; *y > Ø <sup>y</sup> ; +Y: *z > z' > y |
| 5. *m > Ø <sup>n</sup> ; g <sup>w</sup> > g; +N: g > <sup>ŋ</sup> g > <sup>ŋ</sup> ; ə-epenthesis; *y > Ø <sup>y</sup> ; +Y: ə > i; +Y: *z > z' > j        |
| 6. *m > Ø <sup>n</sup> ; +N: g <sup>w</sup> > <sup>ŋ</sup> g <sup>w</sup> > <sup>ŋ</sup> w; *y > Ø <sup>y</sup> ; +Y: non-final *a > e                     |
| 7. *m > Ø <sup>n</sup> ; +N: g <sup>w</sup> > <sup>ŋ</sup> g <sup>w</sup> > <sup>ŋ</sup> w; ə-epenthesis; *y > Ø <sup>y</sup> ; +Y: z > z' > ʒ             |
| 8. *m > Ø <sup>n</sup> ; +N: g > <sup>ŋ</sup> g > <sup>ŋ</sup> ; ə-epenthesis; *y > Ø <sup>y</sup> ; +Y: *a > e                                            |
| 9. *m > Ø <sup>n</sup> ; +N: g > <sup>ŋ</sup> g > <sup>ŋ</sup> ; *y > Ø <sup>y</sup> ; +Y: z > z' > ʒ; w > u                                               |
| 10. *m > Ø <sup>n</sup> ; +N: g > <sup>ŋ</sup> g > <sup>ŋ</sup> ; *y > Ø <sup>y</sup> ; +Y: *a > e; w > u                                                  |

## MOFU

|            |                                                                                  |                                                       |                                                     | √ C Ca                                            |   |
|------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------|---|
| Ouldeme    | <i>aziŋ<sup>ŋ</sup>a azə<sup>ŋ</sup>ŋ<sup>ŋ</sup>a</i>                           | *Øa-z <sup>n</sup> g <sup>w</sup> a-Ø <sup>y</sup>    | *m <sup>n</sup> a-zg <sup>w</sup> a-y               | *ma-zg <sup>w</sup> a (-y/-k <sup>w</sup> )       | 1 |
| Gemzek     | <i>zu<sup>ŋ</sup>go zə<sup>ŋ</sup>g<sup>w</sup>a<sup>w</sup></i>                 | *Ø-z <sup>n</sup> g <sup>w</sup> a                    | *m <sup>n</sup> Ø-zg <sup>w</sup> a                 |                                                   | 2 |
| Dugwor     | <i>zu<sup>ŋ</sup>go zə<sup>ŋ</sup>g<sup>w</sup>a<sup>w</sup></i>                 |                                                       |                                                     |                                                   | 2 |
| Merey      | <i>zə<sup>ŋ</sup>gaw</i>                                                         | *Ø-z <sup>n</sup> ga-w                                | *m <sup>n</sup> Ø-zga-k <sup>w</sup>                |                                                   | 3 |
| Mofu-Gudur | <i>zə<sup>ŋ</sup>g<sup>w</sup>aw</i>                                             | *Ø-zng <sup>w</sup> a-w                               |                                                     |                                                   | 3 |
|            |                                                                                  |                                                       |                                                     | √ CaCa                                            |   |
| Moloko     | <i>ozon<sup>ŋ</sup>go a<sup>w</sup>za<sup>w</sup>g<sup>w</sup>a<sup>w</sup></i>  | *Øa-za <sup>n</sup> g <sup>w</sup> a                  | *m <sup>n</sup> a-zag <sup>w</sup> a                | *(xa-)ma-zag <sup>w</sup> a (-y/-k <sup>w</sup> ) | 4 |
| Muyang     | <i>azo<sup>ŋ</sup>gu aza<sup>w</sup>g<sup>w</sup>a<sup>w</sup></i>               | *Øa-za <sup>n</sup> g <sup>w</sup> Ø-w                | *m <sup>n</sup> a-zag <sup>w</sup> a-k <sup>w</sup> |                                                   | 5 |
| Mofu-North | <i>za<sup>ŋ</sup>gaw</i>                                                         | *Ø-za <sup>n</sup> ga-w                               | *m <sup>n</sup> Ø-zaga-k <sup>w</sup>               |                                                   | 6 |
| Zulgo      | <i>hez<sup>w</sup>eŋe xa<sup>ŋ</sup>z<sup>w</sup>a<sup>y</sup>ŋa<sup>y</sup></i> | *xa-Ø-za <sup>n</sup> g <sup>w</sup> a-Ø <sup>y</sup> | *xa-m <sup>n</sup> Ø-zag <sup>w</sup> a-y           |                                                   | 7 |

1. \*m > Ø<sup>n</sup>; +N: g<sup>w</sup> > <sup>ŋ</sup>g<sup>w</sup> > <sup>ŋ</sup>w; ə-epenthesis; \*y > Ø<sup>y</sup>; +Y: ə > i
2. \*m > Ø<sup>n</sup>; +N: g<sup>w</sup> > <sup>ŋ</sup>g<sup>w</sup>; ə-epenthesis; +W: ə > u; +W: lexical-final \*a > o
3. \*g<sup>w</sup> > g; \*m > Ø<sup>n</sup>; +N: g > <sup>ŋ</sup>g; ə-epenthesis; \*k<sup>w</sup> > w
4. \*m > Ø<sup>n</sup>; +N: g<sup>w</sup> > <sup>ŋ</sup>g<sup>w</sup> > <sup>ŋ</sup>w; \*a > o
5. \*m > Ø<sup>n</sup>; +N: g<sup>w</sup> > <sup>ŋ</sup>g<sup>w</sup>; +W: \*a > o; \*k<sup>w</sup> > w > u
6. \*g<sup>w</sup> > g; \*m > Ø<sup>n</sup>; +N: g > <sup>ŋ</sup>g; \*k<sup>w</sup> > w
7. \*m > Ø<sup>n</sup>; +N: g<sup>w</sup> > <sup>ŋ</sup>g<sup>w</sup> > <sup>ŋ</sup>w > <sup>ŋ</sup>; +W: \*z > z<sup>w</sup>; \*y > Ø<sup>y</sup>; +Y: \*a > e

## MAROUA

|                                                                                                                               |                                                                              |                                      |                                                    |                                         |   |
|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------|---|
| Giziga-Muturwa                                                                                                                | <i>zu<sup>ŋ</sup>g<sup>w</sup>u zə<sup>w</sup>g<sup>w</sup>a<sup>w</sup></i> | *Ø-z <sup>n</sup> g <sup>w</sup> Ø-w | *m <sup>n</sup> Ø-zg <sup>w</sup> a-k <sup>w</sup> | *ma-zg <sup>w</sup> a(-k <sup>w</sup> ) | 1 |
| Giziga-Marva                                                                                                                  | <i>zu<sup>ŋ</sup>go zə<sup>w</sup>ga<sup>w</sup></i>                         | *Ø-z <sup>n</sup> g <sup>w</sup> a   | *m <sup>n</sup> Ø-zg <sup>w</sup> a                |                                         | 2 |
| 1. *m > Ø <sup>n</sup> ; +N: g <sup>w</sup> > <sup>ŋ</sup> g <sup>w</sup> ; ə-epenthesis; +W: ə > u; *k <sup>w</sup> > w > u  |                                                                              |                                      |                                                    |                                         |   |
| 2. *m > Ø <sup>n</sup> ; +N: g <sup>w</sup> > <sup>ŋ</sup> g <sup>w</sup> ; ə-epenthesis; +W: ə > u; +W: lexical-final *a > o |                                                                              |                                      |                                                    |                                         |   |

## LAMANG

|                                                                                                                                        |                                        |                                    |                                     |                       |   |
|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------|------------------------------------|-------------------------------------|-----------------------|---|
| Lamang                                                                                                                                 | <i>zu<sup>ŋ</sup>a zə<sup>ŋ</sup>a</i> | *Ø-z <sup>n</sup> g <sup>w</sup> a | *m <sup>n</sup> Ø-zg <sup>w</sup> a | *ma-zg <sup>w</sup> a | 1 |
| 1. *m > Ø <sup>n</sup> ; +N: *g <sup>w</sup> > <sup>ŋ</sup> g <sup>w</sup> > <sup>ŋ</sup> w (> <sup>ŋ</sup> ); ə-epenthesis; +W: ə > u |                                        |                                    |                                     |                       |   |

donkey<sub>2</sub>Loan?<sup>31</sup> **\*(ma-) b(a)rdza** (-y, -k<sup>w</sup>, -n)

## BATA

|                                                                                     |                                                            |                        |            |             |   |
|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------|------------|-------------|---|
| Bata                                                                                | <i><sup>m</sup>birse</i> mbə <sup>ʔ</sup> rsa <sup>ʔ</sup> | *m-brsa-Ø <sup>ʔ</sup> | *mØ-brsa-y | *ma-brdza-y | 1 |
| 1. *dz > s; ə-epenthesis; *y > Ø <sup>ʔ</sup> ; +Y: ə > i; +Y: lexical-final *a > e |                                                            |                        |            |             |   |

## DABA

|                                                                                       |                                                                  |                           |               |                             |   |
|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------|---------------|-----------------------------|---|
| Buwal                                                                                 | <i>berdzeŋ</i> ba <sup>ʔ</sup> rdz <sup>ʔ</sup> a <sup>ʔ</sup> ŋ | *bardza-Ø <sup>ʔ</sup> -ŋ | *bardza-y-k-n | *bardza-y-k <sup>w</sup> -n | 1 |
| 1. *k <sup>w</sup> > k; fusion kn > ŋ; *y > Ø <sup>ʔ</sup> ; +Y: *dz > dʒ; +Y: *a > e |                                                                  |                           |               |                             |   |

## KOTOKO-NORTH

|                                                                                                                |                                             |                                    |                        |           |                        |   |
|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------|------------------------------------|------------------------|-----------|------------------------|---|
| Afade                                                                                                          | <i>boro</i> ɓa <sup>w</sup> ra <sup>w</sup> | *b <sup>ʔ</sup> ara-Ø <sup>w</sup> | *bara-Ø <sup>ʔ</sup> w | *barØa-ʔw | *bardza-k <sup>w</sup> | 1 |
| 1. re-segmentalisation *k <sup>w</sup> > ʔ+w; w > Ø <sup>w</sup> ; +W: *a > o; ʔ > Ø <sup>ʔ</sup> ; +ʔ: *b > ɓ |                                             |                                    |                        |           |                        |   |

## KOTOKO-CENTRAL

|                                                                       |                                             |                        |                           |                            |   |
|-----------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------|------------------------|---------------------------|----------------------------|---|
| Lagwan                                                                | <i><sup>m</sup>buri</i> mbə <sup>ʔ</sup> ry | *m-br-y-Ø <sup>w</sup> | *mØ-brØØ-y-k <sup>w</sup> | *ma-brdza-y-k <sup>w</sup> | 1 |
| 1. ə-epenthesis; *k <sup>w</sup> > Ø <sup>w</sup> ; +W: ə > u; *y > i |                                             |                        |                           |                            |   |

## KOTOKO-SOUTH

|                                                                       |                                             |                       |                           |                            |   |
|-----------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------|-----------------------|---------------------------|----------------------------|---|
| Mazera                                                                | <i><sup>m</sup>buri</i> mbə <sup>ʔ</sup> ry | *mbr-y-Ø <sup>w</sup> | *mØ-brØØ-y-k <sup>w</sup> | *ma-brdza-y-k <sup>w</sup> | 1 |
| 1. ə-epenthesis; *k <sup>w</sup> > Ø <sup>w</sup> ; +W: ə > u; *y > i |                                             |                       |                           |                            |   |

donkey<sub>3</sub>Loan<sup>32</sup> **\*k(a)w(a)ra** (-y, -t; FV)

## BATA

|                                                                                                                                    |                                                                 |                                         |                |   |
|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------|----------------|---|
| Bata                                                                                                                               | <i>k<sup>w</sup>aareeto</i> kwaraa <sup>ʔ</sup> ta <sup>w</sup> | *k <sup>w</sup> ara-Ø <sup>y</sup> a-ta | *kwara(-ya-ta) | 1 |
| Gude                                                                                                                               | <i>k<sup>w</sup>ara</i> kwara                                   | *kwara                                  |                |   |
| Jimi                                                                                                                               | <i>k<sup>w</sup>ara</i> kwara                                   |                                         |                |   |
| Sharwa                                                                                                                             | <i>k<sup>w</sup>ara</i> kwara                                   |                                         |                |   |
| 1. *y > Ø <sup>y</sup> ; +Y: *a > e; *w > w <sup>w</sup> ; +W: FV *a > o ; (1 <sup>st</sup> syllable vowel length unaccounted for) |                                                                 |                                         |                |   |

## TERA

|                                     |                                             |                      |        |   |
|-------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------|----------------------|--------|---|
| Tera                                | <i>koro</i> ka <sup>w</sup> ra <sup>w</sup> | *kaØ <sup>w</sup> ra | *kawra | 1 |
| 1. *w > Ø <sup>w</sup> ; +W: *a > o |                                             |                      |        |   |

## MARGI

|             |                               |        |        |  |
|-------------|-------------------------------|--------|--------|--|
| Bura        | <i>k<sup>w</sup>ara</i> kwara | *kwara | *kwara |  |
| Margi-South | <i>k<sup>w</sup>ara</i> kwara |        |        |  |
| Kilba       | <i>k<sup>w</sup>ara</i> kwara |        |        |  |

<sup>31</sup> If this word was a loan into some CC languages, as Gravina (2015) assumed, its donor language has not (yet) been identified. As a loan, it could have been borrowed with an initial prenasalised stop /<sup>m</sup>b/. If it was an areal Central Chadic development (at the northern and southern periphery of the CC area), we would want to reconstruct it without prenasalisation, as we do here, postulating the presence of the ubiquitous \*{ma-} prefix.

<sup>32</sup> This is an obvious loan from or via Kanuri (*koro*) and thus qualifies as a ‘Pseudo’-PCC root insofar as it has been streamlined into Central Chadic phonology systems to the extent of being apparently ‘reconstructable’. Central Chadic languages integrate this loan by reanalysing it as a triradical root **\*k(a)w(a)ra** and allow for three root types √ CCCa **\*kwra**, √ CaCCa **\*kawra**, and √ CCaCa **\*kwara**.



## MAROUA

|                |              |        |        |  |
|----------------|--------------|--------|--------|--|
| Giziga Muturwa | <i>kawra</i> | *kawra | *kawra |  |
|                | <i>awra</i>  | *Øawra |        |  |

## HIGI

|             |                         |        |        |  |
|-------------|-------------------------|--------|--------|--|
| Kamwe-Nkafa | <i>k<sup>w</sup>ara</i> | *kwara | *kwara |  |
| Kamwe-Futu  | <i>k<sup>w</sup>ara</i> |        |        |  |
| Kirya       | <i>k<sup>w</sup>ara</i> |        |        |  |
| Psikye      | <i>k<sup>w</sup>ara</i> |        |        |  |

## KOTOKO-NORTH

|                                                           |                                          |                      |       |          |   |
|-----------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------|----------------------|-------|----------|---|
|                                                           |                                          |                      |       | √ C C Ca |   |
| Malgbe                                                    | <i>gro gra<sup>w</sup></i>               | *gØ <sup>w</sup> ra  | *gwra | *kwra    | 1 |
|                                                           |                                          |                      |       | √ CaC Ca |   |
| Mpade                                                     | <i>koro ka<sup>w</sup>ra<sup>w</sup></i> | *kaØ <sup>w</sup> ra |       | *kawra   | 2 |
| 1. *k > g; *w > Ø <sup>w</sup> ; +W: lexical-final *a > o |                                          |                      |       |          |   |
| 2. *w > Ø <sup>w</sup> ; +W: *a > o                       |                                          |                      |       |          |   |

## MUSGUM

|        |                                                |                                       |           |               |   |
|--------|------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------|-----------|---------------|---|
| Mbara  | <i>kuro</i> kə <sup>w</sup> ra <sup>w</sup>    | *kØ <sup>w</sup> ra                   | *kwra     | *kwra(-y, -t) | 1 |
| Vulum  | <i>kure</i> kə <sup>w</sup> ra <sup>y</sup>    | *kØ <sup>w</sup> ra-Ø <sup>y</sup>    | *kwra-y   |               | 2 |
| Muskum | <i>kuret</i> kə <sup>w</sup> ra <sup>y</sup> t | *kØ <sup>w</sup> ra-Ø <sup>y</sup> -t | *kwra-y-t |               | 2 |

1. ə-epenthesis; \*w > Ø<sup>w</sup>; +W : ə > u; +W: lexical-final \*a > o

2. ə-epenthesis; \*w > Ø<sup>w</sup>; +W : ə > u; \*y > Ø<sup>y</sup>; +Y: lexical-final \*a > e

## GIDAR

|                                     |                                          |                      |        |  |   |
|-------------------------------------|------------------------------------------|----------------------|--------|--|---|
| Gidar                               | <i>koro ka<sup>w</sup>ra<sup>w</sup></i> | *kaØ <sup>w</sup> ra | *kawra |  | 1 |
| 1. *w > Ø <sup>w</sup> ; +W: *a > o |                                          |                      |        |  |   |

## dream

PCC \*(ma-, RED-) s(a)x<sup>w</sup>(a)na (-a, -y, -k<sup>w</sup>, -n; FV)

## BATA

|                                                                                                                           |                                                                        |                        |               |                                               |   |
|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------|---------------|-----------------------------------------------|---|
| Gude                                                                                                                      | <i>sənii sənə<sup>y</sup></i>                                          | *sna-y <sup>y</sup>    | *sØna-y       | *sx <sup>w</sup> na-y(-n, -k <sup>w</sup> a)  | 1 |
| Jimi                                                                                                                      | <i>sinin sə<sup>y</sup>nyn</i>                                         | *sn-y <sup>y</sup> -n  | *sØnØ-y-n     |                                               | 2 |
| Sharwa                                                                                                                    | <i>šinə 'ə s<sup>y</sup>ə<sup>nə</sup>ʔə</i>                           | *sn-Ø <sup>y</sup> -ʔa | *sØnØ-y-ka    |                                               | 3 |
| Bata                                                                                                                      | <i>širi s<sup>y</sup>ə<sup>y</sup>ry</i>                               | *sr-y <sup>y</sup>     | *sØrØ-y       |                                               | 4 |
| 1. ə-epenthesis; lexical-final */a/ > ə; *y > y <sup>y</sup> ; +Y: ə > i; *y > i                                          |                                                                        |                        |               |                                               |   |
| 2. ə-epenthesis; *y > y <sup>y</sup> ; +Y: ə > i; *y > i                                                                  |                                                                        |                        |               |                                               |   |
| 3. ə-epenthesis; *k <sup>w</sup> > k > ʔ; ə-epenthesis; *y > Ø <sup>y</sup> ; +Y: *s > ʃ; +Y: ə > i; lexical-final *a > ə |                                                                        |                        |               |                                               |   |
| 4. *n > r; ə-epenthesis; *y > y <sup>y</sup> ; +Y: *s > ʃ; +Y: ə > i; *y > i                                              |                                                                        |                        |               |                                               |   |
| DABA                                                                                                                      |                                                                        |                        |               |                                               |   |
|                                                                                                                           |                                                                        |                        |               | √ C C Ca                                      |   |
| Daba                                                                                                                      | <i>sini sə<sup>y</sup>ny</i>                                           | *sn-y <sup>y</sup>     | *sØnØ-y       | *(RED-)sx <sup>w</sup> na-y(-k <sup>w</sup> ) | 1 |
| Mbudum                                                                                                                    | <i>səsin sə-sə<sup>n</sup></i>                                         | *s-sn-Ø <sup>y</sup>   | *RED-sØnØ-y   |                                               | 2 |
| Gavar                                                                                                                     | <i>šin/širi s<sup>y</sup>ə<sup>y</sup>ηs<sup>y</sup>ə<sup>y</sup>η</i> | *sη-sη-Ø <sup>y</sup>  | *RED-sØnØ-y-k |                                               | 3 |

|                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           |                                                                                       |                                      |                          |                                           |   |
|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--------------------------|-------------------------------------------|---|
|                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           |                                                                                       |                                      |                          | √ C CaCa                                  |   |
| Buwal                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     | <i>seŋseŋ</i> sa <sup>y</sup> ŋsa <sup>y</sup> ŋ                                      | *saŋ-saŋ-Ø <sup>y</sup>              | *RED-sØanØ-y-k           | *RED-sx <sup>w</sup> ana-y-k <sup>w</sup> | 4 |
| 1. ə-epenthesis; *y > y <sup>y</sup> ; +Y: ə > i; *y > i<br>2. ə-epenthesis; *y > Ø <sup>y</sup> ; +Y: ə > i<br>3. *k <sup>w</sup> > k; fusion nk > ŋ; ə-epenthesis; *y > Ø <sup>y</sup> ; +Y: *s > f; +Y: ə > i<br>4. *k <sup>w</sup> > k; fusion nk > ŋ; +Y: *a > e                                                                                                                                                                                     |                                                                                       |                                      |                          |                                           |   |
| MAFA                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      |                                                                                       |                                      |                          |                                           |   |
|                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           |                                                                                       |                                      |                          | √ C C Ca                                  |   |
| Mafa                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      | <i>nfiwine</i> ns <sup>y</sup> ə <sup>y</sup> wə <sup>y</sup> na <sup>y</sup>         | *n-sw <sup>w</sup> na-Ø <sup>y</sup> | *mØ-sw <sup>w</sup> na-y | *ma-sx <sup>w</sup> na-y                  | 1 |
|                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           |                                                                                       |                                      |                          | √ C CaCa                                  |   |
| Cuvok                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     | <i>suwana</i> sə <sup>w</sup> wana                                                    |                                      | *sw <sup>w</sup> ana     | *sx <sup>w</sup> ana                      | 2 |
| 1. *x <sup>w</sup> > w <sup>w</sup> ; ə-epenthesis; *y > Ø <sup>y</sup> ; +Y: *s > f; +Y: ə > i; +Y: lexical-final *a > e; +W: ə > u<br>2. *x <sup>w</sup> > w <sup>w</sup> ; ə-epenthesis; +W: ə > u                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     |                                                                                       |                                      |                          |                                           |   |
| TERA                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      |                                                                                       |                                      |                          |                                           |   |
| Tera                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      | <i>zine</i> z <sup>y</sup> ə <sup>y</sup> na <sup>y</sup>                             | *zna-Ø <sup>y</sup>                  | *zØna-y                  | *sx <sup>w</sup> na-y                     | 1 |
| 1. *s > z; *y > Ø <sup>y</sup> ; +Y: z > ʒ; +Y: ə > i; +Y: lexical-final *a > e                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           |                                                                                       |                                      |                          |                                           |   |
| HURZA                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     |                                                                                       |                                      |                          |                                           |   |
| Mbuko                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     | <i>sune</i> swna <sup>y</sup>                                                         | *swna-Ø <sup>y</sup>                 |                          | *sx <sup>w</sup> na-y                     | 1 |
| 1. *x <sup>w</sup> > w > u; *y > Ø <sup>y</sup> ; +Y: lexical-final *a > e                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                |                                                                                       |                                      |                          |                                           |   |
| MARGI                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     |                                                                                       |                                      |                          |                                           |   |
| Bura                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      | <i>sunī</i> swny                                                                      | *swn-y                               | *swnØ-y                  | *sx <sup>w</sup> na-y(-k <sup>w</sup> )   | 1 |
| Kilba                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     | <i>fī'uni</i> s <sup>y</sup> ə <sup>y</sup> ʔwny                                      | *swn-y <sup>y</sup> -ʔ               | *swnØ-y-k                |                                           | 2 |
| 1. *x <sup>w</sup> > w > u; *y > i<br>2. *x <sup>w</sup> > w <sup>w</sup> ; ə-epenthesis; *k <sup>w</sup> > k > ʔ; multiple metathesis wnyʔ > ʔwny; *w > u; *y > y <sup>y</sup> ; +Y: *s > f; +Y: ə > i; *y > i                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           |                                                                                       |                                      |                          |                                           |   |
| MANDARA                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   |                                                                                       |                                      |                          |                                           |   |
|                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           |                                                                                       |                                      |                          | √ C C Ca                                  |   |
| Malgwa                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    | <i>fine</i> s <sup>y</sup> ə <sup>y</sup> na <sup>y</sup>                             | *sna-Ø <sup>y</sup>                  | *sØna-y                  | *sx <sup>w</sup> na-y(-k <sup>w</sup> a)  | 1 |
| Glavda                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    | <i>singa</i> sə <sup>y</sup> ŋga                                                      | *sŋ-Ø <sup>y</sup> -ka               | *sØnØ-y-k <sup>w</sup> a |                                           | 2 |
|                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           |                                                                                       |                                      |                          | √ C CaCa                                  |   |
| Podoko                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    | <i>səh<sup>w</sup>ana</i>                                                             | *sx <sup>w</sup> ana                 |                          | *sx <sup>w</sup> ana(-y)                  | 3 |
| Mandara                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   | <i>fene</i> s <sup>y</sup> a <sup>y</sup> na <sup>y</sup>                             | *sana-Ø <sup>y</sup>                 | *sØana-y                 |                                           | 4 |
|                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           |                                                                                       |                                      |                          | √ CaC Ca                                  |   |
| Matal                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     | <i>masasiŋay</i><br>masasə <sup>y</sup> ŋay                                           | *ma-sa-sŋ-ay <sup>y</sup>            | *ma-sa-sØxnØ-ay          | *ma-RED- sax <sup>w</sup> na-a-y          | 5 |
|                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           | <i>mafafiŋay</i><br>mas <sup>y</sup> a <sup>y</sup> s <sup>y</sup> ə <sup>y</sup> ŋay |                                      |                          |                                           | 6 |
| 1. ə-epenthesis; *y > Ø <sup>y</sup> ; +Y: *s > f; +Y: ə > i; +Y: lexical-final *a > e<br>2. ə-epenthesis; *k <sup>w</sup> > k; *y > Ø <sup>y</sup> ; +Y: ə > i; assimilation nk > ŋg<br>3. ə-epenthesis<br>4. *y > Ø <sup>y</sup> ; +Y: *s > f; +Y: *a > e<br>5. *x <sup>w</sup> > x; fusion *xn > ŋ; ə-epenthesis; *y > y <sup>y</sup> ; +Y: ə > i<br>6. *x <sup>w</sup> > x; fusion *xn > ŋ; ə-epenthesis; *y > y <sup>y</sup> ; +Y: *s > f; +Y: ə > i |                                                                                       |                                      |                          |                                           |   |

## MOFU

|            |                                                  |                                       |              |                                 |   |
|------------|--------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------|--------------|---------------------------------|---|
| Zulgo      | <i>suna</i> swna                                 | *swna                                 |              |                                 | 1 |
| Gemzek     | <i>sune</i> sə <sup>w</sup> na <sup>y</sup>      | *sØ <sup>w</sup> na-Ø <sup>y</sup>    | *(ma-)swna-y |                                 | 2 |
| Merey      | <i>məsune</i> məsə <sup>w</sup> na <sup>y</sup>  | *mØ-sØ <sup>w</sup> na-Ø <sup>y</sup> |              | *(ma-)sx <sup>w</sup> na(-a,-y) | 3 |
| Dugwor     | <i>məsne</i> məsna <sup>y</sup>                  | *mØ-sna-Ø <sup>y</sup>                | *ma-sØna-y   |                                 | 4 |
| Mofu North | <i>mesəney</i> ma <sup>y</sup> səna <sup>y</sup> | *ma-sn-ay <sup>y</sup>                | *ma-sØnØ-ay  |                                 | 5 |

1. \*x<sup>w</sup> > w > u
2. \*x<sup>w</sup> > w<sup>w</sup> > Ø<sup>w</sup>; ə-epenthesis; +W: ə > u; \*y > Ø<sup>y</sup>; +Y: lexical-final \*a > e
3. \*x<sup>w</sup> > w<sup>w</sup> > Ø<sup>w</sup>; ə-epenthesis; +W: ə > u; \*y > Ø<sup>y</sup>; +Y: lexical-final \*a > e
4. ə-epenthesis; \*y > Ø<sup>y</sup>; +Y: lexical-final \*a > e
5. ə-epenthesis; \*y > y<sup>y</sup>; +Y: \*a > e

## MAROUA

|              |                                |                      |            |                          |   |
|--------------|--------------------------------|----------------------|------------|--------------------------|---|
| Giziga-Marva | <i>məsin</i> məsə <sup>n</sup> | *m-sn-Ø <sup>y</sup> | *mØ-sØnØ-y | *ma-sx <sup>w</sup> na-y | 1 |
|--------------|--------------------------------|----------------------|------------|--------------------------|---|

1. ə-epenthesis; \*y > Ø<sup>y</sup>; +Y: ə > i

## LAMANG

|        |                                                |                                  |                         |                                       |   |
|--------|------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------|-------------------------|---------------------------------------|---|
|        |                                                |                                  |                         | √ C C Ca                              |   |
| Hdi    | <i>sunī</i> swny                               | *swn-y                           | *swnØ-y                 | *sx <sup>w</sup> na-y                 | 1 |
|        |                                                |                                  |                         | √ C CaCa                              |   |
| Lamang | <i>suwaja</i> sə <sup>w</sup> wa <sup>ja</sup> | *sw <sup>w</sup> a <sup>ja</sup> | *sw <sup>w</sup> anØ-ka | *sx <sup>w</sup> ana-k <sup>w</sup> a | 2 |

1. \*x<sup>w</sup> > w > u; \*y > i
2. \*x<sup>w</sup> > w<sup>w</sup>; \*k<sup>w</sup> > k; fusion nk > ŋ; ə-epenthesis; +W: ə > u

## HIGI

|              |                                                           |                                   |           |                         |   |
|--------------|-----------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------|-----------|-------------------------|---|
| Kamwe-Futu   | <i>səwo</i> səwa <sup>w</sup>                             | *sw <sup>w</sup> a                |           |                         | 1 |
| Kirya (verb) | <i>fīwu</i> s <sup>y</sup> ə <sup>w</sup> wə <sup>w</sup> | *sw <sup>w</sup> a-Ø <sup>y</sup> | *swØa(-y) | *sx <sup>w</sup> na(-y) | 2 |
| Bana         | <i>fīw</i> s <sup>y</sup> ə <sup>w</sup>                  | *swØ-Ø <sup>y</sup>               |           |                         | 3 |
| Kirya (noun) | <i>fīn</i> s <sup>y</sup> ə <sup>n</sup>                  | *sn-Ø <sup>y</sup>                | *sØnØ-y   |                         | 4 |

1. \*x<sup>w</sup> > w<sup>w</sup>; ə-epenthesis; +W: lexical-final \*a > o
2. \*x<sup>w</sup> > w<sup>w</sup>; ə-epenthesis; +W: lexical-final \*a > ə; +W: ə > u; \*y > Ø<sup>y</sup>; +Y: \*s > f; +Y: ə > i
3. \*x<sup>w</sup> > w; ə-epenthesis; \*y > Ø<sup>y</sup>; +Y: \*s > f; +Y: ə > i
4. ə-epenthesis; \*y > Ø<sup>y</sup>; +Y: \*s > f; +Y: ə > i

## KOTOKO-NORTH

|        |                                   |                        |           |                         |   |
|--------|-----------------------------------|------------------------|-----------|-------------------------|---|
|        |                                   |                        |           | √ C CaCa                |   |
| Mpade  | <i>sware</i> swara <sup>y</sup>   | *swara-Ø <sup>y</sup>  | *swara-y  | *sx <sup>w</sup> ana-y  | 1 |
|        |                                   |                        |           | √ CaCaCa                |   |
| Malgbe | <i>yaware</i> yawara <sup>y</sup> | *yawara-Ø <sup>y</sup> | *yawara-y | *sax <sup>w</sup> ana-y | 2 |

1. \*x<sup>w</sup> > w; \*n > r; \*y > Ø<sup>y</sup>; +Y: lexical-final \*a > e
2. \*x<sup>w</sup> > w; \*s > y; \*n > r; \*y > Ø<sup>y</sup>; +Y: lexical-final \*a > e

## KOTOKO-CENTRAL

|        |                                 |                       |          |                        |   |
|--------|---------------------------------|-----------------------|----------|------------------------|---|
| Lagwan | <i>swane</i> swana <sup>y</sup> | *swana-Ø <sup>y</sup> |          | *sx <sup>w</sup> ana-y | 1 |
| Mser   | <i>sware</i> swara <sup>y</sup> | *swara-Ø <sup>y</sup> | *swara-y |                        | 2 |

1. \*x<sup>w</sup> > w; \*y > Ø<sup>y</sup>; +Y: lexical-final \*a > e
2. \*x<sup>w</sup> > w; \*n > r; \*y > Ø<sup>y</sup>; +Y: lexical-final \*a > e

## MUSGUM

|                                                                                                                                       |                                                               |                      |          |                       |   |
|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------|----------|-----------------------|---|
| Mulwi <sup>33</sup>                                                                                                                   | <i>hiini</i> xə <sup>y</sup> yny                              | *xwn-y <sup>y</sup>  | *xwnØ-y  | *sx <sup>w</sup> na-y | 1 |
| 1. *x <sup>w</sup> > w; *s > x; ə-epenthesis; *y > y <sup>y</sup> ; +Y: (assimilation?) *w > y; +Y: ə > i; *y > i (2x)                |                                                               |                      |          |                       |   |
| GIDAR                                                                                                                                 |                                                               |                      |          |                       |   |
| Gidar <sup>34</sup>                                                                                                                   | <i>issine</i> ə <sup>y</sup> ssə <sup>y</sup> na <sup>y</sup> | *ssna-Ø <sup>y</sup> | *swana-y | *sx <sup>w</sup> na-y | 1 |
| 1. ə-prothesis; ə-epenthesis; *x <sup>w</sup> > w; assimilation w > s /s_/: *y > Ø <sup>y</sup> ; +Y: ə > i; +Y: lexical-final *a > e |                                                               |                      |          |                       |   |

drink, to

PCC \*(ma-, k<sup>w</sup>a-) **sa** (-a, -y, -k<sup>w</sup>, -n; FV)

## BATA

|        |            |       |         |  |
|--------|------------|-------|---------|--|
| Gude   | <i>sa</i>  | *sa   | *sa(-n) |  |
| Sharwa | <i>sa</i>  |       |         |  |
| Jimi   | <i>san</i> | *sa-n |         |  |

## DABA

|        |           |     |     |  |
|--------|-----------|-----|-----|--|
| Buwal  | <i>sa</i> | *sa | *sa |  |
| Gavar  | <i>sa</i> |     |     |  |
| Mbudum | <i>sa</i> |     |     |  |
| Daba   | <i>sa</i> |     |     |  |

## MAFA

|                         |              |     |     |   |
|-------------------------|--------------|-----|-----|---|
| Mafa                    | <i>sə sə</i> | *sa | *sa | 1 |
| Cuvok                   | <i>sa</i>    |     |     |   |
| 1. lexical-final *a > ə |              |     |     |   |
| TERA                    |              |     |     |   |
| Tera                    | <i>za</i>    | *za | *sa | 1 |
| 1. *s > z               |              |     |     |   |

## SUKUR

|                         |              |     |     |   |
|-------------------------|--------------|-----|-----|---|
| Sukur                   | <i>sə sə</i> | *sa | *sa | 1 |
| 1. lexical-final *a > ə |              |     |     |   |

## HURZA

|                        |             |                                  |                        |   |
|------------------------|-------------|----------------------------------|------------------------|---|
| Mbuko                  | <i>sa</i>   | *sa                              | *sa(-k <sup>w</sup> a) | 1 |
| Vame                   | <i>sawa</i> | *sa-wa      *sa-k <sup>w</sup> a |                        |   |
| 1. *k <sup>w</sup> > w |             |                                  |                        |   |

## MARGI

|       |           |     |     |  |
|-------|-----------|-----|-----|--|
| Margi | <i>sa</i> | *sa | *sa |  |
| Kilba | <i>sa</i> |     |     |  |
| Bura  | <i>sa</i> |     |     |  |

<sup>33</sup> For Mulwi, we presently leave open two reconstruction options subject to revision after clarity on two still open questions: (1) Is this a cognate in the first place, or rather a reflex of the word meaning ‘sleep’? (2) If it is a cognate, is it plausible to assume a sound shift medial /w/ > /y/ under Y-prosody (or simply assimilation) to account for the internal long vowel?

<sup>34</sup> The internal reconstruction for Gidar rests on the ad hoc assumption of a local assimilation of sw > ss. This remains a guess and cannot be considered established.

## MANDARA

|                        |               |          |            |                  |   |
|------------------------|---------------|----------|------------|------------------|---|
| Podoko                 | <i>sa</i>     | *sa      |            | *(ma-)sa((-a)-y) | 1 |
| Malgwa                 | <i>fa sʷa</i> | *sa-Øʷ   | *sa-y      |                  |   |
| Matal                  | <i>masay</i>  | *ma-s-ay | *ma-sØ-a-y |                  |   |
| 1. *y > Øʷ; +Y: *s > ʃ |               |          |            |                  |   |

## MOFU

|                                                   |                                            |                       |            |                  |   |
|---------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------|-----------------------|------------|------------------|---|
| Mofu-Gudur                                        | <i>s</i>                                   | *s                    | *sØ        | *(ma-)sa((-a)-y) |   |
| Zulgo                                             | <i>sa</i>                                  | *sa                   |            |                  |   |
| Merey                                             | <i>sa</i>                                  |                       |            |                  |   |
| Ouldeme                                           | <i>si sy</i>                               | *s-y                  | *sØ-y      |                  | 1 |
| Moloko                                            | <i>se sa<sup>y</sup></i>                   | *sa-Ø <sup>y</sup>    | *sa-y      |                  | 2 |
| Mada                                              | <i>mefe ma's<sup>y</sup>a<sup>y</sup></i>  | *ma-sa-Ø <sup>y</sup> | *ma-sa-y   |                  | 3 |
| Gemzek                                            | <i>mese ma'sa<sup>y</sup></i>              |                       |            |                  | 4 |
| Dugwor                                            | <i>masay</i>                               | *ma-s-ay              | *ma-sØ-a-y |                  |   |
| Mofu North                                        | <i>mese<sup>y</sup> ma'sa<sup>y</sup>y</i> | *ma-s-ay <sup>y</sup> |            | 5                |   |
| 1. *y > i                                         |                                            |                       |            |                  |   |
| 2. *y > Ø <sup>y</sup> ; +Y: lexical-final *a > e |                                            |                       |            |                  |   |
| 3. *y > Ø <sup>y</sup> ; +Y: *s > ʃ; +Y *a > e    |                                            |                       |            |                  |   |
| 4. *y > Ø <sup>y</sup> ; +Y *a > e                |                                            |                       |            |                  |   |
| 5. *y > y <sup>y</sup> ; +Y *a > e                |                                            |                       |            |                  |   |

## MAROUA

|                                                                                           |                              |                       |         |                         |   |
|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------|-----------------------|---------|-------------------------|---|
| Giziga-Marva                                                                              | <i>si sy</i>                 | *s-y                  | *sØ-y   | *sa-y(-k <sup>w</sup> ) | 1 |
| Mbazla                                                                                    | <i>ʃi s<sup>y</sup>y</i>     | *s-y <sup>y</sup>     |         |                         | 2 |
|                                                                                           | <i>sii' sɑ<sup>y</sup>y?</i> | *sɑ-y <sup>y</sup> -? | *sa-y-k |                         | 3 |
| 1. *y > i                                                                                 |                              |                       |         |                         |   |
| 2. *y > y <sup>y</sup> ; +Y: *s > ʃ; *y > i                                               |                              |                       |         |                         |   |
| 3. *k <sup>w</sup> > k > ?; lexical-final *a > ɑ; *y > y <sup>y</sup> ; +Y: ɑ > i; *y > i |                              |                       |         |                         |   |

|        |            |       |         |  |  |
|--------|------------|-------|---------|--|--|
| Lamang | <i>sa</i>  | *sa   |         |  |  |
| Hdi    | <i>sa</i>  |       | *sa(-y) |  |  |
|        | <i>say</i> | *sa-y |         |  |  |

## HIGI

|             |           |     |  |     |  |
|-------------|-----------|-----|--|-----|--|
| Kamwe-Nkafa | <i>sa</i> | *sa |  | *sa |  |
| Kamwe-Futu  | <i>sa</i> |     |  |     |  |
| Kirya       | <i>sa</i> |     |  |     |  |
| Bana        | <i>sa</i> |     |  |     |  |

## KOTOKO-ISLAND

|                                                                  |                            |                   |        |          |   |
|------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------|-------------------|--------|----------|---|
| Buduma                                                           | <i>xiə xyə</i>             | *x-ya             | *xØ-ya | *sa-y(a) | 1 |
|                                                                  | <i>xii xə<sup>y</sup>y</i> | *x-y <sup>y</sup> | *xØ-y  |          | 2 |
| 1. *s > x; *y > i; FV *a > ə                                     |                            |                   |        |          |   |
| 2. *s > x; ə-epenthesis; *y > y <sup>y</sup> ; +Y: ə > i; *y > i |                            |                   |        |          |   |

## KOTOKO-NORTH

|        |                                |                       |                       |                            |   |
|--------|--------------------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|----------------------------|---|
| Mpade  | <i>se sa<sup>y</sup></i>       | *sa-Ø <sup>y</sup>    | *sa-y                 | *sa(-y/-k <sup>w</sup> -n) | 1 |
| Afade  | <i>se sa<sup>y</sup></i>       |                       |                       |                            | 1 |
|        | <i>sel sa'l</i>                | *sa-Ø <sup>y</sup> -r | *sa-y-n               |                            | 2 |
|        | <i>saun sawn</i>               | *sa-w-n               | *sa-k <sup>w</sup> -n |                            | 3 |
| Malgbe | <i>yawun yawə<sup>w</sup>n</i> | *ya-w <sup>w</sup> -n | *ya-k <sup>w</sup> -n |                            | 4 |

1. \*y > Ø<sup>v</sup>; +Y: lexical-final \*a > e
2. \*n (> r) > l; \*y > Ø<sup>v</sup>; +Y: lexical-final \*a > e
3. \*k<sup>w</sup> > w > u
4. \*s > y; \*k<sup>w</sup> > w<sup>w</sup>; ə-epenthesis; +W: ə > u

## KOTOKO-CENTRAL

|        |                                |                       |                       |                          |   |
|--------|--------------------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|--------------------------|---|
| Lagwan | <i>sawun sawə<sup>w</sup>n</i> | *sa-w <sup>w</sup> -n | *sa-k <sup>w</sup> -n | *sa-y/-k <sup>w</sup> -n | 1 |
| Mser   | <i>se sa<sup>y</sup></i>       | *sa-Ø <sup>y</sup>    | *sa-y                 |                          | 2 |

1. \*k<sup>w</sup> > w<sup>w</sup>; ə-epenthesis; +W: ə > u
2. \*y > Ø<sup>v</sup>; +Y: lexical-final \*a > e

## KOTOKO-SOUTH

|      |            |       |        |        |  |
|------|------------|-------|--------|--------|--|
| Zina | <i>sya</i> | *s-ya | *sØ-ya | *sa-ya |  |
|------|------------|-------|--------|--------|--|

## MUSGUM

|       |                            |                   |       |       |   |
|-------|----------------------------|-------------------|-------|-------|---|
| Vulum | <i>si sy</i>               | *s-y              | *sØ-y | *sa-y | 1 |
| Mulwi | <i>si sy</i>               |                   |       |       | 1 |
| Mbara | <i>sii sə<sup>y</sup>y</i> | *s-y <sup>y</sup> | *sØ-y |       | 2 |

1. \*y > i
2. ə-epenthesis; \*y > y<sup>y</sup>; +Y: ə > i; \*y > i

## GIDAR

|       |                              |                     |                      |   |
|-------|------------------------------|---------------------|----------------------|---|
| Gidar | <i>wusa wə<sup>w</sup>sa</i> | *w <sup>w</sup> -sa | *k <sup>w</sup> a-sa | 1 |
|       | <i>əsa</i>                   | *w-sa               |                      | 2 |

1. \*k<sup>w</sup> > w<sup>w</sup>; ə-epenthesis; +W: ə > u
2. \*k<sup>w</sup> > w; ə-prothesis; assimilation əw > əə (?)

drum<sub>1</sub>

Onomatopoeic/loan?<sup>35</sup> \*(RED-) **daŋa** (-k<sup>w</sup>, -n; FV)

## BATA

|      |                    |         |           |   |
|------|--------------------|---------|-----------|---|
| Gude | <i>daŋa daŋa</i>   | *daŋa   | *daŋa(-n) | 1 |
| Jimi | <i>daŋən daŋən</i> | *daŋØ-n |           |   |

1. ə-epenthesis

<sup>35</sup> Gravina (2015) assumes technological import from “somewhere in Nigeria”. The variant forms are likely onomatopoeic in origin rather than coming about by natural language change. Since we do not reconstruct \*ŋ in PCC, we assume that the origin of \***daŋa** (and also reduplicative \***daŋ-daŋ**) is onomatopoeic. As an alternative or parallel option, however, we could be dealing with cases of fusion of \*n+k<sup>w</sup> > nk > ŋ, which would allow us to reconstruct the original simple form as \***dan** (and \***dan-dan**) and postulate the presence of a suffixal root augment \*{-k<sup>w</sup>(a)}; such analysis would be corroborated by MANDARA, LAMANG, and HIGI group forms.

## TERA

|      |                           |       |       |  |
|------|---------------------------|-------|-------|--|
| Tera | <i>da<sup>g</sup> daŋ</i> | *daŋØ | *daŋa |  |
|------|---------------------------|-------|-------|--|

## SUKUR

|       |            |       |       |  |
|-------|------------|-------|-------|--|
| Sukur | <i>daŋ</i> | *daŋØ | *daŋa |  |
|-------|------------|-------|-------|--|

## MARGI

|       |                           |       |       |  |
|-------|---------------------------|-------|-------|--|
| Bura  | <i>da<sup>g</sup> daŋ</i> | *daŋØ | *daŋa |  |
| Kilba | <i>daŋ</i>                |       |       |  |

## MANDARA

|        |                                                                  |                                      |                          |                          |   |
|--------|------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|---|
| Podoko | <i>deŋu da<sup>h</sup>ŋw</i>                                     | *daŋ-Ø <sup>y</sup> -w               | *daŋØ-y-k <sup>w</sup> Ø | *daŋa-y-k <sup>w</sup> a | 1 |
|        | <i>deŋ<sup>w</sup>e da<sup>h</sup>ŋ<sup>w</sup>a<sup>y</sup></i> | daŋ-Ø <sup>y</sup> -Ø <sup>w</sup> a | *daŋØ-y-k <sup>w</sup> a |                          | 2 |

1. \*k<sup>w</sup> > w > u; \*y > Ø<sup>y</sup>; +Y: lexical-final \*a > e

2. \*y > Ø<sup>y</sup>; +Y: \*a > e

## LAMANG

|        |                                                                          |                                                                  |                            |                               |   |
|--------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------|-------------------------------|---|
| Lamang | <i>dewdew da<sup>h</sup>wda<sup>h</sup>w</i>                             | *daw-daØ <sup>y</sup> w                                          | *RED-daØØ-y-w              | *(RED-) daŋa-y-k <sup>w</sup> | 1 |
| Hdi    | <i>deghwdeghw da<sup>h</sup>ŋ<sup>w</sup>da<sup>h</sup>ŋ<sup>w</sup></i> | *da <sup>h</sup> ŋ <sup>w</sup> -daØ <sup>y</sup> ŋ <sup>w</sup> | *RED-daØØ-y-ŋ <sup>w</sup> |                               | 2 |

1. \*k<sup>w</sup> > w; \*y > Ø<sup>y</sup>; +Y: \*a > e

2. \*k<sup>w</sup> > ŋ<sup>w</sup>; \*y > Ø<sup>y</sup>; +Y: \*a > e

## HIGI

|             |                                            |                          |            |                              |   |
|-------------|--------------------------------------------|--------------------------|------------|------------------------------|---|
| Bana        | <i>daŋ</i>                                 | *daŋ                     | *daŋØ      | *daŋa(-y(-k <sup>w</sup> a)) |   |
| Kamwe-Nkafa | <i>da<sup>h</sup>gyi daŋg<sup>y</sup>y</i> | *daŋ-k-y <sup>y</sup>    | *daŋØ-y-kØ |                              | 1 |
| Kamwe-Futu  | <i>dya<sup>h</sup>ga d<sup>h</sup>aŋga</i> | *daŋ-g-Ø <sup>y</sup> -a | *daŋØ-y-ka |                              | 2 |

1. \*k<sup>w</sup> > k; metathesis yk > ky; assimilation ŋk > ŋg; \*y > y<sup>y</sup>; +Y: \*g > g<sup>y</sup>; \*y > i

2. \*k<sup>w</sup> > k; metathesis yk > ky; assimilation ŋk > ŋg; \*y > Ø<sup>y</sup>; +Y: \*d > d<sup>y</sup>

drum<sub>2</sub>

Loan/'pseudo'-PCC<sup>36</sup> \*(RED-) gaŋ ~ ga<sup>h</sup>ga (-k<sup>w</sup>, -n; FV)

## BATA

|        |                         |  |                     |  |
|--------|-------------------------|--|---------------------|--|
| Gude   | <i>ga<sup>h</sup>ga</i> |  | *ga <sup>h</sup> ga |  |
| Sharwa | <i>ga<sup>h</sup>ga</i> |  |                     |  |

<sup>36</sup> Generic term or specifically referring to a small, medium-size or big (usually two-skinned and barrel-shaped) drum, that was widely introduced into the area; see also Kanuri *gàngá*, Hausa *gàngáa*. As a loan, the word could have been borrowed with the prenasalised stop /<sup>h</sup>g/, and this is how we treat it in this study, namely as a loan and 'Pseudo'-PCC root. The word has undergone only little change in terms of composition regarding reduplicative and/or petrified root-augmental material. Arguably, the word has an onomatopoeic dimension, which would be seen in the full reduplicative variant forms like *gaŋ-gaŋ/ga<sup>h</sup>gaŋ*. Note that, if Hausa was involved in the distribution of this term, it would have lost the final nasal of its reduplicative and potentially original source \*gaŋ-gaŋ > ga<sup>h</sup>ga. Thus, the analysis and reconstruction presented here must remain provisional, and the true nature and history of this word in CC languages still remains to be unearthed.

## DABA

|                          |                              |                   |                   |                  |   |
|--------------------------|------------------------------|-------------------|-------------------|------------------|---|
| Buwal                    | <i>kaʷgaŋ</i> <i>kan̄gaŋ</i> | * <i>kan̄-gaŋ</i> | * <i>kan̄-gaŋ</i> | * <i>RED-gaŋ</i> | 1 |
| 1. * <i>g</i> > <i>k</i> |                              |                   |                   |                  |   |

## MAFA

|       |                              |                   |  |                  |  |
|-------|------------------------------|-------------------|--|------------------|--|
| Mafa  | <i>gaʷga</i>                 |                   |  | * <i>gaʷga</i>   |  |
| Cuvok | <i>gaʷgaŋ</i> <i>gan̄gaŋ</i> | * <i>gan̄-gaŋ</i> |  | * <i>RED-gaŋ</i> |  |

## TERA

|                            |                              |                 |  |                  |   |
|----------------------------|------------------------------|-----------------|--|------------------|---|
| Tera                       | <i>gugaʷg</i> <i>gʷəʷgaŋ</i> | * <i>gʷ-gaŋ</i> |  | * <i>RED-gaŋ</i> | 1 |
| 1. ə-epenthesis; +W: ə > u |                              |                 |  |                  |   |

## HURZA

|                           |               |                  |  |                   |   |
|---------------------------|---------------|------------------|--|-------------------|---|
| Mbuko                     | <i>gaʷgan</i> |                  |  | * <i>gaʷga-n</i>  |   |
| Vame                      | <i>gan̄ka</i> | * <i>gan̄-ka</i> |  | * <i>gan̄-kʷa</i> | 1 |
| 1. * <i>kʷ</i> > <i>k</i> |               |                  |  |                   |   |

## MARGI

|                          |                           |                   |                   |                  |   |
|--------------------------|---------------------------|-------------------|-------------------|------------------|---|
| Bura                     | <i>gaʷga</i>              | * <i>gaʷga</i>    |                   | * <i>gaʷga</i>   |   |
| Margi                    | <i>kaʷga</i> <i>kanga</i> | * <i>kan̄-gaØ</i> | * <i>kan̄-gaŋ</i> | * <i>RED-gaŋ</i> | 1 |
| 1. * <i>g</i> > <i>k</i> |                           |                   |                   |                  |   |

## MANDARA

|                                         |                |                  |                  |                     |   |
|-----------------------------------------|----------------|------------------|------------------|---------------------|---|
| Mandara                                 | <i>gaʷga</i>   | * <i>gaʷga</i>   |                  | * <i>gaʷga</i>      |   |
| Malgwa                                  | <i>gaʷga</i>   |                  |                  |                     |   |
| Glavda                                  | <i>gaŋ</i>     | * <i>gaŋ</i>     |                  |                     |   |
| Podoko                                  | <i>gan̄əka</i> | * <i>gan̄-ka</i> | * <i>gan̄-ka</i> | * <i>gan̄(-kʷa)</i> | 1 |
| 1. ə-epenthesis, * <i>kʷ</i> > <i>k</i> |                |                  |                  |                     |   |

## MOFU

|                   |                              |                   |                  |                  |   |
|-------------------|------------------------------|-------------------|------------------|------------------|---|
| Moloko            | <i>gəʷgan</i>                | * <i>gəʷga-n</i>  | * <i>gØʷga-n</i> | * <i>gaʷga-n</i> | 1 |
| Muyang            | <i>gan̄-gaŋ</i>              | * <i>gan̄-gaŋ</i> |                  | * <i>RED-gaŋ</i> |   |
| Mofu-North        | <i>gaʷgaŋ</i> <i>gan̄gaŋ</i> |                   |                  |                  |   |
| Mofu-Gudur        | <i>gaʷgaŋ</i> <i>gan̄gaŋ</i> |                   |                  |                  |   |
| Merey             | <i>gaʷgaŋ</i> <i>gan̄gaŋ</i> |                   |                  |                  |   |
|                   | <i>gan̄gaŋ</i>               | * <i>gan̄-Øaŋ</i> |                  |                  |   |
| Gemzek            | <i>gan̄gaŋ</i>               |                   |                  |                  |   |
|                   | <i>gagan̄</i>                | * <i>gaØ-gaŋ</i>  |                  |                  |   |
| 1. * ə-epenthesis |                              |                   |                  |                  |   |

## MAROUA

|              |                              |                   |  |                  |  |
|--------------|------------------------------|-------------------|--|------------------|--|
| Giziga-Marva | <i>gaʷgaŋ</i> <i>gan̄gaŋ</i> | * <i>gan̄-gaŋ</i> |  | * <i>RED-gaŋ</i> |  |
|--------------|------------------------------|-------------------|--|------------------|--|

## LAMANG

|        |              |                |  |                |  |
|--------|--------------|----------------|--|----------------|--|
| Lamang | <i>gaʷga</i> | * <i>gaʷga</i> |  | * <i>gaʷga</i> |  |
|--------|--------------|----------------|--|----------------|--|

## HIGI

|             |              |                |  |                |  |
|-------------|--------------|----------------|--|----------------|--|
| Kamwe-Nkafa | <i>gaʷga</i> | * <i>gaʷga</i> |  | * <i>gaʷga</i> |  |
| Kamwe-Futu  | <i>gaʷga</i> |                |  |                |  |

## KOTOKO-ISLAND

|        |              |                |  |                |  |
|--------|--------------|----------------|--|----------------|--|
| Buduma | <i>gaʷga</i> | * <i>gaʷga</i> |  | * <i>gaʷga</i> |  |
|--------|--------------|----------------|--|----------------|--|



## KOTOKO-NORTH

|           |                          |                       |                       |   |
|-----------|--------------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|---|
| Afade     | <i>ga<sup>h</sup>gan</i> | *ga <sup>h</sup> ga-n | *ga <sup>h</sup> ga-n |   |
| Mpade     | <i>ka<sup>h</sup>ga</i>  | *ka <sup>h</sup> ga   | *ga <sup>h</sup> ga   | 1 |
| 1. *g > k |                          |                       |                       |   |

## KOTOKO-CENTRAL

|        |                         |                     |                     |  |
|--------|-------------------------|---------------------|---------------------|--|
| Lagwan | <i>ga<sup>h</sup>ga</i> | *ga <sup>h</sup> ga | *ga <sup>h</sup> ga |  |
| MUSGUM |                         |                     |                     |  |
| Mbara  | <i>ga<sup>h</sup>ga</i> | *ga <sup>h</sup> ga | *ga <sup>h</sup> ga |  |

## GIDAR

|       |                         |                     |                     |  |
|-------|-------------------------|---------------------|---------------------|--|
| Gidar | <i>ga<sup>h</sup>ga</i> | *ga <sup>h</sup> ga | *ga <sup>h</sup> ga |  |
|-------|-------------------------|---------------------|---------------------|--|

ear, name<sup>37</sup>PCC \*(ma-) **l(a)ma** (-a, -y, -d, -k<sup>w</sup>, -n; FV)

## BATA

|        |                                          |                       |          |              |   |
|--------|------------------------------------------|-----------------------|----------|--------------|---|
| Gude   | <i>loma</i>                              | *lma                  |          |              | 1 |
| Sharwa | <i>limi lə<sup>w</sup>my</i>             | *lm-y <sup>w</sup>    | *lmØ-y   | *lma(-y(-n)) | 2 |
| Jimi   | <i>limən lə<sup>w</sup>mən</i>           | *lm-Ø <sup>w</sup> -n | *lmØ-y-n |              | 3 |
| Tsuvan | <i>lame lə<sup>w</sup>ma<sup>w</sup></i> | *lma-Ø <sup>w</sup>   | *lma-y   |              | 4 |

1. \*l > l; ə-epenthesis
2. \*l > l; ə-epenthesis; \*y > y<sup>w</sup>; +Y: ə > i; \*y > i
3. \*l > l; ə-epenthesis; \*y > Ø<sup>w</sup>; +Y: ə > i
4. \*l > l; ə-epenthesis; \*y > Ø<sup>w</sup>; +Y: lexical-final \*a > e

## DABA

|               |                                |                        |            |              |   |
|---------------|--------------------------------|------------------------|------------|--------------|---|
|               |                                |                        |            | √ C Ca       |   |
| Gavar         | <i>lām</i>                     | *lāmØ                  |            | *lma(-y, -d) | 1 |
| Mbudum        | <i>lām</i>                     |                        |            |              | 1 |
| Mazagway Hidi | <i>limi lə<sup>w</sup>my</i>   | *lām-y <sup>w</sup>    | *lāmØ-y    |              | 2 |
| Daba          | <i>limi' lə<sup>w</sup>my?</i> | *lām-y <sup>w</sup> -? | *lāmØ-y-d' |              | 3 |
|               |                                |                        |            | √ CaCa       |   |
| Buwal         | <i>lām</i>                     | *lāmØ                  |            | *lama        | 4 |

1. \*l > l; ə-epenthesis
2. \*l > l; ə-epenthesis; \*y > y<sup>w</sup>; +Y: ə > i; \*y > i
3. \*l > l; \*d' > ?; ə-epenthesis; \*y > y<sup>w</sup>; +Y: ə > i; \*y > i
4. \*l > l

<sup>37</sup> In twelve of the eighteen CC language groups, both 'ear' and 'name' would appear to be the same root. In six language groups, different roots are used. In those languages that use the same root, a later secondary formal disambiguation may have occurred, leading to slightly different formal reflexes in the modern languages, which we here distinguish by using (a) for 'ear' and (b) for 'name'. This issue deserves closer scrutiny not least in the synchronic descriptions of the languages in question.

## MAFA

|                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          |                                |                         |                          |                     |   |
|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------|-------------------------|--------------------------|---------------------|---|
| Mafa                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     | (a) <i>ʔə<sup>m</sup>badʔ</i>  | *Ø <sup>n</sup> -ʔba-dʔ | *m <sup>n</sup> Ø-ʔba-dʔ | *(ma-)lma(-a-y, -d) | 1 |
|                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          | (b) <i>nʔə<sup>m</sup>badʔ</i> | *n <sup>n</sup> -ʔba-dʔ |                          |                     | 2 |
| Cuvok                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    | (a) <i>ʔəmay</i>               | *ʔm-ay                  | *ʔmØ-a-y                 |                     | 3 |
| 1. *l > ʔ; ə-epenthesis; dissimilation *m > b; *m > Ø <sup>n</sup> ; +N: b > <sup>m</sup> b<br>2. *l > ʔ; ə-epenthesis; dissimilation *m > b; *m > Ø <sup>n</sup> ; +N: b > <sup>m</sup> b; homorganic assimilation *m > n/_ʔ<br>3. *l > ʔ; ə-epenthesis |                                |                         |                          |                     |   |

## TERA

|                                                                                     |                            |                    |        |          |   |
|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------|--------------------|--------|----------|---|
| Tera                                                                                | <i>ʔəm</i>                 | *ʔm                | *ʔmØ   | *lma(-y) | 1 |
|                                                                                     | <i>ʔim ʔə<sup>m</sup>m</i> | *ʔm-Ø <sup>y</sup> | *ʔmØ-y |          | 2 |
| 1. *l > ʔ; ə-epenthesis<br>2. *l > ʔ; ə-epenthesis; *y > Ø <sup>y</sup> ; +Y: ə > i |                            |                    |        |          |   |

## SUKUR

|                         |                        |        |          |          |   |
|-------------------------|------------------------|--------|----------|----------|---|
| Sukur                   | (a) <i>ʔəmay</i>       | *ʔm-ay | *ʔmØ-a-y | *lma-a-y | 1 |
|                         | (a) <i>ʔəmai ʔəmay</i> |        |          |          | 1 |
| 1. *l > ʔ; ə-epenthesis |                        |        |          |          |   |

## HURZA

|                 |                  |        |          |          |   |
|-----------------|------------------|--------|----------|----------|---|
| Mbuko           | <i>ləmay</i>     | *lm-ay | *lmØ-a-y | *lma-a-y | 1 |
| Vame            | (a) <i>ləmay</i> |        |          |          | 1 |
| 1. ə-epenthesis |                  |        |          |          |   |

## MARGI

|                                                                                           |                                               |                    |        |          |   |
|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------|--------------------|--------|----------|---|
| Bura                                                                                      | <i>lim ʔə<sup>m</sup>m</i>                    | *lm-Ø <sup>y</sup> | *lmØ-y | *lma(-y) | 1 |
| Margi                                                                                     | (a) <i>limi ʔə<sup>m</sup>my</i>              | *lm-y <sup>y</sup> |        |          | 2 |
| Margi-South                                                                               | (a) <i>himi xə<sup>m</sup>my</i>              | *xm-y <sup>y</sup> | *xmØ-y |          | 3 |
| Kilba                                                                                     | (a) <i>hyimi x<sup>y</sup>ə<sup>m</sup>my</i> |                    |        |          | 4 |
|                                                                                           | (b) <i>ləm</i>                                | *lmØ               |        |          | 5 |
| 1. ə-epenthesis; *y > Ø <sup>y</sup> ; +Y: ə > i                                          |                                               |                    |        |          |   |
| 2. ə-epenthesis; *y > Ø <sup>y</sup> ; +Y: ə > i; *y > i                                  |                                               |                    |        |          |   |
| 3. *l > x; ə-epenthesis; *y > Ø <sup>y</sup> ; +Y: ə > i; *y > i                          |                                               |                    |        |          |   |
| 4. *l > x; ə-epenthesis; *y > Ø <sup>y</sup> ; +Y: ə > i; +Y: x > x <sup>y</sup> ; *y > i |                                               |                    |        |          |   |
| 5. ə-epenthesis                                                                           |                                               |                    |        |          |   |

## MANDARA

|                                                                                           |                                               |                                   |         |             |   |
|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------|---------|-------------|---|
|                                                                                           |                                               |                                   |         | √ C Ca      |   |
| Matal                                                                                     | <i>ləm</i>                                    | *lmØ                              |         | *lma(-y(a)) | 1 |
| Podoko                                                                                    | (a) <i>ləma</i>                               | *lma                              |         |             | 1 |
| Malgwa                                                                                    | (a) <i>hyima x<sup>y</sup>ə<sup>m</sup>ma</i> | *x <sup>y</sup> ma-Ø <sup>y</sup> | *lma-y  |             | 2 |
| Dghwede                                                                                   | <i>ləme ʔəma<sup>y</sup></i>                  | *lma-Ø <sup>y</sup>               |         |             | 3 |
| Glavda                                                                                    | (a) <i>çimya çə<sup>m</sup>mya</i>            | *çm-y <sup>a</sup>                | *lmØ-ya |             | 4 |
|                                                                                           | (a) <i>çimi çə<sup>m</sup>my</i>              | *çm-y <sup>y</sup>                | *lmØ-y  |             | 5 |
|                                                                                           |                                               |                                   |         | √ CaCa      |   |
| Mandara                                                                                   | (a) <i>hyama x<sup>y</sup>ama</i>             | *x <sup>y</sup> ama               |         | *lma        | 6 |
| 1. ə-epenthesis<br>2. *l > x <sup>y</sup> ; ə-epenthesis; *y > Ø <sup>y</sup> ; +Y: ə > i |                                               |                                   |         |             |   |

3. ə-epenthesis; \*y > Ø<sup>y</sup>; +Y: lexical-final \*a > e  
 4. \*l > ɕ; ə-epenthesis; \*y > y<sup>y</sup>; +Y: ə > i  
 5. \*l > ɕ; ə-epenthesis; \*y > y<sup>y</sup>; +Y: ə > i; \*y > i  
 6. \*l > x<sup>y</sup>

## MOFU

|            |                                |                     |          |              |   |
|------------|--------------------------------|---------------------|----------|--------------|---|
|            |                                |                     |          | √ C Ca       |   |
| Zulgo      | (a) <i>ɬəm</i>                 | *ɬm                 | *ɬmØ     | *lma((-a)-y) | 1 |
| Merey      | (a) <i>ɬəm</i>                 |                     |          |              | 1 |
| Muyang     | <i>limi</i> lə <sup>y</sup> my | *lm-y <sup>y</sup>  | *lmØ-y   |              | 2 |
| Mada       | <i>lme</i> lma <sup>y</sup>    | *lma-Ø <sup>y</sup> | *lma-y   |              | 3 |
| Moloko     | <i>ləmay</i>                   | *lm-ay              | *lmØ-a-y |              | 4 |
| Ouldeme    | (a) <i>ləmay</i>               |                     |          |              | 4 |
| Mofu North | (a) <i>ləmay</i>               |                     |          |              | 4 |
| Mofu-Gudur | (a) <i>ləmay</i>               |                     |          |              | 4 |
|            |                                |                     |          | √ CaCa       |   |
| Dugwor     | <i>ɬam</i>                     | *ɬamØ               |          | *lama        | 5 |
| Gemzek     | <i>ɬam</i>                     |                     |          |              |   |

1. \*l > ɬ; ə-epenthesis  
 2. ə-epenthesis; \*y > y<sup>y</sup>; +Y: ə > i; \*y > i  
 3. \*y > Ø<sup>y</sup>; +Y: lexical-final \*a > e  
 4. ə-epenthesis  
 5. \*l > ɬ

## MAROUA

|                |                                                         |                                     |                       |                   |   |
|----------------|---------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------|-----------------------|-------------------|---|
| Giziga-Muturwa | limid(i) ləmy <sup>y</sup> də <sup>y</sup>              | *lm-y <sup>y</sup> -dā              | *lmØ-y-dā             | *lma(-a)-y(-d(a)) | 1 |
| Giziga-Marva   | lmed <sup>y</sup> ləma <sup>y</sup> d <sup>y</sup>      | *lma-Ø <sup>y</sup> -d <sup>y</sup> | *lma-y-d <sup>y</sup> |                   | 2 |
| Mbazla         | (a) lime <sup>y</sup> s <sup>y</sup> əma <sup>y</sup> ? | *sma-Ø <sup>y</sup> -?              |                       |                   | 3 |
|                | (b) səmai səmay                                         | *sm-ay                              | *lmØ-a-y              |                   | 4 |
|                | ləmay                                                   | *lm-ay                              |                       |                   | 5 |

1. ə-epenthesis; FV \*a > ə; \*y > y<sup>y</sup>; +Y: ə > i; \*y > i  
 2. ə-epenthesis; \*y > Ø<sup>y</sup>; +Y: ə > i; +Y: lexical-final \*a > e  
 3. \*l > s; \*d<sup>y</sup> > ?; ə-epenthesis; \*y > Ø<sup>y</sup>; +Y: s > f; +Y: ə > i; +Y: lexical-final \*a > E  
 4. \*l > s; ə-epenthesis  
 5. ə-epenthesis

## LAMANG

|        |           |        |          |                        |   |
|--------|-----------|--------|----------|------------------------|---|
| Lamang | (a) ləmaŋ | *lma-ŋ | *lma-k-n | *lma-k <sup>w</sup> -n | 1 |
| Hdi    | (a) ləmaŋ | *lm-ŋ  | *lmØ-k-n |                        | 1 |

1. \*k<sup>w</sup> > k; fusion kn > ŋ; ə-epenthesis

## HIGI

|             |                                                           |                                      |                          |                            |   |
|-------------|-----------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--------------------------|----------------------------|---|
| Kirya       | <i>ləm</i>                                                | *lmØ                                 |                          | *lma(-y-k <sup>w</sup> -n) | 1 |
| Bana        | (a) <i>ləmə ləmə</i>                                      | *lma                                 |                          |                            | 2 |
| Kamwe-Nkafa | (a) <i>ləmə ləmə</i>                                      |                                      |                          |                            | 2 |
| Kamwe-Futu  | (a) <i>limo<sup>g</sup> lə<sup>a</sup>ma<sup>w</sup>g</i> | *lma-Ø <sup>y</sup> - <sup>g</sup> w | *lma-y-k <sup>w</sup> -n |                            | 3 |

1. ə-epenthesis  
 2. ə-epenthesis; lexical-final \*a > ə  
 3. ə-epenthesis; \*y > Ø<sup>y</sup>; +Y: ə > i; fusion k<sup>w</sup>n > <sup>g</sup>w; +W: \*a > o

## KOTOKO-ISLAND

|        |                        |        |                       |                         |   |
|--------|------------------------|--------|-----------------------|-------------------------|---|
| Buduma | <i>həmu xəmw</i>       | *xm-w  | *xmØ-k <sup>w</sup>   | *lma-k <sup>w</sup> (a) | 1 |
|        | (a) <i>həmuə xəmwə</i> | *xm-wa | *xmØ-k <sup>w</sup> a |                         | 2 |

1. \*l > x; \*k<sup>w</sup> > w > u; ə-epenthesis  
 2. \*l > x; \*k<sup>w</sup> > w > u; ə-epenthesis; FV \*a > ə

KOTOKO-NORTH<sup>38</sup>

|        |                    |                       |                       |                          |   |
|--------|--------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|--------------------------|---|
| Afade  | <i>lim ləʔm</i>    | *lm-Ø <sup>y</sup>    | *lmØ-                 | *lma-y(-k <sup>w</sup> ) | 1 |
| Malgbe | <i>lim ləʔm</i>    |                       |                       |                          | 1 |
| Maltam | <i>lim ləʔm</i>    |                       |                       |                          | 1 |
| Mpade  | <i>ʃimu sʔəʔmw</i> | *sm-Ø <sup>y</sup> -w | *smØ-y-k <sup>w</sup> |                          | 2 |

1. ə-epenthesis; \*y > Ø<sup>y</sup>; +Y: ə > i  
 2. \*l > s; \*k<sup>w</sup> > w > u; ə-epenthesis; \*y > Ø<sup>y</sup>; +Y: s > ʃ; +Y: ə > i

## KOTOKO-CENTRAL

|                      |                   |                    |        |        |   |
|----------------------|-------------------|--------------------|--------|--------|---|
| Lagwan <sup>39</sup> | <i>limi ləʔmy</i> | *lm-y <sup>y</sup> | *lmØ-y | *lma-y | 1 |
| Mser                 | <i>sim səʔm</i>   | *sm-Ø <sup>y</sup> | *smØ-y |        | 2 |

1. ə-epenthesis; \*y > y<sup>y</sup>; +Y: ə > i; \*y > i  
 2. \*l > s; ə-epenthesis; \*y > Ø<sup>y</sup>; +Y: ə > i

## KOTOKO-SOUTH

|        |                    |                     |        |          |   |
|--------|--------------------|---------------------|--------|----------|---|
| Zina   | (b) <i>səm</i>     | *smØ                |        | *lma(-y) | 1 |
| Mazera | <i>sime səʔmaʔ</i> | *sma-Ø <sup>y</sup> | *sma-y |          | 2 |

1. \*l > s; ə-epenthesis  
 2. \*l > s; ə-epenthesis; \*y > Ø<sup>y</sup>; +Y: ə > i; +Y: lexical-final \*a > e

## MUSGUM

|       |                        |                     |                     |                        |   |
|-------|------------------------|---------------------|---------------------|------------------------|---|
| Mbara | (a) <i>lumo ləʔmaʔ</i> | *lma-Ø <sup>w</sup> | *lma-k <sup>w</sup> | *lma-y/-k <sup>w</sup> | 1 |
|       | (b) <i>lim ləʔm</i>    | *lm-Ø <sup>y</sup>  | *lmØ-y              |                        | 2 |

1. ə-epenthesis; \*k<sup>w</sup> > Ø<sup>w</sup>; +W: ə > u; +W: lexical-final \*a > o  
 2. ə-epenthesis; \*y > Ø<sup>y</sup>; +Y: ə > i

## GIDAR

|       |                 |      |  |      |   |
|-------|-----------------|------|--|------|---|
| Gidar | (a) <i>ləma</i> | *lma |  | *lma | 1 |
|-------|-----------------|------|--|------|---|

1. ə-epenthesis

earth

PCC \*(RED-) x<sup>w</sup>(a)yɗa (-k<sup>w</sup>; FV)

## DABA

|        |              |         |          |                                     |   |
|--------|--------------|---------|----------|-------------------------------------|---|
| Buwal  | <i>hayak</i> | *xaya-k | *xayØa-k | *x <sup>w</sup> ayɗa-k <sup>w</sup> | 1 |
| Gavar  | <i>hayak</i> | *xaya-k |          |                                     | 1 |
| Mbudum | <i>hayak</i> | *xaya-k |          |                                     | 1 |

1. \*x<sup>w</sup> > x; \*k<sup>w</sup> > k

<sup>38</sup> For 'name', the database occasionally gives extended structures: Afade *lim sewe* and *lim a tse*, Maltam *lim si wawun*, and *lim si hili (mawe / grim)*.

<sup>39</sup> For 'name', Lagwan also has a parallel extended structure *limi a bilam*.

## MAFA

|                                                 |                 |        |                       |                                    |   |
|-------------------------------------------------|-----------------|--------|-----------------------|------------------------------------|---|
| Cuvok                                           | <i>uyak</i> wyk | *wya-k | *x <sup>w</sup> yØa-k | *x <sup>w</sup> ydā-k <sup>w</sup> | 1 |
| 1. *x <sup>w</sup> > w > u; *k <sup>w</sup> > k |                 |        |                       |                                    |   |

## TERA

|                                            |            |        |  |                      |   |
|--------------------------------------------|------------|--------|--|----------------------|---|
| Tera                                       | <i>yay</i> | *yayØØ |  | *x <sup>w</sup> aydā | 1 |
| 1. *x <sup>w</sup> (> y <sup>w</sup> ) > y |            |        |  |                      |   |

## SUKUR

|                        |            |      |        |                      |   |
|------------------------|------------|------|--------|----------------------|---|
| Sukur                  | <i>had</i> | *xad | *xaØdØ | *x <sup>w</sup> aydā | 1 |
| 1. *x <sup>w</sup> > x |            |      |        |                      |   |

## HURZA

|                                                                                                                                  |                                  |                      |                        |                                        |   |
|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------|----------------------|------------------------|----------------------------------------|---|
| Mbuko                                                                                                                            | <i>yugo</i> ywga <sup>w</sup>    | *yw <sup>w</sup> -ga | *wyØØ-k <sup>w</sup> a | *x <sup>w</sup> yda-k <sup>w</sup> (a) | 1 |
| Vame                                                                                                                             | <i>higay</i> xə <sup>y</sup> gay | *xgay <sup>y</sup>   | *xyØa-g                |                                        | 2 |
| 1. metathesis *x <sup>w</sup> y > yx <sup>w</sup> ; *x <sup>w</sup> > w > u; *k <sup>w</sup> (> k) > g; +W: lexical-final *a > o |                                  |                      |                        |                                        |   |
| 2. *k <sup>w</sup> > g; metathesis *yg > gy; ə-epenthesis; *y > y <sup>y</sup> ; +Y: ə > i                                       |                                  |                      |                        |                                        |   |

## MARGI

|                                                                                      |                  |       |                     |   |
|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------|-------|---------------------|---|
| Bura                                                                                 | <i>hi xy</i>     | *xyØØ | *x <sup>w</sup> yɗa | 1 |
| Kilba                                                                                | <i>həʔi xəʔy</i> | *xyʔØ |                     | 2 |
| 1. *x <sup>w</sup> > x; *y > i                                                       |                  |       |                     |   |
| 2. x <sup>w</sup> > x; *d <sup>w</sup> > ʔ; metathesis yʔ > ʔy; ə-epenthesis; *y > i |                  |       |                     |   |

## MANDARA

|                        |             |        |            |                            |   |
|------------------------|-------------|--------|------------|----------------------------|---|
| Dghwede                | <i>xaya</i> | *xaya  | *xayØa     | *(RED-)x <sup>w</sup> aydā | 1 |
| Mandara                | <i>haha</i> | *xa-xa | *RED-xaØØØ |                            | 1 |
| Malgwa                 | <i>haha</i> |        |            |                            | 1 |
| 1. *x <sup>w</sup> > x |             |        |            |                            |   |

## MOFU

|                                                  |             |     |       |                     |   |
|--------------------------------------------------|-------------|-----|-------|---------------------|---|
| Zulgo                                            | <i>ahəd</i> | *xd | *xØdØ | *x <sup>w</sup> ydā | 1 |
| 1. x <sup>w</sup> > x; a-prothesis; ə-epenthesis |             |     |       |                     |   |

## MAROUA

|                       |            |      |        |                      |   |
|-----------------------|------------|------|--------|----------------------|---|
| Mbazla                | <i>hay</i> | *xay | *xayØØ | *x <sup>w</sup> aydā | 1 |
| 1. x <sup>w</sup> > x |            |      |        |                      |   |

## LAMANG

|                                                                                                   |                                                           |                     |                       |                                        |   |
|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------|---------------------|-----------------------|----------------------------------------|---|
| Lamang                                                                                            | <i>hodo</i> x <sup>w</sup> a <sup>w</sup> dā <sup>w</sup> | *x <sup>w</sup> adā | *x <sup>w</sup> aØdā  | *x <sup>w</sup> aydā(-k <sup>w</sup> ) | 1 |
| Hdi                                                                                               | <i>hadik</i> xadyk                                        | *xady-k             | *xaydØ-k <sup>w</sup> |                                        | 2 |
| 1. +W: *a > o                                                                                     |                                                           |                     |                       |                                        |   |
| 2. x <sup>w</sup> > x; *k <sup>w</sup> > k; metathesis yd <sup>w</sup> > dy <sup>w</sup> ; *y > i |                                                           |                     |                       |                                        |   |

## HIGI

|                                                                                                               |                                              |                     |           |                          |   |
|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------|---------------------|-----------|--------------------------|---|
|                                                                                                               |                                              |                     |           | √ C C Ca                 |   |
| Kamwe-Futu                                                                                                    | <i>hyidi</i> x <sup>y</sup> ydə <sup>y</sup> | *xy <sup>y</sup> də | *xydā     | *x <sup>w</sup> ydā      | 1 |
| Bana                                                                                                          | <i>xyidi</i> x <sup>y</sup> ydə <sup>y</sup> | *xy <sup>y</sup> də |           |                          |   |
| Psikye                                                                                                        | <i>hədi</i> xədy                             | *xdy                | *xydØ     |                          | 2 |
|                                                                                                               |                                              |                     |           | √ CaC Ca                 |   |
| Kirya                                                                                                         | <i>hahay</i>                                 | *xa-xay             | *xa-xayØØ | *RED-x <sup>w</sup> aydā | 3 |
| 1. x <sup>w</sup> > x; *y > y <sup>y</sup> ; *y > i; lexical-final *a > ə; +Y: x > x <sup>y</sup> ; +Y: ə > i |                                              |                     |           |                          |   |
| 2. x <sup>w</sup> > x; ə-epenthesis; *y > i                                                                   |                                              |                     |           |                          |   |
| 3. x <sup>w</sup> > x                                                                                         |                                              |                     |           |                          |   |

## MUSGUM

|                        |              |            |             |                          |   |
|------------------------|--------------|------------|-------------|--------------------------|---|
| Mbara                  | <i>yahay</i> | *ØØya-xayØ | *xaya-xayØa | *RED-x <sup>w</sup> ayda | 1 |
| 1. *x <sup>w</sup> > x |              |            |             |                          |   |

eat, to

PCC \*(ma-) z(a)ma (-k<sup>w</sup>, -n)

## BATA

|                                                                       |                              |                    |                     |                           |   |
|-----------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------|--------------------|---------------------|---------------------------|---|
| Bata                                                                  | <i>sum</i> sə <sup>w</sup> m | *sm-Ø <sup>w</sup> | *smØ-k <sup>w</sup> | *zma(-k <sup>w</sup> /-n) | 1 |
| Jimi                                                                  | <i>zəmən</i>                 | *zm-n              | *zmØ-n              |                           | 2 |
| 1. *z > s; *k <sup>w</sup> > Ø <sup>w</sup> ; ə-epenthesis; +W: ə > u |                              |                    |                     |                           |   |
| 2. ə-epenthesis                                                       |                              |                    |                     |                           |   |

## DABA

|                                                               |                              |                    |                     |                        |   |
|---------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------|--------------------|---------------------|------------------------|---|
|                                                               |                              |                    |                     | √ C Ca                 |   |
| Gavar                                                         | <i>zəm</i>                   | *zm                | *zmØ                | *zma(-k <sup>w</sup> ) | 1 |
| Mbudum                                                        | <i>zum</i> zə <sup>w</sup> m | *zm-Ø <sup>w</sup> | *zmØ-k <sup>w</sup> |                        | 2 |
|                                                               |                              |                    |                     | √ CaCa                 |   |
| Buwal                                                         | <i>zam</i>                   | *zam               | *zamØ               | *zama                  |   |
| 1. ə-epenthesis                                               |                              |                    |                     |                        |   |
| 2. *k <sup>w</sup> > Ø <sup>w</sup> ; ə-epenthesis; +W: ə > u |                              |                    |                     |                        |   |

## TERA

|                         |                  |       |        |          |   |
|-------------------------|------------------|-------|--------|----------|---|
| Tera                    | <i>zəmi</i> zəmy | *zm-y | *zmØ-y | *zma(-y) | 1 |
|                         | <i>zəm</i>       | *zm   | *zmØ   |          | 2 |
| Ga'anda                 | <i>səm</i>       | *sm   | *smØ   |          | 3 |
| 1. ə-epenthesis; *y > i |                  |       |        |          |   |
| 2. ə-epenthesis         |                  |       |        |          |   |
| 3. *z > s; ə-epenthesis |                  |       |        |          |   |

## MARGI

|                                                          |                              |                    |        |          |   |
|----------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------|--------------------|--------|----------|---|
| Kilba                                                    | <i>səma</i>                  | *sma               |        | *zma(-y) | 1 |
| Margi                                                    | <i>səm</i>                   | *sm                | *smØ   |          |   |
| Bura                                                     | <i>sim</i> sə <sup>y</sup> m | *sm-Ø <sup>y</sup> | *smØ-y |          |   |
| 1. *z > s; ə-epenthesis                                  |                              |                    |        |          |   |
| 2. *z > s; ə-epenthesis: *v > Ø <sup>y</sup> ; +Y: ə > i |                              |                    |        |          |   |

## MANDARA

|                                                                      |                                      |                         |                       |                                         |   |
|----------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------|-------------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------------------------|---|
| Mandara                                                              | <i>za</i>                            | *za                     | *zØa                  | *(ma-)zma<br>(-a-y/-k <sup>w</sup> (a)) |   |
| Malgwa                                                               | <i>za</i>                            |                         |                       |                                         |   |
| Matal                                                                | <i>mazəway</i>                       | *ma-zw-ay               | *ma-zwØ-a-y           |                                         | 1 |
|                                                                      | <i>mazuway</i> mazə <sup>w</sup> way | *ma-zw <sup>w</sup> -ay |                       |                                         | 2 |
| Dghwede                                                              | <i>wuza</i> wə <sup>w</sup> za       | *w <sup>w</sup> za      | *zwa                  |                                         | 3 |
| Glavda                                                               | <i>z<sup>ə</sup>ga</i>               | *z-ga                   | *zØØ-k <sup>w</sup> a |                                         | 4 |
| 1. *m > w; ə-epenthesis                                              |                                      |                         |                       |                                         |   |
| 2. *m > w <sup>w</sup> ; ə-epenthesis; +W: ə > u                     |                                      |                         |                       |                                         |   |
| 3. *m > w <sup>w</sup> ; metathesis zw > wz; ə-epenthesis; +W: ə > u |                                      |                         |                       |                                         |   |
| 4. *k <sup>w</sup> (> k) > g; ə-epenthesis                           |                                      |                         |                       |                                         |   |

## MOFU

|                                                  |                              |                     |                      |                         |   |
|--------------------------------------------------|------------------------------|---------------------|----------------------|-------------------------|---|
|                                                  |                              |                     |                      | √ C Ca                  |   |
| Zulgo                                            | <i>zəm</i>                   | *zm                 | *zmØ                 | *(ma-)zma(-y)           | 1 |
| Mofu-Gudur                                       | <i>zəm</i>                   |                     |                      |                         | 1 |
| Mada                                             | <i>mazma</i>                 | *ma-zma             |                      |                         |   |
| Gemzek                                           | <i>mezəme</i><br>maʔzəmaʔ    | *ma-zma-Øʏ          | *ma-zma-y            |                         | 2 |
| Mofu North                                       | <i>mezəmey</i><br>maʔzəmaʔy  | *ma-zma-yʏ          |                      |                         | 3 |
|                                                  |                              |                     |                      | √ CaCa                  |   |
|                                                  | <i>zam</i>                   | *zam                | *zamØ                | *zama(-k <sup>w</sup> ) |   |
| Moloko                                           | <i>zom</i> za <sup>w</sup> m | *zam-Ø <sup>w</sup> | *zamØ-k <sup>w</sup> |                         | 4 |
| 1. ə-epenthesis                                  |                              |                     |                      |                         |   |
| 2. ə-epenthesis; *y > Øʏ; +Y: a > e              |                              |                     |                      |                         |   |
| 3. ə-epenthesis; *y > yʏ; +Y: a > e              |                              |                     |                      |                         |   |
| 4. *k <sup>w</sup> > Ø <sup>w</sup> ; +W: *a > o |                              |                     |                      |                         |   |

## MAROUA

|                                                                                     |                                  |                       |                     |                               |   |
|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------|-----------------------|---------------------|-------------------------------|---|
| Giziga-Marva                                                                        | <i>zuma</i> zə <sup>w</sup> ma   | *zma-Ø <sup>w</sup>   | *zma-k <sup>w</sup> | *zma(-y,<br>-k <sup>w</sup> ) | 1 |
| Mbazla                                                                              | <i>zimi</i> zʔə <sup>ʔ</sup> my  | *zm-y <sup>ʔ</sup>    | *zmØ-y              |                               | 2 |
|                                                                                     | <i>zimiʔ</i> zə <sup>ʔ</sup> myʔ | *zm-y <sup>ʔ</sup> -ʔ | *zmØ-y-k            |                               | 3 |
| 1. *k <sup>w</sup> > Ø <sup>w</sup> ; ə-epenthesis; +W: ə > u                       |                                  |                       |                     |                               |   |
| 2. ə-epenthesis; *y > y <sup>ʔ</sup> ; +Y: *z > ʒ; +Y: ə > i; *y > i                |                                  |                       |                     |                               |   |
| 3. *k <sup>w</sup> (> k) > ʔ; ə-epenthesis; *y > y <sup>ʔ</sup> ; +Y: ə > i; *y > i |                                  |                       |                     |                               |   |

## LAMANG

|        |           |     |      |      |  |
|--------|-----------|-----|------|------|--|
| Lamang | <i>za</i> | *za | *zØa | *zma |  |
| Hdi    | <i>za</i> |     |      |      |  |

## HIGI

|             |                    |                        |                       |                          |   |
|-------------|--------------------|------------------------|-----------------------|--------------------------|---|
| Kamwe-Nkafa | <i>zəmə</i>        | *zmə                   | *zma                  | *zma(-y-k <sup>w</sup> ) | 1 |
| Psikye      | <i>zəmə</i>        |                        |                       |                          | 1 |
| Bana        | <i>zəmə</i>        |                        |                       |                          | 1 |
| Kamwe-Futu  | <i>zimo zəʔmaʷ</i> | *zma-Øʏ-Ø <sup>w</sup> | *zma-y-k <sup>w</sup> |                          | 2 |

1. ə-epenthesis, lexical-final \*a > ə  
 2. ə-epenthesis; \*k<sup>w</sup> > Ø<sup>w</sup>; +W: lexical-final \*a > o; \*y > Øʏ; +Y: ə > i

## KOTOKO-ISLAND

|        |            |     |      |      |   |
|--------|------------|-----|------|------|---|
| Buduma | <i>həm</i> | *xm | *smØ | *zma | 1 |
|--------|------------|-----|------|------|---|

1. \*z (> s) > x; ə-epenthesis

## KOTOKO-NORTH

|       |                 |        |        |        |   |
|-------|-----------------|--------|--------|--------|---|
| Afade | <i>sim səʔm</i> | *sm-Øʏ | *smØ-y | *zma-y | 1 |
| Mpade | <i>sim səʔm</i> |        |        |        |   |

1. \*z > s; ə-epenthesis; \*y > Øʏ; +Y: ə > i

## KOTOKO-CENTRAL

|        |                        |                          |                          |                            |   |
|--------|------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|----------------------------|---|
| Lagwan | <i>zim zəʔm</i>        | *zm-Øʏ                   | *zmØ-y                   | *zma-y(-k <sup>w</sup> -n) | 1 |
|        | <i>zimi zəʔmy</i>      | *zm-yʏ                   | *zmØ-y                   |                            | 2 |
|        | <i>zimwun zəʔmwəʷn</i> | *zm-Øʏ-w <sup>w</sup> -n | *zmØ-y-k <sup>w</sup> -n |                            | 3 |
| Mser   | <i>dzim dzʔəʔm</i>     | *dzm-Øʏ                  | *dzmØ-y                  |                            | 4 |

1. ə-epenthesis; \*y > Ø<sup>y</sup>; +Y: ə > i
2. ə-epenthesis; \*y > Ø<sup>y</sup>; +Y: ə > i; \*y > i
3. ə-epenthesis; \*y > Ø<sup>y</sup>; +Y: ə > i; \*k<sup>w</sup> > w<sup>w</sup>; +W: ə > u
4. \*z > dz; ə-epenthesis; \*y > Ø<sup>y</sup>; +Y: dz > dʒ; +Y: ə > i

## KOTOKO-SOUTH

|                                                                             |                                |                     |                     |                     |   |
|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------|---------------------|---------------------|---------------------|---|
| Zina                                                                        | <i>huma</i> xə <sup>w</sup> ma | *xma-Ø <sup>w</sup> | *sma-k <sup>w</sup> | *zma-k <sup>w</sup> | 1 |
| 1. *z (> s) > x; *k <sup>w</sup> > Ø <sup>w</sup> ; ə-epenthesis; +W: ə > u |                                |                     |                     |                     |   |

## MUSGUM

|                                                                  |                                |                    |                     |                        |   |
|------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------|--------------------|---------------------|------------------------|---|
| Mulwi                                                            | <i>simi</i> sə <sup>y</sup> my | *sm-y <sup>y</sup> | *smØ-y              | *zma-y/-k <sup>w</sup> | 1 |
| Mbara                                                            | <i>zum</i> zə <sup>m</sup> m   | *zm-Ø <sup>w</sup> | *zmØ-k <sup>w</sup> |                        | 2 |
| 1. *z > s; ə-epenthesis; *y > y <sup>y</sup> ; +Y: ə > i; *y > i |                                |                    |                     |                        |   |
| 2. ə-epenthesis; *k <sup>w</sup> > Ø <sup>w</sup> ; +W: ə > u    |                                |                    |                     |                        |   |

## GIDAR

|                                                                     |               |       |        |                        |   |
|---------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------|-------|--------|------------------------|---|
| Gidar                                                               | <i>wəzəma</i> | *wzma | *zma-w | *zma(-k <sup>w</sup> ) | 1 |
|                                                                     | <i>əzəma</i>  | *zma  |        |                        | 2 |
| 1. *k <sup>w</sup> > w; multiple metathesis zmw > wzm; ə-epenthesis |               |       |        |                        |   |
| 2. ə-prothesis; ə-epenthesis                                        |               |       |        |                        |   |

egg<sup>40</sup>PCC \*(ma-, k<sup>w</sup>a-, RED-) **d(a)l(a)ya** (-t, -k<sup>w</sup>, -n; FV)

## BATA

|        |                                               |                                    |                      |                      |   |
|--------|-----------------------------------------------|------------------------------------|----------------------|----------------------|---|
|        |                                               |                                    |                      | √ C C Ca             |   |
| Bata   | <i>dūule</i> də <sup>w</sup> wla <sup>y</sup> | *dū <sup>w</sup> lØ <sup>y</sup> a | *dlya-w <sup>w</sup> | *dlya-k <sup>w</sup> | 1 |
|        |                                               |                                    |                      | √ CaC Ca             |   |
| Gude   | <i>alinə</i> alynə                            | *aly-na                            | *ØalyØ-na            | *dālya(-n(a))        | 2 |
| Jimi   | <i>alin</i> alyn                              | *aly-n                             | *ØalyØ-n             |                      | 3 |
| Sharwa | <i>alli</i> ally                              | *aly                               | *ØalyØ               |                      | 4 |

1. \*l > l; \*k<sup>w</sup> > w<sup>w</sup>; multiple metathesis lyw<sup>w</sup> > w<sup>w</sup>ly; ə-epenthesis; +W: ə > u; w > u;  
\*y > Ø<sup>y</sup>; +Y: lexical-final \*a > e

2. \*l > l; \*y > i; FV \*a > ə

3. \*l > l; \*y > i

4. \*l > l; \*y > i; (consonant gemination unaccounted for)

## DABA

|        |                                             |                        |           |           |   |
|--------|---------------------------------------------|------------------------|-----------|-----------|---|
|        |                                             |                        |           | √ C C Ca  |   |
| Mbudum | <i>miliḏ</i> mə <sup>y</sup> lyḏ            | *m-ly <sup>y</sup> ḏ   | *mØ-dlyØ  | *ma-dlya  | 1 |
| Gavar  | <i>anli</i> anly                            | *n-Øly                 | *mØ-dlyØ  |           | 2 |
|        |                                             |                        |           | √ CaC Ca  |   |
| Daba   | <i>neḷi</i> na <sup>y</sup> ly?             | *n-aḷy?                | *nØ-ḷaḷyØ | *ma-dālya | 3 |
| Buwal  | <i>nele</i> na <sup>y</sup> la <sup>y</sup> | *n-ØaḷØ <sup>y</sup> a | *nØ-dālya |           | 4 |

<sup>40</sup> Given a semantically plausible potential etymological relationship with the word for 'to hatch', which we reconstruct as PCC **\*d(a)la**, this raises the legitimate question whether root-final **\*...ya** is indeed to be reconstructed as such, or whether it should rather be considered to reflect the common suffixal augment **\*{-ya}** (note the suspicious absence of the latter from the suffixal root augment material). Both analyses would appear to be feasible, which reflects a more general problem of PCC reconstruction. In the present study, we reconstruct both roots differently, because they have different reflexes in the modern languages.



1. multiple metathesis  $dly > lyd$ ; ə-epenthesis;  $*y > y^v$ ; +Y:  $\text{ə} > i$ ;  $*y > i$
2. a-prothesis;  $*y > i$ ; homorganic assimilation  $*m > n/_d$
3.  $*d > ʔ$ ;  $*l > ʒ$ ; multiple metathesis  $ʔʒy > ʒyʔ$ ;  $*y > y^v$ ; +Y:  $*a > e$ ;  $*y > i$ ; homorganic assimilation  $*m > n/_d$
4.  $*y > \emptyset^v$ ; +Y:  $*a > e$ ; homorganic assimilation  $*m > n/_d$

## MAFA

|       |                                                |                      |            |            |   |
|-------|------------------------------------------------|----------------------|------------|------------|---|
| Mafa  | <i>lalay</i> lalay                             | *la-lay              | *RED-ØlayØ | *RED-dlaya |   |
| Cuvok | <i>teley</i> la <sup>v</sup> la <sup>v</sup> y | *la-lay <sup>v</sup> |            |            | 1 |

1.  $*y > y^v$ ; +Y:  $*a > e$

## SUKUR

|       |                                                  |                          |                             |                             |   |
|-------|--------------------------------------------------|--------------------------|-----------------------------|-----------------------------|---|
| Sukur | <i>da<sup>g</sup>gaʒai</i> da <sup>g</sup> gaʒay | *Ø <sup>n</sup> -dagaʒay | *m <sup>n</sup> Ø-ga-dəʒayØ | *ma-k <sup>w</sup> a-dəlaya | 1 |
|       | <i><sup>n</sup>daŋaʒay</i> <sup>n</sup> daŋaʒay  | Ø <sup>n</sup> -daŋaʒay  | *m <sup>n</sup> Ø-ka-dəʒayØ |                             | 2 |

1.  $*l > ʒ$ ;  $*k^w (> k) > g$ ; metathesis  $gd > dg$ ;  $*m > m^n$ ; +N:  $g > ^g g$
2.  $*l > ʒ$ ;  $*k^w > k$ ;  $*m > m^n$ ; +N:  $k > ^k k > \eta$ ; +N:  $*d > ^n d$

## HURZA

|       |            |      |        |        |   |
|-------|------------|------|--------|--------|---|
| Mbuko | <i>lay</i> | *lay | *ØlayØ | *dlaya |   |
| Vame  | <i>ʒay</i> | *ʒay | *ØʒayØ |        | 1 |

1.  $*l > ʒ$

## MARGI

|       |                                                 |                                      |           |      |   |
|-------|-------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------|-----------|------|---|
| Margi | <i>ihi</i> ə <sup>v</sup> xyə <sup>v</sup>      | *xy <sup>v</sup> a                   | *Øxya     | *dly | 1 |
| Kilba | <i>hyihyi</i> xyə <sup>v</sup> xyə <sup>v</sup> | *xy <sup>v</sup> a-xy <sup>v</sup> a | *RED-Øxya |      | 2 |
| Bura  | <i>hihi</i> xyxy                                | *xy-xy                               | *RED-ØxyØ |      | 3 |

1. ə-prothesis;  $*l > x$ ; lexical-final  $*a > \text{ə}$ ;  $*y > y^v$ ; +Y:  $\text{ə} > i$
2.  $*l > x$ ; lexical-final  $*a > \text{ə}$ ;  $*y > \emptyset^v$ ; +Y:  $\text{ə} > i$
3.  $*l > x$ ;  $*y > i$

## MANDARA

|         |                                             |                      |            |            |   |
|---------|---------------------------------------------|----------------------|------------|------------|---|
|         |                                             |                      |            | √ C C Ca   |   |
| Podoko  | <i>lile</i> la <sup>v</sup> la <sup>v</sup> | *l-lØ <sup>v</sup> a | *RED-Ølya  | *(RED-)dly | 1 |
| Dghwede | <i>lɛle</i> lɛla <sup>v</sup>               |                      |            |            | 2 |
| Glavda  | <i>çi</i> çy                                | *ØlyØ                |            |            | 3 |
|         | <i>çi:ya</i> çə <sup>v</sup> ya             | *ly <sup>v</sup> a   | *Ølya      |            | 4 |
|         |                                             |                      |            | √ C CaCa   |   |
| Matal   | <i>lalay</i>                                | *la-lay              | *RED-ØlayØ | *dlaya     |   |
| Mandara | <i>laya</i>                                 | *laya                | *Ølaya     |            |   |
| Malgwa  | <i>thlaya</i> laya                          |                      |            |            |   |

1. ə-epenthesis;  $*y > \emptyset^v$ ; +Y:  $\text{ə} > i$ ; +Y: lexical-final  $*a > e$
2. ə-epenthesis; +Y: lexical-final  $*a > e$
3.  $*l > ç$ ;  $*y > i$
4.  $*l > ç$ ; ə-epenthesis;  $*y > y^v$ ; +Y:  $\text{ə} > i$

## MOFU

|        |                                             |                     |       |          |   |
|--------|---------------------------------------------|---------------------|-------|----------|---|
|        |                                             |                     |       | √ C C Ca |   |
| Merey  | <i>dɛle</i> dɛla <sup>v</sup>               | *dɪØ <sup>v</sup> a |       | *dly     | 1 |
| Gemzek | <i>dɛle</i> dɛla <sup>v</sup>               |                     |       |          | 1 |
| Muyang | <i>eyli</i> a <sup>v</sup> yla <sup>v</sup> | *y <sup>v</sup> la  | *Ølya |          | 2 |

|                                                                                          |                        |                   |                    | √ CaCaCa       |   |
|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------|-------------------|--------------------|----------------|---|
| Dugwor                                                                                   | <i>alay</i>            | <i>*ØalayØ</i>    |                    | <i>*dʌlaya</i> |   |
| Ouldeme                                                                                  | <i>lʌlay</i>           | <i>*la-lay</i>    | <i>*RED-ØØlayØ</i> |                |   |
| Zulgo                                                                                    | <i>lele laʎlaʎ</i>     | <i>*la-layʎ</i>   |                    |                | 3 |
| Mofu North                                                                               | <i>leledʎ laʎlaʎdʎ</i> | <i>*la-laØʎdʎ</i> | <i>*RED-layØdØ</i> |                | 4 |
| Mofu-Gudur                                                                               | <i>leledʎ laʎlaʎdʎ</i> |                   |                    |                | 4 |
| 1. ə-epenthesis; *y > Øʎ; +Y: lexical-final *a > e                                       |                        |                   |                    |                |   |
| 2. a-prothesis; metathesis ly > yl; lexical-final *a > ə; *y > yʎ; +Y: ə > i; +Y: *a > e |                        |                   |                    |                |   |
| 3. *y > yʎ; +Y: *a > e                                                                   |                        |                   |                    |                |   |
| 4. multiple metathesis dly > lydʎ; *y > Øʎ; +Y: *a > e                                   |                        |                   |                    |                |   |

## MAROUA

|                        |                      |                 |                  | √ CaC Ca            |   |
|------------------------|----------------------|-----------------|------------------|---------------------|---|
| Giziga-Marva           | <i>atel ataʔl</i>    | <i>*a-talØʔ</i> | <i>*Øa-talyØ</i> | <i>*(ma-)dālaya</i> | 1 |
| Giziga-Muturwa         | <i>atel ataʔl</i>    |                 |                  |                     | 1 |
|                        | <i>etel aʔtaʔl</i>   |                 |                  |                     | 1 |
|                        | <i>tel(e) taʔlaʔ</i> | <i>*talØʔa</i>  | <i>*taʔya</i>    |                     | 1 |
|                        |                      |                 |                  | √ CaCaCa            |   |
| Mbazla                 | <i>alay</i>          | <i>*alay</i>    | <i>*ØalayØ</i>   | <i>*dālaya</i>      |   |
| 1. *dʔ > t; +Y: *a > e |                      |                 |                  |                     |   |

## LAMANG

|                                                                   |                    |                 |                                |                             |   |
|-------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------|-----------------|--------------------------------|-----------------------------|---|
| Lamang                                                            | <i>lili lyly</i>   | <i>*ly-ly</i>   | <i>*RED-ØlyØ</i>               | <i>*dly(-k<sup>w</sup>)</i> | 1 |
| Hdi                                                               | <i>lilik lylyk</i> | <i>*ly-ly-k</i> | <i>*RED-ØlyØ-k<sup>w</sup></i> |                             | 2 |
| 1. <i>*y &gt; i</i><br>2. <i>*k<sup>w</sup> &gt; k; *y &gt; i</i> |                    |                 |                                |                             |   |

## HIGI

|                     |                          |                                |                                     |                               |   |
|---------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------------|-------------------------------------|-------------------------------|---|
| Kamwe-Futu          | <i>yəle yəlaʸ</i>        | <i>*yʸla</i>                   | <i>*Ølya</i>                        | *(RED-/ma-kʷa-)dlyā<br>(-kʷa) | 1 |
| Kamwe-Nkafa         | <i>lilə ləʸlə</i>        | <i>*l-lØʷa</i>                 | <i>*RED- Ølya</i>                   |                               | 2 |
| Bana                | <i>lili lyly</i>         | <i>*ly-ly</i>                  | <i>*RED-ØlyØ</i>                    |                               | 3 |
| Kirya               | <i>lili lyly</i>         |                                |                                     |                               | 3 |
| Kirya <sup>41</sup> | <i>kontəka kʷaʷntəka</i> | <i>*Ø<sup>n</sup>-kʷa-t-ka</i> | <i>*m<sup>n</sup>Ø-kʷa-tØØØ-kʷa</i> |                               | 4 |

1. metathesis ly > yl; ə-epenthesis; +Y: lexical-final \*a > e

2. \*y > Øʷ; ə-epenthesis; +Y: ə > i; lexical-final \*a > ə

3. \*y > i

4. \*dʰ > t; \*kʷ > k; +W: \*a > o; ə-epenthesis; \*m > m<sup>n</sup>; +N: t > nt

## KOTOKO-NORTH

|        |                     |                    |                    |                       |   |
|--------|---------------------|--------------------|--------------------|-----------------------|---|
| Malgbe | <i>enli aʔnləʔ</i>  | <i>*n-ØlaØʔ</i>    | <i>*nØ-dlyā</i>    | <i>*ma-dlyā (-kʷ)</i> | 1 |
| Afade  | <i>enlo aʔnlaʔ</i>  | <i>*n-ØlØʔa-Øʔ</i> | <i>*nØ-dlyā-kʷ</i> |                       | 2 |
| Mpade  | <i>enʔo aʔnsʔaʔ</i> | <i>*n-ØsØʔa-Øʔ</i> | <i>*nØ-dsya-kʷ</i> |                       | 3 |

<sup>41</sup> This highly different variant form in Kirya could still be related to the same PCC root, but suggests a probably borrowed form. Note certain parallels to DABA, SUKUR and MAROUA group forms further above and MUSGUM and GIDAR group forms below.

|                                                                                                                                                                     |
|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| 1. a-prothesis; homorganic assimilation *m > n/_d; lexical-final *a > ə; *y > Ø <sup>y</sup> ; +Y: *a > e; +Y: ə > i                                                |
| 2. a-prothesis; homorganic assimilation *m > n/_d; *y > Ø <sup>y</sup> ; +Y: *a > e; *k <sup>w</sup> > Ø <sup>w</sup> ; +W: lexical-final *a > o                    |
| 3. a-prothesis; *l > s; homorganic assimilation *m > n/_d; *y > Ø <sup>y</sup> ; +Y: s > f; +Y: *a > e; *k <sup>w</sup> > Ø <sup>w</sup> ; +W: lexical-final *a > o |

## KOTOKO-CENTRAL

|        |                                             |                       |          |           |   |
|--------|---------------------------------------------|-----------------------|----------|-----------|---|
| Lagwan | <i>nli</i> nlə <sup>y</sup>                 | *n-ØlØ <sup>y</sup> a | *nØ-dlya | *ma-dlya2 | 1 |
| Mser   | <i>ensi</i> a <sup>y</sup> nsə <sup>y</sup> | *n-ØsØ <sup>y</sup> a | *nØ-dsya |           | 2 |

|                                                                                                                              |
|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| 1. homorganic assimilation *m > n/_d; lexical-final *a > ə; +Y: ə > i                                                        |
| 2. *l > s; a-prothesis; homorganic assimilation *m > n/_d; lexical-final *a > ə; *y > Ø <sup>y</sup> ; +Y: ə > i; +Y: *a > e |

## KOTOKO-SOUTH

|                                                      |                |        |          |          |   |
|------------------------------------------------------|----------------|--------|----------|----------|---|
| Zina                                                 | <i>nsi</i> nsy | *n-Øsy | *nØ-dsyØ | *ma-dlya | 1 |
| 1. *l > s; homorganic assimilation *m > n/_d; *y > i |                |        |          |          |   |

## MUSGUM

|        |                                            |                      |             |                                 |   |
|--------|--------------------------------------------|----------------------|-------------|---------------------------------|---|
| Mbara  | <i>ŋɛa</i>                                 | *ŋ-ɛa                | *mØ-kØ-ØɛØa | *(ma-k <sup>w</sup> a)-dlya(-t) | 1 |
| Vulum  | <i>eŋɛ</i> a <sup>y</sup> ŋɛa <sup>y</sup> | *ŋ-ɛØ <sup>y</sup> a | *mØ-kØ-Øɛya |                                 | 2 |
| Muskum | <i>ɛet</i> ɛa <sup>y</sup> t               | *ɛØ <sup>y</sup> a-t | *Øɛya-t     |                                 | 3 |

|                                                                                               |
|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| 1. *l > ɛ; *k <sup>w</sup> > k; fusion *mk > ŋ                                                |
| 2. *l > ɛ; *k <sup>w</sup> > k; a-prothesis; fusion *mk > ŋ; *y > Ø <sup>y</sup> ; +Y: *a > e |
| 3. *l > ɛ; *y > Ø <sup>y</sup> ; +Y: lexical-final *a > e                                     |

## GIDAR

|       |                                                          |                                       |                           |                           |   |
|-------|----------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------|---------------------------|---------------------------|---|
| Gidar | <i>dɛ<sup>g</sup>ɛɛ</i> dā <sup>y</sup> gɛa <sup>y</sup> | *Ø <sup>n</sup> -dagɛØ <sup>y</sup> a | *m <sup>n</sup> Ø-ga-dɛya | *ma-k <sup>w</sup> a-dlya | 1 |
|       | <i>dɛŋɛ</i> dā <sup>y</sup> ŋa <sup>y</sup>              | *Ø <sup>n</sup> -dāklØ <sup>y</sup> a | *m <sup>n</sup> Ø-ka-dlya | 2                         |   |

|                                                                                                                                                       |
|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| 1. *l > ɛ; *k <sup>w</sup> (> k) > g; metathesis gɛ <sup>d</sup> > dɛ; *m > m <sup>n</sup> ; +N: g > <sup>g</sup> g; *y > Ø <sup>y</sup> ; +Y: *a > e |
| 2. *l > l; *k <sup>w</sup> > k; metathesis kɛ <sup>d</sup> > dk; *m > m <sup>n</sup> ; +N: k (> <sup>k</sup> k) > ŋ; *y > Ø <sup>y</sup> ; +Y: *a > e |

eight<sup>42</sup>Pseudo-PCC \*(ma-) **ty(a)sa** (-y, -k<sup>w</sup>)

## BATA

|      |                                  |                     |           |   |
|------|----------------------------------|---------------------|-----------|---|
| Gude | <i>təyəsə</i>                    | *tysa               | *tysa(-y) | 1 |
| Jimi | <i>təyis</i> təyə <sup>s</sup> s | *tys-Ø <sup>y</sup> |           | 2 |

|                                                  |
|--------------------------------------------------|
| 1. ə-epenthesis; lexical-final *a > ə            |
| 2. ə-epenthesis; *y > Ø <sup>y</sup> ; +Y: ə > i |

## SUKUR

|                                 |              |       |       |   |
|---------------------------------|--------------|-------|-------|---|
| Sukur                           | <i>təkəz</i> | *tkzØ | *tysa | 1 |
| 1. *y > k; *s > z; ə-epenthesis |              |       |       |   |

<sup>42</sup> According to Gravina (2015), the word for 'eight' is unlikely to be reconstructable for PCC, but may be a later areal coinage or loan; it would, therefore, qualify as being a 'Pseudo'-PCC root.

## MANDARA

|                                                               |                        |           |            |                |   |
|---------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------|-----------|------------|----------------|---|
| Glavda                                                        | <i>tɿsa</i>            | *tɿsa     |            | *(ma-)tɿsa(-y) | 1 |
| Mandara                                                       | <i>tise</i> təʼsaʸ     | *tsa-Øʸ   | *tØsa-y    |                | 2 |
| Matal                                                         | <i>mtəgis</i> mtəgəʼs  | *m-tgs-Øʸ | *mØ-tgsØ-y |                | 3 |
|                                                               | <i>mtəgɪf</i> mtəgəʼsʸ |           |            |                | 4 |
| 1. *ɿ > x                                                     |                        |           |            |                |   |
| 2. ə-epenthesis; *y > Øʸ; +Y: ə > i; +Y: lexical-final *a > e |                        |           |            |                |   |
| 3. *ɿ > g; ə-epenthesis; *y > Øʸ; +Y: ə > i                   |                        |           |            |                |   |
| 4. *ɿ > g; ə-epenthesis; *y > Øʸ; +Y: ə > i; +Y: *s > ʃ       |                        |           |            |                |   |

## LAMANG

|        |              |        |  |        |  |
|--------|--------------|--------|--|--------|--|
| Lamang | <i>tyasa</i> | *tyasa |  |        |  |
| Hdi    | <i>tyas</i>  | *tyasØ |  | *tyasa |  |

## HIGI

|                                                                                                                                                             |                         |          |          |           |   |
|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------|----------|----------|-----------|---|
|                                                                                                                                                             |                         |          |          | √ C C Ca  |   |
| Kirya                                                                                                                                                       | <i>təyəs</i>            | *tɿsØ    |          | *tɿsa(-y) | 1 |
| Kamwe-Nkafa                                                                                                                                                 | <i>təkəse</i> təkəsaʸ   | *tksa-Øʸ | *tksa-y  |           | 2 |
| Psikye                                                                                                                                                      | <i>dəgəsə</i>           | *dgsa    |          |           | 3 |
| Bana                                                                                                                                                        | <i>d(ə)ɣəsə</i>         | *dɿsa    |          |           | 4 |
|                                                                                                                                                             |                         |          |          | √ C CaCa  |   |
| Kamwe-Futu                                                                                                                                                  | <i>dəyoso</i> dəyəsʰsaʷ | *dɿsa-Øʷ | *dɿsa-kʷ | *tɿsa-kʷ  |   |
| 1. ə-epenthesis<br>2. ə-epenthesis; *ɿ > k; *y > Øʸ; +Y: lexical-final *a > e<br>3. *t > d; *ɿ > g; lexical-final *a > ə<br>4. *t > d; lexical-final *a > ə |                         |          |          |           |   |

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Areal root \*nva (-y, -kʷ)

## KOTOKO-NORTH

|                                                                                       |                   |                     |                     |                            |   |
|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------|---------------------|---------------------|----------------------------|---|
| Afade                                                                                 | <i>arfi</i> arfy  | *rf-y               | *rfØ-y              | *nva(-y /-k <sup>w</sup> ) | 1 |
| Malgbe                                                                                | <i>arfi</i> arfəʸ | *rfa-Ø <sup>y</sup> | *rfa-y              |                            | 2 |
| Mpade                                                                                 | <i>arfu</i> arfw  | *rf-w               | *rfa-k <sup>w</sup> |                            | 3 |
| 1. *n > r; *v > f; a-prothesis; *y > i                                                |                   |                     |                     |                            |   |
| 2. *n > r; *v > f; a-prothesis; lexical-final *a > ə; *y > Ø <sup>y</sup> ; +Y: ə > i |                   |                     |                     |                            |   |
| 3. *n > r; *v > f; a-prothesis; *k <sup>w</sup> > w > u                               |                   |                     |                     |                            |   |

## KOTOKO-CENTRAL

|                                                                               |                   |        |        |        |   |
|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------|--------|--------|--------|---|
| Lagwan                                                                        | <i>nivi</i> nəʼvy | *nv-yʷ | *nvØ-y | *nva-y | 1 |
| Mser                                                                          | <i>arvi</i> arvy  | *rv-y  | *rvØ-y |        | 2 |
| 1. ə-epenthesis; *y > yʷ; +Y: ə > i; *y > i<br>2. *n > r; a-prothesis; *y > i |                   |        |        |        |   |

elephant<sub>2</sub>PCC \*(xa-) g(a)w(a)na (-y, -k<sup>w</sup>, -n)

BATA

|                                                          |                |                 |              |             |           |   |
|----------------------------------------------------------|----------------|-----------------|--------------|-------------|-----------|---|
|                                                          |                |                 |              |             | √ C C Ca  |   |
| Jimi                                                     | <i>dʒuunən</i> | <i>dzʷəʷnən</i> | *dzwʷn-Øʷ-n  | *dzwnØ-y-n  | *gwna-y-n | 1 |
|                                                          |                |                 |              |             | √ CaCaCa  |   |
| Gude                                                     | <i>tfoona</i>  | <i>tsʰaʷana</i> | *tsaØʷana-Øʷ | *tsawʷana-y | *gawana-y | 2 |
| 1. *y > Øʷ; +Y: *g > dʒ; *w > u; ə-epenthesis; +W: ə > u |                |                 |              |             |           |   |
| 2. *y > Øʷ; +Y: *g > tʃ; *w > Øʷ; +W: *a > o             |                |                 |              |             |           |   |

TERA

|                                                                                                 |                 |                               |            |                           |               |   |
|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------|-------------------------------|------------|---------------------------|---------------|---|
| Tera                                                                                            | <i>dzuwan</i>   | <i>dz'ə<sup>w</sup>wan</i>    | *dz'wanØ   | *gwana-Ø <sup>y</sup>     |               | 1 |
|                                                                                                 | <i>zuwan</i>    | <i>z'ə<sup>w</sup>wan</i>     | *z'wanØ    |                           | *(xa-)gwana-y | 2 |
| Ga'anda                                                                                         | <i>tʃhuwena</i> | <i>ts'xə<sup>w</sup>wa'na</i> | *ts'xwa'na | *xØ-tswana-Ø <sup>y</sup> |               | 3 |
| 1. *y > Ø <sup>y</sup> ; +Y: *g > dʒ; ə-epenthesis; +W: ə > u                                   |                 |                               |            |                           |               |   |
| 2. *y > Ø <sup>y</sup> ; +Y: *g > ʒ; ə-epenthesis; +W: ə > u                                    |                 |                               |            |                           |               |   |
| 3. *y > Ø <sup>y</sup> ; +Y: *g > tʃ; metathesis xtʃ > tʃx; ə-epenthesis; +W: ə > u; +Y: *a > e |                 |                               |            |                           |               |   |

SUKUR

|                                                               |               |                            |                        |                       |          |   |
|---------------------------------------------------------------|---------------|----------------------------|------------------------|-----------------------|----------|---|
| Sukur                                                         | <i>dzuwan</i> | <i>dz'ə<sup>w</sup>wan</i> | *dz'w <sup>w</sup> anØ |                       | *gwana-y | 1 |
|                                                               | <i>dziwan</i> | <i>dz'ə<sup>y</sup>wan</i> | *dz'wanØ               | *gwana-Ø <sup>y</sup> |          | 2 |
| 1. *y > Ø <sup>y</sup> ; +Y: *g > dʒ; ə-epenthesis; +W: ə > u |               |                            |                        |                       |          |   |
| 2. *y > Ø <sup>y</sup> ; +Y: *g > dʒ; ə-epenthesis; +Y: ə > i |               |                            |                        |                       |          |   |

MARGI

|                                                         |                                     |                       |           |          |   |
|---------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------|-----------------------|-----------|----------|---|
| Margi                                                   | <i>tʃuwar</i> tsʰə <sup>w</sup> war | *tswar-Ø <sup>y</sup> | *tswarØ-y | *gwana-y | 1 |
| Bura                                                    | <i>tʃiwar</i> tsʰə <sup>y</sup> war |                       |           |          | 2 |
| Margi-South                                             | <i>tʃiwar</i> tsʰə <sup>y</sup> war |                       |           |          | 2 |
| 1. *n > r; *y > Ø <sup>y</sup> ; +Y: *g > tʃ; +W: ə > u |                                     |                       |           |          |   |
| 2. *n > r; *y > Ø <sup>y</sup> ; +Y: *g > tʃ; +Y: ə > i |                                     |                       |           |          |   |

MANDARA

|                                                                                                  |                           |                            |                                   |             |             |   |
|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------|----------------------------|-----------------------------------|-------------|-------------|---|
|                                                                                                  |                           |                            |                                   |             | √ C C C a   |   |
| Glavda                                                                                           | <i>guna</i>               | <i>gwna</i>                | *gwna                             |             |             | 1 |
| Malgwa                                                                                           | <i>guwe</i>               | <i>gə<sup>w</sup>wa'</i>   | *gw <sup>w</sup> a-Ø <sup>y</sup> | *gwØa-y     | *gwna(-y)   | 2 |
| Mandara                                                                                          | <i>gue</i>                | <i>gwa'</i>                | *gwa-Ø <sup>y</sup>               |             |             | 3 |
|                                                                                                  |                           |                            |                                   |             | √ C CaCa    |   |
| Podoko                                                                                           | <i>g<sup>w</sup>ihana</i> | <i>gwə<sup>y</sup>xana</i> | *gwxana-Ø <sup>y</sup>            | *xØ-gwana-y | *xa-gwana-y | 4 |
|                                                                                                  |                           |                            |                                   |             | √ CaCaCa    |   |
| Matal                                                                                            | <i>gawan</i>              |                            | *gawanØ                           |             | *gawana     |   |
| 1. *w > u                                                                                        |                           |                            |                                   |             |             |   |
| 2. ə-epenthesis; *w > w <sup>w</sup> ; +W: ə > u; *y > Ø <sup>y</sup> ; +Y: lexical-final *a > e |                           |                            |                                   |             |             |   |
| 3. *y > Ø <sup>y</sup> ; +Y: lexical-final *a > e                                                |                           |                            |                                   |             |             |   |
| 4. metathesis xg > gx; ə-epenthesis; *y > Ø <sup>y</sup> ; +Y: ə > i                             |                           |                            |                                   |             |             |   |

LAMANG

|                                                                                                                          |                           |                          |                                    |                         |                         |   |
|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------|--------------------------|------------------------------------|-------------------------|-------------------------|---|
| Lamang                                                                                                                   | <i>giwan</i>              | <i>gə<sup>y</sup>wan</i> | *gwanØ <sup>y</sup>                | *gwanØ-y-k <sup>w</sup> | *gwana-y-k <sup>w</sup> | 1 |
| Hdi                                                                                                                      | <i>gwi<sup>?</sup>yan</i> | <i>gwə<sup>?</sup>an</i> | *gw <sup>?</sup> an-Ø <sup>y</sup> | *gwanØ-y-?              |                         | 2 |
| 1. ə-epenthesis; *y > Ø <sup>y</sup> ; +Y: ə > i; *k <sup>w</sup> > k; fusion *nk > ŋ                                    |                           |                          |                                    |                         |                         |   |
| 2. *k <sup>w</sup> (> k) > ?; metathesis n? > ?n; ə-epenthesis; *y > Ø <sup>y</sup> ; +Y: ? > ? <sup>w</sup> ; +Y: ə > i |                           |                          |                                    |                         |                         |   |

## HIGI

|                                                                                                    |                        |                         |             |              |   |
|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------|-------------------------|-------------|--------------|---|
| Kirya                                                                                              | <i>tʃuunə</i> tsʷəʷnə  | *tsw <sup>w</sup> na-Øʷ | *tswna-y    | *(xa-)gwna-y | 1 |
| Bana                                                                                               | <i>tʃiwə</i> tsʷəʷə    | *tswa-Øʷ                | *tswØa-y    |              | 2 |
| Kamwe-Nkafa                                                                                        | <i>tʃhiwə</i> tsʷxəʷwə | *tsxwa-Øʷ               | *xØ-tswØa-y |              | 3 |
| Kamwe-Futu                                                                                         | <i>tʃhiwə</i> tsʷxəʷwə |                         |             |              | 3 |
| 1. *y > Øʷ; +Y: *g > tsʷ > tʃ; *w > u; ə-epenthesis; +W: ə > u; lexical-final *a > ə               |                        |                         |             |              |   |
| 2. *y > Øʷ; +Y: *g > tsʷ > tʃ; ə-epenthesis; +Y: ə > i; lexical-final *a > ə                       |                        |                         |             |              |   |
| 3. *y > Øʷ; +Y: *g > tsʷ > tʃ; metathesis xts > tsx; ə-epenthesis; +Y: ə > i; lexical-final *a > ə |                        |                         |             |              |   |

## KOTOKO-SOUTH

|                                      |                                             |            |             |             |   |
|--------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------|------------|-------------|-------------|---|
| Zina                                 | <i>g<sup>w</sup>ag<sup>w</sup>i</i> gwagwy  | *gwa-gwØ-y | *RED-gwØa-y | *RED-gwna-y | 1 |
| Mazera                               | <i>g<sup>w</sup>ag<sup>w</sup>e</i> gwagwaʷ | *gwa-gwa-y |             |             | 2 |
| 1. *y > i                            |                                             |            |             |             |   |
| 2. *y > Øʷ; +Y: lexical-final *a > e |                                             |            |             |             |   |

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PCC/Areal root<sup>43</sup> \*(ma-) **b(a)ɣa** (-RED, -y, -k<sup>w</sup>)

The reconstruction of prefixal \*/m/ is guided by analogy to the frequent occurrence of \*{ma-} throughout the data corpus and, therefore, could be considered ad hoc for this particular example. Alternatively, we would have to accept a trilateral root \***mb(a)ɣa** under our assumption that PCC did not possess prenasalised x/<sup>m</sup>b/.

## BATA

|        |                               |         |          |          |  |
|--------|-------------------------------|---------|----------|----------|--|
| Tsuvan | <i><sup>m</sup>baɣa</i> mbaɣa | *m-baɣa | *mØ-baɣa | *ma-baɣa |  |
|--------|-------------------------------|---------|----------|----------|--|

## HURZA

|                                                            |                                           |                |                 |                               |   |
|------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------|----------------|-----------------|-------------------------------|---|
|                                                            |                                           |                |                 | √ C Ca                        |   |
| Mbuko                                                      | <i><sup>m</sup>bəle</i> mbəlaʷ            | *m-bla-Øʷ      | *mØ-bla-y       | *ma-bɣa-y                     | 1 |
|                                                            |                                           |                |                 | √ CaCa                        |   |
| Vame                                                       | <i><sup>m</sup>belelek</i><br>mbaʷlaʷlaʷk | *m-balala-Øʷ-k | *mØ-bala-la-y-k | *ma-baɣa-RED-y-k <sup>w</sup> | 2 |
| 1. *ɣ > l; ə-epenthesis; *y > Øʷ; +Y: lexical-final *a > e |                                           |                |                 |                               |   |
| 2. *ɣ > l; *k <sup>w</sup> > k; *y > Øʷ; +Y: *a > e        |                                           |                |                 |                               |   |

## MOFU

|                                                           |                                                              |                         |              |               |   |
|-----------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------|--------------|---------------|---|
|                                                           |                                                              |                         |              | √ C Ca        |   |
| Moloko                                                    | <i><sup>m</sup>balele</i> mbala <sup>y</sup> la <sup>y</sup> | *m-blala-Ø <sup>y</sup> | *mØ-bla-la-y | *ma-bɣa-RED-y | 1 |
|                                                           |                                                              |                         |              | √ CaCa        |   |
| Ouldeme                                                   | <i><sup>m</sup>bele</i> mba <sup>y</sup> la <sup>y</sup>     | *m-bala-Ø <sup>y</sup>  | *mØ-bala-y   | *ma-baɣa-y    | 2 |
| Muyang                                                    | <i><sup>m</sup>beli</i> mba <sup>y</sup> ly                  | *m-bal-y <sup>y</sup>   | *mØ-bal-Ø-y  |               | 3 |
| 1. *ɣ > l; ə-epenthesis; *y > Ø <sup>y</sup> ; +Y: *a > e |                                                              |                         |              |               |   |
| 2. *ɣ > l; *y > Ø <sup>y</sup> ; +Y: *a > e               |                                                              |                         |              |               |   |
| 3. *ɣ > l; *y > y <sup>y</sup> ; +Y: *a > e; *y > i       |                                                              |                         |              |               |   |

<sup>43</sup> Its limited areal distribution would make this a candidate for areal innovation or loan, even though the three language groups involved do not share contiguous territories (see Map 1). If we were dealing with a loan, the reconstruction of C<sub>2</sub> \*l would be a plausible option, but requires the assumption of a somewhat counter-intuitive sound change l > ɣ in Tsuvan (BATA). If, however, we were indeed dealing with a PCC – possibly areal – reconstruction, then \*ɣ would be the preferred C<sub>2</sub>, later undergoing a more likely sound change \*ɣ > l in the modern HURZA and MOFU languages.

extinguish, to<sup>44</sup>

PCC \*(k<sup>w</sup>a-, ma-) **m(a)ta** (-a, -y, -k<sup>w</sup>, -n; FV)

BATA

|                                                                                |                        |                      |         |          |   |
|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------|----------------------|---------|----------|---|
| Jimi                                                                           | <i>miitən</i> mə'yɪtən | *my <sup>y</sup> t-n | *mytØ-n | *mta-y-n | 1 |
| 1. metathesis *ty > yt; ə-epenthesis; *y > y <sup>y</sup> ; +Y : ə > i; *y > i |                        |                      |         |          |   |

DABA

|                                                                                                                                                  |                           |                                       |                                        |                          |   |
|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------|---------------------------------------|----------------------------------------|--------------------------|---|
| Daba                                                                                                                                             | <i>mitfi'n</i> mə'ɪts'yʔn | *mts-y <sup>y</sup> -ʔ-n              | *mtsØ-y-k-n                            | *(k <sup>w</sup> a-)mta- | 1 |
| Mbudum                                                                                                                                           | <i>kəmutf</i> kəmə'ɪtsʷ   | *k-mts-Ø <sup>y</sup> -Ø <sup>w</sup> | *k <sup>w</sup> Ø-mts-y-k <sup>w</sup> | y-k <sup>w</sup> -n      | 2 |
| 1. *t > ts; *k <sup>w</sup> > k > ʔ; ə-epenthesis; *y > y <sup>y</sup> ; +Y: ts > tʃ; +Y : ə > i; *y > i                                         |                           |                                       |                                        |                          |   |
| 2. *t > ts; prefixal *k <sup>w</sup> > k; ə-epenthesis; *y > Ø <sup>y</sup> ; +Y: ts > tʃ; suffixal *k <sup>w</sup> > Ø <sup>w</sup> ; +W: ə > u |                           |                                       |                                        |                          |   |

MAFA

|                          |              |       |      |   |
|--------------------------|--------------|-------|------|---|
| Cuvok                    | <i>matsa</i> | *mtsa | *mta | 1 |
| 1. *t > ts; ə-epenthesis |              |       |      |   |

HURZA

|                                                                                                                                                                                 |                                        |                                           |                            |   |
|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------|----------------------------|---|
| Vame                                                                                                                                                                            | <i>mu<sup>w</sup>dʒiya</i> mə'ndz'ə'yə | *mØ-mdza-y <sup>y</sup> -Ø <sup>w</sup> a | *ma-mta-y-k <sup>w</sup> a | 1 |
| 1. *t > dz; ə-epenthesis; lexical-final *a > ə; *k <sup>w</sup> > Ø <sup>w</sup> ; +W: ə > u; *y > y <sup>y</sup> ; +Y: dz > dʒ; +Y: ə > i; homorganic assimilation *m > n/_ dz |                                        |                                           |                            |   |

MANDARA

|                                                                                                                     |                            |                             |                 |                                  |   |
|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------|-----------------------------|-----------------|----------------------------------|---|
|                                                                                                                     |                            |                             |                 | √ C Ca                           |   |
| Glavda                                                                                                              | <i>imtsa</i> ə'ytsa        | *mtsa-Ø <sup>y</sup>        |                 | *mta-y                           | 1 |
|                                                                                                                     |                            |                             |                 | √ CaCa                           |   |
| Podoko                                                                                                              | <i>metfe</i> ma'ɪts'a'y    | *matsa-Ø <sup>y</sup>       | *matsa-y        |                                  | 2 |
| Matal                                                                                                               | <i>mamatsij</i> mamatsə'yŋ | *ma-matsa-Ø <sup>y</sup> -ŋ | *ma-matsa-y-k-n | *(ma-)mata-y(-k <sup>w</sup> -n) | 3 |
| 1. *t > ts; ə-prothesis; *y > Ø <sup>y</sup> ; +Y : ə > i                                                           |                            |                             |                 |                                  |   |
| 2. *t > ts; *y > Ø <sup>y</sup> ; +Y: *a > e                                                                        |                            |                             |                 |                                  |   |
| 3. *t > ts; *k <sup>w</sup> > k; fusion kn > ŋ; ə-epenthesis; lexical-final *a > ə; *y > Ø <sup>y</sup> ; +Y: ə > i |                            |                             |                 |                                  |   |

MOFU

|                                                                         |                          |                         |             |                            |   |
|-------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------|-------------------------|-------------|----------------------------|---|
| Muyang                                                                  | <i>met</i> ma'ɪt         | *mat-Ø <sup>y</sup>     | *matØ-y     | *(ma-)mata                 | 1 |
| Ouldeme                                                                 | <i>meten</i> ma'ɪta'yŋ   | *mata-Ø <sup>y</sup> -ŋ | *mata-y-k-n | (-a)-y(-k <sup>w</sup> -n) | 2 |
| Mofu North                                                              | <i>memtsey</i> ma'ytsa'y | *ma-mts-ay <sup>y</sup> | *ma-mtsØ-ay |                            | 3 |
| 1. *y > Ø <sup>y</sup> ; +Y: *a > e                                     |                          |                         |             |                            |   |
| 2. *k <sup>w</sup> > k; fusion kn > ŋ; *y > Ø <sup>y</sup> ; +Y: *a > e |                          |                         |             |                            |   |
| 3. *t > ts; *y > y <sup>y</sup> ; +Y: *a > e                            |                          |                         |             |                            |   |

MAROUA

|                                                                                                            |                       |                                      |                        |                       |   |
|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------|--------------------------------------|------------------------|-----------------------|---|
| Giziga-Marva                                                                                               | <i>mutfa</i> mə'ɪts'a | *mtsa-Ø <sup>y</sup> -Ø <sup>w</sup> | *mtsa-y-k <sup>w</sup> | *mta-y-k <sup>w</sup> | 1 |
| Giziga-Muturwa                                                                                             | <i>mutf</i> mə'ɪtsʷ   | *mts-Ø <sup>y</sup> -Ø <sup>w</sup>  | *mtsØ-y-k <sup>w</sup> |                       | 1 |
| 1. *t > ts; *y > Ø <sup>y</sup> ; +Y: ts > tʃ; ə-epenthesis; *k <sup>w</sup> > Ø <sup>w</sup> ; +W : ə > u |                       |                                      |                        |                       |   |

LAMANG

|                 |              |         |          |   |
|-----------------|--------------|---------|----------|---|
| Hdi             | <i>məɪay</i> | *mtØ-ay | *mta-a-y | 1 |
| 1. ə-epenthesis |              |         |          |   |

<sup>44</sup> See the most likely cognate 'to die'.

eye<sub>1</sub>PCC \*(dā-, ma-, xa-) **d(a)ya** (-t, -k<sup>w</sup>, -n; FV)

BATA

|        |                               |                        |                         |                           |   |
|--------|-------------------------------|------------------------|-------------------------|---------------------------|---|
| Bata   | <i>dito</i> dyta <sup>w</sup> | *dy-t-Ø <sup>w</sup> a | *dyØ-t-k <sup>w</sup> a | *dya-t/-k <sup>w</sup> a  | 1 |
| Sharwa | <i>di</i> dy                  | *dy                    | *dyØ                    |                           | 2 |
| Tsuvan | <i>adəŋ</i>                   | *a-d-ŋ                 | *Øa-dØØ-k-n             | *Ca-dya-k <sup>w</sup> -n | 3 |

1. \*y > i; \*k<sup>w</sup> > Ø<sup>w</sup>; +W: FV \*a > o

2. \*y &gt; i

3. \*k<sup>w</sup> > k; fusion kn > ŋ; lexical-final \*a > ə

DABA

|               |                    |         |                        |                             |   |
|---------------|--------------------|---------|------------------------|-----------------------------|---|
| Daba          | <i>həra'</i> xəraʔ | *x-ra-ʔ | *xØ-rØa-k <sup>w</sup> | *(xa-)dya(-k <sup>w</sup> ) | 1 |
| Mazagway Hidi | <i>riya</i> rəʔya  | *ryʔa   | *rya                   |                             | 2 |

1. \*d > r; \*k<sup>w</sup> (> k) > ʔ; ə-epenthesis

2. \*d &gt; r; ə-epenthesis; \*y &gt; yʔ; +Y: ə &gt; i

MAFA

|       |                   |         |          |            |   |
|-------|-------------------|---------|----------|------------|---|
| Mafa  | <i>day</i>        | *day    | *dayØ    | *(ma-)daya |   |
| Cuvok | <i>ndey</i> ndaʔy | *n-dayʔ | *mØ-dayØ |            | 1 |

1. homorganic assimilation \*m &gt; n/\_d; \*y &gt; Øʔ; +Y: \*a &gt; e

TERA

|      |                    |       |      |      |   |
|------|--------------------|-------|------|------|---|
| Tera | <i>yitə</i> yəʔtə  | *yʔta | *tya | *dya | 1 |
|      | <i>yiti</i> yəʔtəʔ |       |      |      | 2 |

1. \*d &gt; t; metathesis ty &gt; yt; ə-epenthesis; \*y &gt; yʔ; +Y: ə &gt; i; lexical-final \*a &gt; ə

2. \*d &gt; t; metathesis ty &gt; yt; ə-epenthesis; lexical-final \*a &gt; ə; \*y &gt; yʔ; +Y: ə &gt; i

HURZA

|       |                 |        |          |          |   |
|-------|-----------------|--------|----------|----------|---|
|       |                 |        |          | √ C Ca   |   |
| Mbuko | <i>idə</i> ydāʔ | *yʔdā  | *dya     | *dya     | 1 |
|       |                 |        |          | √ CaCa   |   |
| Vame  | <i>aray</i>     | *a-ray | *Øa-rayØ | *Ca-daya | 2 |

1. \*d &gt; dʔ; metathesis dʔ &gt; ydʔ; \*y &gt; yʔ; +Y: lexical-final \*a &gt; e; \*y &gt; i

2. \*d &gt; r

MARGI

|             |              |     |      |      |   |
|-------------|--------------|-----|------|------|---|
| Margi       | <i>li</i> ly | *ly | *lyØ | *dya | 1 |
| Margi South | <i>li</i> ly |     |      |      | 1 |
| Kilba       | <i>li</i> ly |     |      |      | 1 |

1. \*d &gt; l; \*y &gt; i

MANDARA

|       |                |     |      |        |   |
|-------|----------------|-----|------|--------|---|
|       |                |     |      | √ C Ca |   |
| Matal | <i>di</i> dy   | *dy | *dyØ | *dya   | 1 |
|       | <i>di</i> dy   |     |      |        | 1 |
|       | <i>dəy</i> dəy |     |      |        | 2 |
|       |                |     |      | √ CaCa |   |



|                                                                         |                 |         |          |            |   |
|-------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------|---------|----------|------------|---|
| Podoko                                                                  | <i>de daʸ</i>   | *daØʸ   | *dayØ    | *(ma-)daya | 3 |
| Dghwede                                                                 | <i>ⁿde ndaʸ</i> | *n-daØʸ | *mØ-dayØ |            | 4 |
| 1. *y > i                                                               |                 |         |          |            |   |
| 2. ə-epenthesis                                                         |                 |         |          |            |   |
| 3. *y > Øʸ; +Y: lexical-final *a > e                                    |                 |         |          |            |   |
| 4. *y > Øʸ; +Y: lexical-final *a > e; homorganic assimilation *m > n/_d |                 |         |          |            |   |

## MOFU

|            |                   |         |          |            |   |
|------------|-------------------|---------|----------|------------|---|
|            |                   |         |          | √ C Ca     |   |
| Dugwor     | <i>re raʸ</i>     | *rØʸa   | *rya     | *dya       | 1 |
|            |                   |         |          | √ CaCa     |   |
| Merey      | <i>dāre dāraʸ</i> | *d-raØʸ | *dØ-rayØ | *(dā-)daya | 2 |
| Mofu-Gudur | <i>dey daʸy</i>   | *dayʸ   | *dayØ    |            | 3 |
|            |                   |         |          | √ C Ca     |   |
| Muyang     | <i>eri aʸry</i>   | *a-ryʸ  | *Øa-ryØ  | *Ca-dya    | 4 |
| Zulgo      | <i>are araʸ</i>   | *a-rØʸa | *Øa-rya  |            | 2 |
| Mada       | <i>ere aʸraʸ</i>  |         |          |            | 2 |
| Gemzek     | <i>ere aʸraʸ</i>  |         |          |            | 2 |
| Moloko     | <i>ele aʸlaʸ</i>  | *al-Øʸa | *Øa-lyʸa |            | 5 |
|            |                   |         |          | √ CaCa     |   |
| Ouldeme    | <i>aray</i>       | *a-ray  | *Øa-rayØ | *Ca-daya   | 6 |

1. \*d > r; \*y > Øʸ; +Y: lexical-final \*a > e

2. \*d > r; \*y > Øʸ; +Y: \*a > e

3. \*y > yʸ; +Y: \*a > e

4. \*d > r; \*y > yʸ; +Y: \*a > e; \*y > i

5. \*d > l; \*y > Øʸ; +Y: \*a > e

6. \*d > r

## MAROUA

|                                             |                          |                   |          |            |   |
|---------------------------------------------|--------------------------|-------------------|----------|------------|---|
| Giziga-Marva                                | <i>re ra<sup>y</sup></i> | *raØ <sup>y</sup> | *rayØ    | *(Ca-)daya | 1 |
| Mbazla                                      | <i>ʼaray</i>             | *ʔa-ray           | *ʔa-rayØ |            | 2 |
| 1. *d > r; *y > Ø <sup>y</sup> ; +Y: *a > e |                          |                   |          |            |   |
| 2. *x > ʔ; *d > r                           |                          |                   |          |            |   |

## LAMANG

|                                                                 |                            |                  |      |      |   |
|-----------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------|------------------|------|------|---|
| Lamang                                                          | <i>ili ə<sup>y</sup>ly</i> | *ly <sup>y</sup> | *lyØ | *dya | 1 |
| Hdi                                                             | <i>iri ə<sup>y</sup>ry</i> | *ry <sup>y</sup> | *ryØ |      | 2 |
| 1. *d > l; ə-prothesis; *y > y <sup>y</sup> ; +Y: ə > i; *y > i |                            |                  |      |      |   |
| 2. *d > r; ə-prothesis; *y > y <sup>y</sup> ; +Y: ə > i; *y > i |                            |                  |      |      |   |

## KOTOKO-ISLAND

|                                             |            |     |      |      |   |
|---------------------------------------------|------------|-----|------|------|---|
| Buduma                                      | <i>yəl</i> | *yl | *lyØ | *dya | 1 |
| 1. *d > l; metathesis ly > yl; ə-epenthesis |            |     |      |      |   |

## KOTOKO-SOUTH

|                                                    |                 |         |         |         |   |
|----------------------------------------------------|-----------------|---------|---------|---------|---|
| Zina                                               | <i>iri əʸry</i> | *ryʸ    | *ryØ    | *dya    | 1 |
| Mazera                                             | <i>ade adaʸ</i> | *a-dØʸa | *Øa-dya | *Ca-dya | 2 |
| 1. *d > r; ə-prothesis; *y > yʸ; +Y: ə > i; *y > i |                 |         |         |         |   |
| 2. *y > Øʸ; +Y: lexical-final *a > e               |                 |         |         |         |   |

## MUSGUM

|                                             |                                           |                     |          |          |   |
|---------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------|---------------------|----------|----------|---|
|                                             |                                           |                     |          | √ CaCa   |   |
| Mbara                                       | <i>ree</i> ra <sup>y</sup> a <sup>y</sup> | *raØ <sup>y</sup> a | *raya    | *daya    | 1 |
|                                             |                                           |                     |          | √ CaCa   |   |
| Vulum                                       | <i>aray</i>                               | *a-ray              | *Øa-rayØ | *Ca-daya | 2 |
| 1. *d > r; *y > Ø <sup>y</sup> ; +Y: *a > e |                                           |                     |          |          |   |
| 2. *d > r                                   |                                           |                     |          |          |   |

## GIDAR

|           |                  |        |         |         |   |
|-----------|------------------|--------|---------|---------|---|
| Gidar     | <i>hara</i> xara | *xa-ra | *xa-rØa | *xa-dya | 1 |
| 1. *d > r |                  |        |         |         |   |

eye<sub>2</sub>

Areal root \*(ma-) y(a)tsa (-n)

## BATA

|                                                              |                                |                      |         |         |   |
|--------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------|----------------------|---------|---------|---|
| Jimi                                                         | <i>dʒən</i> dz <sup>y</sup> ən | *Ø <sup>y</sup> dz-n | *ydzØ-n | *ytsa-n | 1 |
| 1. *ts > dz; *y > Ø <sup>y</sup> ; +Y: dz > dʒ; ə-epenthesis |                                |                      |         |         |   |

## DABA

|        |                                                        |                       |          |          |   |
|--------|--------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------|----------|----------|---|
| Mbudum | <i><sup>n</sup>dʒe</i> ndz <sup>y</sup> a <sup>y</sup> | *n-Ø <sup>y</sup> dza | *mØ-ydza | *ma-ytsa | 1 |
| Buwal  | <i><sup>n</sup>dʒe</i> ndz <sup>y</sup> a <sup>y</sup> |                       |          |          | 1 |
| Gavar  | <i><sup>n</sup>dʒa</i> ndz <sup>y</sup> a              |                       |          |          | 2 |

1. \*ts > dz; homorganic assimilation \*m > n/\_dz; \*y > Ø<sup>y</sup>; +Y: dz > dʒ;  
+Y: lexical-final \*a > e2. \*ts > dz; homorganic assimilation \*m > n/\_dz; \*y > Ø<sup>y</sup>; +Y: dz > dʒ

## SUKUR

|       |                              |                   |      |       |   |
|-------|------------------------------|-------------------|------|-------|---|
| Sukur | <i>is</i>                    | *ys               | *ysØ | *ytsa | 1 |
|       | <i>'is</i> ʔə <sup>y</sup> s | *ʔ <sup>y</sup> s |      |       | 2 |

1. \*ts &gt; s; \*y &gt; i

2. \*ts > s; \*y > ʔ<sup>y</sup>; ə-epenthesis; +Y: ə > i

## MARGI

|      |                                |                       |          |          |   |
|------|--------------------------------|-----------------------|----------|----------|---|
| Bura | <i>ntʃa</i> nts <sup>y</sup> a | *n-Ø <sup>y</sup> tsa | *mØ-ytsa | *ma-ytsa | 1 |
|------|--------------------------------|-----------------------|----------|----------|---|

1. homorganic assimilation \*m > n/\_ts; \*y > Ø<sup>y</sup>; +Y: ts > tʃ

## MANDARA

|         |                                                            |                     |       |       |   |
|---------|------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------|-------|-------|---|
| Mandara | <i>itʃa</i> yts <sup>y</sup> a                             | *y <sup>y</sup> tsa | *ydzØ | *ytsa | 1 |
| Malgwa  | <i>itʃe</i> ə <sup>y</sup> yts <sup>y</sup> a <sup>y</sup> |                     |       |       | 2 |
| Glavda  | <i>dʒ</i> dz <sup>y</sup>                                  | *Ø <sup>y</sup> dz  |       |       | 3 |

1. \*y > y<sup>y</sup>; +Y: ts > tʃ; \*y > i2. ə-prothesis; \*y > y<sup>y</sup>; +Y: ts > tʃ; \*y > i3. \*ts > dz; \*y > Ø<sup>y</sup>; +Y: dz > dʒ

## HIGI

|             |                                |                     |          |          |   |
|-------------|--------------------------------|---------------------|----------|----------|---|
| Bana        | <i>m(ə)tsə</i>                 | *m-tsə              | *mØ-Øtsa | *ma-ytsa | 1 |
| Kamwe-Nkafa | <i>ntsə</i>                    | *n-tsə              | *mØ-Øtsa |          | 2 |
| Kamwe-Futu  | <i>ntsi</i> ntsy               | *n-tsy              | *mØ-ytsØ |          | 3 |
| Kirya       | <i>ntʃi</i> nts <sup>y</sup> y | *n-tsy <sup>y</sup> |          |          | 4 |

|                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        |                            |                     |         |       |   |
|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------|---------------------|---------|-------|---|
| Psikye <sup>45</sup>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   | <i>n/ĩ ns'y</i>            | *n-sy <sup>y</sup>  | *mØ-ysØ |       | 5 |
| 1. ə-epenthesis; lexical-final *a > ə<br>2. homorganic assimilation *m > n/_ts; lexical-final *a > ə<br>3. homorganic assimilation *m > n/_ts; metathesis yts > tsy; *y > i<br>4. homorganic assimilation *m > n/_ts; metathesis yts > tsy; *y > y <sup>y</sup> ; +Y: *ts > tf; *y > i<br>5. homorganic assimilation *m > n/_ts; *ts > s; metathesis ys > sy; *y > y <sup>y</sup> ; +Y: *s > f; *y > i |                            |                     |         |       |   |
| KOTOKO-NORTH                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           |                            |                     |         |       |   |
| Afade                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  | <i>tsi tsə<sup>y</sup></i> | *Ø <sup>y</sup> tsə |         |       | 1 |
| Mpade                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  | <i>si sə<sup>y</sup></i>   |                     |         |       | 2 |
| Malgbe                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 | <i>si sə<sup>y</sup></i>   | *Ø <sup>y</sup> sə  | *ysa    | *ytsa | 2 |
| Maltam                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 | <i>si sə<sup>y</sup></i>   |                     |         |       | 2 |
| 1. lexical-final *a > ə; *y > Ø <sup>y</sup> ; +Y: ə > i<br>2. *ts > s; lexical-final *a > ə; *y > Ø <sup>y</sup> ; +Y: ə > i                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          |                            |                     |         |       |   |
| KOTOKO-CENTRAL                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         |                            |                     |         |       |   |
| Lagwan                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 | <i>si sə<sup>y</sup></i>   | *Ø <sup>y</sup> sə  | *ysa    | *ytsa | 1 |
| Mser                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   | <i>si sə<sup>y</sup></i>   |                     |         |       | 1 |
| 1. *ts > s; lexical-final *a > ə; *y > Ø <sup>y</sup> ; +Y: ə > i                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      |                            |                     |         |       |   |

## face

Areal root \***k<sup>w</sup>(a)ma** (-k<sup>w</sup>; FV)

BATA

|                                                                  |                                            |                      |                       |                                     |   |
|------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------|----------------------|-----------------------|-------------------------------------|---|
| Gude                                                             | <i>kunwa k<sup>w</sup>ə<sup>w</sup>nwa</i> | *k <sup>w</sup> n-wa | *k <sup>w</sup> mØ-wa | *k <sup>w</sup> ma-k <sup>w</sup> a | 1 |
| 1. *m > n; suffixal *k <sup>w</sup> > w; ə-epenthesis; +W: ə > u |                                            |                      |                       |                                     |   |

SUKUR

|                                      |             |      |  |                    |   |
|--------------------------------------|-------------|------|--|--------------------|---|
| Sukur                                | <i>kəma</i> | *kma |  | *k <sup>w</sup> ma | 1 |
| 1. *k <sup>w</sup> > k; ə-epenthesis |             |      |  |                    |   |

MARGI

|                            |                                          |                    |  |                    |   |
|----------------------------|------------------------------------------|--------------------|--|--------------------|---|
| Bura                       | <i>kuma k<sup>w</sup>ə<sup>w</sup>ma</i> | *k <sup>w</sup> ma |  | *k <sup>w</sup> ma | 1 |
| 1. ə-epenthesis; +W: ə > u |                                          |                    |  |                    |   |

LAMANG

|        |             |      |  |                    |   |
|--------|-------------|------|--|--------------------|---|
| Lamang | <i>kəma</i> | *kma |  | *k <sup>w</sup> ma | 1 |
| Hdi    | <i>kəma</i> |      |  |                    | 1 |

1. \*k<sup>w</sup> > k; ə-epenthesis

HIGI

|             |             |      |  |                    |   |
|-------------|-------------|------|--|--------------------|---|
| Kamwe-Nkafa | <i>kəma</i> |      |  |                    | 1 |
| Kamwe-Futu  | <i>kəma</i> | *kma |  | *k <sup>w</sup> ma | 1 |
| Psikye      | <i>kəma</i> |      |  |                    | 1 |

1. \*k<sup>w</sup> > k; ə-epenthesis

<sup>45</sup> The source quoted in the database gives two forms meaning 'eyes', namely *nfi* and *hsu*. While the first is an obvious cognate, the second currently defeats historical reanalysis (unless we are dealing with a copy error).

faeces<sub>1</sub>PCC \*(da-, ma-)  $\gamma^w$ va (-a, -y, -n)

BATA

|                                                   |                    |         |          |                           |   |
|---------------------------------------------------|--------------------|---------|----------|---------------------------|---|
| Jimi                                              | $\gamma^w in$ vwyn | *vw-y-n | *wvØ-y-n | * $\gamma^w va(-a)-y(-n)$ | 1 |
| Sharwa                                            | $\gamma^w ay$ vway | *vw-ay  | *wvØ-a-y |                           | 2 |
| 1. * $\gamma^w > w$ ; metathesis *wv > vw; *y > i |                    |         |          |                           |   |
| 2. * $\gamma^w > w$ ; metathesis *wv > vw         |                    |         |          |                           |   |

DABA

|                                                   |            |        |                       |                       |   |
|---------------------------------------------------|------------|--------|-----------------------|-----------------------|---|
| Buwal                                             | <i>ŋva</i> | *ŋ-Øva | *mØ-ŷ <sup>w</sup> va | *ma-ŷ <sup>w</sup> va | 1 |
| Gavar                                             | <i>ŋva</i> |        |                       |                       | 1 |
| Mbudum                                            | <i>ŋva</i> |        |                       |                       | 1 |
| 1. homorganic assimilation *m > ŋ/ ŷ <sup>w</sup> |            |        |                       |                       |   |

TERA

|                                                                      |                       |                 |            |                        |   |
|----------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------|-----------------|------------|------------------------|---|
| Tera                                                                 | $\eta$ gin $\eta$ gyn | * $\eta$ -g-y-n | *m-gØØ-y-n | *ma- $\gamma^w$ va-y-n | 1 |
| 1. * $\gamma^w$ > g; homorganic assimilation *m > $\eta$ / g; *y > i |                       |                 |            |                        |   |

SUKUR

|                                                  |                       |     |      |                 |   |
|--------------------------------------------------|-----------------------|-----|------|-----------------|---|
| Sukur                                            | $\gamma$ u v $\gamma$ | *vw | *wvØ | * $\gamma^w$ va | 1 |
| 1. * $\gamma^w$ > w; metathesis *wv > vw; *w > u |                       |     |      |                 |   |

MARGI

|       |                                  |                     |        |                      |   |
|-------|----------------------------------|---------------------|--------|----------------------|---|
| Bura  | <i>kivi</i> kə <sup>y</sup> vɣ   | *kv-y <sup>y</sup>  | *kvØ-y | *Y <sup>w</sup> va-y | 1 |
|       | <i>tʃivi</i> kʰə <sup>y</sup> vɣ |                     |        |                      | 2 |
| Kilba | <i>ibi</i> ə <sup>y</sup> by     | *ØbØ-y <sup>y</sup> |        |                      | 3 |

1. \*Y<sup>w</sup> (> γ > g) > k; ə-epenthesis; \*y > y<sup>y</sup>; +Y: ə > i; \*y > i

2. \*Y<sup>w</sup> (> γ > g) > k; ə-epenthesis; \*y > Ø<sup>y</sup>; +Y: k > k<sup>y</sup> > tʃ; +Y: ə > i; \*y > i

3. \*y > b; ə-prothesis; \*y > y<sup>y</sup>; +Y: ə > i; \*y > i

MANDARA

|         |                                              |                                   |                      |                        |   |
|---------|----------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------|----------------------|------------------------|---|
| Glavda  | <i>gɪva</i> g <sup>w</sup> ə <sup>w</sup> va | *g <sup>w</sup> va                |                      | *ɣ <sup>w</sup> va(-y) | 1 |
| Mandara | <i>ugve</i> ə <sup>w</sup> gva <sup>y</sup>  | *g <sup>w</sup> va-Ø <sup>y</sup> | *g <sup>w</sup> va-y |                        | 2 |
| Malgwa  | <i>ugve</i> ə <sup>w</sup> gva <sup>y</sup>  |                                   |                      |                        | 2 |
| Dghwede | <i>gəve</i> gəva <sup>y</sup>                | *gva-Ø <sup>y</sup>               | *g <sup>w</sup> va-y |                        | 3 |

1. \*ɣ<sup>w</sup> > g<sup>w</sup>; ə-epenthesis; +W: ə > u

2. \*ɣ<sup>w</sup> > g<sup>w</sup>; ə-prothesis; +W: ə > u; \*y > Ø<sup>y</sup>; +Y: lexical-final \*a > e

3. \*ɣ<sup>w</sup> (> g<sup>w</sup>) > g; ə-epenthesis; \*y > Ø<sup>y</sup>; +Y: lexical-final \*a > e

LAMANG

|                                    |                                                 |                            |                            |   |
|------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------|----------------------------|----------------------------|---|
| Lamang                             | <i>yuvɪ</i> <i>ɣ<sup>w</sup>ə<sup>w</sup>vɪ</i> | * <i>ɣ<sup>w</sup>vØ-y</i> | * <i>ɣ<sup>w</sup>va-y</i> | 1 |
| Hdi                                | <i>yuvɪ</i> <i>ɣ<sup>w</sup>ə<sup>w</sup>vɪ</i> |                            |                            | 1 |
| 1. ə-epenthesis; +W: ə > u; *ɣ > i |                                                 |                            |                            |   |

HIGI

|                                                                                    |           |         |         |           |   |
|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------|---------|---------|-----------|---|
| Kamwe-Nkafa                                                                        | gɣwə gʸwə | *gwa-Øʸ | *ɣwØa-y | *ɣʷva(-y) | 1 |
| Kamwe-Futu                                                                         | wɣə       | *wɣa    | *ɣwØa   |           | 2 |
| Kirya                                                                              | ɣʷi vwy   | *vw-y   | *wvØ-y  |           | 3 |
| 1. re-segmentalisation *ɣʷ > ɣ+w; ɣ > g; *ɣ > Øʸ; +Y: g > gʸ; lexical-final *a > ə |           |         |         |           |   |
| 2. re-segmentalisation *ɣʷ > ɣ+w; metathesis ɣw > wɣ; lexical-final *a > ə         |           |         |         |           |   |
| 3. *ɣʷ > w; metathesis wv > vw; *ɣ > i                                             |           |         |         |           |   |

## KOTOKO-ISLAND

|                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         |                                                       |                                      |                                        |                            |   |
|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------|----------------------------------------|----------------------------|---|
| Buduma                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  | <i>nu<sup>u</sup>gu nə<sup>w</sup>ḡg<sup>əw</sup></i> | <i>*n<sup>n</sup>-g<sup>w</sup>a</i> | <i>*m<sup>n</sup>Ø-g<sup>w</sup>Øa</i> | <i>*ma-γ<sup>w</sup>va</i> | 1 |
| 1. <i>*γ<sup>w</sup> &gt; g<sup>w</sup>; *m &gt; m<sup>n</sup>; +N: g<sup>w</sup> &gt; ḡg<sup>w</sup>; partial assimilation <i>*m &gt; n/ <sup>u</sup>g<sup>w</sup>; ə-epenthesis; lexical-final <i>*a &gt; ə; +W: ə &gt; u</i></i></i> |                                                       |                                      |                                        |                            |   |

## KOTOKO-NORTH

|                                                                                                                                                                          |                                                                      |                                    |                         |                         |   |
|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------|-------------------------|-------------------------|---|
| Afade                                                                                                                                                                    | <i>embo</i> a <sup>y</sup> mḃ <sup>w</sup> a <sup>w</sup>            | *m-ḃ <sup>w</sup> a-Ø <sup>y</sup> | *mØ-g <sup>w</sup> Øa-y | *ma-γ <sup>w</sup> va-y | 1 |
| Malgbe                                                                                                                                                                   | <i>emgbi</i> a <sup>y</sup> mgbə <sup>y</sup>                        | *m-gba-Ø <sup>y</sup>              |                         |                         | 2 |
| Mpade                                                                                                                                                                    | <i>e<sup>u</sup>gu</i> a <sup>y</sup> ḡg <sup>w</sup> ə <sup>w</sup> | *ḡ-g <sup>w</sup> a-Ø <sup>y</sup> |                         |                         | 3 |
| 1. a-prothesis; *γ <sup>w</sup> (> g <sup>w</sup> ) > ḃ <sup>w</sup> ; +W: lexical-final *a > o; *y > Ø <sup>y</sup> ; +Y: *a > e                                        |                                                                      |                                    |                         |                         |   |
| 2. a-prothesis; *γ <sup>w</sup> (> g <sup>w</sup> ) > gb; *y > Ø <sup>y</sup> ; +Y: *ə > i; +Y: *a > e                                                                   |                                                                      |                                    |                         |                         |   |
| 3. a-prothesis; *γ <sup>w</sup> > g <sup>w</sup> ; homorganic assimilation *m > ḡ/_g <sup>w</sup> ; lexical-final *a > ə;<br>+W: ə > u; *y > Ø <sup>y</sup> ; +Y: *a > e |                                                                      |                                    |                         |                         |   |

## KOTOKO-CENTRAL

|                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    |                                                                 |                                        |                              |                                |   |
|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------|------------------------------|--------------------------------|---|
| Lagwan                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             | <i><sup>u</sup>gu ḡg<sup>w</sup>ə<sup>w</sup></i>               | <i>*ḡ-g<sup>w</sup>a</i>               | <i>*mØ-g<sup>w</sup>Øa</i>   | <i>*ma-γ<sup>w</sup>va(-y)</i> | 1 |
| Mser                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               | <i>e<sup>u</sup>go a<sup>y</sup>ḡg<sup>w</sup>a<sup>w</sup></i> | <i>*ḡ-g<sup>w</sup>a-Ø<sup>y</sup></i> | <i>*mØ-g<sup>w</sup>Øa-y</i> |                                | 2 |
| 1. <i>*γ<sup>w</sup> &gt; g<sup>w</sup>; homorganic assimilation <i>*m &gt; ḡ/ <sup>u</sup>g<sup>w</sup>; lexical-final <i>*a &gt; ə; +W: ə &gt; u</i><br/> 2. a-prothesis; <i>*γ<sup>w</sup> &gt; g<sup>w</sup>; homorganic assimilation <i>*m &gt; ḡ/ <sup>u</sup>g<sup>w</sup>; +W: lexical-final <i>*a &gt; o; *y &gt; Ø<sup>y</sup>; +Y: <i>*a &gt; e</i></i></i></i></i></i> |                                                                 |                                        |                              |                                |   |

## KOTOKO-SOUTH

|                            |                                                       |                           |                              |                              |   |
|----------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------|------------------------------|------------------------------|---|
| Mazera                     | <i>duyun də<sup>w</sup>γ<sup>w</sup>ə<sup>n</sup></i> | <i>*d-γ<sup>w</sup>-n</i> | <i>*dØ-γ<sup>w</sup>ØØ-n</i> | <i>*da-γ<sup>w</sup>va-n</i> | 1 |
| 1. ə-epenthesis; +W: ə > u |                                                       |                           |                              |                              |   |

faeces<sub>2</sub>Areal root/loan? *\*(ma-) za<sup>46</sup> (-y)*

## MAFA

|                     |             |                |                 |                 |  |
|---------------------|-------------|----------------|-----------------|-----------------|--|
| Mafa                | <i>zay</i>  | <i>*za-y</i>   |                 | <i>*za-y</i>    |  |
| Cuvok <sup>47</sup> | <i>zay</i>  |                |                 |                 |  |
| HURZA               |             |                |                 |                 |  |
| Mbuko               | <i>azay</i> | <i>*a-za-y</i> | <i>*Øa-za-y</i> | <i>*Ca-za-y</i> |  |
| Vame                | <i>azay</i> |                |                 |                 |  |
| MANDARA             |             |                |                 |                 |  |
| Matal               | <i>zay</i>  | <i>*za-y</i>   |                 | <i>*za-y</i>    |  |

<sup>46</sup> This would appear to be a rare monoradical root. Such analysis, however, raises the pertinent question of how to analyse the frequently occurring second consonant *\*y/*. Should it be considered part of the simple root (note that Gravina (2015) considers this a biradical simple root *\*zay*) or rather an augmented root containing the highly frequent petrified grammatical marker *\*{-y}*? We assume the latter to be the case in our own reconstruction, but with no strong comparative evidence other than frequency. This item raises some general suspicion, because, quite untypically, (a) the root consonant *\*z/* does not undergo any diachronic changes, and (b) *\*y/* obviously does not create any prosodic effect in any of the languages in the available set of examples. This may be seen to point in the direction of a more recent loan in the languages where it occurs, yet with the potential donor language not (yet) identified.

<sup>47</sup> In Cuvok, this root translates as 'urine'.

## MOFU

|            |      |         |          |  |
|------------|------|---------|----------|--|
| Zulgo      | za   | *za     |          |  |
| Gemzek     | za   |         |          |  |
| Mada       | za   |         |          |  |
|            | aza  | *a-za   | *Øa-za   |  |
| Muyang     | azay | *a-za-y | *Øa-za-y |  |
| Moloko     | azay |         |          |  |
| Ouldeme    | zay  | *za-y   |          |  |
| Merey      | zay  |         |          |  |
| Dugwor     | zay  |         |          |  |
| Mofu North | zay  |         |          |  |
| Mofu-Gudur | zay  |         |          |  |

\*(Ca-)za(-y)

## MAROUA

|                |     |       |  |  |
|----------------|-----|-------|--|--|
| Giziga-Muturwa | zay | *za-y |  |  |
| Giziga-Marva   | zay |       |  |  |
| Mbazla         | zay |       |  |  |

\*za-y

fear (, to)<sup>48</sup>PCC \*(ma-, RED-) ʒ(a)w(a)na (-a, -y, -k<sup>w</sup>, -ts; FV)

## MAFA

|      |     |      |        |        |  |
|------|-----|------|--------|--------|--|
| Mafa | ʒaw | *ʒaw | *ʒawØØ | *ʒawna |  |
|------|-----|------|--------|--------|--|

## HURZA

|                    |                                             |                         |                           |                                |   |
|--------------------|---------------------------------------------|-------------------------|---------------------------|--------------------------------|---|
|                    |                                             |                         |                           | √ C C Ca                       |   |
| Vame <sup>49</sup> | ʒəʒutsa ʒəŋg <sup>w</sup> əʒtsa             | *ʒŋ-g <sup>w</sup> -tsa | *ʒØnØ-k <sup>w</sup> -tsa | *ʒwna-k <sup>w</sup> (a)-ts(a) | 1 |
|                    | ʒung <sup>w</sup> ats ʒəŋg <sup>w</sup> ats | *ʒŋ-g <sup>w</sup> a-ts | *ʒØnØ-k <sup>w</sup> a-ts |                                | 1 |
|                    |                                             |                         |                           | √ CaCaCa                       |   |
| Mbuko              | ʒawan                                       | *ʒawanØ                 |                           | *ʒawana                        |   |

1. \*k<sup>w</sup> > g<sup>w</sup>; ə-epenthesis; +W: ə > u; homorganic assimilation \*n > ŋ/\_g<sup>w</sup>

## MANDARA

|        |                |           |           |             |   |
|--------|----------------|-----------|-----------|-------------|---|
| Podoko | ʒiʒəwe ʒəʒəwaʔ | *ʒ-ʒwa-Øʔ | *ʒ-ʒwØa-y | *RED-ʒwna-y | 1 |
|--------|----------------|-----------|-----------|-------------|---|

1. ə-epenthesis; \*y &gt; Øʔ; +Y: ə &gt; i; +Y: lexical-final \*a &gt; e

## MOFU

|                       |                   |             |              |                                              |   |
|-----------------------|-------------------|-------------|--------------|----------------------------------------------|---|
|                       |                   |             |              | √ C C Ca                                     |   |
| Ouldeme <sup>50</sup> | ʒəŋats            | *ʒŋ-Øa-ts   | *ʒØnØ-ka-ts  | *(ma-)ʒwna<br>(-a, -y, -k <sup>w</sup> a-ts) | 1 |
| Mofu-Gudur            | ʒur ʒwr           | *ʒwrØ       |              |                                              | 2 |
| Mofu North            | məʒurey maʔʒwraʔy | *ma-ʒwr-ayʔ | *ma-ʒwrØ-a-y |                                              | 3 |

<sup>48</sup> The database contains both nouns and verbs.<sup>49</sup> The occurrence of /a/ (originally FV following \*{-k<sup>w</sup>}?) between final and pre-final consonants in the obviously augmented root ʒung<sup>w</sup>ats ‘fear; be frightened’ must presently be considered ‘irregular’ and to be explained by analogous secondary root-type creation. A similar case is found in Ouldeme (MOFU) – if we are not talking about borrowing in whatever direction.<sup>50</sup> See footnote 49.

|                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   |                                  |                                    |            |               |   |
|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------|------------------------------------|------------|---------------|---|
|                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   |                                  |                                    |            | √ C CaCa      |   |
| Merey                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             | <i>ḡuwer</i> ḡə <sup>w</sup> ʷaʳ | *ḡw <sup>w</sup> ar-Ø <sup>y</sup> | *ḡwarØ-y   | *ḡwana-y      | 4 |
| Dugwor                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            | <i>ḡuwer</i> ḡə <sup>w</sup> ʷaʳ |                                    |            |               | 4 |
|                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   |                                  |                                    |            | √ CaCaCa      |   |
| Moloko                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            | <i>ḡaw</i>                       | *ḡaw                               | *ḡawØØØ    |               |   |
| Mada                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              | <i>maḡawa</i>                    | *ma-ḡawa                           | *ma-ḡawaØØ | * (ma-)ḡawana |   |
|                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   | <i>maḡawal</i>                   | *ma-ḡawal                          | *ma-ḡawarØ |               | 5 |
| 1. *k <sup>w</sup> > k; fusion nk* > ŋ; ə-epenthesis<br>2. *w > u; *n > r<br>3. *w > u; *n > r; *y > y <sup>y</sup> ; +Y: *a > e<br>4. *n > r; ə-epenthesis; *w > w <sup>w</sup> ; +W: ə > u; *y > Ø <sup>y</sup> ; +Y: *a > e<br>5. *n (> r) > l |                                  |                                    |            |               |   |

## MAROUA

|                                                  |                                                |                     |        |          |   |
|--------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------|---------------------|--------|----------|---|
|                                                  |                                                |                     |        | √ C C Ca |   |
| Giziga-Muturwa                                   | <i>ḡuwun</i> ḡə <sup>w</sup> ʷə <sup>w</sup> n | *ḡw <sup>w</sup> n  | *ḡwnØ  | *ḡwna    | 1 |
|                                                  |                                                |                     |        | √ C CaCa |   |
| Giziga-Marva                                     | <i>ḡuwan</i> ḡə <sup>w</sup> ʷan               | *ḡw <sup>w</sup> an | *ḡwanØ | *ḡwana   | 1 |
|                                                  |                                                |                     |        | √ CaC Ca |   |
| Mbazla                                           | <i>ḡaw</i>                                     | *ḡaw                | *ḡawØØ | *ḡawna   |   |
| 1. ə-epenthesis; *w > w <sup>w</sup> ; +W: ə > u |                                                |                     |        |          |   |

## LAMANG

|                                                                                                                                                            |                                                  |                                   |            |                              |   |
|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------|------------|------------------------------|---|
| Lamang                                                                                                                                                     | <i>ḡuwini</i> ḡə <sup>w</sup> ʷə <sup>y</sup> ny | *ḡw <sup>w</sup> n-y <sup>y</sup> | *ḡwnØ-y    | *ḡwna(-y(-k <sup>w</sup> a)) | 1 |
|                                                                                                                                                            | <i>ḡuwij</i> ḡə <sup>w</sup> ʷə <sup>y</sup> ŋ   | *ḡw <sup>w</sup> ŋ-Ø <sup>y</sup> | *ḡwnØ-y-kØ |                              | 2 |
| Hdi                                                                                                                                                        | <i>ḡəŋ</i>                                       | *ḡŋ                               | *ḡØnØ-kØ   |                              | 3 |
|                                                                                                                                                            | <i>ḡəŋay</i>                                     | *ḡŋa-y                            | *ḡØnØ-y-ka |                              | 4 |
| 1. ə-epenthesis; *w > w <sup>w</sup> ; +W: ə > u; *y > y <sup>y</sup> ; +Y: ə > i; *y > i                                                                  |                                                  |                                   |            |                              |   |
| 2. ə-epenthesis; *k <sup>w</sup> > k; *w > w <sup>w</sup> ; +W: ə > u; *y > y <sup>y</sup> ; +Y: ə > i; fusion *nk > ŋ                                     |                                                  |                                   |            |                              |   |
| 3. ə-epenthesis; *k <sup>w</sup> > k; fusion *nk > ŋ                                                                                                       |                                                  |                                   |            |                              |   |
| 4. ə-epenthesis; *k <sup>w</sup> > k; metathesis yk > ky; fusion *nk > ŋ; note unusual metathesis involving the vowel */a/: *ḡØnØ-y-ka > *ḡŋ-ka-y > *ḡŋa-y |                                                  |                                   |            |                              |   |

## field, farmland

PCC \*(na-, RED-) ḡ<sup>w</sup>(a)v(a)xa (-y, -k<sup>w</sup>; FV)

## BATA

|                                            |                                     |      |       |                     |   |
|--------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------|------|-------|---------------------|---|
| Gude <sup>51</sup>                         | <i>(uuzan)</i> v <sup>w</sup> a vwa | *vwa | *wvØa | *ḡ <sup>w</sup> vxa | 1 |
| 1. *ḡ <sup>w</sup> > w; metathesis wv > vw |                                     |      |       |                     |   |

## HURZA

|                                                                                             |                                                           |                       |                                       |   |
|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------|---------------------------------------|---|
| Mbuko                                                                                       | <i>guvo</i> ḡ <sup>w</sup> ə <sup>w</sup> va <sup>w</sup> | *ḡ <sup>w</sup> vØa   | *ḡ <sup>w</sup> vxa(-k <sup>w</sup> ) | 1 |
| Vame                                                                                        | <i>kuvak</i> k <sup>w</sup> ə <sup>w</sup> vak            | *k <sup>w</sup> vØa-k |                                       | 2 |
| 1. ə-epenthesis; *ḡ <sup>w</sup> > Ø <sup>w</sup> ; +W: ə > u; +W: lexical-final *a > o     |                                                           |                       |                                       |   |
| 2. *ḡ <sup>w</sup> > k <sup>w</sup> ; suffixal *k <sup>w</sup> > k; ə-epenthesis; +W: ə > u |                                                           |                       |                                       |   |

<sup>51</sup> The full Gude expression translates as ‘communal farming’.

## MARGI

|                                                             |                  |        |          |                                       |   |
|-------------------------------------------------------------|------------------|--------|----------|---------------------------------------|---|
| Margi                                                       | <i>fa</i>        | *fa    | *ØvØa    | *g <sup>w</sup> vxa(-k <sup>w</sup> ) | 1 |
| Margi- South                                                | <i>fa</i>        |        |          |                                       | 1 |
| Kilba                                                       | <i>fa</i>        |        |          |                                       | 1 |
| Bura                                                        | <i>faku fakw</i> | *fa-kw | *ØvØa-kw |                                       | 2 |
| 1. *v > f                                                   |                  |        |          |                                       |   |
| 2. *v > f; re-segmentalisation *k <sup>w</sup> > k+w; w > u |                  |        |          |                                       |   |

## MANDARA

|                                                                                                                      |                                                  |                                   |                       |                          |   |
|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------|-----------------------|--------------------------|---|
|                                                                                                                      |                                                  |                                   |                       | √ C C Ca                 |   |
| Mandara                                                                                                              | <i>fe fa<sup>y</sup></i>                         | *fa-Ø <sup>y</sup>                | *ØfØa-y               | *g <sup>w</sup> vxa(-y)  | 1 |
| Malgwa                                                                                                               | <i>fe fa<sup>y</sup></i>                         |                                   |                       |                          | 1 |
|                                                                                                                      | <i>ukfe ə<sup>w</sup>kfa<sup>y</sup></i>         | *k <sup>w</sup> fa-Ø <sup>y</sup> | *k <sup>w</sup> fØa-y |                          | 2 |
| Matal                                                                                                                | <i>g<sup>w</sup>əf g<sup>w</sup>əf</i>           | *g <sup>w</sup> f                 | *g <sup>w</sup> fØØ   |                          | 3 |
|                                                                                                                      | <i>guf g<sup>w</sup>əf</i>                       |                                   |                       |                          | 3 |
| Glavda                                                                                                               | <i>gif gə<sup>y</sup>f</i>                       | *gf-Ø <sup>y</sup>                | *gfØØ-y               |                          | 4 |
|                                                                                                                      | <i>g<sup>w</sup>u g<sup>w</sup>ə<sup>w</sup></i> | *g <sup>w</sup> a                 | *g <sup>w</sup> ØØa   |                          | 5 |
| Podoko                                                                                                               | <i>vəh<sup>w</sup>a vəx<sup>w</sup>a</i>         | *vx <sup>w</sup> a                | *Ø <sup>w</sup> vxa   |                          | 6 |
|                                                                                                                      |                                                  |                                   |                       | √ C CaCa                 |   |
| Glavda                                                                                                               | <i>vaava</i>                                     | *vaava < *vaØa-vaØØ               | *vaxa-Øvaxa           | *RED-g <sup>w</sup> vaxa |   |
| 1. *v > f; *y > Ø <sup>y</sup> ; +Y: lexical-final *a > e                                                            |                                                  |                                   |                       |                          |   |
| 2. *v > f; *g <sup>w</sup> > k <sup>w</sup> ; ə-prothesis; +W: ə > u; *y > Ø <sup>y</sup> ; +Y: lexical-final *a > e |                                                  |                                   |                       |                          |   |
| 3. *v > f; ə-epenthesis; +W: ə > u                                                                                   |                                                  |                                   |                       |                          |   |
| 4. *v > f; ə-epenthesis; *y > Ø <sup>y</sup> ; +Y: ə > i                                                             |                                                  |                                   |                       |                          |   |
| 5. lexical-final *a > ə; +W: ə > u                                                                                   |                                                  |                                   |                       |                          |   |
| 6. ə-epenthesis; *g <sup>w</sup> > Ø <sup>w</sup> ; +W: x > x <sup>w</sup>                                           |                                                  |                                   |                       |                          |   |

## MOFU

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|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------|----------------------|----------------------|----------------------|---|
|                                                                                         |                                                      |                      |                      | √ CaC Ca             |   |
| Ouldeme                                                                                 | <i>avuh<sup>w</sup> avə<sup>w</sup>x<sup>w</sup></i> | *avx <sup>w</sup>    | *Ø <sup>w</sup> avxØ | *g <sup>w</sup> avxa | 1 |
|                                                                                         |                                                      |                      |                      | √ C CaCa             |   |
| Mada                                                                                    | <i>wvah wvax</i>                                     | *wvaxØ               |                      | *g <sup>w</sup> vaxa | 2 |
| Moloko                                                                                  | <i>gəvah gəvax</i>                                   | *gvaxØ               |                      |                      | 3 |
| Zulgo                                                                                   | <i>guvah g<sup>w</sup>ə<sup>w</sup>vax</i>           | *g <sup>w</sup> vaxØ |                      |                      | 4 |
| Gemzek                                                                                  | <i>guvah g<sup>w</sup>ə<sup>w</sup>vax</i>           |                      |                      |                      | 4 |
| Merey                                                                                   | <i>guvah g<sup>w</sup>ə<sup>w</sup>vax</i>           |                      |                      |                      | 4 |
| Dugwor                                                                                  | <i>guva g<sup>w</sup>ə<sup>w</sup>va</i>             | *g <sup>w</sup> vaØØ |                      |                      | 4 |
| 1. *g <sup>w</sup> > Ø <sup>w</sup> ; ə-epenthesis; +W: *x > x <sup>w</sup> ; +W: ə > u |                                                      |                      |                      |                      |   |
| 2. *g <sup>w</sup> > w                                                                  |                                                      |                      |                      |                      |   |
| 3. *g <sup>w</sup> > g; ə-epenthesis                                                    |                                                      |                      |                      |                      |   |
| 4. ə-epenthesis; +W: ə > u                                                              |                                                      |                      |                      |                      |   |

## MAROUA

|                            |                                              |                      |                      |   |
|----------------------------|----------------------------------------------|----------------------|----------------------|---|
| Giziga-Muturwa             | <i>guva</i> g <sup>w</sup> ə <sup>w</sup> va | *g <sup>w</sup> vaØØ | *g <sup>w</sup> vaxa | 1 |
| Giziga-Marva               | <i>guva</i> g <sup>w</sup> ə <sup>w</sup> va |                      |                      | 1 |
| 1. ə-epenthesis; +W: ə > u |                                              |                      |                      |   |



## LAMANG

|                                                                          |                    |        |        |                      |   |
|--------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------|--------|--------|----------------------|---|
| Lamang                                                                   | <i>uvaha</i> wvaxa | *wvaxa |        | *g <sup>w</sup> vaxa | 1 |
| Hdi                                                                      | <i>vwah</i> vwax   | *vwax  | *wvaxØ |                      | 2 |
| 1. *g <sup>w</sup> > w > u<br>2. *g <sup>w</sup> > w; metathesis wv > vw |                    |        |        |                      |   |

## HIGI

|                                                                                                              |                                            |                       |                           |                                             |   |
|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------|-----------------------|---------------------------|---------------------------------------------|---|
| Kamwe-Nkafa                                                                                                  | <i>v<sup>w</sup>ə v<sup>w</sup>ə</i>       | *v <sup>w</sup> a     | *Ø <sup>w</sup> vØa       | *(na-)g <sup>w</sup> vxa(-k <sup>w</sup> a) | 1 |
| Kirya                                                                                                        | <i>nv<sup>w</sup>əkə nv<sup>w</sup>əkə</i> | *n-v <sup>w</sup> -ka | *nØ-Ø <sup>w</sup> vØØ-ka |                                             | 2 |
|                                                                                                              | <i>nvəkə nvəkə</i>                         | *n-v-ka               | *nØ-ØvØØ-ka               |                                             | 3 |
| Psikye                                                                                                       | <i>wuvə w<sup>w</sup>ə<sup>w</sup>və</i>   | *w <sup>w</sup> va    | *w <sup>w</sup> vØa       |                                             | 4 |
| Bana                                                                                                         | <i>vəxə vəxə</i>                           | *vxa                  | *Øvxa                     |                                             | 5 |
| 1. *g <sup>w</sup> > Ø <sup>w</sup> ; lexical-final *a > ə                                                   |                                            |                       |                           |                                             |   |
| 2. *g <sup>w</sup> > Ø <sup>w</sup> ; *k <sup>w</sup> > k; ə-epenthesis; +W: *v > v <sup>w</sup> ; FV *a > ə |                                            |                       |                           |                                             |   |
| 3. *k <sup>w</sup> > k; ə-epenthesis; FV *a > ə                                                              |                                            |                       |                           |                                             |   |
| 4. *g <sup>w</sup> > w <sup>w</sup> ; ə-epenthesis; +W: ə > u, lexical-final a > ə                           |                                            |                       |                           |                                             |   |
| 5. ə-epenthesis; lexical-final *a > ə                                                                        |                                            |                       |                           |                                             |   |

field<sub>2</sub>, cultivated bush, plotPCC \*(RED-) ɣ<sup>w</sup>(a)r(a)ya<sup>52</sup>

## BATA

|                                                                                                                                                                   |                            |                    |         |                       |   |
|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------|--------------------|---------|-----------------------|---|
|                                                                                                                                                                   |                            |                    |         | √ C C Ca              |   |
| Gude                                                                                                                                                              | <i>ra</i>                  | *ra                | *ØrØa   | *ɣ <sup>w</sup> rya   | 1 |
| Sharwa                                                                                                                                                            | <i>rə</i>                  |                    |         |                       |   |
|                                                                                                                                                                   |                            |                    |         | √ CaCaCa              |   |
| Tsuvan                                                                                                                                                            | <i>əle əla<sup>y</sup></i> | *alaØ <sup>y</sup> | *ØalayØ | *ɣ <sup>w</sup> araya | 2 |
| 1. lexical-final *a > ə<br>2. *r > l; *y > Ø <sup>y</sup> ; +Y: lexical-final *a > e; (highly unusual *a > ə in 1 <sup>st</sup> syllable remains unaccounted for) |                            |                    |         |                       |   |

## DABA

|           |            |      |        |                      |   |
|-----------|------------|------|--------|----------------------|---|
|           |            |      |        | √ C C Ca             |   |
| Buwal     | <i>la</i>  | *la  | *ØlØa  | *ɣ <sup>w</sup> rya  | 1 |
| Gavar     | <i>la</i>  |      |        |                      | 1 |
|           |            |      |        | √ C CaCa             |   |
| Mbudum    | <i>lay</i> | *lay | *ØlayØ | *ɣ <sup>w</sup> raya | 1 |
| Daba      | <i>lay</i> |      |        |                      | 1 |
| 1. *r > l |            |      |        |                      |   |

## MAFA

|                                             |                            |                   |        |                      |   |
|---------------------------------------------|----------------------------|-------------------|--------|----------------------|---|
| Cuvok                                       | <i>ley la<sup>y</sup>y</i> | *lay <sup>y</sup> | *ØlayØ | *ɣ <sup>w</sup> raya | 1 |
| 1. *r > l; *y > y <sup>y</sup> ; +Y: *a > e |                            |                   |        |                      |   |

<sup>52</sup> Gravina (2015) keeps the two roots (\*ɣ<sup>w</sup>ir, \*ray) distinct, suggesting that \*ɣ<sup>w</sup>ir could be cognate with \*ray, “though there is insufficient evidence to establish this with confidence”. Here, we do consider both to reflect a common root.

## TERA

|                        |            |      |        |                      |   |
|------------------------|------------|------|--------|----------------------|---|
| Tera                   | <i>gar</i> | *gar | *garØØ | *y <sup>w</sup> arya | 1 |
| 1. *y <sup>w</sup> > g |            |      |        |                      |   |

## SUKUR

|                                      |                                        |                   |                       |                      |   |
|--------------------------------------|----------------------------------------|-------------------|-----------------------|----------------------|---|
| Sukur                                | <i>yər</i>                             | *yr               | *yrØØØ                | *y <sup>w</sup> raya | 1 |
|                                      | <i>yur y<sup>w</sup>ə<sup>w</sup>r</i> | *y <sup>w</sup> r | *y <sup>w</sup> yrØØØ |                      | 2 |
| 1. *y <sup>w</sup> > y; ə-epenthesis |                                        |                   |                       |                      |   |
| 2. ə-epenthesis; +W: ə > u           |                                        |                   |                       |                      |   |

## MOFU

|                                                                                       |                              |                   |        |                      |   |
|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------|-------------------|--------|----------------------|---|
|                                                                                       |                              |                   |        | √ C C Ca             |   |
| Muyang                                                                                | <i>gili gə<sup>y</sup>ly</i> | *gly <sup>y</sup> | *glyØ  | *y <sup>w</sup> rya  | 1 |
|                                                                                       |                              |                   |        | √ C CaCa             |   |
| Mofu North                                                                            | <i>ley la<sup>y</sup>y</i>   | *lay <sup>y</sup> | *ØlayØ | *y <sup>w</sup> raya | 2 |
| Mofu-Gudur                                                                            | <i>ley la<sup>y</sup>y</i>   |                   |        |                      | 2 |
| 1. *y <sup>w</sup> > g; *r > l; ə-epenthesis; *y > y <sup>y</sup> ; +Y: ə > i; *y > i |                              |                   |        |                      |   |
| 2. *r > l; *y > y <sup>y</sup> ; +Y: *a > e                                           |                              |                   |        |                      |   |

## KOTOKO-NORTH

|           |             |        |          |                         |   |
|-----------|-------------|--------|----------|-------------------------|---|
| Afade     | <i>lala</i> | *la-la | *la-ØlØa | *RED-y <sup>w</sup> rya | 1 |
| Mpade     | <i>lala</i> |        |          |                         | 1 |
| 1. *r > l |             |        |          |                         |   |

## MUSGUM

|                                                               |                                        |                   |                     |                     |   |
|---------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------|-------------------|---------------------|---------------------|---|
| Mbara                                                         | <i>wur w<sup>w</sup>ə<sup>w</sup>r</i> | *w <sup>w</sup> r | *w <sup>w</sup> rØØ | *y <sup>w</sup> rya | 1 |
| 1. *y <sup>w</sup> > w <sup>w</sup> ; ə-epenthesis; +W: ə > u |                                        |                   |                     |                     |   |

## GIDAR

|                                                                                                                          |                                                                      |                                   |                     |                     |   |
|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------|---------------------|---------------------|---|
| Gidar                                                                                                                    | <i>guliyo g<sup>w</sup>ə<sup>w</sup>la<sup>y</sup>ya<sup>w</sup></i> | *g <sup>w</sup> ly <sup>y</sup> a | *g <sup>w</sup> lya | *y <sup>w</sup> rya | 1 |
| 1. *y <sup>w</sup> > g <sup>w</sup> ; ə-epenthesis; +W: ə > u; +W: lexical-final *a > o; *y > y <sup>y</sup> ; +Y: ə > i |                                                                      |                                   |                     |                     |   |

## fire

PPC \*(va-, RED-) x(a)k<sup>a</sup>a<sup>53</sup> (-y, -k<sup>w</sup>, -n; FV)

## BATA

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|--------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------|------------------------------------|---|
| Jimi   | <i>gun g<sup>w</sup>wn</i>                                                     | *g <sup>w</sup> -w-n                              | *k <sup>w</sup> -Øk <sup>w</sup> Ø-n  | *(RED-)xk <sup>w</sup> a-(-y)-n(a) | 1 |
| Gude   | <i>gunə g<sup>w</sup>wnə</i>                                                   | *g <sup>w</sup> -w-na                             | *k <sup>w</sup> -Øk <sup>w</sup> Ø-na |                                    | 2 |
| Tsuvan | <i>gulk<sup>w</sup>e g<sup>w</sup>ə<sup>w</sup>lk<sup>w</sup>a<sup>y</sup></i> | *g <sup>w</sup> -lk <sup>w</sup> a-Ø <sup>y</sup> | *RED-Øk <sup>w</sup> a-y-r            |                                    | 3 |
| Sharwa | <i>rug<sup>w</sup>ə rə<sup>w</sup>g<sup>w</sup>ə</i>                           | *r <sub>g</sub> <sup>w</sup> a                    | *Øg <sup>w</sup> a-r                  |                                    | 4 |

1. \*k<sup>w</sup> > w > u (root); \*k<sup>w</sup> > g<sup>w</sup> (RED)

2. \*k<sup>w</sup> > w > u (root); \*k<sup>w</sup> > g<sup>w</sup> (RED); FV \*a > ə

3. \*k<sup>w</sup> > g<sup>w</sup> (RED); \*n > r > l; metathesis k<sup>w</sup>l > lk<sup>w</sup>; ə-epenthesis; +W: ə > u; \*y > Ø<sup>y</sup>; lexical-final \*a > e

4. \*k<sup>w</sup> > g<sup>w</sup>; \*n > r; metathesis g<sup>w</sup>r > rg<sup>w</sup>; ə-epenthesis; +W: ə > u; lexical-final a > ə

<sup>53</sup> This root provides a challenge to the methodological principle (see Wolff 2022) of giving priority to phonological over morphological prosodies. In principle, all occurrences of labialisation prosodies could be attributed to the labialised velar in the simple root reconstructed as \*k<sup>w</sup>. However, the pattern of occurrences and non-occurrences of prosodic effects on the vowel \*/a/ suggests, debatably and in a not fully conclusive way, an additional labialisation force likely stemming from the morphological element reconstructed as \*{-k<sup>w</sup>}.

## DABA

|                                                                                                                      |                                                                        |                                    |                                    |                                    |   |
|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------|------------------------------------|------------------------------------|---|
|                                                                                                                      |                                                                        |                                    |                                    | √ C Ca                             |   |
| Daba                                                                                                                 | <i>kuhu</i> k <sup>w</sup> ə <sup>w</sup> xə <sup>w</sup>              | *k <sup>w</sup> xa                 |                                    | *xk <sup>w</sup> a                 | 1 |
|                                                                                                                      |                                                                        |                                    |                                    | √ CaCa                             |   |
| Buwal                                                                                                                | <i>k<sup>w</sup>ah<sup>w</sup>aw</i> k <sup>w</sup> ax <sup>w</sup> aw | *k <sup>w</sup> axa-w <sup>w</sup> | *xak <sup>w</sup> a-w <sup>w</sup> | *xak <sup>w</sup> a-k <sup>w</sup> | 2 |
| Mbudum                                                                                                               | <i>kahaw</i> kaxaw                                                     | *kaxa-w                            | *xaka-w                            |                                    | 3 |
| Gavar                                                                                                                | <i>k<sup>w</sup>ahu</i> k <sup>w</sup> axw                             | *k <sup>w</sup> ax-w               | *xak <sup>w</sup> Ø-k <sup>w</sup> |                                    | 4 |
| 1. metathesis xk <sup>w</sup> > k <sup>w</sup> x; ə-epenthesis: lexical-final *a > ə; +W: ə > u                      |                                                                        |                                    |                                    |                                    |   |
| 2. metathesis xk <sup>w</sup> > k <sup>w</sup> x; suffixal *k <sup>w</sup> > w <sup>w</sup> ; +W: x > x <sup>w</sup> |                                                                        |                                    |                                    |                                    |   |
| 3. *k <sup>w</sup> > k; metathesis xk > kx; suffixal *k <sup>w</sup> > w                                             |                                                                        |                                    |                                    |                                    |   |
| 4. metathesis xk <sup>w</sup> > k <sup>w</sup> x; suffixal *k <sup>w</sup> > w > u                                   |                                                                        |                                    |                                    |                                    |   |

## MAFA

|                                                                                     |                                                          |                                      |                                                    |                                              |   |
|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------|---|
| Mafa                                                                                | <i>vog<sup>w</sup>a</i> va <sup>w</sup> g <sup>w</sup> a | *va-g <sup>w</sup> a                 | *va-Øg <sup>w</sup> a                              | *va-/RED-xk <sup>w</sup> a(-k <sup>w</sup> ) | 1 |
| Cuvok                                                                               | <i>k<sup>w</sup>ak<sup>w</sup>aw</i>                     | *k <sup>w</sup> a-k <sup>w</sup> a-w | *k <sup>w</sup> a-Øk <sup>w</sup> a-k <sup>w</sup> |                                              | 2 |
| 1. *k <sup>w</sup> > g <sup>w</sup> ; +W: *a > o<br>2. suffixal *k <sup>w</sup> > w |                                                          |                                      |                                                    |                                              |   |

## SUKUR

|                                     |                            |                    |                      |                                   |   |
|-------------------------------------|----------------------------|--------------------|----------------------|-----------------------------------|---|
| Sukur                               | <i>ku</i> k <sup>w</sup> w | *k <sup>w</sup> -w | *Øk <sup>w</sup> Ø-w | *xk <sup>w</sup> a-k <sup>w</sup> | 1 |
| 1. suffixal *k <sup>w</sup> > w > u |                            |                    |                      |                                   |   |

## HURZA

|                                                                                                 |                                                         |                                  |                                   |                                   |   |
|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------|-----------------------------------|-----------------------------------|---|
|                                                                                                 |                                                         |                                  |                                   | √ C Ca                            |   |
| Mbuko                                                                                           | <i>uko</i> ə <sup>w</sup> k <sup>w</sup> a <sup>w</sup> | *k <sup>w</sup> a-Ø <sup>w</sup> | *Øk <sup>w</sup> a-k <sup>w</sup> | *xk <sup>w</sup> a-k <sup>w</sup> | 1 |
|                                                                                                 |                                                         |                                  |                                   | √ CaCa                            |   |
| Vame                                                                                            | <i>ak<sup>w</sup>a</i>                                  | *ak <sup>w</sup> a               | *Øak <sup>w</sup> a               | *xak <sup>w</sup> a               |   |
| 1. suffixal *k <sup>w</sup> > Ø <sup>w</sup> ; ə-prothesis; +W: ə > u; +W: lexical-final *a > o |                                                         |                                  |                                   |                                   |   |

## MARGI

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|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------|--------------------|--------------------|--------------------|---|
| Bura                                                                                | <i>u'u</i> ə <sup>w</sup> ? <sup>w</sup> ə <sup>w</sup>   |                    |                    | *xk <sup>w</sup> a | 1 |
| Margi                                                                               | <i>u'u</i> ə <sup>w</sup> ? <sup>w</sup> ə <sup>w</sup>   | *? <sup>w</sup> a  | *Ø? <sup>w</sup> a |                    | 1 |
| Margi-South                                                                         | <i>u'u</i> ə <sup>w</sup> ? <sup>w</sup> ə <sup>w</sup>   |                    |                    |                    | 1 |
| Kilba                                                                               | <i>hu'u</i> xə <sup>w</sup> ? <sup>w</sup> ə <sup>w</sup> | *x? <sup>w</sup> a |                    |                    | 2 |
| 1. *k <sup>w</sup> > ? <sup>w</sup> ; ə-prothesis; lexical-final *a > ə; +W: ə > u  |                                                           |                    |                    |                    |   |
| 2. *k <sup>w</sup> > ? <sup>w</sup> ; ə-epenthesis; lexical-final *a > ə; +W: ə > u |                                                           |                    |                    |                    |   |

## MOFU

|                                                                 |                                                         |                                   |                       |                                       |        |
|-----------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------|-----------------------|---------------------------------------|--------|
| Ouldeme                                                         | <i>aku</i> akw                                          | *akw                              | *Øak <sup>w</sup> Ø   | *xak <sup>w</sup> a(-k <sup>w</sup> ) | 1      |
| Muyang                                                          | <i>aku</i> akw                                          |                                   |                       |                                       | 1      |
| Zulgo                                                           | <i>ak<sup>w</sup>a</i>                                  | *ak <sup>w</sup> a                | *Øak <sup>w</sup> a   |                                       |        |
| Dugwor                                                          | <i>ak<sup>w</sup>a</i>                                  |                                   |                       |                                       |        |
| Gemzek                                                          | <i>ako</i> ak <sup>w</sup> a <sup>w</sup>               | *ak <sup>w</sup> a-Ø <sup>w</sup> | *Øak <sup>w</sup> a-w |                                       | 2      |
| Merey                                                           | <i>ako</i> ak <sup>w</sup> a <sup>w</sup>               |                                   |                       |                                       | 2      |
| Moloko                                                          | <i>oko</i> a <sup>w</sup> k <sup>w</sup> a <sup>w</sup> |                                   |                       |                                       | 2      |
| Mofu-Gudur                                                      | <i>awaw</i>                                             |                                   |                       |                                       | *awa-w |
| 1. re-segmentalisation *k <sup>w</sup> > k+w; w > u             |                                                         |                                   |                       |                                       |        |
| 2. suffixal *k <sup>w</sup> > (w >) Ø <sup>w</sup> ; +W: *a > o |                                                         |                                   |                       |                                       |        |
| 3. *k <sup>w</sup> > w (root & suffix)                          |                                                         |                                   |                       |                                       |        |

## MAROUA

|                                                                                                    |                                        |                         |                          |                          |   |
|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------|-------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|---|
| Mbazla                                                                                             | <i>awu aw<sup>w</sup>ə<sup>w</sup></i> | <i>*aw<sup>w</sup>a</i> | <i>*Øaw<sup>w</sup>a</i> | <i>*xak<sup>w</sup>a</i> | 1 |
| 1. <i>*k<sup>w</sup> &gt; w<sup>w</sup></i> ; lexical-final <i>*a &gt; ə</i> ; +W: <i>ə &gt; u</i> |                                        |                         |                          |                          |   |

## LAMANG

|                                                                                       |                            |                         |                            |                            |   |
|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------|-------------------------|----------------------------|----------------------------|---|
| Lamang                                                                                | <i>uvu ə<sup>w</sup>vw</i> | <i>*v-w<sup>w</sup></i> | <i>*vØ-Øw<sup>w</sup>Ø</i> | <i>*va-xk<sup>w</sup>a</i> | 1 |
| Hdi                                                                                   | <i>vu vw</i>               | <i>*v-w</i>             | <i>*vØ-ØwØ</i>             |                            | 2 |
| 1. <i>*k<sup>w</sup> &gt; w<sup>w</sup> &gt; u</i> ; ə-prothesis; +W: <i>ə &gt; u</i> |                            |                         |                            |                            |   |
| 2. <i>*k<sup>w</sup> &gt; w &gt; u</i>                                                |                            |                         |                            |                            |   |

## HIGI

|                                                                                    |                                                  |                          |                           |                             |   |
|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------|--------------------------|---------------------------|-----------------------------|---|
| Psikye                                                                             | <i>g<sup>w</sup>u g<sup>w</sup>ə<sup>w</sup></i> | <i>*g<sup>w</sup>a</i>   | <i>*Øg<sup>w</sup>a</i>   | <i>*xk<sup>w</sup>a(-y)</i> | 1 |
| Kirya                                                                              | <i>y<sup>w</sup>u y<sup>w</sup>w</i>             | <i>*y<sup>w</sup>w</i>   | <i>*y<sup>w</sup>wØ</i>   |                             | 2 |
| Bana                                                                               | <i>y<sup>w</sup>ə y<sup>w</sup>wə</i>            | <i>*y<sup>w</sup>wa</i>  | <i>*y<sup>w</sup>wa</i>   |                             | 3 |
| Kamwe-Nkafa                                                                        | <i>y<sup>w</sup>i y<sup>w</sup>wy</i>            | <i>*y<sup>w</sup>w-y</i> | <i>*y<sup>w</sup>wØ-y</i> |                             | 4 |
| Kamwe-Futu                                                                         | <i>y<sup>w</sup>i y<sup>w</sup>wy</i>            |                          |                           |                             | 4 |
| 1. <i>*k<sup>w</sup> &gt; g<sup>w</sup>; lexical-final *a &gt; ə; +W: ə &gt; u</i> |                                                  |                          |                           |                             |   |
| 2. <i>*x &gt; y; *k<sup>w</sup> &gt; w &gt; u</i>                                  |                                                  |                          |                           |                             |   |
| 3. <i>*x &gt; y; *k<sup>w</sup> &gt; w; lexical-final *a &gt; ə</i>                |                                                  |                          |                           |                             |   |
| 4. <i>*x &gt; y; *k<sup>w</sup> &gt; w; *y &gt; i</i>                              |                                                  |                          |                           |                             |   |

## KOTOKO-ISLAND

|                                                   |            |            |              |                          |   |
|---------------------------------------------------|------------|------------|--------------|--------------------------|---|
| Buduma                                            | <i>aw</i>  | <i>*aw</i> | <i>*ØawØ</i> | <i>*xak<sup>w</sup>a</i> | 1 |
|                                                   | <i>aəw</i> |            |              |                          | 2 |
| 1. <i>*k<sup>w</sup> &gt; w</i>                   |            |            |              |                          |   |
| 2. <i>*k<sup>w</sup> &gt; w</i> ; ə-epenthesis(?) |            |            |              |                          |   |

## KOTOKO-NORTH

|        |                           |                          |               |                             |   |
|--------|---------------------------|--------------------------|---------------|-----------------------------|---|
| Malgbe | <i>u w</i>                | <i>*w</i>                | <i>*ØwØ</i>   | <i>*xk<sup>w</sup>a(-y)</i> | 1 |
| Afade  | <i>hiw xə<sup>w</sup></i> | <i>*xw-Ø<sup>y</sup></i> | <i>*xwØ-y</i> |                             | 2 |
| Maltam | <i>yau yaw</i>            | <i>*yaw</i>              | <i>*Øwa-y</i> |                             | 3 |

1. *\*k<sup>w</sup> > w > u*

2. *\*k<sup>w</sup> > w*; ə-epenthesis; *\*y > Ø<sup>y</sup>*; +Y: ə > i

3. *\*k<sup>w</sup> > w*; metathesis *wy > yw*

## KOTOKO-CENTRAL

|                                                                                                    |                            |                         |                          |                          |   |
|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------|-------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|---|
| Mser                                                                                               | <i>awu awə<sup>w</sup></i> | <i>*aw<sup>w</sup>a</i> | <i>*Øaw<sup>w</sup>a</i> | <i>*xak<sup>w</sup>a</i> | 1 |
| 1. <i>*k<sup>w</sup> &gt; w<sup>w</sup></i> ; lexical-final <i>*a &gt; ə</i> ; +W: <i>ə &gt; u</i> |                            |                         |                          |                          |   |

## KOTOKO-SOUTH

|                                                                                                                                                     |                                        |                                       |                            |                                        |   |
|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------|---------------------------------------|----------------------------|----------------------------------------|---|
| Mazera                                                                                                                                              | <i>ago ag<sup>w</sup>a<sup>w</sup></i> | <i>*ag<sup>w</sup>a-Ø<sup>w</sup></i> | <i>*Øag<sup>w</sup>a-w</i> | <i>*xak<sup>w</sup>a-k<sup>w</sup></i> | 1 |
| 1. radical <i>*k<sup>w</sup> &gt; g<sup>w</sup></i> ; suffixal <i>*k<sup>w</sup> &gt; w &gt; Ø<sup>w</sup></i> ; +W: lexical-final <i>*a &gt; o</i> |                                        |                                       |                            |                                        |   |

## MUSGUM

|                                                                                 |                           |                        |                         |                          |   |
|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------|------------------------|-------------------------|--------------------------|---|
|                                                                                 |                           |                        | <i>√ C Ca</i>           |                          |   |
| Mbara                                                                           | <i>huu xə<sup>w</sup></i> | <i>*xw<sup>w</sup></i> | <i>*xw<sup>w</sup>Ø</i> | <i>*xk<sup>w</sup>a</i>  | 1 |
|                                                                                 |                           |                        | <i>√ CaCa</i>           |                          |   |
| Muskum                                                                          | <i>aku akw</i>            | <i>*akw</i>            | <i>*ØakwØ</i>           | <i>*xak<sup>w</sup>a</i> | 2 |
| 1. <i>*k<sup>w</sup> &gt; w<sup>w</sup></i> ; ə-epenthesis; +W: <i>ə &gt; u</i> |                           |                        |                         |                          |   |
| 2. re-segmentalisation <i>*k<sup>w</sup> &gt; k+w</i> ; <i>w &gt; u</i>         |                           |                        |                         |                          |   |

## fish

PCC \*(ma-) **k<sup>w</sup>(a)r(a)f(a)ya**<sup>54</sup> (-y, -n; FV)

BATA

|                    |                                                                             |                                                    |                                                    |                                                                 |   |
|--------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------|---|
| Sharwa             | <i>kuryəfi</i> k <sup>w</sup> ə <sup>w</sup> r <sup>y</sup> əf <sup>y</sup> | *k <sup>w</sup> r <sup>y</sup> f <sup>y</sup>      | *k <sup>w</sup> r <sup>y</sup> f <sup>y</sup> Ø    | *(ma-)k <sup>w</sup> r <sup>y</sup> f <sup>y</sup> a(-ya/-n(a)) | 1 |
| Bata <sup>11</sup> | <i>qərɣɣee</i> k <sup>w</sup> ərɣɣa <sup>y</sup> ə <sup>y</sup>             | *k <sup>w</sup> r <sup>y</sup> f <sup>y</sup> a-Øa | *k <sup>w</sup> r <sup>y</sup> f <sup>y</sup> a-ya |                                                                 | 2 |
| Gude               | <i>hərəfinə</i> xərəf <sup>y</sup> ənə                                      | *x <sup>r</sup> f <sup>y</sup> -na                 | *x <sup>r</sup> f <sup>y</sup> Ø-na                |                                                                 | 3 |
| Jimi               | <i>hərɣəfən</i> xər <sup>y</sup> əfən                                       | *x <sup>r</sup> f <sup>y</sup> Ø <sup>y</sup> -n   | *x <sup>r</sup> f <sup>y</sup> Ø <sup>y</sup> -n   |                                                                 | 4 |
| Tsuwan             | <i>wulfin</i> w <sup>w</sup> ə <sup>w</sup> l <sup>f</sup> yn               | *w <sup>w</sup> l <sup>f</sup> y <sup>n</sup> -n   | *w <sup>w</sup> l <sup>f</sup> y <sup>n</sup> Ø-n  |                                                                 | 5 |

1. ə-epenthesis; +W: ə > u; \*y > y<sup>y</sup>; +Y: \*r > r<sup>y</sup>; \*y > i2. ə-epenthesis; \*k<sup>w</sup> = q; \*y > y<sup>y</sup>; +Y: \*a > e3. \*k<sup>w</sup> > x; ə-epenthesis; \*y > i; FV \*a > ə4. \*k<sup>w</sup> > x; ə-epenthesis; \*y > Ø<sup>y</sup>; +Y: \*r > r<sup>y</sup>5. \*k<sup>w</sup> > w<sup>w</sup>; \*r > l; \*y > i; +W: ə > u

DABA

|               |                       |           |            |              |   |
|---------------|-----------------------|-----------|------------|--------------|---|
|               |                       |           |            | √ C C C Ca   |   |
| Gavar         | <i>ηkilif</i> ηkəʔlyf | *η-klyʔf  | *mØ-klfyØ  | *(ma-)kʷrfya | 1 |
| Mbudum        | <i>kəl:if</i> kəl:yf  | *klyf     | *klfyØ     |              | 2 |
| Daba          | <i>kilif</i> kəʔlyf   | *klyʔf    |            |              | 3 |
| Mazagway Hidi | <i>kilif</i> kəʔlyf   |           |            |              | 3 |
|               |                       |           |            | √ C CaC Ca   |   |
| Buwal         | <i>ηkələf</i> ηkələʔf | *η-klafØʔ | *mØ-klafyØ | *ma-kʷrafya  | 4 |

- √ C C Ca C Ca
1. \*k<sup>w</sup> > k; \*r > l; metathesis f<sup>y</sup> > y<sup>f</sup>; ə-epenthesis; \*y > y<sup>y</sup>; +Y: ə > i; \*y > i; homorganic assimilation \*m > η/\_\_\_k
2. \*k<sup>w</sup> > k; \*r > l; metathesis f<sup>y</sup> > y<sup>f</sup>; ə-epenthesis; \*y > i; (consonant length unaccounted for)
3. \*k<sup>w</sup> > k; \*r > l; metathesis f<sup>y</sup> > y<sup>f</sup>; ə-epenthesis; \*y > y<sup>y</sup>; +Y: ə > i; \*y > i
4. \*k<sup>w</sup> > k; \*r > l; ə-epenthesis; \*y > y<sup>y</sup>; +Y: \*a > e; homorganic assimilation \*m > η/\_\_\_k

MAFA

|       |                                               |                    |                      |                                   |   |
|-------|-----------------------------------------------|--------------------|----------------------|-----------------------------------|---|
| Mafa  | <i>kilef</i> kə <sup>y</sup> l <sup>a</sup> f | *klaf <sup>y</sup> | *klaf <sup>y</sup> Ø | *k <sup>w</sup> r <sup>f</sup> ya | 1 |
| Cuvok | <i>kəlef</i> kə <sup>a</sup> l <sup>a</sup> f |                    |                      |                                   | 2 |

1. \*k<sup>w</sup> > k; \*r > l; ə-epenthesis; \*y > Ø<sup>y</sup>; +Y: ə > i; +Y: \*a > e2. \*k<sup>w</sup> > k; \*r > l; ə-epenthesis; \*y > Ø<sup>y</sup>; +Y: \*a > e

TERA

|      |                                 |                                  |                                   |                                   |   |
|------|---------------------------------|----------------------------------|-----------------------------------|-----------------------------------|---|
| Tera | <i>yurvu</i> ywrvə <sup>w</sup> | *y <sup>w</sup> r <sup>v</sup> a | *w <sup>w</sup> r <sup>v</sup> ya | *k <sup>w</sup> r <sup>f</sup> ya | 1 |
|------|---------------------------------|----------------------------------|-----------------------------------|-----------------------------------|---|

1. \*k<sup>w</sup> > w<sup>w</sup> > u; \*f > v; multiple metathesis wrv<sup>y</sup> > ywrv; lexical-final \*a > ə; W: ə > u

<sup>54</sup> This is another case (cf. ‘fly’) where alternative analyses are plausible and feasible, namely whether to reconstruct \*/y/ as the final radical consonant of the simple root or as the rather common petrified suffixal augment {-y}. Again, we have here opted for the radical consonant solution. However, the analysis could be easily changed to the alternative solution – although this would present a problem with the analysis of the Bata form (see footnote 55).

<sup>55</sup> This is a rare example in which we are compelled to assume final radical \*/y/ to be followed by the petrified marker \*{-y} in order to put forward a diachronic analysis for surface vowel length. Presently, however, we cannot exclude alternative explanations for vowel length from synchronic Bata phonology.

## SUKUR

|                                                                          |                     |        |        |         |   |
|--------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------|--------|--------|---------|---|
| Sukur                                                                    | <i>kirif</i> kə'ryf | *kryʷf | *krfyØ | *kʷrfya | 1 |
| 1. *kʷ > k; metathesis fy > yf; ə-epenthesis; *y > yʷ; +Y: ə > i; *y > i |                     |        |        |         |   |

## HURZA

|                                                       |                     |         |         |          |   |
|-------------------------------------------------------|---------------------|---------|---------|----------|---|
| Mbuko                                                 | <i>kələf</i> kəlaʷf | *klaʃØʷ | *klaʃyØ | *kʷrafya | 1 |
| 1. *kʷ > k; *r > l; ə-epenthesis; *y > Øʷ; +Y: *a > e |                     |         |         |          |   |

## MARGI

|                                                                              |                    |         |        |                       |   |
|------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------|---------|--------|-----------------------|---|
|                                                                              |                    |         |        | √ C C C Ca            |   |
| Bura                                                                         | <i>kilfa</i> kylfa | *kylfa  | *klfya | *k <sup>w</sup> rfya  | 1 |
| Margi                                                                        | <i>kyifi</i> kʷəʃy | *kfyʷ   | *kØfyØ |                       | 2 |
|                                                                              |                    |         |        | √ CaC C Ca            |   |
| Margi-South                                                                  | <i>kalfi</i> kalfy | *kalfyØ |        | *k <sup>w</sup> arfya | 3 |
| Kilba                                                                        | <i>kalfi</i> kalfy |         |        |                       | 3 |
| 1. *k <sup>w</sup> > k; *r > l; multiple metathesis lfy > ylf; *y > i        |                    |         |        |                       |   |
| 2. *k <sup>w</sup> > k; ə-epenthesis; *y > yʷ; +Y: k > kʷ; +Y: ə > i; *y > i |                    |         |        |                       |   |
| 3. *k <sup>w</sup> > k; *r > l; *y > i                                       |                    |         |        |                       |   |

## MANDARA

|                                                                                             |                        |          |         |            |   |
|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------|----------|---------|------------|---|
|                                                                                             |                        |          |         | √ C C C Ca |   |
| Matal                                                                                       | <i>kilfi</i> kəʃly     | *klfyʷ   | *klfyØ  | *kʷrfya    | 1 |
|                                                                                             | <i>kilfəy</i> kəʃləy   |          |         |            | 2 |
| Glavda                                                                                      | <i>kil</i> kəʃl        | *klØʷ    | *klØyØ  |            | 3 |
|                                                                                             | <i>kiilfa</i> kəʃylfa  | *kyʷlfa  | *klfya  |            | 4 |
| Dghwede                                                                                     | <i>klfe</i> klfaʷ      | *klfØʷa  |         |            | 5 |
| Podoko                                                                                      | <i>kiləfe</i> kəʃləfaʷ |          |         |            | 6 |
| Malgwa                                                                                      | <i>kəʃfe</i> kəʃfaʷ    |          |         |            | 5 |
|                                                                                             |                        |          |         | √ CaC C Ca |   |
| Mandara                                                                                     | <i>kelfe</i> kaʃlfaʷ   | *kalfØʷa | *kalfya | *kʷarfya   | 5 |
| 1. *kʷ > k; *r > l; ə-epenthesis; *y > yʷ; +Y: ə > i; *y > i                                |                        |          |         |            |   |
| 2. *kʷ > k; *r > l; ə-epenthesis; *y > yʷ; +Y: ə > i                                        |                        |          |         |            |   |
| 3. *kʷ > k; *r > l; ə-epenthesis; *y > Øʷ; +Y: ə > i                                        |                        |          |         |            |   |
| 4. *kʷ > k; *r > l; multiple metathesis lfy > ylf; ə-epenthesis; *y > yʷ; +Y: ə > i; *y > i |                        |          |         |            |   |
| 5. *kʷ > k; *r > l; *y > Øʷ; +Y: *a > e                                                     |                        |          |         |            |   |
| 6. *kʷ > k; *r > l; ə-epenthesis; *y > Øʷ; +Y: ə > i; +Y: *a > e                            |                        |          |         |            |   |

## MOFU

|                                                                                  |              |         |         |            |   |
|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------|---------|---------|------------|---|
|                                                                                  |              |         |         | √ C C C Ca |   |
| Ouldeme                                                                          | kəlif kəlyf  | *klyf   | *klfyØ  | *kʷrfya    | 1 |
| Zulgo                                                                            | kilif kəlyf  | *klyʷf  |         |            | 2 |
|                                                                                  |              |         |         | √ C CaC Ca |   |
| Moloko                                                                           | kələf kəlaʷf | *klaʃØʷ | *klaʃyØ | *kʷrafya   | 3 |
| Gemzek                                                                           | kələf kəlaʷf |         |         |            | 3 |
| Merey                                                                            | kələf kəlaʷf |         |         |            | 3 |
| Dugwor                                                                           | kələf kəlaʷf |         |         |            | 3 |
| Mofu North                                                                       | kələf kəlaʷf |         |         |            | 3 |
| 1. *kʷ > k; *r > l; metathesis fy > yf; ə-epenthesis; *y > i                     |              |         |         |            |   |
| 2. *kʷ > k; *r > l; metathesis fy > yf; ə-epenthesis; *y > yʷ; +Y: ə > i; *y > i |              |         |         |            |   |
| 3. *kʷ > k; *r > l; ə-epenthesis; *y > Øʷ; +Y: a > e                             |              |         |         |            |   |

## MAROUA

|                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  |                      |         |         |            |   |
|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------|---------|---------|------------|---|
|                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  |                      |         |         | √ C C C Ca |   |
| Giziga-Muturwa                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   | <i>kilif</i> kəʔlyf  | *klyʔf  | *klfyØ  | *kʷrfya    | 1 |
| Mbazla                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           | <i>kilif</i> kəʔlyf  |         |         |            | 1 |
|                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  | <i>kiliv</i> kəʔlyv  | *klyʔv  | *klvyØ  |            | 2 |
|                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  |                      |         |         | √ C CaC Ca |   |
| Giziga-Marva                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     | <i>kilef</i> kəʔlaʔf | *klafØʔ | *klafyØ | *kʷrafya   | 3 |
| 1. *kʷ > k; *r > l; metathesis fy > yf; ə-epenthesis; *y > yʔ; +Y: ə > i; *y > i<br>2. *kʷ > k; *r > l; *f > v; metathesis fy > yf; ə-epenthesis; *y > yʔ; +Y: ə > i; *y > i<br>3. *kʷ > k; *r > l; ə-epenthesis; *y > Øʔ; +Y: ə > i; +Y: *a > e |                      |         |         |            |   |

## LAMANG

|                                                                      |                       |        |        |         |   |
|----------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------|--------|--------|---------|---|
| Lamang                                                               | <i>kəlpɪ</i> kəlpɪ    | *klpy  | *klpyØ | *kʷrfya | 1 |
| Hdi                                                                  | <i>kəlipi</i> kələʔpy | *klpyʔ |        |         | 2 |
| 1. *kʷ > k; *r > l; *f > p; ə-epenthesis; *y > i                     |                       |        |        |         |   |
| 2. *kʷ > k; *r > l; *f > p; ə-epenthesis; *y > yʔ; +Y: ə > i; *y > i |                       |        |        |         |   |

## H1GI

|                                                                                            |                        |          |         |            |   |
|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------|----------|---------|------------|---|
|                                                                                            |                        |          |         | √ C C C Ca |   |
| Kamwe-Futu                                                                                 | <i>kələpə</i>          | *klpØa   | *klpya  | *kʷrfya    | 1 |
| Psikye                                                                                     | <i>kələpə</i>          |          |         |            | 1 |
| Bana                                                                                       | <i>k(ə)lipə</i> kəlypə | *klypa   | *krpya  |            | 2 |
|                                                                                            | <i>kərpi</i> kərpɪ     | *krpyØ   |         |            | 3 |
| Kirya                                                                                      | <i>kəʔipə</i> kəʔypə   | *krypa   |         |            | 4 |
|                                                                                            |                        |          |         | √ C CaC Ca |   |
|                                                                                            | <i>kərepə</i> kəraʷpə  | *krapØʷa | *krapya | *kʷrafya   | 5 |
| 1. *kʷ > k; *r > l; *f > p; ə-epenthesis; lexical-final *a > ə                             |                        |          |         |            |   |
| 2. *kʷ > k; *r > l; *f > p; metathesis fy > yf; *y > i; ə-epenthesis; lexical-final *a > ə |                        |          |         |            |   |
| 3. *kʷ > k; *f > p; ə-epenthesis; *y > i                                                   |                        |          |         |            |   |
| 4. *kʷ > k; *r > ʔ; *f > p; metathesis py > yp; *y > i; ə-epenthesis; lexical-final *a > ə |                        |          |         |            |   |
| 5. *kʷ > k; *f > p; ə-epenthesis; *y > Øʷ; +Y: *a > ə; lexical-final *a > ə                |                        |          |         |            |   |

## KOTOKO-SOUTH

|                                                        |                     |        |        |         |   |
|--------------------------------------------------------|---------------------|--------|--------|---------|---|
| Zina                                                   | <i>həlfə</i>        | *xlfa  | *xlffə | *kʷrfya | 1 |
| Mazera                                                 | <i>kilfa</i> kəʔlfa | *klffə | *klfya |         | 2 |
| 1. *kʷ > x; *r > l; ə-epenthesis; lexical-final *a > ə |                     |        |        |         |   |
| 2. *kʷ > k; *r > l; ə-epenthesis; *y > Øʔ; +Y: ə > i   |                     |        |        |         |   |

## MUSGUM

|                                                                                        |                     |        |        |         |   |
|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------|--------|--------|---------|---|
| Vulum                                                                                  | <i>hilif</i> xəʔlyf | *xlyʔf | *xlfyØ | *kʷrfya | 1 |
| 1. *kʷ (> k) > x; *r > l; metathesis fy > yf; *y > i; ə-epenthesis; *y > yʔ; +Y: ə > i |                     |        |        |         |   |

## GIDAR

|                                                              |                     |        |        |         |   |
|--------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------|--------|--------|---------|---|
| Gidar                                                        | <i>kilfi</i> kəʔlfi | *klfiʔ | *klfiØ | *kʷrfya | 1 |
| 1. *kʷ > k; *r > l; ə-epenthesis; *y > yʔ; +Y: ə > i; *y > i |                     |        |        |         |   |

five<sub>1</sub>Areal root \*(ma-) x<sup>w</sup> t(a)fa (-y, -k<sup>w</sup>; FV)

BATA

|                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   |                                        |                       |          | √ C C Ca                               |   |
|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------|-----------------------|----------|----------------------------------------|---|
| Bata                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              | tuf twf                                | *twf                  | *wtfØ    | *x <sup>w</sup> tfa(-k <sup>w</sup> a) | 1 |
| Gude                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              | tufə twfə                              | *twfa                 | *wtfa    |                                        | 2 |
| Sharwa                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            | təf(kə) təf(ka)                        | *tf-ka                | *ØtfØ-ka |                                        | 3 |
|                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   |                                        |                       |          | √ CaC Ca                               |   |
| Jimi                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              | tef <sup>h</sup> ə ta <sup>h</sup> fwə | *tafwa-Ø <sup>y</sup> | *watfa-y | *x <sup>w</sup> atfa-y                 | 4 |
| 1. *x <sup>w</sup> > w; metathesis wt > tw; *w > u<br>2. *x <sup>w</sup> > w; metathesis wt > tw; *w > u; lexical-final *a > ə<br>3. *k <sup>w</sup> > k; ə-epenthesis; FV *a > ə<br>4. *x <sup>w</sup> > w; multiple metathesis wtf > tfw; *y > Ø <sup>y</sup> ; +Y: a > e; lexical-final *a > ə |                                        |                       |          |                                        |   |

MARGI

|                                                                                                                                          |                           |                     |                         |                          |   |
|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------|---------------------|-------------------------|--------------------------|---|
| Kilba                                                                                                                                    | təfu təfw                 | *tfw                | *wtfØ                   | *(ma-)x <sup>w</sup> tfa | 1 |
| Margi-South                                                                                                                              | təffu təfw                |                     |                         |                          | 2 |
| Bura                                                                                                                                     | ntufu ntə <sup>w</sup> fw | *n-tfw <sup>w</sup> | *mØ-w <sup>w</sup> tffØ |                          | 3 |
| 1. *x <sup>w</sup> > w; multiple metathesis wtf > tfw; ə-epenthesis; *w > u                                                              |                           |                     |                         |                          |   |
| 2. *x <sup>w</sup> > w; multiple metathesis wtf > tfw; ə-epenthesis; *w > u; (consonant length unaccounted for)                          |                           |                     |                         |                          |   |
| 3. *x <sup>w</sup> > w <sup>w</sup> ; multiple metathesis wtf > tfw; ə-epenthesis; +W : ə > u; *w > u; homorganic assimilation *m > n/ t |                           |                     |                         |                          |   |

LAMANG

|                            |                                           |                      |                      |   |
|----------------------------|-------------------------------------------|----------------------|----------------------|---|
| Lamang                     | <i>h<sup>w</sup>tafa</i>                  | *x <sup>w</sup> tafa | *x <sup>w</sup> tafa | 1 |
| Hdi                        | <i>huta<sup>f</sup> xə<sup>w</sup>taf</i> | *x <sup>w</sup> tafØ |                      |   |
| 1. ə-epenthesis: +W: ə > u |                                           |                      |                      |   |

HIGI

|                                                                                                                                  |                                                  |                          |              | √ C C Ca                   |   |
|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------|--------------------------|--------------|----------------------------|---|
| Bana                                                                                                                             | <i>tʃifə</i> ts <sup>y</sup> ə <sup>y</sup> fa   | *tsfa-Ø <sup>y</sup>     | *Øtsfa-y     | *(ma-)x <sup>w</sup> tfa-y | 1 |
| Kirya                                                                                                                            | <i>ntʃifə</i> ts <sup>y</sup> ə <sup>y</sup> fa  | *n-tsfa-Ø <sup>y</sup>   | *mØ-Øtsfa-y  |                            | 2 |
| Kamwe-Nkafa                                                                                                                      | <i>ntʃufə</i> nts <sup>y</sup> wfa               | *n-tswfa-Ø <sup>y</sup>  | *mØ-wtsfa-y  |                            | 3 |
|                                                                                                                                  |                                                  |                          |              | √ C CaCa                   |   |
| Kamwe-Futu                                                                                                                       | <i>mtʃwafə</i> mts <sup>y</sup> wafa             | *m-tswafa-Ø <sup>y</sup> | *mØ-wtsafa-y | *ma-x <sup>w</sup> tafa-y  | 4 |
| Psikye                                                                                                                           | <i>mtʃefə</i> mts <sup>y</sup> a <sup>y</sup> fa | *m-Øtsafa-Ø <sup>y</sup> |              |                            | 5 |
| 1. *t > ts; ə-epenthesis; *y > Ø <sup>y</sup> ; +Y: ə > i; +Y: ts > tʃ; lexical-final *a > ə                                     |                                                  |                          |              |                            |   |
| 2. *t > ts; homorganic assimilation *m > n/_ts; *y > Ø <sup>y</sup> ; +Y: ts > tʃ; +Y: ə > i; lexical-final *a > ə               |                                                  |                          |              |                            |   |
| 3. *t > ts; *x <sup>w</sup> > w > u; homorganic assimilation *m > n/_ts; *y > Ø <sup>y</sup> ; +Y: ts > tʃ; lexical-final *a > ə |                                                  |                          |              |                            |   |
| 4. *t > ts; *x <sup>w</sup> > w; metathesis wts > tsw; *y > Ø <sup>y</sup> ; +Y: ts > tʃ; lexical-final *a > ə                   |                                                  |                          |              |                            |   |
| 5. *t > ts; *y > Ø <sup>y</sup> ; +Y: ts > tʃ; +Y: *a > e; lexical-final *a > ə                                                  |                                                  |                          |              |                            |   |



five<sub>2</sub>PCC \*(ma-, sa-) **l(a)d(a)ma** (-s, -y, -k<sup>w</sup>)

MAFA

|       |            |      |       |        |   |
|-------|------------|------|-------|--------|---|
| Mafa  | <i>ɟam</i> | *ɟam | *ɟomØ | *ldama | 1 |
| Cuvok | <i>ɟam</i> |      |       |        | 1 |

1. \*l &gt; ɟ

SUKUR

|       |            |      |       |        |   |
|-------|------------|------|-------|--------|---|
| Sukur | <i>ɟam</i> | *ɟam | *ɟomØ | *ldama | 1 |
|-------|------------|------|-------|--------|---|

1. \*l &gt; ɟ

MANDARA

|         |                         |             |             |               |   |
|---------|-------------------------|-------------|-------------|---------------|---|
|         |                         |             |             | √ C C Ca      |   |
| Glavda  | <i>ɟʷba</i>             | *Ø-ɟʷba     | *mØ-ɟdɪma   | *(ma-)ldɪma-y | 1 |
| Dghwede | <i>ɟip'e ɟʷbaʷ</i>      | *Ø-ɟʷba-Øʷ  | *mØ-ɟdɪma-y |               | 2 |
| Malgwa  | <i>iidhlabe ə'yɟaba</i> | *Ø-yʷɟba-Øʷ | *mØ-ɟɪma-y  |               | 3 |
| Matal   | <i>əɟu əɟw</i>          | *ɟw         | *ɟwØ        |               | 4 |
|         | <i>əɟəw</i>             |             |             |               | 5 |
|         |                         |             |             | √ CaC Ca      |   |
| Podoko  | <i>ɟama</i>             | *ɟaØma      |             | *ladɪma(-y)   | 6 |
| Mandara | <i>iɟebe yɟaʷbaʷ</i>    | *yʷɟaba     | *ɟaʷba-y    |               | 7 |

1. \*l &gt; ɟ; \*d' &gt; ʔ; dissimilation \*m &gt; b; fusion bʔ &gt; ɟ

2. \*l &gt; ɟ; \*d' &gt; ʔ; dissimilation \*m &gt; b; fusion bʔ &gt; ɟ; ə-epenthesis; \*y &gt; Øʷ; +Y: ə &gt; i; +Y: lexical-final \*a &gt; e

3. \*l &gt; ɟ; \*d' &gt; y; dissimilation \*m &gt; b; ə-prothesis; ə-epenthesis; metathesis ɟy &gt; yɟ; \*y &gt; yʷ; +Y: ə &gt; i; +Y: lexical-final \*a &gt; e; \*y &gt; i

4. \*l &gt; ɟ; \*m &gt; w; ə-prothesis

5. \*l &gt; ɟ; \*m &gt; w; ə-prothesis; ə-epenthesis

6. \*l &gt; ɟ

7. \*l &gt; ɟ; \*d' &gt; ʔ; dissimilation \*m &gt; b; fusion bʔ &gt; ɟ; multiple metathesis ɟby &gt; yɟb; \*y &gt; yʷ; +Y: \*a &gt; e; \*y &gt; i

MOFU

|            |               |            |                       |                                     |   |
|------------|---------------|------------|-----------------------|-------------------------------------|---|
|            |               |            |                       | √ C C Ca                            |   |
| Gemzek     | <i>ɟəm</i>    | *ɟm        | *ɟomØ                 | *ldɪma                              | 1 |
| Zulgo      | <i>əɟəm</i>   |            |                       |                                     | 2 |
|            |               |            |                       | √ CaC Ca                            |   |
| Ouldeme    | <i>ɟam</i>    | *ɟam       | *ɟaØmØ                | *((ma-)sa-)ladɪma(-k <sup>w</sup> ) | 3 |
| Muyang     | <i>ɟam</i>    |            |                       |                                     | 3 |
| Merey      | <i>ɟam</i>    |            |                       |                                     | 3 |
| Dugwor     | <i>ɟam</i>    |            |                       |                                     | 3 |
| Mofu North | <i>ɟam</i>    |            |                       |                                     | 3 |
| Mofu-Gudur | <i>ɟam</i>    |            |                       |                                     | 3 |
| Moloko     | <i>ɟom</i>    | *ɟam-Øʷ    | *ɟaØmØ-k <sup>w</sup> |                                     | 4 |
| Mada       | <i>zɟam</i>   | *z-ɟam     | *sØ-ɟaØmØ             |                                     | 5 |
|            | <i>azɟama</i> | *Øa-z-ɟama | *ma-sØ-ɟaØma          |                                     | 5 |

1. \*l &gt; ɟ; ə-epenthesis

2. \*l > ʒ; ə-prothesis; ə-epenthesis
3. \*l > ʒ
4. \*l > ʒ; \*k<sup>w</sup> > Ø<sup>w</sup>; +W: \*a > o
5. \*l > ʒ; \*s > z

## MAROUA

|                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   |                                            |                                      |                                       |                                        |   |
|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------|---------------------------------------|----------------------------------------|---|
|                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   |                                            |                                      |                                       | √ C C Ca                               |   |
| Giziga-Muturwa                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    | ʒum ʒa <sup>w</sup> m                      | *ʒm-Ø <sup>w</sup>                   | *ʒØmØ-k <sup>w</sup>                  | *lɖma-k <sup>w</sup>                   | 1 |
|                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   |                                            |                                      |                                       | √ C CaCa                               |   |
| Giziga-Marva                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      | ʒom ʒa <sup>w</sup> m                      | *ʒam-Ø <sup>w</sup>                  | *ʒØamØ-k <sup>w</sup>                 |                                        | 2 |
| Mbazla                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            | ʒi <sup>n</sup> dam<br>ʒa <sup>n</sup> dam | *Ø <sup>n</sup> -ʒdam-Ø <sup>y</sup> | *m <sup>n</sup> Ø-ʒdam-Ø <sup>y</sup> | * (ma-)<br>ldama(-y)(-k <sup>w</sup> ) | 3 |
|                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   | lidamu'<br>la <sup>y</sup> damw?           | *ldam-Ø <sup>y</sup> -ʔw             | *ldamØ-y-k <sup>w</sup>               |                                        | 4 |
| <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. *l &gt; ʒ; *k<sup>w</sup> &gt; Ø<sup>w</sup>; +W: *a &gt; u</li> <li>2. *l &gt; ʒ; *k<sup>w</sup> &gt; Ø<sup>w</sup>; +W: *a &gt; o</li> <li>3. *l &gt; ʒ; *d' &gt; d; *m &gt; Ø<sup>n</sup>; +N: d &gt; <sup>n</sup>d; ə-epenthesis; *y &gt; Ø<sup>y</sup>; +Y: ə &gt; i</li> <li>4. *l &gt; l; *d' &gt; d; re-segmentalisation *k<sup>w</sup> &gt; ʔ+w; metathesis ʔw &gt; wʔ; w &gt; u; ə-epenthesis; *y &gt; Ø<sup>y</sup>; +Y: ə &gt; i</li> </ol> |                                            |                                      |                                       |                                        |   |

## KOTOKO-ISLAND

|                                                                                                                                                                                                                         |                                       |                      |           |                         |   |
|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------|----------------------|-----------|-------------------------|---|
| Buduma                                                                                                                                                                                                                  | xi <sup>n</sup> gi xə <sup>n</sup> gy | *xŋ-g-y <sup>y</sup> | *xØmØ-y-k | *ldama-y-k <sup>w</sup> | 1 |
| <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. *l &gt; x; *k<sup>w</sup> &gt; k &gt; g; metathesis yg &gt; gy; homorganic assimilation *m &gt; ŋ/_g; ə-epenthesis; *y &gt; y<sup>y</sup>; +Y: ə &gt; i; *y &gt; i</li> </ol> |                                       |                      |           |                         |   |

## KOTOKO-NORTH

|        |                                                |                         |            |            |   |
|--------|------------------------------------------------|-------------------------|------------|------------|---|
| Afade  | <i>l'entsi</i> lʔa <sup>n</sup> ntsy           | *lʔan-ts-y <sup>y</sup> | *lʔamØ-s-y | *ldama-s-y | 1 |
| Mpade  | <i>fensi</i> s <sup>a</sup> y <sup>n</sup> nsy | *san-s-y <sup>y</sup>   | *sØamØ-s-y |            | 2 |
| Malgbe | <i>lensi</i> la <sup>n</sup> nsy               | *lan-s-y <sup>y</sup>   | *lØamØ-s-y |            | 3 |

1. \*d' > ʔ; \*s > ts; homorganic assimilation \*m > n/\_ts; \*y > y<sup>y</sup>; +Y: \*a > e; \*y > i  
2. \*l > s; homorganic assimilation \*m > n/\_ts; \*y > y<sup>y</sup>; +Y: \*a > e; \*y > i  
3. homorganic assimilation \*m > n/\_ts; \*y > y<sup>y</sup>; +Y: \*a > e; \*y > i

## KOTOKO-CENTRAL

|                                                   |              |          |            |            |   |
|---------------------------------------------------|--------------|----------|------------|------------|---|
| Lagwan                                            | /ɛʃi sʰaʰsʰy | *sa-s-yʷ | *sØaØØ-s-y | *ldama-s-y | 1 |
| Mser                                              | /ɛʃi sʰaʰsʰy |          |            |            | 1 |
| 1. *l > s; *y > yʷ; +Y: s > ʃ; +Y: *a > e; *y > i |              |          |            |            |   |

## MUSGUM

|                                                                                                         |                      |         |         |         |   |
|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------|---------|---------|---------|---|
| Vulum                                                                                                   | <i>lim</i> laʔm      | *lm-Øʔ  | *lØmØ-y | *ldma-y | 1 |
| Mbara                                                                                                   | <i>'ilim</i> ʔaʔlaʔm | *ʔlm-Øʔ | *lʔmØ-y |         | 2 |
| 1. ə-epenthesis; *y > Øʔ; +Y: ə > i<br>2. *d' > ʔ; metathesis lʔ > ʔl; ə-epenthesis; *y > Øʔ; +Y: ə > i |                      |         |         |         |   |

## GIDAR

|                                                                                                      |                       |                     |          |          |   |
|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------|---------------------|----------|----------|---|
| Gidar                                                                                                | le' la <sup>n</sup> ʔ | *laʔ-Ø <sup>y</sup> | *laʔØØ-y | *ladma-y | 1 |
| <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. *d' &gt; ʔ; *y &gt; Ø<sup>y</sup>; +Y: a &gt; e</li> </ol> |                       |                     |          |          |   |

flour

PCC \*(ma-)  $\gamma^w$ (a)pa (-y, -k<sup>w</sup>, -n; FV)

BATA

|        |                                                         |                                     |                         |                                |   |
|--------|---------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------|-------------------------|--------------------------------|---|
| Gude   | <i>əmpunə</i> əmpwənə                                   | *m-pw-na                            | *mØ-wpØ-na              | *(ma-) $\gamma^w$ pa(-y/-n(a)) | 1 |
| Jimi   | <i>pun</i> pwn                                          | *pw-n                               | *wpØ-n                  |                                | 2 |
| Sharwa | <i>p<sup>w</sup>ə</i> pwə                               | *pwa                                | *wpa                    |                                | 3 |
| Tsuwan | <i>ahp<sup>w</sup>e</i> axp <sup>w</sup> a <sup>y</sup> | *a-xp <sup>w</sup> a-Ø <sup>y</sup> | *Øa-x <sup>w</sup> pa-y |                                | 4 |

1.  $\gamma^w > w > u$ ; ə-prothesis; metathesis wp > pw; FV \*a > ə
2.  $\gamma^w > w > u$ ; metathesis wp > pw
3.  $\gamma^w > w$ ; metathesis wp > pw; lexical-final \*a > ə
4. \* $\gamma^w > x^w > x^+w$ ; +W: p > p<sup>w</sup>; \*y > Ø<sup>y</sup>; +Y: lexical-final \*a > e

DABA

|        |            |        |                    |                    |   |
|--------|------------|--------|--------------------|--------------------|---|
| Buwal  | <i>ɲfa</i> | *η-Øfa | *mØ- $\gamma^w$ fa | *ma- $\gamma^w$ pa | 1 |
| Gavar  | <i>ɲfa</i> |        |                    |                    | 1 |
| Mbudum | <i>ɲfa</i> |        |                    |                    | 1 |

1. \*p > f; homorganic assimilation \*m > η/\_ $\gamma^w$

MAFA

|       |                                              |                    |                 |   |
|-------|----------------------------------------------|--------------------|-----------------|---|
| Mafa  | <i>gufa</i> g <sup>w</sup> ə <sup>w</sup> fa | *g <sup>w</sup> fa | * $\gamma^w$ pa | 1 |
| Cuvok | <i>kəfa</i> kəfa                             | *kfa               |                 | 2 |

1. \* $\gamma^w > g^w$ ; \*p > f; ə-epenthesis; +W: ə > u
2. \* $\gamma^w (> g^w > g) > k$ ; \*p > f; ə-epenthesis

SUKUR

|       |                                |                     |                     |                  |   |
|-------|--------------------------------|---------------------|---------------------|------------------|---|
|       |                                |                     |                     | √ C Ca           |   |
| Sukur | <i>p<sup>w</sup>a</i> pwa      | *pwa                | *wpa                | * $\gamma^w$ pa  | 1 |
|       |                                |                     |                     | √ CaCa           |   |
|       | <i>powa</i> pa <sup>w</sup> wa | *paw <sup>w</sup> a | *w <sup>w</sup> apa | * $\gamma^w$ apa | 2 |

1.  $\gamma^w > w$ ; metathesis wp > pw
2.  $\gamma^w > w^w$ ; metathesis w<sup>w</sup>p > pw<sup>w</sup>; +W: \*a > o

HURZA

|      |                                                |                        |                          |                                     |   |
|------|------------------------------------------------|------------------------|--------------------------|-------------------------------------|---|
| Vame | <i>hə<sup>w</sup>bəga</i> xə <sup>w</sup> bəga | *Ø <sup>n</sup> -xp-ga | *m <sup>w</sup> Ø-xpØ-ka | *ma- $\gamma^w$ pa-k <sup>w</sup> a | 1 |
|------|------------------------------------------------|------------------------|--------------------------|-------------------------------------|---|

1. \* $\gamma^w > x$ ; \*k<sup>w</sup> (> k) > g; ə-epenthesis; \*m > m<sup>n</sup> > Ø<sup>n</sup>; +N: p > m<sup>b</sup>

MARGI

|             |                                          |                    |                     |                                        |   |
|-------------|------------------------------------------|--------------------|---------------------|----------------------------------------|---|
| Margi-South | <i>upau</i> wpaw                         | *wpa-w             | *wpa-k <sup>w</sup> | *(ma-) $\gamma^w$ pa(-k <sup>w</sup> ) | 1 |
| Kilba       | <i>up<sup>w</sup>a</i> wp <sup>w</sup> a | *w <sup>w</sup> pa | * $\gamma^w$ pa     |                                        | 2 |
|             | <i>up</i> wp                             | *wp                | *wpØ                |                                        | 3 |
| Margi       | <i>əmpu</i> əmpw                         | *m-pw              | *mØ-wpØ             |                                        | 4 |
| Bura        | <i>mp<sup>w</sup>a</i> mpwa              | *m-pwa             | *mØ-wpa             |                                        | 5 |

1. \* $\gamma^w > w > u$ ; \*k<sup>w</sup> > w > u
2. \* $\gamma^w > w^w > u$ ; +W: p > p<sup>w</sup>
3. \* $\gamma^w > w > u$
4. \* $\gamma^w > w > u$ ; metathesis wp > pw; ə-prothesis
5. \* $\gamma^w > w$ ; metathesis wp > pw

## MANDARA

|                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 |                                                              |                                       |                          |                                                 |   |
|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------|--------------------------|-------------------------------------------------|---|
| Matal                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           | <i>phaw</i> pxaw                                             | *pxa-w                                | *xpa-k <sup>w</sup>      | *(ma-)ɣ <sup>w</sup> pa(-y(a)/-k <sup>w</sup> ) | 1 |
| Podoko                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          | <i>pəh<sup>w</sup>a</i> pəx <sup>w</sup> a                   | *px <sup>w</sup> a                    | *x <sup>w</sup> pa       |                                                 | 2 |
| Mandara                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         | <i>ukpe</i> ə <sup>w</sup> k <sup>w</sup> pa <sup>y</sup>    | *k <sup>w</sup> pa-Ø <sup>y</sup>     | *k <sup>w</sup> pa-y     |                                                 | 3 |
| Malgwa                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          | <i>ukpa</i> ə <sup>w</sup> k <sup>w</sup> pa                 | *k <sup>w</sup> pa                    |                          |                                                 | 4 |
| Glavda                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          | <i>ax</i>                                                    | Øa-xØØ                                | Øa-xpa                   |                                                 | 5 |
|                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 | <i>ax<sup>w</sup>piya</i> ax <sup>w</sup> pə <sup>y</sup> ya | *a-x <sup>w</sup> pa-y <sup>y</sup> a | *Øa-x <sup>w</sup> pa-ya |                                                 | 6 |
| 1. *ɣ <sup>w</sup> (> x <sup>w</sup> ) > x; *k <sup>w</sup> > w; metathesis xp > px<br>2. *ɣ <sup>w</sup> > x <sup>w</sup> ; metathesis x <sup>w</sup> p > px <sup>w</sup> ; ə-epenthesis<br>3. *ɣ <sup>w</sup> (> g <sup>w</sup> ) > k <sup>w</sup> ; ə-prothesis; +W: ə > u; *y > Ø <sup>y</sup> ; +Y: lexical-final *a > e<br>4. ɣ <sup>w</sup> (> g <sup>w</sup> ) > k <sup>w</sup> ; ə-prothesis; +W: ə > u<br>5. *ɣ <sup>w</sup> (> ɣ) > x<br>6. *ɣ <sup>w</sup> > x <sup>w</sup> ; lexical-final *a > ə; *y > y <sup>y</sup> ; +Y: ə > i |                                                              |                                       |                          |                                                 |   |

## MOFU

|            |                                                                                     |                                     |                                      |                          |   |
|------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--------------------------|---|
| Moloko     | <i>hə<sup>m</sup>bo</i> xə <sup>m</sup> ba <sup>w</sup>                             | *Ø <sup>n</sup> -x <sup>w</sup> pa  | *m <sup>n</sup> Ø-x <sup>w</sup> pa  | *(ma-)ɣ <sup>w</sup> pa  | 1 |
| Ouldeme    | <i>hu<sup>m</sup>bo</i> x <sup>w</sup> ə <sup>w</sup> m <sup>b</sup> a <sup>w</sup> |                                     |                                      |                          | 2 |
| Muyang     | <i>hu<sup>m</sup>bu</i> x <sup>w</sup> ə <sup>w</sup> m <sup>b</sup> a <sup>w</sup> |                                     |                                      |                          | 3 |
| Zulgo      | <i>gu<sup>f</sup>a</i> g <sup>w</sup> ə <sup>w</sup> fa                             |                                     |                                      |                          | 4 |
| Gemzek     | <i>gu<sup>f</sup>a</i> g <sup>w</sup> ə <sup>w</sup> fa                             |                                     |                                      |                          | 4 |
| Merey      | <i>gu<sup>f</sup>o</i> g <sup>w</sup> ə <sup>w</sup> fa <sup>w</sup>                | *g <sup>w</sup> fa                  |                                      |                          | 5 |
|            |                                                                                     |                                     |                                      | √ CaCa                   |   |
| Moloko     | <i>ho<sup>m</sup>bo</i> x <sup>w</sup> a <sup>w</sup> m <sup>b</sup> a <sup>w</sup> | *Ø <sup>n</sup> -x <sup>w</sup> apa | *m <sup>n</sup> Ø-x <sup>w</sup> apa | *(ma-)ɣ <sup>w</sup> apa | 6 |
| Mofu North | <i>hapa</i>                                                                         | *xapa                               |                                      |                          | 7 |
| Mofu-Gudur | <i>hapa</i>                                                                         |                                     |                                      |                          | 7 |

1. \*ɣ<sup>w</sup> > x<sup>w</sup> > x; ə-epenthesis; \*m > m<sup>n</sup> > Ø<sup>n</sup>; +N: p > <sup>m</sup>b; +W: lexical-final \*a > o

2. \*ɣ<sup>w</sup> > x<sup>w</sup>; ə-epenthesis; +W: ə > u; +W: lexical-final \*a > o; \*m > m<sup>n</sup> > Ø<sup>n</sup>; +N: p > <sup>m</sup>b

3. \*ɣ<sup>w</sup> > x<sup>w</sup>; ə-epenthesis; lexical-final \*a > ə; +W: ə > u; \*m > m<sup>n</sup> > Ø<sup>n</sup>; +N: p > <sup>m</sup>b

4. \*ɣ<sup>w</sup> > g<sup>w</sup>; \*p > f; ə-epenthesis; +W: ə > u

5. \*ɣ<sup>w</sup> > g<sup>w</sup>; \*p > f; ə-epenthesis; +W: ə > u; +W: lexical-final \*a > o

6. \*ɣ<sup>w</sup> > x<sup>w</sup>; +W: \*a > o; \*m > m<sup>n</sup> > Ø<sup>n</sup>; +N: p > <sup>m</sup>b

7. \*ɣ<sup>w</sup> (> x<sup>w</sup>) > x

## MAROUA

|                                            |             |       |                     |   |
|--------------------------------------------|-------------|-------|---------------------|---|
| Giziga-Muturwa                             | <i>hapa</i> | *xapa | *ɣ <sup>w</sup> apa | 1 |
| Giziga-Marva                               | <i>hapa</i> |       |                     | 1 |
| 1. *ɣ <sup>w</sup> (> x <sup>w</sup> ) > x |             |       |                     |   |

## LAMANG

|                                                                                     |                                                           |                    |                    |   |
|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------|--------------------|--------------------|---|
| Lamang                                                                              | <i>h<sup>w</sup>po</i> x <sup>w</sup> pa <sup>w</sup>     | *x <sup>w</sup> pa | *ɣ <sup>w</sup> pa | 1 |
| Hdi                                                                                 | <i>hupu</i> x <sup>w</sup> ə <sup>w</sup> pə <sup>w</sup> |                    |                    | 2 |
| 1. *ɣ <sup>w</sup> > x <sup>w</sup> ; +W: lexical-final *a > o                      |                                                           |                    |                    |   |
| 2. *ɣ <sup>w</sup> > x <sup>w</sup> ; ə-epenthesis; lexical-final *a > ə; +W: ə > u |                                                           |                    |                    |   |

## HIGI

|                                                  |                                              |                    |                    |   |
|--------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------|--------------------|--------------------|---|
| Kirya                                            | <i>ɣupə</i> ɣ <sup>w</sup> ə <sup>w</sup> pə | *ɣ <sup>w</sup> pa | *ɣ <sup>w</sup> pa | 1 |
| Bana                                             | <i>ɣ<sup>w</sup>əpə</i>                      |                    |                    | 2 |
| 1. ə-epenthesis; lexical-final *a > ə; +W: ə > u |                                              |                    |                    |   |
| 2. ə-epenthesis; lexical-final *a > ə            |                                              |                    |                    |   |

## GIDAR

|                                                                                                                                              |                                  |                     |        |                      |   |
|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------|---------------------|--------|----------------------|---|
| Gidar                                                                                                                                        | <i>giipa</i> gə <sup>y</sup> ypa | *gy <sup>y</sup> pa | *gpa-y | *y <sup>w</sup> pa-y | 1 |
| 1. *y <sup>w</sup> (> g <sup>w</sup> ) > g; metathesis py > yp; ə-epenthesis; *y > y <sup>y</sup> ; +Y: ə > i; *y > i; assimilation i > i/i_ |                                  |                     |        |                      |   |

fly

PCC \*(ma-, xa-, RED-) **dz(a)k<sup>w</sup>(a)da**<sup>56</sup> (-y, -k<sup>w</sup>, -n, -t; FV)

## BATA

|        |                                                   |                        |                                      |                                       |   |
|--------|---------------------------------------------------|------------------------|--------------------------------------|---------------------------------------|---|
| Bata   | <i>d3itto</i> dz'ə <sup>y</sup> tt'a <sup>w</sup> | *dz'tt'a               | *dzk <sup>w</sup> Ø <sup>y</sup> -ta | *dzk <sup>w</sup> y <sup>y</sup> Ø-ta | 1 |
|        | <i>d3itto</i> dz'ə <sup>y</sup> tt'a <sup>w</sup> |                        | *dzk <sup>w</sup> ta-Ø <sup>y</sup>  | *dzk <sup>w</sup> ta-y                | 2 |
| Gude   | <i>d3i</i> dz <sup>y</sup>                        | *dz <sup>y</sup>       |                                      | *dzØyØ                                | 3 |
| Jimi   | <i>d3i</i> 'in dz'ə <sup>y</sup> zyn              | *dzʔy <sup>y</sup> Ø-n |                                      | *dzʔyØ(-n)                            | 4 |
| Sharwa | <i>d3i</i> 'i dz'ə <sup>y</sup> zy                | *dzʔy <sup>y</sup> Ø   |                                      |                                       | 4 |

1. \*d' > y<sup>y</sup>; ə-epenthesis; +Y: ə > i; +Y: \*dz > dʒ; assimilation \*k<sup>w</sup>t > tt<sup>w</sup>; +W: FV \*a > o;

2. Alternative analysis:

\*d' > t; ə-epenthesis; \*y > Ø<sup>y</sup>; +Y: ə > i; +Y: \*dz > dʒ; assimilation \*k<sup>w</sup>t > tt<sup>w</sup>; +W: FV \*a > o3. \*d' > y<sup>y</sup>; \*y > i; +Y: \*dz > dʒ4. \*d' > y<sup>y</sup>; \*k<sup>w</sup> (> k) > ʔ; ə-epenthesis; +Y: ə > i; +Y: \*dz > dʒ; \*y > i

## DABA

|        |                                                                         |  |                          |                              |   |
|--------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------|--|--------------------------|------------------------------|---|
|        |                                                                         |  |                          | √ C C Ca                     |   |
| Gavar  | <i>d3iwid</i> dz'ə <sup>y</sup> wə <sup>y</sup> d'                      |  | *dzwd-Ø <sup>y</sup>     | *dzwdØ-y                     | 1 |
| Mbudum | <i>d3id3iwəd</i> dz'ə <sup>y</sup> dz'ə <sup>y</sup> wə <sup>y</sup> d' |  | *dz-dzwd-Ø <sup>y</sup>  | *RED-dzwdØ-y                 | 1 |
|        |                                                                         |  |                          | √ C CaCa                     |   |
| Daba   | <i>tfedi</i> ts'ə <sup>y</sup> dy                                       |  | tsØadØ-y <sup>y</sup>    | *dzk <sup>w</sup> adā-y      |   |
|        |                                                                         |  |                          | √ CaCaCa                     | 2 |
| Buwal  | <i>d3ed3əwed</i> dz'ə <sup>y</sup> dz'ə <sup>y</sup> wə <sup>y</sup> d' |  | *dza-dzwd-Ø <sup>y</sup> | *dza-dzØwadØ-y               | 3 |
|        |                                                                         |  |                          | *RED-dzak <sup>w</sup> adā-y |   |

1. \*k<sup>w</sup> > w; ə-epenthesis; \*y > Ø<sup>y</sup>; +Y: \*dz > dʒ; +Y: ə > i2. \*dz > ts; \*d' > d; \*y > y<sup>y</sup>; +Y: ts > tʃ; +Y: \*a > e; \*y > i3. ə-epenthesis; \*y > Ø<sup>y</sup>; +Y: \*dz > dʒ; +Y: a > e

<sup>56</sup> Note a particular challenge for reconstruction here. There is independent evidence for both C<sub>3</sub> \*/d'/ and root-augmental \*{-y}, because both may co-occur in a fair number of languages. Also, there would appear to be a massively occurring sound change \*d' > y in languages of the following groups: likely in BATA, certainly in MAFA, SUKUR, HURZA, MANDARA, MOFU, HIGI, KOTOKO-ISLAND, KOTOKO-NORTH (AFADE), AND KOTOKO-SOUTH (Zina). There are no examples of languages where both would co-occur, since prosodies cannot accumulate. Presently, it is impossible to tell whether the \*d' > y change was triggered by morphological addition of \*{-y} (as implied by Gravina 2015) and \*{-y} was afterwards lost or deleted, or whether all occurrences of final /y/ in the absence of underlying \*d' were indeed reflexes of \*{-y}, with \*d' having been deleted. In keeping with the methodological principles established for this study, we prioritise phonological prosodies over morphological prosodies, i.e. we will reconstruct \*d' > y. This, however, could be a case of under-differentiation, if historically the sound change was indeed triggered by the presence of \*{-y}, i.e., if we were dealing with morphological rather than phonological prosody.

## MAFA

|                                                                        |                        |                       |                       |   |
|------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|---|
| Mafa                                                                   | <i>dzurway dzəʷway</i> | *dzw <sup>w</sup> ayØ | *dzk <sup>w</sup> adā | 1 |
| 1. *k <sup>w</sup> > w <sup>w</sup> ; *d' > y; ə-epenthesis; +W: ə > u |                        |                       |                       |   |

## SUKUR

|                                                                                                            |                       |                       |                      |   |
|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|----------------------|---|
| Sukur                                                                                                      | <i>dʒurwi dzʷəʷwy</i> | *dzw <sup>w</sup> y'Ø | *dzk <sup>w</sup> dā | 1 |
|                                                                                                            | <i>dʒui dzʷwy</i>     | *dzwy'Ø               |                      | 2 |
| 1. *k <sup>w</sup> > w <sup>w</sup> ; *d' > y <sup>j</sup> ; ə-epenthesis; +Y: *dz > dʒ; +W: ə > u; *y > i |                       |                       |                      |   |
| 2. *k <sup>w</sup> > w > u; *d' > y <sup>j</sup> ; +Y: *dz > dʒ; *y > i                                    |                       |                       |                      |   |

## HURZA

|                                                                        |                                   |                       |                       |   |
|------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|---|
| Mbuko                                                                  | <i>dzurway dzə<sup>w</sup>way</i> | *dzw <sup>w</sup> ayØ | *dzk <sup>w</sup> adā | 1 |
| Vame                                                                   | <i>dzurway dzə<sup>w</sup>way</i> |                       |                       | 1 |
| 1. *k <sup>w</sup> > w <sup>w</sup> ; *d' > y; ə-epenthesis; +W: ə > u |                                   |                       |                       |   |

## MARGI

|                                                                            |                      |           |                        |   |
|----------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------|-----------|------------------------|---|
| Margi                                                                      | <i>ʈʈi dʰəʷdʰy</i>   | *tsØdØ-yʷ | *dzk <sup>w</sup> dā-y | 1 |
| Kilba                                                                      | <i>ʈʈi dʰəʷdʰy</i>   |           |                        | 2 |
| Bura                                                                       | <i>ʈʈiri tsʰəʷry</i> | *tsØrØ-yʷ |                        | 3 |
| 1. *dz > ts; ə-epenthesis; y > yʷ; +Y: ə > i; +Y: ts > ʈʈ; *y > i          |                      |           |                        |   |
| 2. *dz > ts; ə-epenthesis; y > yʷ; +Y: ts > ʈʈ; *y > i                     |                      |           |                        |   |
| 3. *dz > ts; *d' > r; ə-epenthesis; y > yʷ; +Y: ə > i; +Y: ts > ʈʈ; *y > i |                      |           |                        |   |

## MANDARA

|         |                         |             |                            |                                               |   |
|---------|-------------------------|-------------|----------------------------|-----------------------------------------------|---|
|         |                         |             |                            | √ C C Ca                                      |   |
| Glavda  | <i>ᵑᵑu ndzʷw</i>        | *n-dzwØ'Ø   | *mØ-dzwØ'Ø                 | *(ma-)dzk <sup>w</sup> dā(-k <sup>w</sup> -n) | 1 |
|         | <i>ndzuya ndzwaya</i>   | *n-dzwaya   | *mØ-dzwaya                 |                                               | 2 |
| Malgwa  | <i>ndʒaŋʷa ndzʷaŋwa</i> | *n-dʒŋwØʷa  | *mØ-dzwaya-k-n             |                                               | 3 |
|         |                         |             |                            | √ CaC Ca                                      |   |
| Mandara | <i>ndʒaŋʷa ndzʷaŋwa</i> | *n-dʒaŋwØʷa | *mØ-dzawya-k-n             | *ma-dzak <sup>w</sup> dā-k <sup>w</sup> -n    | 4 |
|         |                         |             |                            | √ C C CaCa                                    |   |
| Matal   | <i>zway</i>             | *zwayØ      | *(ma-)dzk <sup>w</sup> adā |                                               | 5 |
|         | <i>zəway</i>            |             |                            |                                               | 6 |
|         | <i>zurway zəʷway</i>    |             |                            |                                               | 7 |
| Podoko  | <i>ndʒəwe ndzʷəwaʷ</i>  | *n-dzwaØʷ   | *mØ-dzwayØ                 |                                               | 8 |

1. radical \*k<sup>w</sup> > w > u; \*d' > y > Øʷ; +Y: \*dz > ᵑᵑ
2. radical \*k<sup>w</sup> > w > u; \*d' > y
3. radical \*k<sup>w</sup> > w; \*d' > y > Øʷ; +Y: \*dz > dʒ; suffixal k<sup>w</sup> > k; fusion kn > ŋ; metathesis wŋ > ŋw; ə-epenthesis
4. radical \*k<sup>w</sup> > w; \*d' > y > Øʷ; +Y: \*dz > dʒ; suffixal k<sup>w</sup> > k; fusion kn > ŋ; metathesis wŋ > ŋw;
5. \*dz > z; \*k<sup>w</sup> > w; \*d' > y
6. \*dz > z; \*k<sup>w</sup> > w; \*d' > y; ə-epenthesis
7. \*dz > z; \*k<sup>w</sup> > w; \*d' > y; ə-epenthesis; +W: ə > u
8. \*k<sup>w</sup> > w; ə-epenthesis; \*d' > y > Øʷ; +Y: \*dz > dʒ; +Y: lexical-final \*a > e

## MOFU

|        |                     |                         |                         |          |   |
|--------|---------------------|-------------------------|-------------------------|----------|---|
|        |                     |                         |                         | √ C C Ca |   |
| Muyang | <i>eʒwɪ aʷzəʷwy</i> | *Øa-zw <sup>w</sup> y'Ø | *ma-dzk <sup>w</sup> dā |          | 1 |

|                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       |                              |               | √ C CaCa      |   |
|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------|---------------|---------------|---|
| Ouldeme                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               | <i>zuway</i> zəʷway          | *zwʷayØ       | *dzkʷaɗa      | 2 |
| Moloko                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                | <i>dʒəway</i> dzʷəway        | *dzwayʷØ      |               | 3 |
| Zulgo                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 | <i>dziwe</i> dzəʷwaʷ         | *dzwaØʷØ      |               | 4 |
| Gemzek                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                | <i>dzuwe</i> dzəʷwaʷ         | *dzwʷaØʷØ     |               | 5 |
| Merey                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 | <i>dzurway</i> dzəʷway       | *dzwʷayØ      |               | 6 |
| Mofu North                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            | <i>dzurway</i> dzəʷway       |               |               | 6 |
| Dugwor                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                | <i>dʒurway</i> dzʷəʷway      | *dzwʷayʷØ     |               | 7 |
|                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       |                              |               | √ CaCaCa      |   |
| Mofu-Gudur                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            | <i>dʒadʒəway</i> dzʷadʒʷəway | *dza-dzəwayʷØ | *RED-dzakʷaɗa | 3 |
| 1. *dz > z; *kʷ > wʷ; *dʷ > yʷ; y > i; +W: ə > u; +Y: *a > e<br>2. *dz > z; *kʷ > wʷ; *dʷ > y; ə-epenthesis; +W: ə > u<br>3. *kʷ > w; *dʷ > yʷ; ə-epenthesis; +Y: *dz > dʒ<br>4. *kʷ > w; *dʷ > y > Øʷ; ə-epenthesis; +Y: *dz > dʒ; +Y: ə > i; +Y: lexical-final *a > e<br>5. *kʷ > w; *dʷ > y > Øʷ; ə-epenthesis; +W: ə > u; +Y: lexical-final *a > e<br>6. *kʷ > w; *dʷ > y; ə-epenthesis; +W: ə > u<br>7. *kʷ > w; *dʷ > yʷ; ə-epenthesis; +W: ə > u; +Y: *dz > dʒ |                              |               |               |   |

## MAROUA

|                                                                                                                                              |                                          |              | √ C C Ca       |   |
|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------|--------------|----------------|---|
| Giziga Muturwa                                                                                                                               | <i>dʒidʒiwid(i)</i><br>dzʷəʷdzʷəʷwəʷd(y) | *dz-dzwdØ-yʷ | *RED-dzkʷɗa-y  | 1 |
|                                                                                                                                              |                                          |              | √ C CaCa       |   |
| Giziga Marva                                                                                                                                 | <i>dʒidʒiwid</i><br>dzʷəʷdzʷəʷwəʷd       | *dz-dzwdØ-Øʷ | *RED-dzkʷaɗa-y | 2 |
| 1. *kʷ > w; ə-epenthesis; *y > yʷ; +Y: *dz > dʒ; +Y: ə > i; *y > i<br>2. *kʷ > w; ə-epenthesis; *y > Øʷ; +Y: *dz > dʒ; +Y: ə > i; +Y: *a > e |                                          |              |                |   |

## LAMANG

|                                                                      |                        |           |          |           |   |
|----------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------|-----------|----------|-----------|---|
| Lamang                                                               | <i>ziɗi</i> zəʷɗy      | *zØdØ-yʷ  |          | *dzkʷɗa-y | 1 |
| Hdi                                                                  | <i>ziɗikʷ</i> zəʷɗəʷkʷ | *zkʷdØ-Øʷ | *zkʷdØ-y |           | 2 |
| 1. *dz > z; ə-epenthesis; *y > yʷ; +Y: ə > i; *y > i                 |                        |           |          |           |   |
| 2. *dz > z; metathesis kʷdʷ > dʷkʷ; ə-epenthesis; *y > Øʷ; +Y: ə > i |                        |           |          |           |   |

## HIGI

|                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        |                        |        | √ C C Ca |   |
|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------|--------|----------|---|
| Kamwe-Futu                                                                                                                                                                                                                             | <i>ʒiwi</i> zʷəʷwy     | *zwyʷ  | *zkʷy    | 1 |
| Bana                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   | <i>ʒib(i)</i> zʷəʷb(y) | *zbʷyʷ | *zkʷʔØ-y | 2 |
|                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        |                        |        | √ CaC Ca |   |
| Kirya                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  | <i>ʒew</i> zʷəʷw       | *zawØʷ | *zawyØ   | 3 |
| 1. *dz > z; *kʷ > w; *dʷ > yʷ > i; ə-epenthesis; +Y: z > ʒ; +Y: ə > i<br>2. *dz > z; *dʷ > ʔ; *kʷ > bʷ; fusion bʷ > b; ə-epenthesis; *y > yʷ; +Y: z > ʒ; +Y: ə > i; *y > i<br>3. *dz > z; *kʷ > w; *dʷ > y > Øʷ; +Y: z > ʒ; +Y: *a > e |                        |        |          |   |

## KOTOKO-ISLAND

|                                            |                     |           |           |            |   |
|--------------------------------------------|---------------------|-----------|-----------|------------|---|
| Buduma                                     | <i>hadʒu</i> xadzʷw | *xa-dzwØʷ | *xa-dzwyØ | *xa-dzkʷɗa | 1 |
| 1. *kʷ > w > u; *dʷ > y > Øʷ; +Y: *dz > dʒ |                     |           |           |            |   |

## KOTOKO-NORTH

|                                                                                    |                     |          |          |             |   |
|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------|----------|----------|-------------|---|
| Afade                                                                              | <i>tsiwi</i> tsəʷwy | *tswyʷØ  |          | *dzkʷɗa(-y) | 1 |
| Maltam                                                                             | <i>s'iwi</i> sʷəʷwy | *swØʷ-yʷ | *swʔØ-yʷ |             | 2 |
| 1. *dz > ts; *kʷ > w; *dʷ > yʷ > i; ə-epenthesis; +Y: ə > i                        |                     |          |          |             |   |
| 2. *dz > s; *kʷ > w; *dʷ > ʔ > Øʷ; ʔ: s > s'; ə-epenthesis; *y > yʷ > i; +Y: ə > i |                     |          |          |             |   |

## KOTOKO-CENTRAL

|                                                                                                                                           |                       |          |            |   |
|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------|----------|------------|---|
| Lagwan                                                                                                                                    | <i>zu zw</i>          | *zwØØ    |            | 1 |
| Mser                                                                                                                                      | <i>ms'ɪwi msʔə'wy</i> | *m-sʔw-y | *mØ-swʔØ-y | 2 |
| 1. *dz > z; *k <sup>w</sup> > w > u<br>2. *dz > s; *k <sup>w</sup> > w; *d' > ʔ; metathesis wʔ > ʔw; ə-epenthesis; *y > yʔ > i; +Y: ə > i |                       |          |            |   |

## KOTOKO-SOUTH

|                                                   |                          |            |             |   |
|---------------------------------------------------|--------------------------|------------|-------------|---|
| Zina                                              | <i>dʒadʒwi dzʔadzʔwy</i> | *dza-dzwyʔ | *dza-dzØwyØ | 1 |
| 1. *k <sup>w</sup> > w; *d' > yʔ > i; +Y: dz > dʒ |                          |            |             |   |

## MUSGUM

|                                                                                                                                                                    |                       |                         |                            |   |
|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------|-------------------------|----------------------------|---|
| Vulum                                                                                                                                                              | <i>aduway adə'way</i> | *Øa-dw <sup>w</sup> ayØ |                            | 1 |
| Mbara                                                                                                                                                              | <i>tuway tə'way</i>   | *tw <sup>w</sup> ayØ    | *(ma-)dzk <sup>w</sup> adā | 2 |
| 1. *dz > d; *k <sup>w</sup> > w <sup>w</sup> ; *d' > y; ə-epenthesis; +W: ə > u<br>2. *dz > t; *k <sup>w</sup> > w <sup>w</sup> ; *d' > y; ə-epenthesis; +W: ə > u |                       |                         |                            |   |

## GIDAR

|                                                                                             |                      |          |         |   |
|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------|----------|---------|---|
| Gidar                                                                                       | <i>zikde zə'kdāʔ</i> | *zkdā-Øʔ | *zkdā-y | 1 |
| 1. *dz > z; *k <sup>w</sup> > k; ə-epenthesis; *y > Øʔ; +Y: ə > i; +Y: lexical-final *a > e |                      |          |         |   |

fly/jump, to

PCC \*v(a)ra (-k<sup>w</sup>)

## BATA

|                         |            |     |      |      |   |
|-------------------------|------------|-----|------|------|---|
| Gude                    | <i>fər</i> | *fr | *frØ | *vra | 1 |
| 1. *v > f; ə-epenthesis |            |     |      |      |   |

## SUKUR

|                                     |                   |                     |                      |                      |   |
|-------------------------------------|-------------------|---------------------|----------------------|----------------------|---|
| Sukur                               | <i>vwar v'war</i> | *var-Ø <sup>w</sup> | *varØ-k <sup>w</sup> | *vara-k <sup>w</sup> | 1 |
| 1. *k <sup>w</sup> > Ø <sup>w</sup> |                   |                     |                      |                      |   |

## MARGI

|                                                                                                                   |                   |         |        |          |   |
|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------|---------|--------|----------|---|
| Kilba                                                                                                             | <i>fəla</i>       | *fla    |        |          | 1 |
| Bura                                                                                                              | <i>fila fə'la</i> | *fla-Øʔ | *fla-y | *vra(-y) | 2 |
| Margi                                                                                                             | <i>vəl</i>        | *vl     | *vlØ   |          | 3 |
| 1. *v > f; *r > l; ə-epenthesis<br>2. *v > f; *r > l; ə-epenthesis; *y > Øʔ; +Y: ə > i<br>3. *r > l; ə-epenthesis |                   |         |        |          |   |

## MANDARA

|           |                |            |              |              |   |
|-----------|----------------|------------|--------------|--------------|---|
| Matal     | <i>mavalay</i> | *ma-val-ay | *ma-valØ-a-y | *ma-vara-a-y | 1 |
| 1. *r > l |                |            |              |              |   |

## LAMANG

|           |             |       |  |       |   |
|-----------|-------------|-------|--|-------|---|
| Lamang    | <i>vala</i> | *vala |  | *vara | 1 |
| Hdi       | <i>vala</i> |       |  |       | 1 |
| 1. *r > l |             |       |  |       |   |



## KOTOKO-NORTH

|                                                                                                                                                                                                             |                        |             |             |               |   |
|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------|-------------|-------------|---------------|---|
| Mpade                                                                                                                                                                                                       | <i>fil</i> fəʎl        | *fl-Øʏ      | *flØ-y      | *vra-y(-kʷ-n) | 1 |
| Afade                                                                                                                                                                                                       | <i>fil</i> fəʎl        |             |             |               | 1 |
|                                                                                                                                                                                                             | <i>filun</i> fəʎlɔʷn   | *fl-Øʏ-Øʷ-n | *flØ-y-kʷ-n |               | 2 |
| Malgbe                                                                                                                                                                                                      | <i>filwun</i> fəʎlwəʷn | *fl-Øʏ-wʷ-n |             |               | 3 |
| 1. *v > f; *r > l; ə-epenthesis; *y > Øʏ; +Y: ə > i<br>2. *v > f; *r > l; *kʷ > Øʷ; ə-epenthesis; *y > Øʏ; +Y: ə > i; +W: ə > u<br>3. *v > f; *r > l; *kʷ > wʷ; ə-epenthesis; *y > Øʏ; +Y: ə > i; +W: ə > u |                        |             |             |               |   |

## KOTOKO-CENTRAL

|                                                                                           |                                      |                          |                          |                            |   |
|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|----------------------------|---|
| Mser                                                                                      | <i>vil</i> vəʎl                      | *v1-Øʏ                   | *v1Ø-y                   | *vra-y(-k <sup>w</sup> -n) | 1 |
| Lagwan                                                                                    | <i>vil</i> vəʎl                      |                          |                          |                            | 1 |
|                                                                                           | <i>vilwun</i> vəʎlw <sup>w</sup> əʎn | *v1-Øʏ-w <sup>w</sup> -n | *v1Ø-y-k <sup>w</sup> -n |                            | 2 |
| 1. *r > l; ə-epenthesis; *y > Øʏ; +Y: ə > i                                               |                                      |                          |                          |                            |   |
| 2. *r > l; *k <sup>w</sup> > w <sup>w</sup> ; ə-epenthesis; *y > Øʏ; +Y: ə > i; +W: ə > u |                                      |                          |                          |                            |   |

## KOTOKO-SOUTH

|                        |                   |          |         |         |   |
|------------------------|-------------------|----------|---------|---------|---|
| Zina                   | <i>vera</i> vaʏra | *vara-Øʏ | *vara-y | *vara-y | 1 |
| 1. *y > Øʏ; +Y: *a > e |                   |          |         |         |   |

foot, leg<sup>57</sup>

PCC \*(ma-, RED-) s(a)ra (-a, -y, -kʷ, -n; FV)

## BATA

|        |                                      |                                     |                       |          |   |
|--------|--------------------------------------|-------------------------------------|-----------------------|----------|---|
| Gude   | <i>səda</i>                          | *sda                                |                       | *sra-y-n | 1 |
| Tsuvan | <i>səde sədaʏ</i>                    | *sda-Øʏ                             | *sda-y                |          | 2 |
| Sharwa | <i>ʃidə sʔəʔdə</i>                   |                                     |                       |          | 3 |
| Jimi   | <i>sədən</i>                         | *sd-n                               | *sdØ-n                |          | 1 |
|        | <i>ʃəranɣən sʔəra<sup>n</sup>yən</i> | *sra <sup>n</sup> y <sup>y</sup> -n | *sra-y-n <sup>n</sup> |          | 4 |

1. \*r > d; ə-epenthesis

2. \*r > d; ə-epenthesis; \*y > Øʏ; +Y: lexical-final \*a > e

3. \*r > d; ə-epenthesis; \*y > Øʏ; +Y: ə > i; lexical-final \*a > ə

4. ə-epenthesis; \*y > Øʏ; +Y: \*s > ʃ; \*n > n<sup>n</sup>; +N: \*y > n<sup>y</sup>

## DABA

|           |                |            |              |               |   |
|-----------|----------------|------------|--------------|---------------|---|
| Buwal     | <i>sasalay</i> | *sa-sal-ay | *RED-sal-a-y | *RED-sara-a-y | 1 |
| 1. *r > l |                |            |              |               |   |

## MAFA

|       |                              |             |              |             |   |
|-------|------------------------------|-------------|--------------|-------------|---|
|       |                              |             |              | √ C Ca      |   |
| Mafa  | (a) <i>sak</i>               | *sa-k       | *sØa-kʷ      | *sra(-y)-kʷ | 1 |
| Cuvok | (a) <i>sek</i> saʔk          | *sa-Øʏ-k    | *sØa-y-kʷ    |             | 2 |
|       |                              |             |              | √ CaCa      |   |
| Mafa  | (b) <i>fəfelay</i> sʏəʎaʏlay | *sa-sal-ayʏ | RED-salØ-a-y | *sra-a-y    | 3 |

<sup>57</sup> Note that Gravina (2015) reconstructs three different roots, namely \*fi, \*sikʏ, and \*siray. While he considers the first potentially to be a loan from Kanuri, he observes that in MAFA the other two associate with different meanings, i.e. (a) 'foot' vs. (b) 'leg', while in most languages both meanings are shared by the same root (cf. also 'arm, hand').

|                                                                                                                                                            |                    |            |              |  |   |
|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------|------------|--------------|--|---|
|                                                                                                                                                            | (b) <i>sasalay</i> | *sa-sal-ay | RED-salØ-a-y |  | 4 |
| 1. *k <sup>w</sup> > k<br>2. *k <sup>w</sup> > k; *y > Ø <sup>y</sup> ; +Y: *a > e<br>3. *r > l; *y > y <sup>y</sup> ; +Y: *s > f; +Y: *a > e<br>4. *r > l |                    |            |              |  |   |

## TERA

|      |             |       |  |       |  |
|------|-------------|-------|--|-------|--|
| Tera | <i>sara</i> | *sara |  | *sara |  |
|------|-------------|-------|--|-------|--|

## HURZA

|                         |              |         |           |           |   |
|-------------------------|--------------|---------|-----------|-----------|---|
|                         |              |         |           | √ C Ca    |   |
| Vame                    | <i>səlay</i> | *sl-ay  | *slØ-a-y  | *sra-a-y  | 1 |
|                         |              |         |           | √ CaCa    |   |
| Mbuko                   | <i>saray</i> | *sar-ay | *sarØ-a-y | *sara-a-y |   |
| 1. *r > l; ə-epenthesis |              |         |           |           |   |

## MARGI

|                                                                                                                                              |                                      |                    |        |        |   |
|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--------------------|--------|--------|---|
| Bura                                                                                                                                         | <i>sil səʔl</i>                      | *sl-Ø <sup>y</sup> | *slØ-y | *sra-y | 1 |
| Margi                                                                                                                                        | <i>h<sup>y</sup>i x<sup>y</sup>y</i> | *x-y <sup>y</sup>  | *xØØ-y |        | 2 |
| Kilba                                                                                                                                        | <i>h<sup>y</sup>i x<sup>y</sup>y</i> |                    |        |        | 2 |
| Margi South                                                                                                                                  | <i>hi xy</i>                         | *x-y               |        |        | 3 |
| 1. *r > l; ə-epenthesis; *y > Ø <sup>y</sup> ; +Y: *ə > i<br>2. *s > x; *y > y <sup>y</sup> > i; +Y: x > x <sup>y</sup><br>3. *s > x; *y > i |                                      |                    |        |        |   |

## MANDARA

|         |                                           |                         |                          |                                  |   |
|---------|-------------------------------------------|-------------------------|--------------------------|----------------------------------|---|
|         |                                           |                         |                          | √ C Ca                           |   |
| Malgwa  | <i>səra</i>                               | *sra                    | *sra                     | *(ma-)sra(-y(-k <sup>w</sup> a)) | 1 |
| Matal   | <i>asik asəʔk</i>                         | *Øa-s-Ø <sup>y</sup> -k | *ma-sØØ-y-k <sup>w</sup> |                                  | 2 |
|         | <i>aʔik as<sup>y</sup>əʔk</i>             |                         |                          |                                  | 3 |
| Podoko  | <i>ʃige s<sup>y</sup>əʔga<sup>y</sup></i> | *s-Ø <sup>y</sup> -ga   | *sØØ-y-k <sup>w</sup> a  |                                  | 4 |
| Glavda  | <i>ʃiga s<sup>y</sup>əʔga</i>             |                         |                          |                                  | 5 |
| Dghwede | <i>səge səga<sup>y</sup></i>              |                         |                          |                                  | 6 |
|         |                                           |                         |                          | √ CaCa                           |   |
| Mandara | <i>səra sa<sup>y</sup>ra</i>              | *sara-Ø <sup>y</sup>    | *sara-y                  | *sara-y                          | 7 |

1. ə-epenthesis  
2. \*k<sup>w</sup> > k; ə-epenthesis; \*y > Ø<sup>y</sup>; +Y: ə > i  
3. \*k<sup>w</sup> > k; ə-epenthesis; \*y > Ø<sup>y</sup>; +Y: \*s > ʃ; +Y: ə > i  
4. \*k<sup>w</sup> > g; ə-epenthesis; \*y > Ø<sup>y</sup>; +Y: \*s > ʃ; +Y: ə > i; +Y: lexical-final \*a > e  
5. \*k<sup>w</sup> > g; ə-epenthesis; \*y > Ø<sup>y</sup>; +Y: \*s > ʃ; +Y: ə > i  
6. \*k<sup>w</sup> > g; ə-epenthesis; \*y > Ø<sup>y</sup>; +Y: lexical-final \*a > e  
7. \*y > Ø<sup>y</sup>; +Y: \*a > e

## MOFU

|         |          |                       |                       | √ C Ca                       |   |
|---------|----------|-----------------------|-----------------------|------------------------------|---|
| Zulgo   | sik saʔk | *s-y-k                | *sØØ-y-k <sup>w</sup> | *(ma-)sra(-y)-k <sup>w</sup> | 1 |
| Merey   | sik saʔk | l                     |                       |                              | 1 |
| Ouldeme | sek saʔk |                       |                       |                              | 2 |
| Gemzek  | sek saʔk |                       |                       |                              | 2 |
| Dugwor  | sek saʔk |                       |                       |                              | 2 |
|         |          | *sa-Ø <sup>y</sup> -k | *sØa-y-k <sup>w</sup> |                              |   |

|                                                                                                                                                                                                         |                  |         |                        |           |          |
|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------|---------|------------------------|-----------|----------|
| Mofu North                                                                                                                                                                                              | <i>sek</i> saʔk  |         |                        |           | 2        |
| Mada                                                                                                                                                                                                    | <i>fek</i> sʔaʔk |         |                        |           | 3        |
| Muyang                                                                                                                                                                                                  | <i>asak</i>      | *Øa-sak | *ma-sØa-k <sup>w</sup> |           | 4        |
| Moloko                                                                                                                                                                                                  | <i>asak</i>      |         |                        |           | 4        |
|                                                                                                                                                                                                         |                  |         |                        |           | √ CaC Ca |
| Mofu-Gudur                                                                                                                                                                                              | <i>salay</i>     | *sal-ay | *salØ-a-y              | *sara-a-y | 5        |
| 1. *k <sup>w</sup> > k; *y > i<br>2. *k <sup>w</sup> > k; *y > Ø <sup>y</sup> ; +Y: a > e<br>3. *k <sup>w</sup> > k; *y > Ø <sup>y</sup> ; +Y: *s > ʃ; +Y: a > e<br>4. *k <sup>w</sup> > k<br>5. *r > l |                  |         |                        |           |          |

## MAROUA

|                                            |                |          |           |             |          |
|--------------------------------------------|----------------|----------|-----------|-------------|----------|
|                                            |                |          |           |             | √ C C Ca |
| Mbazla                                     | <i>sir</i> syr | *syr     | *srØ-y    | *sra-y      | 1        |
|                                            |                |          |           |             | √ CaC Ca |
| Giziga-Marva                               | <i>sar</i>     | *sar     | *sarØ     |             |          |
| Giziga-Muturwa                             | <i>sasala</i>  | *sa-sala | *RED-sala | *(RED-)sara | 2        |
| 1. metathesis ry > yr; *y > i<br>2. *r > l |                |          |           |             |          |

## LAMANG

|                                            |             |      |  |      |   |
|--------------------------------------------|-------------|------|--|------|---|
| Lamang                                     | <i>səra</i> | *sra |  |      | 1 |
| Hdi                                        | <i>səla</i> | *sla |  | *sra | 2 |
| 1. ə-epenthesis<br>2. *r > l; ə-epenthesis |             |      |  |      |   |

## HIGI

|                                                                                                                           |                   |                     |        |          |   |
|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------|---------------------|--------|----------|---|
| Kamwe-Futu                                                                                                                | <i>sira</i> səʔra | *sra-Ø <sup>y</sup> | *sra-y |          | 1 |
| Kamwe-Nkafa                                                                                                               | <i>səra</i>       | *sra                |        |          | 2 |
| Kirya                                                                                                                     | <i>səla</i>       | *sla                |        | *sra(-y) | 3 |
| Psikye                                                                                                                    | <i>səda</i>       | *sda                |        |          | 4 |
| Bana                                                                                                                      | <i>səda</i>       |                     |        |          | 4 |
| 1. ə-epenthesis; *y > Ø <sup>y</sup> ; +Y: ə > i<br>2. ə-epenthesis<br>3. *r > l; ə-epenthesis<br>4. *r > d; ə-epenthesis |                   |                     |        |          |   |

## KOTOKO-ISLAND

|                                                                        |                 |                       |                        |                       |   |
|------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------|-----------------------|------------------------|-----------------------|---|
| Buduma                                                                 | <i>tʃu</i> tsʔw | *ts-Ø <sup>y</sup> -w | *tsØØ-y-k <sup>w</sup> | *sra-y-k <sup>w</sup> | 1 |
| 1. *s > ts; *k <sup>w</sup> > w > u; *y > Ø <sup>y</sup> ; +Y: ts > tʃ |                 |                       |                        |                       |   |

## KOTOKO-NORTH

|       |                                 |                         |                          |                          |        |
|-------|---------------------------------|-------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------|
|       |                                 |                         |                          | √ C Ca                   |        |
| Afade | <i>entsi</i> aʔntsy             | *n-tsØ-y <sup>y</sup>   | *mØ-tsØØ-y               | *ma-sra-y                | 1      |
| Mpade | <i>ensi</i> aʔnsəʔ              | *n-sa-Ø <sup>y</sup>    | *mØ-sØa-y                |                          | 2      |
|       |                                 |                         |                          |                          | √ CaCa |
| Mpade | <i>salio</i> salya <sup>w</sup> | *sal-y-Ø <sup>w</sup> a | *salØ-y-k <sup>w</sup> a | *sara-y-k <sup>w</sup> a | 3      |

1. \*s > ts; a-prothesis; homorganic assimilation \*m > n/\_ts; \*y > y' > i; +Y: \*a > e
2. a-prothesis; homorganic assimilation \*m > n/\_s; lexical-final \*a > ə; \*y > Ø'; +Y: \*a > e; +Y: ə > i
3. \*r > l; \*k<sup>w</sup> > Ø<sup>w</sup>; +W: FV \*a > o; \*y > i

## KOTOKO-CENTRAL

|                                                                                              |                        |             |                            |                            |   |
|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------|-------------|----------------------------|----------------------------|---|
| Lagwan                                                                                       | <i>asi asəʔ</i>        | *a-sa-Øʔ    | *Øa-sØa-y                  | *ma-sra-y-k <sup>w</sup> a | 1 |
| Mser                                                                                         | <i>ms'iki msʔəʔkəʔ</i> | *m-sʔ-Øʔ-ka | *mØ-sʔØ-y-k <sup>w</sup> a |                            | 2 |
| 1. lexical-final *a > ə; *y > Ø'; +Y: ə > i                                                  |                        |             |                            |                            |   |
| 2. *r (> d) > ʔ; *k <sup>w</sup> > k; ə-epenthesis; lexical-final *a > ə; *y > Ø'; +Y: ə > i |                        |             |                            |                            |   |

## four

PCC \*(ma-, k<sup>w</sup>a-, na-) f(a)ɗa<sup>58</sup> (-k<sup>w</sup>)

## BATA

|                                                                                |                           |                          |                           |                           |   |
|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------|--------------------------|---------------------------|---------------------------|---|
| Gude                                                                           | <i>ənf<sup>w</sup>ada</i> | *Ø <sup>w</sup> ə-n-faɗa | *k <sup>w</sup> a-nØ-faɗa | *k <sup>w</sup> a-na-faɗa | 1 |
| Jimi                                                                           | <i>f<sup>w</sup>ad</i>    | *Ø <sup>w</sup> -faɗ     | *k <sup>w</sup> Ø-faɗØ    |                           | 2 |
| 1. *k <sup>w</sup> > Ø <sup>w</sup> ; prefixal *a > ə; +W: *f > f <sup>w</sup> |                           |                          |                           |                           |   |
| 2. *k <sup>w</sup> > Ø <sup>w</sup> ; +W: *f > f <sup>w</sup>                  |                           |                          |                           |                           |   |

## DABA

|                                                  |                            |                      |                        |                            |   |
|--------------------------------------------------|----------------------------|----------------------|------------------------|----------------------------|---|
| Buwal                                            | <i>ɲfad</i>                | *ɲ-faɗ               | *kØ-n-faɗØ             | *k <sup>w</sup> a(-n-)faɗa | 1 |
| Gavar                                            | <i>ɲfad</i>                |                      |                        |                            | 1 |
| Mbudum                                           | <i>ɲfad</i>                |                      |                        |                            | 1 |
| Daba                                             | <i>fod fa<sup>w</sup>d</i> | *Ø <sup>w</sup> -faɗ | *k <sup>w</sup> Ø-faɗØ |                            | 2 |
| 1. *k <sup>w</sup> > k; fusion kn > ɲ            |                            |                      |                        |                            |   |
| 2. *k <sup>w</sup> > Ø <sup>w</sup> ; +W: *a > o |                            |                      |                        |                            |   |

## MAFA

|       |            |      |       |       |  |
|-------|------------|------|-------|-------|--|
| Mafa  | <i>fad</i> | *faɗ | *faɗØ | *faɗa |  |
| Cuvok | <i>fad</i> |      |       |       |  |

## TERA

|                                                  |                              |                       |                        |                          |   |
|--------------------------------------------------|------------------------------|-----------------------|------------------------|--------------------------|---|
| Tera                                             | <i>vat</i>                   | *vat                  | *vatØ                  | *(k <sup>w</sup> a-)faɗa | 1 |
| Ga'anda                                          | <i>foda fa<sup>w</sup>da</i> | *Ø <sup>w</sup> -faɗa | *k <sup>w</sup> Ø-faɗa |                          | 2 |
| 1. *f > v; *d <sup>f</sup> > t                   |                              |                       |                        |                          |   |
| 2. *k <sup>w</sup> > Ø <sup>w</sup> ; +W: *a > o |                              |                       |                        |                          |   |

## SUKUR

|                                                               |                               |                      |                        |                        |   |
|---------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------|----------------------|------------------------|------------------------|---|
| Sukur                                                         | <i>fwad' f<sup>w</sup>ad'</i> | *Ø <sup>w</sup> -faɗ | *k <sup>w</sup> Ø-faɗØ | *k <sup>w</sup> a-faɗa | 1 |
| 1. *k <sup>w</sup> > Ø <sup>w</sup> ; +W: *f > f <sup>w</sup> |                               |                      |                        |                        |   |

## HURZA

|                                                                                         |                                          |                     |                     |                     |   |
|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------|---------------------|---------------------|---------------------|---|
| Mbuko                                                                                   | <i>fudə fə<sup>w</sup>də<sup>w</sup></i> | *fda-Ø <sup>w</sup> | *fda-k <sup>w</sup> | *fda-k <sup>w</sup> | 1 |
| Vame                                                                                    | <i>fudaw fə<sup>w</sup>daw</i>           | *fda-w <sup>w</sup> |                     |                     | 2 |
| 1. *k <sup>w</sup> > Ø <sup>w</sup> ; ə-epenthesis; +W: ə > u; +W: lexical-final *a > o |                                          |                     |                     |                     |   |
| 2. *k <sup>w</sup> > w <sup>w</sup> ; ə-epenthesis; +W: ə > u                           |                                          |                     |                     |                     |   |

<sup>58</sup> This very widely spread Chadic root provides highly interesting reflexes of root-augmental elements, in particular \*k<sup>w</sup>a-/k<sup>w</sup>, which stimulate the discussion of whether the proto-language operated original 'circumfixal' constructions (see section 4.8). There are competing indications for postulating both prefixal and suffixal positions for \*k<sup>w</sup>a-/k<sup>w</sup>(a). We here, therefore, will allow for both in our reconstructions. More focused typological and comparative research into individual grammatical systems of modern CC languages is needed.

## MARGI

|                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             |                              |                        |                           |                                                     |   |
|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------|------------------------|---------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------|---|
| Kilba                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       | <i>fʷadū fʷadw</i>           | *fad-w <sup>w</sup>    | *fadØ-k <sup>w</sup>      | *(k <sup>w</sup> a-(na-))fada<br>(-k <sup>w</sup> ) | 1 |
| Margi South                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 | <i>fʷadū fʷadw</i>           |                        |                           |                                                     | 1 |
|                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             | <i>fodu fa<sup>w</sup>dū</i> |                        |                           |                                                     | 2 |
| Margi                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       | <i>fodə fa<sup>w</sup>də</i> | *Ø <sup>w</sup> -fadə  | *k <sup>w</sup> Ø-fada    |                                                     | 3 |
| Bura                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        | <i>ɲʷar</i>                  | *Ø <sup>w</sup> -n-far | *k <sup>w</sup> Ø-nØ-farØ |                                                     | 4 |
| 1. *k <sup>w</sup> > w <sup>w</sup> > u; +W: *f > f <sup>w</sup><br>2. *k <sup>w</sup> > w <sup>w</sup> > u; +W: *a > o<br>3. *k <sup>w</sup> > Ø <sup>w</sup> ; +W: *a > o; lexical-final *a > ə<br>4. *d' > r; *k <sup>w</sup> > Ø <sup>w</sup> ; +W: *f > f <sup>w</sup> |                              |                        |                           |                                                     |   |

## MANDARA

|                                                               |                     |            |                          |                              |   |
|---------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------|------------|--------------------------|------------------------------|---|
|                                                               |                     |            |                          | √ C Ca                       |   |
| Dghwede                                                       | <i>fit'e fə'daʷ</i> | *fda-Øʷ    |                          | *fda-y                       | 1 |
|                                                               |                     |            |                          | √ CaCa                       |   |
| Matal                                                         | <i>ufad' wfad'</i>  | *w-fad'    | *k <sup>w</sup> Ø-fadØ   | *(k <sup>w</sup> a-)fada(-y) | 2 |
| Glavda                                                        | <i>ufada wfada</i>  | *w-fada    | *k <sup>w</sup> Ø-fada   |                              | 2 |
| Podoko                                                        | <i>ufada wfada</i>  |            |                          |                              | 2 |
| Malgwa                                                        | <i>ufade wfadaʷ</i> | *w-fada-Øʷ | *k <sup>w</sup> Ø-fada-y |                              | 3 |
| 1. ə-epenthesis; *y > Øʷ; +Y: ə > i; +Y: lexical-final *a > e |                     |            |                          |                              |   |
| 2. *k <sup>w</sup> > w                                        |                     |            |                          |                              |   |
| 3. *k <sup>w</sup> > w; *y > Øʷ; +Y: lexical-final *a > e     |                     |            |                          |                              |   |

## MOFU

|            |               |          |                        |                              |          |
|------------|---------------|----------|------------------------|------------------------------|----------|
| Moloko     | <i>wəfad'</i> | *w-fad'  | *k <sup>w</sup> Ø-fadØ | *(ma-/k <sup>w</sup> a-)fada | 1        |
| Ouldeme    | <i>məfad'</i> | *mØ-fad' | *ma-fadØ               |                              | 2        |
| Dugwor     | <i>məfad'</i> |          |                        |                              | 2        |
| Mofu-Gudur | <i>məfad'</i> |          |                        |                              | 2        |
| Zulgo      | <i>əfad'</i>  |          |                        |                              | *Øa-fad' |
| Gemzek     | <i>əfad'</i>  | 3        |                        |                              |          |
|            | <i>fad'</i>   | *fad'    | *fadØ                  |                              |          |
| Muyang     | <i>fad'</i>   |          |                        |                              |          |
| Merey      | <i>fad'</i>   |          |                        |                              |          |
| Mofu North | <i>fad'</i>   |          |                        |                              |          |

1. \*k<sup>w</sup> > w; ə-epenthesis  
2. ə-epenthesis  
3. prefixal \*a > ə

## MAROUA

|                                                                                         |                                            |                         |                           |                           |   |
|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------|-------------------------|---------------------------|---------------------------|---|
| Giziga-Muturwa                                                                          | <i>mufad' mwfad'</i>                       | *m-w-fad'               | *mØ-k <sup>w</sup> Ø-fadØ | *ma-k <sup>w</sup> a-fada | 1 |
| Giziga-Marva                                                                            | <i>mufad' mwfad'</i>                       |                         |                           |                           | 1 |
| Mbazla                                                                                  | <i>mofot ma<sup>w</sup>fa<sup>w</sup>t</i> | *ma-Ø <sup>w</sup> -fat | *ma-k <sup>w</sup> Ø-fatØ |                           | 2 |
| 1. *k <sup>w</sup> > w > u<br>2. *d' > t; *k <sup>w</sup> > Ø <sup>w</sup> ; +W: *a > o |                                            |                         |                           |                           |   |

## LAMANG

|        |                    |         |          |                        |   |
|--------|--------------------|---------|----------|------------------------|---|
| Lamang | <i>ufadā</i> wfadā | *w-fadā | *wØ-fadā | *k <sup>w</sup> a-fadā | 1 |
| Hdi    | <i>fwad</i> fwad   | *fwad   | *wØ-fadØ |                        | 2 |

1. \*k<sup>w</sup> > w > u
2. \*k<sup>w</sup> > w; metathesis wf > fw

## HIGI

|             |                                                         |                       |                        |                          |   |
|-------------|---------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------|------------------------|--------------------------|---|
| Bana        | <i>fad(ə)</i>                                           | *fadə                 | *fadā                  |                          | 1 |
| Psikye      | <i>wufa</i> wə <sup>w</sup> fa?                         | *w <sup>w</sup> -fa?  | *k <sup>w</sup> Ø-fa?Ø |                          | 2 |
| Kamwe-Futu  | <i>f<sup>w</sup>adō</i> f <sup>w</sup> adā <sup>w</sup> | *Ø <sup>w</sup> -fadā | *k <sup>w</sup> Ø-fadā | *(k <sup>w</sup> a-)fadā | 3 |
| Kirya       | <i>f<sup>w</sup>adə</i>                                 | *Ø <sup>w</sup> -fadə | *k <sup>w</sup> Ø-fada |                          | 4 |
|             | <i>f<sup>w</sup>ar</i>                                  | *Ø <sup>w</sup> -farØ | *k <sup>w</sup> Ø-fara |                          | 5 |
| Kamwe-Nkafa | <i>f<sup>w</sup>arə</i>                                 | *Ø <sup>w</sup> -farə |                        |                          | 6 |

1. lexical-final \*a > ə
2. \*k<sup>w</sup> > w<sup>w</sup>; \*d' > ?; ə-epenthesis; +W: ə > u
3. \*k<sup>w</sup> > Ø<sup>w</sup>; +W: \*f > f<sup>w</sup>; +W: lexical-final \*a > o
4. \*k<sup>w</sup> > Ø<sup>w</sup>; \*d' > d; lexical-final \*a > ə; +W: \*f > f<sup>w</sup>
5. \*k<sup>w</sup> > Ø<sup>w</sup>; \*d' > r; +W: \*f > f<sup>w</sup>
6. \*k<sup>w</sup> > Ø<sup>w</sup>; \*d' > r; +W: \*f > f<sup>w</sup>; lexical-final \*a > ə

## KOTOKO-SOUTH

|      |                                |                                      |                          |                          |   |
|------|--------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|---|
| Zina | <i>fodī</i> fa <sup>w</sup> dý | *Ø <sup>w</sup> -fad <sup>w</sup> -y | *k <sup>w</sup> Ø-fadØ-y | *k <sup>w</sup> a-fadā-y | 1 |
|------|--------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|---|

1. \*k<sup>w</sup> > Ø<sup>w</sup>; +W: \*a > o; \*y > i

## MUSGUM

|        |                                  |                                     |                       |                         |   |
|--------|----------------------------------|-------------------------------------|-----------------------|-------------------------|---|
| Vulum  | <i>pudū</i> pə <sup>w</sup> dū   | *pd <sup>w</sup> -w <sup>w</sup>    | *pdØ-k <sup>w</sup>   |                         | 1 |
| Mbara  | <i>pu'du</i> pə <sup>w</sup> dū  |                                     |                       | *fdā(-y)-k <sup>w</sup> | 1 |
| Muskum | <i>fuudī</i> fə <sup>w</sup> wdý | *f <sup>w</sup> w <sup>w</sup> dā-y | *fdā-y-k <sup>w</sup> |                         | 2 |

1. \*f > p; \*k<sup>w</sup> > w<sup>w</sup> > u; ə-epenthesis; +W: ə > u
2. \*k<sup>w</sup> > w<sup>w</sup> > u; multiple metathesis dýw > wdý; ə-epenthesis; +W: ə > u; \*y > i

## GIDAR

|       |                                             |                     |                     |                      |   |
|-------|---------------------------------------------|---------------------|---------------------|----------------------|---|
| Gidar | <i>podō</i> pa <sup>w</sup> dā <sup>w</sup> | pada-Ø <sup>w</sup> | pada-k <sup>w</sup> | *fadā-k <sup>w</sup> | 1 |
|       | <i>podo</i> pa <sup>w</sup> dā <sup>w</sup> | pada-Ø <sup>w</sup> | pada-k <sup>w</sup> |                      | 2 |

1. \*f > p; \*k<sup>w</sup> > Ø<sup>w</sup>; +W: \*a > o
2. \*f > p; \*k<sup>w</sup> > Ø<sup>w</sup>; \*d' > d; +W: \*a > o

fry, to

PCC \*(ma-, RED-) s(a)w(a)ra (-a, -y, -n, -t; FV)

## BATA

|      |             |      |       |       |   |
|------|-------------|------|-------|-------|---|
| Gude | <i>səra</i> | *sra | *sØra | *swra | 1 |
|------|-------------|------|-------|-------|---|

1. ə-epenthesis; lexical-final \*a > ə

## DABA

|        |              |        |           |           |   |
|--------|--------------|--------|-----------|-----------|---|
| Buwal  | <i>msar</i>  | *m-sar | *mØ-saØrØ |           |   |
| Gavar  | <i>msar</i>  |        |           | *ma-sawra |   |
| Mbudum | <i>məsar</i> |        |           |           | 1 |

1. ə-epenthesis

## MAFA

|           |             |       |        |        |   |
|-----------|-------------|-------|--------|--------|---|
| Cuvok     | <i>sala</i> | *sala | *saØla | *sawra | 1 |
| 1. *r > l |             |       |        |        |   |

## TERA

|                   |                |      |       |       |   |
|-------------------|----------------|------|-------|-------|---|
| Tera              | <i>zur zwr</i> | *zwr | *zwrØ | *swra | 1 |
| 1. *s > z; *w > u |                |      |       |       |   |

## SUKUR

|           |                  |       |       |   |
|-----------|------------------|-------|-------|---|
| Sukur     | <i>sura swra</i> | *swra | *swra | 1 |
| 1. *w > u |                  |       |       |   |

## HURZA

|                                                                                                          |                                            |                                    |         |           |   |
|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------|------------------------------------|---------|-----------|---|
| Mbuko                                                                                                    | <i>suwle sə<sup>w</sup>wla<sup>y</sup></i> | *sw <sup>w</sup> la-Ø <sup>y</sup> | *swla-y | *swra(-y) | 1 |
| Vame                                                                                                     | <i>səla</i>                                | *sla                               | *sØla   |           | 2 |
| 1. *r > l; *w > w <sup>w</sup> ; ə-epenthesis; +W: ə > u; *y > Ø <sup>y</sup> ; +Y: lexical-final *a > e |                                            |                                    |         |           |   |
| 2. *r > l; ə-epenthesis                                                                                  |                                            |                                    |         |           |   |

## MARGI

|                         |                    |         |          |            |   |
|-------------------------|--------------------|---------|----------|------------|---|
| Bura                    | <i>sulta</i> swlta | *swl-ta | *swlØ-ta | *swra(-ta) | 1 |
|                         | <i>sula</i> swla   | *swla   |          |            | 1 |
| Kilba                   | <i>səla</i>        | *sla    | *sØla    |            | 2 |
| Margi                   | <i>səl</i>         | *sl     | *sØlØ    |            | 2 |
| 1. *r > l; *w > u       |                    |         |          |            |   |
| 2. *r > l; ə-epenthesis |                    |         |          |            |   |

## MANDARA

|                                                                                                               |                                |                        |            |                            |   |
|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------|------------------------|------------|----------------------------|---|
|                                                                                                               |                                |                        |            | √ C C Ca                   |   |
| Podoko                                                                                                        | <i>sula swla</i>               | *swla                  |            | *swra(-y-k <sup>w</sup> a) | 1 |
| Malgwa                                                                                                        | <i>səla</i>                    | *sla                   | *sØla      |                            | 2 |
| Glavda                                                                                                        | <i>silga sə<sup>l</sup>lga</i> | *sl-Ø <sup>y</sup> -ga | *sØlØ-y-ka |                            | 3 |
|                                                                                                               |                                |                        |            | √ CaC Ca                   |   |
| Mandara                                                                                                       | <i>sela sa<sup>l</sup>la</i>   | *sala-Ø <sup>y</sup>   | *saØla-y   | *sawra-y                   | 4 |
| 1. *r > l; *w > u                                                                                             |                                |                        |            |                            |   |
| 2. *r > l; ə-epenthesis                                                                                       |                                |                        |            |                            |   |
| 3. *r > l; *k <sup>w</sup> (> g <sup>w</sup> ) > g; <sup>w</sup> -epenthesis; *y > Ø <sup>y</sup> ; +Y: ə > i |                                |                        |            |                            |   |
| 4. *r > l; *y > Ø <sup>y</sup> ; +Y: ə > e                                                                    |                                |                        |            |                            |   |

## MOFU

|            |                                                            |                                          |                              |                           |   |
|------------|------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------|------------------------------|---------------------------|---|
|            |                                                            |                                          |                              | √ C C Ca                  |   |
| Mofu-Gudur | <i>sər</i>                                                 | *sr                                      | *sØrØ                        | *(ma-)swra<br>(-a-y(-na)) | 1 |
|            | <i>səl</i>                                                 | *sl                                      | *sØlØ                        |                           | 2 |
| Ouldeme    | <i>salay</i>                                               | *sl-ay                                   | *sØlØ-a-y                    |                           | 2 |
| Dugwor     | <i>məsuleyna<br/>məswla<sup>y</sup>yna</i>                 | *ma-sw <sup>l</sup> -ay <sup>y</sup> -na | *ma-sw <sup>l</sup> Ø-a-y-na |                           | 3 |
|            |                                                            |                                          |                              | √ CaC Ca                  |   |
| Gemzek     | <i>sawla</i>                                               | *sawla                                   |                              | *(ma-)<br>sawra(-y)       | 4 |
| Merey      | <i>sola sa<sup>w</sup>la</i>                               | *saØ <sup>w</sup> la                     | *sawla                       |                           | 5 |
| Moloko     | <i>sol sa<sup>w</sup>l</i>                                 | *saØ <sup>w</sup> l                      | *sawlØ                       |                           | 5 |
|            | <i>mesewle ma<sup>y</sup>sa<sup>y</sup>wla<sup>y</sup></i> | *ma-sawla-Ø <sup>y</sup>                 | *ma-sawla-y                  |                           | 6 |

|                                                                                                                         |                                                                   |                                            |                |                |   |
|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------|----------------|----------------|---|
|                                                                                                                         |                                                                   |                                            |                | √ C CaCa       |   |
| Mada                                                                                                                    | moefloere<br>ma <sup>wys</sup> la <sup>wy</sup> a <sup>ra</sup> y | *ma-slaØ <sup>w</sup> a-Ø <sup>y</sup> -na | *ma-swala-y-na | *ma-swara-y-na | 7 |
|                                                                                                                         |                                                                   |                                            |                | √ CaCaCa       |   |
| Muyang                                                                                                                  | sawalay                                                           | *sawal-ay                                  | *sawalØ-a-y    | *sawara-a-y    | 4 |
| 1. ə-epenthesis                                                                                                         |                                                                   |                                            |                |                |   |
| 2. *r > l; ə-epenthesis                                                                                                 |                                                                   |                                            |                |                |   |
| 3. *r > l; *w > u; *y > y <sup>y</sup> ; *Y: lexical-final *a > e                                                       |                                                                   |                                            |                |                |   |
| 4. *r > l                                                                                                               |                                                                   |                                            |                |                |   |
| 5. *r > l; *w > Ø <sup>w</sup> ; +W: *a > o                                                                             |                                                                   |                                            |                |                |   |
| 6. *r > l; *y > Ø <sup>y</sup> ; +Y: *a > e                                                                             |                                                                   |                                            |                |                |   |
| 7. *r > l; *n > r; metathesis wl > lw; *w > Ø <sup>w</sup> ; *y > Ø <sup>y</sup> ; +Y: *s > f; +Y: *a > e; +W+Y: *a > æ |                                                                   |                                            |                |                |   |
| MAROUA                                                                                                                  |                                                                   |                                            |                |                |   |
| Giziga-Muturwa                                                                                                          | susul sswswl                                                      | *sw-swl                                    | *RED-swlØ      | *(RED-)swra    | 1 |
| Giziga-Marwa                                                                                                            | sula swla                                                         | *swla                                      |                |                | 1 |
| 1. *r > l; *w > u                                                                                                       |                                                                   |                                            |                |                |   |
| LAMANG                                                                                                                  |                                                                   |                                            |                |                |   |
| Lamang                                                                                                                  | sula swla                                                         | *swla                                      |                | *swra(-a-y)    | 1 |
| Hdi                                                                                                                     | sulay swlay                                                       | *swl-ay                                    | *swlØ-a-y      |                | 1 |
| 1. *r > l; *w > u                                                                                                       |                                                                   |                                            |                |                |   |
| HIGI                                                                                                                    |                                                                   |                                            |                |                |   |
|                                                                                                                         |                                                                   |                                            |                | √ C C Ca       |   |
| Kamwe-Futu                                                                                                              | siro sə <sup>ra</sup> w                                           | *sØ <sup>w</sup> ra-Ø <sup>y</sup>         | *swra-y        | *swra(-y)      | 1 |
| Kamwe-Nkafa                                                                                                             | sələ                                                              | *sla                                       | *sØla          |                | 2 |
| Kirya                                                                                                                   | səl                                                               | *sl                                        | *sØlØ          |                | 2 |
| Bana                                                                                                                    | s(ə)li səly                                                       | *sl-y                                      | *sØlØ-y        |                | 3 |
|                                                                                                                         |                                                                   |                                            |                | √ CaC Ca       |   |
| Kamwe-Nkafa                                                                                                             | sələ sə <sup>l</sup> ə                                            | *sala-Ø <sup>y</sup>                       | *saØla-y       | *sawra-y       | 4 |
| 1. ə-epenthesis; *w > Ø <sup>w</sup> ; +W: lexical-final *a > o; *y > Ø <sup>y</sup> ; +Y: ə > i                        |                                                                   |                                            |                |                |   |
| 2. *r > l; ə-epenthesis                                                                                                 |                                                                   |                                            |                |                |   |
| 3. *r > l; ə-epenthesis; *y > i                                                                                         |                                                                   |                                            |                |                |   |
| 4. *r > l; ə-epenthesis; lexical-final *a > ə                                                                           |                                                                   |                                            |                |                |   |
| KOTOKO-NORTH                                                                                                            |                                                                   |                                            |                |                |   |
| Mpade                                                                                                                   | silya sə <sup>y</sup> lyə                                         | *sl-y <sup>a</sup>                         | *sØlØ-ya       | *swra-ya       | 1 |
| 1. *r > l; *y > y <sup>y</sup> ; +Y: ə > i                                                                              |                                                                   |                                            |                |                |   |
| KOTOKO-SOUTH                                                                                                            |                                                                   |                                            |                |                |   |
| Zina                                                                                                                    | tʃihya ts <sup>y</sup> ə <sup>y</sup> x <sup>a</sup>              | *tsxa-Ø <sup>y</sup>                       | *tsØxa-y       | *swra-y        | 1 |
| 1. *s > ts; *r > x; ə-epenthesis; *y > Ø <sup>y</sup> ; +Y: ts > tʃ; +Y: x > x <sup>y</sup> ; +Y: ə > i                 |                                                                   |                                            |                |                |   |
| MUSGUM                                                                                                                  |                                                                   |                                            |                |                |   |
| Mbara                                                                                                                   | sisal sə <sup>l</sup> sal                                         | *s-sal-Ø <sup>y</sup>                      | *RED-saØlØ-y   | *RED-sawra-y   | 1 |
| 1. *r > l; ə-epenthesis; *y > Ø <sup>y</sup> ; +Y: ə > i                                                                |                                                                   |                                            |                |                |   |



get well/cure/take care, to

PCC \*(k<sup>w</sup>a-, ma-) **b(a)ra** (-a, -y, -k<sup>w</sup>, -n; FV)

The reconstruction of prefixal \*/m/ is guided by analogy to the frequent occurrence of \*{ma-} throughout the data corpus and, therefore, could be considered ad hoc for this particular example. Alternatively, we would have to accept a trilateral root **\*mb(a)ra** under our assumption that PCC did not possess prenasalised x<sup>m</sup>b/.

BATA

|      |                                     |                     |           |              |   |
|------|-------------------------------------|---------------------|-----------|--------------|---|
| Gude | ə <sup>m</sup> bi mby               | *m-b-y              | *mØ-bØØ-y | *ma-bra-y/-n | 1 |
|      | <sup>m</sup> bii mbə <sup>y</sup> y | *m-b-y <sup>y</sup> | *mØ-bØØ-y |              | 2 |
| Jimi | <sup>m</sup> bədən mbədən           | *m-bd-n             | *mØ-bdØ-n |              | 3 |

1. ə-prothesis; \*y > i
2. ə-epenthesis; +Y: ə > i; y > i
3. \*r > d; ə-epenthesis

DABA

|        |                            |         |           |                            |   |
|--------|----------------------------|---------|-----------|----------------------------|---|
| Gavar  | <sup>m</sup> bəl mbəl      | *m-bl   | *mØ-blØ   | *(k <sup>w</sup> a-)ma-bra | 1 |
| Mbudum | <sup>m</sup> bəl mbəl      |         |           |                            | 1 |
|        | kə <sup>m</sup> bəl kəmbəl | *k-m-bl | *k-mØ-blØ |                            | 2 |

1. \*r > l; ə-epenthesis
2. \*r > l; \*k<sup>w</sup> > k; ə-epenthesis

HURZA

|       |                         |        |          |          |   |
|-------|-------------------------|--------|----------|----------|---|
|       |                         |        |          | √ C Ca   |   |
| Vame  | <sup>m</sup> bəra mbəra | *m-bra | *mØ-bra  | *ma-bra  | 1 |
|       |                         |        |          | √ CaCa   |   |
| Mbuko | <sup>m</sup> bar mbar   | *m-bar | *mØ-barØ | *ma-bara |   |

1. ə-epenthesis

MOFU

|            |                                                                |                              |                   |                                            |   |
|------------|----------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------|-------------------|--------------------------------------------|---|
|            |                                                                |                              |                   | √ C Ca                                     |   |
| Dugwor     | mə <sup>m</sup> bəley<br>məmbəla <sup>y</sup> y                | *mØ-m-bl-ay <sup>y</sup>     | *ma-mØ-blØ-a-y    | *(RED-)ma-<br>bra(-y-k <sup>w</sup> -n(a)) | 1 |
| Mofu       | me <sup>m</sup> bəley                                          | *ma-m-bl-ay <sup>y</sup>     | *ma-mØ-blØ-a-y    |                                            | 1 |
| North      | ma <sup>m</sup> mbəla <sup>y</sup> y                           |                              |                   |                                            |   |
| Mada       | me <sup>m</sup> bleŋa<br>ma <sup>m</sup> mbəla <sup>y</sup> ŋa | *ma-m-bla-Ø <sup>y</sup> -ŋa | *ma-mØ-bla-y-k-na |                                            | 2 |
| Gemzek     | me <sup>m</sup> bəle ma <sup>m</sup> mbəla <sup>y</sup>        | *ma-m-bla-Ø <sup>y</sup>     | *ma-mØ-bla-y      |                                            | 3 |
|            | <sup>m</sup> bəl mbəl                                          |                              |                   |                                            | 4 |
| Merey      | <sup>m</sup> bəl mbəl                                          | *m-bl                        | *mØ-blØ           | *(RED-)ma-<br>bra(-y-k <sup>w</sup> -n(a)) | 4 |
| Zulgo      | <sup>m</sup> bəl mbəl                                          |                              |                   |                                            | 4 |
| Mofu-Gudur | <sup>m</sup> bəl mbəl                                          |                              |                   |                                            | 4 |
| Ouldeme    | <sup>m</sup> bəl mbəl                                          |                              |                   |                                            | 4 |
|            |                                                                |                              |                   | √ CaCa                                     |   |
|            | <sup>m</sup> bəleŋ<br>mbə <sup>y</sup> la <sup>y</sup> ŋ       | *m-bala-Ø <sup>y</sup> -ŋ    | *mØ-bala-y-k-n    | *ma-bara<br>(-y-k <sup>w</sup> -n)         | 5 |
| Moloko     | <sup>m</sup> bar mbar                                          | *m-bar                       | *mØ-barØ          |                                            |   |

1. \*r > l; \*y > y<sup>y</sup>; +Y: \*a > e
2. \*r > l; \*y > Ø<sup>y</sup>; +Y: \*a > e; \*k<sup>w</sup> > k; fusion kn > ŋ
3. \*r > l; ə-epenthesis; \*y > Ø<sup>y</sup>; +Y: \*a > e
4. \*r > l; ə-epenthesis
5. \*r > l; \*k<sup>w</sup> > k; fusion kn > ŋ; \*y > Ø<sup>y</sup>; +Y: a > e

## MAROUA

|                                                        |                              |        |           |                        |   |
|--------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------|--------|-----------|------------------------|---|
| Giziga-Muturwa                                         | <sup>m</sup> <i>bul</i> mbwl | *m-bwl | *mØ-blØ-w | *ma-bra-k <sup>w</sup> | 1 |
| 1. *r > l; *k <sup>w</sup> > w > u; metathesis lw > wl |                              |        |           |                        |   |

## LAMANG

|     |            |       |         |         |  |
|-----|------------|-------|---------|---------|--|
| Hdi | <i>mba</i> | *m-ba | *mØ-bØa | *ma-bra |  |
|-----|------------|-------|---------|---------|--|

## GIDAR

|                                                                       |                                               |                       |           |           |   |
|-----------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------|-----------------------|-----------|-----------|---|
| Gidar                                                                 | <i>i<sup>m</sup>bəla</i> ə <sup>m</sup> mbəla | *m-bla-Ø <sup>y</sup> | *mØ-bla-y | *ma-bra-y | 1 |
| 1. *r > l; ə-prothesis; ə-epenthesis; *y > Ø <sup>y</sup> ; +Y: ə > i |                                               |                       |           |           |   |

girl, daughter

Areal root \*(ma-) **d(a)ma** (-y)

## DABA

|                                                                 |                                                  |                        |           |   |
|-----------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------|------------------------|-----------|---|
| Daba                                                            | <i>medimi</i> ma <sup>d</sup> də <sup>m</sup> my | *ma-dmØ-y <sup>y</sup> | *ma-dma-y | 1 |
| 1. ə-epenthesis; *y > y <sup>y</sup> > i; +Y: ə > i; +Y: *a > e |                                                  |                        |           |   |

## MAFA

|                                     |                              |                     |           |   |
|-------------------------------------|------------------------------|---------------------|-----------|---|
| Mafa                                | <i>dam</i>                   | *damØ               | *dama(-y) |   |
| Cuvok                               | <i>dem</i> da <sup>m</sup> m | *dam-Ø <sup>y</sup> | *damØ-y   | 1 |
| 1. *y > Ø <sup>y</sup> ; +Y: *a > e |                              |                     |           |   |

## SUKUR

|                 |            |      |      |   |
|-----------------|------------|------|------|---|
| Sukur           | <i>dəm</i> | *dmØ | *dma | 1 |
| 1. ə-epenthesis |            |      |      |   |

## MOFU

|                        |                 |         |         |           |   |
|------------------------|-----------------|---------|---------|-----------|---|
|                        |                 |         |         | √ C Ca    |   |
| Zulgo                  | <i>dəm</i>      | *dmØ    |         | *dma      | 1 |
| Gemzek                 | <i>dəm</i>      |         |         |           | 1 |
|                        |                 |         |         | √ CaCa    |   |
| Merey                  | <i>dem</i> daʔm | *dam-Øʔ | *damØ-y | *dama(-y) | 2 |
| Dugwor                 | <i>dem</i> daʔm |         |         |           | 2 |
| Mofu North             | <i>dem</i> daʔm |         |         |           | 2 |
| Mofu-Gudur             | <i>dam</i> dam  | *damØ   |         |           |   |
| 1. ə-epenthesis        |                 |         |         |           |   |
| 2. *y > Øʔ; +Y: *a > e |                 |         |         |           |   |

girl, young unmarried woman

Areal root \*(na-) **d(a)y(a)ra**<sup>59</sup> (-a, -y, -k<sup>w</sup>; FV)

## DABA

|                   |                        |             |             |   |
|-------------------|------------------------|-------------|-------------|---|
| Gavar             | <i>dahalay</i> daxalay | *daxalØ-a-y | *dayara-a-y | 1 |
| Mbudum            | <i>dalay</i> dalay     | daØØlØ-a-y  |             | 2 |
| 1. *y > x; *r > l |                        |             |             |   |
| 2. *r > l         |                        |             |             |   |

<sup>59</sup> All available examples from the database contain /l/ in C<sub>3</sub> position of the simple root, which is not a reconstructable PCC consonant. We reconstruct a PCC root \***d(a)y(a)ra**, assuming that reconstructed \*r in this root has the common reflex /l/ in all languages in the database where the root occurs.

## MAFA

|                                         |                      |         |         |   |
|-----------------------------------------|----------------------|---------|---------|---|
| Cuvok                                   | <i>dahla</i> daxla   | *daxla  | *dayra  | 1 |
| 1. *y > x; *r > l                       |                      |         |         |   |
| SUKUR                                   |                      |         |         |   |
| Sukur                                   | <i>dəgəli</i> dəgəly | *dglØ-y | *dyra-y | 1 |
| 1. *y > g; *r > l; ə-epenthesis; *y > i |                      |         |         |   |

## HURZA

|                                                              |                    |           |            |   |
|--------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------|-----------|------------|---|
|                                                              |                    |           | √ C C Ca   |   |
| Vame                                                         | <i>dile</i> dəylaʷ | *dØla-y   | *dyra-y    | 1 |
|                                                              |                    |           | √ CaCCa    |   |
| Mbuko                                                        | <i>dalay</i>       | daØlØ-a-y | *dayra-a-y |   |
| 1. *r > l; ə-epenthesis; +Y: ə > i; +Y: lexical-final *a > e |                    |           |            |   |

## MANDARA

|                                                                                                                                                           |                |            |           |   |
|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------|------------|-----------|---|
|                                                                                                                                                           |                |            | √ C C Ca  |   |
| Podoko                                                                                                                                                    | dəhəla dəxəla  | *dxla      | *dyra     | 1 |
|                                                                                                                                                           |                |            | √ CaCaCa  |   |
| Mandara                                                                                                                                                   | gyaale dʷaalaʷ | *daØala-Øʷ | *dayara-y | 2 |
| Malgwa                                                                                                                                                    | gyaale dʷaalaʷ |            |           | 2 |
| 1. *y > x; *r > l; ə-epenthesis<br>2. *r > l; *y > Øʷ; +Y: d > dʷ > gʷ; +Y: lexical-final *a > e; (vowel length accounted for by loss of intervocalic *y) |                |            |           |   |

## MOFU

|                                                                                                                                                       |                                                     |                                          |                                             |                                 |   |
|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------|---------------------------------|---|
|                                                                                                                                                       |                                                     |                                          |                                             | √ CaC Ca                        |   |
| Gemzek                                                                                                                                                | <i>dahəla</i> daxəla                                | *daxla                                   |                                             | *dayra(-a-y)                    | 1 |
|                                                                                                                                                       | <i>dahəlay</i> daxəlay                              | *daxlØ-a-y                               |                                             |                                 | 1 |
| Merey                                                                                                                                                 | <i>dahəlay</i> daxəlay                              |                                          |                                             |                                 | 1 |
| Dugwor                                                                                                                                                | <i>dahəlay</i> daxəlay                              |                                          |                                             |                                 | 1 |
| Moloko                                                                                                                                                | <i>dalay</i>                                        | *daØlØ-a-y                               |                                             |                                 |   |
|                                                                                                                                                       |                                                     |                                          |                                             | √ CaCaCa                        |   |
| Muyang                                                                                                                                                | <i>dahalay</i> daxalay                              | *daxalØ-a-y                              |                                             | *(na-)dayara-a-y-k <sup>w</sup> | 2 |
| Ouldeme                                                                                                                                               | <i>dang<sup>w</sup>alay</i><br>da <sup>g</sup> alay | *Ø <sup>n</sup> -dag <sup>w</sup> al-a-y | *nØ <sup>n</sup> -dagalØ-a-y-Ø <sup>w</sup> |                                 | 3 |
| 1. *y > x; *r > l; ə-epenthesis                                                                                                                       |                                                     |                                          |                                             |                                 |   |
| 2. *y > x, *r > l                                                                                                                                     |                                                     |                                          |                                             |                                 |   |
| 3. *y > g; *r > l; *k <sup>w</sup> > Ø <sup>w</sup> ; +W: g > g <sup>w</sup> ; *n > n <sup>n</sup> ; +N: g <sup>w</sup> > <sup>g</sup> g <sup>w</sup> |                                                     |                                          |                                             |                                 |   |

## MAROUA

|                                                                                                                                                   |                     |                      |                      |         |   |
|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------|----------------------|----------------------|---------|---|
| Giziga-Muturwa                                                                                                                                    | <i>diyli</i> də'yly | *dy <sup>y</sup> l-y | *dylØ-y <sup>y</sup> | *dyra-y | 1 |
| Giziga-Marva                                                                                                                                      | <i>dili</i> də'ly   |                      | *dØlØ-y <sup>y</sup> |         | 2 |
| 1. *r > l; *y > y <sup>y</sup> ; +Y: *y > y; ə-epenthesis; +Y: ə > i; final *y > i<br>2. *r > l; ə-epenthesis; *y > y <sup>y</sup> > i; +Y: ə > i |                     |                      |                      |         |   |

## LAMANG

|                                                                  |                                                     |                        |           |           |   |
|------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------|------------------------|-----------|-----------|---|
| Lamang                                                           | <i>dayele</i> <i>daya<sup>l</sup>la<sup>y</sup></i> | *dayala-Ø <sup>y</sup> | *dayala-y | *dayara-y | 1 |
| Hdi                                                              | <i>dayali</i> <i>dayaly</i>                         | *dayalØ-y              |           |           | 2 |
| 1. *r > l; *y > Ø <sup>y</sup> ; +Y: *a > e<br>2. *r > l; *y > i |                                                     |                        |           |           |   |

## HIGI

|                                                                             |                                                                   |                    |         |          |   |
|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------|---------|----------|---|
|                                                                             |                                                                   |                    |         | √ C C Ca |   |
| Kamwe-Nkafa                                                                 | <i>digalyi</i> <i>də<sup>g</sup>gəlyə<sup>y</sup></i>             | dgl-y <sup>a</sup> | dglØ-ya | *dyra-ya | 1 |
|                                                                             | <i>digilyi</i> <i>də<sup>g</sup>gə<sup>y</sup>lyə<sup>y</sup></i> |                    |         |          | 1 |
|                                                                             |                                                                   |                    |         | √ CaCaCa |   |
| Bana                                                                        | <i>dayala</i>                                                     | *dayala            | *dayara |          |   |
| 1. *y > g; *r > l; ə-epenthesis; FV *a > ə; *y > y <sup>y</sup> ; +Y: ə > i |                                                                   |                    |         |          |   |

give, to<sup>60</sup>PCC \*(ma-) **va** ~ **v(a)ra** (-a, -y, -k<sup>w</sup>, -n; FV)

## BATA

|                                                                                                                                                               |                                         |                           |                |                              |   |
|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------|---------------------------|----------------|------------------------------|---|
|                                                                                                                                                               |                                         |                           |                | √ C Ca                       |   |
| Gude                                                                                                                                                          | <i>və</i>                               | *və                       | *vØa           | *vra-y/-n                    | 1 |
| Jimi                                                                                                                                                          | <i>vən</i> <sup>61</sup>                | *və-n                     | *vØa-n         |                              | 1 |
| Sharwa                                                                                                                                                        | <i>vi</i> <i>və<sup>y</sup></i>         | *və-Ø <sup>y</sup>        | *vØa-y         |                              | 2 |
|                                                                                                                                                               |                                         |                           |                | √ CaCa                       |   |
| Tsuvan                                                                                                                                                        | <i>avekən</i> <i>ava<sup>y</sup>kən</i> | *a-va-Ø <sup>y</sup> -k-n | *Øa-vaØØ-y-k-n | *ma-vara-y-k <sup>w</sup> -n | 3 |
| 1. lexical-final *a > ə<br>2. lexical-final *a > ə; *y > Ø <sup>y</sup> ; +Y: ə > i<br>3. *k <sup>w</sup> > k; ə-epenthesis; *y > Ø <sup>y</sup> ; +Y: *a > e |                                         |                           |                |                              |   |

## DABA

|                                      |            |      |       |        |   |
|--------------------------------------|------------|------|-------|--------|---|
|                                      |            |      |       | √ C Ca |   |
| Gavar                                | <i>vəl</i> | *vl  | *vlØ  | *vra   | 1 |
| Mbudum                               | <i>vəl</i> |      |       |        | 1 |
| Daba                                 | <i>vəl</i> |      |       |        | 1 |
|                                      |            |      |       | √ CaCa |   |
| Buwal                                | <i>val</i> | *val | *valØ | *vara  | 2 |
| 1. *r > l; ə-epenthesis<br>2. *r > l |            |      |       |        |   |

<sup>60</sup> Gravina (2015) reconstructs two different “possibly cognate” roots, namely \*v and \*vir, “though there is no known regular process for deleting a final \*r”. Paul Newman (p.c. 2022) suggests that “likely both \*va and \*vər can be traced back to Proto-Chadic and thus also to PCC. They were not different roots, but, as found coexisting in numerous Chadic languages ... were manifestations (= allomorphs) of the same lexeme.”

<sup>61</sup> Even though \*{-n} is a frequently occurring augmental suffix in the BATA group and is as such reconstructed here (see the reflex *a-ve-kə-n* in Tsuvan), Jimi *vən* could potentially also be a reflex of the root allomorph \*vra, if in this item a change \*r → n can be established for Jimi.

## MAFA

|       |           |             |              |              |  |
|-------|-----------|-------------|--------------|--------------|--|
| Mafa  | <i>va</i> | * <i>va</i> | * <i>vØa</i> | * <i>vra</i> |  |
| Cuvok | <i>va</i> |             |              |              |  |

## TERA

|      |            |              |  |              |   |
|------|------------|--------------|--|--------------|---|
| Tera | <i>vər</i> | * <i>vrØ</i> |  | * <i>vra</i> | 1 |
|------|------------|--------------|--|--------------|---|

## 1. ə-epenthesis

## HURZA

|       |             |              |               |               |   |
|-------|-------------|--------------|---------------|---------------|---|
|       |             |              |               | √ C Ca        |   |
| Vame  | <i>vəra</i> | * <i>vra</i> |               | * <i>vra</i>  | 1 |
|       |             |              |               | √ CaCa        |   |
| Mbuko | <i>var</i>  | * <i>var</i> | * <i>varØ</i> | * <i>vara</i> |   |

## 1. ə-epenthesis

## MANDARA

|         |                     |                              |                               |                                        |   |
|---------|---------------------|------------------------------|-------------------------------|----------------------------------------|---|
| Podoko  | <i>va</i>           | * <i>va</i>                  | * <i>vØa</i>                  | *(ma-)vra(-a-y<br>(-k <sup>w</sup> a)) |   |
| Mandara | <i>va</i>           |                              |                               |                                        |   |
| Malgwa  | <i>va</i>           |                              |                               |                                        |   |
| Matal   | <i>mavay</i>        | * <i>ma-v-ay</i>             | * <i>ma-vØØ-a-y</i>           |                                        |   |
|         | <i>vəla</i>         | * <i>vla</i>                 |                               |                                        | 1 |
| Glavda  | <i>vilga və'lga</i> | * <i>vl-Ø<sup>y</sup>-ga</i> | * <i>vlØ-y-k<sup>w</sup>a</i> |                                        | 2 |

1. \**r* > *l*; ə-epenthesis2. \**r* > *l*; \**k<sup>w</sup>* (> *k*) > *g*; ə-epenthesis; \**y* > Ø<sup>y</sup>; +Y: ə > *i*

## MOFU

|         |                                              |                               |                   |                  |   |
|---------|----------------------------------------------|-------------------------------|-------------------|------------------|---|
|         |                                              |                               |                   | √ C Ca           |   |
| Ouldeme | <i>vəlar</i>                                 | * <i>vla-r</i>                | * <i>vla-n</i>    | *(ma-)vra(-y/-n) | 1 |
| Gemzek  | <i>mevəle ma<sup>y</sup>vəla<sup>y</sup></i> | * <i>ma-vla-Ø<sup>y</sup></i> | * <i>ma-vla-y</i> |                  | 2 |
| Dugwor  | <i>məvəley məvəla<sup>y</sup></i>            | * <i>mØ-vla-y<sup>y</sup></i> |                   |                  | 3 |
| Zulgo   | <i>vəl</i>                                   | * <i>vl</i>                   | * <i>vlØ</i>      |                  | 4 |
| Moloko  | <i>vər</i>                                   | * <i>vr</i>                   | * <i>vrØ</i>      |                  | 5 |
|         |                                              |                               |                   | √ CaCa           |   |
| Moloko  | <i>val</i>                                   | * <i>val</i>                  | * <i>valØ</i>     | * <i>vara</i>    | 6 |

1. \**r* > *l*; \**n* > *r*; ə-epenthesis2. \**r* > *l*; ə-epenthesis; \**y* > Ø<sup>y</sup>; +Y: \**a* > *e*3. \**r* > *l*; ə-epenthesis; \**y* > *y<sup>y</sup>*; +Y: \**a* > *e*4. \**r* > *l*; ə-epenthesis

## 5. ə-epenthesis

6. \**r* > *l*

## MAROUA

|              |                                |                             |                              |                                 |   |
|--------------|--------------------------------|-----------------------------|------------------------------|---------------------------------|---|
| Giziga-Marva | <i>vul və<sup>w</sup>l</i>     | * <i>vl-Ø<sup>w</sup></i>   | * <i>vlØ-k<sup>w</sup></i>   | * <i>vra(-y,-k<sup>w</sup>)</i> | 1 |
| Mbazla       | <i>vili' və<sup>y</sup>ly?</i> | * <i>vl-y<sup>y</sup>-?</i> | * <i>vlØ-y-k<sup>w</sup></i> |                                 | 2 |
|              | <i>vili və<sup>y</sup>ly</i>   | * <i>vl-y<sup>y</sup></i>   | * <i>vlØ-y</i>               |                                 | 3 |

1. \**r* > *l*; \**k<sup>w</sup>* > Ø<sup>w</sup>; ə-epenthesis; +W: ə > *u*2. \**r* > *l*; \**k<sup>w</sup>* (> *k*) > ?; ə-epenthesis; \**y* > *y<sup>y</sup>* > *i*; +Y: ə > *i*3. \**r* > *l*; ə-epenthesis; \**y* > *y<sup>y</sup>* > *i*; +Y: ə > *i*

## LAMANG

|        |            |      |  |      |   |
|--------|------------|------|--|------|---|
| Lamang | <i>vla</i> | *vla |  | *vra | 1 |
| Hdi    | <i>vla</i> |      |  |      | 1 |

1. \*r &gt; l

## HIGI

|        |           |     |      |      |   |
|--------|-----------|-----|------|------|---|
| Psikye | <i>və</i> | *və | *vØa | *vra | 1 |
|--------|-----------|-----|------|------|---|

1. lexical-final \*a &gt; ə

## KOTOKO-NORTH

|        |                    |         |        |        |   |
|--------|--------------------|---------|--------|--------|---|
| Afade  | <i>fi fy</i>       | *f-y    | *fØØ-y | *vra-y | 1 |
| Mpade  | <i>fi fy</i>       |         |        |        | 1 |
| Malgbe | <i>fi fy</i>       |         |        |        | 1 |
|        | <i>fidi fə'dəʸ</i> | *fdə-Øʸ | *fda-y |        | 2 |

1. \*v &gt; f; \*y &gt; i

2. \*v &gt; f; \*r &gt; d; ə-epenthesis; lexical-final \*a &gt; ə; \*y &gt; Øʸ; +Y: medial ə &gt; i; +Y: final ə &gt; i

## KOTOKO-CENTRAL

|        |                     |          |            |              |   |
|--------|---------------------|----------|------------|--------------|---|
| Lagwan | <i>vawun vawəʷn</i> | *va-wʷ-n | *vaØØ-kʷ-n | *vara-kʷ(-n) | 1 |
| Mser   | <i>vo vaʷ</i>       | *va-Øʷ   | *vaØØ-kʷ   |              | 2 |

1. \*kʷ &gt; wʷ; ə-epenthesis; +W: ə &gt; u

2. \*kʷ &gt; Øʷ; +W: \*a &gt; o

## KOTOKO-SOUTH

|      |             |       |  |       |   |
|------|-------------|-------|--|-------|---|
| Zina | <i>vala</i> | *vala |  | *vara | 1 |
|------|-------------|-------|--|-------|---|

1. \*r &gt; l

## GIDAR

|       |              |          |           |             |   |
|-------|--------------|----------|-----------|-------------|---|
| Gidar | <i>əvaya</i> | *ə-va-ya | *Øa-va-ya | *ma-vaØØ-ya | 1 |
|-------|--------------|----------|-----------|-------------|---|

1. prefixal \*a &gt; ə

give birth<sub>1</sub>, toPCC \*(ma-, RED-) **w(a)x(a)ya** (-a, -y, -kʷ, -n, -r; FV)

## MAFA

|       |             |        |          |        |
|-------|-------------|--------|----------|--------|
|       |             |        | √ C C Ca |        |
| Mafa  | <i>ya</i>   | *ØØya  |          | *wxya  |
|       |             |        | √ C CaCa |        |
| Cuvok | <i>haya</i> | *Øxaya |          | *wxaya |

## TERA

|      |           |       |  |       |  |
|------|-----------|-------|--|-------|--|
| Tera | <i>xa</i> | *ØxØa |  | *wxya |  |
|------|-----------|-------|--|-------|--|

## SUKUR

|       |                     |        |        |       |   |
|-------|---------------------|--------|--------|-------|---|
| Sukur | <i>yiiha yə'yxa</i> | *yyʷxa | *wyʷxa | *wxya | 1 |
|       | <i>yi yy</i>        | *yy    | *wØyØ  |       | 2 |

1. metathesis xy &gt; yx; assimilation \*w &gt; y/\_y; ə-epenthesis; \*y &gt; yʷ &gt; i; +Y: ə &gt; i

2. assimilation \*w &gt; y/\_y; \*y &gt; i

## HURZA

|       |        |         |          |  |
|-------|--------|---------|----------|--|
|       |        |         | √ CaC Ca |  |
| Vame  | wah(a) | *waxØa  | *waxya   |  |
|       |        |         | √ CaCaCa |  |
| Mbuko | wahay  | *waxayØ | *waxaya  |  |

## MARGI

|             |         |       |       |  |   |
|-------------|---------|-------|-------|--|---|
| Bura        | iya yya | *yya  | *wØya |  | 1 |
|             | yia yya |       |       |  | 1 |
| Margi       | ya      | *ØØya | *wxya |  |   |
| Margi South | ya      |       |       |  |   |
| Kilba       | ya      |       |       |  |   |

1. assimilation \*w &gt; y/\_y; y &gt; i

## MANDARA

|         |            |           |              |                           |   |
|---------|------------|-----------|--------------|---------------------------|---|
| Podoko  | ha         | *ØxØa     |              |                           |   |
| Malgwa  | ya         | *ØØya     |              |                           |   |
| Dghwede | yige yygaʸ | *yyʸ-ga   | *wØyØ-ka     | *(RED-)<br>wxya(-kʷa/-na) | 1 |
| Glavda  | yiga yyga  | *yy-ga    |              |                           | 2 |
|         | yayana     | *ya-ya-na | *RED-ØØya-na |                           |   |

1. assimilation \*w &gt; y/\_y; y &gt; yʸ &gt; i; +Y: lexical-final \*a &gt; e; \*kʷ &gt; k &gt; g

2. assimilation \*w &gt; y/\_y; y &gt; i; \*kʷ &gt; k &gt; g

## MOFU

|            |               |              |          |                  |   |
|------------|---------------|--------------|----------|------------------|---|
|            |               |              |          | √ C C Ca         |   |
| Mofu-Gudur | y-            | *ØØyØ        |          | *(ma-)wxya(-a-y) |   |
| Merey      | wa            | *wØØa        |          |                  |   |
| Zulgo      | wa            |              |          |                  |   |
| Moloko     | we waʸ        | *wØʸa        | *wØya    |                  | 1 |
| Ouldeme    | wi wy         | *wØyØ        |          |                  | 2 |
| Gemzek     | mawa          | *ma-wØØa     |          |                  |   |
|            | mewe maʸwaʸ   | *ma-wØʸa     | *ma-wØya |                  | 1 |
| Mofu North | mevey maʸyaʸy | *ma-ØØyʸØ-ay |          |                  | 3 |
|            |               |              |          | √ CaC Ca         |   |
| Dugwor     | maway         | *ma-waØyØ    |          | *ma-waxya        |   |

1. \*y &gt; Øʸ; +Y: \*a &gt; e

2. \*y &gt; i

3. \*y &gt; yʸ

## MAROUA

|              |               |           |            |            |   |
|--------------|---------------|-----------|------------|------------|---|
|              |               |           |            | √ C C Ca   |   |
| Giziga Marva | ye yaʸ        | *y,a      | *ØØya      | *wxya      | 1 |
|              | yi yy         | *wy       | *wØyØ      |            | 2 |
| Mbadzla      | yi yy         | *wy       |            |            | 2 |
|              |               |           |            | √ CaC Ca   |   |
| Mbazla       | yɛyiʸ yaʸyyʸ? | *ya-yØyʸ? | *RED-wayxØ | *RED-waxya | 3 |

1. \*y &gt; yʸ; +Y: lexical-final \*a &gt; e

2. assimilation \*w &gt; y/\_y; \*y &gt; i

3. metathesis \*xy &gt; yx; \*x &gt; ?; assimilation \*w &gt; y/\_y; \*y &gt; yʸ &gt; i; +Y: \*a &gt; E

## LAMANG

|        |     |        |          |  |             |
|--------|-----|--------|----------|--|-------------|
| Lamang | ya  | *ØØya  |          |  |             |
| Hdi    | yay | *ya-yØ | RED-ØØya |  | *(RED-)wxya |

## HIGI

|                          |                                                                     |                                        |  |  |                                            |
|--------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------|--|--|--------------------------------------------|
| Kirya                    | ya                                                                  |                                        |  |  |                                            |
| Bana                     | ya                                                                  | *ØØya                                  |  |  |                                            |
| Kamwe-Nkafa              | yə yə                                                               |                                        |  |  | *wxya((-k <sup>w</sup> )-k <sup>w</sup> a) |
| Kamwe-Futu <sup>62</sup> | yekə ya <sup>h</sup> ka                                             | *ØØy <sup>h</sup> a-ka                 |  |  |                                            |
|                          | yekəg <sup>w</sup> o ya <sup>h</sup> kg <sup>w</sup> a <sup>w</sup> | *ØØy <sup>h</sup> a-k-k <sup>w</sup> a |  |  |                                            |

1. lexical-final \*a > ə
2. \*y > y<sup>h</sup>; +Y: \*a > e; \*k<sup>w</sup> > k; FV \*a > ə
3. \*y > y<sup>h</sup>; +Y: lexical-final \*a > e; \*k<sup>w</sup> > k; ə-epenthesis; \*k<sup>w</sup> > g<sup>w</sup>; +W: FV \*a > o

## KOTOKO-ISLAND

|        |                         |                     |  |  |       |
|--------|-------------------------|---------------------|--|--|-------|
| Buduma | wuy wə <sup>w</sup> y   | *w <sup>w</sup> ØyØ |  |  | *wxya |
|        | wuəy wə <sup>w</sup> əy |                     |  |  |       |

1. ə-epenthesis; \*w > w<sup>w</sup>; +W: ə > u

## KOTOKO-NORTH

|        |                           |                        |              |  |              |
|--------|---------------------------|------------------------|--------------|--|--------------|
|        |                           |                        |              |  | √ C C Ca     |
| Afade  | we wa <sup>y</sup>        | *wØ <sup>y</sup> a     | *wØya        |  |              |
|        | wan                       | *wØØa-n                |              |  |              |
| Mpade  | we wa <sup>y</sup>        | *wØ <sup>y</sup> a     |              |  |              |
|        | wan                       | *wØØa-n                |              |  |              |
|        |                           |                        |              |  | √ CaC Ca     |
| Malgbe | wawun wawə <sup>w</sup> n | *wa-w <sup>w</sup> Ø-n | *RED-waØØØ-n |  | *RED-waxya-n |

1. \*y > Ø<sup>y</sup>; +Y: lexical-final \*a > e
2. ə-epenthesis; \*w > w<sup>w</sup>; +W: ə > u

## KOTOKO-CENTRAL

|        |                           |                        |             |  |              |
|--------|---------------------------|------------------------|-------------|--|--------------|
|        |                           |                        |             |  | √ C C Ca     |
| Mser   | we wa <sup>y</sup>        | *wØØ <sup>y</sup> a    |             |  |              |
| Lagwan | wel wa <sup>h</sup> l     | *wØØ <sup>y</sup> a-l  |             |  |              |
|        |                           |                        |             |  | √ CaC Ca     |
| Lagwan | wawun wawə <sup>w</sup> n | *wa-w <sup>w</sup> Ø-n | *wa-waØØØ-n |  | *RED-waxya-n |

1. \*y > Ø<sup>y</sup>; +Y: lexical-final \*a > e
2. \*y > Ø<sup>y</sup>; +Y: lexical-final \*a > e; \*r > l
3. ə-epenthesis; \*w > w<sup>w</sup>; +W: ə > u

## KOTOKO-SOUTH

|      |                         |                     |  |  |       |
|------|-------------------------|---------------------|--|--|-------|
| Zina | wiya wə <sup>y</sup> ya | *wØy <sup>y</sup> a |  |  | *wxya |
|------|-------------------------|---------------------|--|--|-------|

1. ə-epenthesis; \*y > y<sup>y</sup>; +Y: ə > i

## MUSGUM

|       |                       |                     |  |  |  |
|-------|-----------------------|---------------------|--|--|--|
| Mulwi | wi wy                 | *wØyØ               |  |  |  |
| Mbara | wii wə <sup>y</sup> y | *wØy <sup>y</sup> Ø |  |  |  |

<sup>62</sup> The form *ye-kə-g<sup>w</sup>o* is unique in the data in terms of the apparent repetition of the suffixal augment \*{-k<sup>w</sup>(a)}, if our suggested analysis is correct.



|                                         |               |           |           |   |
|-----------------------------------------|---------------|-----------|-----------|---|
| 1. *y > i                               |               |           |           |   |
| 2. ə-epenthesis; *y > y' > i; +Y: ə > i |               |           |           |   |
| GIDAR                                   |               |           |           |   |
| Gidar                                   | wiina wə'yina | *wØy'Ø-na |           | 1 |
|                                         | uwa wwa       | *w-wa     | *RED-wØØa | 2 |
|                                         | uurwa ə'wwa   |           |           | 3 |
| 1. ə-epenthesis; *y > y' > i; +Y: ə > i |               |           |           |   |
| 2. *w > u                               |               |           |           |   |
| 3. ə-prothesis; *w > w' > u; +W: ə > u  |               |           |           |   |

give birth<sub>2</sub>, to

Areal root \*(k<sup>w</sup>a-, ma-) **b(a)wa** (-y, -k<sup>w</sup>, -n)

BATA

|                                                                                                              |                                           |                     |                         |                                |   |
|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------|---------------------|-------------------------|--------------------------------|---|
|                                                                                                              |                                           |                     |                         | √ C Ca                         |   |
| Sharwa                                                                                                       | <i>mb<sup>w</sup>ə</i> mbwə               | *m-bwa              | *mØ-bwa                 | *(ma-)bwa(-k <sup>w</sup> a-n) | 1 |
| Jimi                                                                                                         | <i>puaan</i> pwaan                        | *pwa-Øa-n           | *pwa-k <sup>w</sup> a-n |                                | 2 |
|                                                                                                              |                                           |                     |                         | √ CaCa                         |   |
| Gude                                                                                                         | <i>pawa</i>                               | *pawa               | *bawa                   |                                | 3 |
|                                                                                                              | <i>poo</i> pa <sup>w</sup> a <sup>w</sup> | *paØ <sup>w</sup> a |                         |                                | 4 |
| 1. lexical-final *a > ə                                                                                      |                                           |                     |                         |                                |   |
| 2. *b > p; *w > u; (vowel length tentatively accounted for by loss of intervocalic *k <sup>w</sup> )         |                                           |                     |                         |                                |   |
| 3. *b > p                                                                                                    |                                           |                     |                         |                                |   |
| 4. *b > p; *w > Ø <sup>w</sup> ; +W: *a > o; (vowel length accounted for by loss of intervocalic segment *w) |                                           |                     |                         |                                |   |

DABA

|                                              |                               |         |            |                            |   |
|----------------------------------------------|-------------------------------|---------|------------|----------------------------|---|
|                                              |                               |         |            | √ C Ca                     |   |
| Gavar                                        | <i>m<sup>b</sup>əw</i> mbəw   | *m-bw   | *mØ-bwØ    | *(k <sup>w</sup> a-)ma-bwa | 1 |
| Mbudum                                       | <i>kə<sup>m</sup>bu</i> kəmbw | *k-m-bw | *kØ-mØ-bwØ |                            | 2 |
| Daba                                         | <i>m<sup>b</sup>u</i> mbw     | *m-bw   | *mØ-bwØ    |                            | 3 |
|                                              |                               |         |            | √ CaCa                     |   |
| Buwal                                        | <i>m<sup>b</sup>aw</i> mbaw   | *m-baw  | *mØ-bawØ   | *ma-bawa                   |   |
| 1. ə-epenthesis                              |                               |         |            |                            |   |
| 2. ə-epenthesis; *k <sup>w</sup> > k; *w > u |                               |         |            |                            |   |
| 3. *w > u                                    |                               |         |            |                            |   |

MUSGUM

|                                                                    |                  |         |          |                       |   |
|--------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------|---------|----------|-----------------------|---|
| Mulwi                                                              | <i>puki</i> pwky | *pw-k-y | *pwØ-y-k | *bwa-y-k <sup>w</sup> | 1 |
| Mbara                                                              | <i>puk</i> pwk   | *pw-k   | *pwØ-k   |                       | 2 |
| 1. *b > p; *k <sup>w</sup> > k; metathesis yk > ky; *w > u; *y > i |                  |         |          |                       |   |
| 2. *b > p; *k <sup>w</sup> > k; *w > u                             |                  |         |          |                       |   |

## goat

PCC \*(ba-, dā-, na-, xa-) (a)w(a)ka (-a, -y, -m, -d; FV)

## BATA

|        |                                         |                      |         |           |   |
|--------|-----------------------------------------|----------------------|---------|-----------|---|
| Gude   | <i>əh<sup>w</sup>a əxwa</i>             | *xwa                 | *Øwxa   | *awka(-y) | 1 |
| Sharwa | <i>h<sup>w</sup>ə xwə</i>               | *xwa                 | *Øwxa   |           | 2 |
| Tsuvan | <i>ah<sup>w</sup>e axwa<sup>y</sup></i> | *axwa-Ø <sup>y</sup> | *awxa-y |           | 3 |

1. \*k > x; ə-prothesis; metathesis wx > xw  
2. \*k > x; metathesis wx > xw; lexical-final \*a > ə  
3. \*k > x; metathesis wx > xw; \*y > Ø<sup>y</sup>; +Y: lexical-final \*a > e

## DABA

|                                                                  |                             |        |          |          |   |
|------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------|--------|----------|----------|---|
| Buwal                                                            | <i>ŋh<sup>w</sup>a ŋxwa</i> | *n-xwa | *nØ-Øwxa | *na-awka | 1 |
| Gavar                                                            | <i>ŋh<sup>w</sup>a ŋxwa</i> |        |          |          | 1 |
| 1. *k > x; metathesis wx > xw; homorganic assimilation *n > ŋ/ x |                             |        |          |          |   |

## MAFA

|       |                                            |                       |             |                      |   |
|-------|--------------------------------------------|-----------------------|-------------|----------------------|---|
| Mafa  | <i>ɓak<sup>w</sup> ɓakw</i>                | *ɓ-akw                | *ɓØ-awkØ    | *ɓa-/dā-awka((-a)-y) | 1 |
|       | <i>ɓok<sup>w</sup> ɓa<sup>w</sup>kw</i>    | *ɓ-akw <sup>w</sup>   |             |                      | 2 |
|       | <i>ɓak<sup>w</sup>iy ɓakwə<sup>y</sup></i> | *ɓ-akw-y <sup>y</sup> | ɓØ-awkØ-y   |                      | 3 |
|       | <i>ɓak<sup>w</sup>ay ɓakway</i>            | *ɓ-akw-ay             | ɓØ-awkØ-a-y |                      | 1 |
| Cuvok | <i>dak<sup>w</sup> ɗakw</i>                | *ɗ-akw                | *ɗØ-awkØ    |                      | 1 |

1. metathesis wk > kw;  
2. metathesis wk > kw; \*w > w<sup>w</sup>; +W: \*a > o  
3. metathesis wk > kw; ə-epenthesis; \*y > y<sup>y</sup>; Y: ə > i

## SUKUR

|                                                                                                 |                                           |                      |            |            |   |
|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------|----------------------|------------|------------|---|
| Sukur                                                                                           | <i>'iyuk ʔə<sup>y</sup>ywk</i>            | *ʔ-y <sup>y</sup> wk | *ʔØ-ØwkØ-y | *ɗa-awka-y | 1 |
|                                                                                                 | <i>iyuk' ə<sup>y</sup>ywk<sup>ʔ</sup></i> | *y <sup>y</sup> wk-ʔ | *ØwkØ-y-ɗØ | *awka-y-ɗa | 1 |
| 1. *ɗ > ʔ; multiple metathesis wky > ywk; ə-epenthesis; *y > y <sup>y</sup> ; +Y: ə > i; *w > u |                                           |                      |            |            |   |

## HURZA

|       |             |        |        |  |
|-------|-------------|--------|--------|--|
| Mbuko | <i>awak</i> | *awakØ | *awaka |  |
| Vame  | <i>awak</i> |        |        |  |

## MARGI

|                               |                           |       |         |           |   |
|-------------------------------|---------------------------|-------|---------|-----------|---|
| Margi                         | <i>ku kw</i>              | *kw   | *ØwkØ   | *awka(-y) | 1 |
| Kilba                         | <i>ku kw</i>              |       |         |           | 1 |
|                               | <i>k<sup>w</sup>a kwa</i> | *kwa  | *Øwka   |           | 2 |
| Bura                          | <i>k<sup>w</sup>i kwy</i> | *kw-y | *ØwkØ-y |           | 3 |
| 1. metathesis wk > kw; *w> u  |                           |       |         |           |   |
| 2. metathesis wk > kw         |                           |       |         |           |   |
| 3. metathesis wk > kw; *y > i |                           |       |         |           |   |

## MANDARA

|         |                                              |                          |               |                       |   |
|---------|----------------------------------------------|--------------------------|---------------|-----------------------|---|
|         |                                              |                          |               | √ aC Ca               |   |
| Podoko  | <i>nawa</i>                                  | *n-awØa                  |               | *na-awka<br>(-y(-ma)) |   |
| Malgwa  | <i>nawe nawa<sup>y</sup></i>                 | *n-awa-Ø <sup>y</sup>    | *nØ-awØa-y    |                       | 1 |
| Mandara | <i>nawime nawə<sup>y</sup>ma<sup>y</sup></i> | *n-aw-Ø <sup>y</sup> -ma | *nØ-awØØ-y-ma |                       | 2 |
|         |                                              |                          |               | √ aCaCa               |   |

|        |                                          |                      |        |             |   |
|--------|------------------------------------------|----------------------|--------|-------------|---|
| Matal  | <i>awak</i>                              | *awakØ               |        | *(da-)awaka |   |
| Glavda | <i>aag</i>                               | *aØagØ               |        |             | 3 |
|        | <i>dwag</i>                              | *d-ØwagØ             |        |             | 4 |
|        | <i>a:g<sup>w</sup>a aag<sup>w</sup>a</i> | *aØ <sup>w</sup> aga | *awaga |             | 5 |

1. \*y > Ø<sup>v</sup>; +Y: lexical-final \*a > e

2. ə-epenthesis; \*y > Ø<sup>v</sup>; +Y: ə > i; +Y: FV \*a > e

3. \*k > g

4. \*k > g; \*d' > d

5. \*k > g; \*w > Ø<sup>w</sup>; +W: g > g<sup>w</sup>; (vowel length accounted for by loss of intervocalic segmental \*w)

## MOFU

|                                     |                             |                 |                      |   |
|-------------------------------------|-----------------------------|-----------------|----------------------|---|
| Dugwor                              | <i>awak</i>                 | * <i>awakØ</i>  | *( <i>dā-</i> )awaka |   |
| Ouldeme                             | <i>awak</i>                 |                 |                      |   |
| Moloko                              | <i>awak</i>                 |                 |                      |   |
| Zulgo                               | <i>awak</i>                 |                 |                      |   |
| Muyang                              | <i>awak</i>                 |                 |                      |   |
| Gemzek                              | <i>awak</i>                 |                 |                      |   |
| Merey                               | <i>wak</i>                  | * <i>ØwakØ</i>  |                      |   |
| Mofu-Gudur                          | <i>dak<sup>w</sup> dakw</i> | * <i>d'-akw</i> | * <i>dØ-akwØ</i>     | 1 |
| 1. metathesis <i>wk</i> > <i>kw</i> |                             |                 |                      |   |

## MAROUA

|                                                                                                                                                                                                                       |                               |                           |                  |                     |   |
|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------|---------------------------|------------------|---------------------|---|
| Mbazla                                                                                                                                                                                                                | <i>'awu ?awə<sup>w</sup></i>  | * <i>?aw<sup>w</sup>a</i> | * <i>dØ-awØa</i> | *( <i>dā-</i> )awka | 1 |
|                                                                                                                                                                                                                       | <i>awu ' awə<sup>w</sup>?</i> | * <i>aw<sup>w</sup>?</i>  | * <i>aw?Ø</i>    |                     | 2 |
| Giziga-Muturwa                                                                                                                                                                                                        | <i>'aw ?aw</i>                | * <i>?aw</i>              | * <i>dØ-awØØ</i> |                     | 3 |
|                                                                                                                                                                                                                       | <i>aw</i>                     | * <i>aw</i>               | * <i>awØØ</i>    |                     |   |
| Giziga-Marva                                                                                                                                                                                                          | <i>aw</i>                     |                           |                  |                     |   |
| 1. * <i>d'</i> > ?; lexical-final * <i>a</i> > ə; * <i>w</i> > <i>w<sup>w</sup></i> ; +W: ə > <i>u</i><br>2. * <i>k</i> > ?; ə-epenthesis; * <i>w</i> > <i>w<sup>w</sup></i> ; +W: ə > <i>u</i><br>3. * <i>d'</i> > ? |                               |                           |                  |                     |   |

## LAMANG

|                                                                                                          |                                        |                     |       |       |       |   |
|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------|---------------------|-------|-------|-------|---|
| Lamang <sup>63</sup>                                                                                     | <i>ogo a<sup>w</sup>ga<sup>w</sup></i> | *agØ <sup>w</sup> a | *agwa | *awga | *awka | 1 |
| Hdi                                                                                                      | <i>gu gw</i>                           | *gw                 | *ØwgØ |       |       | 2 |
| 1. *k > g; metathesis wg > gw; *w > Ø <sup>w</sup> ; +W: *a > o<br>2. *k > g; metathesis wg > gw; *w > u |                                        |                     |       |       |       |   |

## HIGI

|                                                                                                                                   |                       |              |               |       |   |
|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------|--------------|---------------|-------|---|
| Kamwe-Nkafa                                                                                                                       | <i>k<sup>w</sup>ə</i> | * <i>kwa</i> | * <i>Øwka</i> | *awka | 1 |
| Bana                                                                                                                              | <i>k<sup>w</sup>ə</i> |              |               |       | 1 |
| Psikye                                                                                                                            | <i>k<sup>w</sup>ə</i> |              |               |       | 1 |
| Kirya                                                                                                                             | <i>ku kw</i>          | * <i>kw</i>  | * <i>ØwkØ</i> |       | 2 |
| 1. metathesis <i>wk</i> > <i>kw</i> ; lexical-final * <i>a</i> > ə<br>2. metathesis <i>wk</i> > <i>kw</i> ; * <i>w</i> > <i>u</i> |                       |              |               |       |   |

<sup>63</sup> Note that the historical-comparative reconstruction of the underlying segmental form of *ogo* as \**agwa* (< \**awga*) differs from the underlying form arrived at by purely internal reconstruction (Wolff 1983: 40ff.; 2015, Vol.1: 67), which is \**agu*. This is explained by different assumptions

## KOTOKO-CENTRAL

|      |                            |                           |                             |                 |   |
|------|----------------------------|---------------------------|-----------------------------|-----------------|---|
| Mser | <i>nyo nya<sup>w</sup></i> | <i>*n-Ø<sup>w</sup>ya</i> | <i>*nØ-Øw<sup>w</sup>ya</i> | <i>*na-awka</i> | 1 |
|------|----------------------------|---------------------------|-----------------------------|-----------------|---|

1. \*k > y; \*w > Ø<sup>w</sup>; +W: lexical-final \*a > o

## KOTOKO-SOUTH

|      |            |              |              |  |
|------|------------|--------------|--------------|--|
| Zina | <i>awa</i> | <i>*awØa</i> | <i>*awka</i> |  |
|------|------------|--------------|--------------|--|

## MUSGUM

|        |                 |               |                |                |   |
|--------|-----------------|---------------|----------------|----------------|---|
|        |                 |               |                | √ aC Ca        |   |
| Mbara  | <i>we waʔ</i>   | <i>*wa-Øʔ</i> | <i>*ØwØa-y</i> | <i>*awka-y</i> | 1 |
| Muskum | <i>yaw yaw</i>  | <i>*yaw</i>   | <i>*ØwØa-y</i> |                | 2 |
|        |                 |               |                | √ aCaCa        |   |
| Vulum  | <i>yek yaʔk</i> | <i>*yʔak</i>  | <i>*ØØka-y</i> | <i>*awka-y</i> | 3 |

1. \*y &gt; Øʔ; +Y: lexical-final \*a &gt; e

2. metathesis wy &gt; yw

3. metathesis ky &gt; yk; \*y &gt; yʔ; +Y: \*a &gt; e

## GIDAR

|       |                  |               |                 |                 |  |
|-------|------------------|---------------|-----------------|-----------------|--|
| Gidar | <i>hawa xawa</i> | <i>*x-awa</i> | <i>*xØ-awØa</i> | <i>*xa-awka</i> |  |
|-------|------------------|---------------|-----------------|-----------------|--|

grain, seed

PCC \*(RED-) **x(a)r(a)fa** (-y, -k<sup>w</sup>, -n, -d; FV)

## BATA

|      |                                     |                            |                            |   |
|------|-------------------------------------|----------------------------|----------------------------|---|
| Jimi | <i>hurəfən x<sup>w</sup>əʔrəfən</i> | <i>*x<sup>w</sup>rfa-n</i> | <i>*x<sup>w</sup>rfa-n</i> | 1 |
|------|-------------------------------------|----------------------------|----------------------------|---|

1. ə-epenthesis; lexical-final \*a &gt; ə; +W: ə &gt; u

## MAFA

|       |                                               |                              |                               |                               |   |
|-------|-----------------------------------------------|------------------------------|-------------------------------|-------------------------------|---|
| Cuvok | <i>h<sup>w</sup>alfey x<sup>w</sup>alfaʔy</i> | <i>*x<sup>w</sup>alf-ayʔ</i> | <i>*x<sup>w</sup>alfØ-a-y</i> | <i>*x<sup>w</sup>arfa-a-y</i> | 1 |
|-------|-----------------------------------------------|------------------------------|-------------------------------|-------------------------------|---|

1. \*r &gt; l; \*y &gt; yʔ; +Y: \*a &gt; e

## MARGI

|      |                                             |                          |                          |   |
|------|---------------------------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|---|
| Bura | <i>h<sup>w</sup>ulfa x<sup>w</sup>əʔlfa</i> | <i>*x<sup>w</sup>lfa</i> | <i>*x<sup>w</sup>rfa</i> | 1 |
|      | <i>hulfu x<sup>w</sup>əʔlfa<sup>w</sup></i> |                          |                          | 2 |

1. \*r &gt; l; ə-epenthesis; +W: ə &gt; u

2. \*r &gt; l; ə-epenthesis; lexical-final \*a &gt; ə; +W: ə &gt; u

## MANDARA

|         |                                       |                                |                               |                                   |   |
|---------|---------------------------------------|--------------------------------|-------------------------------|-----------------------------------|---|
|         |                                       |                                |                               | √ C C Ca                          |   |
| Podoko  | <i>hələpa</i>                         | <i>*xlpa</i>                   |                               | <i>*x<sup>w</sup>rfa(-y)(-dā)</i> | 1 |
| Glavda  | <i>xulfa x<sup>w</sup>əʔlfa</i>       | <i>*x<sup>w</sup>lfa</i>       |                               |                                   | 2 |
|         | <i>x<sup>w</sup>əl</i>                | <i>*x<sup>w</sup>lØ</i>        | <i>*x<sup>w</sup>lfØ</i>      |                                   | 3 |
| Malgwa  | <i>hulfe x<sup>w</sup>əʔlfaʔ</i>      | <i>*x<sup>w</sup>lfa-Øʔ</i>    | <i>*x<sup>w</sup>lfa-y</i>    |                                   | 4 |
| Dghwede | <i>xulfət'e x<sup>w</sup>əʔlfədaʔ</i> | <i>*x<sup>w</sup>lfa-Øʔ-dā</i> | <i>*x<sup>w</sup>lfa-y-dā</i> |                                   | 4 |

regarding the underlying vowel system: while the internal reconstruction worked on the assumption of /a, i, u/ being phonemic vowels in Lamang (allowing for conditioned allophones [e] and [o]), our PCC reconstructions only accept one phonemic vowel \*/a/.

|                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            |                    |          |                          |                          |   |
|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------|----------|--------------------------|--------------------------|---|
|                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            |                    |          |                          | √ CaC Ca                 |   |
| Matal                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      | <i>fafləw</i>      | *fa-fØlw | *RED-falx <sup>w</sup> Ø | *RED-x <sup>w</sup> arfa | 5 |
|                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            | <i>faflu faflw</i> |          |                          |                          | 6 |
| 1. *x <sup>w</sup> > x; *r > l; *f > p; ə-epenthesis<br>2. *r > l; ə-epenthesis: +W: ə > u<br>3. *r > l; ə-epenthesis<br>4. *r > l; ə-epenthesis; *y > Ø <sup>y</sup> ; +Y: lexical-final *a > e<br>5. *x <sup>w</sup> > w; *r > l; multiple metathesis x <sup>w</sup> lf > flx <sup>w</sup> ; ə-epenthesis<br>6. x <sup>w</sup> > w > u; *r > l; multiple metathesis x <sup>w</sup> lf > flx <sup>w</sup> |                    |          |                          |                          |   |

## MOFU

|                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       |                                                                      |                                     |                        |                                              |   |
|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------|------------------------|----------------------------------------------|---|
|                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       |                                                                      |                                     |                        | √ C C Ca                                     |   |
| Zulgo                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 | <i>h<sup>w</sup>ilfe x<sup>w</sup>ə<sup>w</sup>lfa<sup>y</sup></i>   | *x <sup>w</sup> lfa-Ø <sup>y</sup>  | *x <sup>w</sup> lfa-y  | *x <sup>w</sup> rfa(-y)(-k <sup>w</sup> /-d) | 1 |
| Gemzek                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                | <i>hulfe x<sup>w</sup>ə<sup>w</sup>lfa<sup>y</sup></i>               |                                     |                        |                                              | 2 |
| Merey                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 | <i>hulfe x<sup>w</sup>ə<sup>w</sup>lfa<sup>y</sup></i>               |                                     |                        |                                              | 2 |
| Moloko                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                | <i>həlfə xəlfə<sup>y</sup></i>                                       | *xlfa-Ø <sup>y</sup>                | *xlfa-y                |                                              | 3 |
| Dugwor                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                | <i>həlfə xəlfə<sup>y</sup></i>                                       |                                     |                        |                                              | 3 |
| Mofu North                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            | <i>həlfaw xəlfaw</i>                                                 | *xlfa-w                             | *xlfa-k <sup>w</sup>   |                                              | 4 |
| Mofu-Gudur                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            | <i>hulfad<sup>ʔ</sup> x<sup>w</sup>ə<sup>w</sup>lfad<sup>ʔ</sup></i> | *x <sup>w</sup> lfa-d <sup>ʔ</sup>  |                        |                                              | 5 |
|                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       |                                                                      |                                     |                        | √ CaC Ca                                     |   |
| Mada <sup>64</sup>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    | <i>hoelfe x<sup>w</sup>a<sup>w</sup>ylfa<sup>y</sup></i>             | *x <sup>w</sup> alfa-Ø <sup>y</sup> | *x <sup>w</sup> alfa-y | *x <sup>w</sup> arfa-y                       | 6 |
|                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       |                                                                      |                                     |                        | √ CaCaCa                                     |   |
| Ouldeme                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               | <i>helefe xa<sup>y</sup>la<sup>y</sup>fa<sup>y</sup></i>             | *xalafa-Ø <sup>y</sup>              | *xalafa-y              | *x <sup>w</sup> arafa-y                      | 7 |
| 1. *r > l; ə-epenthesis; *y > Ø <sup>y</sup> ; +Y: ə > i; +Y: lexical-final *a > e<br>2. *r > l; ə-epenthesis; +W: ə > u; *y > Ø <sup>y</sup> ; +Y: ə > i; +Y: lexical-final *a > e<br>3. *x <sup>w</sup> > x; *r > l; *y > Ø <sup>y</sup> ; +Y: lexical-final *a > e<br>4. *x <sup>w</sup> > x; *r > l; *k <sup>w</sup> > w<br>5. *r > l; ə-epenthesis; +W: ə > u<br>6. *r > l; *y > Ø <sup>y</sup> ; +Y: lexical-final *a > e; combined +W+Y: *a > æ<br>7. *r > l; *y > Ø <sup>y</sup> ; +Y: *a > e |                                                                      |                                     |                        |                                              |   |

## MAROUA

|                                    |                                            |                     |                     |   |
|------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------|---------------------|---------------------|---|
| Giziga-Marva                       | <i>hulfa x<sup>w</sup>ə<sup>w</sup>lfa</i> | *x <sup>w</sup> lfa | *x <sup>w</sup> rfa | 1 |
| 1. *r > l; ə-epenthesis; +W: ə > u |                                            |                     |                     |   |

## LAMANG

|                                    |                                            |                     |                     |   |
|------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------|---------------------|---------------------|---|
| Lamang                             | <i>hulfa x<sup>w</sup>ə<sup>w</sup>lfa</i> | *x <sup>w</sup> lfa | *x <sup>w</sup> rfa | 1 |
| Hdi                                | <i>hulfa x<sup>w</sup>ə<sup>w</sup>lfa</i> |                     |                     | 1 |
| 1. *r > l; ə-epenthesis; +W: ə > u |                                            |                     |                     |   |

## HIGI

|        |                           |                     |                     |          |   |
|--------|---------------------------|---------------------|---------------------|----------|---|
|        |                           |                     |                     | √ C C Ca |   |
| Bana   | <i>x<sup>w</sup>əlfə</i>  | *x <sup>w</sup> lfa | *x <sup>w</sup> rfa |          | 1 |
| Psikye | <i>fəlxə<sup>w</sup>ə</i> | *flx <sup>w</sup> a |                     |          | 2 |

<sup>64</sup> We are here reading the transcription *hoelfe* to indicate IPA æ, which is the characteristic Central Chadic allophone of /a/ under combined Y- and W-prosodies.

|                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             |                           |                                                                           |                                         |                                         |                                         |   |
|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------|---|
|                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             |                           |                                                                           |                                         |                                         | √ C CaCa                                |   |
| Kamwe-Futu <sup>65</sup>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    | <i>hulof<sup>h</sup>o</i> | <i>x<sup>w</sup>ə<sup>w</sup>la<sup>w</sup>f<sup>w</sup>a<sup>w</sup></i> | <i>*x<sup>w</sup>lafa-Ø<sup>w</sup></i> | <i>*x<sup>w</sup>lafa-k<sup>w</sup></i> | <i>*x<sup>w</sup>rafa-k<sup>w</sup></i> | 3 |
| 1. *r > l; ə-epenthesis; lexical-final *a > ə<br>2. *r > l; * multiple metathesis x <sup>w</sup> lf > flx <sup>w</sup> ; ə-epenthesis; lexical-final *a > ə<br>3. *r > l; *k <sup>w</sup> > Ø <sup>w</sup> ; +W: f > f <sup>w</sup> ; +W: ə > u; +W: *a > o |                           |                                                                           |                                         |                                         |                                         |   |
| KOTOKO-NORTH                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                |                           |                                                                           |                                         |                                         |                                         |   |
| Mpade                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       | <i>gulfan</i>             | <i>g<sup>w</sup>ə<sup>w</sup>lfan</i>                                     | <i>*g<sup>w</sup>lfa-n</i>              |                                         | <i>*x<sup>w</sup>rfa-n</i>              | 1 |
| 1. *x <sup>w</sup> (> y <sup>w</sup> ) > g <sup>w</sup> ; *r > l; +W: ə > u                                                                                                                                                                                 |                           |                                                                           |                                         |                                         |                                         |   |

## grandfather

PCC \*(ba-, RED-) **dza** (-y, -k<sup>w</sup>, -n; FV)

BATA

|                                                                                              |                         |                   |                  |                        |   |
|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------|-------------------|------------------|------------------------|---|
| Gude                                                                                         | <i>dzədza</i>           | <i>*dz-dza</i>    |                  | <i>*RED-dza(-y/-n)</i> | 1 |
| Jimi                                                                                         | <i>dzədʒən dzədzən</i>  | <i>*dz-dzØ-n</i>  |                  |                        | 2 |
| Sharwa                                                                                       | <i>dʒidʒə dzʷəʔdzʷə</i> | <i>*dz-dza-Øʷ</i> | <i>*dz-dza-y</i> |                        | 3 |
| Tsuvan                                                                                       | <i>dzədʒe dzədzaʷ</i>   |                   |                  |                        | 4 |
| 1. ə-epenthesis; lexical-final <i>*a</i> > ə                                                 |                         |                   |                  |                        |   |
| 2. ə-epenthesis                                                                              |                         |                   |                  |                        |   |
| 3. ə-epenthesis; <i>*y</i> > Øʷ; +Y: <i>*dz</i> > dʒ; +Y: ə > i; lexical-final <i>*a</i> > ə |                         |                   |                  |                        |   |
| 4. ə-epenthesis; <i>*y</i> > Øʷ; +Y: lexical-final <i>*a</i> > e                             |                         |                   |                  |                        |   |

DABA

|                                                                                                           |                                                |                               |                   |                   |   |
|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------|-------------------|-------------------|---|
| Buwal                                                                                                     | <i>dʒedʒe dzʷa<sup>y</sup>dzʷa<sup>y</sup></i> | <i>*dza-dza-Ø<sup>y</sup></i> | <i>*dza-dza-y</i> | <i>*RED-dza-y</i> | 1 |
| Gavar                                                                                                     | <i>dʒedʒi dzʷa<sup>y</sup>dzʷi<sup>y</sup></i> | <i>*dza-dzØ-y<sup>y</sup></i> |                   |                   | 2 |
| 1. *y > Ø <sup>y</sup> ; +Y: *dz > dʒ; +Y: *a > e<br>2. *y > y <sup>y</sup> > i; +Y: *dz > dʒ; +Y: *a > e |                                                |                               |                   |                   |   |

SUKUR

|                                                  |                                                |                               |                   |                   |   |
|--------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------|-------------------|-------------------|---|
| Buwal                                            | <i>dʒedʒe dzʷa<sup>y</sup>dzʷa<sup>y</sup></i> | <i>*dza-dza-Ø<sup>y</sup></i> | <i>*dza-dza-y</i> | <i>*RED-dza-y</i> | 1 |
| 1. *y > Ø <sup>y</sup> ; +Y: *dz > dʒ; +Y: a > e |                                                |                               |                   |                   |   |

HURZA

|                                                                                                                                                                              |               |                                         |                               |                   |                   |   |
|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------|-----------------------------------------|-------------------------------|-------------------|-------------------|---|
|                                                                                                                                                                              |               |                                         |                               |                   | √ C Ca            |   |
| Mbuko                                                                                                                                                                        | <i>bidʒe</i>  | <i>bə<sup>y</sup>dzʷa<sup>y</sup></i>   | <i>*bØ-dza-Ø<sup>y</sup></i>  | <i>*ba-dza-y</i>  |                   | 1 |
|                                                                                                                                                                              |               |                                         |                               |                   | √ CaCa            |   |
| Vame                                                                                                                                                                         | <i>tʃedʒe</i> | <i>tsʷa<sup>y</sup>dzʷa<sup>y</sup></i> | <i>*tsa-dza-Ø<sup>y</sup></i> | <i>*tsa-dza-y</i> | <i>*RED-dza-y</i> | 2 |
| 1. ə-epenthesis; *y > Ø <sup>y</sup> ; +Y: *dz > dʒ; +Y: ə > i; +Y: lexical-final *a > e<br>2. initial *dz > ts; *y > Ø <sup>y</sup> ; +Y: ts > tʃ; +Y: *dz > dʒ; +Y: *a > e |               |                                         |                               |                   |                   |   |

MARGI

|                                                                                                                              |               |                   |                   |                     |   |
|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------|-------------------|-------------------|---------------------|---|
| Margi                                                                                                                        | <i>tʃidʒi</i> | <i>tsʷaʔdzʷiʏ</i> | <i>*ts-dzØ-yʏ</i> | <i>*(RED-)dza-y</i> | 1 |
| Margi South                                                                                                                  | <i>tʃidʒi</i> | <i>tsʷaʔdzʷiʏ</i> |                   |                     | 1 |
| Kilba                                                                                                                        | <i>adʒi</i>   | <i>adzʷiʏ</i>     | <i>*Øa-dzØ-yʏ</i> |                     | 2 |
| 1. initial *dz > ts; ə-epenthesis; *y > yʏ; +Y: ts > tʃ; +Y: *dz > dʒ; +Y: ə > i; *y > i<br>2. *y > yʏ; +Y: *dz > dʒ; *y > i |               |                   |                   |                     |   |

<sup>65</sup> We here consider it likely that the heavy impact of W-prosody originates from a combination of both phonological (\*x<sup>w</sup>) and morphological (\*{-k<sup>w</sup>}) labialisation.

## MANDARA

|                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      |                            |              |              |                   |   |
|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------|--------------|--------------|-------------------|---|
| Malgwa                                                                                                                                                                                                                               | <i>əggʷe əddʷaʸ</i>        | *d-da-Øʷ     | *d-da-yØ     | *RED-dza-ya(-kʷa) | 1 |
| Mandara                                                                                                                                                                                                                              | <i>əggʷe əddʷaʸ</i>        |              |              |                   | 1 |
|                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      | <i>eggʷaaye aʷddʷaayaʷ</i> | *d-da-Øa-yʷa | *d-da-kʷa-ya |                   | 2 |
| 1. *dz > d; ə-prothesis; *y > Øʷ; +Y: d (> dʷ) > gʷ; +Y: lexical-final *a > e<br>2. *dz > d; a-prothesis; metathesis ykʷ > kʷy; *y > yʷ; +Y: d > gʷ; +Y: *a > e; (vowel length tentatively accounted for by loss of intervocalic*kʷ) |                            |              |              |                   |   |

## LAMANG

|                                         |                       |            |            |   |
|-----------------------------------------|-----------------------|------------|------------|---|
| Lamang                                  | <i>dzidzi dzəʷdzy</i> | *dz-dzØ-yʷ | *RED-dza-y | 1 |
| Hdi                                     | <i>dzidzi dzəʷdzy</i> |            |            | 1 |
| 1. ə-epenthesis; *y > yʷ > i; +Y: ə > i |                       |            |            |   |

## HIGI

|                                                       |                         |           |          |   |
|-------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------|-----------|----------|---|
| Bana                                                  | <i>dʒidʒi dzʷəʷdzʷy</i> | *dzdzØ-yʷ | *dzdza-y | 1 |
| 1. ə-epenthesis; *y > yʷ > i; +Y: *dz > dʒ; +Y: ə > i |                         |           |          |   |

grass<sub>1</sub>, grassland<sup>66</sup>

## PCC \*(ma-) kʷ(a)s(a)fa

## DABA

|                                                                                                                           |                                                                |                       |                         |                         |   |
|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------|-------------------------|-------------------------|---|
| Gavar                                                                                                                     | <i>ŋkəsaf</i> ŋkəsaf                                           | *ŋ-ksaf               | *mØ-ksafØ               | *ma-k <sup>w</sup> safa | 1 |
| Buwal                                                                                                                     | <i>ŋkusaf</i> ŋk <sup>w</sup> ə <sup>w</sup> saf               | *ŋ-k <sup>w</sup> saf | *mØ-k <sup>w</sup> safØ |                         | 2 |
| Mbudum                                                                                                                    | <i>ŋgusof</i> ŋg <sup>w</sup> ə <sup>w</sup> sa <sup>w</sup> f | *ŋ-g <sup>w</sup> saf | *mØ-g <sup>w</sup> safØ |                         | 3 |
| 1. *k <sup>w</sup> > k; ə-epenthesis; homorganic assimilation *m > ŋ/_k                                                   |                                                                |                       |                         |                         |   |
| 2. ə-epenthesis; +W: ə > u; homorganic assimilation *m > ŋ/_k <sup>w</sup>                                                |                                                                |                       |                         |                         |   |
| 3. *k <sup>w</sup> > g <sup>w</sup> ; ə-epenthesis; +W: ə > u; +W: *a > o; homorganic assimilation *m > ŋ/_g <sup>w</sup> |                                                                |                       |                         |                         |   |

## MAFA

|                            |                      |        |         |         |   |
|----------------------------|----------------------|--------|---------|---------|---|
| Cuvok                      | <i>kusaf kʷəʷsaf</i> | *kʷsaf | *kʷsafØ | *kʷsafa | 1 |
| 1. ə-epenthesis; +W: ə > u |                      |        |         |         |   |

## HURZA

|       |            |      |        |         |  |
|-------|------------|------|--------|---------|--|
| Mbuko | <i>saf</i> | *saf | *ØsafØ | *kʷsafa |  |
|-------|------------|------|--------|---------|--|

## MANDARA

|                                      |              |       |        |                      |   |
|--------------------------------------|--------------|-------|--------|----------------------|---|
| Matal                                | <i>ksaf</i>  | *ksaf | *ksafØ | *k <sup>w</sup> safa | 1 |
|                                      | <i>kəsaf</i> |       |        |                      | 2 |
| 1. *k <sup>w</sup> > k               |              |       |        |                      |   |
| 2. *k <sup>w</sup> > k; ə-epenthesis |              |       |        |                      |   |

<sup>66</sup> There are two similar but distinct reconstructed roots for 'grass', which may co-occur in the same languages. One of the roots may be generic and/or refer to grass-/bushland, while one (likely among several others) may refer to grass as a plant (or blades/leaves of grass) and/or specific kinds as used for different purposes, like thatching, feeding animals, etc.

## MOFU

|                                      |                                                |                     |                      |                      |   |
|--------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------|---------------------|----------------------|----------------------|---|
| Gemzek                               | <i>kəsaf</i>                                   | *ksaf               | *ksafØ               | *k <sup>w</sup> safa | 1 |
| Merey                                | <i>kəsaf</i>                                   |                     |                      |                      | 1 |
| Mofu North                           | <i>kusaf</i> k <sup>w</sup> ə <sup>w</sup> saf | *k <sup>w</sup> saf | *k <sup>w</sup> safØ |                      | 2 |
| Mofu-Gudur                           | <i>kusaf</i> k <sup>w</sup> ə <sup>w</sup> saf |                     |                      |                      | 2 |
| 1. *k <sup>w</sup> > k; ə-epenthesis |                                                |                     |                      |                      |   |
| 2. ə-epenthesis; +W: ə > u           |                                                |                     |                      |                      |   |

## LAMANG

|                    |                 |           |          |   |
|--------------------|-----------------|-----------|----------|---|
| Lamang             | <i>kʷatsapa</i> | *kʷatsapa | *kʷasafa | 1 |
| 1. *s > ts; *f > p |                 |           |          |   |

## HIGI

|                                                                 |                   |          |          |                        |   |
|-----------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------|----------|----------|------------------------|---|
|                                                                 |                   |          |          | √ C C Ca               |   |
| Bana                                                            | <i>səfə</i>       | *sfa     | *Øsfa    | *k <sup>w</sup> sfa    | 1 |
|                                                                 |                   |          |          | √ C CaCa               |   |
| Kirya                                                           | <i>fafa</i> sʷafa | *safa-Øʷ | *Øsafa-y | *k <sup>w</sup> safa-y | 2 |
| 1. ə-epenthesis; lexical-final *a > ə<br>2. *y > Øʷ; +Y: *s > f |                   |          |          |                        |   |

grass<sub>2</sub>PCC \*(ma-) k<sup>w</sup>(a)z(a)na (-y, -n, -k<sup>w</sup>)

## BATA

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|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------|--|-------------------------|---|
|                                                                                                                                                                                                                            |                                                                 |                         |  | √ C C Ca                |   |
| Sharwa                                                                                                                                                                                                                     | <i>huzənə</i> x <sup>w</sup> ə <sup>w</sup> zənə                | *x <sup>w</sup> zna     |  | *k <sup>w</sup> zna(-n) | 1 |
| Gude                                                                                                                                                                                                                       | <i>kuzənə</i> k <sup>w</sup> ə <sup>w</sup> zənə                | *k <sup>w</sup> zna     |  |                         | 2 |
| Jimi                                                                                                                                                                                                                       | <i>kʷəzənən</i> k <sup>w</sup> əzənən                           | *k <sup>w</sup> zna-n   |  |                         | 3 |
|                                                                                                                                                                                                                            |                                                                 |                         |  | √ C CaCa                |   |
| Tsuvan                                                                                                                                                                                                                     | <i>huzene</i> x <sup>w</sup> ə <sup>w</sup> za <sup>y</sup> naʷ | *x <sup>w</sup> zana-Øʷ |  | *k <sup>w</sup> zana-y  | 4 |
| 1. *k <sup>w</sup> > x <sup>w</sup> ; ə-epenthesis; +W: ə > u; lexical-final *a > ə<br>2. ə-epenthesis; +W: ə > u<br>3. ə-epenthesis<br>4. *k <sup>w</sup> > x <sup>w</sup> ; ə-epenthesis; +W: ə > u; *y > Øʷ; +Y: *a > e |                                                                 |                         |  |                         |   |

## MAFA

|                                                                           |                                  |          |            |                                       |   |
|---------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------|----------|------------|---------------------------------------|---|
| Cuvok                                                                     | <i>kəzən</i> kəza <sup>y</sup> ŋ | *kzaŋ-Øʷ | *kzanØ-y-k | *k <sup>w</sup> zana-y-k <sup>w</sup> | 1 |
| 1. *k <sup>w</sup> > k; ə-epenthesis; *y > Øʷ; +Y: *a > e; fusion *nk > ŋ |                                  |          |            |                                       |   |

## TERA

|                                                               |                                                |                    |                     |                     |   |
|---------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------|--------------------|---------------------|---------------------|---|
| Tera                                                          | <i>wuzən</i> w <sup>w</sup> ə <sup>w</sup> zən | *w <sup>w</sup> zn | *w <sup>w</sup> znØ | *k <sup>w</sup> zna | 1 |
| 1. *k <sup>w</sup> > w <sup>w</sup> ; ə-epenthesis; +W: ə > u |                                                |                    |                     |                     |   |

## HURZA

|                                                                                                                        |                                                                 |                         |                         |                        |   |
|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------|-------------------------|------------------------|---|
| Mbuko                                                                                                                  | <i>gudʒed</i> g <sup>w</sup> ə <sup>w</sup> dʒʷa <sup>y</sup> d | *g <sup>w</sup> dʒad-Øʷ | *g <sup>w</sup> dʒadØ-y | *k <sup>w</sup> zana-y | 1 |
| 1. *k <sup>w</sup> > g <sup>w</sup> ; *z > dʒ; *n (> r) > d; ə-epenthesis; +W: ə > u; *y > Øʷ; +Y: dʒ > dʒ; +Y: *a > e |                                                                 |                         |                         |                        |   |



## MARGI

|                                                                                                 |                                                |                     |                      |                      |   |
|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------|---------------------|----------------------|----------------------|---|
| Bura                                                                                            | <i>kusar</i> k <sup>w</sup> ə <sup>w</sup> sar | *k <sup>w</sup> sar | *k <sup>w</sup> sarØ | *k <sup>w</sup> zana | 1 |
| Margi                                                                                           | <i>psar</i> s <sup>w</sup> ar                  | *Ø <sup>w</sup> sar |                      |                      | 2 |
| Margi-South                                                                                     | <i>sar</i>                                     | *Øsar               |                      |                      | 3 |
| Kilba                                                                                           | <i>sar</i>                                     |                     |                      |                      | 3 |
| 1. *z > s; *n > r; ə-epenthesis; +W: ə > u                                                      |                                                |                     |                      |                      |   |
| 2. *k <sup>w</sup> > Ø <sup>w</sup> ; *n > r; *z > s; +W: s > s <sup>w</sup> (orthographic: ps) |                                                |                     |                      |                      |   |
| 3. *z > s; *n > r                                                                               |                                                |                     |                      |                      |   |

## MANDARA

|                                                                                                                                      |                                                                |                                     |                        |                        |   |
|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------|------------------------|------------------------|---|
|                                                                                                                                      |                                                                |                                     |                        | √ C C Ca               |   |
| Podoko                                                                                                                               | <i>kuzəra</i> k <sup>w</sup> ə <sup>w</sup> zəra               | *k <sup>w</sup> zra                 |                        | *k <sup>w</sup> zna    | 1 |
|                                                                                                                                      |                                                                |                                     |                        | √ C CaCa               |   |
| Mandara                                                                                                                              | <i>kuzare</i> k <sup>w</sup> ə <sup>w</sup> z'ərə <sup>y</sup> | *k <sup>w</sup> zara-Ø <sup>y</sup> | *k <sup>w</sup> zara-y | *k <sup>w</sup> zana-y | 2 |
| 1. *n > r; ə-epenthesis; +W: ə > u<br>2. *n > r; ə-epenthesis; +W: ə > u; *y > Ø <sup>y</sup> ; +Y: *z > ʒ; +Y: lexical-final *a > e |                                                                |                                     |                        |                        |   |

## MOFU

|                                                                                                                            |                                                                                          |                                       |                            |                               |   |
|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------|----------------------------|-------------------------------|---|
|                                                                                                                            |                                                                                          |                                       |                            | √ C C Ca                      |   |
| Muyang                                                                                                                     | <i>kuzir</i> k <sup>w</sup> ə <sup>w</sup> zə <sup>r</sup>                               | *k <sup>w</sup> zr-Ø <sup>y</sup>     | *k <sup>w</sup> zrØ-y      | *k <sup>w</sup> zna-y         | 1 |
| Zulgo                                                                                                                      | <i>k<sup>w</sup>izir</i> k <sup>w</sup> ə <sup>y</sup> zə <sup>r</sup>                   |                                       |                            |                               | 2 |
|                                                                                                                            |                                                                                          |                                       |                            | √ C CaCa                      |   |
| Ouldeme                                                                                                                    | <i>kuzar</i> k <sup>w</sup> ə <sup>w</sup> zar                                           | *k <sup>w</sup> zar                   | *k <sup>w</sup> zarØ       | *(ma-)k <sup>w</sup> zana(-y) | 3 |
| Merey                                                                                                                      | <i>guzer</i> g <sup>w</sup> ə <sup>w</sup> za <sup>r</sup>                               | *g <sup>w</sup> zar-Ø <sup>y</sup>    | *g <sup>w</sup> zarØ-y     |                               | 4 |
| Mofu North                                                                                                                 | <i>guzer</i> g <sup>w</sup> ə <sup>w</sup> za <sup>r</sup>                               |                                       |                            |                               | 4 |
| Mofu-Gudur                                                                                                                 | <i>guzer</i> g <sup>w</sup> ə <sup>w</sup> za <sup>r</sup>                               |                                       |                            |                               | 4 |
| Moloko                                                                                                                     | <i>ag<sup>w</sup>ədʒer</i> ag <sup>w</sup> ə <sup>w</sup> dz <sup>a</sup> a <sup>r</sup> | *a-g <sup>w</sup> dzar-Ø <sup>y</sup> | *Øa-g <sup>w</sup> dzarØ-y |                               | 5 |
| Dugwor                                                                                                                     | <i>gudʒed</i> g <sup>w</sup> ə <sup>w</sup> dz <sup>a</sup> a <sup>r</sup> d             | *g <sup>w</sup> dzad-Ø <sup>y</sup>   | *g <sup>w</sup> dzadØ-y    |                               | 6 |
|                                                                                                                            |                                                                                          |                                       |                            | √ CaCaCa                      |   |
| Gemzek                                                                                                                     | <i>kozer</i> k <sup>w</sup> a <sup>w</sup> za <sup>r</sup>                               | *k <sup>w</sup> azar-Ø <sup>y</sup>   | *k <sup>w</sup> azarØ-y    | *k <sup>w</sup> azana-y       | 7 |
| 1. *n > r; ə-epenthesis; +W: ə > u; *y > Ø <sup>y</sup> ; +Y: ə > i                                                        |                                                                                          |                                       |                            |                               |   |
| 2. *n > r; ə-epenthesis; *y > Ø <sup>y</sup> ; +Y: ə > i                                                                   |                                                                                          |                                       |                            |                               |   |
| 3. *n > r; ə-epenthesis; +W: ə > u                                                                                         |                                                                                          |                                       |                            |                               |   |
| 4. *k <sup>w</sup> > g <sup>w</sup> ; *n > r; ə-epenthesis; +W: ə > u; *y > Ø <sup>y</sup> ; +Y: *a > e                    |                                                                                          |                                       |                            |                               |   |
| 5. *k <sup>w</sup> > g <sup>w</sup> ; *n > r; ə-epenthesis; *y > Ø <sup>y</sup> ; +Y: dz > dʒ; +Y: *a > e                  |                                                                                          |                                       |                            |                               |   |
| 6. *k <sup>w</sup> > g <sup>w</sup> ; *n (> r) > d; ə-epenthesis; +W: ə > u; *y > Ø <sup>y</sup> ; +Y: dz > dʒ; +Y: *a > e |                                                                                          |                                       |                            |                               |   |
| 7. *n > r; +W: *a > o; *y > Ø <sup>y</sup> ; *y > Ø <sup>y</sup> ; +Y: *a > e                                              |                                                                                          |                                       |                            |                               |   |

## MAROUA

|                                                                                                                                                             |                                                 |                     |           |                                      |   |
|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------|---------------------|-----------|--------------------------------------|---|
| Giziga-Muturwa                                                                                                                                              | <i>gizij</i> gə <sup>y</sup> zə <sup>y</sup> ŋ  | *gzŋ-Ø <sup>y</sup> | *gzŋØ-y-k | *k <sup>w</sup> zna-y-k <sup>w</sup> | 1 |
| Giziga-Marwa                                                                                                                                                | <i>gizij</i> gə <sup>y</sup> zə <sup>y</sup> ŋ  |                     |           |                                      | 1 |
| Mbazla                                                                                                                                                      | <i>gizij</i> gə <sup>y</sup> z'ə <sup>y</sup> ŋ |                     |           |                                      | 2 |
| 1. radical *k <sup>w</sup> (> g <sup>w</sup> ) > g; ə-epenthesis; *y > Ø <sup>y</sup> ; +Y: ə > i; suffixal *k <sup>w</sup> > k; fusion *nk > ŋ             |                                                 |                     |           |                                      |   |
| 2. radical *k <sup>w</sup> (> g <sup>w</sup> ) > g; ə-epenthesis; *y > Ø <sup>y</sup> ; +Y: *z > ʒ; +Y: ə > i; suffixal *k <sup>w</sup> > k; fusion *nk > ŋ |                                                 |                     |           |                                      |   |

## LAMANG

|        |                                                              |                     |                       |                                    |   |
|--------|--------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------|-----------------------|------------------------------------|---|
|        |                                                              |                     |                       | √ C C Ca                           |   |
| Hdi    | <i>kuzuŋ</i> k <sup>w</sup> ə <sup>w</sup> zə <sup>w</sup> ŋ | *k <sup>w</sup> zŋ  | *k <sup>w</sup> znØ-k | *k <sup>w</sup> zna-k <sup>w</sup> | 1 |
|        |                                                              |                     |                       | √ C CaCa                           |   |
| Lamang | <i>kuzam</i> k <sup>w</sup> ə <sup>w</sup> zam               | *k <sup>w</sup> zam | *k <sup>w</sup> zanØ  | *k <sup>w</sup> zana               | 2 |

1. ə-epenthesis; +W: ə > u; suffixal \*k<sup>w</sup> > k; fusion \*nk > ŋ  
 2. \*n > m (see 3.4.5); ə-epenthesis; +W: ə > u

## HIGI

|        |                                                           |                    |                     |                     |   |
|--------|-----------------------------------------------------------|--------------------|---------------------|---------------------|---|
| Psikye | <i>g<sup>w</sup>əzə</i>                                   | *g <sup>w</sup> za | *g <sup>w</sup> zØa | *k <sup>w</sup> zna | 1 |
|        | <i>g<sup>w</sup>əzu</i> g <sup>w</sup> əzə <sup>w</sup>   |                    |                     |                     | 2 |
|        | <i>guzu</i> g <sup>w</sup> ə <sup>w</sup> zə <sup>w</sup> |                    |                     |                     | 2 |
| Bana   | <i>g<sup>w</sup>(ə)zən</i>                                | *g <sup>w</sup> zn | *g <sup>w</sup> znØ |                     | 3 |
| Kirya  | <i>swən</i>                                               | *swn               | *wsnØ               |                     | 4 |

1. \*k<sup>w</sup> > g<sup>w</sup>; ə-epenthesis; lexical-final \*a > ə  
 2. \*k<sup>w</sup> > g<sup>w</sup>; ə-epenthesis; lexical-final \*a > ə; +W: ə > u  
 3. \*k<sup>w</sup> > g<sup>w</sup>; ə-epenthesis  
 4. \*k<sup>w</sup> > w; \*z > s; metathesis ws > sw; ə-epenthesis

## grasshopper

PCC \*(Ca-) x<sup>w</sup>(a)y(a)k<sup>w</sup>a (-y, -dā, -k<sup>w</sup>, -n; FV)

## BATA

|      |                                                |                                     |                                     |          |   |
|------|------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------|-------------------------------------|----------|---|
|      |                                                |                                     |                                     | √ C C Ca |   |
| Gude | <i>ayiwa</i> ayə <sup>y</sup> wa               | *Øy <sup>y</sup> wa                 | *x <sup>w</sup> yk <sup>w</sup> a   |          | 1 |
|      |                                                |                                     |                                     | √ CaCaCa |   |
| Bata | <i>qaawe</i> x <sup>w</sup> yāawa <sup>y</sup> | *x <sup>w</sup> aØ <sup>y</sup> awa | *x <sup>w</sup> ayak <sup>w</sup> a |          | 2 |

1. \*k<sup>w</sup> > w; a-prothesis; ə-epenthesis; \*y > y<sup>y</sup>; +Y: ə > i  
 2. \*k<sup>w</sup> > w; \*y > Ø<sup>y</sup>; +Y: lexical-final \*a > e; unclear transcription convention \*x<sup>w</sup>ya > qa

## DABA

|        |               |         |                                     |          |   |
|--------|---------------|---------|-------------------------------------|----------|---|
|        |               |         |                                     | √ CaC Ca |   |
| Daba   | <i>wayəp'</i> | wayp'Ø  | *x <sup>w</sup> ayk <sup>w</sup> a  |          | 1 |
|        |               |         |                                     | √ CaCaCa |   |
| Buwal  | <i>wayak</i>  | *wayakØ | *x <sup>w</sup> ayak <sup>w</sup> a |          | 2 |
| Gavar  | <i>wayak</i>  |         |                                     |          | 2 |
| Mbudum | <i>wayak</i>  |         |                                     |          | 2 |

1. \*x<sup>w</sup> > w; \*k<sup>w</sup> (> b) > p' [6]; ə-epenthesis  
 2. \*x<sup>w</sup> > w; \*k<sup>w</sup> > k

## MAFA

|       |                        |                      |                                     |  |
|-------|------------------------|----------------------|-------------------------------------|--|
| Cuvok | <i>yak<sup>w</sup></i> | *Øyak <sup>w</sup> Ø | *x <sup>w</sup> ayak <sup>w</sup> a |  |
|-------|------------------------|----------------------|-------------------------------------|--|

## MARGI

|       |                                 |                      |                                    |   |
|-------|---------------------------------|----------------------|------------------------------------|---|
| Bura  | <i>hauwa</i> xa <sup>w</sup> wa | *xaØw <sup>w</sup> a | *x <sup>w</sup> ayk <sup>w</sup> a | 1 |
| Kilba | <i>ha'yi</i> xaʔyə <sup>y</sup> | *xaʔy <sup>y</sup> a |                                    | 2 |

1. \*k<sup>w</sup> > w<sup>+</sup>; diphthongisation of \*a<sup>+</sup> > au  
 2. \*k<sup>w</sup> (> k) > ʔ; metathesis yʔ > ʔy; lexical-final \*a > ə; \*y > y<sup>y</sup>; +Y: ə > i

## MANDARA

|                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             |                       |         |                                     |   |
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|                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             |                       |         | √ C C Ca                            |   |
| Mandara                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     | <i>iwa ywa</i>        | *Øywa   | *x <sup>w</sup> yk <sup>w</sup> a   | 1 |
| Malgwa                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      | <i>iwe ə'ywa'</i>     | *Øy'wa  |                                     | 2 |
|                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             |                       |         | √ C CaCa                            |   |
| Podoko                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      | <i>hiyawa xə'yawa</i> | *xy'awa | *x <sup>w</sup> yak <sup>w</sup> a  | 3 |
|                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             |                       |         | √ CaCaCa                            |   |
| Matal                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       | <i>hayaw</i>          | *xayawØ | *x <sup>w</sup> ayak <sup>w</sup> a | 4 |
| 1. *k <sup>w</sup> > w; *y > i<br>2. *k <sup>w</sup> > w; ə-prothesis; *y > y'; *y > i; +Y: ə > i; +Y: lexical-final *a > e<br>3. *x <sup>w</sup> > x; *k <sup>w</sup> > w; ə-epenthesis; *y > y'; +Y: ə > i<br>4. *x <sup>w</sup> > x; *k <sup>w</sup> > w |                       |         |                                     |   |

## MOFU

|                       |                                                                    |                                     |                                          |   |
|-----------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------|------------------------------------------|---|
|                       |                                                                    |                                     | √ C CaCa                                 |   |
| Mofu-Gudur            | <i>ayak<sup>w</sup></i>                                            | *Øyak <sup>w</sup> Ø                | *x <sup>w</sup> yak <sup>w</sup> a       | 1 |
| Mada                  | <i>ayaw</i>                                                        | *ØyawØ                              |                                          | 2 |
| Muyang                | <i>eyew a<sup>y</sup>ya<sup>w</sup>w</i>                           | *Øy <sup>y</sup> awØ                |                                          | 3 |
|                       |                                                                    |                                     | √ CaCaCa                                 |   |
| Mofu North            | <i>h<sup>w</sup>ayak<sup>w</sup></i>                               | *x <sup>w</sup> ayak <sup>w</sup> Ø | *(Ca-)x <sup>w</sup> ayak <sup>w</sup> a |   |
| Zulgo                 | <i>hayaw</i>                                                       | *xayawØ                             |                                          | 4 |
| Moloko                | <i>heyew xa<sup>y</sup>ya<sup>w</sup>w</i>                         | *xay <sup>y</sup> awØ               |                                          | 5 |
| Gemzek                | <i>heyew xa<sup>y</sup>ya<sup>w</sup>w</i>                         |                                     |                                          | 5 |
| Merey                 | <i>heyew xa<sup>y</sup>ya<sup>w</sup>w</i>                         |                                     |                                          | 5 |
| Dugwor                | <i>h<sup>w</sup>eyek x<sup>w</sup>a<sup>y</sup>ya<sup>w</sup>k</i> | *x <sup>w</sup> ay <sup>y</sup> akØ |                                          | 6 |
| Ouldeme <sup>67</sup> | <i>awayak</i>                                                      | *Øa-wayakØ                          |                                          | 7 |

1. a-prothesis

2. a-prothesis; \*k<sup>w</sup> > w

3. a-prothesis; \*k<sup>w</sup> > w; \*y > y<sup>y</sup>; +Y: \*a > e

4. \*x<sup>w</sup> > x; \*k<sup>w</sup> > w

5. \*x<sup>w</sup> > x; \*k<sup>w</sup> > w; \*y > y<sup>y</sup>; +Y: \*a > e

6. \*k<sup>w</sup> > k; \*y > y<sup>y</sup>; +Y: \*a > e

7. \*x<sup>w</sup> > w; \*k<sup>w</sup> > k

## MAROUA

|                                                                                                                                                                                     |                                                        |                                     |                                     |   |
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|                                                                                                                                                                                     |                                                        |                                     | √ C C Ca                            |   |
| Giziga-Muturwa                                                                                                                                                                      | <i>yuku yə<sup>w</sup>k<sup>w</sup>ə<sup>w</sup></i>   | *Øyk <sup>w</sup> a                 | *x <sup>w</sup> yk <sup>w</sup> a   | 1 |
|                                                                                                                                                                                     | <i>yuku yə<sup>w</sup>kw</i>                           | *Øykw <sup>w</sup> Ø                |                                     | 2 |
|                                                                                                                                                                                     |                                                        |                                     | √ CaCaCa                            |   |
| Giziga-Marva                                                                                                                                                                        | <i>hoyok x<sup>w</sup>a<sup>w</sup>ya<sup>w</sup>k</i> | *x <sup>w</sup> ayak <sup>w</sup> Ø | *x <sup>w</sup> ayak <sup>w</sup> a | 3 |
| 1. ə-epenthesis; lexical-final *a > ə; +W: ə > u<br>2. Alternative analysis: re-segmentalisation *k <sup>w</sup> > k <sup>w</sup> ; ə-epenthesis; +W: ə > u; w > u<br>3. +W: *a > o |                                                        |                                     |                                     |   |

<sup>67</sup> The nature of the assumed initial consonant of the prefix in Ouldeme remains obscure for lack of comparative evidence.

LAMANG<sup>68</sup>

|        |                                               |                         |               |                                                           |   |
|--------|-----------------------------------------------|-------------------------|---------------|-----------------------------------------------------------|---|
| Lamang | <i>hdeŋe</i> xɗa <sup>y</sup> ŋa <sup>y</sup> | *xØ <sup>y</sup> -ɗa-ŋa | *xyØØ-ɗa-k-na | *x <sup>w</sup> yk <sup>w</sup> a(-ɗa-k <sup>w</sup> -na) | 1 |
| Hdi    | <i>hi'i</i> xə <sup>y</sup> ?y                | *x?y <sup>y</sup>       | *xy?Ø         |                                                           | 2 |

1. \*x<sup>w</sup> > x; \*y > Ø<sup>y</sup>; see fn.2. \*x<sup>w</sup> > x; \*k<sup>w</sup> (> k) > ?; ə-epenthesis; metathesis y? > ?y; \*y > y<sup>y</sup> > i; +Y: ə > i

## HIGI

|             |                                            |                    |        |                                    |   |
|-------------|--------------------------------------------|--------------------|--------|------------------------------------|---|
| Kamwe-Futu  | <i>hagi</i> xagy                           | *xagy              | *xaygØ |                                    | 1 |
| Kamwe-Nkafa | <i>hag<sup>y</sup>i</i> xag <sup>y</sup> y | *xagy <sup>y</sup> |        | *x <sup>w</sup> ayk <sup>w</sup> a | 2 |
| Kirya       | <i>hay</i>                                 | *xayØØ             |        |                                    |   |
| Bana        | <i>xay</i>                                 |                    |        |                                    |   |

1. \*x<sup>w</sup> > x; \*k<sup>w</sup> > g; metathesis yg > gy; \*y > i2. \*x<sup>w</sup> > x; \*k<sup>w</sup> > g; metathesis yg > gy; \*y > y<sup>y</sup> > i; +Y: g > g<sup>y</sup>

## KOTOKO-NORTH

|       |                               |                     |         |                                     |   |
|-------|-------------------------------|---------------------|---------|-------------------------------------|---|
| Mpade | <i>hayo</i> xaya <sup>w</sup> | *xayaØ <sup>w</sup> | *xayawØ | *x <sup>w</sup> ayak <sup>w</sup> a | 1 |
|       | <i>gayo</i> gaya <sup>w</sup> | *gayaØ <sup>w</sup> | *gayawØ |                                     | 2 |

1. \*x<sup>w</sup> > x; \*k<sup>w</sup> > w; +W: lexical-final \*a > o2. \*x<sup>w</sup> (> x > y) > g; \*k<sup>w</sup> > w > Ø<sup>w</sup>; +W: lexical-final \*a > o

## GIDAR

|                     |                                                       |                           |                  |                                                            |   |
|---------------------|-------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------|------------------|------------------------------------------------------------|---|
| Gidar <sup>69</sup> | <i>heydeŋ</i><br>xa <sup>y</sup> yɗa <sup>y</sup> ŋ   | *xay <sup>y</sup> -ɗa-ŋ   | *xayØØ-ɗa-k-n    | *x <sup>w</sup> ayk <sup>w</sup> a-ɗa-k <sup>w</sup> -n    | 1 |
|                     | <i>heeydeŋ</i><br>xaa <sup>y</sup> yɗa <sup>y</sup> ŋ | *xaa-y <sup>y</sup> -ɗa-ŋ | *xaØaØØ-y-ɗa-k-n | *x <sup>w</sup> ayak <sup>w</sup> a-y-ɗa-k <sup>w</sup> -n | 1 |

1. \*x<sup>w</sup> > x; \*y > y<sup>y</sup>; see fn.

grinding stone

PCC \*(ma-) g<sup>w</sup>(a)v(a)na (-a, -y, -k<sup>w</sup>)

## DABA

|       |             |       |           |                        |   |
|-------|-------------|-------|-----------|------------------------|---|
|       |             |       |           | √ C C Ca               |   |
| Gavar | <i>ŋvən</i> | *ŋvn  | *mØ-gvnØ  | *ma-g <sup>w</sup> vna | 1 |
|       |             |       |           | √ C CaCa               |   |
| Buwal | <i>ŋvan</i> | *ŋvan | *mØ-gvanØ | *ma-g <sup>w</sup> ana | 2 |

1. \*g<sup>w</sup> > g; fusion \*mg > ŋ; ə-epenthesis2. \*g<sup>w</sup> > g; fusion \*mg > ŋ<sup>68</sup> Note on Lamang (LAMANG) and Gidar (GIDAR):

Lamang *hdeŋe* 'locust' and Gidar *heeydeŋ* 'locuste (migrateur), sauterelle, criquet', *heydeŋ* ~ *heydeŋ* 'criquet, sauterelle' would appear to be cognates, but may not belong to the same root as all the other examples in this set. If they did, this would point to hitherto unidentified suffixal augmental material of the shape \*-ɗa-k<sup>w</sup>-n(a) plus phonological Y-prosody, i.e.

Lamang √ C C Ca \*xØ<sup>y</sup>ØØ-ɗa'-k-na<sup>y</sup> > *hdeŋe*

Gidar √ CaC Ca \*xay<sup>y</sup>ØØ-ɗa'-k-n > *heeydeŋ*

The long vowel in Gidar *heeydeŋ* could tentatively be explained by the assumption of root-augmental \*{-y} and deletion of root-internal \*y between a\_a.

<sup>69</sup> See footnote 68.

## TERA

|      |             |      |       |                     |   |
|------|-------------|------|-------|---------------------|---|
| Tera | <i>vəna</i> | *vna | *Øvna | *g <sup>w</sup> vna | 1 |
|------|-------------|------|-------|---------------------|---|

1. ə-epenthesis

## SUKUR

|       |            |      |        |                     |   |
|-------|------------|------|--------|---------------------|---|
| Sukur | <i>ban</i> | *ban | *ØbanØ | *g <sup>w</sup> vna | 1 |
|-------|------------|------|--------|---------------------|---|

1. \*v &gt; b

## HURZA

|       |            |      |        |                     |  |
|-------|------------|------|--------|---------------------|--|
| Mbuko | <i>van</i> | *van | *ØvanØ | *g <sup>w</sup> vna |  |
| Vame  | <i>van</i> |      |        |                     |  |

## MARGI

|       |                  |       |       |                     |   |
|-------|------------------|-------|-------|---------------------|---|
| Bura  | <i>bur bwr</i>   | *bwr  | *wbrØ | *g <sup>w</sup> vna | 1 |
|       | <i>bura bwra</i> | *bwra | *wbra |                     | 1 |
| Kilba | <i>bəra</i>      | *bra  | *Øbra |                     | 2 |

1. \*v > b; \*n > r; \*g<sup>w</sup> > w > u; metathesis wb > bw

2. \*v &gt; b; \*n &gt; r; ə-epenthesis

## MANDARA

|         |                                              |                     |       |                     |   |
|---------|----------------------------------------------|---------------------|-------|---------------------|---|
|         |                                              |                     |       | √ C C Ca            |   |
| Malgwa  | <i>ugvəra ə<sup>w</sup>g<sup>w</sup>vəra</i> | *g <sup>w</sup> vra |       | *g <sup>w</sup> vna | 1 |
| Dghwede | <i>vəra</i>                                  | *vra                | *Øvra |                     | 2 |
| Matal   | <i>vəl</i>                                   | *vl                 | *ØvlØ |                     | 3 |

|         |                                |                       |                       |                              |   |
|---------|--------------------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|------------------------------|---|
|         |                                |                       |                       | √ C CaCa                     |   |
| Podoko  | <i>mavara</i>                  | *ma-vara              | *ma-Øvara             | *(ma-)g <sup>w</sup> vna(-y) | 4 |
| Mandara | <i>uvera wva<sup>y</sup>ra</i> | *wvara-Ø <sup>y</sup> | *g <sup>w</sup> vra-y |                              | 5 |
| Glavda  | <i>vaa</i>                     | *vaØa                 | *Øvara                |                              | 6 |

|        |              |         |                       |                       |   |
|--------|--------------|---------|-----------------------|-----------------------|---|
|        |              |         |                       | √ CaCaCa              |   |
| Glavda | <i>va:ra</i> | *vaØara | *vag <sup>w</sup> ara | *g <sup>w</sup> avara | 7 |

1. \*n &gt; r; ə-prothesis; +W: ə &gt; u; ə-epenthesis

2. \*n &gt; r; ə-epenthesis

3. \*n (&gt; r) &gt; l; ə-epenthesis

4. \*n &gt; r

5. \*n > r; \*g<sup>w</sup> > w > u; \*y > Ø<sup>y</sup>; +Y: \*a > e

6. \*n &gt; r; (vowel length accounted for by loss of intervocalic r)

7. \*n > r; metathesis g<sup>w</sup>v > vg<sup>w</sup> (vowel length accounted for by loss of intervocalic \*g<sup>w</sup>)

## MOFU

|         |                            |                     |                      |                              |   |
|---------|----------------------------|---------------------|----------------------|------------------------------|---|
| Ouldeme | <i>avar</i>                | *a-var              | *Øa-ØvarØ            | *(ma-)g <sup>w</sup> vna(-y) | 1 |
| Muyang  | <i>avar</i>                |                     |                      |                              | 1 |
| Moloko  | <i>ver va<sup>r</sup>r</i> | *var-Ø <sup>y</sup> | *ØvarØ-y             |                              | 2 |
| Merey   | <i>ber ba<sup>r</sup>r</i> | *bar-Ø <sup>y</sup> | *ØbarØ-y             |                              | 3 |
| Gemzek  | <i>ber ba<sup>r</sup>r</i> |                     |                      |                              | 3 |
|         | <i>bor ba<sup>w</sup>r</i> | *Ø <sup>w</sup> bar | *Ø <sup>w</sup> barØ |                              | 4 |

1. \*n &gt; r

2. \*n > r; \*y > Ø<sup>y</sup>; +Y: \*a > e3. \*n > r; \*v > b; \*y > Ø<sup>y</sup>; +Y: \*a > e4. \*n > r; \*v > b; \*g<sup>w</sup> > Ø<sup>w</sup>; +W: \*a > o

## MAROUA

|              |                 |        |           |            |   |
|--------------|-----------------|--------|-----------|------------|---|
| Giziga-Marva | <i>voŋ vaʷŋ</i> | *Øʷvaŋ | *ØʷvanØ-k | *gʷvana-kʷ | 1 |
| Mbazla       | <i>vaŋ</i>      | *vaŋ   | *ØvanØ-k  |            | 2 |

1. \*kʷ > k; fusion nk > ŋ; \*gʷ > Øʷ; +W: \*a > o  
2. \*kʷ > k; fusion nk > ŋ

## LAMANG

|        |                  |       |       |        |   |
|--------|------------------|-------|-------|--------|---|
| Lamang | <i>buna bwna</i> | *bwna | *wbna | *gʷvna | 1 |
| Hdi    | <i>buna bwna</i> |       |       |        | 1 |

1. \*gʷ > w > u; \*v > b; metathesis wb > bw

## HIGI

|             |             |      |       |        |   |
|-------------|-------------|------|-------|--------|---|
| Kamwe-Nkafa | <i>vəna</i> | *vna | *Øvna | *gʷvna | 1 |
| Kamwe-Futu  | <i>vəna</i> |      |       |        | 1 |
| Kirya       | <i>vəna</i> |      |       |        | 1 |

1. ə-epenthesis

## KOTOKO-CENTRAL

|        |                      |        |         |          |   |
|--------|----------------------|--------|---------|----------|---|
| Lagwan | <i>vin &lt; vəʷn</i> | *vn-Øʷ | *ØvnØ-y | *gʷvna-y | 1 |
|--------|----------------------|--------|---------|----------|---|

1. ə-epenthesis; \*y > Øʷ; +Y: ə > i

## KOTOKO-SOUTH

|        |                  |       |       |        |   |
|--------|------------------|-------|-------|--------|---|
| Mazera | <i>vuna vwna</i> | *vwna | *wvna | *gʷvna | 1 |
|--------|------------------|-------|-------|--------|---|

1. \*gʷ > w > u; metathesis ww > vw

## MUSGUM

|       |                    |         |           |            |   |
|-------|--------------------|---------|-----------|------------|---|
| Mbara | <i>funay fwnay</i> | *fwn-ay | *wfnØ-a-y | *gʷvna-a-y | 1 |
|-------|--------------------|---------|-----------|------------|---|

1. \*v > f; \*gʷ > w > u; metathesis sf > fw

## GIDAR

|       |                  |      |       |        |   |
|-------|------------------|------|-------|--------|---|
| Gidar | <i>buən bwən</i> | *bwn | *wbnØ | *gʷvna | 1 |
|-------|------------------|------|-------|--------|---|

1. \*gʷ > w > u; \*v > b; metathesis wb > bw; ə-epenthesis

ground squirrel

PCC \*x(a)y(a)ya (-RED, -kʷ, -n)

## HURZA

|       |             |       |         |         |   |
|-------|-------------|-------|---------|---------|---|
| Mbuko | <i>ayah</i> | *ayax | *ØayaxØ | *xayaya | 1 |
| Vame  | <i>ayah</i> |       |         |         | 1 |

1. \*y > x

## MANDARA

|                                       |                                          |                    |              |                                  |   |
|---------------------------------------|------------------------------------------|--------------------|--------------|----------------------------------|---|
| Matal                                 | <i>hayaŋ</i>                             | *xaya-ŋ            | *xayaØØ-k-n  | *xayaya(-RED/-k <sup>w</sup> -n) | 1 |
| Mandara                               | <i>yaye yaya<sup>y</sup></i>             | *ya-y <sup>a</sup> | * ØØyaØØ-RED |                                  | 2 |
| Malgwa                                | <i>yeye ya<sup>y</sup>ya<sup>y</sup></i> |                    |              |                                  | 2 |
| Glavda                                | <i>ayakayaka</i>                         | *ayaya-yaya        | *Øayaya-RED  |                                  |   |
|                                       | <i>ayayaya</i>                           | *ayaya-yaØØ        |              |                                  |   |
| 1. *k <sup>w</sup> > k; fusion kn > ŋ |                                          |                    |              |                                  |   |
| 2. *y > y <sup>y</sup> ; +Y: *a > e   |                                          |                    |              |                                  |   |

## MOFU

|                                                                                                  |               |         |             |                             |   |
|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------|---------|-------------|-----------------------------|---|
|                                                                                                  |               |         |             | √ C C Ca                    |   |
| Dugwor                                                                                           | hiyaŋ xəʔyaŋ  | *xyʔa-ŋ | *xyØa-k-n   | *xyya-k <sup>w</sup> -n     | 1 |
| Zulgo                                                                                            | hiyeŋ xəʔyaʔŋ |         |             |                             | 2 |
| Gemzek                                                                                           | hiyeŋ xəʔyaʔŋ |         |             |                             | 2 |
| Merey                                                                                            | hiyeŋ xəʔyaʔŋ |         |             |                             | 2 |
|                                                                                                  |               |         |             | √ CaCaCa                    |   |
| Moloko                                                                                           | ayah          | *ayah   | *ØayahØ     | *xayaya(-k <sup>w</sup> -n) | 3 |
| Mofu-Gudur                                                                                       | ayaŋ          | *aya-ŋ  | *ØayaØØ-k-n |                             | 4 |
| Ouldeme                                                                                          | ayeŋ ayaʔŋ    | *ayʔa-ŋ | *ØayaØØ-k-n |                             | 5 |
| Muyang                                                                                           | eyeŋ aʔyaʔŋ   |         |             |                             | 5 |
| 1. *k <sup>w</sup> > k; fusion kn > ŋ; ə-epenthesis; *y > y <sup>ʔ</sup> ; +Y: ə > i             |               |         |             |                             |   |
| 2. *k <sup>w</sup> > k; fusion kn > ŋ; ə-epenthesis; *y > y <sup>ʔ</sup> ; +Y: ə > i; +Y: *a > e |               |         |             |                             |   |
| 3. *y > x                                                                                        |               |         |             |                             |   |
| 4. *k <sup>w</sup> > k; fusion kn > ŋ                                                            |               |         |             |                             |   |
| 5. *k <sup>w</sup> > k; fusion kn > ŋ; *y > y <sup>ʔ</sup> ; +Y: *a > e                          |               |         |             |                             |   |

MAROUA<sup>70</sup>

|                                                          |                         |                     |         |         |   |
|----------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------|---------------------|---------|---------|---|
| Giziga-Muturwa                                           | yaw                     | *yaw                | *ØØyawØ | *xayaya | 1 |
|                                                          | ayaw                    | *ayaw               | *ØayawØ |         | 1 |
| Giziga-Marva                                             | ayew aya <sup>ə</sup> w | *ay <sup>ə</sup> aw | *ØayawØ |         | 2 |
| 1. *y > w<br>2. *y > w; *y > y <sup>ə</sup> ; +Y: *a > e |                         |                     |         |         |   |

## LAMANG

|                                             |                   |        |        |        |   |
|---------------------------------------------|-------------------|--------|--------|--------|---|
| Lamang                                      | <i>yaye</i> yaʔaʔ | *yʔaya | *Øyaya | *xyaya | 1 |
| Hdi                                         | <i>yayi</i> yaʔaʔ | *yʔaya |        |        | 2 |
| 1. *y > yʔ; +Y: lexical-final *a > e        |                   |        |        |        |   |
| 2. lexical-final *a > ə; *y > yʔ; +Y: ə > i |                   |        |        |        |   |

## KOTOKO-NORTH

|           |             |       |        |        |   |
|-----------|-------------|-------|--------|--------|---|
| Mpade     | <i>yaga</i> | *yaga | *Øyaga | *xyaya | 1 |
| 1. *y > g |             |       |        |        |   |

## KOTOKO-SOUTH

|                                                           |                                 |                      |         |         |   |
|-----------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------|----------------------|---------|---------|---|
| Mazera                                                    | <i>ayahe</i> ayaxa <sup>ə</sup> | *ay <sup>ə</sup> axa | *Øayaxa | *xayaya | 1 |
| 1. *y > x; *y > y <sup>ə</sup> ; +Y: lexical-final *a > e |                                 |                      |         |         |   |

## MUSGUM

|       |             |        |           |           |  |
|-------|-------------|--------|-----------|-----------|--|
| Mbara | <i>yaya</i> | *ya-ya | *ØyØa-RED | *xyya-RED |  |
|-------|-------------|--------|-----------|-----------|--|

<sup>70</sup> Gravina (2015) raises the valid point that “[t]he reflex \*w in the Giziga languages ... may imply that \*y was labialised” – a lead that we have not followed up in this study, because we found no corroborative evidence from other languages.

grow (up/old), bring up, raise, to

PCC \*(ma-, k<sup>w</sup>a-) **g(a)ra** (-a, -y, -k<sup>w</sup>, -n, -b; FV)

BATA

|        |                      |         |                        |                            |   |
|--------|----------------------|---------|------------------------|----------------------------|---|
| Gude   | <i>gəɾə</i> gəɾə     | *gra    |                        |                            | 1 |
| Jimi   | <i>gəɾən</i> gəɾən   | *gra-n  |                        | *gra((-k <sup>w</sup> )-n) | 1 |
| Tsuvan | <i>gəlkən</i> gəlkən | *gl-k-n | *glØ-k <sup>w</sup> -n |                            | 2 |

1. ə-epenthesis; lexical-final \*a > ə  
2. \*r > l; \*k<sup>w</sup> > k; ə-epenthesis

DABA

|        |                     |                      |           |                             |   |
|--------|---------------------|----------------------|-----------|-----------------------------|---|
|        |                     |                      |           | √ C Ca                      |   |
| Daba   | <i>gəla</i>         | *gla                 |           |                             | 1 |
|        | <i>gəl</i>          |                      |           |                             | 1 |
| Gavar  | <i>gəl</i>          | *glØ                 |           | *(k <sup>w</sup> a-)gra(-y) | 1 |
| Mbudum | <i>gəl</i>          |                      |           |                             | 1 |
|        | <i>kəgil</i> kəgəɸl | *k-gl-Ø <sup>y</sup> | *kØ-glØ-y |                             | 2 |
|        |                     |                      |           | √ CaCa                      |   |
| Buwal  | <i>gal</i>          | *galØ                |           |                             | 3 |
|        | <i>ɸgal</i> ɸgal    | *mØ-gal              | *ma-galØ  | *(ma-)gara                  | 4 |

1. \*r > l; ə-epenthesis  
2. \*r > l; ə-epenthesis; \*y > Ø<sup>y</sup>; +Y: ə > i  
3. \*r > l  
4. \*r > l; homorganic assimilation \*m > ɸ/\_g

MAFA

|       |             |       |  |        |   |
|-------|-------------|-------|--|--------|---|
|       |             |       |  | √ C Ca |   |
| Cuvok | <i>gəla</i> | *gla  |  | *gra   | 1 |
|       |             |       |  | √ CaCa |   |
|       | <i>gal</i>  | *galØ |  | *gara  | 2 |

1. \*r > l; ə-epenthesis  
2. \*r > l

TERA

|      |                                |                       |                        |                        |   |
|------|--------------------------------|-----------------------|------------------------|------------------------|---|
| Tera | <i>gər</i> ga <sup>w</sup> r   | *gar-Ø <sup>w</sup>   | *garØ-k <sup>w</sup>   | *gara-y-k <sup>w</sup> | 1 |
|      | <i>gori</i> ga <sup>w</sup> ry | *gar-y-Ø <sup>w</sup> | *garØ-y-k <sup>w</sup> |                        | 2 |

1. \*k<sup>w</sup> > Ø<sup>w</sup>; +W: \*a > o  
2. \*k<sup>w</sup> > Ø<sup>w</sup>; +W: \*a > o; \*y > i

SUKUR

|       |            |      |  |      |   |
|-------|------------|------|--|------|---|
| Sukur | <i>gər</i> | *grØ |  | *gra | 1 |
|-------|------------|------|--|------|---|

1. ə-epenthesis

HURZA

|       |                |       |  |        |   |
|-------|----------------|-------|--|--------|---|
|       |                |       |  | √ C Ca |   |
| Vame  | <i>gəra</i>    | *gra  |  | *gra   | 1 |
|       | <i>ɣəra</i>    | *ɣra  |  |        | 2 |
|       |                |       |  | √ CaCa |   |
|       | <i>ɣala</i>    | *ɣala |  | *gara  | 3 |
| Mbuko | <i>har</i> xar | *xarØ |  |        | 4 |



|                                                                                               |                                             |                          |            |                                             |   |
|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------|--------------------------|------------|---------------------------------------------|---|
| 1. ə-epenthesis                                                                               |                                             |                          |            |                                             |   |
| 2. *g > y; ə-epenthesis                                                                       |                                             |                          |            |                                             |   |
| 3. *g > y; *r > l                                                                             |                                             |                          |            |                                             |   |
| 4. *g (> y) > x                                                                               |                                             |                          |            |                                             |   |
| MARGI                                                                                         |                                             |                          |            |                                             |   |
| Bura                                                                                          | kila kə <sup>y</sup> la                     | *kla-Ø <sup>y</sup>      | *kla-y     | *gra-y                                      | 1 |
| 1. *r > l; *g > k; ə-epenthesis; *y > Ø <sup>y</sup> ; +Y: ə > i                              |                                             |                          |            |                                             |   |
| MANDARA                                                                                       |                                             |                          |            |                                             |   |
|                                                                                               |                                             |                          |            | √ C Ca                                      |   |
| Podoko                                                                                        | gəla                                        | *gla                     |            | *gra                                        | 1 |
|                                                                                               |                                             |                          |            | √ CaCa                                      |   |
| Mandara                                                                                       | gela ga <sup>y</sup> la                     | *gala-Ø <sup>y</sup>     | *gala-y    | *gara-y                                     | 2 |
| 1. *r > l; ə-epenthesis                                                                       |                                             |                          |            |                                             |   |
| 2. *r > l; *y > Ø <sup>y</sup> ; +Y: *a > e                                                   |                                             |                          |            |                                             |   |
| MOFU                                                                                          |                                             |                          |            |                                             |   |
|                                                                                               |                                             |                          |            | √ C Ca                                      |   |
| Ouldeme                                                                                       | gəleŋ gəla <sup>y</sup> ŋ                   | *gla-Ø <sup>y</sup> -ŋ   | *gla-y-k-n | *(ma-)gra<br>(-a-y(-k <sup>y</sup> -n)/-ba) | 1 |
| Zulgo                                                                                         | gəlba                                       | *glØ-ba                  |            |                                             | 2 |
| Merey                                                                                         | gəl                                         | *glØ                     |            |                                             | 2 |
| Mofu-Gudur                                                                                    | gəl                                         |                          |            |                                             | 2 |
| Gemzek                                                                                        | gəl                                         |                          |            |                                             | 2 |
|                                                                                               | megəle ma <sup>y</sup> gəla <sup>y</sup>    | *ma-gla-Ø <sup>y</sup>   | *ma-gla-y  |                                             | 3 |
| Mofu North                                                                                    | megəley ma <sup>y</sup> gəla <sup>y</sup> y | *ma-glØ-a-y <sup>y</sup> |            |                                             | 4 |
| Dugwor                                                                                        | məgəley məgəla <sup>y</sup> y               |                          |            |                                             |   |
| Mada                                                                                          | magla                                       | *ma-gla                  |            |                                             | 5 |
|                                                                                               |                                             |                          |            | √ C Ca                                      |   |
| Muyang                                                                                        | gal                                         | *galØ                    |            | *gara                                       | 5 |
| Moloko                                                                                        | gar                                         | *garØ                    |            |                                             |   |
| 1. *r > l; *k <sup>w</sup> > k; fusion kn > ŋ; ə-epenthesis; *y > Ø <sup>y</sup> ; +Y: *a > e |                                             |                          |            |                                             |   |
| 2. *r > l; ə-epenthesis                                                                       |                                             |                          |            |                                             |   |
| 3. *r > l; ə-epenthesis; *y > Ø <sup>y</sup> ; +Y: *a > e                                     |                                             |                          |            |                                             |   |
| 4. *r > l; ə-epenthesis; *y > y <sup>y</sup> ; +Y: *a > e                                     |                                             |                          |            |                                             |   |
| 5. *r > l                                                                                     |                                             |                          |            |                                             |   |
| MAROUA                                                                                        |                                             |                          |            |                                             |   |
| Giziga-Marva                                                                                  | gla                                         | *gla                     |            | *gra(-y)                                    | 1 |
|                                                                                               | gəl                                         | *glØ                     |            |                                             | 2 |
| Giziga-Muturwa                                                                                | gil gə <sup>y</sup> l                       | *gl-Ø <sup>y</sup>       | *glØ-y     |                                             | 3 |
| 1. *r > l                                                                                     |                                             |                          |            |                                             |   |
| 2. *r > l; ə-epenthesis                                                                       |                                             |                          |            |                                             |   |
| 3. *r > l; ə-epenthesis; *y > Ø <sup>y</sup> ; +Y: ə > i                                      |                                             |                          |            |                                             |   |

## LAMANG

|                                                                  |                    |           |            |   |
|------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------|-----------|------------|---|
|                                                                  |                    |           | √ C Ca     |   |
| Lamang                                                           | <i>gla</i>         | *gla      |            | 1 |
| Hdi                                                              | <i>gəlay</i>       | *glØ-a-y  | *gra(-a-y) | 2 |
|                                                                  |                    |           | √ CaCa     |   |
|                                                                  | <i>halay xalay</i> | *xalØ-a-y | *gara-a-y  | 3 |
| 1. *r > l<br>2. *r > l; ə-epenthesis<br>3. *g (> ʏ?) > x; *r > l |                    |           |            |   |

## HIGI

|                                                                                                                                                                            |                              |                     |                           |   |
|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------|---------------------|---------------------------|---|
| Kirya                                                                                                                                                                      | <i>kəl</i>                   | *klØ                |                           | 1 |
| Bana                                                                                                                                                                       | <i>k(ə)li kəly</i>           | *klØ-y              | *gra(-y/-k <sup>w</sup> ) | 2 |
| Kamwe-Futu                                                                                                                                                                 | <i>kəlo kəla<sup>w</sup></i> | *kla-Ø <sup>w</sup> | *kla-k <sup>w</sup>       | 3 |
| 1. *r > l; *g > k; ə-epenthesis<br>2. *r > l; *g > k; ə-epenthesis; *y > i<br>3. *r > l; *g > k; ə-epenthesis; *k <sup>w</sup> > Ø <sup>w</sup> ; +W: lexical-final *a > o |                              |                     |                           |   |

## guineafowl

PCC \*(na-) dz(a)v(a)na (-k<sup>w</sup>, -n; FV)

## BATA

|                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              |                                  |                         |                          |                             |   |
|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------|-------------------------|--------------------------|-----------------------------|---|
| Sharwa                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       | <i>zavunə zavə<sup>w</sup>nə</i> | *zavna-Ø <sup>w</sup>   | *zavna-k <sup>w</sup>    |                             | 1 |
| Gude                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         | <i>zoovəna za:vəna</i>           |                         |                          | *dzavna-k <sup>w</sup> (-n) | 2 |
| Jimi                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         | <i>zav<sup>w</sup>ənən</i>       | *zavn-Ø <sup>w</sup> -n | *zavnØ-k <sup>w</sup> -n |                             | 3 |
| Tsuvan                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       | <i>zavənkən</i>                  | *zavn-k-n               | *zavnØ-k-n               |                             | 4 |
| 1. *dz > z; ə-epenthesis; *k <sup>w</sup> > Ø <sup>w</sup> ; +W: ə > u; lexical-final *a > ə<br>2. *dz > z; ə-epenthesis; *k <sup>w</sup> > Ø <sup>w</sup> ; +W: a > o; vowel length unaccounted for<br>3. *dz > z; ə-epenthesis; *k <sup>w</sup> > Ø <sup>w</sup> ; +W: v > v <sup>w</sup><br>4. *dz > z; ə-epenthesis; *k <sup>w</sup> > k |                                  |                         |                          |                             |   |

## DABA

|                                                |               |         |           |                            |   |
|------------------------------------------------|---------------|---------|-----------|----------------------------|---|
|                                                |               |         |           | √ CaC Ca                   |   |
| Gavar                                          | <i>zavən</i>  | *zavnØ  |           | *dzavna                    | 1 |
| Daba                                           | <i>zavən</i>  |         |           |                            | 1 |
|                                                |               |         |           | √ CaCaCa                   |   |
| Buwal                                          | <i>zavan</i>  | *zavanØ |           | *dzavana(-k <sup>w</sup> ) | 2 |
| Mbudum                                         | <i>zavanɣ</i> | *zavanɣ | *zavanØ-k |                            | 3 |
| 1. *dz > z; ə-epenthesis                       |               |         |           |                            |   |
| 2. *dz > z                                     |               |         |           |                            |   |
| 3. *dz > z; *k <sup>w</sup> > k; fusion nk > ɲ |               |         |           |                            |   |

## MAFA

|                                                                              |               |         |           |                            |   |
|------------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------|---------|-----------|----------------------------|---|
| Mafa                                                                         | <i>zapan</i>  | *zapanØ |           | *dzavana(-k <sup>w</sup> ) | 1 |
| Cuvok                                                                        | <i>zapanɣ</i> | *zapanɣ | *zapanØ-k |                            | 2 |
| 1. *dz > z; *v > p<br>2. *dz > z; *v > p; *k <sup>w</sup> > k; fusion nk > ɲ |               |         |           |                            |   |

## TERA

|                                                               |               |                 |                  |                  |                  |   |
|---------------------------------------------------------------|---------------|-----------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|---|
| Tera                                                          | <i>tʃivan</i> | <i>tsʷəʋvan</i> | <i>*tsvan-Øʷ</i> | <i>*tsvanØ-y</i> | <i>*dzvana-y</i> | 1 |
|                                                               | <i>ʃivan</i>  | <i>sʷəʋvan</i>  | <i>*svan-Øʷ</i>  | <i>*svanØ-y</i>  |                  | 2 |
| 1. *dz > ts; ə-epenthesis; *y > Øʷ; +Y: ts > tʃ; +Y: ə > i    |               |                 |                  |                  |                  |   |
| 2. *dz (>ts) > s; ə-epenthesis; *y > Øʷ; +Y: s > ʃ; +Y: ə > i |               |                 |                  |                  |                  |   |

## SUKUR

|                                  |              |               |                |   |
|----------------------------------|--------------|---------------|----------------|---|
| Sukur                            | <i>zabən</i> | <i>*zabnØ</i> | <i>*dzavna</i> | 1 |
| 1. *dz > z; *v > b; ə-epenthesis |              |               |                |   |

## HURZA

|                                       |        |          |                        |             |   |
|---------------------------------------|--------|----------|------------------------|-------------|---|
|                                       |        |          |                        | √ CaC Ca    |   |
| Vame                                  | savnak | *savna-k | *dzavna-k <sup>w</sup> |             | 1 |
|                                       |        |          |                        | √ CaCaCa    |   |
| Mbuko                                 | nzavan | *n-zavan | *nØ-zavanØ             | *na-dzavana | 2 |
| 1. *dz (> z) > s; *k <sup>w</sup> > k |        |          |                        |             |   |
| 2. *dz > z                            |        |          |                        |             |   |

## MARGI

|                                   |                |        |        |   |
|-----------------------------------|----------------|--------|--------|---|
| Margi                             | <i>tsəvər</i>  | *tsvrØ | *dzvna | 1 |
| Kilba                             | <i>tsəvər</i>  |        |        | 1 |
| Bura                              | <i>tsəvəra</i> |        |        | 1 |
| 1. *dz > ts; *n > r; ə-epenthesis |                |        |        |   |

## MANDARA

|         |                           |                        |                         |                  |   |
|---------|---------------------------|------------------------|-------------------------|------------------|---|
|         |                           |                        |                         | √ CaC Ca         |   |
| Matal   | <i>zavər</i>              | *zavrØ                 |                         | *(na-)dzavna(-y) | 1 |
| Podoko  | <i>za<sup>m</sup>bəra</i> | *Ø <sup>n</sup> -zabra | *n <sup>n</sup> Ø-zabra |                  | 2 |
| Glavda  | <i>zabə</i>               | *zabØa                 |                         |                  | 3 |
|         | <i>žeeb</i> z'aʷaʷb       | *zaab-Øʷ               | *zaabØØ-y               |                  | 4 |
|         | <i>zabra</i> zʷabra       | *zabra-Øʷ              | *zabra-y                |                  | 5 |
| Malgwa  | <i>zebre</i> zʷabraʷ      |                        |                         |                  | 6 |
|         |                           |                        |                         | √ CaCaCa         |   |
| Mandara | <i>zabera</i> zʷabaʷra    | *zabara-Øʷ             |                         | *dzavana-y       | 6 |

1. \*dz > z; \*n > r; ə-epenthesis  
2. \*dz > z; \*n > r; \*v > b; ə-epenthesis; \*n > Ø<sup>n</sup>; +N: b > <sup>m</sup>b  
3. \*dz > z; \*v > b; lexical-final \*a > ə  
4. \*dz > z; \*v > b; \*y > Øʷ; +Y: z > ʒ; +Y: \*a > e; origin of vowel length unaccounted for  
5. \*dz > z; \*v > b; \*n > r; \*y > Øʷ; +Y: z > ʒ  
6. \*dz > z; \*v > b; \*n > r; \*y > Øʷ; +Y: z > ʒ; +Y: \*a > e

## MOFU

|            |                                              |            |            |                       |   |
|------------|----------------------------------------------|------------|------------|-----------------------|---|
|            |                                              |            |            | √ CaC Ca              |   |
| Zulgo      | <sup>n</sup> <i>dzavər</i><br><i>ndzavər</i> | *n-dzavr   | *nØ-dzavrØ | *na-dzavna            | 1 |
|            |                                              |            |            | √ CaCaCa              |   |
| Ouldeme    | <i>zavar</i>                                 | *zavarØ    |            | *(na-)<br>dzavana(-y) | 2 |
| Mada       | <i>zavar</i>                                 |            |            |                       | 2 |
| Mofu-Gudur | <i>tsavar</i>                                | *tsavarØ   | 3          |                       |   |
| Muyang     | <i>dʒavar</i> dzʷavar                        | *dzavar-Øʷ | *dzavarØ-y |                       | 4 |
| Moloko     | <i>dʒavar</i> dzʷavar                        |            |            |                       | 4 |

|                                               |                                                 |                          |               |  |   |
|-----------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------|--------------------------|---------------|--|---|
| Dugwor                                        | <i><sup>n</sup>dɛavar</i> ndz <sup>y</sup> avar | *n-dzavar-Ø <sup>y</sup> | *nØ-dzavarØ-y |  | 4 |
| Mofu-Gudur                                    | <i><sup>n</sup>dɛavar</i> ndz <sup>y</sup> avar |                          |               |  | 4 |
| Gemzek                                        | <i><sup>n</sup>dɛavar</i> ndzavar               | *n-dzavar                | *nØ-dzavar    |  | 5 |
| Merey                                         | <i><sup>n</sup>dɛavar</i> ndzavar               |                          |               |  | 5 |
| Mofu North                                    | <i><sup>n</sup>dɛavar</i> ndzavar               |                          |               |  | 5 |
| 1. *n > r; ə-epenthesis                       |                                                 |                          |               |  |   |
| 2. *n > r; *dz > z                            |                                                 |                          |               |  |   |
| 3. *n > r; *dz > ts                           |                                                 |                          |               |  |   |
| 4. *n > r; *y > Ø <sup>y</sup> ; +Y: *dz > dʒ |                                                 |                          |               |  |   |
| 5. *n > r                                     |                                                 |                          |               |  |   |

## MAROUA

|                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          |                                                   |                                       |                          |                          |   |
|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|---|
|                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          |                                                   |                                       |                          | √ C C Ca                 |   |
| Giziga-Muturwa                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           | <i>tʃuvuŋ</i> ts'ə <sup>w</sup> və <sup>w</sup> ŋ | *tsvŋ <sup>w</sup> -Ø <sup>y</sup>    | *tsvnØ-y-k <sup>w</sup>  | *dzvna-y-k <sup>w</sup>  | 1 |
| Mbazla                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   | <i>tʃufuŋ</i> ts'ə <sup>w</sup> fə <sup>w</sup> ŋ | *tsfŋ <sup>w</sup> -Ø <sup>y</sup>    | *tsfnØ-y-k <sup>w</sup>  |                          | 2 |
|                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          |                                                   |                                       |                          | √ C CaCa                 |   |
| Giziga-Marva                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             | <i>tʃuvon</i> ts'ə <sup>w</sup> fa <sup>w</sup> n | *tsvan-Ø <sup>y</sup> -Ø <sup>w</sup> | *tsvanØ-y-k <sup>w</sup> | *dzvana-y-k <sup>w</sup> | 3 |
| 1. *dz > ts; *y > Ø <sup>y</sup> ; +Y: ts > tʃ; ə-epenthesis; fusion nk <sup>w</sup> > ŋ <sup>w</sup> ; +W: ə > u<br>2. *dz > ts; *y > Ø <sup>y</sup> ; +Y: ts > tʃ; *v > f; ə-epenthesis; fusion nk <sup>w</sup> > ŋ <sup>w</sup> ; +W: ə > u<br>3. *dz > ts; *y > Ø <sup>y</sup> ; +Y: ts > tʃ; ə-epenthesis; *k <sup>w</sup> > Ø <sup>w</sup> ; +W: ə > u; +W: *a > o |                                                   |                                       |                          |                          |   |

## LAMANG

|                                                                                  |                 |            |  |                           |   |
|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------|------------|--|---------------------------|---|
|                                                                                  |                 |            |  | √ C C Ca                  |   |
| Hdi                                                                              | <i>zəvnək</i>   | *zvnØ-k    |  | *dzvna-k <sup>w</sup>     | 1 |
|                                                                                  |                 |            |  | √ CaCaCa                  |   |
| Lamang                                                                           | <i>zavanaka</i> | *zavana-ka |  | *dzavana-k <sup>w</sup> a | 2 |
| 1. *dz > z; *k <sup>w</sup> > k; ə-epenthesis<br>2. *dz > z; *k <sup>w</sup> > k |                 |            |  |                           |   |

## HIGI

|                                                                                                                                                                                                              |                                                    |                                      |                              |   |
|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------|------------------------------|---|
| Kamwe-Nkafa                                                                                                                                                                                                  | <i>zəvənə</i>                                      | *zvna                                | *dzvna(-y(-k <sup>w</sup> )) | 1 |
| Bana                                                                                                                                                                                                         | <i>zəvəni</i> zəvəny                               | *zvnØ-y                              |                              | 2 |
| Kamwe-Futu                                                                                                                                                                                                   | <i>zivəno</i><br>zə <sup>y</sup> vəna <sup>w</sup> | *zvna-Ø <sup>y</sup> -Ø <sup>w</sup> | *zvna-y-k <sup>w</sup>       | 3 |
| 1. *dz > z; ə-epenthesis; lexical-final *a > ə<br>2. *dz > z; ə-epenthesis; *y > i<br>3. *dz > z; ə-epenthesis; *y > Ø <sup>y</sup> ; +Y: ə > i; *k <sup>w</sup> > Ø <sup>w</sup> ; +W: lexical-final *a > o |                                                    |                                      |                              |   |

## KOTOKO-NORTH

|                                                                    |                                    |                        |           |   |
|--------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------|------------------------|-----------|---|
|                                                                    |                                    |                        | √ C CaCa  |   |
| Afade                                                              | <i>tsifan</i> tsə <sup>y</sup> fan | *tsfanØ-Ø <sup>y</sup> | *dzvana-y | 1 |
|                                                                    |                                    |                        | √ CaCaCa  |   |
| Mpade                                                              | <i>safan</i>                       | *safanØ                | *dzavana  | 2 |
| Malgbe                                                             | <i>safan</i>                       |                        |           | 2 |
| Maltam                                                             | <i>safan</i>                       |                        |           | 2 |
| 1. *dz > ts; *v > f; ə-epenthesis; *y > Ø <sup>y</sup> ; +Y: ə > i |                                    |                        |           |   |
| 2. *dz (> ts) > s; *v > f                                          |                                    |                        |           |   |

## KOTOKO-CENTRAL

|                  |              |         |          |   |
|------------------|--------------|---------|----------|---|
| Lagwan           | <i>zavan</i> | *zavanØ | *dzavana | 1 |
| Mser             | <i>savan</i> | *savanØ |          | 2 |
| 1. *dz > z       |              |         |          |   |
| 2. *dz (> z) > s |              |         |          |   |

## KOTOKO-SOUTH

|                                                  |                       |            |              |               |   |
|--------------------------------------------------|-----------------------|------------|--------------|---------------|---|
| Mazera                                           | <i>dʒavaŋ dzʷavaŋ</i> | *dzavaŋ-Øʷ | *dzavanØ-y-k | *dzavana-y-kʷ | 1 |
| 1. *y > Øʷ; +Y: *dz > dʒ; *kʷ > k; fusion nk > ŋ |                       |            |              |               |   |

## MUSGUM

|                                                                                                     |                           |            |              |               |   |
|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------|------------|--------------|---------------|---|
| Mbara                                                                                               | <i>tʃeeveŋ tsʷa:ʷvaʷŋ</i> | *tsavaŋ-Øʷ | *tsavanØ-y-k | *dzavana-y-kʷ | 1 |
| 1. *dz > ts; *y > Øʷ; +Y: ts > tʃ; +Y: *a > e; *kʷ > k; fusion nk > ŋ; vowel length unaccounted for |                           |            |              |               |   |

## GIDAR

|                                                                         |                                          |                        |                         |                   |   |
|-------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------|------------------------|-------------------------|-------------------|---|
| Gidar                                                                   | <i>zafʷna</i> <i>zafʷna</i>              | *zafna-Øʔ              | *zafna-ʔ                | *(Na-)dzavna(-kʷ) | 1 |
|                                                                         | <i>zamvəna</i> <i>zamvəna</i>            | *Ø <sup>n</sup> -zavna | *N <sup>n</sup> Ø-zavna |                   | 2 |
|                                                                         | <i>samvəna</i> <i>sa<sup>m</sup>vəna</i> | *Ø <sup>n</sup> -savna | *N <sup>n</sup> Ø-savna |                   | 3 |
| 1. *dz > z; *v > f; *kʷ > k > ʔ; ʔ > Øʔ; ʔ: f > fʔ                      |                                          |                        |                         |                   |   |
| 2. *dz > z; ə-epenthesis; *N > Ø <sup>n</sup> ; +N: *v > m <sub>v</sub> |                                          |                        |                         |                   |   |
| 3. *dz (> z) > s; ə-epenthesis; +N: *v > m <sub>v</sub>                 |                                          |                        |                         |                   |   |

hair<sub>1</sub>

## PCC \*(ma-) s(a)b(a)ta (-y, -kʷ)

|                                                                                             |                         |              |            |            |   |
|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------|--------------|------------|------------|---|
| BATA                                                                                        |                         |              |            |            |   |
|                                                                                             |                         |              |            | √ C C Ca   |   |
| Sharwa                                                                                      | <i>ʃəḍʷəti sʷəḍʷəty</i> | *sḍt-yʷ-Øʷ   | *sḍtØ-y-kʷ | *sbta-y-kʷ | 1 |
| Tsuwan                                                                                      | <i>subte səʷḍʷtaʷ</i>   | *sḍʷta-Øʷ-Øʷ | *sḍta-y-kʷ |            | 2 |
|                                                                                             |                         |              |            | √ CaC Ca   |   |
| Bata                                                                                        | <i>fewto sʷaʷwtaʷ</i>   | *sawʷta-Øʷ   | *sawta-y   | *sabta-y   | 3 |
| 1. *b > ḍ; *kʷ > Øʷ; +W: ḍ > ḍʷ; ə-epenthesis; *y > yʷ; +Y: *s > ʃ; *y > i                  |                         |              |            |            |   |
| 2. *b > ḍ; *kʷ > Øʷ; ə-epenthesis; +W: ḍ > ḍʷ; +W: ə > u; *y > Øʷ; +Y: lexical-final *a > e |                         |              |            |            |   |
| 3. *b > w > wʷ; +W: lexical-final *a > o; *y > Øʷ; +Y: *s > ʃ; +Y: *a > e                   |                         |              |            |            |   |

## SUKUR

|                                                                                 |                         |               |                |               |   |
|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------|---------------|----------------|---------------|---|
| Sukur                                                                           | <i>fuʷbut sʷəʷmbəʷt</i> | *Øʷ-sbt-Øʷ-Øʷ | *mʷØ-sbtØ-y-kʷ | *ma-sbta-y-kʷ | 1 |
| 1. *m > Øʷ; +N: *b > mb; ə-epenthesis; *y > Øʷ; +Y: *s > ʃ; *kʷ > Øʷ; +W: ə > u |                         |               |                |               |   |

## MOFU

|                                                                                         |                              |                 |                  |                |   |
|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------|-----------------|------------------|----------------|---|
| Moloko                                                                                  | <i>səʷbetewk səʷbaʷtaʷwk</i> | *Øʷ-sbata-Øʷ-kʷ | *mʷØ-sbata-Øʷ-kʷ | *ma-sbata-y-kʷ | 1 |
| 1. *m > Øʷ; +N: *b > mb; ə-epenthesis; *y > Øʷ; +Y: *a > e; *kʷ > k+w > wk (metathesis) |                              |                 |                  |                |   |

## LAMANG

|                                                             |                       |          |         |   |
|-------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------|----------|---------|---|
| Lamang                                                      | <i>sidi səʔdy</i>     | *sØdØ-yʏ | *sbta-y | 1 |
| Hdi                                                         | <i>səwidi səwəʔdy</i> | *swdØ-yʏ |         | 2 |
| 1. *t > d; ə-epenthesis; *y > yʏ; +Y: ə > i; *y > i         |                       |          |         |   |
| 2. *t > d; *b > w; ə-epenthesis; *y > yʏ; +Y: ə > i; *y > i |                       |          |         |   |

## HIGI

|                                                                                                                        |                      |         |         |         |   |
|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------|---------|---------|---------|---|
| Kamwe-Nkafa                                                                                                            | <i>finʔi</i> sʷəntʷy | *snt-yʷ | *smtØ-y | *sbta-y | 1 |
| Bana                                                                                                                   | <i>səti</i> səty     | *sØt-y  |         |         | 2 |
|                                                                                                                        | <i>fii</i> sʷty      | *sØt-yʷ |         |         | 3 |
| 1. *b > m > n (homorganic assimilation: m > n/_t); ə-epenthesis; *y > yʷ; +Y: ə > i;<br>+Y: *s > f; +Y: t > tʰ; *y > i |                      |         |         |         |   |
| 2. ə-epenthesis; *y > i                                                                                                |                      |         |         |         |   |
| 3. *y > yʷ; +Y: *s > f; *y > i                                                                                         |                      |         |         |         |   |

hair<sub>2</sub>PCC \*(ma-) g<sup>w</sup>(a)tsa (-y, -k<sup>w</sup>)

## MAFA

|                                                                                       |                                                |                          |                           |                               |   |
|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------|--------------------------|---------------------------|-------------------------------|---|
| Mafa                                                                                  | <i>g<sup>w</sup>atsə</i>                       | *g <sup>w</sup> atsa     |                           | *(ma-)g <sup>w</sup> atsa(-y) | 1 |
| Cuvok                                                                                 | <i>ŋg<sup>w</sup>etf</i> ŋg <sup>w</sup> aʼtsʷ | *ŋ-g <sup>w</sup> ats-Øʷ | *mØ-g <sup>w</sup> atsØ-y |                               | 2 |
| 1. lexical-final *a > ə                                                               |                                                |                          |                           |                               |   |
| 2. homorganic assimilation *m > ŋ/_g <sup>w</sup> ; *y > Øʷ; +Y: *ts > tʃ; +Y: *a > e |                                                |                          |                           |                               |   |

## TERA

|                                                                                                                                                                 |                     |          |         |             |   |
|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------|----------|---------|-------------|---|
| Tera                                                                                                                                                            | <i>yos</i> ʷaʷs     | *ʷas     | *ʷasØ   | *gʷatsa(-y) | 1 |
| Gaʼanda                                                                                                                                                         | <i>weefa</i> waʷsʷa | *wasa-Øʷ | *wasa-y |             | 3 |
| 1. *ts > s; *gʷ > ʷ; +W: *a > o<br>2. *ts > s; *gʷ > ʷ; +W: *a > o; *y > i<br>3. *ts > s; *gʷ > w; *y > Øʷ; +Y: s > f; +Y: *a > e; vowel length unaccounted for |                     |          |         |             |   |

## MANDARA

|         |                                                                           |                                      |                          |                              |   |
|---------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--------------------------|------------------------------|---|
| Glavda  | <i>gudʒa</i> g <sup>w</sup> ə <sup>w</sup> dz <sup>w</sup> a              | *g <sup>w</sup> dza-Ø <sup>y</sup>   | *g <sup>w</sup> dza-y    | *(ma-)g <sup>w</sup> tsa(-y) | 1 |
| Malgwa  | <i>ugdʒe</i> ə <sup>w</sup> g <sup>w</sup> dz <sup>w</sup> a <sup>y</sup> |                                      |                          |                              | 2 |
| Dghwede | <i>gu<sup>n</sup>dza</i> g <sup>w</sup> ə <sup>w</sup> n <sup>n</sup> dza | *Ø <sup>n</sup> -g <sup>w</sup> dza  | *mØ-g <sup>w</sup> dza   |                              | 3 |
| Podoko  | <i>ʷgutsa</i> ŋg <sup>w</sup> ə <sup>w</sup> tsa                          | *ŋ-g <sup>w</sup> tsa                | *mØ-g <sup>w</sup> tsa   |                              | 4 |
| Matal   | <i>aŋidz</i> aŋə <sup>y</sup> dz                                          | *Øa- <sup>n</sup> gdz-Ø <sup>y</sup> | *m <sup>a</sup> a-gdzØ-y |                              | 5 |
|         | <i>aŋidʒ</i> aŋə <sup>y</sup> dz <sup>y</sup>                             |                                      |                          |                              | 6 |

1. \*ts > dz; ə-epenthesis; +W: ə > u; \*y > Ø<sup>y</sup>; +Y: dz > dʒ

2. \*ts > dz; ə-prothesis; +W: ə > u; \*y > Ø<sup>y</sup>; +Y: dz > dʒ; lexical-final \*a > e

3. \*ts > dz; ə-epenthesis; +W: ə > u; \*m > Ø<sup>n</sup>; +N: dz > <sup>n</sup>dz

4. ə-epenthesis; +W: ə > u; homorganic assimilation \*m > ŋ/\_g<sup>w</sup>

5. \*ts > dz; \*g<sup>w</sup> > g; ə-epenthesis; \*y > Ø<sup>y</sup>; +Y: ə > i; \*m > Ø<sup>n</sup>; +N: g > <sup>n</sup>g > ŋ

6. \*ts > dz; \*g<sup>w</sup> > g; ə-epenthesis; \*y > Ø<sup>y</sup>; +Y: dz > dʒ; +Y: ə > i; \*m > Ø<sup>n</sup>; +N: g > <sup>n</sup>g > ŋ

## MOFU

|            |                                       |                            |                            |               |   |
|------------|---------------------------------------|----------------------------|----------------------------|---------------|---|
|            |                                       |                            |                            | √ C Ca        |   |
| Gemzek     | <i>aʷguz</i> aʷgʷəʷz                  | *Øa- <sup>n</sup> gʷz      | *m <sup>a</sup> a-gʷzØ     | *ma-gʷtsa(-y) | 1 |
| Muyang     | <i>enʒutʃ</i> aʷ <sup>n</sup> gʷəʷts  | *Øa- <sup>n</sup> gʷts-Øʷ  | *m <sup>a</sup> a-gʷtsØ-y  |               | 2 |
|            |                                       |                            |                            | √ CaCa        |   |
| Merey      | <i>məkʷes</i> məkʷəʷs                 | *m-kʷas-Øʷ                 | *mØ-kʷasØ-y                | *ma-gʷatsa-y  | 3 |
| Dugwor     | <i>aŋgʷetf</i> aʷgʷaʷtsʷ              |                            |                            |               | 4 |
| Mofu-Gudur | <i>enʒutʃ</i> aʷ <sup>n</sup> gʷəʷtsʷ | *Øa- <sup>n</sup> gʷats-Øʷ | *m <sup>a</sup> a-gʷatsØ-y |               | 4 |

|                                                                                                                                                      |
|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| 1. *ts (> s) > z; ə-epenthesis; +W: ə > u; *m > Ø <sup>n</sup> ; +N: *g <sup>w</sup> > <sup>ŋ</sup> g <sup>w</sup>                                   |
| 2. ə-epenthesis; +W: ə > u; *m > Ø <sup>n</sup> ; +N: *g <sup>w</sup> > <sup>ŋ</sup> g <sup>w</sup> ; *y > Ø <sup>y</sup> ; +Y: *ts > tʃ; +Y: *a > e |
| 3. *g <sup>w</sup> > k <sup>w</sup> ; *ts > s; ə-epenthesis; *y > Ø <sup>y</sup> ; +Y: *a > e                                                        |
| 4. *m > Ø <sup>n</sup> ; +N: *g <sup>w</sup> > <sup>ŋ</sup> g <sup>w</sup> ; *y > Ø <sup>y</sup> ; +Y: *ts > tʃ; +Y: *a > e                          |

## MAROUA

|                                                                                                                                                        |                                                          |                                     |                                      |                                             |   |
|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------|--------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------|---|
| Giziga-Muturwa                                                                                                                                         | <i>ng<sup>w</sup>it/i ng<sup>w</sup>ə'ts'y</i>           | *n-g <sup>w</sup> ts-y <sup>y</sup> | *mØ-g <sup>w</sup> tsØ-y             | *ma-g <sup>w</sup> tsa(-y/-k <sup>w</sup> ) | 1 |
| Mbazla                                                                                                                                                 | <i><sup>ŋ</sup>guzo' ŋg<sup>w</sup>ə'za<sup>w</sup>ʔ</i> | *ŋ-g <sup>w</sup> za-z <sup>w</sup> | *mØ-g <sup>w</sup> za-k <sup>w</sup> |                                             | 2 |
| 1. ə-epenthesis; *y > y <sup>y</sup> ; +Y: *ts > tʃ; +Y: ə > i; *y > i; partial assimilation *m > n/_g <sup>w</sup>                                    |                                                          |                                     |                                      |                                             |   |
| 2. *ts (> s) > z; ə-epenthesis; *k <sup>w</sup> > ʔ <sup>w</sup> ; +W: ə > u; +W: lexical-final *a > o; homorganic assimilation *m > ŋ/_g <sup>w</sup> |                                                          |                                     |                                      |                                             |   |

## hare

PCC \*(ma-, na-) x<sup>w</sup>(a)d(a)y(a)va (-k<sup>w</sup>, -n ; FV)

## BATA

|                                                                                                                      |                                        |                        |                          |                                            |   |
|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------|------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------------------------|---|
| Gude                                                                                                                 | <i>pi<sup>l</sup>a py<sup>t</sup>a</i> | *py <sup>ʔ</sup> ta    | *Øtypa                   |                                            | 1 |
| Jimi                                                                                                                 | <i>vidən vydən</i>                     | *vyda-n                | *ØdyvØ-n                 | *x <sup>w</sup> dyva((-k <sup>w</sup> )-n) | 2 |
| Tsuvan                                                                                                               | <i>vitikən vyətəkən</i>                | *vy <sup>ʔ</sup> t-k-n | *ØtyvØ-k <sup>w</sup> -n |                                            | 3 |
| 1. *v (> f) > p; *d > t; multiple metathesis typ > pyt; *y > y <sup>y</sup> ; +Y: t > t <sup>y</sup> ; *y > i        |                                        |                        |                          |                                            |   |
| 2. multiple metathesis dyv > vyd; ə-epenthesis; *y > i                                                               |                                        |                        |                          |                                            |   |
| 3. *d > t; multiple metathesis tyv > vyt; *k <sup>w</sup> > k; *y > i; ə-epenthesis; *y > y <sup>y</sup> ; +Y: ə > i |                                        |                        |                          |                                            |   |

## DABA

|                                                                                                                                      |                                                                            |                                        |                              |                                              |   |
|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------|------------------------------|----------------------------------------------|---|
|                                                                                                                                      |                                                                            |                                        |                              | √ C C C C a                                  |   |
| Buwal                                                                                                                                | <i>ma<sup>n</sup>dəvan</i>                                                 | *ma- <sup>n</sup> dva-n                | *m <sup>n</sup> a-ØdØva-n    | *ma-x <sup>w</sup> dyva-n                    | 1 |
| Gavar                                                                                                                                | <i>ma<sup>n</sup>dəvan</i>                                                 |                                        |                              |                                              | 1 |
|                                                                                                                                      |                                                                            |                                        |                              | √ C Ca C Ca                                  |   |
| Daba                                                                                                                                 | <i>ma<sup>n</sup>dəvən</i>                                                 | *ma- <sup>n</sup> dav-n                | *m <sup>n</sup> a-ØdaØvØ-n   |                                              | 1 |
| Mbudum                                                                                                                               | <i>mə<sup>n</sup>deveŋ<br/>mə<sup>n</sup>da<sup>y</sup>va<sup>y</sup>ŋ</i> | *m- <sup>n</sup> daØ <sup>y</sup> va-ŋ | *m <sup>n</sup> Ø-Ødayva-k-n | *ma-x <sup>w</sup> dayva(-k <sup>w</sup> )-n | 2 |
| 1. *m > m <sup>n</sup> ; +N: *d > <sup>n</sup> d; ə-epenthesis                                                                       |                                                                            |                                        |                              |                                              |   |
| 2. *m > m <sup>n</sup> ; +N: *d > <sup>n</sup> d; ə-epenthesis; *y > Ø <sup>y</sup> ; +Y: *a > e; *k <sup>w</sup> > k; fusion kn > ŋ |                                                                            |                                        |                              |                                              |   |

## MAFA

|                                                                       |                          |                        |                           |                           |   |
|-----------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------|------------------------|---------------------------|---------------------------|---|
| Mafa                                                                  | <i>wa<sup>n</sup>dav</i> | *Ø <sup>n</sup> -wadav | *m <sup>n</sup> Ø-wadaØvØ | *ma-x <sup>w</sup> adayva | 1 |
| 1. *x <sup>w</sup> > w; *m > Ø <sup>n</sup> ; +N: *d > <sup>n</sup> d |                          |                        |                           |                           |   |

## SUKUR

|                                                                                               |                                           |                     |       |        |                      |   |
|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------|---------------------|-------|--------|----------------------|---|
| Sukur                                                                                         | <i>və<sup>l</sup>a və<sup>y</sup>a</i>    | *v <sup>y</sup> ya  | *vyla | *Ølyva | *x <sup>w</sup> dyva | 1 |
|                                                                                               | <i>vil<sup>l</sup>a və<sup>y</sup>lya</i> | *vly <sup>y</sup> a |       |        |                      | 2 |
| 1. *d (> r) > l; multiple metathesis lyv > vly; ə-epenthesis                                  |                                           |                     |       |        |                      |   |
| 2. *d (> r) > l; multiple metathesis lyv > vly; ə-epenthesis; *y > y <sup>y</sup> ; +Y: ə > i |                                           |                     |       |        |                      |   |

## HURZA

|                                                                                                               |                                             |                         |               |                                           |   |
|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------|-------------------------|---------------|-------------------------------------------|---|
| Vame                                                                                                          | <i><sup>n</sup>diven ndyva<sup>y</sup>ŋ</i> | *n-dy <sup>y</sup> va-ŋ | *mØ-Ødyva-k-n | *ma-x <sup>w</sup> dyva-k <sup>w</sup> -n | 1 |
| 1. homorganic assimilation *m > n/_d; *y > y <sup>y</sup> > i; +Y: *a > e; *k <sup>w</sup> > k; fusion kn > ŋ |                                             |                         |               |                                           |   |

## MARGI

|                                                                                      |                  |        |                       |        |                                         |   |
|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------|--------|-----------------------|--------|-----------------------------------------|---|
| Kilba                                                                                | <i>pita</i> pyta | *pyta  |                       | *Øtɣpa | *x <sup>w</sup> dyva (-k <sup>w</sup> ) | 1 |
| Margi                                                                                | <i>pitə</i> pytə |        |                       |        |                                         | 2 |
| Margi-South                                                                          | <i>pitu</i> pitw | *pyt-w | *ØtɣpØ-k <sup>w</sup> |        |                                         | 3 |
| Bura                                                                                 | <i>pti</i> pty   | *pty   | *ØtɣpØ                |        |                                         | 4 |
| 1. *v (> f) > p; *d > t; multiple metathesis typ > pyt; *y > i                       |                  |        |                       |        |                                         |   |
| 2. *v (> f) > p; *d > t; multiple metathesis typ > pyt; *y > i; lexical-final *a > ə |                  |        |                       |        |                                         |   |
| 3. *v (> f) > p; *d > t; multiple metathesis typ > pyt; *k <sup>w</sup> > w > u      |                  |        |                       |        |                                         |   |
| 4. *v (> f) > p; *d > t; multiple metathesis typ > pty; *y > i                       |                  |        |                       |        |                                         |   |

## MANDARA

|         |                                      |                        |           |                           |   |
|---------|--------------------------------------|------------------------|-----------|---------------------------|---|
| Glavda  | <i>vi:da</i> və <sup>y</sup> da      | *vy <sup>y</sup> da    | *Ødyva    | *(na-)x <sup>w</sup> dyva | 1 |
|         | <i>vii</i> və <sup>y</sup>           | *vy <sup>y</sup>       | *ØØyvØØ   |                           | 2 |
| Podoko  | <i>vira</i> vyra                     | *vyra                  | *Øryva    |                           | 3 |
| Mandara | <i>navire</i> navyra <sup>y</sup>    | *na-vy <sup>y</sup> ra | *na-Øryva |                           | 4 |
| Malgwa  | <i>naviira</i> navə <sup>y</sup> ira |                        |           |                           | 5 |

1. multiple metathesis dyv > vyd; ə-epenthesis; \*y > y<sup>y</sup> > i; +Y: ə > i

2. metathesis yv > vy; ə-epenthesis; \*y > y<sup>y</sup> > i; +Y: ə > i

3. \*d > r; multiple metathesis ryv > vyr; \*y > i

4. \*d > r; multiple metathesis ryv > vyr; \*y > y<sup>y</sup> > i; +Y: lexical-final \*a > e

5. \*d > r; multiple metathesis ryv > vyr; ə-epenthesis; \*y > y<sup>y</sup> > i; +Y: ə > i; \*y > i

## MOFU

|            |                                      |                                      |                                         |                                                   |   |
|------------|--------------------------------------|--------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------|---|
|            |                                      |                                      |                                         | √ C CaC Ca                                        |   |
| Zulgo      | <i>hə<sup>n</sup>dav</i>             | *Ø <sup>n</sup> -xdav                | *m <sup>n</sup> Ø-xdaØvØ                | *ma-x <sup>w</sup> dayva                          | 1 |
|            |                                      |                                      |                                         | √ CaCaC Ca                                        |   |
| Ouldeme    | <i>adavo</i> adava <sup>w</sup>      | *adava-Ø <sup>w</sup>                | *ØadaØva-k <sup>w</sup>                 | *(ma-)<br>x <sup>w</sup> adayva(-k <sup>w</sup> ) | 2 |
| Merey      | <i>wa<sup>n</sup>dav</i>             | *Ø <sup>n</sup> -wada                | *m <sup>n</sup> Ø-wadaØvØ               |                                                   | 3 |
| Dugwor     | <i>wa<sup>n</sup>dav</i>             |                                      |                                         |                                                   | 3 |
| Mofu North | <i>wa<sup>n</sup>dav</i>             |                                      |                                         |                                                   | 3 |
| Mofu-Gudur | <i>h<sup>w</sup>a<sup>n</sup>dav</i> | *Ø <sup>n</sup> -x <sup>w</sup> adav | *m <sup>n</sup> Ø-x <sup>w</sup> adaØvØ |                                                   | 4 |

1. \*x<sup>w</sup> > x; ə-epenthesis; \*m > Ø<sup>n</sup>; +N: \*d > <sup>n</sup>d

2. \*k<sup>w</sup> > Ø<sup>w</sup>; +W: lexical-final \*a > o

3. \*x<sup>w</sup> > w; \*m > Ø<sup>n</sup>; +N: \*d > <sup>n</sup>d

4. \*m > Ø<sup>n</sup>; +N: \*d > <sup>n</sup>d

## MAROUA

|                                                          |                          |                       |                          |                         |   |
|----------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------|-----------------------|--------------------------|-------------------------|---|
| Giziga-Muturwa                                           | <i>ma<sup>n</sup>daf</i> | *ma- <sup>n</sup> daf | *m <sup>n</sup> a-ØdaØfØ | *ma-x <sup>w</sup> dyva | 1 |
| Giziga-Marva                                             | <i>ma<sup>n</sup>daf</i> |                       |                          |                         |   |
| 1. *v > f; *m > Ø <sup>n</sup> ; +N: *d > <sup>n</sup> d |                          |                       |                          |                         |   |

## LAMANG

|                                                        |                                                |                        |                         |                                         |   |
|--------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------|------------------------|-------------------------|-----------------------------------------|---|
| Lamang                                                 | <i>vilak<sup>w</sup>a</i> vylak <sup>w</sup> a | *vyla-k <sup>w</sup> a | *Ølyva-k <sup>w</sup> a | *x <sup>w</sup> dyva-k <sup>w</sup> (a) | 1 |
| Hdi                                                    | <i>vilak<sup>w</sup></i> vylak <sup>w</sup>    | *vyla-k <sup>w</sup>   | *Ølyva-k <sup>w</sup>   |                                         | 1 |
| 1. *d (> r) > l; multiple metathesis lyv > vyl; *y > i |                                                |                        |                         |                                         |   |



## HIGI

|                                                                                                                                                                                |                     |        |        |                      |   |
|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------|--------|--------|----------------------|---|
| Kamwe-Futu                                                                                                                                                                     | <i>vira vyra</i>    | *vyra  | *Øryva | *x <sup>w</sup> dyva | 1 |
| Bana                                                                                                                                                                           | <i>v(ə)le vələʔ</i> | *vØʔla | *Ølyva |                      | 2 |
| Kirya                                                                                                                                                                          | <i>pitə</i>         | *pyta  | *Øtypa |                      | 3 |
| 1. *d > r; multiple metathesis ryv > vyr; *y > i<br>2. *d (> r) > l; multiple metathesis lyv > vyl; *y > Øʔ; +Y: lexical-final *a > e<br>3. likely loan from Margi (see above) |                     |        |        |                      |   |

## MUSGUM

|                                                                  |                |                       |                          |                             |                             |   |
|------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------|-----------------------|--------------------------|-----------------------------|-----------------------------|---|
| Mbara                                                            | <i>mudivay</i> | mə <sup>w</sup> dyvay | *m-Ø <sup>w</sup> dyv-ay | *mØ-x <sup>w</sup> dyvØ-a-y | *ma-x <sup>w</sup> dyva-a-y | 1 |
| 1. radical *y > i; ə-epenthesis; *x <sup>w</sup> > Øʔ; +W: ə > u |                |                       |                          |                             |                             |   |

## GIDAR

|                                                  |                           |                      |                        |                          |                          |   |
|--------------------------------------------------|---------------------------|----------------------|------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|---|
| Gidar                                            | <i>ma<sup>n</sup>dava</i> | ma <sup>n</sup> dava | *ma- <sup>n</sup> dava | *m <sup>n</sup> a-ØdaØva | *ma-x <sup>w</sup> dayva | 1 |
| 1. *m > Ø <sup>n</sup> ; +N: *d > <sup>n</sup> d |                           |                      |                        |                          |                          |   |

## hat

PCC/areal root? \*(na-) dz(a)k<sup>w</sup>a (-y, -k<sup>w</sup>, -n; FV)

## HURZA

|                                                                                                                                                                                                                    |              |                                   |                        |                       |                       |   |
|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------|-----------------------------------|------------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|---|
| Mbuko                                                                                                                                                                                                              | <i>dʒugo</i> | dzʔə <sup>w</sup> ga <sup>w</sup> | *dzg <sup>w</sup> a-Øʔ | *dzg <sup>w</sup> a-y | *dzk <sup>w</sup> a-y | 1 |
| Vame                                                                                                                                                                                                               | <i>dzuge</i> | dzə <sup>w</sup> ga <sup>y</sup>  |                        |                       |                       | 2 |
| 1. *k <sup>w</sup> > g <sup>w</sup> ; ə-epenthesis; +W: ə > u; +W: lexical-final *a > o; *y > Øʔ; +Y: *dz > dʒ<br>2. *k <sup>w</sup> > g <sup>w</sup> ; ə-epenthesis; +W: ə > u; *y > Øʔ; +Y: lexical-final *a > e |              |                                   |                        |                       |                       |   |

## MARGI

|      |                          |                      |                      |  |  |
|------|--------------------------|----------------------|----------------------|--|--|
| Bura | <i>dzak<sup>w</sup>a</i> | *dzak <sup>w</sup> a | *dzak <sup>w</sup> a |  |  |
|------|--------------------------|----------------------|----------------------|--|--|

## MANDARA

|                                      |                          |                         |                        |                          |   |
|--------------------------------------|--------------------------|-------------------------|------------------------|--------------------------|---|
| Matal                                | <i>dzak<sup>w</sup>a</i> | *dzak <sup>w</sup> a    | *dzak <sup>w</sup> a   | *dzak <sup>w</sup> a(-y) | 1 |
| Podoko                               | <i>dzak<sup>w</sup>a</i> |                         |                        |                          |   |
| Glavda                               | <i>dzak<sup>w</sup>a</i> |                         |                        |                          |   |
| Mandara                              | <i>dzak<sup>w</sup>e</i> | *dzak <sup>w</sup> a-Øʔ | *dzak <sup>w</sup> a-y |                          |   |
| 1. *y > Øʔ; +Y: lexical-final *a > e |                          |                         |                        |                          |   |

## MOFU

|                                                                                                                        |                           |                                                   |                                                     |                                        |                                          |   |
|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------|---------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------|------------------------------------------|---|
|                                                                                                                        |                           |                                                   |                                                     |                                        | √ C Ca                                   |   |
| Mofu-Gudur                                                                                                             | <i>dʒik<sup>w</sup>ew</i> | dzʔə <sup>y</sup> k <sup>w</sup> a <sup>y</sup> w | *dzk <sup>w</sup> a-Ø <sup>y</sup> -w               | *dzk <sup>w</sup> a-y-k <sup>w</sup>   | *dzk <sup>w</sup> a-y-k <sup>w</sup> (a) | 1 |
| Dugwor                                                                                                                 | <i>dʒiggo</i>             | dzʔə <sup>y</sup> gg <sup>w</sup> a <sup>w</sup>  | *dzg <sup>w</sup> -Ø <sup>y</sup> -g <sup>w</sup> a | *dzk <sup>w</sup> Ø-y-k <sup>w</sup> a |                                          | 2 |
|                                                                                                                        |                           |                                                   |                                                     |                                        | √ CaCa                                   |   |
| Merey                                                                                                                  | <i>dzak<sup>w</sup>a</i>  |                                                   | *dzak <sup>w</sup> a                                |                                        | *dzak <sup>w</sup> a-y                   |   |
|                                                                                                                        | <i>dzag<sup>w</sup>a</i>  |                                                   | *dzag <sup>w</sup> a                                |                                        |                                          | 3 |
| Ouldeme                                                                                                                | <i>dzagu</i>              | dzagw                                             | *dzagw                                              | *dzak <sup>w</sup> Ø                   |                                          | 4 |
| Moloko                                                                                                                 | <i>dʒogo</i>              | dzʔa <sup>w</sup> ga <sup>w</sup>                 | *dzag <sup>w</sup> a-Ø <sup>y</sup>                 | *dzag <sup>w</sup> a-y                 |                                          | 5 |
| Muyang                                                                                                                 | <i>dʒaku</i>              | dzʔakw                                            | *dzakw-Ø <sup>y</sup>                               | *dzakwØ-y                              |                                          | 6 |
| 1. ə-epenthesis; suffixal *k <sup>w</sup> > w; *y > Ø <sup>y</sup> ; +Y: *dz > dʒ; +Y: ə > i; +Y: lexical-final *a > e |                           |                                                   |                                                     |                                        |                                          |   |
| 2. *k <sup>w</sup> > g <sup>w</sup> ; ə-epenthesis; *y > Ø <sup>y</sup> ; +Y: ə > i; +W: FV *a > o                     |                           |                                                   |                                                     |                                        |                                          |   |
| 3. *k <sup>w</sup> > g <sup>w</sup>                                                                                    |                           |                                                   |                                                     |                                        |                                          |   |
| 4. re-segmentalisation *k <sup>w</sup> > k+w; k > g; w > u                                                             |                           |                                                   |                                                     |                                        |                                          |   |

5. \*k<sup>w</sup> > g<sup>w</sup>; +W: \*a > o; \*y > Ø<sup>y</sup>; +Y: \*dz > dʒ  
 6. re-segmentalisation \*k<sup>w</sup> > k+w; w > u; \*y > Ø<sup>y</sup>; +Y: \*dz > dʒ

## MAROUA

|                                                                                                                                                                                                                        |                                                              |                                     |                        |   |
|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------|------------------------|---|
|                                                                                                                                                                                                                        |                                                              |                                     | √ C Ca                 |   |
| Giziga-Muturwa                                                                                                                                                                                                         | <i>dʒiyku</i> dzʼə <sup>y</sup> kw                           | *dzykw                              | *dzk <sup>w</sup> a-y  | 1 |
|                                                                                                                                                                                                                        |                                                              |                                     | √ CaCa                 |   |
| Giziga-Marva                                                                                                                                                                                                           | <i>dʒoko</i> dzʼa <sup>w</sup> k <sup>w</sup> a <sup>w</sup> | *dzak <sup>w</sup> a-Ø <sup>y</sup> | *dzak <sup>w</sup> a-y | 2 |
| 1. metathesis *k <sup>w</sup> y > yk <sup>w</sup> ; re-segmentalisation *k <sup>w</sup> > k+w; w > u; ə-epenthesis; *y > Ø <sup>y</sup> ; +Y: ə > i; +Y: *dz > dʒ<br>2. *y > Ø <sup>y</sup> ; +Y: *dz > dʒ; +W: *a > o |                                                              |                                     |                        |   |

## LAMANG

|                                                                                        |                                                             |                        |                         |   |
|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------|-------------------------|---|
|                                                                                        |                                                             |                        | √ C Ca                  |   |
| Hdi                                                                                    | <i>dzug<sup>w</sup>a</i> dzə <sup>w</sup> g <sup>w</sup> a  | *dzg <sup>w</sup> a    | *dzk <sup>w</sup> a     | 1 |
|                                                                                        |                                                             |                        | √ CaCa                  |   |
| Lamang                                                                                 | <i>dzoŋo</i> dza <sup>w</sup> ŋ <sup>w</sup> a <sup>w</sup> | *dzaØ-ŋ <sup>w</sup> a | *dzak <sup>w</sup> Ø-na | 2 |
| 1. ə-epenthesis; +W: ə > u<br>2. fusion k <sup>w</sup> n > ŋ <sup>w</sup> ; +W: *a > o |                                                             |                        |                         |   |

## KOTOKO-ISLAND

|                                                   |                                                                          |                                       |                           |                           |   |
|---------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------|---------------------------|---------------------------|---|
| Buduma                                            | <i><sup>n</sup>dʒok<sup>w</sup>a</i> ndzʼa <sup>w</sup> k <sup>w</sup> a | *n-dzak <sup>w</sup> a-Ø <sup>y</sup> | *nØ-dzak <sup>w</sup> a-y | *na-dzak <sup>w</sup> a-y | 1 |
| 1. *y > Ø <sup>y</sup> ; +Y: *dz > dʒ; +W: *a > o |                                                                          |                                       |                           |                           |   |

## KOTOKO-NORTH

|                                                    |                                            |                     |                      |   |
|----------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------|---------------------|----------------------|---|
| Mpade                                              | <i>sag<sup>w</sup>a</i> sag <sup>w</sup> a | *sag <sup>w</sup> a | *dzak <sup>w</sup> a | 1 |
| 1. *dz (> z) > s; *k <sup>w</sup> > g <sup>w</sup> |                                            |                     |                      |   |

## KOTOKO-SOUTH

|                                                                                         |                     |                       |                        |                        |   |
|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------|-----------------------|------------------------|------------------------|---|
| Zina                                                                                    | <i>dʒaku</i> dzʼakw | *dzakw-Ø <sup>y</sup> | *dzak <sup>w</sup> Ø-y | *dzak <sup>w</sup> a-y | 1 |
| 1. re-segmentalisation *k <sup>w</sup> > k+w; w > u; *y > Ø <sup>y</sup> ; +Y: *dz > dʒ |                     |                       |                        |                        |   |

## MUSGUM

|                                                                                                |                    |         |                      |                                     |   |
|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------|---------|----------------------|-------------------------------------|---|
| Vulum                                                                                          | <i>zagaw</i> zagaw | *zaga-w | *zaga-k <sup>w</sup> | *dzak <sup>w</sup> a-k <sup>w</sup> | 1 |
| 1. *dz > z; root-internal k <sup>w</sup> (> g <sup>w</sup> ) > g; suffixal *k <sup>w</sup> > w |                    |         |                      |                                     |   |

hatch<sub>1</sub>, to

PCC \*(RED-) ts(a)la (-y; FV)

## BATA

|                                                             |                             |                           |              |              |   |
|-------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------|---------------------------|--------------|--------------|---|
| Gude                                                        | <i>tʃatʃalhə</i> tsʼatsʼalə | *tsa-tsalə-Ø <sup>y</sup> | *tsa-tsalə-y | *RED-tsalə-y | 1 |
| 1. *y > Ø <sup>y</sup> ; +Y: *ts > tʃ; lexical-final *a > ə |                             |                           |              |              |   |

## SUKUR

|                                                                |                               |                     |         |         |   |
|----------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------|---------------------|---------|---------|---|
| Sukur                                                          | <i>tʃil</i> tsʼə <sup>l</sup> | *tsl-Ø <sup>y</sup> | *tslØ-y | *tsla-y | 1 |
| 1. ə-epenthesis; *y > Ø <sup>y</sup> ; +Y: *ts > tʃ; +Y: ə > i |                               |                     |         |         |   |

## HURZA

|      |               |          |           |           |  |
|------|---------------|----------|-----------|-----------|--|
| Vame | <i>tʃalya</i> | *tsal-ya | *tsalØ-ya | *tsala-ya |  |
|------|---------------|----------|-----------|-----------|--|

## MANDARA

|        |                                   |                      |         |   |
|--------|-----------------------------------|----------------------|---------|---|
|        |                                   |                      | √ C Ca  |   |
| Podoko | <i>tʃila</i> tsʼə <sup>l</sup> la | *tsla-Ø <sup>y</sup> | *tsla-y | 1 |

|                                                                                                                                                                   |                           |               |              |                |   |
|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------|---------------|--------------|----------------|---|
|                                                                                                                                                                   |                           |               |              | √ CaCa         |   |
| Mandara                                                                                                                                                           | <i>tʃale</i> tsʷalayʷ     | *tsala-Øʷ     |              | *tsala-y(-kʷa) | 2 |
| Glavda                                                                                                                                                            | <i>tʃalʷga</i> tsʷaləga   | *tsal-Øʷ-ga   | *tsalØ-y-kʷa |                | 3 |
| 1. ə-epenthesis; *y > Øʷ; +Y: *ts > tʃ; +Y: ə > i<br>2. *y > Øʷ; +Y: *ts > tʃ; +Y: lexical-final *a > e<br>3. *kʷ (> gʷ) > g; ə-epenthesis; *y > Øʷ; +Y: *ts > tʃ |                           |               |              |                |   |
| MOFU                                                                                                                                                              |                           |               |              |                |   |
| Ouldeme                                                                                                                                                           | <i>tsal</i>               | *tsal         | *tsalØ       |                |   |
| Merey                                                                                                                                                             | <i>tsətsal</i>            | *tsØ-tsal     | *RED-tsalØ   | * (RED-/ma-)   | 1 |
| Zulgo                                                                                                                                                             | <i>tsətsilɿ</i> tsəʷtsəʷɿ | *tsa-tsəɿ-Øy  | *RED-tsaɿØ-y | tsala(-y)      | 2 |
| Gemzek                                                                                                                                                            | <i>metsele</i> maʷtsaʷlaʷ | *ma-tsa-la-Øʷ | *ma-tsala-y  |                | 3 |
| 1. ə-epenthesis<br>2. *l > ɿ; *a > ə; *y > Øʷ; +Y: *a > e; +Y: ə > i<br>3. *y > Øʷ; +Y: *a > e                                                                    |                           |               |              |                |   |
| LAMANG                                                                                                                                                            |                           |               |              |                |   |
| Lamang                                                                                                                                                            | <i>tsila</i> tsəʷla       | *tsla-Øʷ      | *tsla-y      | *tsla(-a)-y    | 1 |
| Hdi                                                                                                                                                               | <i>tsilay</i> tsəʷlay     | *tsl-ayʷ      | *tslØ-a-y    |                | 2 |
| 1. ə-epenthesis; *y > Øʷ; +Y: ə > i<br>2. ə-epenthesis; *y > yʷ; +Y: ə > i                                                                                        |                           |               |              |                |   |

hatch<sub>2</sub>, to<sup>71</sup>

PCC \*(kʷa-, RED-) d(a)la (-y, -kʷ; FV)

DABA

|           |            |       |       |   |
|-----------|------------|-------|-------|---|
| Buwal     | <i>yal</i> | *yalØ | *dala | 1 |
| 1. *d > y |            |       |       |   |

MAFA

|                                                      |                   |         |        |   |
|------------------------------------------------------|-------------------|---------|--------|---|
| Cuvok                                                | <i>yila</i> yəʷla | *yla-Øʷ | *dla-y | 1 |
| 1. *d > y; ə-epenthesis; suffixal *y > Øʷ; +Y: ə > i |                   |         |        |   |

HURZA

|                                                                                                  |                        |            |             |             |   |
|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------|------------|-------------|-------------|---|
|                                                                                                  |                        |            |             | √ C Ca      |   |
| Vame                                                                                             | <i>duliya</i> dəʷləʷya | *dl-Øʷ-Øʷa | *dlØ-y-kʷa  | *dla-y-kʷa  | 1 |
|                                                                                                  |                        |            |             | √ CaCa      |   |
| Mbuko                                                                                            | <i>dədel</i> dədaʷl    | *d-dal-Øʷ  | *RED-dalØ-y | *RED-dala-y | 2 |
| 1. ə-epenthesis; *kʷ > Øʷ; +W: ə > u; *y > Øʷ; +Y: ə > i<br>2. ə-epenthesis; *y > Øʷ; +Y: *a > e |                        |            |             |             |   |

MOFU

|                                     |                 |        |        |        |   |
|-------------------------------------|-----------------|--------|--------|--------|---|
| Muyang                              | <i>dil</i> dəʷl | *dl-Øʷ | *dlØ-y | *dla-y | 1 |
| 1. ə-epenthesis; *y > Øʷ; +Y: ə > i |                 |        |        |        |   |

<sup>71</sup> Compare with the root for 'egg' for possible deep cognation and see footnote 40 there concerning the ambiguous nature of final /...y(a)/ as either part of the simple root or as a root-augmental suffix.

| GIDAR                                |                 |           |            |                          |   |
|--------------------------------------|-----------------|-----------|------------|--------------------------|---|
| Gidar                                | wədele wəda'laʔ | *w-dla-Øʔ | *wØ-dāla-y | *k <sup>w</sup> a-dāla-y | 1 |
| 1. ə-epenthesis; *y > Øʔ; +Y: *a > e |                 |           |            |                          |   |

## head

PCC \*(ma-, d-) **ɣ<sup>w</sup>(a)na**<sup>72</sup> (-y, -k<sup>w</sup>, -n; FV)

BATA

|        |              |                         |           |                                 |   |
|--------|--------------|-------------------------|-----------|---------------------------------|---|
| Gude   | na           | *Øna                    |           | *(ma-)ɣ <sup>w</sup> na(-y, -n) |   |
| Tsuvan | əne          | *na-Øʔ                  | *Øna-y    |                                 | 1 |
| Jimi   | yinən yə'nən | *ɣ <sup>y</sup> na-Øʔ-n | *ɣna-yʔ-n |                                 | 2 |
| Sharwa | ʔginə ɲgə'nə | *ɲ-gna-Øʔ               | *mØ-gna-y |                                 | 3 |

1. ə-prothesis; \*y > Øʔ; +Y: lexical-final \*a > e
2. \*ɣ > ɣʔ > y; ə-epenthesis; \*ɣ<sup>w</sup> > ɣ; suffixal \*y > yʔ; +Y: ə > i
3. \*ɣ<sup>w</sup> (> ɣ) > g; ə-epenthesis; \*y > Øʔ; +Y: ə > i; homorganic assimilation \*m > ɲ/\_g; lexical-final \*a > ə

DABA

|       |    |      |  |                    |   |
|-------|----|------|--|--------------------|---|
| Buwal | ha | *xØa |  | *ɣ <sup>w</sup> na | 1 |
| Gavar | ha |      |  |                    | 1 |

1. \*ɣ<sup>w</sup> (> ɣ) > x

MAFA

|       |      |                      |           |                    |   |
|-------|------|----------------------|-----------|--------------------|---|
|       |      |                      |           | √ C Ca             |   |
| Mafa  | gəd' | *grØ                 | *gna      | *ɣ <sup>w</sup> na | 1 |
|       |      |                      |           | √ CaCa             |   |
| Cuvok | yan  | *ɣ <sup>y</sup> an-Ø | *ɣan-Øʔ-Ø | *ɣanØ-y-k          | 2 |

1. \*ɣ<sup>w</sup> (> ɣ) > g; \*n > r (possibly borrowed: \*gra) > d; ə-epenthesis
2. \*y > Øʔ; +Y: \*ɣ<sup>w</sup> > ɣʔ > y; \*k<sup>w</sup> > k; fusion \*nk > ɲ

SUKUR

|                                                        |    |     |      |                    |   |
|--------------------------------------------------------|----|-----|------|--------------------|---|
| Sukur                                                  | kə | *ka | *kØa | *ɣ <sup>w</sup> na | 1 |
| 1. *ɣ <sup>w</sup> (> ɣ > x) > k; lexical-final *a > ə |    |     |      |                    |   |

HURZA

|       |         |      |      |                    |   |
|-------|---------|------|------|--------------------|---|
| Mbuko | ʔga nga | *nga | *gna | *ɣ <sup>w</sup> na | 1 |
| Vame  | ʔga nga |      |      |                    | 1 |
|       | ɲa ɲa   |      |      |                    | 2 |

1. \*ɣ<sup>w</sup> (> ɣ) > g; metathesis gn > ng; homorganic assimilation n > ɲ/\_g
2. \*ɣ<sup>w</sup> (> ɣ) > g; fusion gn > ɲ

<sup>72</sup> Gravina (2015) suggests two formally slightly different roots: **ɣin** and **ɣ<sup>w</sup>i**, which are here considered to be too similar not to be accepted as historically the same in the light of widely spread patterns of sound changes, such as de-labialisation and prosodification and/or loss (e.g. \*ɣ<sup>w</sup> > ɣ, \*n > Ø<sup>n</sup> ~ Ø). Somewhat disturbingly, Gravina attaches different grammatical gender to his reconstructed roots: **ɣin** nm., **ɣ<sup>w</sup>i** nf., but relativising such categorisation in the introduction to the database: "For some nouns, the gender is included. Gender is a feature in a minority of Central Chadic languages, but when the gender of a noun is consistent across these languages, that gender is given as the gender of the reconstructed form. These attributions cannot be treated as reliable."

## MARGI

|                                                                                                                                                   |                 |                    |                        |   |
|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------|--------------------|------------------------|---|
| Margi                                                                                                                                             | <i>kər</i>      | *krØ               | *ɣ <sup>w</sup> na(-y) | 1 |
| Margi-South                                                                                                                                       | <i>kər</i>      |                    |                        | 1 |
| Kilba                                                                                                                                             | <i>kər</i>      |                    |                        | 1 |
| Bura                                                                                                                                              | <i>kir kəʔr</i> | *kr-Ø <sup>y</sup> | *kr-y                  | 2 |
| 1. *ɣ <sup>w</sup> (> ɣ > x) > k; *n > r; ə-epenthesis<br>2. *ɣ <sup>w</sup> (> ɣ > x) > k; *n > r; ə-epenthesis; *y > Ø <sup>y</sup> ; +Y: ə > i |                 |                    |                        |   |

## MANDARA

|         |                                         |                     |                     |                        |        |   |
|---------|-----------------------------------------|---------------------|---------------------|------------------------|--------|---|
| Glavda  | <i>ɸra</i>                              | *ɣra                |                     | *ɣ <sup>w</sup> na(-y) | 1      |   |
|         | <i>ɣr</i>                               | *ɣrØ                |                     |                        | 1      |   |
| Dghwede | <i>gre</i>                              | *gra-Ø <sup>y</sup> | *gra-y              |                        | 2      |   |
| Mandara | <i>ira yra</i>                          | *ɣ <sup>y</sup> ra  | *ɣra-Ø <sup>y</sup> |                        | *ɣra-y | 3 |
| Malgwa  | <i>iire ə<sup>y</sup>ra<sup>y</sup></i> |                     |                     |                        |        | 4 |
| Matal   | <i>gəl</i>                              | *glØ                |                     |                        | 5      |   |

1. \*n > r; \*ɣ<sup>w</sup> > ɣ

2. \*n > r; \*ɣ<sup>w</sup> (> ɣ) > g; \*y > Ø<sup>y</sup>; +Y: lexical-final \*a > e

3. \*n > r; \*y > Ø<sup>y</sup>; +Y: \*ɣ<sup>w</sup> (> ɣ) > ɣ<sup>y</sup> > y

4. \*n > r; ə-prothesis; \*y > Ø<sup>y</sup>; +Y: \*ɣ<sup>w</sup> (> ɣ) > ɣ<sup>y</sup> > y; +Y: lexical-final \*a > e

5. \*n (> r) > l; \*ɣ<sup>w</sup> (> ɣ) > g; ə-epenthesis

## MOFU

|                                                    |              |          |                            |   |
|----------------------------------------------------|--------------|----------|----------------------------|---|
|                                                    |              |          | √ C Ca                     |   |
| Zulgo                                              | <i>gər</i>   | *grØ     | *(d-)ɣ <sup>w</sup> na(-y) | 1 |
| Gemzek                                             | <i>gər</i>   |          |                            | 1 |
| Merey                                              | <i>gər</i>   |          |                            | 1 |
| Mofu-Gudur                                         | <i>ray</i>   | *Øra-y   |                            | 2 |
| Moloko                                             | <i>dəray</i> | *d-Øra-y |                            | 2 |
|                                                    |              |          | w CaCa                     |   |
| Ouldeme                                            | <i>ɣar</i>   | *ɣarØ    | *(ma-)ɣ <sup>w</sup> ana   | 2 |
| Muyang                                             | <i>ahar</i>  | *Øa-xarØ |                            | 3 |
| Gemzek                                             | <i>gar</i>   | *garØ    |                            | 4 |
| Mofu North                                         | 'ar          | *ʔarØ    |                            | 5 |
| 1. *n > r; *ɣ <sup>w</sup> (> ɣ) > g; ə-epenthesis |              |          |                            |   |
| 2. *n > r                                          |              |          |                            |   |
| 3. *n > r; *ɣ <sup>w</sup> (> ɣ) > x               |              |          |                            |   |
| 4. *n > r; *ɣ <sup>w</sup> (> ɣ) > g               |              |          |                            |   |
| 5. *n > r; *ɣ <sup>w</sup> (> ɣ > g) > ?           |              |          |                            |   |

## MAROUA

|                              |                                                        |                                      |                    |                           |   |
|------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--------------------|---------------------------|---|
| Giziga-Muturwa <sup>73</sup> | <i>hir<sup>ŋ</sup>ga xəʔŋga</i>                        | *xr-Ø <sup>y</sup> -nga              | *xrØ-y-g-na        | *ɣ <sup>w</sup> na        | 1 |
| Giziga-Marva                 | <i>hur<sup>ŋ</sup> x<sup>w</sup>əʔrəʔŋ<sup>w</sup></i> | *x <sup>w</sup> ra-k <sup>w</sup> -n |                    | (-y,-k <sup>w</sup> ,-na) | 2 |
| Mbazla                       | <i>yin<sup>ŋ</sup> yəʔŋ</i>                            | *ɣ <sup>y</sup> ŋ-Ø                  | *ɣŋ-Ø <sup>y</sup> | *ɣnØ-y-k                  | 3 |

<sup>73</sup> A parallel form *hir<sup>ŋ</sup>gaŋ* (xəʔŋgaŋ) contained in the database poses a unique problem for historical reconstruction with regard to the double occurrence of the nasal, i.e. both as part of the medial nasal+obstruent cluster ŋg (or prenasalised ʔg) and the word-final occurrence as ŋ (and following the reconstructed FV \*/a/), which usually points to fusion nk > ŋ. Currently, the exact historical analysis of this particular form remains open.

1. \* $\gamma^w$  (>  $\gamma$ ) > x; \* $n$  > r; \* $k^w$  (> k) > g; metathesis gn > ng; homorganic assimilation n >  $\eta$ /\_g;  $\emptyset$ -epenthesis; \* $y$  >  $\emptyset^y$ ; +Y:  $\emptyset$  > i
2. \* $\gamma^w$  >  $x^w$ ; \* $n$  > r; fusion  $k^w n$  >  $\eta^w$ ;  $\emptyset$ -epenthesis; lexical-final \*a >  $\emptyset$ ; +W:  $\emptyset$  > u
3. \* $\gamma^w$  (>  $\gamma$ );  $\emptyset$ -epenthesis; \* $y$  >  $\emptyset^y$ ; +Y: \* $\gamma$  (>  $\gamma^y$ ) > y; +Y:  $\emptyset$  > i; \* $k^w$  > k; fusion nk >  $\eta$

## LAMANG

|                                                                                        |                       |                  |                            |                           |   |
|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------|------------------|----------------------------|---------------------------|---|
|                                                                                        |                       |                  |                            | $\sqrt{C} Ca$             |   |
| Hdi                                                                                    | $\gamma\emptyset\eta$ | * $\gamma\eta$   | * $\gamma n\emptyset$ -k   | * $\gamma^w na$ - $k^w$   | 1 |
|                                                                                        |                       |                  |                            | $\sqrt{Ca} Ca$            |   |
| Lamang                                                                                 | $\gamma a\eta$        | * $\gamma a\eta$ | * $\gamma a n\emptyset$ -k | * $\gamma^w a na$ - $k^w$ | 2 |
| 1. * $\gamma^w$ > $\gamma$ ; $\emptyset$ -epenthesis; * $k^w$ > k; fusion *nk > $\eta$ |                       |                  |                            |                           |   |
| 2. * $\gamma^w$ > $\gamma$ ; * $k^w$ > k; fusion *nk > $\eta$                          |                       |                  |                            |                           |   |

## HIGI

|                                                                                |                            |                       |                                 |                      |   |
|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------|-----------------------|---------------------------------|----------------------|---|
| Kirya                                                                          | $\gamma\emptyset n$        | * $\gamma n\emptyset$ |                                 |                      | 1 |
| Bana                                                                           | $\gamma\emptyset n$        | l                     |                                 |                      | 1 |
| Kamwe-Nkafa                                                                    | $\gamma\emptyset \gamma a$ | * $\gamma a$          | * $\gamma\emptyset a$           | * $\gamma^w na$ (-y) | 2 |
| Kamwe-Futu                                                                     | $\gamma i \gamma y$        | * $\gamma$ -y         | * $\gamma\emptyset\emptyset$ -y |                      | 3 |
| Psikye                                                                         | gu gw                      | *gw $\emptyset$       | *gw $\emptyset a$               |                      | 4 |
| 1. * $\gamma^w$ > $\gamma$ ; $\emptyset$ -epenthesis                           |                            |                       |                                 |                      |   |
| 2. * $\gamma^w$ > $\gamma$ ; lexical-final *a > $\emptyset$                    |                            |                       |                                 |                      |   |
| 3. * $\gamma^w$ > $\gamma$ ; * $y$ > i                                         |                            |                       |                                 |                      |   |
| 4. fortition and re-segmentalisation * $\gamma^w$ (> $\gamma$ +w) > g+w; w > u |                            |                       |                                 |                      |   |

## KOTOKO-ISLAND

|                                                                             |                   |                    |                           |                 |   |
|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------|--------------------|---------------------------|-----------------|---|
| Buduma                                                                      | $ku\emptyset kwa$ | * $k^w\emptyset a$ | * $k^w na$                | * $\gamma^w na$ | 1 |
|                                                                             | $ku kw$           | * $k^w$            | * $k^w\emptyset\emptyset$ |                 | 2 |
| 1. re-segmentalisation * $k^w$ > k+w; w > u; lexical-final *a > $\emptyset$ |                   |                    |                           |                 |   |
| 2. re-segmentalisation * $k^w$ > k+w; w > u                                 |                   |                    |                           |                 |   |

## KOTOKO-NORTH

|                                                               |              |           |                    |                 |   |
|---------------------------------------------------------------|--------------|-----------|--------------------|-----------------|---|
| Afade                                                         | go $g^w a^w$ | * $g^w a$ | * $g^w\emptyset a$ | * $\gamma^w na$ | 1 |
| Mpade                                                         | go $g^w a^w$ |           |                    |                 | 1 |
|                                                               | ko $k^w a^w$ | * $k^w a$ | * $k^w\emptyset a$ |                 | 2 |
| 1. * $\gamma^w$ > $g^w$ ; +W: lexical-final *a > o            |              |           |                    |                 |   |
| 2. * $\gamma^w$ (> $g^w$ ) > $k^w$ ; +W: lexical-final *a > o |              |           |                    |                 |   |

## KOTOKO-CENTRAL

|                                                               |              |                   |                    |                   |   |
|---------------------------------------------------------------|--------------|-------------------|--------------------|-------------------|---|
|                                                               |              |                   |                    | $\sqrt{C} Ca$     |   |
| Mser                                                          | ko $k^w a^w$ | * $k^w a$         | * $k^w\emptyset a$ | * $\gamma^w na$   | 1 |
|                                                               |              |                   |                    | $\sqrt{Ca} Ca$    |   |
| Lagwan                                                        | kaa          | *ka $\emptyset a$ |                    | * $\gamma^w a na$ |   |
| 1. * $\gamma^w$ (> $g^w$ ) > $k^w$ ; +W: lexical-final *a > o |              |                   |                    |                   |   |
| 2. * $\gamma^w$ (> $g^w$ > g) > k                             |              |                   |                    |                   |   |

## GIDAR

|                                                                                                                                 |                              |                     |        |                         |   |
|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------|---------------------|--------|-------------------------|---|
| Gidar                                                                                                                           | <i>ki ky</i>                 | *k-y                | *kØØ-y | *y <sup>w</sup> na-y(a) | 1 |
|                                                                                                                                 | <i>kiya kə<sup>y</sup>ya</i> | *k-y <sup>y</sup> a |        |                         | 2 |
| 1. *y <sup>w</sup> (> g <sup>w</sup> > g) > k; *y > i<br>2. *y <sup>w</sup> (> g <sup>w</sup> > g) > k; ə-epenthesis; +Y: ə > i |                              |                     |        |                         |   |

hearth, three-stone fireplace

PCC \*r(a)w(a)tsa (-y, -k<sup>w</sup>)

## BATA

|                                                                                  |                               |                    |         |          |   |
|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------|--------------------|---------|----------|---|
| Sharwa                                                                           | <i>ryəti r<sup>y</sup>əty</i> | *rt-y <sup>y</sup> | *rØtØ-y | *rwtsa-y | 1 |
| 1. *ts > t; ə-epenthesis; *y > y <sup>y</sup> ; +Y: *r > r <sup>y</sup> ; *y > i |                               |                    |         |          |   |

## DABA

|                                                                                                                                                                      |                                                                    |                                    |           |           |   |
|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------|-----------|-----------|---|
|                                                                                                                                                                      |                                                                    |                                    |           | √ C C Ca  |   |
| Mbudum                                                                                                                                                               | <i>luwif<sup>l</sup> lə<sup>w</sup>w<sup>a</sup>ts<sup>y</sup></i> | *lw <sup>w</sup> ts-Ø <sup>y</sup> | *lwtsØ-y  | *rwtsa-y  | 1 |
|                                                                                                                                                                      |                                                                    |                                    |           | √ C CaCa  |   |
| Buwal                                                                                                                                                                | <i>ləwetf<sup>l</sup> ləwa<sup>y</sup>ts<sup>y</sup></i>           | *lwats-Ø <sup>y</sup>              | *lwatsØ-y | *rwatsa-y | 2 |
| 1. *r > l; ə-epenthesis; *w > w <sup>w</sup> ; +W: ə > u; *y > Ø <sup>y</sup> ; +Y: *ts > tʃ; +Y: ə > i<br>2. *r > l; *y > Ø <sup>y</sup> ; +Y: *ts > tʃ; +Y: *a > e |                                                                    |                                    |           |           |   |

## MAFA

|                                                                                                                                                                                 |                                                                     |                                     |           |           |   |
|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------|-----------|-----------|---|
| Mafa                                                                                                                                                                            | <i>ruwetf<sup>l</sup> rə<sup>w</sup>w<sup>a</sup>ts<sup>y</sup></i> | *rw <sup>w</sup> ats-Ø <sup>y</sup> | *rwatsØ-y | *rwatsa-y | 1 |
| Cuvok                                                                                                                                                                           | <i>luwetf<sup>l</sup> lə<sup>w</sup>w<sup>a</sup>ts<sup>y</sup></i> | *lw <sup>w</sup> ats-Ø <sup>y</sup> | *lwatsØ-y |           | 2 |
| 1. *w > w <sup>w</sup> ; +W: ə > u; *y > Ø <sup>y</sup> ; +Y: *ts > tʃ; +Y: *a > e<br>2. r > l; *w > w <sup>w</sup> ; +W: ə > u; *y > Ø <sup>y</sup> ; +Y: *ts > tʃ; +Y: *a > e |                                                                     |                                     |           |           |   |

## SUKUR

|           |                  |        |  |        |   |
|-----------|------------------|--------|--|--------|---|
| Sukur     | <i>ruts rwts</i> | *rwtsØ |  | *rwtsa | 1 |
| 1. *w > u |                  |        |  |        |   |

## HURZA

|                                                                                    |                                                                     |                                     |           |           |   |
|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------|-----------|-----------|---|
| Mbuko                                                                              | <i>ruwetf<sup>l</sup> rə<sup>w</sup>w<sup>a</sup>ts<sup>y</sup></i> | *rw <sup>w</sup> ats-Ø <sup>y</sup> | *rwatsØ-y | *rwatsa-y | 1 |
| 1. *w > w <sup>w</sup> ; +W: ə > u; *y > Ø <sup>y</sup> ; +Y: *ts > tʃ; +Y: *a > e |                                                                     |                                     |           |           |   |

## MANDARA

|         |                      |           |          |            |   |
|---------|----------------------|-----------|----------|------------|---|
| Podoko  | <i>lutfe lwtsʰaʷ</i> | *lwtsa-Øʷ | *lwtsa-y | *rwtsa(-y) | 1 |
| Matal   | <i>ləts</i>          | *lts      | *lØtsØ   |            | 2 |
| Mandara | <i>elɬfa aʷltsʰa</i> | *ltsa-Øʷ  | *lØtsa-y |            | 3 |
| Malgwa  | <i>əɬfa əltsʰa</i>   |           |          |            | 4 |
| Glavda  | <i>iltsa əʷltsa</i>  |           |          |            | 5 |

1. \*r > l; \*w > u; \*y > Ø<sup>y</sup>; +Y: \*ts > tʃ; +Y: lexical-final \*a > e
2. \*r > l; ə-epenthesis
3. \*r > l; a-prothesis; \*y > Ø<sup>y</sup>; +Y: \*ts > tʃ; +Y: prothetic \*a > e
4. \*r > l; ə-prothesis; \*y > Ø<sup>y</sup>; +Y: \*ts > tʃ
5. \*r > l; ə-prothesis; \*y > Ø<sup>y</sup>; +Y: \*ts > tʃ; +Y: ə > i

## MOFU

|            |                                      |                                     |           |           |   |
|------------|--------------------------------------|-------------------------------------|-----------|-----------|---|
|            |                                      |                                     |           | √ C C Ca  |   |
| Ouldeme    | <i>liwit</i> ləʷwəʔt                 | *lwt-Ø <sup>y</sup>                 |           |           | 1 |
| Zulgo      | <i>liwit</i> ləʷwəʔt                 |                                     | *lwtØ-y   | *rwtsa-y  | 1 |
| Muyang     | <i>luwit</i> ləʷwəʔt                 | *lw <sup>w</sup> t-Ø <sup>y</sup>   |           |           | 2 |
| Moloko     | <i>ləwte</i> ləwta <sup>y</sup>      | *lwta-Ø <sup>y</sup>                | *lwta-y   |           | 3 |
|            |                                      |                                     |           | √ C CaCa  |   |
| Dugwor     | <i>luwet</i> ləʷw <sup>w</sup> aʔt   | *lw <sup>w</sup> at-Ø <sup>y</sup>  | *lwatØ-y  |           | 4 |
| Gemzek     | <i>luwet</i> ləʷw <sup>w</sup> aʔt   |                                     |           |           | 4 |
| Merey      | <i>luwets</i> ləʷw <sup>w</sup> aʔts | *lw <sup>w</sup> ats-Ø <sup>y</sup> |           | *rwatsa-y | 5 |
| Mofu North | <i>ləwets</i> ləwaʔts                | *lwats-Ø <sup>y</sup>               | *lwatsØ-y |           | 6 |
| Mofu-Gudur | <i>ləwelf</i> ləwaʔts <sup>y</sup>   |                                     |           |           | 6 |

1. \*r > l; \*ts > t; ə-epenthesis; \*y > Ø<sup>y</sup>; +Y: ə > i
2. \*r > l; \*ts > t; ə-epenthesis; \*y > Ø<sup>y</sup>; +Y: ə > i; \*w > w<sup>w</sup>; +W: ə > u
3. \*r > l; \*ts > t; ə-epenthesis; \*y > Ø<sup>y</sup>; +Y: lexical-final \*a > e
4. \*r > l; \*ts > t; ə-epenthesis; \*y > Ø<sup>y</sup>; +Y: a > e; \*w > w<sup>w</sup>; +W: ə > u
5. \*r > l; ə-epenthesis; \*y > Ø<sup>y</sup>; +Y: a > e; \*w > w<sup>w</sup>; +W: ə > u
6. \*r > l; ə-epenthesis; \*y > Ø<sup>y</sup>; +Y: \*ts > tʃ; +Y: a > e

## MAROUA

|                |                               |                                    |                        |           |   |
|----------------|-------------------------------|------------------------------------|------------------------|-----------|---|
|                |                               |                                    |                        | √ C C Ca  |   |
| Mbazla         | <i>lufi</i> lwts <sup>y</sup> | *lwts-y <sup>y</sup>               | *lwtsØ-y               | *rwtsa-y  | 1 |
| Giziga-Muturwa | <i>liwis(i)</i> ləʷwəʔsy      | *lws-y <sup>y</sup>                | *lwsØ-y                |           | 2 |
|                |                               |                                    |                        | √ C CaCa  |   |
| Giziga-Marva   | <i>liwes</i> ləʷwaʔs          | *lw <sup>w</sup> as-Ø <sup>y</sup> | *lw <sup>w</sup> asØ-y | *rwatsa-y | 3 |

1. \*r > l; \*w > u; \*y > y<sup>y</sup> > i; +Y: \*ts > tʃ

2. \*r > l; \*ts > s; ə-epenthesis; \*y > y<sup>y</sup> > i; +Y: ə > i

3. \*r > l; ə-epenthesis; \*y > y<sup>y</sup>; +Y: ə > i; +Y: a > e

## LAMANG

|        |                     |                       |                        |                            |   |
|--------|---------------------|-----------------------|------------------------|----------------------------|---|
| Lamang | <i>liti</i> ləʔty   | *lt-y <sup>y</sup>    | *lØtØ-y                | *rwtsa-y(-k <sup>w</sup> ) | 1 |
| Hdi    | <i>litik</i> ləʔtyk | *lt-y <sup>y</sup> -k | *lØtØ-y-k <sup>w</sup> |                            | 2 |

1. \*r > l; \*ts > t; ə-epenthesis; \*y > y<sup>y</sup> > i; +Y: ə > i

2. \*r > l; \*ts > t; \*k<sup>w</sup> > k; ə-epenthesis; \*y > y<sup>y</sup> > i; +Y: ə > i

## HIGI

|             |               |       |       |        |   |
|-------------|---------------|-------|-------|--------|---|
| Kamwe-Nkafa | <i>rətwə</i>  | *rtwa | *rwta | *rwtsa | 1 |
| Bana        | <i>lət(ə)</i> | *lta  | *lØta |        | 2 |

1. \*ts > t; metathesis wt > tw; ə-epenthesis; lexical-final \*a > ə

2. \*ts > t; \*r > l; ə-epenthesis; lexical-final \*a > ə



## MUSGUM

|        |                      |                     |         |          |   |
|--------|----------------------|---------------------|---------|----------|---|
| Mbara  | <i>liwit</i> lə'wə't | *lwt-Ø <sup>y</sup> | *lwtØ-y | *rwtsa-y | 1 |
| Muskum | <i>wit</i> wə't      | *wt-Ø <sup>y</sup>  | *ØwtØ-y |          | 2 |

1. \*ts > t; \*r > l; ə-epenthesis; \*y > Ø<sup>y</sup>; +Y: ə > i  
 2. \*ts > t; ə-epenthesis; \*y > Ø<sup>y</sup>; +Y: ə > i

## hedgehog

PCC \*(dā-, ma-, RED-) x<sup>w</sup>(a)sa (-RED, -b, -y)

## DABA

|       |                            |                          |                           |  |
|-------|----------------------------|--------------------------|---------------------------|--|
| Buwal | <i>h<sup>w</sup>asasab</i> | *x <sup>w</sup> asa-sa-b | *x <sup>w</sup> asa-RED-b |  |
|-------|----------------------------|--------------------------|---------------------------|--|

## HURZA

|       |                                       |                                                       |                       |                             |   |
|-------|---------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------------|---|
|       |                                       |                                                       |                       | √ C C Ca                    |   |
| Vame  | <i>awu/awu/ā</i><br>awə'w's'awə'w's'ā | *a-w <sup>w</sup> sa-w <sup>w</sup> sa-Ø <sup>y</sup> | *Øa-RED-wØsa-y        | *ma-RED-x <sup>w</sup> sa-y | 1 |
|       |                                       |                                                       |                       | √ C CaCa                    |   |
| Mbuko | <i>usos</i> wsa'w's                   | *w <sup>w</sup> sa-sØ                                 | *w <sup>w</sup> sa-sa | *x <sup>w</sup> sa-RED      | 2 |

1. \*x<sup>w</sup> > w<sup>w</sup>; +W: ə > u; ə-epenthesis; \*y > Ø<sup>y</sup>; +Y: \*s > ʃ  
 2. \*x<sup>w</sup> > w<sup>w</sup> > u; +W: \*a > o

## MARGI

|       |                                               |                                   |                      |                      |   |
|-------|-----------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------|----------------------|----------------------|---|
| Bura  | <i>h<sup>w</sup>isa</i> x <sup>w</sup> ə'w'sa | *x <sup>w</sup> sa-Ø <sup>y</sup> | *x <sup>w</sup> sa-y | *x <sup>w</sup> sa-y | 1 |
| Margi | <i>wisə</i> wə'sə                             | *wsa-Ø <sup>y</sup>               | *wsa-y               |                      | 2 |

1. ə-epenthesis; \*y > Ø<sup>y</sup>; +Y: ə > i  
 2. \*x<sup>w</sup> > w; ə-epenthesis; \*y > Ø<sup>y</sup>; +Y: ə > i; lexical-final \*a > ə

## MANDARA

|         |                       |                       |                        |   |
|---------|-----------------------|-----------------------|------------------------|---|
| Mandara | <i>ususa</i> wsə'w'sa | *w <sup>w</sup> sØ-sa | *x <sup>w</sup> sa-RED | 1 |
| Malgwa  | <i>ususa</i> wsə'w'sa |                       |                        | 1 |

1. \*x<sup>w</sup> > w<sup>w</sup> > u; ə-epenthesis; +W: ə > u

## MOFU

|            |                                        |                                     |                         |                           |   |
|------------|----------------------------------------|-------------------------------------|-------------------------|---------------------------|---|
|            |                                        |                                     |                         | √ C C Ca                  |   |
| Muyang     | <i>asus</i> asws                       | *a-sw-s                             | *Øa-wsØ-RED             | *dā-x <sup>w</sup> sa-RED | 1 |
| Zulgo      | <i>asus</i> asws                       |                                     |                         |                           | 1 |
| Merey      | <i>dusus</i> dasws                     | *dā-sw-s                            | *dā-wsØ-RED             | *dā-x <sup>w</sup> sa-RED | 1 |
|            |                                        |                                     |                         | √ CaC Ca                  |   |
| Mofu North | <i>ʔoʔos</i> ʔa <sup>w</sup> ʔa'w's    | *ʔ <sup>w</sup> a-ʔ <sup>w</sup> as | *RED-ʔ <sup>w</sup> asØ | *RED-x <sup>w</sup> asa   | 2 |
|            |                                        |                                     |                         | √ C CaCa                  |   |
| Ouldeme    | <i>asas</i>                            | *a-sa-s                             | *Øa-Øsa-RED             | *dā-x <sup>w</sup> sa-RED |   |
|            |                                        |                                     |                         | √ CaCaCa                  |   |
| Gemzek     | <i>hosos</i> x <sup>w</sup> a'w'sa'w's | *x <sup>w</sup> asa-s               | *x <sup>w</sup> asa-RED | *x <sup>w</sup> asa-RED   | 3 |

1. \*x<sup>w</sup> > w > u; metathesis ws > sw  
 2. \*x<sup>w</sup> (> k<sup>w</sup>) > ʔ<sup>w</sup>; +W: \*a > o  
 3. +W: \*a > o

## LAMANG

|     |                                                                |                       |                           |                           |   |
|-----|----------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------|---------------------------|---------------------------|---|
| Hdi | <i>muxtus</i> mə <sup>w</sup> x <sup>w</sup> tə <sup>w</sup> s | *m-x <sup>w</sup> t-s | *mØ-x <sup>w</sup> sØ-RED | *ma-x <sup>w</sup> sa-RED | 1 |
|-----|----------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------|---------------------------|---------------------------|---|

1. dissimilation \*s &gt; t; ə-epenthesis; +W: ə &gt; u

## HIGI

|       |                                |                     |        |                         |   |
|-------|--------------------------------|---------------------|--------|-------------------------|---|
|       |                                |                     |        | √C C C                  |   |
| Kirya | <i>fisa</i> fə <sup>ʷ</sup> sa | *fsa-Ø <sup>ʷ</sup> | *fsa-y | *x <sup>w</sup> sa-y    | 1 |
|       |                                |                     |        | √CaC Ca                 |   |
| Bana  | <i>xasəsə</i>                  | *xasØ-sa            |        | *x <sup>w</sup> asa-RED | 2 |

1. \*x<sup>w</sup> (> x) > f; ə-epenthesis; \*y > Ø<sup>ʷ</sup>; +Y: ə > i2. \*x<sup>w</sup> > x; ə-epenthesis; lexical-final \*a > ə

hide, to

PCC \*(k<sup>w</sup>a-) ɓ(a)ɣ<sup>w</sup>a (-n)

## BATA

|        |                                                         |                      |                     |                      |   |
|--------|---------------------------------------------------------|----------------------|---------------------|----------------------|---|
|        |                                                         |                      |                     | √C Ca                |   |
| Jimi   | <i>ɓ<sup>w</sup>əɣən</i>                                | *ɓɣ <sup>w</sup> a-n |                     | *ɓɣ <sup>w</sup> a-n | 1 |
|        |                                                         |                      |                     | √CaCa                |   |
| Sharwa | <i>ɓ<sup>w</sup>ah</i> ɓ <sup>w</sup> ax                | *ɓax <sup>w</sup>    | *ɓax <sup>w</sup> Ø | *ɓaɣ <sup>w</sup> a  | 2 |
| Bata   | <i>ɓoo</i> ɓ <sup>w</sup> a <sup>w</sup> a <sup>w</sup> | *ɓaØ <sup>w</sup> a  |                     |                      | 3 |

1. feature transfer of <sup>w</sup> from velar C<sub>2</sub> to labial C<sub>1</sub>; ə-epenthesis; lexical-final \*a > ə2. \*ɣ<sup>w</sup> > x<sup>w</sup>; feature transfer of <sup>w</sup> from velar C<sub>2</sub> to labial C<sub>1</sub>3. \*ɣ<sup>w</sup> > Ø<sup>w</sup>; +W: \*a > o

## DABA

|        |                                           |                     |                                        |   |
|--------|-------------------------------------------|---------------------|----------------------------------------|---|
| Buwal  | <i>ɓah</i>                                | *ɓaxØ               | *(k <sup>w</sup> a-)ɓaɣ <sup>w</sup> a | 1 |
| Gavar  | <i>ɓah</i>                                |                     |                                        | 1 |
| Mbudum | <i>kəɓah</i>                              | *kØ-ɓaxØ            |                                        | 2 |
| Daba   | <i>ɓoh</i> ɓa <sup>w</sup> x <sup>w</sup> | *ɓax <sup>w</sup> Ø |                                        | 3 |

1. \*ɣ<sup>w</sup> (> x<sup>w</sup>) > x2. \*ɣ<sup>w</sup> (> x<sup>w</sup>) > x; \*k<sup>w</sup> > k; ə-epenthesis3. \*ɣ<sup>w</sup> > x<sup>w</sup>; +W: \*a > o

## MANDARA

|        |                         |                    |                    |   |
|--------|-------------------------|--------------------|--------------------|---|
| Podoko | <i>ɓəh<sup>w</sup>a</i> | *ɓx <sup>w</sup> a | *ɓɣ <sup>w</sup> a | 1 |
|--------|-------------------------|--------------------|--------------------|---|

1. \*ɣ<sup>w</sup> > x<sup>w</sup>; ə-epenthesis

## MOFU

|        |              |      |                    |   |
|--------|--------------|------|--------------------|---|
| Muyang | <i>ɓu</i> ɓw | *ɓwØ | *ɓɣ <sup>w</sup> a | 1 |
|--------|--------------|------|--------------------|---|

1. \*ɣ<sup>w</sup> > w > u

## HIGI

|      |                                              |                    |                    |   |
|------|----------------------------------------------|--------------------|--------------------|---|
| Bana | <i>ɣuɓə</i> ɣ <sup>w</sup> ə <sup>w</sup> ɓə | *ɣ <sup>w</sup> ɓa | *ɓɣ <sup>w</sup> a | 1 |
|------|----------------------------------------------|--------------------|--------------------|---|

1. metathesis ɓɣ<sup>w</sup> > ɣ<sup>w</sup>ɓ; ə-epenthesis; +W: ə > u; lexical-final \*a > ə

## hole

PCC \*(k<sup>w</sup>a-, RED-) v(a)g<sup>w</sup>(a)dā (-y, -m, -n)

BATA

|                                                   |                                                        |                                      |                            |                               |   |
|---------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------|----------------------------|-------------------------------|---|
|                                                   |                                                        |                                      |                            | √ C C Ca                      |   |
| Bata                                              | <i>g<sup>w</sup>e g<sup>w</sup>a<sup>y</sup></i>       | <i>*g<sup>w</sup>a-Ø<sup>y</sup></i> | <i>*Øg<sup>w</sup>Øa-y</i> | <i>*vg<sup>w</sup>dā-y/-n</i> | 1 |
| Jimi                                              | <i>gu'un g<sup>w</sup>a<sup>y</sup>ʔa<sup>w</sup>n</i> | <i>*g<sup>w</sup>ʔ-n</i>             | <i>*Øg<sup>w</sup>dØ-n</i> |                               | 2 |
| Sharwa                                            | <i>g<sup>w</sup>a'ə</i>                                | <i>*g<sup>w</sup>ʔa</i>              | <i>*Øg<sup>w</sup>ʔa</i>   |                               | 3 |
| 1. *y > Ø <sup>y</sup> ; +Y: lexical-final *a > e |                                                        |                                      |                            |                               |   |
| 2. *d' > ʔ; ə-epenthesis; +W: ə > u               |                                                        |                                      |                            |                               |   |
| 3. *d' > ʔ; ə-epenthesis; lexical-final *a > ə    |                                                        |                                      |                            |                               |   |

MAFA

|                                     |                 |                        |              |                            |   |
|-------------------------------------|-----------------|------------------------|--------------|----------------------------|---|
| Mafa                                | veved' va'va'd' | *va-vad-Ø <sup>y</sup> | *RED-vØadØ-y | *RED-vg <sup>w</sup> adā-y | 1 |
| 1. *y > Ø <sup>y</sup> ; +Y: *a > e |                 |                        |              |                            |   |

TERA

|      |                  |                   |                     |                     |  |
|------|------------------|-------------------|---------------------|---------------------|--|
| Tera | g <sup>w</sup> a | *g <sup>w</sup> a | *Øg <sup>w</sup> Øa | *vg <sup>w</sup> dā |  |
|------|------------------|-------------------|---------------------|---------------------|--|

SUKUR

|                                                               |            |                     |                     |                     |   |
|---------------------------------------------------------------|------------|---------------------|---------------------|---------------------|---|
| Sukur                                                         | vud' vā'd' | *vØ <sup>w</sup> d' | *vg <sup>w</sup> dØ | *vg <sup>w</sup> dā | 1 |
| 1. ə-epenthesis; *g <sup>w</sup> > Ø <sup>w</sup> ; +W: ə > u |            |                     |                     |                     |   |

MARGI

|                                                                                                                                                      |                         |                |                                          |                                          |   |
|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------|----------------|------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------|---|
| Kilba                                                                                                                                                | <i>ka'u</i> <i>kaʔw</i> | * <i>ka-ʔw</i> | * <i>ka-Ø<sub>g<sup>w</sup></sub></i> ʔØ | * <i>k<sup>w</sup>a-vg<sup>w</sup>dā</i> | 1 |
| Margi-South                                                                                                                                          | <i>kau</i>              | * <i>ka-w</i>  | * <i>ka-Ø<sub>g<sup>w</sup></sub></i> ØØ |                                          | 2 |
| Bura                                                                                                                                                 | <i>ku</i>               | * <i>kØ-w</i>  | * <i>ka-Ø<sub>g<sup>w</sup></sub></i> ØØ |                                          | 2 |
| 1. * <i>d</i> > ʔ; * <i>k<sup>w</sup></i> > <i>k</i> ; metathesis <i>g<sup>w</sup>ʔ</i> > ʔ <i>g<sup>w</sup></i> ; * <i>g<sup>w</sup></i> > <i>w</i> |                         |                |                                          |                                          |   |
| 2. * <i>g<sup>w</sup></i> > <i>w</i> ; * <i>k<sup>w</sup></i> > <i>k</i>                                                                             |                         |                |                                          |                                          |   |

MANDARA

|         |                       |             |             |                |   |
|---------|-----------------------|-------------|-------------|----------------|---|
|         |                       |             |             | √ C C Ca       |   |
| Podoko  | <i>vige</i> vəʔgaʔ    | *vga-Øʔ     | *vgØa-y     | *(kʷa-)vgʷdā-y | 1 |
| Malgwa  | <i>əvəge</i> əvəgaʔ   |             |             |                | 2 |
| Dghwede | <i>fke</i> fkaʔ       | *fka-Øʔ     | *fkØa-y     |                | 3 |
| Matal   | <i>afik</i> afəʔk     | *Øa-fk-Øʔ   | *ka-fkØØ-y  |                | 4 |
| Glavda  | <i>afka</i>           | *Øa-fka     | *ka-fkØa    |                | 5 |
|         |                       |             |             | √ CaC Ca       |   |
|         | <i>aaf</i>            | *Øa-Øaf     | *Øa-gaf     | *ka-fagØØ      | 6 |
| Mandara | <i>evege</i> əʔvaʔgaʔ | *Øa-vaga-Øʔ | *ka-vagØa-y | *kʷa-vagʷdā-y  | 7 |

1. \*gʷ > g; ə-epenthesis; \*y > Øʔ; +Y: ə > i; +Y: lexical-final \*a > e

2. \*gʷ > g; ə-prothesis; ə-epenthesis; \*y > Øʔ; +Y: lexical-final \*a > e

3. \*v > f; \*gʷ (> g) > k; \*y > Øʔ; +Y: lexical-final \*a > e

4. \*v > f; \*gʷ (> g) > k; \*kʷ > k; ə-epenthesis; \*y > Øʔ; +Y: ə > i

5. \*v > f; \*gʷ (> g) > k; \*kʷ > k

6. \*v > f; \*gʷ > g; \*kʷ > k; metathesis fg > gf; vowel length accounted for by loss of intervocalic /g/

7. \*gʷ > g; \*kʷ > k; \*y > Øʔ; +Y: \*a > e

## MOFU

|            |                                              |                                      |                        | √ C C Ca                                           |   |
|------------|----------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------|------------------------|----------------------------------------------------|---|
| Ouldeme    | <i>avi</i> avy                               | *Øa-vy                               | *k <sup>w</sup> a-vØyØ | *(k <sup>w</sup> a-)vg <sup>w</sup> dā(-y)         | 1 |
| Moloko     | <i>pədə</i> pədə <sup>y</sup>                | *pdā-Ø <sup>y</sup>                  | *pØdā-y                |                                                    | 2 |
| Merey      | <i>bəd</i>                                   | *bØdØ                                |                        |                                                    | 3 |
| Zulgo      | <i>biye</i> bə <sup>y</sup> ya <sup>y</sup>  | *by <sup>y</sup> a                   | *bØya                  |                                                    | 4 |
| Gemzek     | <i>biye</i> bə <sup>y</sup> ya <sup>y</sup>  |                                      |                        |                                                    | 4 |
|            |                                              |                                      |                        | √ C CaCa                                           |   |
| Mofu-Gudur | <i>vaged</i> vāga <sup>y</sup> d             | *vgad <sup>y</sup> -Ø <sup>y</sup>   | *vgadØ-y               | *(k <sup>w</sup> a-/RED-)<br>vg <sup>w</sup> adā-y | 5 |
| Dugwor     | <i>abed</i> <sup>74</sup> aba <sup>y</sup> d | *Øa-bad <sup>y</sup> -Ø <sup>y</sup> | *ka-bØadØ-y            |                                                    | 6 |
| Mada       | <i>vved</i> vva <sup>y</sup> d               | *v-vad <sup>y</sup> -Ø <sup>y</sup>  | *RED-vØadØ-y           |                                                    | 7 |

1. \*d' > y > i  
 2. \*v (> b) > p; ə-epenthesis; \*y > Ø<sup>y</sup>; +Y: lexical-final \*a > e  
 3. \*v > b; ə-epenthesis  
 4. \*v > b; ə-epenthesis; \*d' > y > y<sup>y</sup>; +Y: ə > i; +Y: FV \*a > e  
 5. \*g<sup>w</sup> > g; ə-epenthesis; \*y > Ø<sup>y</sup>; +Y: a > e  
 6. \*v > b; \*d' > d; \*k<sup>w</sup> > k; \*y > Ø<sup>y</sup>; +Y: \*a > e  
 7. \*y > Ø<sup>y</sup>; +Y: \*a > e

## MAROUA

|                |                                                                |                                    |          | √ C C Ca               |   |
|----------------|----------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------|----------|------------------------|---|
| Giziga-Muturwa | <i>vigid(i)</i> və <sup>y</sup> gə <sup>y</sup> d <sup>y</sup> | *vgdØ-y <sup>y</sup>               |          | *vg <sup>w</sup> dā-y  | 1 |
|                |                                                                |                                    |          | √ C CaCa               |   |
| Giziga-Marva   | <i>viged</i> və <sup>y</sup> ga <sup>y</sup> d                 | *vgad <sup>y</sup> -Ø <sup>y</sup> | *vgadØ-y | *vg <sup>w</sup> adā-y | 2 |
| Mbazla         | <i>ved</i> va <sup>y</sup> d                                   | *vad <sup>y</sup> -Ø <sup>y</sup>  | *vØadØ-y |                        | 3 |

1. \*g<sup>w</sup> > g; ə-epenthesis; \*y > y<sup>y</sup> > i; +Y: ə > i  
 2. \*g<sup>w</sup> > g; ə-epenthesis; \*y > Ø<sup>y</sup>; +Y: ə > i  
 3. \*y > Ø<sup>y</sup>; +Y: \*a > e

## LAMANG

|        |                                                           |                     |                       |                         |   |
|--------|-----------------------------------------------------------|---------------------|-----------------------|-------------------------|---|
| Lamang | <i>yubo</i> ɣ <sup>w</sup> ə <sup>w</sup> ba <sup>w</sup> | *ɣ <sup>w</sup> vʔa | *vɣ <sup>w</sup> ʔa   | *vg <sup>w</sup> dā(-n) | 1 |
| Hdi    | <i>ɣrum</i> ɣrə <sup>w</sup> m                            | *ɣ <sup>w</sup> r-m | *Øɣ <sup>w</sup> rØ-n |                         | 2 |

1. \*d' > ʔ; \*g<sup>w</sup> > ɣ<sup>w</sup>; metathesis vɣ<sup>w</sup>ʔ > ɣ<sup>w</sup>vʔ; \*v > b; fusion bʔ > ʔ; ə-epenthesis; +W: ə > u; +W: lexical-final \*a > o  
 2. \*g<sup>w</sup> > ɣ<sup>w</sup>; \*d' > r; ə-epenthesis; +W: ə > u; final \*m < \*{-n} (see 3.4.5)?

## HIGI

|            |                  |        |                        |                                        |   |
|------------|------------------|--------|------------------------|----------------------------------------|---|
| Kamwe-Futu | <i>kə</i>        | *ka    | *ØgØa                  | *(k <sup>w</sup> a-)vg <sup>w</sup> dā | 1 |
| Bana       | <i>kə'u</i> kəʔw | *kØ-ʔw | *ka-Øg <sup>w</sup> ʔØ |                                        | 2 |
| Kirya      | <i>ɣaw</i>       | *ɣa-w  | *ka-ØwØØ               |                                        | 3 |

1. \*g<sup>w</sup> (> k<sup>w</sup>) > k; lexical-final \*a > ə  
 2. \*g<sup>w</sup> > w > u; \*k<sup>w</sup> > k; \*d' > ʔ; ə-epenthesis  
 3. \*g<sup>w</sup> > w; \*k<sup>w</sup> > k (> g) > ɣ

<sup>74</sup> Transcription error or spontaneous de-glottalisation?

## GIDAR

|       |                                                            |                                      |                          |                              |   |
|-------|------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--------------------------|------------------------------|---|
| Gidar | <i>vovu</i> va <sup>w</sup> v <sup>w</sup>                 | *va-vØw <sup>w</sup>                 | *va-vawØØ                | *RED-vag <sup>w</sup> dā(-n) | 1 |
|       | <i>vomvu</i> va <sup>w</sup> m <sup>w</sup> v <sup>w</sup> | *va-vØw <sup>w</sup> -Ø <sup>n</sup> | *va-vawØØ-n <sup>n</sup> |                              | 2 |

1. \*g<sup>w</sup> > w<sup>w</sup> > u; +W: \*a > o  
 2. \*g<sup>w</sup> > w<sup>w</sup> > u; +W: \*a > o; \*n > n<sup>n</sup>; +N: v > m<sup>v</sup>

honey, bee

PCC \*(y-, na-, ɓa-, RED-) **ama** (-y, -t, -k<sup>w</sup>, -n)

## DABA

|        |                                                |                        |                            |                                 |   |
|--------|------------------------------------------------|------------------------|----------------------------|---------------------------------|---|
| Buwal  | <i>ɓamam</i>                                   | *ɓ-am-am               | *ɓØ-RED- amØ               | *RED-(ɓa-)ama(-k <sup>w</sup> ) |   |
| Mbudum | <i>ɓɔɓam</i>                                   | *ɓØØ-ɓ-am              | *RED-ɓØ-amØ                |                                 | 1 |
| Daba   | <i>ɓoɓom</i> ɓa <sup>w</sup> ɓa <sup>w</sup> m | *ɓa-ɓam-Ø <sup>w</sup> | *RED-ɓØ-amØ-k <sup>w</sup> |                                 | 2 |
| Gavar  | <i>amam</i>                                    | *am-am                 | *RED-amØ                   |                                 |   |

1. ə-epenthesis  
 2. \*w > Ø<sup>w</sup>; +W: \*a > o

## MAFA

|       |              |          |             |            |   |
|-------|--------------|----------|-------------|------------|---|
| Cuvok | <i>mgbam</i> | *m-gb-am | *nØ-gbØ-amØ | *na-ɓa-ama | 1 |
|-------|--------------|----------|-------------|------------|---|

1. \*ɓ > gb; assimilation \*n > m/\_gb

## SUKUR

|       |            |        |          |          |  |
|-------|------------|--------|----------|----------|--|
| Sukur | <i>mam</i> | *Øm-am | *RED-amØ | *RED-ama |  |
|-------|------------|--------|----------|----------|--|

## HURZA

|       |                  |           |            |                                |   |
|-------|------------------|-----------|------------|--------------------------------|---|
| Mbuko | <i>umam</i> wmam | *w-Øm-am  | *w-RED-amØ | *(ɓ-)RED-ama(-k <sup>w</sup> ) | 1 |
| Vame  | <i>aməmak</i>    | *am-ama-k | *RED-ama-k |                                | 2 |

1. \*ɓ > w > u  
 2. root-initial \*a > ə

## MARGI

|       |                                |                       |                         |                            |   |
|-------|--------------------------------|-----------------------|-------------------------|----------------------------|---|
| Margi | <i>məmə</i>                    | *ma-ma                | *RED-Øma                | *RED-ama(-k <sup>w</sup> ) | 1 |
| Bura  | <i>muma</i> mə <sup>w</sup> ma | *mØ-ma-Ø <sup>w</sup> | *RED-Øma-k <sup>w</sup> |                            | 2 |

1. lexical-final \*a > ə  
 2. ə-epenthesis; \*k<sup>w</sup> > Ø<sup>w</sup>; +W: ə > u

## MANDARA

|         |             |         |          |              |
|---------|-------------|---------|----------|--------------|
| Podoko  | <i>mama</i> | *ma-ma  | *RED-Øma | *RED-/na-ama |
| Glavda  | <i>mam</i>  |         |          |              |
| Mandara | <i>nama</i> | *nØ-ama |          |              |
| Malgwa  | <i>nama</i> |         |          |              |

## MOFU

|            |                                          |                        |                           |                                     |   |  |
|------------|------------------------------------------|------------------------|---------------------------|-------------------------------------|---|--|
| Ouldeme    | <i>ama</i>                               | *ama                   |                           | *(RED-)<br>ama(-k <sup>w</sup> (a)) |   |  |
| Mada       | <i>ama</i>                               |                        |                           |                                     |   |  |
| Muyang     | <i>amu amw</i>                           | *am-w                  | *amØ-k <sup>w</sup>       |                                     | 1 |  |
| Merey      | <i>wum wə<sup>w</sup>m</i>               | *w <sup>w</sup> m      | *ØmØ-w                    |                                     | 2 |  |
| Zulgo      | <i>amum amə<sup>w</sup>m</i>             | *am-am-Ø <sup>w</sup>  | *RED-amØ-k <sup>w</sup>   |                                     | 3 |  |
| Moloko     | <i>omom a<sup>w</sup>ma<sup>w</sup>m</i> | *Øa-w <sup>w</sup> amØ | *RED-amØ-w <sup>w</sup> a |                                     | 4 |  |
| Gemzek     | <i>awom awa<sup>w</sup>m</i>             |                        |                           |                                     | 5 |  |
| Dugwor     | <i>amam</i>                              | *am-am                 | *RED-amØ                  |                                     |   |  |
| Mofu-Gudur | <i>amam</i>                              |                        |                           |                                     |   |  |

1. \*k<sup>w</sup> > w > u

2. \*k<sup>w</sup> > w; metathesis mw > wm; ə-epenthesis; +W: ə > u

3. root-initial \*a > ə; \*k<sup>w</sup> > Ø<sup>w</sup>; +W: ə > u

4. \*k<sup>w</sup> > Ø<sup>w</sup>; +W: \*a > o

5. \*k<sup>w</sup> > w<sup>w</sup>; metathesis mw > wm

## MAROUA

|              |                    |          |            |              |   |
|--------------|--------------------|----------|------------|--------------|---|
| Giziga-Marva | <i>amam</i>        | *am-am   | *RED-amØ   | *(6-)RED-ama |   |
| Mbazla       | <i>'amam</i> ?amam | *ʔ-am-am | *6-RED-amØ |              | 1 |
| 1. *6 > ʔ    |                    |          |            |              |   |

## LAMANG

|                                                                                                            |                                          |                     |                       |          |                     |   |
|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------|---------------------|-----------------------|----------|---------------------|---|
| Lamang                                                                                                     | <i>omo a<sup>w</sup>ma<sup>w75</sup></i> | *ama-Ø <sup>w</sup> |                       |          | *ama-k <sup>w</sup> | 1 |
|                                                                                                            | <i>omo a<sup>w</sup>ma<sup>w</sup></i>   | *am-aØ <sup>w</sup> | *am-aw <sup>w</sup> Ø | *amØ-ama | *RED-ama            | 2 |
| 1. *k <sup>w</sup> > Ø <sup>w</sup> ; +W: *a > o<br>Alternative:<br>2. *m > w > Ø <sup>w</sup> ; +W *a > o |                                          |                     |                       |          |                     |   |

## KOTOKO-NORTH

|        |            |        |         |          |  |
|--------|------------|--------|---------|----------|--|
| Afade  | <i>mam</i> | *Øm-am | *am-amØ | *RED-ama |  |
| Malgbe | <i>mam</i> |        |         |          |  |
| Mpade  | <i>mam</i> |        |         |          |  |

## KOTOKO-CENTRAL

|           |                  |         |          |                    |   |
|-----------|------------------|---------|----------|--------------------|---|
| Lagwan    | <i>iman yman</i> | *y-ma-n | *y-Øma-n | *(y-, RED-)ama(-n) | 1 |
| Mser      | <i>mam</i>       | *Øm-am  | *RED-amØ |                    |   |
| 1. *y > i |                  |         |          |                    |   |

## KOTOKO-SOUTH

|      |              |          |  |          |  |
|------|--------------|----------|--|----------|--|
| Zina | <i>amama</i> | *amØ-ama |  | *RED-ama |  |
|------|--------------|----------|--|----------|--|

<sup>75</sup> Note that the historical-comparative reconstruction of the underlying form given here as \*a<sup>w</sup>ma<sup>w</sup> differs from the underlying form arrived at by purely internal reconstruction, which is \*amu < \*amw (cf. Wolff 2015, Vol.1: 67). Possibly and speculatively, we could be dealing with yet another case of 'sporadic' \*m > w change (see 4.1.6.1) affecting only the original simple root of an underlying reduplicated form and leading to a synchronic underlying reanalysis \*ama<sup>w</sup> > \*amØ<sup>w</sup> > amw; this option is given here as tentative 'alternative' analysis.

## MUSGUM

|                                                                                                                                                    |                                                |                         |                           |                                       |   |
|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------|-------------------------|---------------------------|---------------------------------------|---|
| Mbara                                                                                                                                              | <i>momoy</i> ma <sup>w</sup> ma <sup>w</sup> y | *ma-ma-y-Ø <sup>w</sup> | *RED-Øma-y-k <sup>w</sup> | *(RED-)<br>ama(-y/(-k <sup>w</sup> )) | 1 |
| Vulum                                                                                                                                              | <i>aamii</i> aamə <sup>y</sup> y               | *aØ-ama-y <sup>y</sup>  | *RED-ama-y                |                                       | 2 |
| Muskum                                                                                                                                             | <i>amtu</i> amtw                               | *am-t-w                 | *amØ-t-k <sup>w</sup>     |                                       | 3 |
| 1. *k <sup>w</sup> > Ø <sup>w</sup> ; +W: *a > o<br>2. lexical-final *a > ə; *y > y <sup>y</sup> ; +Y: ə > i; *y > i<br>3. *k <sup>w</sup> > w > u |                                                |                         |                           |                                       |   |
| GIDAR                                                                                                                                              |                                                |                         |                           |                                       |   |
| Gidar                                                                                                                                              | <i>amama</i>                                   | *am-ama                 | *RED-ama                  |                                       | 1 |
|                                                                                                                                                    | <i>aməma</i>                                   | *am-Øma                 |                           |                                       |   |
| 1. ə-epenthesis                                                                                                                                    |                                                |                         |                           |                                       |   |

horn<sub>1</sub>PCC \*(ma-) d(a)r(a)ma (-y, -k<sup>w</sup>)

## MAFA

|                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     |                                                |                       |                        |                          |   |
|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------|-----------------------|------------------------|--------------------------|---|
|                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     |                                                |                       |                        | √ C C Ca                 |   |
| Mefe                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                | <i>dərum</i> dəra <sup>w</sup> m               | *drm-Ø <sup>w</sup>   | *drmØ-k <sup>w</sup>   | *drma-k <sup>w</sup>     | 1 |
|                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     |                                                |                       |                        | √ C CaCa                 |   |
| Cuvok                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               | <i>dərem</i> dəra <sup>y</sup> m               | *dram-Ø <sup>y</sup>  | *dramØ-y               | *drama-y/-k <sup>w</sup> | 2 |
| Mafa                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                | <i>durom</i> də <sup>w</sup> ra <sup>w</sup> m | *dram-Ø <sup>w</sup>  | *dramØ-k <sup>w</sup>  |                          | 3 |
|                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     |                                                |                       |                        | √ CaCaCa                 |   |
| Mafa                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                | <i>tolom</i> ta <sup>w</sup> la <sup>w</sup> m | *talam-Ø <sup>w</sup> | *talamØ-k <sup>w</sup> | *darama-k <sup>w</sup>   | 4 |
| 1. ə-epenthesis; *k <sup>w</sup> > Ø <sup>w</sup> ; +W: ə > u<br>2. ə-epenthesis; *y > Ø <sup>y</sup> ; +Y: *a > e<br>3. ə-epenthesis; +W: ə > u; *k <sup>w</sup> > Ø <sup>w</sup> ; +W: *a > o<br>4. *d > t; *r > l; *k <sup>w</sup> > Ø <sup>w</sup> ; +W: *a > o |                                                |                       |                        |                          |   |

## SUKUR

|                                                                      |                        |                     |                       |                       |   |
|----------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------|---------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|---|
| Sukur                                                                | <i>t<sup>w</sup>am</i> | *tam-Ø <sup>w</sup> | *tØamØ-k <sup>w</sup> | *drama-k <sup>w</sup> | 1 |
| 1. *d > t; *k <sup>w</sup> > Ø <sup>w</sup> ; +W: t > t <sup>w</sup> |                        |                     |                       |                       |   |

## MARGI

|                                                                                                                                                                                     |                                                                          |                                                     |                          |                                |   |
|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------------|---|
| Kilba                                                                                                                                                                               | <i>tələm</i>                                                             | *tlmØ                                               |                          | *(ma-)drma(-y-k <sup>w</sup> ) | 1 |
| Bura                                                                                                                                                                                | <i>ti<sup>m</sup>bul</i> tə <sup>y</sup> m <sup>b</sup> ə <sup>w</sup> l | *Ø <sup>n</sup> -tbl-Ø <sup>y</sup> -Ø <sup>w</sup> | *mØ-tlb-y-k <sup>w</sup> |                                | 2 |
| 1. *d > t; *r > l; ə-epenthesis                                                                                                                                                     |                                                                          |                                                     |                          |                                |   |
| 2. *d > t; *r > l; metathesis lm > ml; dissimilation *m > b; +N: b > <sup>m</sup> b; ə-epenthesis;<br>*y > Ø <sup>y</sup> ; +Y: ə > i; *k <sup>w</sup> > Ø <sup>w</sup> ; +W: ə > u |                                                                          |                                                     |                          |                                |   |

## MANDARA

|         |                                  |                       |         |          |   |
|---------|----------------------------------|-----------------------|---------|----------|---|
|         |                                  |                       |         | √ C C Ca |   |
| Malgwa  | <i>dərme</i> dərma <sup>y</sup>  | *drma-Ø <sup>y</sup>  | *drma-y | *drma-y  | 1 |
|         |                                  |                       |         | √ CaC Ca |   |
| Mandara | <i>derma</i> da <sup>y</sup> rma | *darma-Ø <sup>y</sup> |         | *darma-y | 2 |
|         |                                  |                       |         | √ C CaCa |   |
| Glavda  | <i>dəra</i>                      | *draØØ                |         | *drama   | 3 |

|                                                                 |               |        |  |   |
|-----------------------------------------------------------------|---------------|--------|--|---|
|                                                                 | <i>drawa</i>  | *drawa |  | 4 |
| Podoko                                                          | <i>dərawa</i> |        |  | 5 |
| Dghwede                                                         | <i>dərawa</i> |        |  | 5 |
| Matal                                                           | <i>draw</i>   | *drawØ |  | 4 |
|                                                                 | <i>dəraw</i>  |        |  | 4 |
| 1. ə-epenthesis; *y > Ø <sup>v</sup> ; +Y: lexical-final *a > e |               |        |  |   |
| 2. *y > Ø <sup>v</sup> ; +Y: lexical-final *a > e               |               |        |  |   |
| 3. ə-epenthesis                                                 |               |        |  |   |
| 4. *m > w                                                       |               |        |  |   |
| 5. *m > w; ə-epenthesis                                         |               |        |  |   |

## MOFU

|                                                                                                                                                                                  |                                   |                        |                       |                                  |   |
|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------|------------------------|-----------------------|----------------------------------|---|
|                                                                                                                                                                                  |                                   |                        |                       | √ C CaCa                         |   |
| Muyang                                                                                                                                                                           | <i>edrem</i> a'dra <sup>m</sup> m | *a-dram-Ø <sup>v</sup> | *a-dramØ-y            |                                  | 1 |
| Dugwor                                                                                                                                                                           | <i>dərom</i> dəra <sup>m</sup> m  | *dram-Ø <sup>w</sup>   | *dramØ-k <sup>w</sup> |                                  | 2 |
| Mada                                                                                                                                                                             | <i>dram</i>                       | *dramØ                 |                       | *(a-)drama (-y/-k <sup>w</sup> ) |   |
| Merey                                                                                                                                                                            | <i>dəram</i>                      |                        |                       |                                  | 3 |
| Mofu North                                                                                                                                                                       | <i>təlam</i>                      | *tlamØ                 |                       |                                  | 4 |
| Mofu-Gudur                                                                                                                                                                       | <i>təlam</i>                      |                        |                       |                                  | 4 |
|                                                                                                                                                                                  |                                   |                        |                       | √ CaCaCa                         |   |
| Mofu North                                                                                                                                                                       | <i>talam</i>                      | *talamØ                |                       | *darama                          | 5 |
| 1. *y > Ø <sup>v</sup> ; +Y: *a > e<br>2. ə-epenthesis; *k <sup>w</sup> > Ø <sup>w</sup> ; +W: *a > o<br>3. ə-epenthesis<br>4. *d > t; *r > l; ə-epenthesis<br>5. *d > t; *r > l |                                   |                        |                       |                                  |   |

## MAROUA

|                                                                                                                                              |                                                |                       |                       |                       |   |
|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|---|
|                                                                                                                                              |                                                |                       |                       | √ C C Ca              |   |
| Giziga Muturwa                                                                                                                               | <i>drum</i> drə <sup>m</sup> m                 | *drumØ-Ø <sup>w</sup> |                       | *drma-k <sup>w</sup>  | 1 |
|                                                                                                                                              | <i>durum</i> də <sup>w</sup> ra <sup>m</sup> m |                       |                       |                       | 1 |
| Mbazla                                                                                                                                       | <i>durum</i> də <sup>w</sup> ra <sup>m</sup> m |                       |                       |                       | 1 |
|                                                                                                                                              |                                                |                       |                       | √ C CaCa              |   |
| Giziga Marva                                                                                                                                 | <i>durom</i> də <sup>w</sup> ra <sup>m</sup> m | *dram-Ø <sup>w</sup>  | *dramØ-k <sup>w</sup> | *drama-k <sup>w</sup> | 2 |
| 1. ə-epenthesis; *k <sup>w</sup> > Ø <sup>w</sup> ; +W: *ə > u<br>2. ə-epenthesis; *k <sup>w</sup> > Ø <sup>w</sup> ; +W: *ə > u; +W: *a > o |                                                |                       |                       |                       |   |

## LAMANG

|                                                      |                  |        |         |         |   |
|------------------------------------------------------|------------------|--------|---------|---------|---|
| Lamang                                               | <i>duli</i> dwly | *dwl-y | *dlwØ-y | *drma-y | 1 |
| Hdi                                                  | <i>duli</i> dwly |        |         |         | 1 |
| 1. *r > l; *m > w; metathesis lw > wl; w > u; *y > i |                  |        |         |         |   |

## HIGI

|                                                                                                                  |                                              |                       |          |           |                        |   |
|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------|-----------------------|----------|-----------|------------------------|---|
| Kamwe-Nkafa                                                                                                      | <i>tərm<sup>w</sup>i</i> tərm <sup>w</sup> y | *trmØ <sup>w</sup> -y | *trm-w-y | *trmØ-y-w | *drma-y-k <sup>w</sup> | 1 |
| Kamwe-Futu                                                                                                       | <i>tərimo</i> təryma <sup>w</sup>            | *tryma-Ø <sup>w</sup> |          | *trma-y-w |                        | 2 |
| Bana                                                                                                             | <i>təlimə</i> təlyma                         | *tlyma                |          | *tlma-y   |                        | 3 |
| 1. *d > t; metathesis yw > wy; ə-epenthesis; *k <sup>w</sup> > Ø <sup>w</sup> ; +W: m > m <sup>w</sup> ; *y > i  |                                              |                       |          |           |                        |   |
| 2. *d > t; metathesis my > ym; ə-epenthesis; *y > i; *k <sup>w</sup> > Ø <sup>w</sup> ; +W: lexical-final *a > o |                                              |                       |          |           |                        |   |
| 3. *d > t; *r > l; metathesis my > ym; ə-epenthesis; *y > i; lexical-final *a > ə                                |                                              |                       |          |           |                        |   |



horn<sub>2</sub>Loan/areal root<sup>76</sup> \*(ma-) x<sup>w</sup>(a)ra (-y)

KOTOKO-SOUTH

|                                                                                                                                              |                                               |                        |                         |                         |   |
|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------|------------------------|-------------------------|-------------------------|---|
|                                                                                                                                              |                                               |                        |                         | √ C Ca                  |   |
| Mazera                                                                                                                                       | <i>mihue</i> mə <sup>y</sup> xwa <sup>y</sup> | *m-xwa-Ø <sup>y</sup>  | *mØ-x <sup>w</sup> Øa-y | *ma-x <sup>w</sup> ra-y | 1 |
|                                                                                                                                              |                                               |                        |                         | √ C CaCa                |   |
| Zina                                                                                                                                         | <i>ah<sup>w</sup>al</i>                       | *Øa-x <sup>w</sup> alØ |                         | *ma-x <sup>w</sup> ara  | 2 |
| 1. re-segmentalisation *x <sup>w</sup> > x+w; w > u; ə-epenthesis; *y > Ø <sup>y</sup> ; +Y: ə > i;<br>+Y: lexical-final *a > e<br>2. *r > l |                                               |                        |                         |                         |   |

MUSGUM

|                |                                                           |                        |  |                        |   |
|----------------|-----------------------------------------------------------|------------------------|--|------------------------|---|
| Mbara          | <i>moho</i> ma <sup>w</sup> x <sup>w</sup> a <sup>w</sup> | *ma-x <sup>w</sup> aØØ |  | *ma-x <sup>w</sup> ara | 1 |
| 1. +W : *a > o |                                                           |                        |  |                        |   |

GIDAR

|                |                                                           |                        |  |                        |   |
|----------------|-----------------------------------------------------------|------------------------|--|------------------------|---|
| Gidar          | <i>moho</i> ma <sup>w</sup> x <sup>w</sup> a <sup>w</sup> | *ma-x <sup>w</sup> aØØ |  | *ma-x <sup>w</sup> ara | 1 |
| 1. +W : *a > o |                                                           |                        |  |                        |   |

horn<sub>3</sub>Areal root<sup>77</sup> \*(ma-) b(a)k<sup>w</sup>(a)ma (-d; FV)

TERA

|                                                                                                              |                                                                                                            |                                         |                                           |                             |   |
|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------|-----------------------------|---|
| Ga'anda                                                                                                      | <i><sup>m</sup>bo 'om<sup>n</sup>da</i><br><i>mba<sup>w</sup>ʔ<sup>w</sup>a<sup>w</sup>m<sup>n</sup>da</i> | *m-baʔ <sup>w</sup> am- <sup>n</sup> dā | *mØ <sup>n</sup> -baʔ <sup>w</sup> amØ-dā | *ma-bak <sup>w</sup> ama-dā | 1 |
| 1. *k <sup>w</sup> > ʔ <sup>w</sup> ; +W: *a > o; *m > m <sup>n</sup> ; +N: *d <sup>f</sup> > <sup>n</sup> d |                                                                                                            |                                         |                                           |                             |   |

HURZA

|                                                                                                                      |                                                             |                                       |                                        |                          |   |
|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------|----------------------------------------|--------------------------|---|
| Vame                                                                                                                 | <i>bang<sup>w</sup>am</i> ɓa <sup>n</sup> g <sup>w</sup> am | *Ø <sup>n</sup> -ɓag <sup>w</sup> amØ | *m <sup>n</sup> Ø-ɓag <sup>w</sup> amØ | *ma-bak <sup>w</sup> ama | 1 |
| 1. *b > ɓ; *k <sup>w</sup> > g <sup>w</sup> ; *m > Ø <sup>n</sup> ; +N: g <sup>w</sup> > <sup>n</sup> g <sup>w</sup> |                                                             |                                       |                                        |                          |   |

MOFU

|         |                                                                           |                        |                         |                         |   |
|---------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------|-------------------------|-------------------------|---|
|         |                                                                           |                        |                         | √ C C Ca                |   |
| Zulgo   | <i><sup>m</sup>bukum</i> mbə <sup>w</sup> k <sup>w</sup> ə <sup>w</sup> m | *m-bk <sup>w</sup> m   | *mØ-bk <sup>w</sup> mØ  | *ma-bk <sup>w</sup> ma  | 1 |
|         |                                                                           |                        |                         | √ C CaCa                |   |
| Ouldeme | <i>a<sup>m</sup>bəkam</i> a <sup>m</sup> bəkam                            | *Øa- <sup>n</sup> bkam | *m <sup>n</sup> a-bkamØ | *ma-bk <sup>w</sup> ama | 2 |
| Gemzek  | <i><sup>m</sup>bukom</i> mbə <sup>w</sup> k <sup>w</sup> a <sup>w</sup> m | *m-bk <sup>w</sup> am  | *mØ-bk <sup>w</sup> amØ |                         | 3 |

<sup>76</sup> This root is areally quite restricted to the Eastern Plains (Gravina 2015); the final \*/l/ in Zina suggests a diachronic root \*x<sup>w</sup>ala, which would not be a valid PCC reconstruction, since the proto-language is reconstructed without \*/l/. The root could be either a loan (with as yet unidentified donor), or the Zina form reflects a later areal innovation after /l/ had been phonemicised from an allophone of PCC \*r, so there was likely a historically older areal form \*x<sup>w</sup>(a)ra that we tentatively reconstruct here.

<sup>77</sup> The geographic distribution of this root makes it hard to believe that as an 'areal root' it would have spread from a centre to the listed languages, which occupy territories quite far away from each other. Ga'anda (TERA) is spoken at the southern periphery of the territory occupied by CC languages, separated from MOFU and HURZA group languages, who are neighbours. The latter are spoken at quite a distance from MUSGUM (see Map 1).

|                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           |                                                                    |                                        |                                          |                              |   |
|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------|------------------------------------------|------------------------------|---|
| Moloko                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    | <i>mo<sup>o</sup>gom ma<sup>w</sup>g<sup>w</sup>a<sup>w</sup>m</i> | <i>*m<sup>n</sup>a-g<sup>w</sup>am</i> | <i>*m<sup>n</sup>a-Øg<sup>w</sup>amØ</i> |                              | 4 |
| 1. ə-epenthesis; +W: ə > u<br>2. *k <sup>w</sup> > k; *m > Ø <sup>n</sup> ; +N: *b > <sup>m</sup> b; ə-epenthesis<br>3. ə-epenthesis; +W: ə > u; +W: *a > o<br>4. *k <sup>w</sup> > g <sup>w</sup> ; +W: *a > o; *m > m <sup>n</sup> ; +N: g <sup>w</sup> > <sup>n</sup> g <sup>w</sup> ; |                                                                    |                                        |                                          |                              |   |
| MUSGUM                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    |                                                                    |                                        |                                          |                              |   |
| Vulum                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     | <i>amok ama<sup>w</sup>k</i>                                       | <i>*a-mak<sup>w</sup></i>              | <i>*Øa-Øk<sup>w</sup>amØ</i>             | <i>*ma-bk<sup>w</sup>ama</i> | 1 |
| 1. metathesis k <sup>w</sup> m > mk <sup>w</sup> ; +W: *a > o                                                                                                                                                                                                                             |                                                                    |                                        |                                          |                              |   |

horn<sub>4</sub>Areal root/loan? **\*l(a)gana**<sup>78</sup> (-y)

## HURZA

|                                                            |              |              |               |               |   |
|------------------------------------------------------------|--------------|--------------|---------------|---------------|---|
| Mbuko                                                      | <i>lakam</i> | <i>*lkam</i> | <i>*lkamØ</i> | <i>*lgana</i> | 1 |
| 1. *g > k; ə-epenthesis; for root-final *n > m (see 3.4.5) |              |              |               |               |   |

## KOTOKO-NORTH

|                                                           |                                  |                              |                  |                    |   |
|-----------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------|------------------------------|------------------|--------------------|---|
| Mpade                                                     | <i>lagan</i>                     | <i>*laganØ</i>               |                  | <i>*lagana(-y)</i> |   |
| Malgbe                                                    | <i>lagan</i>                     |                              |                  |                    |   |
| Maltam                                                    | <i>lagare lagara<sup>y</sup></i> | <i>*lagara-Ø<sup>y</sup></i> | <i>*lagara-y</i> |                    | 1 |
| 1. *n > r; *y > Ø <sup>y</sup> ; +Y: lexical-final *a > e |                                  |                              |                  |                    |   |

## KOTOKO-CENTRAL

|           |              |                |                |   |
|-----------|--------------|----------------|----------------|---|
| Mser      | <i>lagar</i> | <i>*lagarØ</i> | <i>*lagana</i> | 1 |
| 1. *n > r |              |                |                |   |

horse<sub>1</sub><sup>79</sup>Loan/Pseudo-PCC **\*p(a)r(a)sa** (-y, -k<sup>w</sup>; FV)

## DABA

|                                                          |                                           |                           |                |                |   |
|----------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------|---------------------------|----------------|----------------|---|
| Daba                                                     | <i>pilis pə<sup>y</sup>lə<sup>s</sup></i> | <i>*pls-Ø<sup>y</sup></i> | <i>*plsØ-y</i> | <i>*prsa-y</i> | 1 |
| 1. *r > l; ə-epenthesis; *y > Ø <sup>y</sup> ; +Y: ə > i |                                           |                           |                |                |   |

## MAFA

|                                                                                  |                                                           |                      |          |          |   |
|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------|----------------------|----------|----------|---|
| Mafa                                                                             | <i>pilef</i> pə <sup>y</sup> la <sup>s</sup> <sup>y</sup> | *plas-Ø <sup>y</sup> | *plasØ-y | *prasa-y | 1 |
| Cuvok                                                                            | <i>pəlez</i> pəla <sup>s</sup> z                          | *plaz-Ø <sup>y</sup> | *plazØ-y |          | 2 |
| 1. *r > l; ə-epenthesis; *y > Ø <sup>y</sup> ; +Y: ə > i; +Y: *a > e; +Y: *s > ʃ |                                                           |                      |          |          |   |
| 2. *r > l; *s > z; ə-epenthesis; *y > Ø <sup>y</sup> ; +Y: *a > e                |                                                           |                      |          |          |   |

<sup>78</sup> The areal nature and most likely later-than-PCC nature of this root is borne out by its limited geographic distribution at the northeastern periphery (see Map 1) and the consistent /l/ as initial consonant of the simple root – if it does not eventually turn out to be a loan. In any case and therefore, we are hesitant to reconstruct **\*r(a)gana** or **\*ḡ(a)gana** as its potential PCC origin, for which there is no robust comparative evidence found in the database.

<sup>79</sup> This is an obvious loan (ultimately from Arabic) and thus qualifies as a ‘Pseudo’-PCC root insofar as it has been streamlined into Central Chadic phonology systems to the extent of being apparently ‘reconstructable’.

## TERA

|                                                                            |                      |          |         |         |   |
|----------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------|----------|---------|---------|---|
| Ga'anda                                                                    | <i>pirfa</i> pəʔrs'a | *prsa-Øʏ | *prsa-y | *prsa-y | 1 |
| Tera                                                                       | <i>pərsi</i> pərsy   | *pr̥sØ-y |         |         | 2 |
| 1. ə-epenthesis; *y > Øʏ; +Y: ə > i; +Y: *s > ʃ<br>2. ə-epenthesis; *y > i |                      |          |         |         |   |

## HURZA

|                                                                                                          |                      |          |          |          |   |
|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------|----------|----------|----------|---|
| Mbuko                                                                                                    | <i>pəles</i> pəlaʔs  | *plas-Øʏ | *plasØ-y | *prasa-y | 1 |
| Vame                                                                                                     | <i>pələf</i> pəlaʔsʏ |          |          |          | 2 |
| 1. *r > l; ə-epenthesis; *y > Øʏ; +Y: *a > e<br>2. *r > l; ə-epenthesis; *y > Øʏ; +Y: *a > e; +Y: *s > ʃ |                      |          |          |          |   |

## MANDARA

|                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              |                         |           |         |           |   |
|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------|-----------|---------|-----------|---|
|                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              |                         |           |         | √ C C Ca  |   |
| Matal                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        | <i>pəlis</i> pəlaʔs     | *pls-Øʏ   | *plsØ-y | *prsa(-y) | 1 |
|                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              | <i>pəlif</i> pəlaʔsʏ    |           |         |           | 2 |
| Podoko                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       | <i>pirəfe</i> pəʔrəs'aʏ | *prsa-Ø   | *prsa-y |           | 3 |
| Glavda                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       | <i>pil:fa</i> pəʔls'a   | *plsa-Ø   | *plsa-y |           | 4 |
|                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              | <i>pəls</i>             | *plsØ     |         |           | 5 |
| Malgwa                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       | <i>bəlsa</i>            | *blsa     |         |           | 6 |
|                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              |                         |           |         | √ CaC Ca  |   |
| Mandara                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      | <i>bəlsa</i> baʔlsa     | *balsa-Øʏ |         | *parsa-y  | 7 |
| 1. *r > l; ə-epenthesis; *y > Øʏ; +Y: ə > i<br>2. *r > l; ə-epenthesis; *y > Øʏ; +Y: ə > i; +Y: *s > ʃ<br>3. ə-epenthesis; *y > Øʏ; +Y: ə > i; +Y: *s > ʃ; +Y: lexical-final *a > e<br>4. *r > l; ə-epenthesis; *y > Øʏ; +Y: ə > i; +Y: *s > ʃ; (consonantal length unaccounted for)<br>5. *r > l; ə-epenthesis<br>6. *p > b; *r > l; ə-epenthesis<br>7. *p > b; *r > l; *y > Øʏ; +Y: *a > e |                         |           |         |           |   |

## MOFU

|            |                      |            |           |          |   |
|------------|----------------------|------------|-----------|----------|---|
|            |                      |            |           | √ C C Ca |   |
| Ouldeme    | <i>pəlis</i> pəlaʔs  | *plsØ-Øʏ   | *prsa-y   |          | 1 |
| Zulgo      | <i>piris</i> pəʔrəʔs | *pr̥sØ-Øʏ  |           |          | 2 |
|            |                      |            |           | √ C CaCa |   |
| Moloko     | <i>pəles</i> pəlaʔs  | *plasØ-Øʏ  | *prasa-y  |          | 3 |
| Gemzek     | <i>pəles</i> pəlaʔs  |            |           |          | 3 |
| Merey      | <i>pəles</i> pəlaʔs  |            |           |          | 3 |
| Dugwor     | <i>pəles</i> pəlaʔs  |            |           |          | 3 |
| Mofu-Gudur | <i>pəles</i> pəlaʔs  |            |           |          | 3 |
|            |                      |            |           | √ CaCaCa |   |
| Mofu North | <i>peles</i> paʔlaʔs | *palasØ-Øʏ | *parasa-y |          | 4 |

1. \*r > l; ə-epenthesis; \*y > Ø<sup>y</sup>; +Y: ə > i
2. ə-epenthesis; \*y > Ø<sup>y</sup>; +Y: ə > i
3. \*r > l; ə-epenthesis; \*y > Ø<sup>y</sup>; +Y: \*a > e
4. \*r > l; \*y > Ø<sup>y</sup>; +Y: \*a > e

## MAROUA

|                |                                                             |                                      |                           |   |
|----------------|-------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------|---------------------------|---|
|                |                                                             |                                      | √ C C Ca                  |   |
| Mbazla         | <i>pilif</i> pə <sup>y</sup> lə <sup>s</sup> s <sup>y</sup> | *plsØ-Ø <sup>y</sup>                 | *prsa-y(-k <sup>w</sup> ) | 1 |
| Giziga Muturwa | <i>pilis(i)</i> pə <sup>y</sup> lə <sup>s</sup> sy          |                                      |                           | 2 |
|                | <i>plis</i> plə <sup>s</sup> s                              |                                      |                           | 3 |
|                | <i>put/ʉ</i> pə <sup>w</sup> ts <sup>s</sup> ə <sup>w</sup> | *ptsə-Ø <sup>y</sup> -Ø <sup>w</sup> | *pØtsə-y-k <sup>w</sup>   | 4 |
|                |                                                             |                                      | √ C CaCa                  |   |
| Giziga Marva   | <i>piles</i> pə <sup>y</sup> la <sup>s</sup> s              | *plasØ-Ø <sup>y</sup>                | *prasa-y                  | 5 |

1. \*r > l; ə-epenthesis; \*y > Ø<sup>y</sup>; +Y: ə > i; +Y: \*s > ʃ
2. \*r > l; ə-epenthesis; \*y > Ø<sup>y</sup>; +Y: ə > i; \*y > i
3. \*r > l; ə-epenthesis; \*y > Ø<sup>y</sup>; +Y: ə > i
4. \*s > ts; ə-epenthesis; \*y > Ø<sup>y</sup>; +Y: ts > tʃ; lexical-final \*a > ə; +W: ə > u
5. \*r > l; ə-epenthesis; \*y > Ø<sup>y</sup>; +Y: ə > i; +Y: \*a > e

## LAMANG

|        |                                      |         |         |   |
|--------|--------------------------------------|---------|---------|---|
| Lamang | <i>pəlis(i)</i> pələ <sup>s</sup> sy | *plsØ-y | *prsa-y | 1 |
| Hdi    | <i>pəlis</i> pələ <sup>s</sup> s     |         |         | 2 |

1. \*r > l; ə-epenthesis; \*y > y<sup>y</sup>; +Y: ə > i; \*y > i
2. \*r > l; ə-epenthesis; \*y > Ø<sup>y</sup>; +Y: ə > i

## MUSGUM

|        |                                                                 |                           |                           |   |
|--------|-----------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------|---------------------------|---|
|        |                                                                 |                           | √ C C Ca                  |   |
| Mulwi  | <i>aplis</i> aplə <sup>s</sup> s                                | *plsØ-Ø <sup>y</sup>      | *prsa-y                   | 1 |
| Vulum  | <i>aplis</i> aplə <sup>s</sup> s                                |                           |                           | 1 |
| Mbara  | <i>pilis</i> pə <sup>y</sup> lə <sup>s</sup> s                  | *plsØ-Ø <sup>y</sup>      |                           | 1 |
|        |                                                                 |                           | √ C CaCa                  |   |
| Muskum | <i>pleseke</i> plə <sup>s</sup> sa <sup>s</sup> ka <sup>y</sup> | *plasa-Ø <sup>y</sup> -ka | *prasa-y-k <sup>w</sup> a | 2 |

1. \*r > l; a-prothesis (Mulwi, Vulum); ə-epenthesis; \*y > Ø<sup>y</sup>; +Y: ə > i
2. \*r > l; \*y > Ø<sup>y</sup>; +Y: \*a > e

## GIDAR

|       |                                    |                      |           |   |
|-------|------------------------------------|----------------------|-----------|---|
| Gidar | <i>pəlsa</i> pəlsa                 | *plsa                | *prsa(-y) | 1 |
|       | <i>piilsa</i> pə <sup>y</sup> ylsa | *py <sup>y</sup> lsa |           | 2 |

1. \*r > l; ə-epenthesis
2. \*r > l; ə-epenthesis; metathesis lsy > yls; \*y > y<sup>y</sup>; +Y: ə > i; assimilation y (> i) > i/i\_

horse<sub>2</sub>PCC **\*t(a)k(a)wa** (-k<sup>w</sup>)

BATA

|                         |                               |       |       |   |
|-------------------------|-------------------------------|-------|-------|---|
| Gude                    | <i>təh<sup>w</sup>a</i> təxwa | *txwa | *tkwa | 1 |
| 1. *k > x; ə-epenthesis |                               |       |       |   |

DABA

|        |                              |                    |        |        |   |
|--------|------------------------------|--------------------|--------|--------|---|
| Buwal  | <i>dak<sup>w</sup></i> dakw  | *dakw              | *dakwØ | *takwa | 1 |
| Gavar  | <i>dak<sup>w</sup></i> dakw  |                    |        |        | 1 |
| Mbudum | <i>dok</i> da <sup>w</sup> k | *dakØ <sup>w</sup> |        |        | 2 |

1. \*t &gt; d

2. \*t > d; \*w > Ø<sup>w</sup>

SUKUR

|       |                                 |        |         |                         |   |
|-------|---------------------------------|--------|---------|-------------------------|---|
| Sukur | <i>duk</i> dwk                  | *dwk   | *dkwØ   | *tkwa(-k <sup>w</sup> ) | 1 |
|       | <i>dək'u<sup>80</sup></i> dək?w | *dkw-? | *dkwØ-k |                         | 2 |

1. \*t &gt; d; metathesis kw &gt; wk; \*w &gt; u

2. \*t > d; \*k<sup>w</sup> > k; \*k > ?; ə-epenthesis; \*w > u

MARGI

|             |                  |       |        |        |   |
|-------------|------------------|-------|--------|--------|---|
| Bura        | <i>taku</i> takw | *takw | *takwØ | *takwa | 1 |
| Kilba       | <i>taku</i> takw |       |        |        | 1 |
| Margi       | <i>tagu</i> tagw | *tagw | *tagwØ |        | 2 |
| Margi-South | <i>tagu</i> tagw |       |        |        | 2 |

1. \*w &gt; u

2. \*k &gt; g; \*w &gt; u

HIGI

|                         |                  |      |       |       |   |
|-------------------------|------------------|------|-------|-------|---|
| Kirya                   | <i>təku</i> təkw | *tkw | *tkwØ | *tkwa | 1 |
| 1. ə-epenthesis; *w > u |                  |      |       |       |   |

human being, person

PCC **\*(ma-) d(a)wa** (-y, -k<sup>w</sup>, -n; FV)

BATA

|        |                             |       |         |         |   |
|--------|-----------------------------|-------|---------|---------|---|
| Gude   | <i>ə<sup>w</sup>da</i> ənda | *n-da | *mØ-dØa | *ma-dwa | 1 |
| Sharwa | <i><sup>n</sup>du</i> ndw   | *n-dw | *mØ-dwØ |         | 2 |

1. ə-prothesis; homorganic assimilation \*m &gt; n/\_d

2. homorganic assimilation \*m &gt; n/\_d; w &gt; u

<sup>80</sup> It remains a matter of decision by the linguist whether to consider a case like this as representing a consonant cluster involving the glottal stop or rather a case of glottalisation prosody: ? > Ø<sup>2</sup>; +?: k > k<sup>?</sup>.

## MAFA

|                                                                        |                                        |                     |            |               |   |
|------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------|---------------------|------------|---------------|---|
| Mafa                                                                   | <i><sup>n</sup>do</i> nda <sup>w</sup> | *n-daØ <sup>w</sup> | *mØ-dawØ   | *ma-dawa(-na) | 1 |
| Cuvok                                                                  | <i><sup>n</sup>da</i> nda              | *n-da               | *mØ-dØa    |               | 2 |
|                                                                        | <i><sup>n</sup>dana</i> ndana          | *n-da-na            | *mØ-dØa-na |               | 2 |
| 1. homorganic assimilation *m > n/_d; *w > Ø <sup>w</sup> ; +W: *a > o |                                        |                     |            |               |   |
| 2. homorganic assimilation *m > n/_d                                   |                                        |                     |            |               |   |

## TERA

|                                                                    |                                                    |                        |                          |                          |   |
|--------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------|------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|---|
| Tera                                                               | <sup>n</sup> duku ndwk <sup>w</sup> ə <sup>w</sup> | *n-dw-k <sup>w</sup> a | *mØ-dwØ-k <sup>w</sup> a | *ma-dwa-k <sup>w</sup> a | 1 |
| 1. homorganic assimilation *m > n/_d; *w > u; FV *a > ə; +W: ə > u |                                                    |                        |                          |                          |   |

## SUKUR

|                                              |                     |       |         |         |   |
|----------------------------------------------|---------------------|-------|---------|---------|---|
| Sukur                                        | <sup>n</sup> da nda | *n-da | *mØ-dØa | *ma-dwa | 1 |
|                                              | <sup>n</sup> du ndw | *n-dw | *mØ-dwØ |         | 2 |
| 1. homorganic assimilation *m > n/_d         |                     |       |         |         |   |
| 2. homorganic assimilation *m > n/_d; *w > u |                     |       |         |         |   |

## MARGI

|                                              |                     |       |         |         |   |
|----------------------------------------------|---------------------|-------|---------|---------|---|
| Kilba                                        | <sup>n</sup> du ndw | *n-dw | *mØ-dwØ | *ma-dwa | 1 |
| 1. homorganic assimilation *m > n/_d; *w > u |                     |       |         |         |   |

## MANDARA

|                                                                                                  |                                                      |                                    |                       |             |   |
|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------|-----------------------|-------------|---|
| Podoko                                                                                           | <i>mə<sup>n</sup>da</i>                              | *m- <sup>n</sup> da                | *m <sup>n</sup> Ø-dØa | *ma-dwa(-y) | 1 |
| Malgwa                                                                                           | <i><sup>n</sup>da nda</i>                            | *n-da                              | *mØ-dØa               |             | 2 |
| Glavda                                                                                           | <i>uda wda</i>                                       | *w-da                              | *wØ-dØa               |             | 3 |
|                                                                                                  | <i>uu ww</i>                                         | *w-w                               | *wØ-ØwØ               |             | 4 |
| Dghwede                                                                                          | <i>wude w<sup>w</sup>ə<sup>w</sup>da<sup>y</sup></i> | *w <sup>w</sup> -da-Ø <sup>y</sup> | *wØ-dØa-y             |             | 5 |
| 1. *m > m <sup>n</sup> > Ø <sup>n</sup> ; +N: *d > <sup>n</sup> d; ə-epenthesis                  |                                                      |                                    |                       |             |   |
| 2. homorganic assimilation *m > n/_d                                                             |                                                      |                                    |                       |             |   |
| 3. *m > w > u                                                                                    |                                                      |                                    |                       |             |   |
| 4. *m > w > u; *w > u                                                                            |                                                      |                                    |                       |             |   |
| 5. *m > w <sup>w</sup> ; ə-epenthesis; +W: ə > u; *y > Ø <sup>y</sup> ; +Y: lexical-final *a > e |                                                      |                                    |                       |             |   |

## MOFU

|                                                                                                                                    |                                       |                              |                   |                   |   |
|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------|------------------------------|-------------------|-------------------|---|
| Merey                                                                                                                              | <i><sup>n</sup>do nda<sup>w</sup></i> | * <i>n</i> -daØ <sup>w</sup> | * <i>m</i> Ø-dawØ | * <i>ma</i> -dawa | 1 |
| Mofu North                                                                                                                         | <i><sup>n</sup>daw ndaw</i>           | * <i>n</i> -daw              | * <i>m</i> Ø-dawØ |                   | 2 |
| Mofu-Gudur                                                                                                                         | <i><sup>n</sup>daw ndaw</i>           |                              |                   |                   | 2 |
| Dugwor                                                                                                                             | <i>w</i> daw                          | * <i>w</i> -daw              | * <i>w</i> Ø-dawØ |                   | 3 |
| 1. homorganic assimilation * <i>m</i> > <i>n</i> / <sub>-</sub> <i>d</i> ; * <i>w</i> > Ø <sup>w</sup> ; +W: * <i>a</i> > <i>o</i> |                                       |                              |                   |                   |   |
| 2. homorganic assimilation * <i>m</i> > <i>n</i> / <sub>-</sub> <i>d</i>                                                           |                                       |                              |                   |                   |   |
| 3. * <i>m</i> > <i>w</i>                                                                                                           |                                       |                              |                   |                   |   |

## LAMANG

|                                                                                                        |                                            |                     |                       |         |   |
|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------|---------------------|-----------------------|---------|---|
| Hdi                                                                                                    | <i>mə<sup>n</sup>du</i> mə <sup>n</sup> dw | *m- <sup>n</sup> dw | *m <sup>n</sup> Ø-dwØ | *ma-dwa | 1 |
|                                                                                                        | <i>mndu</i> m <sup>n</sup> dw              |                     |                       |         | 2 |
| Lamang                                                                                                 | <i>w<sup>n</sup>du</i> w <sup>n</sup> dw   | *w- <sup>n</sup> dw | *m <sup>n</sup> Ø-dwØ |         | 3 |
| 1. *m > m <sup>n</sup> > Ø <sup>n</sup> ; +N: *d > <sup>n</sup> d; ə-epenthesis; *w > u                |                                            |                     |                       |         |   |
| 2. *m > m <sup>n</sup> > Ø <sup>n</sup> ; +N: *d > <sup>n</sup> d; *w > u                              |                                            |                     |                       |         |   |
| 3. *m > m <sup>n</sup> > Ø <sup>n</sup> ; +N: *d > <sup>n</sup> d; prefixal *m > w > u; radical *w > u |                                            |                     |                       |         |   |

## HIGI

|                                                                                                                                                                                                    |                                                     |                     |                       |         |   |
|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------|---------------------|-----------------------|---------|---|
| Kirya                                                                                                                                                                                              | <sup>n</sup> də ndə                                 | *n-da               | *mØ-dØa               | *ma-dwa | 1 |
| Psikye                                                                                                                                                                                             | <sup>n</sup> də ndə                                 |                     |                       |         | 1 |
|                                                                                                                                                                                                    | wɪ <sup>n</sup> du w <sup>w</sup> ə <sup>w</sup> dw | *w- <sup>n</sup> dw | *m <sup>n</sup> Ø-dwØ |         | 2 |
| 1. homorganic assimilation *m > n/_d; lexical-final *a > ə<br>2. *m > m <sup>n</sup> > Ø <sup>n</sup> ; +N: *d > <sup>n</sup> d; *w > u; ə-epenthesis; prefixal *m > w <sup>w</sup> > u; +W: ə > u |                                                     |                     |                       |         |   |

hump<sup>81</sup>PCC/loan(?)<sup>82</sup> \*(ma-, xa-) dz(a)g<sup>w</sup>(a)ra (-y, -k<sup>w</sup>; FV)

## DABA

|                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           |                                                                   |                                                  |                                                  |                           |   |
|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------|---------------------------|---|
|                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           |                                                                   |                                                  |                                                  | √ C C Ca                  |   |
| Mbudum                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    | d <sup>i</sup> g <sup>i</sup> r də <sup>y</sup> gə <sup>y</sup> r | *Ø <sup>n</sup> -d <sup>g</sup> r-Ø <sup>y</sup> | *m <sup>n</sup> Ø-d <sup>g</sup> rØ-y            | *ma-dzg <sup>w</sup> ra-y | 1 |
| Gavar                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     | də <sup>y</sup> g <sup>r</sup> də <sup>y</sup> gə <sup>w</sup> r  | *Ø <sup>n</sup> -d <sup>g</sup> <sup>w</sup> r   | *m <sup>n</sup> Ø-d <sup>g</sup> <sup>w</sup> rØ |                           | 2 |
|                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           |                                                                   |                                                  |                                                  | √ C CaCa                  |   |
| Buwal                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     | dəg <sup>w</sup> ar                                               | *d <sup>g</sup> <sup>w</sup> arØ                 |                                                  | *dzg <sup>w</sup> ara     | 3 |
| 1. *dz (> d) > d; *g <sup>w</sup> > g; ə-epenthesis; *y > Ø <sup>y</sup> ; +Y: ə > i; *m > Ø <sup>n</sup> ; +N: g > <sup>n</sup> g<br>2. *dz (> d) > d; ə-epenthesis; +W: ə > u; *m > Ø <sup>n</sup> ; +N: g <sup>w</sup> > <sup>n</sup> g <sup>w</sup><br>3. *dz (> d) > d; ə-epenthesis |                                                                   |                                                  |                                                  |                           |   |

## TERA

|                                                   |                                                                                 |                                 |  |                      |   |
|---------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------|--|----------------------|---|
| Tera                                              | d <sup>i</sup> g <sup>u</sup> l də <sup>w</sup> g <sup>w</sup> ə <sup>w</sup> l | *d <sup>g</sup> <sup>w</sup> lØ |  | *dzg <sup>w</sup> ra | 1 |
| 1. *dz (> d) > d; *r > l; ə-epenthesis; +W: ə > u |                                                                                 |                                 |  |                      |   |

## SUKUR

|                                                                                  |                                                                                                 |                                    |                        |                        |   |
|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------|------------------------|------------------------|---|
| Sukur                                                                            | dzigud <sup>f</sup> dz <sup>ə</sup> ə <sup>y</sup> g <sup>w</sup> ə <sup>w</sup> d <sup>f</sup> | *dzg <sup>w</sup> d-Ø <sup>y</sup> | *dzg <sup>w</sup> dØ-y | *dzg <sup>w</sup> ra-y | 1 |
| 1. *r > d; *y > Ø <sup>y</sup> ; +Y: *dz > d <sup>g</sup> ; +Y: ə > i; +W: ə > u |                                                                                                 |                                    |                        |                        |   |

## HURZA

|                                                                                                                |                                                                |                                        |                            |                            |   |
|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------|----------------------------|----------------------------|---|
|                                                                                                                |                                                                |                                        |                            | √ C CaCa                   |   |
| Mbuko                                                                                                          | mədzəgar<br>mədzəgar                                           | *mØ-dzgarØ                             |                            | *ma-dzg <sup>w</sup> ara   | 1 |
|                                                                                                                |                                                                |                                        |                            | √ CaCaCa                   |   |
| Vame                                                                                                           | hwadegwar<br>x <sup>w</sup> ada <sup>y</sup> g <sup>w</sup> ar | *xa-dag <sup>w</sup> ar-Ø <sup>y</sup> | *xa-dag <sup>w</sup> arØ-y | *xa-dzg <sup>w</sup> ara-y | 2 |
| 1. *g <sup>w</sup> > g; ə-epenthesis<br>2. *dz > d; +W: *x > x <sup>w</sup> ; *y > Ø <sup>y</sup> ; +Y: *a > e |                                                                |                                        |                            |                            |   |

<sup>81</sup> Hump on a zebu cow, by extension also used for a human hunchback. Note that Central Chadic speakers know two different kinds of cows, the zebu cow and a humpless smaller breed.

<sup>82</sup> It remains unclear whether the root reflects a borrowing from Kanuri *zugure* ~ *tsugure* or whether Kanuri has borrowed this root from Central Chadic. Various reflexes of this root (even within the same language, cf. Bura) may mirror different paths of borrowing or re-borrowing.

## MARGI

|                                                                        |                          |            |           |              |   |
|------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------|------------|-----------|--------------|---|
|                                                                        |                          |            |           | √ C C Ca     |   |
| Bura                                                                   | <i>dʒukur dzʷəᵛkʷəᵛr</i> | *dzkʷr-Øʷ  | *dzkʷrØ-y | *dzgʷra-y    | 1 |
|                                                                        | <i>dʒikur dzʷəᵛkʷəᵛr</i> |            |           |              |   |
|                                                                        |                          |            |           | √ CaCaCa     |   |
| Bura                                                                   | <i>madagara</i>          | *ma-dagara |           | *ma-dzagʷara | 3 |
|                                                                        | <i>madakara</i>          | *ma-dakara |           | 4            |   |
| 1. *gʷ > kʷ; ə-epenthesis; *y > Øʷ; +Y: *dz > dʒ; +W: ə > u            |                          |            |           |              |   |
| 2. *gʷ > kʷ; *ə-epenthesis; y > Øʷ; +Y: *dz > dʒ; +Y: ə > i; +W: ə > u |                          |            |           |              |   |
| 3. *dz > d; *gʷ > g                                                    |                          |            |           |              |   |
| 4. *dz > d; *gʷ (> g) > k                                              |                          |            |           |              |   |

## MOFU

|                                                                         |                                                            |                          |                           |   |
|-------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------|---------------------------|---|
|                                                                         |                                                            |                          | √ C C Ca                  |   |
| Zulgo                                                                   | <i>madzəgar</i>                                            | *ma-dzgrØ                | *ma-dzg <sup>w</sup> ra   | 1 |
|                                                                         |                                                            |                          | √ C CaCa                  |   |
| Gemzek                                                                  | <i>madzəgar</i>                                            | *ma-dzgarØ               | *ma-dzg <sup>w</sup> ara  | 1 |
| Merey                                                                   | <i>madzəgar</i>                                            |                          |                           | 1 |
| Mofu North                                                              | <i>madzəgar</i>                                            |                          |                           | 1 |
|                                                                         |                                                            |                          | √ CaCaCa                  |   |
| Moloko                                                                  | <i>mətokor məta<sup>w</sup>k<sup>w</sup>a<sup>w</sup>r</i> | *mØ-tak <sup>w</sup> arØ | *ma-dzag <sup>w</sup> ara | 2 |
| 1. *g <sup>w</sup> > g; ə-epenthesis                                    |                                                            |                          |                           |   |
| 2. *dz > t; *g <sup>w</sup> > k <sup>w</sup> ; +W: *a > o; ə-epenthesis |                                                            |                          |                           |   |

## KOTOKO-NORTH

|                                                                                        |                           |           |          |           |   |
|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------|-----------|----------|-----------|---|
| Mpade                                                                                  | <i>sugure</i> səᵛgʷəᵛraᵛ  | *sgʷra-Øʷ | *sgʷra-y | *dzgʷra-y | 1 |
| Malgbe                                                                                 | <i>sigbire</i> səᵛgbəᵛraᵛ | *sgbra-Øʷ | *sgbra-y |           | 2 |
| 1. *dz (> z) > s; ə-epenthesis; +W: ə > u; *y > Øʷ; +Y: lexical-final *a > e           |                           |           |          |           |   |
| 2. *dz (> z) > s; *gʷ > gb; ə-epenthesis; *y > Øʷ; +Y: ə > i; +Y: lexical-final *a > e |                           |           |          |           |   |

## KOTOKO-CENTRAL

|                                                                                             |                                     |          |           |             |   |
|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------|----------|-----------|-------------|---|
| Lagwan                                                                                      | <i>zurk ʰa<sup>83</sup> zəᵛrkʷa</i> | *zrkʷ-ʔa | *zkʷrØ-ka | *dzgʷra-kʷa | 1 |
| 1. *dz > z; *gʷ > kʷ; metathesis kʷr > rkʷ; suffixal *kʷ (> k) > ʔ; ə-epenthesis; +W: ə > u |                                     |          |           |             |   |

## KOTOKO-SOUTH

|                                                           |                             |                 |                 |                |   |
|-----------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------|-----------------|-----------------|----------------|---|
| Mazera                                                    | <i>dʒaŋkʷara dzʷaᵛkʷara</i> | *Øᵛ-dzakʷara-Øʷ | *mᵛØ-dzakʷara-y | *ma-dzagʷara-y | 1 |
| 1. *gʷ > kʷ; *y > Øʷ; +Y: *dz > dʒ; *m > Øᵛ; +N: kʷ > ʱkʷ |                             |                 |                 |                |   |

## MUSGUM

|                                                                 |                            |           |  |           |   |
|-----------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------|-----------|--|-----------|---|
| Mulwi                                                           | <i>zugurii zəᵛgʷəᵛraᵛy</i> | *zgʷrØ-yʷ |  | *dzgʷra-y | 1 |
| 1. *dz > z; ə-epenthesis; +W: ə > u; *y > yʷ; +Y: ə > i; *y > i |                            |           |  |           |   |

<sup>83</sup> It remains a matter of decision by the linguist whether to consider a case like this as representing a consonant cluster involving the glottal stop or rather a case of glottalisation prosody: ʔ > Øʷ, +ʔ: kʷ > kʷʷ.



hunger<sup>84</sup>PCC \*(x<sup>w</sup>a-, RED-) m(a)ya (-k<sup>w</sup>, -t; FV)

## BATA

|                                                               |                   |         |         |                       |   |
|---------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------|---------|---------|-----------------------|---|
| Sharwa                                                        | <i>miki</i> mykəʋ | *myʋ-ka | *myØ-ka | *mya-k <sup>w</sup> a | 1 |
| 1. *k <sup>w</sup> > k; FV *a > ə; *y > yʋ; +Y: ə > i; *y > i |                   |         |         |                       |   |

## MAFA

|       |            |       |       |  |
|-------|------------|-------|-------|--|
| Mafa  | <i>may</i> | *mayØ | *maya |  |
| Cuvok | <i>may</i> |       |       |  |

## TERA

|                                                                                |                     |         |         |         |   |
|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------|---------|---------|---------|---|
|                                                                                |                     |         |         | √ C Ca  |   |
| Ga'anda                                                                        | <i>miita</i> mə'yta | *myʋ-ta | *myØ-ta | *mya-ta | 1 |
|                                                                                |                     |         |         | √ CaCa  |   |
| Tera                                                                           | <i>mee</i> maʋ      | *maØʋ   | *mayØ   | *maya   | 2 |
| 1. ə-epenthesis; *y > yʋ; +Y: ə > i; *y > i                                    |                     |         |         |         |   |
| 2. y > Øʋ; +Y: a > e; (the status of vowel length in Tera remains problematic) |                     |         |         |         |   |

## SUKUR

|           |                |      |       |       |   |
|-----------|----------------|------|-------|-------|---|
| Sukur     | <i>may</i>     | *may | *mayØ | *maya |   |
|           | <i>mai</i> may |      |       |       | 1 |
| 1. *y > i |                |      |       |       |   |

## HURZA

|                            |                                   |                      |                        |                          |  |
|----------------------------|-----------------------------------|----------------------|------------------------|--------------------------|--|
| Mbuko                      | <i>may</i>                        | *may                 | *mayØ                  | *(x <sup>w</sup> a-)maya |  |
| Vame                       | <i>may</i>                        |                      |                        |                          |  |
|                            | <i>humay</i> x <sup>w</sup> əʋmay | *x <sup>w</sup> -may | *x <sup>w</sup> Ø-mayØ |                          |  |
| 1. ə-epenthesis; +W: ə > u |                                   |                      |                        |                          |  |

## MARGI

|           |              |     |      |      |   |
|-----------|--------------|-----|------|------|---|
| Bura      | <i>mi</i> my | *my | *myØ | *mya | 1 |
| Margi     | <i>mi</i> my |     |      |      | 1 |
| 1. *y > i |              |     |      |      |   |

## MANDARA

|           |             |       |       |       |   |
|-----------|-------------|-------|-------|-------|---|
| Podoko    | <i>maya</i> | *maya |       | *maya |   |
| Matal     | <i>may</i>  | *mayØ |       |       |   |
| Mandara   | <i>waya</i> | *waya |       |       | 1 |
| Malgwa    | <i>waya</i> |       |       |       | 1 |
| Glavda    | <i>waya</i> |       |       |       | 1 |
|           | <i>wa</i>   | *wa   | *waØØ | 1     |   |
| 1. *m > w |             |       |       |       |   |

## MOFU

|        |            |       |  |
|--------|------------|-------|--|
| Moloko | <i>may</i> | *maya |  |
| Zulgo  | <i>may</i> |       |  |
| Gemzek | <i>may</i> |       |  |

<sup>84</sup> This root has a broad range of meanings, including 'to be hungry; famine, drought, scarcity'. See also the root for 'mouth', which is likely identical, but both allow for different augmented structures and surface representations, hence we describe and analyse them separately in this study.

|            |            |       |  |  |
|------------|------------|-------|--|--|
| Merey      | <i>may</i> | *mayØ |  |  |
| Dugwor     | <i>may</i> |       |  |  |
| Mofu North | <i>may</i> |       |  |  |
| Mofu-Gudur | <i>may</i> |       |  |  |

## MAROUA

|                |                                |                         |                                            |   |
|----------------|--------------------------------|-------------------------|--------------------------------------------|---|
| Giziga-Muturwa | <i>may</i>                     | *mayØ                   | *(x <sup>w</sup> a-)maya(-k <sup>w</sup> ) |   |
| Giziga-Marva   | <i>may</i>                     |                         |                                            |   |
| Mbazla         | <i>may</i>                     |                         |                                            |   |
|                | <i>omai' a<sup>w</sup>may?</i> | *Ø <sup>w</sup> a-may-? | *x <sup>w</sup> a-mayØ-k <sup>w</sup>      | 1 |

1. \*x<sup>w</sup> > Ø<sup>w</sup>; +W: \*a > o; \*k<sup>w</sup> (> k) > ?; \*y > i

## LAMANG

|        |             |       |       |  |
|--------|-------------|-------|-------|--|
| Lamang | <i>maya</i> | *maya | *maya |  |
| Hdi    | <i>maya</i> |       |       |  |

## HIGI

|             |            |       |                      |                        |   |
|-------------|------------|-------|----------------------|------------------------|---|
| Kamwe-Nkafa | <i>mā</i>  | *ma   | *maØØ                | *maya(k <sup>w</sup> ) |   |
| Kamwe-Futu  | <i>ma</i>  |       |                      |                        |   |
| Psikye      | <i>ma</i>  |       |                      |                        |   |
| Bana        | <i>ma</i>  |       |                      |                        |   |
| Kirya       | <i>'ma</i> | *ma-? | *maØØ-k <sup>w</sup> |                        | 1 |

1. \*k<sup>w</sup> (> k) > ? > Ø<sup>?</sup>; +? > 'm

## MUSGUM

|       |                |          |                         |            |           |   |
|-------|----------------|----------|-------------------------|------------|-----------|---|
| Mbara | <i>miyamay</i> | mə'yamay | *mØy <sup>a</sup> a-may | *maya-mayØ | *RED-maya | 1 |
|-------|----------------|----------|-------------------------|------------|-----------|---|

1. \*y > y<sup>?</sup>; ə-epenthesis; +Y: ə > i

## GIDAR

|       |             |       |       |  |
|-------|-------------|-------|-------|--|
| Gidar | <i>maya</i> | *maya | *maya |  |
|-------|-------------|-------|-------|--|

## hut, bedroom

PCC \*v(a)na (-a, -y, -k<sup>w</sup>)

## BATA

|        |             |                                 |                     |        |        |   |
|--------|-------------|---------------------------------|---------------------|--------|--------|---|
| Bata   | <i>vīne</i> | və <sup>n</sup> na <sup>y</sup> | *vna-Ø <sup>y</sup> | *vna-y | *vna-y | 1 |
| Sharwa | <i>vīra</i> | və <sup>n</sup> ra              | *vra-Ø <sup>y</sup> | *vra-y |        | 2 |

1. ə-epenthesis; \*y > Ø<sup>y</sup>; +Y: ə > i; +Y: lexical-final \*a > e2. \*n > r; ə-epenthesis; \*y > Ø<sup>y</sup>; +Y: ə > i

## DABA

|        |            |     |        |                     |  |   |
|--------|------------|-----|--------|---------------------|--|---|
| Mbudum | <i>bəŋ</i> | *bŋ | *bnØ-k | *vna-k <sup>w</sup> |  | 1 |
|--------|------------|-----|--------|---------------------|--|---|

1. \*v > b; ə-epenthesis; \*k<sup>w</sup> > k; fusion \*nk > ŋ

## MAFA

|       |            |                   |                     |           |                        |   |
|-------|------------|-------------------|---------------------|-----------|------------------------|---|
| Cuvok | <i>veŋ</i> | va <sup>n</sup> ŋ | *van-Ø <sup>y</sup> | *vanØ-y-k | *vana-y-k <sup>w</sup> | 1 |
|-------|------------|-------------------|---------------------|-----------|------------------------|---|

1. \*y > Ø<sup>y</sup>; +Y: \*a > e; \*k<sup>w</sup> > k; fusion \*nk > ŋ

## SUKUR

|       |           |     |      |      |  |  |
|-------|-----------|-----|------|------|--|--|
| Sukur | <i>va</i> | *va | *vØa | *vna |  |  |
|-------|-----------|-----|------|------|--|--|

## MARGI

|       |              |      |        |        |   |
|-------|--------------|------|--------|--------|---|
| Kilba | <i>vi vy</i> | *v-y | *vØØ-y | *vna-y | 1 |
|-------|--------------|------|--------|--------|---|

1. \*y &gt; i

## MANDARA

|         |                    |          |         |          |   |
|---------|--------------------|----------|---------|----------|---|
|         |                    |          |         | √ C Ca   |   |
| Malgwa  | <i>bəre bəraʸ</i>  | *bra-Øʸ  | *bra-y  | *vna(-y) | 1 |
| Glavda  | <i>və</i>          | *və      | *vØa    |          | 2 |
|         | <i>v</i>           | *vØ      |         |          |   |
|         |                    |          |         | √ CaCa   |   |
| Mandara | <i>bere baʸraʸ</i> | *bara-Øʸ | *bara-y | *vana-y  | 3 |

1. \*v &gt; b; \*n &gt; r; \*y &gt; Øʸ; +Y: lexical-final \*a &gt; e

2. lexical-final \*a &gt; ə

3. \*v &gt; b; \*n &gt; r; \*y &gt; Øʸ; +Y: \*a &gt; e

## MOFU

|         |                 |         |         |          |   |
|---------|-----------------|---------|---------|----------|---|
|         |                 |         |         | √ C Ca   |   |
| Zulgo   | <i>bir bəʸr</i> | br-Øʸ   | *brØ-y  | *vna(-y) | 1 |
| Gemzek  | <i>bir bəʸr</i> |         |         |          | 1 |
|         | <i>bəra</i>     | *bra    |         |          | 2 |
| Ouldeme | <i>vər</i>      | *vr     | *vrØ    |          | 3 |
|         |                 |         |         | √ CaCa   |   |
| Merey   | <i>ber baʸr</i> | *bar-Øʸ | *barØ-y | *vana-y  | 4 |
| Moloko  | <i>ver vaʸr</i> | *var-Øʸ | *varØ-y |          | 5 |

1. \*n &gt; r; \*v &gt; b; ə-epenthesis; \*y &gt; Øʸ; +Y: \*ə &gt; i

2. \*n &gt; r; \*v &gt; b; ə-epenthesis

3. \*n &gt; r; ə-epenthesis

4. \*n &gt; r; \*v &gt; b; \*y &gt; Øʸ; +Y: \*a &gt; e

5. \*n &gt; r; \*y &gt; Øʸ; +Y: \*a &gt; e

## MAROUA

|              |                 |         |           |            |   |
|--------------|-----------------|---------|-----------|------------|---|
|              |                 |         |           | √ C Ca     |   |
| Mbazla       | <i>viŋ vəʸŋ</i> | *vŋ-Øʸ  | *vnØ-y-k  | *vna-y-kʷ  | 1 |
|              |                 |         |           | √ CaCa     |   |
| Giziga-Marva | <i>veŋ vaʸŋ</i> | *vaŋ-Øʸ | *vanØ-y-k | *vana-y-kʷ | 2 |

1. kʷ &gt; k; fusion \*nk &gt; ŋ; ə-epenthesis; \*y &gt; Øʸ; +Y: ə &gt; i

2. kʷ &gt; k; fusion \*nk &gt; ŋ; ə-epenthesis; \*y &gt; Øʸ; +Y: a &gt; e

## LAMANG

|        |                     |        |          |           |   |
|--------|---------------------|--------|----------|-----------|---|
| Lamang | <i>ivŋ(i) əʸvŋy</i> | *vŋ-yʸ | *vnØ-y-k | *vna-y-kʷ | 1 |
|        | <i>ivəŋ əʸvŋ</i>    | *vŋ-Øʸ |          |           | 2 |
| Hdi    | <i>viŋ vəʸŋ</i>     |        |          |           | 3 |

1. kʷ &gt; k; fusion \*nk &gt; ŋ; ə-prothesis; \*y &gt; yʸ; +Y: ə &gt; i; \*y &gt; i

2. kʷ &gt; k; fusion \*nk &gt; ŋ; ə-prothesis; ə-epenthesis; \*y &gt; Øʸ; +Y: ə &gt; i

3. kʷ &gt; k; fusion \*nk &gt; ŋ; ə-epenthesis; \*y &gt; Øʸ; +Y: ə &gt; i

## HIGI

|                                                                  |                      |                   |        |        |   |
|------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------|-------------------|--------|--------|---|
| Kamwe-Nkafa                                                      | vyi v <sup>y</sup> y | *v-y <sup>y</sup> | *vØØ-y | *vna-y | 1 |
| Kamwe-Futu                                                       | vi vy                | *v-y              |        |        | 2 |
| 1. *y > y <sup>y</sup> > i; +Y: *v > v <sup>y</sup><br>2. *y > i |                      |                   |        |        |   |

## KOTOKO-NORTH

|                                             |                 |        |        |        |   |
|---------------------------------------------|-----------------|--------|--------|--------|---|
| Afade                                       | <i>fin</i> fəʔn | *fn-Øʔ | *fnØ-y | *vna-y | 1 |
| Mpade                                       | <i>fin</i> fəʔn |        |        |        | 1 |
| Malgbe                                      | <i>fin</i> fəʔn |        |        |        | 1 |
| 1. *v > f, ə-epenthesis; *y > Øʔ; +Y: ə > i |                 |        |        |        |   |

## KOTOKO-CENTRAL

|                                                          |                                |                    |        |        |   |
|----------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------|--------------------|--------|--------|---|
| Lagwan                                                   | <i>vini</i> və <sup>n</sup> ny | *vn-y <sup>y</sup> | *vnØ-y | *vna-y | 1 |
| Mser                                                     | <i>vir</i> və <sup>r</sup> r   | *vr-Ø <sup>y</sup> | *vrØ-y |        | 2 |
| 1. ə-epenthesis; *y > y <sup>y</sup> > i; +Y: ə > i      |                                |                    |        |        |   |
| 2. *n > r; ə-epenthesis; *y > Ø <sup>y</sup> ; +Y: ə > i |                                |                    |        |        |   |

## MUSGUM

|                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           |                                                |                                     |          |                       |                           |   |
|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------|----------|-----------------------|---------------------------|---|
| Vulum                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     | <i>funii</i> fə <sup>w</sup> nə <sup>y</sup> y | *fna-y <sup>y</sup> -Ø <sup>w</sup> |          | *fna-y-k <sup>w</sup> | *vna(-a)-y-k <sup>w</sup> | 1 |
| Mulwi                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     | <i>funii</i> fə <sup>w</sup> nə <sup>y</sup> y |                                     |          |                       |                           | 1 |
| Mbara                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     | <i>fīṇay</i> fə <sup>y</sup> ṇay               | *fṇ-ay <sup>y</sup>                 | *fṇk-a-y | *fṇØ-a-y-k            |                           | 2 |
| 1. *v > f; ə-epenthesis; *k <sup>w</sup> > Ø <sup>w</sup> ; +W: ə > u; lexical-final *a > ə; *y > y <sup>y</sup> > i; +Y: ə > i<br>2. *v > f; ə-epenthesis; multiple metathesis nyk > kny; fusion kn > ṇ; *y > y <sup>y</sup> ; +Y: ə > i |                                                |                                     |          |                       |                           |   |

## GIDAR

|                                                                                 |                           |                     |        |        |   |
|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------|---------------------|--------|--------|---|
| Gidar                                                                           | biina bə <sup>y</sup> yna | *by <sup>y</sup> na | *bna-y | *vna-y | 1 |
| 1. *v > b; metathesis ny > yn; ə-epenthesis; *y > y <sup>y</sup> > i; +Y: ə > i |                           |                     |        |        |   |

itch/scratch, to

PCC \*(ma-, RED-) f(a)na (-a, -y, -k<sup>w</sup>)

## MAFA

|                                             |                                                                |                            |                  |                  |   |
|---------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------|------------------|------------------|---|
| Cuvok                                       | mefefrey<br>ma <sup>y</sup> fa <sup>y</sup> fra <sup>y</sup> y | *ma-fa-fØr-ay <sup>y</sup> | *ma-RED-farØ-a-y | *ma-RED-fana-a-y | 1 |
| 1. *n > r; *y > y <sup>y</sup> ; +Y: *a > e |                                                                |                            |                  |                  |   |

## HURZA

|                 |        |        |         |           |   |
|-----------------|--------|--------|---------|-----------|---|
|                 |        |        |         | √ C Ca    |   |
| Vame            | fəfəna | *f-fna |         | *RED-fna  | 1 |
|                 |        |        |         | √ CaCa    |   |
| Mbuko           | fəfan  | *f-fan | *f-fanØ | *RED-fana | 1 |
| 1. ə-epenthesis |        |        |         |           |   |

## MOFU

|            |       |         |           |                          |   |
|------------|-------|---------|-----------|--------------------------|---|
|            |       |         |           | √ C Ca                   |   |
| Gemzek     | fər   | *fr     | *frØ      | *fna                     | 1 |
|            |       |         |           | √ CaCa                   |   |
| Moloko     | far   | *far    | *farØ     | *(ma-, RED-)<br>fana(-y) | 2 |
| Mofu-Gudur | fəfər | *fa-fØr | *RED-farØ |                          | 1 |

|                                                                                                                         |                          |              |                 |         |   |
|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------|--------------|-----------------|---------|---|
| Merey                                                                                                                   | <i>fəfar</i>             | *f-far       |                 |         | 1 |
| Dugwor                                                                                                                  | <i>məferey məfaʸraʸy</i> | *m-far-ayʸ   | *mØ-farØ-a-y    |         | 3 |
| Mada                                                                                                                    | <i>moffor maʷffaʷr</i>   | *ma-f-far-Øʷ | *ma-RED-farØ-kʷ |         | 4 |
| 1. *n > r; ə-epenthesis<br>2. *n > r<br>3. *n > r; ə-epenthesis; *y > yʸ; +Y: *a > e<br>4. *n > r; *kʷ > Øʷ; +W: *a > o |                          |              |                 |         |   |
| MAROUA                                                                                                                  |                          |              |                 |         |   |
| Giziga-Muturwa                                                                                                          | <i>fun fəʷn</i>          | *fn-Øʷ       | *fnØ-kʷ         | *fna-kʷ | 1 |
| Giziga-Marva                                                                                                            | <i>funa fəʷna</i>        | *fna-Øʷ      | *fna-kʷ         |         | 1 |
| 1. *kʷ > Øʷ; ə-epenthesis; +W: ə > u                                                                                    |                          |              |                 |         |   |

jealousy, be jealous

PCC \*s(a)r(a)ka (-a, -y, -kʷ, -n; FV)

BATA

|                         |                |        |         |           |   |
|-------------------------|----------------|--------|---------|-----------|---|
| Gude                    | <i>səraha</i>  | *srxa  |         | *srka(-n) | 1 |
| Jimi                    | <i>sərahən</i> | *srx-n | *srxØ-n |           | 1 |
| 1. *k > x; ə-epenthesis |                |        |         |           |   |

DABA

|        |                     |          |          |            |   |
|--------|---------------------|----------|----------|------------|---|
| Buwal  | <i>sərah</i>        | *srax    | *sraxØ   | *sraka(-y) | 1 |
| Gavar  | <i>sərah</i>        |          |          |            | 1 |
| Mbudum | <i>sərah</i>        |          |          |            | 1 |
| Daba   | <i>səreh səraʸx</i> | *srax-Øʸ | *sraxØ-y |            | 2 |

1. \*k > x; ə-epenthesis  
2. \*k > x; ə-epenthesis; \*y > Øʸ; +Y: a > e

MAFA

|       |                     |          |          |            |   |
|-------|---------------------|----------|----------|------------|---|
| Mafa  | <i>sərak</i>        | *srak    | *srakØ   | *sraka(-y) | 1 |
| Cuvok | <i>səlek səlaʸk</i> | *slak-Øʸ | *slakØ-y |            | 2 |

1. ə-epenthesis  
2. \*r > l; ə-epenthesis; \*y > Øʸ; +Y: a > e

TERA

|                                                            |                    |        |         |         |   |
|------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------|--------|---------|---------|---|
| Tera                                                       | <i>ziri zʰəʸry</i> | *zr-yʸ | *zrØØ-y | *srka-y | 1 |
| 1. *s > z; ə-epenthesis; *y > yʸ > i; +Y: z > ʒ; +Y: ə > i |                    |        |         |         |   |

SUKUR

|                         |              |      |       |       |   |
|-------------------------|--------------|------|-------|-------|---|
| Sukur                   | <i>sərah</i> | *srx | *srxØ | *srka | 1 |
| 1. *k > x; ə-epenthesis |              |      |       |       |   |

HURZA

|                 |              |       |        |        |   |
|-----------------|--------------|-------|--------|--------|---|
| Mbuko           | <i>sərak</i> | *srak | *srakØ | *sraka | 1 |
| 1. ə-epenthesis |              |       |        |        |   |

MARGI

|                                             |                     |          |         |         |   |
|---------------------------------------------|---------------------|----------|---------|---------|---|
| Bura                                        | <i>silka səʸlka</i> | *slka-Øʸ | *slka-y | *srka-y | 1 |
| 1. *r > l; ə-epenthesis; *y > Øʸ; +Y: ə > i |                     |          |         |         |   |

## MANDARA

|                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        |                       |           |           |              |   |
|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------|-----------|-----------|--------------|---|
|                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        |                       |           |           | √ C C Ca     |   |
| Podoko                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 | <i>fira</i> sʷəʳa     | *sra-Øʷ   | *srØa-y   | *srka-y(-na) | 1 |
| Malgwa                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 | <i>ʃələŋa</i> sʷələŋa | *slŋ-Øʷ-a | *slnk-y-a |              | 2 |
| Glavda                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 | <i>silga</i> səʷlga   | *slga-Øʷ  | *slga-y   |              | 3 |
|                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        |                       |           |           | √ CaC Ca     |   |
|                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        | <i>sel</i> saʷl       | *sal-Øʷ   | *salØØ-y  | *sarka-y     | 4 |
| 1. ə-epenthesis; *y > Øʷ; +Y: *s > ʃ; +Y: ə > i<br>2. *r > l; ə-epenthesis; *y > Øʷ; +Y: *s > ʃ; multiple metathesis kyn > nky; fusion nk > ŋ<br>3. *r > l; *k > g; ə-epenthesis; *y > Øʷ; +Y: ə > i<br>4. *r > l; *y > Øʷ; +Y: *a > E |                       |           |           |              |   |

## MOFU

|                                                            |                      |          |           |            |   |
|------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------|----------|-----------|------------|---|
|                                                            |                      |          |           | √ C C Ca   |   |
| Ouldeme                                                    | <i>silik</i> səʷləʷk | *slk-Øʷ  | *slkØ-y   | *srka-y    | 1 |
| Muyang                                                     | <i>zirey</i> zəʷraʷy | *zr-ayʷ  | *zrØØ-a-y |            | 2 |
|                                                            |                      |          |           | √ CaC Ca   |   |
| Gemzek                                                     | <i>solo</i> saʷlaʷ   | *sala-Øʷ | *salØa-kʷ | *sarka-kʷ  | 3 |
|                                                            |                      |          |           | √ C CaCa   |   |
| Gemzek                                                     | <i>səlak</i>         | *slak    | *slakØ    | *sraka(-n) | 4 |
| Merey                                                      | <i>səlak</i>         |          |           |            | 4 |
| Dugwor                                                     | <i>səlek</i> səlaʷk  | *slak-Øʷ | *slakØ-y  |            | 5 |
| Moloko                                                     | <i>səlek</i> səlaʷk  |          |           |            | 5 |
| Mofu North                                                 | <i>sələŋ</i> səlaʷŋ  | *slaŋ    | *slakØ-n  |            | 6 |
| Mofu-Gudur                                                 | <i>sələŋ</i> səlaʷŋ  |          |           |            | 6 |
| 1. *r > l; ə-epenthesis; *y > Øʷ; +Y: ə > i                |                      |          |           |            |   |
| 2. *s > z; ə-epenthesis; *y > Øʷ; +Y: ə > i; +Y: *a > e    |                      |          |           |            |   |
| 3. *r > l; *kʷ > Øʷ; +W: *a > o                            |                      |          |           |            |   |
| 4. *r > l; ə-epenthesis                                    |                      |          |           |            |   |
| 5. r > l; ə-epenthesis; *y > Øʷ; +Y: *a > e                |                      |          |           |            |   |
| 6. r > l; ə-epenthesis; *y > Øʷ; +Y: *a > e; fusion kn > ŋ |                      |          |           |            |   |

## MAROUA

|                                                          |                      |           |            |            |   |
|----------------------------------------------------------|----------------------|-----------|------------|------------|---|
| Giziga-Marva                                             | <i>sulon</i> səʷlaʷn | *sla-Øʷ-n | *slØa-kʷ-n | *srka-kʷ-n | 1 |
| 1. *r > l; ə-epenthesis; *kʷ > Øʷ; +W: ə > u; +W: *a > o |                      |           |            |            |   |

## LAMANG

|                              |                    |         |           |           |   |
|------------------------------|--------------------|---------|-----------|-----------|---|
| Hdi                          | <i>draku</i> drakw | *drak-w | *drakØ-kʷ | *sraka-kʷ | 1 |
| 1. *s (> t) > d; *kʷ > w > u |                    |         |           |           |   |

## HIGI

|                                               |              |       |       |  |   |
|-----------------------------------------------|--------------|-------|-------|--|---|
| Kirya                                         | <i>səlkə</i> | *slka | *srka |  | 1 |
| 1. *r > l; ə-epenthesis; lexical-final *a > ə |              |       |       |  |   |

## kidney

Areal root<sup>85</sup> *\*(ma-) ɣ<sup>w</sup>(a)r(a)sa* (-y, -RED)

## DABA

|                                                                             |                       |                 |                 |                             |   |
|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------------------|---|
|                                                                             |                       |                 |                 | √ C C Ca                    |   |
| Gavar                                                                       | <i>wəlɪf wələɓ'sʸ</i> | <i>*wls-Øʸ</i>  | <i>*wlsØ-y</i>  | <i>*ɣ<sup>w</sup>rsa-y</i>  | 1 |
|                                                                             |                       |                 |                 | √ C CaCa                    |   |
| Buwal                                                                       | <i>ules wlaʸs</i>     | <i>*wlas-Øʸ</i> | <i>*wlasØ-y</i> | <i>*ɣ<sup>w</sup>rasa-y</i> | 2 |
| 1. *r > l; *ɣ <sup>w</sup> > w; ə-epenthesis; *y > Øʸ; +Y: ə > i; +Y: s > f |                       |                 |                 |                             |   |
| 2. *r > l; *ɣ <sup>w</sup> > w > u; *y > Øʸ; +Y: *a > e                     |                       |                 |                 |                             |   |

## SUKUR

|                                                                           |                                       |                                |                                |                                |   |
|---------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------|--------------------------------|--------------------------------|--------------------------------|---|
| Sukur                                                                     | <i>ɣuləfifi ɣ<sup>w</sup>əwlsʸsʸy</i> | <i>*ɣ<sup>w</sup>ls-yʸ-sʸy</i> | <i>*ɣ<sup>w</sup>lsØ-y-RED</i> | <i>*ɣ<sup>w</sup>rsa-y-RED</i> | 1 |
| 1. *r > l; ə-epenthesis; +W: ə > u; *y > yʸ; +Y: ə > i; +Y: s > f; *y > i |                                       |                                |                                |                                |   |

## HURZA

|                                                                                            |                                       |                                 |                                |                                 |   |
|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------|---------------------------------|--------------------------------|---------------------------------|---|
| Vame                                                                                       | <i>hulasase x<sup>w</sup>əwlsasaʸ</i> | <i>*x<sup>w</sup>lasa-sa-Øʸ</i> | <i>*x<sup>w</sup>lasa-sa-y</i> | <i>*ɣ<sup>w</sup>rasa-RED-y</i> | 1 |
| 1. *r > l; ə-epenthesis; *ɣ <sup>w</sup> > x <sup>w</sup> ; +W: ə > u; *y > Øʸ; +Y: *a > e |                                       |                                 |                                |                                 |   |

## MARGI

|                                                                                                    |                                    |                       |                       |                       |   |
|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|---|
| Bura                                                                                               | <i>kulfi</i> k <sup>w</sup> əwlsʸy | *k <sup>w</sup> ls-yʸ | *k <sup>w</sup> lsØ-y | *ɣ <sup>w</sup> rsa-y | 1 |
| Margi                                                                                              | <i>hulfi</i> x <sup>w</sup> əwlsʸy | *x <sup>w</sup> ls-yʸ | *x <sup>w</sup> lsØ-y |                       | 2 |
| 1. *r > l; ə-epenthesis; *ɣ <sup>w</sup> > k <sup>w</sup> ; +W: ə > u; *y > yʸ; +Y: *s > f; *y > i |                                    |                       |                       |                       |   |
| 2. *r > l; ə-epenthesis; *ɣ <sup>w</sup> > x <sup>w</sup> ; +W: ə > u; *y > yʸ; +Y: *s > f; *y > i |                                    |                       |                       |                       |   |

## MANDARA

|                                                                                            |                                    |                             |                                 |                                            |   |
|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------|-----------------------------|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------------|---|
| Podoko                                                                                     | <i>huləfe x<sup>w</sup>əwlsʸaʸ</i> | <i>*x<sup>w</sup>lsa-Øʸ</i> | <i>*x<sup>w</sup>lsa-y</i>      | <i>*(ma-)Y<sup>w</sup>rsa</i><br>(-y/-RED) | 1 |
| Glavda                                                                                     | <i>kwɔla k<sup>w</sup>sʸla</i>     | <i>*k<sup>w</sup>sla-Øʸ</i> | <i>*k<sup>w</sup>lsa-y</i>      |                                            | 2 |
| Malgwa                                                                                     | <i>ɲursasa ɲwrsasa</i>             | <i>*ɲ-wrsa-sa</i>           | <i>*mØ-Y<sup>w</sup>rsa-RED</i> |                                            | 3 |
| 1. *r > l; *Y <sup>w</sup> > x <sup>w</sup> ; ə-epenthesis; +W: ə > u; *y > Øʸ; +Y: *a > e |                                    |                             |                                 |                                            |   |
| 2. *r > l; *Y <sup>w</sup> > x <sup>w</sup> ; metathesis ls > sl; *y > Øʸ; +Y: *s > f      |                                    |                             |                                 |                                            |   |
| 3. *Y <sup>w</sup> > w > u; homorganic assimilation *m > ɲ/-Y <sup>w</sup>                 |                                    |                             |                                 |                                            |   |

## MOFU

|                                                                                            |                                          |                         |          |                        |   |
|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------|-------------------------|----------|------------------------|---|
| Dugwor                                                                                     | wures w <sup>w</sup> ə <sup>w</sup> raʸs | *w <sup>w</sup> rasa-Øʸ | *wrasa-y | *ɣ <sup>w</sup> rasa-y | 1 |
| Mofu-Gudur                                                                                 | wules w <sup>w</sup> ə <sup>w</sup> laʸs | *w <sup>w</sup> lasa-Øʸ | *wlasa-y |                        | 2 |
| 1. ə-epenthesis; *ɣ <sup>w</sup> > w <sup>w</sup> ; +W: ə > u; *y > Øʸ; +Y: *a > e         |                                          |                         |          |                        |   |
| 2. *r > l; ə-epenthesis; *ɣ <sup>w</sup> > w <sup>w</sup> ; +W: ə > u; *y > Øʸ; +Y: *a > e |                                          |                         |          |                        |   |

## LAMANG

|        |                                        |                                |                                |                                |   |
|--------|----------------------------------------|--------------------------------|--------------------------------|--------------------------------|---|
|        |                                        |                                |                                | √ C C Ca                       |   |
| Lamang | <i>ɣwələsisi ɣ<sup>w</sup>ələsʸsʸy</i> | <i>*ɣ<sup>w</sup>ls-y-sʸy</i>  | <i>*ɣ<sup>w</sup>lsØ-y-sØy</i> | <i>*ɣ<sup>w</sup>rsa-y-RED</i> | 1 |
|        | <i>ɣuləsisi ɣ<sup>w</sup>əwlsʸsʸy</i>  |                                |                                |                                | 1 |
| Hdi    | <i>hulisisi x<sup>w</sup>əwlsʸsʸy</i>  | <i>*x<sup>w</sup>ls-yʸ-sʸy</i> | <i>*x<sup>w</sup>lsØ-y-sØy</i> |                                | 2 |
|        |                                        |                                |                                | √ CaC Ca                       |   |

<sup>85</sup> Gravina (2015) observes that by reference to his own sub-classification (Gravina 2007, 2011) “[t]his root is widespread amongst the languages of the North sub-branch, but is only attested in Buwal, Gavar and Sukur of the South sub-branch. \*l did not exist in Proto-Central Chadic, but was an innovation in the North sub-branch following \*r→l.” We tentatively assume that on a deeper level of reconstruction, the PCC simple root was *\*ɣ<sup>w</sup>(a)r(a)sa*. If so, then Malgwa (MANDARA) and Dugwor (MOFU) would be somewhat exceptional in having retained the original \*r, while most other languages underwent and phonemicised the common \*r > l change.

|        |                                                          |                      |                                 |                               |   |
|--------|----------------------------------------------------------|----------------------|---------------------------------|-------------------------------|---|
| Lamang | <i>yolāsisi</i> $\gamma^w a^w l\acute{a}s\acute{y}sy$    | $*\gamma^w als-y-sy$ | $*\gamma^w als\emptyset-y-RED$  | $*\gamma^w arsa-y-RED$        | 3 |
|        | <i>yolālisi</i> $\gamma^w a^w l\acute{a}l\acute{a}^v sy$ | $*\gamma^w al-l-s-y$ | $*\gamma^w al-RED-s\emptyset-y$ | $\sim * \gamma^w ar-RED-sa-y$ | 3 |

1.  $*r > l$ ; ə-epenthesis;  $*y > i$
2.  $*r > l$ ;  $*\gamma^w > x^w$ ; ə-epenthesis;  $*y > i$
3.  $*r > l$ ; +W:  $*a > o$ ; ə-epenthesis;  $*y > i$

## HIGI

|             |                                                           |                     |                            |                    |   |
|-------------|-----------------------------------------------------------|---------------------|----------------------------|--------------------|---|
|             |                                                           |                     |                            | $\sqrt{C C Ca}$    |   |
| Kamwe-Futu  | <i>ɣulɛɛfi</i><br>$\gamma^w \acute{a}^w l\acute{a}ts^v y$ | $*\gamma^w lts-y^v$ | $*\gamma^w lts\emptyset-y$ | $*\gamma^w rsa-y$  | 1 |
| Bana        | <i>wəliṣa</i> $w\acute{a}l\acute{a}^v sa$                 | $*wlsa-\emptyset^v$ | $*wlsa-y$                  |                    | 2 |
|             |                                                           |                     |                            | $\sqrt{CaC Ca}$    |   |
| Kamwe-Nkafa | <i>golifi</i><br>$g^w a^w l\acute{a}^v sy$                | $*g^w als-y^v$      | $*g^w als\emptyset-y$      | $*\gamma^w arsa-y$ | 3 |

1.  $*r > l$ ;  $*s > ts$ ; ə-epenthesis; +W:  $\acute{a} > u$ ;  $*y > y^v > i$ ; +Y:  $ts > tʃ$
2.  $*r > l$ ;  $*\gamma^w > w$ ; ə-epenthesis;  $*y > \emptyset^v$ ; +Y:  $*\acute{a} > i$
3.  $*r > l$ ;  $*\gamma^w > g^w$ ; ə-epenthesis;  $*y > y^v > i$ ; +Y:  $*\acute{a} > i$ ; +Y:  $s > ʃ$

## KOTOKO-NORTH

|       |                                                   |                                |                      |                   |   |
|-------|---------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------|----------------------|-------------------|---|
| Mpade | <i>duguse</i> $d\acute{a}^w g^w \acute{a}^w sa^v$ | $*d\acute{g}^w sa-\emptyset^v$ | $*g^w d\acute{sa}-y$ | $*\gamma^w rsa-y$ | 1 |
|-------|---------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------|----------------------|-------------------|---|

1.  $*r (> l > d) > d$ ;  $\gamma^w > g^w$ ; metathesis  $g^w d > d\acute{g}^w$ ; ə-epenthesis; +W:  $\acute{a} > u$ ;  $*y > \emptyset^v$ ; +Y: lexical-final  $*a > e$

## KOTOKO-CENTRAL

|        |                                                   |                                |                      |                   |   |
|--------|---------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------|----------------------|-------------------|---|
| Lagwan | <i>xudusi</i> $x^w \acute{a}^w d\acute{a}^w sa^v$ | $*x^w d\acute{sa}-\emptyset^v$ | $*x^w d\acute{sa}-y$ | $*\gamma^w rsa-y$ | 1 |
| Mser   | <i>hidis</i> $x\acute{a}^v d\acute{a}^v s$        | $*xds-\emptyset^v$             | $*xds\emptyset-y$    |                   |   |

1.  $*\gamma^w > x^w$ ;  $*r (> l > d) > d$ ; ə-epenthesis;  $*y > \emptyset^v$ ; lexical-final  $*a > \acute{a}$ ; +Y:  $*\acute{a} > i$ ; +W:  $\acute{a} > u$

2.  $*\gamma^w > x$ ;  $*r (> l) > d$ ; ə-epenthesis;  $*y > \emptyset^v$ ; +Y:  $*\acute{a} > i$

know, to

PCC  $*(ma-) s(a)na$  (-y, -k<sup>w</sup>, -n, -t; FV)

## BATA

|        |                                 |                      |                          |                        |   |
|--------|---------------------------------|----------------------|--------------------------|------------------------|---|
| Gude   | <i>fii</i> $s^v \acute{a}^v y$  | $*sa-y^v$            | $*s\emptyset a-y$        | $*(ma-)sna(-y/-k^w-n)$ | 1 |
| Sharwa | <i>sinan</i> $s\acute{a}^v nan$ | $*sna-\emptyset^v-n$ | $*sna-y-n$               |                        | 2 |
| Tsuvan | <i>asənakən</i>                 | $*a-sna-k-n$         | $*\emptyset a-sna-k^w-n$ |                        | 3 |

1.  $*y > y^v > i$ ; +Y:  $*s > ʃ$ ; lexical-final  $*a > \acute{a}$ ; +Y:  $\acute{a} > i$

2. ə-epenthesis;  $*y > \emptyset^v$ ; +Y:  $\acute{a} > i$

3.  $*k^w > k$ ; ə-epenthesis

## DABA

|        |            |        |                  |               |   |
|--------|------------|--------|------------------|---------------|---|
|        |            |        |                  | $\sqrt{C Ca}$ |   |
| Gavar  | <i>sən</i> | $*sn$  | $*sn\emptyset$   | $*sna(-k^w)$  | 1 |
| Daba   | <i>sən</i> |        |                  |               | 1 |
| Mbudum | <i>səŋ</i> | $*sŋ$  | $*sn\emptyset-k$ |               | 2 |
|        |            |        |                  | $\sqrt{CaCa}$ |   |
| Buwal  | <i>san</i> | $*san$ | $*san\emptyset$  | $*sana$       |   |

1. ə-epenthesis

2. ə-epenthesis;  $*k^w > k$ ; fusion  $nk > ŋ$



## MAFA

|       |             |      |      |      |   |
|-------|-------------|------|------|------|---|
| Mafa  | <i>sən</i>  | *sn  | *snØ | *sna | 1 |
| Cuvok | <i>səna</i> | *sna |      |      | 1 |

## 1. ə-epenthesis

## TERA

|      |                  |       |        |        |   |
|------|------------------|-------|--------|--------|---|
| Tera | <i>zəni zəny</i> | *zn-y | *znØ-y | *sna-y | 1 |
|------|------------------|-------|--------|--------|---|

## 1. \*s &gt; z; ə-epenthesis; \*y &gt; i

## SUKUR

|       |           |     |      |      |   |
|-------|-----------|-----|------|------|---|
| Sukur | <i>sə</i> | *sə | *sØa | *sna | 1 |
|-------|-----------|-----|------|------|---|

## 1. lexical-final \*a &gt; ə

## HURZA

|       |             |      |       |        |   |
|-------|-------------|------|-------|--------|---|
|       |             |      |       | √ C Ca |   |
| Vame  | <i>səna</i> | *sna |       | *sna   | 1 |
|       |             |      |       | √ CaCa |   |
| Mbuko | <i>san</i>  | *san | *sanØ | *sana  |   |

## 1. ə-epenthesis

## MARGI

|             |                               |                        |           |               |   |
|-------------|-------------------------------|------------------------|-----------|---------------|---|
| Margi South | <i>sini səny</i>              | *sn-y <sup>y</sup>     | *snØ-y    |               | 1 |
| Bura        | <i>si<sup>a</sup>da sənda</i> | *sn-Ø <sup>y</sup> -da | *snØ-y-da | *sna-y(-t(a)) | 2 |
| Kilba       | <i>zə<sup>a</sup>di zəndy</i> | *zn-d-y                | *znØ-y-d  |               | 3 |

1. ə-epenthesis; \*y > y<sup>y</sup> > i; +Y: ə > i2. ə-epenthesis; \*t > d; \*y > Ø<sup>y</sup>; +Y: ə > i

## 3. \*s &gt; z; \*t &gt; d; ə-epenthesis; metathesis yd &gt; dy; \*y &gt; i

## MANDARA

|        |                     |                        |                         |                                    |   |
|--------|---------------------|------------------------|-------------------------|------------------------------------|---|
| Matal  | <i>masəlay</i>      | *ma-sl-ay              | *ma-srØ-a-y             |                                    | 1 |
| Glavda | <i>sirga səvrga</i> | *sr-Ø <sup>y</sup> -ga | *srØ-y-k <sup>w</sup> a | *(ma-)sna(-a)-y(-k <sup>w</sup> a) | 2 |

## 1. \*n (&gt; r) &gt; l; ə-epenthesis

2. \*n > r; \*k<sup>w</sup> > g; ə-epenthesis; \*y > Ø<sup>y</sup>; +Y: ə > i

## MOFU

|            |                                    |                        |             |                       |   |
|------------|------------------------------------|------------------------|-------------|-----------------------|---|
|            |                                    |                        |             | √ C Ca                |   |
| Ouldeme    | <i>sə</i>                          | *sə                    | *sØa        |                       | 1 |
| Muyang     | <i>sər</i>                         |                        |             |                       | 2 |
| Merey      | <i>sər</i>                         | *sr                    | *srØ        |                       | 2 |
| Mofu-Gudur | <i>sər</i>                         |                        |             |                       | 2 |
| Dugwor     | <i>məsərey məsəra<sup>y</sup></i>  | *m-sr-ay <sup>y</sup>  | *mØ-srØ-a-y | *(ma-)sna<br>((-a)-y) | 3 |
| Mofu North | <i>mesərey ma'səra<sup>y</sup></i> | *ma-sr-ay <sup>y</sup> | *ma-srØ-a-y |                       | 3 |
| Gemzek     | <i>mesəre ma'səra<sup>y</sup></i>  | *ma-sra-Ø <sup>y</sup> | *ma-sra-y   |                       | 4 |
| Mada       | <i>masəla</i>                      | *ma-sla                |             |                       | 5 |
|            |                                    |                        |             | √ CaCa                |   |
| Moloko     | <i>sar</i>                         | *sar                   | *sarØ       | *sana                 | 6 |

## 1. lexical-final \*a &gt; ə

## 2. \*n &gt; r; ə-epenthesis

3. \*n > r; ə-epenthesis; \*y > y<sup>y</sup>; +Y: \*a > e4. \*n > r; ə-epenthesis; \*y > Ø<sup>y</sup>; +Y: \*a > e

## 5. \*n (&gt; r) &gt; l

## 6. \*n &gt; r

## MAROUA

|                                                                                                  |            |                       |          |                          |   |
|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------|-----------------------|----------|--------------------------|---|
| Giziga Marva                                                                                     | <i>sən</i> | *sn                   | *snØ     | *sna(-y-k <sup>w</sup> ) | 1 |
| Mbazla                                                                                           | <i>fɪŋ</i> | *sŋ-Ø <sup>y</sup> -Ø | *snØ-y-k |                          | 2 |
| 1. ə-epenthesis                                                                                  |            |                       |          |                          |   |
| 2. ə-epenthesis; *k <sup>w</sup> > k; fusion nk > ŋ; *y > Ø <sup>y</sup> ; +Y: *s > f; +Y: ə > i |            |                       |          |                          |   |

## LAMANG

|        |            |      |      |  |  |
|--------|------------|------|------|--|--|
| Lamang | <i>sna</i> | *sna | *sna |  |  |
| Hdi    | <i>sna</i> |      |      |  |  |

## HIGI

|                                                                                   |                                    |                        |                         |                             |   |
|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------|------------------------|-------------------------|-----------------------------|---|
| Bana                                                                              | <i>səna</i>                        | *sna                   |                         | *sna(-y-k <sup>w</sup> /ta) | 1 |
| Kamwe-Nkafa                                                                       | <i>sənata</i>                      | *sna-ta                |                         |                             | 1 |
| Kamwe-Futu                                                                        | <i>sinəgə</i> sə <sup>y</sup> nəgə | *sn-Ø <sup>y</sup> -ga | *snØ-y-k <sup>w</sup> a |                             | 2 |
| 1. ə-epenthesis                                                                   |                                    |                        |                         |                             |   |
| 2. ə-epenthesis; *y > Ø <sup>y</sup> ; +Y: ə > i; *k <sup>w</sup> > g; FV: *a > ə |                                    |                        |                         |                             |   |

## KOTOKO-ISLAND

|                         |            |     |      |      |   |
|-------------------------|------------|-----|------|------|---|
| Buduma                  | <i>hən</i> | *xn | *xnØ | *sna | 1 |
| 1. *s > x; ə-epenthesis |            |     |      |      |   |

## KOTOKO-NORTH

|                                                                          |                                   |                       |                        |                           |   |
|--------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------|-----------------------|------------------------|---------------------------|---|
| Afade                                                                    | <i>surun</i> sə <sup>w</sup> rwɪn | *sr-w <sup>w</sup> -n | *srØ-k <sup>w</sup> -n | *sna-y/-k <sup>w</sup> -n | 1 |
| Mpade                                                                    | <i>sin</i> sə <sup>y</sup> n      | *sn-Ø <sup>y</sup>    | *snØ-y                 |                           | 2 |
| 1. *n > r; *k <sup>w</sup> > w <sup>w</sup> > u; ə-epenthesis; +W: ə > u |                                   |                       |                        |                           |   |
| 2. ə-epenthesis; *y > Ø <sup>y</sup> ; +Y: ə > i                         |                                   |                       |                        |                           |   |

## KOTOKO-CENTRAL

|                                                                                                |                        |                    |        |                            |   |
|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------|--------------------|--------|----------------------------|---|
| Mser                                                                                           | <i>sin sə'n</i>        | *sn-Ø <sup>y</sup> | *snØ-y | *sna-y(-k <sup>w</sup> -n) | 1 |
| Lagwan                                                                                         | <i>sin sə'n</i>        |                    |        |                            | 1 |
|                                                                                                | <i>sinwun sə'nwə'n</i> |                    |        |                            | 2 |
| 1. ə-epenthesis; *y > Ø <sup>y</sup> ; +Y: ə > i                                               |                        |                    |        |                            |   |
| 2. ə-epenthesis; *y > Ø <sup>y</sup> ; +Y: ə > i; *k <sup>w</sup> > w <sup>w</sup> ; +W: ə > u |                        |                    |        |                            |   |

## KOTOKO-SOUTH

|                                                                                                          |                                        |                        |                         |                           |   |
|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------|------------------------|-------------------------|---------------------------|---|
| Zina                                                                                                     | sə                                     | *sə                    | *sØa                    | *sna(-y-k <sup>w</sup> a) | 1 |
| Mazera                                                                                                   | si <sup>h</sup> ga sə <sup>h</sup> ŋga | *sŋ-Ø <sup>y</sup> -ga | *snØ-y-k <sup>w</sup> a |                           | 2 |
| 1. lexical-final *a > ə                                                                                  |                                        |                        |                         |                           |   |
| 2. ə-epenthesis; *y > Ø <sup>y</sup> ; +Y: ə > i; *k <sup>w</sup> > g; homorganic assimilation *n > ŋ/_g |                                        |                        |                         |                           |   |

## GIDAR

|                                                                   |                     |                       |           |             |   |
|-------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------|-----------------------|-----------|-------------|---|
| Gidar                                                             | <i>əsəna</i>        | *ə-sna                | *Øa-sna   | *ma-sna(-y) | 1 |
|                                                                   | <i>əsina əsə'na</i> | *ə-sna-Ø <sup>y</sup> | *Øa-sna-y |             | 2 |
| 1. prefixal *a > ə; ə-epenthesis                                  |                     |                       |           |             |   |
| 2. prefixal *a > ə; ə-epenthesis; *y > Ø <sup>y</sup> ; +Y: ə > i |                     |                       |           |             |   |

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PCC \*(Ca-, ma-) **ɣ<sup>w</sup>(a)b(a)sa**<sup>86</sup> (-a, -y, -k<sup>w</sup>, -n; FV)

BATA

|                                                                                                                       |                                                      |                                    |                                  |                                                     |   |
|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------|----------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------|---|
|                                                                                                                       |                                                      |                                    |                                  | √ C C Ca                                            |   |
| Gude                                                                                                                  | <i>nwusə</i><br>ɸw <sup>w</sup> ə <sup>w</sup> sə    | *Ø <sup>n</sup> -w <sup>w</sup> sa | *m <sup>n</sup> Ø-wØsa           | *(Ca-)ma-<br>ɣ <sup>w</sup> bsa(-y-k <sup>w</sup> ) | 1 |
| Sharwa                                                                                                                | <i>am<sup>w</sup>iskə</i><br>amwə <sup>w</sup> skə   | *a-m-ws-Ø <sup>y</sup> -ka         | *Øa-mØ-wØsØ-y-k <sup>w</sup> a   |                                                     | 2 |
|                                                                                                                       |                                                      |                                    |                                  | √ CaC Ca                                            |   |
| Tsuvan                                                                                                                | <i>am<sup>w</sup>eskən</i><br>amwa <sup>w</sup> skən | *a-m-was-Ø <sup>y</sup> -k-n       | *Øa-mØ-waØsØ-y-k <sup>w</sup> -n | *Ca-ma-<br>ɣ <sup>w</sup> absa-y-k <sup>w</sup> -n  | 3 |
| 1. *ɣ <sup>w</sup> > w <sup>w</sup> ; ə-epenthesis; +W: ə > u; lexical-final *a > ə; *m > Ø <sup>n</sup> ; +N: w > ɸw |                                                      |                                    |                                  |                                                     |   |
| 2. *ɣ <sup>w</sup> > w; *k <sup>w</sup> > k; ə-epenthesis; *y > Ø <sup>y</sup> ; +Y: ə > i; FV *a > ə                 |                                                      |                                    |                                  |                                                     |   |
| 3. *ɣ <sup>w</sup> > w; *k <sup>w</sup> > k; ə-epenthesis; *y > Ø <sup>y</sup> ; +Y: *a > e                           |                                                      |                                    |                                  |                                                     |   |

DABA

|                                         |                 |        |            |             |   |
|-----------------------------------------|-----------------|--------|------------|-------------|---|
|                                         |                 |        |            | √ C C Ca    |   |
| Daba                                    | <i>mis</i> mǝʷs | *ms-Øʷ | *mØ-ØØsØ-y | *ma-ʷʷbsa-y | 1 |
|                                         |                 |        |            | √ C CaCa    |   |
| Buwal                                   | <i>bas</i>      | *ʔbasØ |            | *ʷʷbasa     | 2 |
| Gavar                                   | <i>bas</i>      |        |            |             | 2 |
| Mbudum                                  | <i>bas</i>      |        |            |             | 2 |
| 1. ə-epenthesis; *y > Øʷ; +Y: ə > i     |                 |        |            |             |   |
| 2. *ʷʷ (> ʷ > g > k) > ʔ; fusion ʔb > ʔ |                 |        |            |             |   |

MAFA

|                                                                                   |                                            |                      |                         |                         |   |
|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------|----------------------|-------------------------|-------------------------|---|
| Mafa                                                                              | <i>ng<sup>w</sup>as</i> ng <sup>w</sup> as | *n-g <sup>w</sup> as | *mØ-g <sup>w</sup> ØasØ | *ma-ɣ <sup>w</sup> basa | 1 |
| 1. *ɣ <sup>w</sup> > g <sup>w</sup> ; partial assimilation *m > n/_g <sup>w</sup> |                                            |                      |                         |                         |   |

TERA

|                 |            |      |          |                        |   |
|-----------------|------------|------|----------|------------------------|---|
| Tera            | <i>mas</i> | *m-s | *mØ-ØØsØ | *ma-ɣ <sup>w</sup> bsa | 1 |
| 1. ə-epenthesis |            |      |          |                        |   |

SUKUR

|                                                                                                    |                              |                    |         |                       |   |
|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------|--------------------|---------|-----------------------|---|
| Sukur                                                                                              | <i>bis</i> bə <sup>w</sup> s | *bs-Ø <sup>y</sup> | *ʔbsØ-y | *ɣ <sup>w</sup> bsa-y | 1 |
| 1. *ɣ <sup>w</sup> (> ɣ > g > k) > ʔ; fusion ʔb > ʔ; ə-epenthesis; *y > Ø <sup>y</sup> ; +Y: ə > i |                              |                    |         |                       |   |

HURZA

|       |                                                 |                        |               |                             |   |
|-------|-------------------------------------------------|------------------------|---------------|-----------------------------|---|
|       |                                                 |                        |               | √ C C Ca                    |   |
| Vame  | <i>muf</i> mws <sup>y</sup>                     | *m-ws-Ø <sup>y</sup>   | *mØ-wØsØ-y    | *ma-ɣ <sup>w</sup> bsa-y(a) | 1 |
|       | <i>mufiya</i> mws <sup>y</sup> ə <sup>y</sup> a | *m-ws-y <sup>y</sup> a | *mØ-wØsØ-ya   |                             | 2 |
|       |                                                 |                        |               | √ C CaCa                    |   |
| Mbuko | <i>mbasay</i> mbasay                            | *m-bas-a-y             | *mØ-ØbasØ-a-y | *ma-ɣ <sup>w</sup> basa-a-y |   |

<sup>86</sup> This root could also be reconstructed with \*ʔb rather than \*b, and assumed sound shifts would then be \*ʔb > b (de-glottalisation) rather than \*b > ʔb (glottalisation). Currently, we see no arguments that would strongly favour one of the two solutions. In Sukur and some DABA group languages, the potential \*b > ʔb sound change could have been stimulated by a postulated fortition \*ɣ<sup>w</sup> > ʔ and subsequent fusion ʔb > ʔb.

1. \* $\gamma^w > w > u$ ; \* $y > \emptyset^y$ ; +Y: \* $s > \int$
2. \* $\gamma^w > w > u$ ; \* $y > y^y$ ; +Y: \* $s > \int$ ; +Y:  $\text{ə} > i$

## MARGI

|      |                                             |                              |                                                        |                                    |   |
|------|---------------------------------------------|------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------|---|
| Bura | <i>kumfi</i> $k^w\text{ə}^w\text{ms}^y$     | * $k^w\text{ms}^y$           | * $m\emptyset\text{-}k^w\emptyset s\emptyset\text{-}y$ | * $\text{ma-}\gamma^w\text{bsa-}y$ | 1 |
|      | <i>mufa</i> $m\text{ws}^y\text{a}$          | * $m\text{-wsa-}\emptyset^y$ | * $m\emptyset\text{-}w\emptyset\text{sa-}y$            |                                    | 2 |
|      | <i>mifa</i> $m\text{ə}^y\text{s}^y\text{a}$ | * $m\text{-sa-}\emptyset^y$  | * $m\emptyset\text{-}\emptyset\emptyset\text{sa-}y$    |                                    | 3 |

1. \* $\gamma^w (> g^w) > k^w$ ; metathesis  $mk^w > k^w m$ ;  $\text{ə-epenthesis}$ ; +W:  $\text{ə} > u$ ; \* $y > y^y > i$ ; +Y: \* $s > \int$
2. \* $\gamma^w > w > u$ ; \* $y > \emptyset^y$ ; +Y:  $s > \int$
3.  $\text{ə-epenthesis}$ ; \* $y > \emptyset^y$ ; +Y:  $s > \int$ ; +Y:  $\text{ə} > i$

## MANDARA

|         |                                                  |                           |                                                    |                                       |   |
|---------|--------------------------------------------------|---------------------------|----------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------|---|
| Glavda  | <i>ɛubas'ga</i> $\gamma^w\text{ə}^w\text{basga}$ | * $\gamma^w\text{bas-ga}$ | * $\gamma^w\text{bas}\emptyset\text{-}k^w\text{a}$ | * $\gamma^w\text{basa(-}k^w\text{a)}$ | 1 |
| Dghwede | <i>gəp'asa</i> $g\text{əbasa}$                   | * $g\text{basa}$          |                                                    |                                       | 2 |
| Podoko  | <i>ubasa</i> $w\text{basa}$                      | * $w\text{basa}$          |                                                    |                                       | 3 |

1. \* $k^w (> g^w) > g$ ; \* $b > \delta$ ;  $\text{ə-epenthesis}$ ; +W:  $\text{ə} > u$
2. \* $\gamma^w (> g^w) > g$ ; \* $b > \delta$ ;  $\text{ə-epenthesis}$
3. \* $\gamma^w > w > u$ ; \* $b > \delta$

## MOFU

|         |                                                            |                                            |                                                          |                                         |   |
|---------|------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------|---|
| Ouldeme | <i>masay</i>                                               | * $\text{ma-s-a-}y$                        | * $\text{ma-}\emptyset\emptyset s\emptyset\text{-a-}y$   | * $\text{ma-}\gamma^w\text{basa(-a-}y)$ |   |
| Moloko  | <i>mbas</i> $m\text{bas}$                                  | * $m\text{-bas}\emptyset$                  | * $m\emptyset\text{-}\emptyset\text{basa}$               |                                         |   |
| Merey   | <i>ɲg'asa</i> $\eta g^w\text{asa}$                         | * $m\text{-}g^w\text{asa}$                 | * $m\emptyset\text{-}g^w\emptyset\text{asa}$             |                                         | 1 |
| Dugwor  | <i>məng'esey</i><br>$m\text{ə}^n g^w\text{a}^y\text{sa}^y$ | * $m\emptyset\text{-}^n g^w\text{as-ay}^y$ | * $m^a\text{-}g^w\emptyset\text{as}\emptyset\text{-a-}y$ |                                         | 2 |

1. \* $\gamma^w > g^w$ ; homorganic assimilation \* $m > \eta/_\text{ }g^w$
2. \* $\gamma^w > g^w$ ;  $\text{ə-epenthesis}$ ; \* $y > y^y$ ; +Y: \* $a > e$ ; +N:  $g^w > \eta g^w$

## LAMANG

|        |                                                 |                                          |                                            |                                            |   |
|--------|-------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------|---|
| Lamang | <i>ɣəmbasa</i> $\gamma\text{ə}^m\text{basa}$    | * $\emptyset^m\text{-}\gamma\text{basa}$ | * $m^m\emptyset\text{-}\gamma\text{basa}$  | *( $\text{ma-}\gamma^w\text{basa(-a-}y)$ ) | 1 |
| Hdi    | <i>ɣubasay</i> $\gamma^w\text{ə}^w\text{basay}$ | * $\gamma^w\text{bas-a-}y$               | * $\gamma^w\text{bas}\emptyset\text{-a-}y$ |                                            | 2 |

1. \* $\gamma^w > \gamma$ ;  $\text{ə-epenthesis}$ ; +N: \* $b > m^b$
2. \* $b > \delta$ ;  $\text{ə-epenthesis}$ ; +W:  $\text{ə} > u$

## HIGI

|             |                         |            |              |               |   |
|-------------|-------------------------|------------|--------------|---------------|---|
| Kirya       | <i>ɓwifɪ</i> ɓwəʰsʰy    | *ɓws-yʰ    | *wɓsØ-y      | *(ma-)Ÿʷbsa-y | 1 |
| Kamwe-Nkafa | <i>ʼufi</i> ʔwsʰy       | *ʔws-yʰ    | *wʔsØ-y      |               | 3 |
| Bana        | <i>ʼwəfi</i> ʔwəsʰy     |            |              |               | 2 |
| Psikye      | <i>ʼwufi</i> ʔwəʰsʰy    |            |              |               | 2 |
|             | <i>ŋ ʼwufi</i> ŋʔwəʰsʰy | *Øⁿ-ʔws-yʰ | *mⁿØ-wʔsØ-yʰ |               | 5 |
| Kamwe-Futu  | <i>ufi</i> wsʰy         | *wØsØ-yʰ   |              |               | 6 |

1. \* $\gamma^w > w$ ;  $\text{ə-epenthesis}$ ; metathesis  $w\text{ɓ} > \text{ɓ}w$ ; \* $y > y^y > i$ ; +Y:  $\text{ə} > i$ ; +Y: \* $s > \int$
2. \* $\gamma^w > w$ ; \* $b > \text{ʔ}$ ; metathesis  $w\text{ʔ} > \text{ʔ}w$ ;  $w > u$ ; \* $y > y^y > i$ ; +Y: \* $s > \int$
3. \* $\gamma^w > w$ ; \* $b > \text{ʔ}$ ; metathesis  $w\text{ʔ} > \text{ʔ}w$ ;  $\text{ə-epenthesis}$ ; \* $y > y^y > i$ ; +Y: \* $s > \int$
4. \* $\gamma^w > w$ ; \* $b > \text{ʔ}$ ; metathesis  $w\text{ʔ} > \text{ʔ}w$ ;  $\text{ə-epenthesis}$ ; +W:  $\text{ə} > u$ ; \* $y > \emptyset^y > i$ ; +Y: \* $s > \int$
5. \* $\gamma^w > w$ ; \* $b > \text{ʔ}$ ; metathesis  $w\text{ʔ} > \text{ʔ}w$ ;  $\text{ə-epenthesis}$ ; +W:  $\text{ə} > u$ ; \* $y > y^y > i$ ; +Y: \* $s > \int$ ; \* $m > \emptyset^m$ ; +N:  $\text{ʔ} > \eta$
6. \* $\gamma^w > w > u$ ; \* $y > y^y > i$ ; +Y: \* $s > \int$

## GIDAR

|                    |                     |             |                           |   |
|--------------------|---------------------|-------------|---------------------------|---|
| Gidar              | <i>amasa</i> *amasa | *Øa-ma-ØØsa | *Ca-ma-ɣ <sup>w</sup> bsa | 1 |
| 1. prefixal *a > ə |                     |             |                           |   |

## leaf

PCC \*(ma-, RED-) **g<sup>w</sup>(a)l(a)ba**<sup>87</sup> (-y, -k<sup>w</sup>; FV)

## DABA

|       |                                      |                                    |                                      |                                      |  |
|-------|--------------------------------------|------------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|
| Buwal | <i>g<sup>w</sup>alak<sup>w</sup></i> | *g <sup>w</sup> ala-k <sup>w</sup> | *g <sup>w</sup> alaØØ-k <sup>w</sup> | *g <sup>w</sup> alaba-k <sup>w</sup> |  |
| Gavar | <i>g<sup>w</sup>alak</i>             | *g <sup>w</sup> ala-k              | *g <sup>w</sup> alaØØ-k              |                                      |  |

## MAFA

|                                                                 |                          |                         |                              |                                              |   |
|-----------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------|-------------------------|------------------------------|----------------------------------------------|---|
| Mafa                                                            | <i>ɣa<sup>m</sup>bay</i> | *Ø <sup>n</sup> -ɣab-ay | *m <sup>n</sup> Ø-ØØɣabØ-a-y | *ma-g <sup>w</sup> alaba-a-y/-k <sup>w</sup> | 1 |
| Cuvok                                                           | <i>gamlak</i>            | *gamla-k                | *mØ-galØØa-k                 |                                              | 2 |
| 1. *l > ɭ; *m > Ø <sup>n</sup> ; +N: *b > mb                    |                          |                         |                              |                                              |   |
| 2. *g <sup>w</sup> > g; *k <sup>w</sup> > k; metathesis mg > gm |                          |                         |                              |                                              |   |

## MANDARA

|                          |                   |             |           |            |                          |   |
|--------------------------|-------------------|-------------|-----------|------------|--------------------------|---|
|                          |                   |             |           |            | √ C C Ca                 |   |
|                          |                   |             |           |            |                          |   |
| Podoko                   | <i>lɔba(-ha)</i>  | *lɔba       | *Ølɔba    |            | *g <sup>w</sup> lba      | 1 |
| Dghwede                  | <i>lba(-xa)</i>   | *lba        | *Ølba     |            |                          | 2 |
|                          |                   |             |           |            | √ C CaCa                 |   |
| Mandara                  | <i>lapa</i>       | *lapa       | *Ølapa    |            | *g <sup>w</sup> laba     | 3 |
| Matal <sup>88</sup>      | <i>babal ahaf</i> | *ba-bal(aʔ) | *RED-bala | *RED-Ølaba | *RED-g <sup>w</sup> laba | 4 |
| 1. *l > l̥; ə-epenthesis |                   |             |           |            |                          |   |
| 2. *l > l                |                   |             |           |            |                          |   |
| 3. *b > p                |                   |             |           |            |                          |   |
| 4. metathesis *lb > bl   |                   |             |           |            |                          |   |

## MOFU

|                                                  |                              |                       |                         |                           |   |
|--------------------------------------------------|------------------------------|-----------------------|-------------------------|---------------------------|---|
|                                                  |                              |                       |                         | √ C C Ca                  |   |
| Mada                                             | <i>ɔ̃ba (-h y elle)</i>      | *Øɔ̃ba                | *Øɔ̃ba                  | *g <sup>w</sup> l̥ba      | 1 |
|                                                  |                              |                       |                         | √ C CaCa                  |   |
| Dugwor                                           | <i>la<sup>m</sup>ba</i>      | *Ø <sup>n</sup> -laba | *m <sup>n</sup> Ø-Ølaba | *(ma-)g <sup>w</sup> laba | 2 |
| Zulgo                                            | <i>la<sup>m</sup>ba(-h)</i>  |                       |                         |                           | 2 |
| Merey                                            | <i>la<sup>m</sup>ba(-h)</i>  |                       |                         |                           | 2 |
| Moloko                                           | <i>ala<sup>m</sup>ba(-h)</i> |                       |                         |                           | 2 |
| Mofu North                                       | <i>baɫa(-h)</i>              | *baɫa                 | *Ølaba                  |                           | 3 |
| 1. *l > ɔ̃                                       |                              |                       |                         |                           |   |
| 2. *m > Ø <sup>n</sup> ; +N: *b > m <sup>b</sup> |                              |                       |                         |                           |   |
| 3. metathesis lb > bl                            |                              |                       |                         |                           |   |

<sup>87</sup> Some of the expressions are original compounds containing reduced reflexes of the post- or preposed root \*x<sup>w</sup>(a)fa 'tree'.

<sup>88</sup> Word division? The shape of the Matal word for 'tree' is not available in the database. (See footnote 87.)

## MAROUA

|                |                 |      |        |                      |   |
|----------------|-----------------|------|--------|----------------------|---|
| Giziga-Muturwa | <i>(ha-)laɓ</i> | *laɓ | *ØlaɓØ | *g <sup>w</sup> laɓa | 1 |
| 1. *b > ɓ      |                 |      |        |                      |   |

## LAMANG

|        |                                    |        |          |                           |  |
|--------|------------------------------------|--------|----------|---------------------------|--|
| Lamang | <i>baya</i>                        | *ba-ya | *ØØba-ya | *g <sup>w</sup> laɓa(-ya) |  |
| Hdi    | <i>hl(-xwa) l(-x<sup>w</sup>a)</i> | *l     | *ØlØØ    |                           |  |

## GIDAR

|                                                  |                          |                         |                          |                           |   |
|--------------------------------------------------|--------------------------|-------------------------|--------------------------|---------------------------|---|
|                                                  |                          |                         |                          | √ CaC Ca                  |   |
| Gidar                                            | <i>gaɓ<sup>m</sup>ba</i> | *Ø <sup>n</sup> -gaɓba  | *m <sup>n</sup> Ø-gaɓba  | *ma-g <sup>w</sup> alɓa   | 1 |
|                                                  |                          |                         |                          | √ CaCaCa                  |   |
|                                                  | <i>gaɓ<sup>m</sup>ba</i> | *Ø <sup>n</sup> -gaɓaba | *m <sup>n</sup> Ø-gaɓaba | *ma-g <sup>w</sup> alɓaba | 1 |
| 1. *m > Ø <sup>n</sup> ; +N: *b > m <sup>b</sup> |                          |                         |                          |                           |   |

left<sub>1</sub>PCC \*g<sup>w</sup>(a)ra (-y, -n)

## DABA

|                                    |                                                      |                    |                    |   |
|------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------|--------------------|--------------------|---|
| Buwal                              | <i>g<sup>w</sup>ɔla g<sup>w</sup>ə<sup>w</sup>la</i> | *g <sup>w</sup> la | *g <sup>w</sup> ra | 1 |
| Mbudum                             | <i>gula g<sup>w</sup>ə<sup>w</sup>la</i>             |                    |                    | 1 |
| 1. *r > l; ə-epenthesis; +W: ə > u |                                                      |                    |                    |   |

## MAFA

|                                    |                                          |                    |                    |   |
|------------------------------------|------------------------------------------|--------------------|--------------------|---|
| Mafa                               | <i>gula g<sup>w</sup>ə<sup>w</sup>la</i> | *g <sup>w</sup> la | *g <sup>w</sup> ra | 1 |
| Cuvok                              | <i>gula g<sup>w</sup>ə<sup>w</sup>la</i> |                    |                    | 1 |
| 1. *r > l; ə-epenthesis; +W: ə > u |                                          |                    |                    |   |

## HURZA

|                                    |                                          |                    |                    |   |
|------------------------------------|------------------------------------------|--------------------|--------------------|---|
| Mbuko                              | <i>gula g<sup>w</sup>ə<sup>w</sup>la</i> | *g <sup>w</sup> la | *g <sup>w</sup> ra | 1 |
| 1. *r > l; ə-epenthesis; +W: ə > u |                                          |                    |                    |   |

## MOFU

|                                                                                                    |                                          |                     |      |                    |   |
|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------|---------------------|------|--------------------|---|
| Moloko                                                                                             | <i>gəlo gəla<sup>w</sup></i>             | *gØ <sup>w</sup> la | gwla | *g <sup>w</sup> ra | 1 |
| Zulgo                                                                                              | <i>gula g<sup>w</sup>ə<sup>w</sup>la</i> | *g <sup>w</sup> la  |      |                    | 2 |
| Gemzek                                                                                             | <i>gula g<sup>w</sup>ə<sup>w</sup>la</i> |                     |      |                    | 2 |
| Merey                                                                                              | <i>gula g<sup>w</sup>ə<sup>w</sup>la</i> |                     |      |                    | 2 |
| Dugwor                                                                                             | <i>gula g<sup>w</sup>ə<sup>w</sup>la</i> |                     |      |                    | 2 |
| Mofu North                                                                                         | <i>gula g<sup>w</sup>ə<sup>w</sup>la</i> |                     |      |                    | 2 |
| Mofu-Gudur                                                                                         | <i>gula g<sup>w</sup>ə<sup>w</sup>la</i> |                     |      |                    | 2 |
| 1. *r > l; ə-epenthesis; re-segmentalisation *g <sup>w</sup> > g+w; w > Ø <sup>w</sup> ; +W: a > o |                                          |                     |      |                    |   |
| 2. *r > l; ə-epenthesis; +W: ə > u                                                                 |                                          |                     |      |                    |   |

## MAROUA

|                                    |                                          |                    |                    |   |
|------------------------------------|------------------------------------------|--------------------|--------------------|---|
| Giziga-Muturwa                     | <i>gula g<sup>w</sup>ə<sup>w</sup>la</i> | *g <sup>w</sup> la | *g <sup>w</sup> ra | 1 |
| Giziga-Marva                       | <i>gula g<sup>w</sup>ə<sup>w</sup>la</i> |                    |                    |   |
| 1. *r > l; ə-epenthesis; +W: ə > u |                                          |                    |                    |   |

## HIGI

|                         |                                          |                         |                         |   |
|-------------------------|------------------------------------------|-------------------------|-------------------------|---|
| Psikye                  | <i>g<sup>w</sup>əla g<sup>w</sup>əla</i> | <i>*g<sup>w</sup>la</i> | <i>*g<sup>w</sup>ra</i> | 1 |
| 1. *r > l; ə-epenthesis |                                          |                         |                         |   |

## KOTOKO-NORTH

|                                                                     |                              |                           |                |                           |   |
|---------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------|---------------------------|----------------|---------------------------|---|
| Malgbe                                                              | <i>geli ga<sup>y</sup>ly</i> | <i>*gal-y<sup>y</sup></i> | <i>*galØ-y</i> | <i>*g<sup>w</sup>ra-y</i> | 1 |
| 1. *r > l; *g <sup>w</sup> > g; *y > y <sup>y</sup> > i; +Y: *a > e |                              |                           |                |                           |   |

## KOTOKO-CENTRAL

|                                                                                     |                                |                             |                 |                             |   |
|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------|-----------------------------|-----------------|-----------------------------|---|
| Lagwan                                                                              | <i>yilan yə<sup>y</sup>lan</i> | <i>*yla-Ø<sup>y</sup>-n</i> | <i>*yla-y-n</i> | <i>*g<sup>w</sup>ra-y-n</i> | 1 |
| 1. *r > l; *g <sup>w</sup> (> g) > y; ə-epenthesis; *y > Ø <sup>y</sup> ; +Y: ə > i |                                |                             |                 |                             |   |

left<sub>2</sub>PCC \*(na-) **ɭaba** (-a, -y)

## DABA

|      |              |                |                |  |
|------|--------------|----------------|----------------|--|
| Daba | <i>ɭabay</i> | <i>*ɭaba-y</i> | <i>*ɭaba-y</i> |  |
|------|--------------|----------------|----------------|--|

## SUKUR

|       |                    |                |                |  |
|-------|--------------------|----------------|----------------|--|
| Sukur | <i>ɭabai ɭabay</i> | <i>*ɭaba-y</i> | <i>*ɭaba-y</i> |  |
|-------|--------------------|----------------|----------------|--|

## MANDARA

|         |                          |                   |                |                       |   |
|---------|--------------------------|-------------------|----------------|-----------------------|---|
| Mandara | <i>naɭaba</i>            | <i>*na-ɭaba</i>   |                | <i>*(na-)ɭaba(-y)</i> |   |
| Malgwa  | <i>nadhlaba</i>          |                   |                |                       |   |
|         | <i>nathlaba</i>          | <i>*na-laɭaba</i> |                |                       | 1 |
| Podoko  | <i>ɭaba</i>              | <i>*ɭaba</i>      |                |                       |   |
| Dghwede | <i>ɭaʔa</i>              | <i>*ɭaʔa</i>      |                |                       | 2 |
| Glavda  | <i>jaɭa</i>              | <i>*jaɭa</i>      |                |                       | 3 |
|         | <i>yɛβa</i> <i>yɑʔβa</i> | <i>*yɑβa-Øʔ</i>   | <i>*yɑβa-y</i> |                       | 4 |
|         | <i>yɑ</i>                | <i>*yɑ</i>        | <i>*yɑØØ</i>   |                       | 5 |

1. \*ɭ > t
2. \*6 > ʔ
3. \*ɭ > j
4. \*ɭ > y; \*6 > β
5. \*ɭ > ɣ

## LAMANG

|        |             |              |              |  |
|--------|-------------|--------------|--------------|--|
| Lamang | <i>ɭaba</i> | <i>*ɭaba</i> | <i>*ɭaba</i> |  |
| Hdi    | <i>ɭaba</i> |              |              |  |

## HIGI

|                                        |                                |                           |                |                |   |
|----------------------------------------|--------------------------------|---------------------------|----------------|----------------|---|
| Bana                                   | <i>ɭeb(i) ɭa<sup>y</sup>by</i> | <i>*ɭaɓ-y<sup>y</sup></i> | <i>*ɭaɓØ-y</i> | <i>*ɭaba-y</i> | 1 |
| 1. *y > y <sup>y</sup> > i; +Y: *a > e |                                |                           |                |                |   |

## GIDAR

|           |              |                |                  |                  |   |
|-----------|--------------|----------------|------------------|------------------|---|
| Gidar     | <i>ɭabay</i> | <i>*ɭaɓØay</i> | <i>*ɭaɓØ-a-y</i> | <i>*ɭaba-a-y</i> | 1 |
| 1. *6 > b |              |                |                  |                  |   |

leopard<sup>89</sup>PCC \*d(a)g(a)va (-y, -k<sup>w</sup>, -n)

BATA

|                                                                                                              |                                                  |                                      |                         |                               |   |
|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------|-------------------------|-------------------------------|---|
| Jimi                                                                                                         | <i>dəgəṽ<sup>w</sup>an</i> dəgəṽ <sup>w</sup> an | *dgva-Ø <sup>w</sup> -n              | *dgva-k <sup>w</sup> -n | *dgva(-y)-k <sup>w</sup> (-n) | 1 |
| Sharwa                                                                                                       | <i>digv<sup>w</sup>a</i> də'gv <sup>w</sup> a    | *dgva-Ø <sup>y</sup> -Ø <sup>w</sup> | *dgva-y-k <sup>w</sup>  |                               | 2 |
| Tsuvan                                                                                                       | <i>dəgəva</i>                                    | *dgva                                |                         |                               | 3 |
| 1. ə-epenthesis; *k <sup>w</sup> > Ø <sup>w</sup> ; +W: *v > v <sup>w</sup>                                  |                                                  |                                      |                         |                               |   |
| 2. ə-epenthesis; *y > Ø <sup>y</sup> ; +Y: ə > i; *k <sup>w</sup> > Ø <sup>w</sup> ; +W: *v > v <sup>w</sup> |                                                  |                                      |                         |                               |   |
| 3. ə-epenthesis                                                                                              |                                                  |                                      |                         |                               |   |

SUKUR

|                                                                                                                                     |                                                   |                        |                        |                       |   |
|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------|------------------------|------------------------|-----------------------|---|
|                                                                                                                                     |                                                   |                        |                        | √ C C Ca              |   |
| Sukur <sup>90</sup>                                                                                                                 | <i>duguvu</i> də'gəṽ <sup>w</sup> vw <sup>w</sup> | *dgv-w <sup>w</sup>    | *dgvØ-k <sup>w</sup>   | *dgva-k <sup>w</sup>  | 1 |
|                                                                                                                                     |                                                   |                        |                        | √ C CaCa              |   |
|                                                                                                                                     | <i>dəg<sup>w</sup>avak</i>                        | *dgava-kØ <sup>w</sup> | *dgava-kw <sup>w</sup> | *dgava-k <sup>w</sup> | 2 |
| 1. ə-epenthesis; *k <sup>w</sup> > w <sup>w</sup> > u; +W: *ə > u                                                                   |                                                   |                        |                        |                       |   |
| 2. ə-epenthesis; re-segmentalisation *k <sup>w</sup> > k+w <sup>w</sup> ; w <sup>w</sup> > Ø <sup>w</sup> ; +W: *g > g <sup>w</sup> |                                                   |                        |                        |                       |   |

MOFU

|                         |              |         |           |   |
|-------------------------|--------------|---------|-----------|---|
| Zulgo                   | <i>dəvar</i> | *dØva-r | *dgva(-n) | 1 |
| Gemzek                  | <i>dəvar</i> |         |           | 1 |
| Merey <sup>91</sup>     | <i>dəvar</i> |         |           | 1 |
| Dugwor <sup>92</sup>    | <i>dəvar</i> |         |           | 1 |
| Mofu-Gudur              | <i>dəva</i>  | *dØva   |           | 2 |
| 1. *n > r; ə-epenthesis |              |         |           |   |
| 2. ə-epenthesis         |              |         |           |   |

MAROUA

|                                                     |                    |        |           |                         |   |
|-----------------------------------------------------|--------------------|--------|-----------|-------------------------|---|
| Mbazla <sup>93</sup>                                | <i>dəvaŋ garak</i> | *dva-ŋ | *dØva-k-n | *dgva-k <sup>w</sup> -n | 1 |
| 1. *k <sup>w</sup> > k; fusion kn > ŋ; ə-epenthesis |                    |        |           |                         |   |

<sup>89</sup> As Gravina (2015) points out, “the general sense of the root is ‘leopard’, though in Dugwor, Mbazla and possibly Merey the root is part of a compound, implying that it may have a different or more generic meaning. The root itself is difficult to reconstruct.” Indeed, there is some overlap with words for ‘hyena’ and ‘lion’. As a matter of fact, in Sukur and Psikye the word translates (also) as ‘hyena’. In Mbazla the word for ‘leopard’ is a compound said to involve the root for ‘lion’. This may be due to the observation that certain synchronic forms for ‘leopard’ and ‘lion’ are quite similar, such as *dəvar* in MOFU and Mbazla (MAROUA) *dəvaŋ (garak)* ‘leopard’ to be compared to Mbara (MUSGUM) *divaŋ* ‘lion’.

<sup>90</sup> Translated as ‘hyena’ in the database.

<sup>91</sup> The database also gives a parallel compound form *dəvar dzidzege*.

<sup>92</sup> The database gives the full form as *dəvar y pel*.

<sup>93</sup> The database gives a compound *dəvaŋ garak* for ‘leopard’, and translates *dəvaŋ* as ‘lion’. (Note the similar surface form *divaŋ* ‘lion’ in Mbara (MUSGUM) < PCC \*ɓ(a)v(a)ra.)



## HIGI

|                                                                                                                                                                     |                             |                       |                       |                       |   |
|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|---|
| Kamwe-Futu                                                                                                                                                          | <i>dəy<sup>w</sup>ava</i>   | *dyava-Ø <sup>w</sup> | *dyava-k <sup>w</sup> |                       | 1 |
| Bana                                                                                                                                                                | <i>d(ə)y<sup>w</sup>ava</i> |                       |                       | *dgava-k <sup>w</sup> | 1 |
| Psikye <sup>94</sup>                                                                                                                                                | <i>dəg<sup>w</sup>ava</i>   | *dgava-Ø <sup>w</sup> |                       |                       | 2 |
| 1. *g > y; *k <sup>w</sup> > Ø <sup>w</sup> ; +W: y > y <sup>w</sup> ; ə-epenthesis<br>2. *k <sup>w</sup> > Ø <sup>w</sup> ; +W: *g > g <sup>w</sup> ; ə-epenthesis |                             |                       |                       |                       |   |

lie down/sleep, to

Areal root \*(ma-) **x(a)na** (-a, -y, -k<sup>w</sup>, -k<sup>w</sup>a-na; FV)

## MAFA

|                       |             |       |       |   |
|-----------------------|-------------|-------|-------|---|
| Cuvok                 | <i>naha</i> | *naxa | *xana | 1 |
| 1. metathesis nx > xn |             |       |       |   |

## HURZA

|                                          |              |         |           |   |
|------------------------------------------|--------------|---------|-----------|---|
|                                          |              |         | √ C Ca    |   |
| Vame                                     | <i>həna</i>  | *xna    | *xna      | 1 |
|                                          |              |         | √ CaCa    |   |
| Mbuko                                    | <i>nahay</i> | *nax-ay | *naxØ-a-y | 2 |
| 1. ə-epenthesis<br>2. metathesis nx > xn |              |         |           |   |

## MANDARA

|                                                                                                                                                                                       |                                                 |                           |             |   |
|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------|---------------------------|-------------|---|
| Podoko                                                                                                                                                                                | <i>həna</i>                                     | *xna                      |             | 1 |
| Matal                                                                                                                                                                                 | <i>mahən</i>                                    | *ma-xn                    | *ma-xnØ     | 1 |
|                                                                                                                                                                                       | <i>mahin</i> maxə <sup>n</sup>                  | *ma-xn-Ø <sup>y</sup>     | *ma-xnØ-y   | 2 |
| Glavda <sup>95</sup>                                                                                                                                                                  | <i>xɪ<sup>9</sup>gana</i> xə <sup>y</sup> ngana | *xŋ-Ø <sup>y</sup> -ga-na | *xn-y-ka-na | 3 |
| 1. ə-epenthesis<br>2. ə-epenthesis; *y > Ø <sup>y</sup> ; +Y: ə > i<br>3. *k <sup>w</sup> (> k) > g; ə-epenthesis; *y > Ø <sup>y</sup> ; +Y: ə > i; homorganic assimilation *n > ŋ/_g |                                                 |                           |             |   |

## MOFU

|                                                                                                             |                                                 |                        |             |   |
|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------|------------------------|-------------|---|
| Mofu-Gudur                                                                                                  | <i>n</i>                                        | *n                     | *ØnØ        |   |
| Zulgo                                                                                                       | <i>həna</i>                                     | *xna                   |             | 1 |
| Merey                                                                                                       | <i>həna</i>                                     |                        |             | 1 |
| Gemzek                                                                                                      | <i>mehəne</i> ma <sup>y</sup> xəna <sup>y</sup> | *ma-xna-Ø <sup>y</sup> | *ma-xna-y   | 2 |
| Dugwor                                                                                                      | <i>manay</i>                                    | *ma-n-ay               | *ma-ØnØ-a-y |   |
| Mofu North                                                                                                  | <i>meney</i> ma <sup>y</sup> na <sup>y</sup>    | *ma-n-ay <sup>y</sup>  |             | 3 |
| 1. ə-epenthesis<br>2. ə-epenthesis; *y > Ø <sup>y</sup> ; +Y: *a > e<br>3. *y > y <sup>y</sup> ; +Y: *a > e |                                                 |                        |             |   |

<sup>94</sup> Translated as ‘hyena’ in the database. A parallel form *dəg<sup>w</sup>ava* with glottalised d’ is here considered a transcription error.

<sup>95</sup> This form in Glavda must be considered irregular under the general observation that the FV /a/ only occurs once per word and in absolute word-final position, i.e. we would expect the ending \*-k<sup>w</sup>-na rather than \*-k<sup>w</sup>a-na. The explanation may provide profound insights into synchronic Glavda phonology and/or grammar.

## MAROUA

|              |            |            |             |   |
|--------------|------------|------------|-------------|---|
| Giziga-Marva | <i>hən</i> | <i>*xn</i> | <i>*xna</i> | 1 |
| Mbazla       | <i>hən</i> |            |             | 1 |

## 1. ə-epenthesis

## LAMANG

|        |                   |                           |               |   |
|--------|-------------------|---------------------------|---------------|---|
|        |                   |                           | √ C Ca        |   |
| Lamang | <i>hina xə'na</i> | <i>*xna-Ø<sup>y</sup></i> | <i>*xna-y</i> | 1 |
|        |                   |                           | √ CaCa        |   |
| Hdi    | <i>xana</i>       | <i>*xana</i>              | <i>*xana</i>  |   |

1. ə-epenthesis; \*y > Ø<sup>y</sup>; +Y: ə > i

## HIGI

|             |                                                                      |                                         |                              |   |
|-------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------|------------------------------|---|
|             |                                                                      |                                         | √ C Ca                       |   |
| Bana        | <i>xəni xəny</i>                                                     | <i>*xn-y</i>                            | <i>*xnØ-y</i>                | 1 |
| Kamwe-Nkafa | <i>hinig<sup>w</sup>ə xə<sup>y</sup>nə<sup>y</sup>g<sup>w</sup>ə</i> | <i>*xn-Ø<sup>y</sup>-g<sup>w</sup>a</i> | <i>*xnØ-y-g<sup>w</sup>a</i> | 2 |
|             |                                                                      |                                         | √ CaCa                       |   |
| Kirya       | <i>haanə</i>                                                         | <i>*xaØana</i>                          | <i>*xakana</i>               | 3 |

## 1. ə-epenthesis; \*y &gt; i

2. \*k<sup>w</sup> > g<sup>w</sup>; ə-epenthesis; \*y > Ø<sup>y</sup>; +Y: ə > i; FV \*a > ə3. \*k<sup>w</sup> > k; metathesis nk > kn; lexical-final \*a > ə; vowel length due to loss of intervocalic /k/

## KOTOKO-ISLAND

|        |              |               |                 |                 |   |
|--------|--------------|---------------|-----------------|-----------------|---|
| Buduma | <i>hənay</i> | <i>*xn-ay</i> | <i>*xnØ-a-y</i> | <i>*xna-a-y</i> | 1 |
|--------|--------------|---------------|-----------------|-----------------|---|

## 1. ə-epenthesis

lion<sub>1</sub>PCC \*(k<sup>w</sup>a-) **l̥g(a)vara**<sup>96</sup> (-y, -k<sup>w</sup>)

## BATA

|        |                                                                                          |                                   |                       |   |
|--------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------|-----------------------|---|
|        |                                                                                          |                                   | √ C CaCa              |   |
| Gude   | <i>liv<sup>y</sup>ara lə<sup>y</sup>v<sup>y</sup>ara</i>                                 | <i>*lvara-Ø<sup>y</sup></i>       | <i>*l̥vara-y</i>      | 1 |
|        |                                                                                          |                                   | √ CaCaCa              |   |
| Tsuvan | <i>l̥<sup>y</sup>al̥<sup>y</sup>aware l̥<sup>y</sup>al̥<sup>y</sup>awara<sup>y</sup></i> | <i>*l̥a-l̥awara-Ø<sup>y</sup></i> | <i>*RED-l̥awara-y</i> | 2 |

1. \*l̥ > l; ə-epenthesis; \*y > Ø<sup>y</sup>; +Y: ə > i; +Y: \*v > v<sup>y</sup>2. \*v > w; +Y: l̥ > l̥<sup>y</sup>; \*y > Ø<sup>y</sup>; +Y: lexical-final \*a > e

<sup>96</sup> Gravina (2015) considers the root unlikely to have existed in Proto-Central Chadic, but rather to be a later innovation or borrowing, mainly in view of his postulated initial consonant \*l̥, which is not a native Central Chadic phoneme. At variance with Gravina, we here consider Tsuvan (BATA) and Daba (DABA) to be archaic in preserving PCC \*/l̥/ as the initial root consonant and assume a later sound change \*l̥ > r~l in other languages. Borrowing would appear to be somewhat counter-intuitive in the light of the root's wide distribution from southern BATA to northeastern MUSGUM. Nonetheless, as a loan it would be considered a well-integrated Pseudo-PCC root since it takes part in the characteristic Central Chadic distinction of root types depending on the presence or absence of medial \*/a/.

## DABA

|                                                                            |                         |            |           |   |
|----------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------|------------|-----------|---|
|                                                                            |                         |            | √ C CaCa  |   |
| Daba                                                                       | <i>ḡʼəvari</i> ḡʼəvary  | *ḡvarØ-yʷ  | *ḡvara-y  | 1 |
|                                                                            |                         |            | √ CaCaCa  |   |
| Buwal                                                                      | <i>levere</i> laʷvaʷraʷ | *lavara-Øʷ | *ḡavara-y | 2 |
| 1. ə-epenthesis; *y > yʷ > i; +Y: ḡ > ḡʷ<br>2. *ḡ > l; *y > Øʷ; +Y: *a > e |                         |            |           |   |

## SUKUR

|                                            |                       |           |          |   |
|--------------------------------------------|-----------------------|-----------|----------|---|
| Sukur                                      | <i>livari</i> ləʷvary | *lvarØ-yʷ | *ḡvara-y | 1 |
|                                            | <i>rivari</i> rəʷvary | *rvarØ-yʷ |          | 2 |
| 1. *ḡ > l; ə-epenthesis; +Y: ə > i; *y > i |                       |           |          |   |
| 2. *ḡ > r; ə-epenthesis; +Y: ə > i; *y > i |                       |           |          |   |

## HURZA

|                                                  |                       |           |          |   |
|--------------------------------------------------|-----------------------|-----------|----------|---|
| Vame                                             | <i>alvare</i> alvaraʷ | *lvara-Øʷ | *ḡvara-y | 1 |
| 1. *ḡ > l; a-prothesis; +Y: lexical-final *a > e |                       |           |          |   |

## MARGI

|                                 |                      |          |          |   |
|---------------------------------|----------------------|----------|----------|---|
| Margi-South                     | <i>ləvari</i> ləvary | *lvarØ-y | *ḡvara-y | 1 |
| 1. *ḡ > l; ə-epenthesis; *y > i |                      |          |          |   |

## MANDARA

|                                                                                                                                                                                          |                       |           |            |   |
|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------|-----------|------------|---|
| Podoko                                                                                                                                                                                   | <i>rəvara</i>         | *rvara    | *ḡvara(-y) | 1 |
| Glavda                                                                                                                                                                                   | <i>arvara</i>         | *rvara    |            | 2 |
|                                                                                                                                                                                          | <i>arva</i>           | *rvaØØ    |            | 2 |
| Malgwa                                                                                                                                                                                   | <i>ərvare</i> ərvaraʷ | *rvara-Øʷ | *rvara-y   | 3 |
| Mandara                                                                                                                                                                                  | <i>evare</i> aʷvaraʷ  | *Øvara-Øʷ | *Øvara-y   | 4 |
| 1. *ḡ > r; ə-epenthesis<br>2. *ḡ > r; a-prothesis<br>3. *ḡ > r; ə-prothesis; *y > Øʷ; +Y: lexical-final *a > e<br>4. *ḡ > r; a-prothesis; *y > Øʷ; +Y: prefixal and lexical-final *a > e |                       |           |            |   |

## LAMANG

|                                                                        |                                   |                       |          |          |   |
|------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------|-----------------------|----------|----------|---|
| Lamang                                                                 | <i>ərvare</i> ərvara <sup>y</sup> | *rvara-Ø <sup>y</sup> | *rvara-y | *ḡvara-y | 1 |
| Hdi                                                                    | <i>rveri</i> rva <sup>r</sup> ry  | *rvarØ-y <sup>y</sup> |          |          | 2 |
| 1. *ḡ > r; ə-prothesis; *y > Ø <sup>y</sup> ; +Y: lexical-final *a > e |                                   |                       |          |          |   |
| 2. *ḡ > r; *y > y <sup>y</sup> > i; +Y: *a > e                         |                                   |                       |          |          |   |

## HIGI

|                                                                                                               |                           |             |             |   |
|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------|-------------|-------------|---|
|                                                                                                               |                           |             | √ C CaCa    |   |
| Kamwe-Futu                                                                                                    | <i>ləvari</i> ləvary      | *lvarØ-y    | *ḡvara-y    | 1 |
|                                                                                                               |                           |             | √ CaCaCa    |   |
| Kirya                                                                                                         | <i>wuravanə</i> wəʷravanə | *wʷØ-ravana | *kʷa-ḡavara | 2 |
| 1. *ḡ > l; ə-epenthesis; *y > i<br>2. *ḡ > r; *r > n; ə-epenthesis; *kʷ > wʷ; +W: ə > u; lexical-final *a > ə |                           |             |             |   |

## MUSGUM

|                                                                                   |                     |          |            |             |   |
|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------|----------|------------|-------------|---|
| Mbara                                                                             | <i>divaŋ</i> dəʷvaŋ | *dvaŋ-Øʷ | *dvaŋØ-y-k | *ḡvara-y-kʷ | 1 |
| 1. *ḡ (> l) > d; *r > n; ə-epenthesis; *y > Øʷ; +Y: ə > i; *kʷ > k; fusion nk > ŋ |                     |          |            |             |   |

lion<sub>2</sub>Areal root/loan? \*(ma-, RED-) **bar** (-k<sup>w</sup>)

## DABA

|                                                  |                                  |                        |                        |   |
|--------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------|------------------------|------------------------|---|
| Mbudum                                           | <i>mabor</i> maba <sup>w</sup> r | *ma-bar-Ø <sup>w</sup> | *ma-bar-k <sup>w</sup> | 1 |
| 1. *k <sup>w</sup> > Ø <sup>w</sup> ; +W: *a > o |                                  |                        |                        |   |

## MAFA

|       |              |         |         |  |
|-------|--------------|---------|---------|--|
| Cuvok | <i>mabar</i> | *ma-bar | *ma-bar |  |
|-------|--------------|---------|---------|--|

## HURZA

|                                                                |                                   |                         |                         |                         |   |
|----------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------|-------------------------|-------------------------|-------------------------|---|
| Mbuko                                                          | <i>bərbor</i> bəba <sup>w</sup> r | *bØr-bar-Ø <sup>w</sup> | *bar-bar-k <sup>w</sup> | *RED-bar-k <sup>w</sup> | 1 |
| 1. *k <sup>w</sup> > Ø <sup>w</sup> ; +W: *a > o; ə-epenthesis |                                   |                         |                         |                         |   |

## MOFU

|                                                  |                                  |                        |                        |                           |   |
|--------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------|------------------------|------------------------|---------------------------|---|
| Moloko                                           | <i>mabor</i> maba <sup>w</sup> r | *ma-bar-Ø <sup>w</sup> | *ma-bar-k <sup>w</sup> | *ma-bar(-k <sup>w</sup> ) | 1 |
| Dugwor                                           | <i>mabor</i> maba <sup>w</sup> r |                        |                        |                           | 1 |
| Mofu North                                       | <i>mabar</i>                     | *ma-bar                |                        |                           |   |
| Mofu-Gudur                                       | <i>mabar</i>                     |                        |                        |                           |   |
| 1. *k <sup>w</sup> > Ø <sup>w</sup> ; +W: *a > o |                                  |                        |                        |                           |   |

## MAROUA

|                                                  |                                                |                        |                        |   |
|--------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------|------------------------|------------------------|---|
| Giziga-Muturwa                                   | <i>mobor</i> ma <sup>w</sup> ba <sup>w</sup> r | *ma-bar-Ø <sup>w</sup> | *ma-bar-k <sup>w</sup> | 1 |
| Giziga-Marva                                     | <i>mobor</i> ma <sup>w</sup> ba <sup>w</sup> r |                        |                        | 1 |
| 1. *k <sup>w</sup> > Ø <sup>w</sup> ; +W: *a > o |                                                |                        |                        |   |

lion<sub>3</sub>Areal root/loan<sup>97</sup> \*(ma-) **z(a)y(a)la**

## MAFA

|                                                 |                                              |                      |        |   |
|-------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------|----------------------|--------|---|
| Mafa                                            | <i>zele</i> z'a <sup>y</sup> la <sup>y</sup> | *zaØ <sup>y</sup> la | *zayla | 1 |
| 1. *y > Ø <sup>y</sup> ; +Y: *z > ʒ; +Y: *a > e |                                              |                      |        |   |

## HURZA

|                                                              |                                              |                     |                      |        |   |
|--------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------|---------------------|----------------------|--------|---|
| Mbuko                                                        | <i>ziyel</i> zə <sup>y</sup> ya <sup>l</sup> | *zy <sup>y</sup> al | *zy <sup>y</sup> alØ | *zyala | 1 |
| 1. *y > y <sup>y</sup> ; ə-epenthesis; +Y: ə > i; +Y: *a > e |                                              |                     |                      |        |   |

## MOFU

|           |                            |                    |          |            |   |
|-----------|----------------------------|--------------------|----------|------------|---|
|           |                            |                    |          | √ C C Ca   |   |
| Zulgo     | <i>azil</i> azyl           | *a-zyl             | *Øa-zylØ | *(ma-)zyla | 1 |
| Merey     | <i>zil</i> zə <sup>l</sup> | *zØ <sup>l</sup>   | *zylØ    |            | 2 |
|           |                            |                    |          | √ C CaCa   |   |
| Gemzek    | <i>zel</i> za <sup>l</sup> | *zØ <sup>val</sup> | *zylØ    | *zyala     | 3 |
| 1. *y > i |                            |                    |          |            |   |

<sup>97</sup> All available examples in the data show the consonant /l/ in C<sub>3</sub> position, which is not reconstructed for PCC. This could be an indication that this root is a loan from outside Chadic or of younger vintage if from within Chadic. On the other hand, reconstructable PCC \*r or \*ɭ could have changed into /l/ in all those modern CC languages for which we have data. There is no comparative evidence to reconstruct either \*l for a loan or \*r/ɭ for PCC as the historically underlying final consonant of the root. For no compelling reason, we here assume a loan in the shape of underlying \*z(a)y(a)la.

2. ə-epenthesis; \*y > Ø<sup>y</sup>; +Y: ə > i  
 3. \*y > Ø<sup>y</sup>; +Y: \*a > e

## HIGI

|           |                 |      |       |       |   |
|-----------|-----------------|------|-------|-------|---|
| Bana      | <i>ʒil zʷyl</i> | *zyl | *zylØ | *zyla | 1 |
| 1. *y > i |                 |      |       |       |   |

## locust

PCC \*(ma-) **dz(a)ra** (-a, -y, -k<sup>w</sup>)

## DABA

|                                                      |                       |                               |          |   |
|------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------|-------------------------------|----------|---|
| Gavar                                                | <i>dʒeri dzʷaʷry</i>  | *dzarØ- <i>y</i> <sup>y</sup> | *dzara-y | 1 |
| Buwal                                                | <i>dʒere dzʷaʷraʷ</i> | *dzara-Ø <sup>y</sup>         |          | 2 |
| Mbudum                                               | <i>dʒere dzʷaʷraʷ</i> |                               |          | 2 |
| 1. *y > y <sup>y</sup> > i; +Y: *dz > dʒ; +Y: *a > e |                       |                               |          |   |
| 2. *y > Ø <sup>y</sup> ; +Y: *dz > dʒ; +Y: *a > e    |                       |                               |          |   |

## MAFA

|                          |                       |             |            |   |
|--------------------------|-----------------------|-------------|------------|---|
| Mafa                     | <i>dzaray</i>         | *dzarØ-ay   | *dzara-a-y |   |
| Cuvok                    | <i>dʒaray dzʷaray</i> | *dzarØ-a-yʷ |            | 1 |
| 1. *y > yʷ; +Y: *dz > dʒ |                       |             |            |   |

## TERA

|                                                                                            |                         |             |             |                    |   |
|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------|-------------|-------------|--------------------|---|
| Tera <sup>98</sup>                                                                         | <i>ndʒere ndzʷaʷraʷ</i> | *n-dzara-Øʷ | *mØ-dzara-y | *(ma-)dzara-y(-kʷ) | 1 |
|                                                                                            | <i>ʒoola zʷaʷaʷla</i>   | *zala-Øʷ-Øʷ | *zala-y-kʷ  |                    | 2 |
| 1. *y > Øʷ; +Y: *dz > dʒ; +Y: *a > e; homorganic assimilation *m > n/ dz                   |                         |             |             |                    |   |
| 2. *r > l; *dz > z; *y > Øʷ; +Y: z > ʒ; *kʷ > Øʷ; +W: *a > o; vowel length unaccounted for |                         |             |             |                    |   |

## SUKUR

|           |                      |          |            |   |
|-----------|----------------------|----------|------------|---|
| Sukur     | <i>dzalai dzalay</i> | *dzalØ-y | *dzara-a-y | 1 |
| 1. *r > l |                      |          |            |   |

## HURZA

|                                                               |                                  |                        |                         |                          |   |
|---------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------|------------------------|-------------------------|--------------------------|---|
|                                                               |                                  |                        |                         | √ C Ca                   |   |
| Vame                                                          | <i>dzuray dzə<sup>w</sup>ray</i> | *dzr-ay-Ø <sup>w</sup> | *dzrØ-ay-k <sup>w</sup> | *dzra-a-y-k <sup>w</sup> | 1 |
|                                                               |                                  |                        |                         | √ CaCa                   |   |
| Mbuko                                                         | <i>dzaray</i>                    | *dzarØ-ay              |                         | *dzara-a-y               |   |
| 1. ə-epenthesis; *k <sup>w</sup> > Ø <sup>w</sup> ; +W: ə > u |                                  |                        |                         |                          |   |

## MOFU

|            |                     |            |                |   |
|------------|---------------------|------------|----------------|---|
| Gemzek     | <i>dzara</i>        | *dzara     | *dzara((-a)-y) |   |
| Zulgo      | <i>dzara</i>        |            |                |   |
| Mada       | <i>dʒara dzʷara</i> | *dzara-Øʷ  |                | 1 |
| Ouldeme    | <i>dzaray</i>       | *dzarØ-a-y |                |   |
| Merey      | <i>dzaray</i>       |            |                |   |
| Mofu North | <i>dzaray</i>       |            |                |   |

<sup>98</sup> The two forms stem from the same source and are both derived from the common PCC root. However, the distinct modern surface forms would appear to indicate that *ʒoola* is a borrowing from an as yet unidentified likely (Central) Chadic language that has undergone different sound changes.

|                          |                       |             |  |   |
|--------------------------|-----------------------|-------------|--|---|
| Muyang                   | <i>dʒaray dzʷaray</i> | *dzarØ-a-yʷ |  | 2 |
| Moloko                   | <i>dʒaray dzʷaray</i> |             |  | 2 |
| Mofu-Gudur               | <i>dʒaray dzʷaray</i> |             |  | 2 |
| 1. *y > Øʷ; +Y: *dz > dʒ |                       |             |  |   |
| 2. *y > yʷ; +Y: *dz > dʒ |                       |             |  |   |

## MAROUA

|                          |                       |                    |                   |   |
|--------------------------|-----------------------|--------------------|-------------------|---|
| Giziga-Muturwa           | <i>dʒaray dzʼaray</i> | <i>*dzarØ-a-yʷ</i> | <i>*dzara-a-y</i> | 1 |
| 1. *y > yʷ; +Y: *dz > dʒ |                       |                    |                   |   |

## HIGI

|                                                                |                    |                |                |                |   |
|----------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|---|
|                                                                |                    |                |                | √ C Ca         |   |
| Bana                                                           | <i>dʒir dzʼəʔr</i> | <i>*dzr-Øʷ</i> | <i>*dzrØ-y</i> | <i>*dzra-y</i> | 1 |
|                                                                |                    |                |                | √ CaCa         |   |
| Kamwe-Futu                                                     | <i>dzala</i>       | <i>*dzala</i>  |                | <i>*dzara</i>  |   |
| 1. ə-epenthesis; *y > Øʷ; +Y: ə > i; +Y: *dz > dʒ<br>2. *r > l |                    |                |                |                |   |

## GIDAR

|            |              |                |                 |   |
|------------|--------------|----------------|-----------------|---|
| Gidar      | <i>zaray</i> | <i>*zara-y</i> | <i>*dzara-y</i> | 1 |
| 1. *dz > z |              |                |                 |   |

## lung

PCC \*(ma-, RED-) **b(a)k<sup>w</sup>(a)d(a)fa** (-RED, -y, -n; FV)

## BATA

|                                                                                                                                                       |                                                         |                                        |                               |                                     |   |
|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------|-------------------------------|-------------------------------------|---|
| Gude                                                                                                                                                  | <i>gugufinə</i><br>g <sup>w</sup> əg <sup>w</sup> əʔynə | *g <sup>w</sup> -g <sup>w</sup> f-y-na | *RED-Øg <sup>w</sup> ØfØ-y-na | *(RED-)bk <sup>w</sup> dfa(-y(-na)) | 1 |
| Sharwa                                                                                                                                                | <i>byəfi</i> b <sup>y</sup> əʔy                         | *bf-y <sup>y</sup>                     | *bØØfØ-y                      |                                     | 2 |
| 1. *k <sup>w</sup> > g <sup>w</sup> ; +W: ə > u; ə-epenthesis; *y > i; FV *a > ə<br>2. ə-epenthesis; *y > y <sup>y</sup> > i; +Y: *b > b <sup>y</sup> |                                                         |                                        |                               |                                     |   |

## DABA

|                                                                         |                                                                                |                       |                        |                             |   |
|-------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------|------------------------|-----------------------------|---|
| Buwal                                                                   | <i>yampaf</i>                                                                  | *yampaf               | *mØ-payaØfØ            | *(ma-)bak <sup>w</sup> adfa | 1 |
| Gavar                                                                   | <i>kampaf</i>                                                                  | *kampaf               | *mØ-pakaØfØ            |                             | 2 |
| Mbudum                                                                  | <i>bahaf</i>                                                                   | *baxaf                | *baxaØfØ               |                             | 3 |
| Daba                                                                    | <i>pokoduf</i> pa <sup>w</sup> k <sup>w</sup> a <sup>w</sup> də <sup>w</sup> f | *pak <sup>w</sup> adf | *pak <sup>w</sup> adfØ |                             | 4 |
| 1. *b > p; *k <sup>w</sup> (> k > x) > ɣ; multiple metathesis mpy > ymp |                                                                                |                       |                        |                             |   |
| 2. *b > p; *k <sup>w</sup> > k; multiple metathesis mpk > kmp           |                                                                                |                       |                        |                             |   |
| 3. *k <sup>w</sup> > x                                                  |                                                                                |                       |                        |                             |   |
| 4. *b > p; ə-epenthesis; +W: ə > u; +W: *a > o                          |                                                                                |                       |                        |                             |   |

## MAFA

|                                     |                              |                     |           |                           |   |
|-------------------------------------|------------------------------|---------------------|-----------|---------------------------|---|
| Mafa                                | <i>baf</i>                   | *baf                | *baØØfØ   | *bak <sup>w</sup> dfa(-y) |   |
| Cuvok                               | <i>bef</i> ba <sup>w</sup> f | *baf-Ø <sup>y</sup> | *baØØfØ-y |                           | 1 |
| 1. *y > Ø <sup>y</sup> ; +Y: *a > e |                              |                     |           |                           |   |

## TERA

|                                                                                   |                                                                            |                                   |                          |                          |   |
|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|---|
| Tera                                                                              | <i>xuxup</i> x <sup>w</sup> ə <sup>w</sup> x <sup>w</sup> ə <sup>w</sup> p | *x <sup>w</sup> -x <sup>w</sup> p | *RED-Øx <sup>w</sup> ØpØ | *RED-bk <sup>w</sup> dfa | 1 |
|                                                                                   | <i>fufuf</i> fə <sup>w</sup> fə <sup>w</sup> f                             | *f <sup>w</sup> -f <sup>w</sup> f | *RED-Øf <sup>w</sup> ØfØ |                          | 2 |
| 1. *k <sup>w</sup> > x <sup>w</sup> ; *f > p; ə-epenthesis; +W: ə > u             |                                                                            |                                   |                          |                          |   |
| 2. *k <sup>w</sup> (> x <sup>w</sup> ) > f <sup>w</sup> ; ə-epenthesis; +W: ə > u |                                                                            |                                   |                          |                          |   |

## SUKUR

|                 |            |     |        |                      |   |
|-----------------|------------|-----|--------|----------------------|---|
| Sukur           | <i>bəf</i> | *bf | *bØØfØ | *bk <sup>w</sup> dfa | 1 |
| 1. ə-epenthesis |            |     |        |                      |   |

## HURZA

|                            |                                                                              |                                    |                          |                          |   |
|----------------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|---|
|                            |                                                                              |                                    |                          | √ C C C Ca               |   |
| Vame                       | <i>kukufa</i> k <sup>w</sup> ə <sup>w</sup> k <sup>w</sup> ə <sup>w</sup> fa | *k <sup>w</sup> -k <sup>w</sup> fa | *RED-Øk <sup>w</sup> Øfa | *RED-bk <sup>w</sup> dfa | 1 |
|                            |                                                                              |                                    |                          | √ C C CaCa               |   |
| Mbuko                      | <i>baf</i>                                                                   | *baf                               | *bØØafØ                  | *bk <sup>w</sup> dafa    |   |
| 1. ə-epenthesis; +W: ə > u |                                                                              |                                    |                          |                          |   |

## MARGI

|                                                                               |                                                                              |                                       |                             |                             |   |
|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------|-----------------------------|-----------------------------|---|
|                                                                               |                                                                              |                                       |                             | √ C C C Ca                  |   |
| Kilba                                                                         | <i>guguvi</i> g <sup>w</sup> ə <sup>w</sup> g <sup>w</sup> ə <sup>w</sup> vy | *g <sup>w</sup> -g <sup>w</sup> v-y   | *RED-Øg <sup>w</sup> ØvØ-y  | *RED-bk <sup>w</sup> dfa-y  | 1 |
|                                                                               |                                                                              |                                       |                             | √ C CaC Ca                  |   |
| Margi-South                                                                   | <i>gag<sup>w</sup>avi</i> g <sup>w</sup> ag <sup>w</sup> avy                 | *g <sup>w</sup> a-g <sup>w</sup> av-y | *RED-Øg <sup>w</sup> aØvØ-y | *RED-bk <sup>w</sup> adfa-y | 2 |
| 1. *k <sup>w</sup> > g <sup>w</sup> ; *f > v; ə-epenthesis; +W: ə > u; *y > i |                                                                              |                                       |                             |                             |   |
| 2. *k <sup>w</sup> > g <sup>w</sup> ; *f > v; *y > i                          |                                                                              |                                       |                             |                             |   |

## MANDARA

|                         |              |          |             |                           |   |
|-------------------------|--------------|----------|-------------|---------------------------|---|
|                         |              |          |             | √ C C C Ca                |   |
| Podoko                  | <i>bəfa</i>  | *bfa     | *bØØfa      | *bk <sup>w</sup> dfa      |   |
|                         |              |          |             | √ CaC C Ca                |   |
| Matal                   | <i>pafaf</i> | *pafa-fØ | *paØØfa-RED | *bak <sup>w</sup> dfa-RED | 1 |
| 1. *b > p; ə-epenthesis |              |          |             |                           |   |

## MOFU

|                                                                                                       |                                                            |                                        |                                            |                                           |   |
|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------|---|
|                                                                                                       |                                                            |                                        |                                            | √ CaC C Ca                                |   |
| Ouldeme                                                                                               | <i><sup>m</sup>bef</i> mba <sup>3</sup> f                  | *m-baf-Ø <sup>y</sup>                  | *mØ-baØØfØ-y                               | *(ma-)(RED-)<br>bak <sup>w</sup> dfa      | 1 |
| Merey                                                                                                 | <i>ba<sup>m</sup>baf</i> ba <sup>m</sup> baf               | *Ø <sup>n</sup> -ba-baf                | *m <sup>n</sup> Ø-RED-baØØfØ               |                                           | 2 |
| Dugwor                                                                                                | <i>bo<sup>m</sup>bof</i> ba <sup>m</sup> ba <sup>w</sup> f | *Ø <sup>n</sup> -ba-baØ <sup>w</sup> f | *m <sup>n</sup> Ø-RED-bak <sup>w</sup> ØfØ |                                           |   |
| Zulgo                                                                                                 | <i>abaf</i>                                                | *Øa-baf                                | *ba-baf                                    |                                           |   |
| Gemzek                                                                                                | <i>abaf</i>                                                |                                        | *RED-baØØfØ                                |                                           |   |
|                                                                                                       |                                                            |                                        |                                            | √ CaCaC Ca                                |   |
| Moloko                                                                                                | <i>pahav</i>                                               | *paxav                                 | *paxaØvØ                                   | *(RED-, ma-)<br>bak <sup>w</sup> adfa(-y) | 3 |
| Mada                                                                                                  | <i>am<sup>m</sup>bahaf</i>                                 | *m <sup>n</sup> -baxaf                 | *m <sup>n</sup> Ø-baxaØfØ                  |                                           | 4 |
| Mofu-Gudur                                                                                            | <i>babəkaf</i>                                             | *ba-bØkaf                              | *RED-bakaØfØ                               |                                           | 5 |
| 1. *y > Ø <sup>y</sup> ; +Y: *a > e                                                                   |                                                            |                                        |                                            |                                           |   |
| 2. *k <sup>w</sup> > Ø <sup>w</sup> ; +W: *a > o                                                      |                                                            |                                        |                                            |                                           |   |
| 3. *k <sup>w</sup> (> x <sup>w</sup> ) > x; *f > v                                                    |                                                            |                                        |                                            |                                           |   |
| 4. *k <sup>w</sup> (> x <sup>w</sup> ) > x; *m > m <sup>n</sup> ; +N: b > <sup>m</sup> b; a-prothesis |                                                            |                                        |                                            |                                           |   |
| 5. *k <sup>w</sup> > k; ə-epenthesis                                                                  |                                                            |                                        |                                            |                                           |   |

## MAROUA

|                                                                                                                                                                                                                      |                                 |               |                       |                          |   |
|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------|---------------|-----------------------|--------------------------|---|
|                                                                                                                                                                                                                      |                                 |               |                       | √ C C CaCa               |   |
| Giziga-Marva                                                                                                                                                                                                         | <i>bubu'of</i> bwbwʔaʷf         | *bw-bwʷʔaf    | *RED-bwʔafØ           | *RED-bkʷdafa             | 1 |
|                                                                                                                                                                                                                      |                                 |               |                       | √ CaCaC Ca               |   |
| Giziga-Muturwa                                                                                                                                                                                                       | <i>boboʷgof</i><br>baʷbaʷʷgʷaʷf | *ba-Øʷ-bagʷaf | *RED-mʷØ-<br>bagʷaØfØ | *(RED-, ma-)<br>bakʷadfa | 2 |
|                                                                                                                                                                                                                      | <i>bofoko</i> baʷfaʷkʷaʷ        | *bafakʷa      | *bakʷaØfa             |                          | 3 |
|                                                                                                                                                                                                                      |                                 |               |                       | √ CaCaCaCa               |   |
| Mbazla                                                                                                                                                                                                               | <i>baagaf</i>                   | *baØagaf      | *badāgaf              | *bagadāfØ                | 4 |
| 1. *dʷ > ʔ; *kʷ > wʷ > u; +W: *a > o<br>2. *kʷ > gʷ; +W: *a > o; *m > Øʷ; +N: gʷ > ʷgʷ<br>3. metathesis kʷf > fkʷ; +W: *a > o<br>4. *kʷ (> k) > g; metathesis gdʷ > dg; vowel length due to loss of intervocalic /d/ |                                 |               |                       |                          |   |

## LAMANG

|                                 |                        |            |              |               |   |
|---------------------------------|------------------------|------------|--------------|---------------|---|
|                                 |                        |            |              | √ C C C Ca    |   |
| Hdi                             | <i>bəf</i>             | *bf        | *bØØfØ       | *bkʷdfa       | 1 |
|                                 |                        |            |              | √ C CaC Ca    |   |
| Lamang                          | <i>maxʷafi</i> maxʷafy | *ma-xʷaf-y | *ma-ØxʷaØfØ- | *ma-bkʷadfa-y | 2 |
|                                 | <i>maxofi</i> maxʷaʷfy |            | y            |               | 3 |
| 1. ə-epenthesis                 |                        |            |              |               |   |
| 2. *kʷ > xʷ; *y > i             |                        |            |              |               |   |
| 3. *kʷ > xʷ; +W: *a > o; *y > i |                        |            |              |               |   |

## HIGI

|                                                                          |                                                                              |                                     |                            |                                    |   |
|--------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------|----------------------------|------------------------------------|---|
| Kamwe-Nkafa                                                              | <i>gugufə</i> g <sup>w</sup> ə <sup>w</sup> g <sup>w</sup> ə <sup>w</sup> fə | *g <sup>w</sup> -g <sup>w</sup> fə  | *RED-Øg <sup>w</sup> Øfa   | *(RED-)<br>bk <sup>w</sup> dfa(-y) | 1 |
| Kirya                                                                    | <i>gugufi</i> g <sup>w</sup> ə <sup>w</sup> g <sup>w</sup> ə <sup>w</sup> fy | *g <sup>w</sup> -g <sup>w</sup> f-y | *RED-Øg <sup>w</sup> ØfØ-y |                                    | 2 |
| Bana                                                                     | <i>bəfi</i> bəfy                                                             | *bf-y                               | *bØØfØ-y                   |                                    | 3 |
| 1. *k <sup>w</sup> > g <sup>w</sup> ; ə-epenthesis; lexical-final *a > ə |                                                                              |                                     |                            |                                    |   |
| 2. *k <sup>w</sup> > g <sup>w</sup> ; ə-epenthesis; *y > i               |                                                                              |                                     |                            |                                    |   |
| 3. ə-epenthesis; *y > i                                                  |                                                                              |                                     |                            |                                    |   |

## KOTOKO-NORTH

|                                                                |                                             |                     |                       |                       |   |
|----------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------|---------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|---|
| Afade                                                          | <i>gafo</i> gafa <sup>w</sup>               | *g <sup>w</sup> afa | *Øg <sup>w</sup> aØfa | *bk <sup>w</sup> adfa | 1 |
| Mpade                                                          | <i>kofo</i> ka <sup>w</sup> fa <sup>w</sup> | *k <sup>w</sup> afa | *Øk <sup>w</sup> aØfa |                       | 2 |
| 1. *k <sup>w</sup> > g <sup>w</sup> ; +W: lexical-final *a > o |                                             |                     |                       |                       |   |
| 2. +W: *a > o                                                  |                                             |                     |                       |                       |   |

## KOTOKO-SOUTH

|                                                                      |                                |                |                |                |   |
|----------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|---|
| Mazera                                                               | <i>ɣʷavɣʷavi</i><br>ɣʷavɣʷavəʷ | *ɣʷav-ɣʷava-Øʷ | *RED-ØɣʷaØva-y | *RED-bkʷadfa-y | 1 |
| 1. *kʷ (> gʷ) > ɣʷ; *f > v; lexical-final *a > ə; *y > Øʷ; +Y: ə > i |                                |                |                |                |   |

## MUSGUM

|                                                                                                                              |                          |                     |              |              |   |
|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------|---------------------|--------------|--------------|---|
|                                                                                                                              |                          |                     |              | √ C C CaCa   |   |
| Mbara                                                                                                                        | <i>bubugaf</i> bəʷbəʷgaf | *b-bgʷaf            | *RED-bgʷØafØ | *RED-bkʷdafa | 1 |
|                                                                                                                              |                          |                     |              | √ CaCaCaCa   |   |
| Vulum                                                                                                                        | <i>baagaf</i>            | *baØagaf < *badāgaf | *bagadāfØ    | *bakʷadafa   | 2 |
| 1. *kʷ > gʷ; ə-epenthesis; +W: ə > u<br>2. *kʷ (> gʷ) > g; metathesis gdʷ > dg; vowel length due to loss of intervocalic /d/ |                          |                     |              |              |   |



man, husband

PCC/Areal root<sup>99</sup> **\*z(a)d(a)ra**

MARGI

|                   |            |             |               |               |   |
|-------------------|------------|-------------|---------------|---------------|---|
| Margi             | <i>sal</i> | <i>*sal</i> | <i>*sØalØ</i> | <i>*zdara</i> | 1 |
| Margi-South       | <i>sal</i> |             |               |               | 1 |
| Kilba             | <i>sal</i> |             |               |               | 1 |
| 1. *z > s; *r > l |            |             |               |               |   |

MANDARA

|                                                              |                       |                |               |               |   |
|--------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------|----------------|---------------|---------------|---|
|                                                              |                       |                |               | √ C C Ca      |   |
| Matal                                                        | <i>ʒil zʷəʔl</i>      | <i>*zØʷl</i>   | <i>*zylØ</i>  | <i>*zdra</i>  | 1 |
| Malgwa                                                       | <i>ʒiile zʷəʔylaʷ</i> | <i>*zyʷla</i>  | <i>*zyla</i>  |               | 2 |
|                                                              |                       |                |               | √ C CaCa      |   |
| Mandara                                                      | <i>ʒele zʷaʷlaʷ</i>   | <i>*zØʷala</i> | <i>*zyala</i> | <i>*zdara</i> | 3 |
| 1. *r > l; *dʷ > y > Øʷ; ə-epenthesis; +Y: *z > ʒ; +Y: ə > l |                       |                |               |               |   |
| 2. *r > l; *dʷ > yʷ > i; ə-epenthesis; +Y: *z > ʒ; +Y: ə > i |                       |                |               |               |   |
| 3. *r > l; *dʷ > y > Øʷ; +Y: *z > ʒ; +Y: *a > e              |                       |                |               |               |   |

MOFU

|                                     |                 |       |        |        |        |
|-------------------------------------|-----------------|-------|--------|--------|--------|
| Moloko                              | <i>zar</i>      | *zar  | *zØarØ | *zdara |        |
| Mada                                | <i>zala</i>     | *zala | *zØala |        | 1      |
| Muyang                              | <i>zal</i>      | *zal  | *zØalØ |        | 1      |
| Gemzek                              | <i>zal</i>      |       |        |        | 1      |
| Merey                               | <i>zal</i>      |       |        |        | 1      |
| Dugwor                              | <i>zel</i> zaʷl |       |        |        | *zØʷal |
| Mofu-Gudur                          | <i>zel</i> zaʷl |       |        |        | 2      |
| 1. *r > l                           |                 |       |        |        |        |
| 2. *r > l; *dʷ > y > Øʷ; +Y: *a > e |                 |       |        |        |        |

MAROUA

|                         |                |             |              |              |   |
|-------------------------|----------------|-------------|--------------|--------------|---|
| Giziga-Marva            | <i>zil zyl</i> | <i>*zyl</i> | <i>*zylØ</i> | <i>*zdra</i> | 1 |
| Mbazla                  | <i>zil zyl</i> |             |              |              | 1 |
|                         | <i>zəl</i>     | <i>*zl</i>  | <i>*zØlØ</i> |              | 2 |
| 1. *r > l; *d' > y > i  |                |             |              |              |   |
| 2. *r > l; ə-epenthesis |                |             |              |              |   |

LAMANG

|           |                |               |               |   |
|-----------|----------------|---------------|---------------|---|
| Lamang    | <i>zdaʔ(a)</i> | <i>*zdala</i> | <i>*zdara</i> | 1 |
| 1. *r > l |                |               |               |   |

<sup>99</sup> Reconstructing C<sub>3</sub> as \*r is supported by only Mokolo (MOFU), while all other languages show synchronic /l/ (unless deleted). Reconstructing C<sub>3</sub> as \*dʷ is only supported directly by Lamang (LAMANG) and indirectly by fairly common \*dʷ > y (> Øʷ) in other languages. Given the item's geographical distribution, we may be dealing with an areal innovation.

## HIGI

|                     |            |             |               |               |   |
|---------------------|------------|-------------|---------------|---------------|---|
| Kamwe-Nkafa         | <i>za</i>  | <i>*za</i>  | <i>*zØØa</i>  | <i>*zdāra</i> | 1 |
| Psikye              | <i>za</i>  |             |               |               | 1 |
| Kirya               | <i>zal</i> | <i>*zal</i> | <i>*zØalØ</i> |               | 1 |
| Bana                | <i>zal</i> |             |               |               | 1 |
| 1. <i>*r &gt; l</i> |            |             |               |               |   |

## market

Pseudo-PCC<sup>100</sup> *\*(RED-)* **k(a)s(a)wka** (-y)

## TERA

|                     |                  |                |                |   |
|---------------------|------------------|----------------|----------------|---|
| Hwana               | <i>kasu kasw</i> | <i>*kaswØØ</i> | <i>*kaswka</i> | 1 |
| 1. <i>*w &gt; u</i> |                  |                |                |   |

## SUKUR

|                                                        |                   |                         |               |               |   |
|--------------------------------------------------------|-------------------|-------------------------|---------------|---------------|---|
| Sukur                                                  | <i>səku səkw</i>  | <i>*skw</i>             | <i>*ØswkØ</i> | <i>*kswka</i> | 1 |
|                                                        | <i>suku səwkw</i> | <i>*skw<sup>w</sup></i> | <i>*ØswkØ</i> |               | 2 |
| 1. metathesis wk > kw; ə-epenthesis; *w > u            |                   |                         |               |               |   |
| 2. metathesis wk > kw; ə-epenthesis; +W: ə > u; *w > u |                   |                         |               |               |   |

## HURZA

|                                                                             |                                                          |                            |                |   |
|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------|----------------|---|
| Mbuko                                                                       | <i>k<sup>w</sup>asuko k<sup>w</sup>aswka<sup>w</sup></i> | <i>*kasw<sup>w</sup>ka</i> | <i>*kaswka</i> | 1 |
| Vame                                                                        | <i>kasuka kaswka</i>                                     | <i>*kaswka</i>             |                | 2 |
| 1. *w > w <sup>w</sup> ; +W: *k > k <sup>w</sup> ; +W: lexical-final *a > o |                                                          |                            |                |   |
| 2. *w > u                                                                   |                                                          |                            |                |   |

## MARGI

|                                                                  |                  |             |               |               |   |
|------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------|-------------|---------------|---------------|---|
| Kilba                                                            | <i>səku səkw</i> | <i>*skw</i> | <i>*ØswkØ</i> | <i>*kswka</i> | 1 |
| 1. metathesis <i>wk &gt; kw</i> ; ə-epenthesis; <i>*w &gt; u</i> |                  |             |               |               |   |

## MANDARA

|                                                                                                                      |                                                                                |                                          |                              |                 |                    |   |
|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------|------------------------------|-----------------|--------------------|---|
|                                                                                                                      |                                                                                |                                          |                              |                 | √ CaC C Ca         |   |
| Glavda                                                                                                               | <i>kasuk<sup>w</sup>a kaswk<sup>w</sup>a</i>                                   | <i>*kasw<sup>w</sup>ka</i>               |                              |                 | <i>*kaswka(-y)</i> | 1 |
|                                                                                                                      | <i>kasuk kaswk</i>                                                             | <i>*kaswkØ</i>                           |                              |                 |                    | 2 |
|                                                                                                                      | <i>kasu kasw</i>                                                               | <i>*kaswØØ</i>                           |                              |                 |                    | 2 |
| Malgwa                                                                                                               | <i>k<sup>w</sup>ask<sup>w</sup>e k<sup>w</sup>ask<sup>w</sup>a<sup>y</sup></i> | <i>*kaskØ<sup>w</sup>a-Ø<sup>y</sup></i> | <i>*kasw<sup>w</sup>ka-y</i> | 3               |                    |   |
| Matal                                                                                                                | <i>k<sup>w</sup>asəkw<sup>w</sup>a</i>                                         | <i>*kaskØ<sup>w</sup>a</i>               | <i>*kasw<sup>w</sup>ka</i>   | 4               |                    |   |
|                                                                                                                      | <i>kosuka &lt; ka<sup>w</sup>swka</i>                                          | <i>*kasw<sup>w</sup>ka</i>               |                              | 5               |                    |   |
|                                                                                                                      |                                                                                |                                          |                              |                 | √ CaCaC Ca         |   |
| Podoko                                                                                                               | <i>k<sup>w</sup>asak<sup>w</sup>a</i>                                          | <i>*kasakØ<sup>w</sup>a</i>              | <i>*kasakw<sup>w</sup>a</i>  | <i>*kasawka</i> | 6                  |   |
| 1. *w > u; *w > Ø <sup>w</sup> ; +W: *k > k <sup>w</sup>                                                             |                                                                                |                                          |                              |                 |                    |   |
| 2. *w > u                                                                                                            |                                                                                |                                          |                              |                 |                    |   |
| 3. metathesis wk > kw; *w > Ø <sup>w</sup> ; +W: k > k <sup>w</sup> ; *y > Ø <sup>y</sup> ; +Y: lexical-final *a > e |                                                                                |                                          |                              |                 |                    |   |
| 4. metathesis wk > kw; *w > Ø <sup>w</sup> ; +W: k > k <sup>w</sup> ; ə-epenthesis                                   |                                                                                |                                          |                              |                 |                    |   |

<sup>100</sup> This is an obvious loan from/via Kanuri (ultimately from Arabic *sug* and showing a characteristic Kanuri prefix *ka-/kə-*) and thus qualifies as a 'Pseudo'-PCC root insofar as it has been streamlined into Central Chadic phonology systems to the extent of being apparently 'reconstructable'.

|                                                                     |
|---------------------------------------------------------------------|
| 5. *w > u; +W: *a > o                                               |
| 6. metathesis wk > kw; *w > Ø <sup>w</sup> ; +W: k > k <sup>w</sup> |

## MOFU

|                                                  |                                                          |                        |                        | √ CaC C Ca |   |
|--------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------|------------------------|------------------------|------------|---|
| Zulgo                                            | <i>k<sup>w</sup>ask<sup>w</sup>a</i>                     | kasØ <sup>w</sup> ka   | *kasw <sup>w</sup> ka  | *kaswka    | 1 |
| Ouldeme                                          | <i>k<sup>w</sup>ask<sup>w</sup>a</i>                     |                        |                        |            | 1 |
| Muyang                                           | <i>gosku ga<sup>w</sup>skw</i>                           | gaskw <sup>w</sup>     | *gasw <sup>w</sup> ka  |            | 2 |
| Mada                                             | <i>gosko ga<sup>w</sup>ska<sup>w</sup></i>               | *gaskØ <sup>w</sup> a  | *gasw <sup>w</sup> ka  |            | 3 |
|                                                  |                                                          |                        |                        | √ CaCaC Ca |   |
| Moloko                                           | <i>kosoko ka<sup>w</sup>sa<sup>w</sup>ka<sup>w</sup></i> | *kasaØ <sup>w</sup> ka | *kasaw <sup>w</sup> ka | *kasawka   | 3 |
| 1. *w > Ø <sup>w</sup> ; +W: *k > k <sup>w</sup> |                                                          |                        |                        |            |   |
| 2. *k > g; *w > u; +W: *a > o                    |                                                          |                        |                        |            |   |
| 3. *w > Ø <sup>w</sup> ; +W: *a > o              |                                                          |                        |                        |            |   |

## MAROUA

|                        |                                            |                       |                       |         |   |
|------------------------|--------------------------------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|---------|---|
| Giziga-Marva           | <i>kosko ka<sup>w</sup>ska<sup>w</sup></i> | *kasØ <sup>w</sup> ka | *kasw <sup>w</sup> ka | *kaswka | 1 |
| 1. *w > Ø <sup>w</sup> |                                            |                       |                       |         |   |

## HIGI

|                                                                                                                   |                                                                  |                                    |                         | √ C C C Ca  |   |
|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------|-------------------------|-------------|---|
| Kamwe-Futu                                                                                                        | <i>fik<sup>w</sup>i s<sup>y</sup>a<sup>y</sup>k<sup>w</sup>y</i> | *skØ <sup>w</sup> -y <sup>y</sup>  | *Øsw <sup>w</sup> kØ-y  | *kswka      | 1 |
| Psikye                                                                                                            | <i>fk<sup>w</sup>u s<sup>y</sup>k<sup>w</sup>w</i>               | *skØ <sup>w</sup> -Ø <sup>y</sup>  |                         |             | 2 |
|                                                                                                                   |                                                                  |                                    |                         | √ C C CaCCa |   |
| Psikye                                                                                                            | <i>fek<sup>w</sup>u s<sup>y</sup>a<sup>y</sup>k<sup>w</sup>w</i> | *sakØ <sup>w</sup> -Ø <sup>y</sup> | *Øsaw <sup>w</sup> kØ-y | *ksawka-y   | 3 |
| 1. metathesis wk > kw; *w > Ø <sup>w</sup> ; +W: k > k <sup>w</sup> ; ə-epenthesis; +Y: ə > i; +Y: *s > f; *y > i |                                                                  |                                    |                         |             |   |
| 2. metathesis wk > kw; *w > Ø <sup>w</sup> ; +W: k > k <sup>w</sup> ; +Y: *s > f; *w > u                          |                                                                  |                                    |                         |             |   |
| 3. metathesis wk > kw; *w > Ø <sup>w</sup> ; +W: k > k <sup>w</sup> ; +Y: *a > e; +Y: *s > f; *w > u              |                                                                  |                                    |                         |             |   |

## KOTOKO-ISLAND

|                                                                     |                        |          |          |          |   |
|---------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------|----------|----------|----------|---|
| Buduma                                                              | <i>kaxaguə kaxagwə</i> | *kaxagwa | *kaxawga | *kasawka | 1 |
| 1. *s > x; *k > g; metathesis wg > gw; *w > u; lexical-final *a > ə |                        |          |          |          |   |

## KOTOKO-NORTH

|        |                                            |                         |               |                   |   |
|--------|--------------------------------------------|-------------------------|---------------|-------------------|---|
| Mpade  | <i>kasugu kasə<sup>w</sup>gw</i>           | *kasgw <sup>w</sup>     | *kasgwØ       | *(RED-)kaswka(-y) | 1 |
| Afade  | <i>gasibi gasə<sup>y</sup>by</i>           | *gasbØØ-y <sup>y</sup>  |               |                   | 2 |
| Malgbe | <i>gegbi ga<sup>y</sup>gbə<sup>y</sup></i> | *ga-gØba-Ø <sup>y</sup> | *RED-gaØbØa-y |                   | 3 |

1. \*k > g; metathesis wg > gw; ə-epenthesis; \*w > w<sup>w</sup>; +W: ə > u; \*w > u

2. \*k > g; \*w > b; ə-epenthesis; +Y: ə > i; \*y > i

3. \*k > g; \*w > b; +Y: \*a > e; lexical final \*a > ə; +Y: ə > i

## KOTOKO-CENTRAL

|                               |                    |        |         |         |   |
|-------------------------------|--------------------|--------|---------|---------|---|
| Lagwan                        | <i>kasku kaskw</i> | *kaskw | *kaswkØ | *kaswka | 1 |
| Mser                          | <i>kasku kaskw</i> |        |         |         | 1 |
| 1. metathesis wk > kw; *w > u |                    |        |         |         |   |

## MUSGUM

|                                                                                   |                                |                       |                       |         |   |
|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|---------|---|
| Mbara                                                                             | <i>kasko kaska<sup>w</sup></i> | *kasØ <sup>w</sup> ka | *kasw <sup>w</sup> ka | *kaswka | 1 |
| 1. metathesis wk > kw; *w > Ø <sup>w</sup> ; +W: *k > k <sup>w</sup> ; +W: *a > o |                                |                       |                       |         |   |

## meat

PCC \*(sa-) **l(a)w(a)ɗa**<sup>101</sup> (-y, -k<sup>w</sup>, -n)

BATA

|        |                    |         |         |           |   |
|--------|--------------------|---------|---------|-----------|---|
| Gude   | <i>lawa</i>        | *lwa    | *lwØa   | *lwdā(-n) | 1 |
| Jimi   | <i>liwən lywən</i> | *lywa-n | *lwya-n |           | 2 |
| Sharwa | <i>liwə lywə</i>   | *lywa   | *lwya   |           | 3 |
| Tsuvan | <i>ɣiwe ɣywaʸ</i>  | *ɣywa   | *ɣwya   |           | 4 |

1. \*l > l; ə-epenthesis
2. \*l > l; \*d > y > i; metathesis wy > yw; ə-epenthesis; lexical-final \*a > ə
3. \*l > l; \*d > y > i; metathesis wy > yw; lexical-final \*a > ə
4. \*l > ɣ; \*d > y > i; metathesis wy > yw; +Y: lexical-final \*a > e

DABA

|        |                 |       |        |          |   |
|--------|-----------------|-------|--------|----------|---|
|        |                 |       |        | √ C C Ca |   |
| Gavar  | <i>ɣi ɣy</i>    | *ɣ-y  | *ɣØyØ  | *lwdā    | 1 |
| Mbudum |                 |       |        |          | 1 |
|        |                 |       |        | √ C CaCa |   |
| Buwal  | <i>ɣey ɣaʸy</i> | *ɣayʸ | *ɣØayØ | *lwaɗa   | 2 |

1. \*l > ɣ; \*d > y > i
2. \*l > ɣ; \*d > y > yʸ; +Y: \*a > e

MAFA

|       |                                 |                        |          |          |   |
|-------|---------------------------------|------------------------|----------|----------|---|
|       |                                 |                        |          | √ C CaCa |   |
| Mafa  | <i>ɣuwed ɣə<sup>w</sup>waʸd</i> | *ɣw <sup>w</sup> ad-Øʸ | *ɣwadØ-y | *lwaɗa-y | 1 |
|       |                                 |                        |          | √ CaC Ca |   |
| Cuvok | <i>law</i>                      | *law                   | *lawØØ   | *lawɗa   |   |

1. \*l > ɣ; \*w > w<sup>w</sup>; +W: ə > u; \*y > Øʸ; +Y: \*a > e

TERA

|      |              |     |       |       |   |
|------|--------------|-----|-------|-------|---|
| Tera | <i>ɣu ɣw</i> | *ɣw | *ɣwØØ | *lwdā | 1 |
|------|--------------|-----|-------|-------|---|

1. \*l > ɣ; \*w > u

SUKUR

|       |                                 |                     |       |       |   |
|-------|---------------------------------|---------------------|-------|-------|---|
| Sukur | <i>luwiɣ lə<sup>w</sup>wəʸy</i> | *lw <sup>w</sup> yʸ | *lwyØ | *lwdā | 1 |
|       | <i>ɣui lwy</i>                  | *ɣwy                |       |       | 2 |

1. ə-epenthesis; \*w > w<sup>w</sup>; +W: ə > u; \*d > y > yʸ; +Y: ə > i
2. \*l > ɣ; \*w > u; \*d > y > i

HURZA

|       |                                 |                        |          |          |   |
|-------|---------------------------------|------------------------|----------|----------|---|
| Mbuko | <i>ɣuwed ɣə<sup>w</sup>waʸd</i> | *ɣw <sup>w</sup> ad-Øʸ | *ɣwadØ-y | *lwaɗa-y | 1 |
| Vame  | <i>ɣuwe ɣə<sup>w</sup>waʸ</i>   | *ɣw <sup>w</sup> a-Øʸ  | *ɣwaØØ-y |          | 1 |

1. \*l > ɣ; \*w > w<sup>w</sup>; +W: ə > u; \*y > Øʸ; +Y: \*a > e

<sup>101</sup> Since \*/d/ often corresponds to [y] in CC languages irrespective of Y-prosody, phonological \*d > y sound changes are hard to tell from morphological palatalisation stemming from \*{-y}. Both processes may co-occur with certain lexical items in different languages. Mbuko and Mafa show for this lexical item that palatalisation stems from suffixal \*{-y}, while in the BATA, DABA, and SUKUR languages palatalisation is due to root-internal \*d > y sound change.

## MANDARA

|                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       |                     |          |         |           |   |
|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------|----------|---------|-----------|---|
| Matal                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 | <i>lɔb</i>          | *lb      | *lbØØ   | *lwdā(-y) | 1 |
| Podoko                                                                                                                                                                                                                                | <i>lɔba</i>         | *lba     | *lwʔa   |           | 2 |
| Mandara                                                                                                                                                                                                                               | <i>hyua xʷwa</i>    | *xwa-Øʷ  | *xwØa-y |           | 3 |
| Malgwa                                                                                                                                                                                                                                | <i>hyuwa xʷɔʷwa</i> | *xwʷa-Øʷ |         |           | 4 |
| Glavda                                                                                                                                                                                                                                | <i>luwa lɔʷwa</i>   | *lwʷa    | *lwØa   |           | 5 |
|                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       | <i>l</i>            | *l       | *lØØØ   |           |   |
| 1. *w > b; ə-epenthesis<br>2. *d' > ʔ; fusion wʔ > ɓ; ə-epenthesis<br>3. *l > x; ə-epenthesis; *y > Øʷ; +Y: x > xʷ; *w > u<br>4. *l > x; ə-epenthesis; *y > Øʷ; +Y: x > xʷ; *w > wʷ; +W: ə > u<br>5. ə-epenthesis; *w > wʷ; +W: ə > u |                     |          |         |           |   |

## MOFU

|                                                                                               |                    |          |           |             |   |
|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------|----------|-----------|-------------|---|
|                                                                                               |                    |          |           | √ C C Ca    |   |
| Ouldeme                                                                                       | <i>lu lw</i>       | lw       | *lwØØ     | *lwdā       | 1 |
| Zulgo                                                                                         | <i>lu lw</i>       |          |           |             | 1 |
| Muyang                                                                                        | <i>alu alw</i>     | *alw     |           |             | 2 |
|                                                                                               |                    |          |           | √ CaC Ca    |   |
| Dugwor                                                                                        | <i>law</i>         | *law     | *lawØØ    | *(sa-)lawdā |   |
| Mofu North                                                                                    | <i>law</i>         |          |           |             |   |
| Merey                                                                                         | <i>law</i>         |          |           |             |   |
|                                                                                               | <i>ɓaw</i>         | *ɓaw     | *ɓawØØ    |             | 3 |
|                                                                                               | <i>lo laʷ</i>      | *laØʷ    | *lawØØ    |             | 4 |
| Gemzek                                                                                        | <i>lo laʷ</i>      |          |           |             | 4 |
| Mada                                                                                          | <i>oslo aʷsɫaʷ</i> | *as-laØʷ | *sØ-lawØØ |             | 5 |
| Mofu-Gudur                                                                                    | <i>alaw</i>        | *aØ-law  |           |             | 2 |
| 1. *w > u<br>2. a-prothesis<br>3. *l > ɓ<br>4. *w > Øʷ<br>5. a-prothesis, *w > Øʷ, +W: *a > o |                    |          |           |             |   |

## LAMANG

|                                                                           |                      |         |         |           |   |
|---------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------|---------|---------|-----------|---|
| Lamang                                                                    | <i>luwi lɔʷwy</i>    | *lɔʷy   | *lɔyØ   | *lɔdɑ(-y) | 1 |
| Hdi                                                                       | <i>lu'i lɔʔy</i>     | *lɔʔ-y  | *lɔʔØ-y |           | 2 |
|                                                                           | <i>hlu'wi lɔʷʔwy</i> | *lɔʷʷ-y |         |           | 3 |
| 1. *d' > y > i; ə-epenthesis; *w > wʷ; +W: ə > u                          |                      |         |         |           |   |
| 2. *d' > ʔ; ə-epenthesis; metathesis wʔ > ʔw; *w > u; *y > i              |                      |         |         |           |   |
| 3. *d' > ʔ; ə-epenthesis; metathesis wʔ > ʔw; *w > wʷ; +W: ə > u; *y > i; |                      |         |         |           |   |

## HIGI

|                                                  |                 |       |       |       |   |
|--------------------------------------------------|-----------------|-------|-------|-------|---|
| Kamwe-Futu                                       | <i>lyi lyəʷ</i> | *lyʷa | *lØya | *lwdā | 1 |
| Psikye                                           | <i>li ly</i>    | *ly   | *lØyØ |       | 2 |
| Kirya                                            | <i>le laʷ</i>   | *lØʷa | *lØya |       | 3 |
| 1. *d' > y > yʷ; lexical final *a > ə; +Y: ə > i |                 |       |       |       |   |
| 2. *d' > y > i                                   |                 |       |       |       |   |
| 3. *d' > y > Øʷ; +Y: lexical-final *a > e        |                 |       |       |       |   |

## KOTOKO-ISLAND

|        |              |     |       |       |  |
|--------|--------------|-----|-------|-------|--|
| Buduma | <i>xu xw</i> | *xw | *xwØØ | *lwdā |  |
|--------|--------------|-----|-------|-------|--|

## KOTOKO-NORTH

|                                                    |               |        |         |           |   |
|----------------------------------------------------|---------------|--------|---------|-----------|---|
| Mpade                                              | <i>fu sʷw</i> | *sw-Øʷ | *swØØ-y | *lwdā(-y) | 1 |
| Malgbe                                             | <i>lu lw</i>  | *lw    | *lwØØ   |           | 2 |
| 1. *l > s; *w > u; *y > Øʷ; +Y: s > ʃ<br>2. *w > u |               |        |         |           |   |

## KOTOKO-CENTRAL

|                                |              |     |       |       |   |
|--------------------------------|--------------|-----|-------|-------|---|
| Lagwan                         | <i>lu lw</i> | *lw | *lwØØ | *lwdā | 1 |
| Mser                           | <i>su sw</i> | *sw | *swØØ |       | 2 |
| 1. *w > u<br>2. *l > s; *w > u |              |     |       |       |   |

## KOTOKO-SOUTH

|                                |                |     |       |       |   |
|--------------------------------|----------------|-----|-------|-------|---|
| Zina                           | <i>asu asw</i> | *sw | *swØØ | *lwdā | 1 |
| 1. a-prothesis; *l > s; *w > u |                |     |       |       |   |

## MUSGUM

|                                                                    |                      |       |          |            |   |
|--------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------|-------|----------|------------|---|
| Vulum                                                              | <i>luk lwk</i>       | *lw-k | *lwØØ-kʷ | *lwdā(-kʷ) | 1 |
| Mbara                                                              | <i>luk lwk</i>       |       |          |            | 1 |
| Muskum                                                             | <i>luwut ləʷwəʷt</i> | *lwʷt | *lwʷtØ   |            | 2 |
| 1. *w > u; *kʷ > k<br>2. *d' > t; *w > wʷ; ə-epenthesis; +W: ə > u |                      |       |          |            |   |

## GIDAR

|                                     |                   |       |       |       |   |
|-------------------------------------|-------------------|-------|-------|-------|---|
| Gidar                               | <i>luwa ləʷwa</i> | *lwʷa | *lwʷa | *lwdā | 1 |
| 1. *w > wʷ; ə-epenthesis; +W: ə > u |                   |       |       |       |   |

millet<sub>1</sub>Areal/Pseudo-PCC root<sup>102</sup> \*(ma-) **dawa**

## MAFA

|       |            |       |       |  |
|-------|------------|-------|-------|--|
| Mafa  | <i>daw</i> | *dawØ | *dawa |  |
| Cuvok | <i>daw</i> |       |       |  |

## HURZA

|                                      |                  |        |          |          |   |
|--------------------------------------|------------------|--------|----------|----------|---|
| Mbuko                                | <i>*daw ndaw</i> | *m-daw | *mØ-dawØ | *ma-dawa | 1 |
| 1. homorganic assimilation *m > n/_d |                  |        |          |          |   |

## MOFU

|        |            |       |       |  |
|--------|------------|-------|-------|--|
| Zulgo  | <i>daw</i> | *dawØ | *dawa |  |
| Gemzek | <i>daw</i> |       |       |  |
| Merey  | <i>daw</i> |       |       |  |

<sup>102</sup> Gravina (2015) notes the areal characteristics of the distribution of this root in northern parts of Cameroon, and he assumes a spread from Mafa. Its minimal formal variation could also point towards a fairly recent loan. Note that this root is – accidentally? – segmentally identical with *dāwāa* ‘guineacorn’ in West Chadic Hausa, which is the major lingua franca in the region west of Lake Chad. The root’s geographic distribution south of Lake Chad in the Mandara Mountains, however, makes borrowing from Hausa less likely.

## MAROUA

|        |            |       |       |  |
|--------|------------|-------|-------|--|
| Mbazla | <i>daw</i> | *dawØ | *dawa |  |
|--------|------------|-------|-------|--|

millet<sub>2</sub>/sorghum (food)PCC/areal root<sup>103</sup> \*d(ə)fa (-k<sup>w</sup>, -n; FV)

## BATA

|      |              |         |         |  |
|------|--------------|---------|---------|--|
| Jimi | <i>dafan</i> | *dafa-n | *dafa-n |  |
|------|--------------|---------|---------|--|

## MAFA

|       |            |       |       |  |
|-------|------------|-------|-------|--|
| Mafa  | <i>daf</i> | *dafØ | *dafa |  |
| Cuvok | <i>daf</i> |       |       |  |

## SUKUR

|       |            |       |       |  |
|-------|------------|-------|-------|--|
| Sukur | <i>daf</i> | *dafØ | *dafa |  |
|-------|------------|-------|-------|--|

## HURZA

|       |              |         |                       |   |
|-------|--------------|---------|-----------------------|---|
|       |              |         | √ C Ca                |   |
| Vame  | <i>dəfka</i> | *dfØ-ka | *dfā-k <sup>w</sup> a | 1 |
|       |              |         | √ CaCa                |   |
| Mbuko | <i>daf</i>   | *dafØ   | *dafa                 |   |

1. ə-epenthesis; \*k<sup>w</sup> > k

## MARGI

|             |                                |                     |                        |   |
|-------------|--------------------------------|---------------------|------------------------|---|
| Margi       | <i>dəfə</i>                    | *dfa                | *dfā(-k <sup>w</sup> ) | 1 |
| Kilba       | <i>dəfa</i>                    |                     |                        | 2 |
| Margi-South | <i>dufau də<sup>w</sup>faw</i> | *dfa-w <sup>w</sup> | *dfa-k <sup>w</sup>    | 3 |

1. ə-epenthesis; lexical-final \*a &gt; ə

2. ə-epenthesis

3. ə-epenthesis; +W: ə > u; \*k<sup>w</sup> > w > u; (transcription error d = d' or d' > d?)

## MANDARA

|         |             |       |       |  |
|---------|-------------|-------|-------|--|
| Podoko  | <i>dafa</i> | *dafa | *dafa |  |
| Mandara | <i>dafa</i> |       |       |  |
| Malgwa  | <i>dafa</i> |       |       |  |

## MOFU

|            |            |       |       |  |
|------------|------------|-------|-------|--|
| Ouldeme    | <i>daf</i> | *dafØ | *dafa |  |
| Muyang     | <i>daf</i> |       |       |  |
| Moloko     | <i>daf</i> |       |       |  |
| Zulgo      | <i>daf</i> |       |       |  |
| Gemzek     | <i>daf</i> |       |       |  |
| Merey      | <i>daf</i> |       |       |  |
| Mofu-Gudur | <i>daf</i> |       |       |  |

## MAROUA

|                |            |       |       |  |
|----------------|------------|-------|-------|--|
| Giziga-Muturwa | <i>daf</i> | *dafØ | *dafa |  |
| Giziga-Marva   | <i>daf</i> |       |       |  |

<sup>103</sup> This root is found across the Nigerian Plains and the Mandara Mountains. Its consistency of form could point towards a fairly recent areal innovation or loan.

## LAMANG

|        |             |       |       |  |
|--------|-------------|-------|-------|--|
| Lamang | <i>dafa</i> | *dafa | *dafa |  |
| Hdi    | <i>dafa</i> |       |       |  |

## HIGI

|            |             |       |       |  |
|------------|-------------|-------|-------|--|
| Kamwe-Futu | <i>dafa</i> | *dafa | *dafa |  |
| Kirya      | <i>dafa</i> |       |       |  |
| Bana       | <i>dafa</i> |       |       |  |

millet<sub>3</sub>/sorghum (crop)

PCC \*(Ca-) x(a)ya (-y, -n; FV)

## BATA

|                                     |                          |                   |         |           |   |
|-------------------------------------|--------------------------|-------------------|---------|-----------|---|
| Sharwa                              | <i>hayən</i>             | *xay-n            | *xayØ-n | *xaya(-n) | 1 |
| Tsuvan                              | <i>he xa<sup>y</sup></i> | *xaØ <sup>y</sup> | *xayØ   |           | 2 |
| 1. ə-epenthesis                     |                          |                   |         |           |   |
| 2. *y > Ø <sup>y</sup> ; +Y: *a > e |                          |                   |         |           |   |

## SUKUR

|                         |                |     |      |      |   |
|-------------------------|----------------|-----|------|------|---|
| Sukur                   | <i>həi xəy</i> | *xy | *xyØ | *xya | 1 |
| 1. ə-epenthesis; *y > i |                |     |      |      |   |

## HURZA

|      |                            |        |          |          |  |
|------|----------------------------|--------|----------|----------|--|
| Vame | <i>ahay</i> <sup>104</sup> | *a-xay | *Øa-xayØ | *Ca-xaya |  |
|------|----------------------------|--------|----------|----------|--|

## MANDARA

|                                                  |                              |                    |      |      |   |
|--------------------------------------------------|------------------------------|--------------------|------|------|---|
| Matal                                            | <i>həy xəy</i>               | *xy                | *xyØ | *xya | 1 |
|                                                  | <i>hi xy</i>                 |                    |      |      | 2 |
| Mandara                                          | <i>hia xya</i>               | *xya               |      |      | 2 |
| Podoko                                           | <i>hiya xə<sup>y</sup>ya</i> | *xy <sup>y</sup> a |      |      | 3 |
| 1. ə-epenthesis                                  |                              |                    |      |      |   |
| 2. *y > i                                        |                              |                    |      |      |   |
| 3. ə-epenthesis; *y > y <sup>y</sup> ; +Y: ə > i |                              |                    |      |      |   |

## MOFU

|         |            |      |       |       |  |
|---------|------------|------|-------|-------|--|
| Ouldeme | <i>hay</i> | *hay | *xayØ | *xaya |  |
| Moloko  | <i>hay</i> |      |       |       |  |

## LAMANG

|                                                  |                              |                    |      |   |
|--------------------------------------------------|------------------------------|--------------------|------|---|
| Lamang                                           | <i>hiya xə<sup>y</sup>ya</i> | *xy <sup>y</sup> a | *xya | 1 |
| Hdi                                              | <i>hiya xə<sup>y</sup>ya</i> |                    |      | 1 |
| 1. ə-epenthesis; *y > y <sup>y</sup> ; +Y: ə > i |                              |                    |      |   |

## HIGI

|        |           |     |      |      |  |
|--------|-----------|-----|------|------|--|
| Psikye | <i>xa</i> | *xa | *xØa | *xya |  |
| Bana   | <i>xa</i> |     |      |      |  |

<sup>104</sup> The initial /a/ in Vame cannot be explained by vowel prothesis and thus must be assumed to reflect the presence of a prefixal root augment, whose initial consonant (if ever present) cannot be identified for lack of comparative evidence from other languages in the database.



## GIDAR

|       |              |         |          |            |  |
|-------|--------------|---------|----------|------------|--|
| Gidar | <i>haya</i>  | *xaya   |          |            |  |
|       | <i>hayya</i> | *xay-ya | *xayØ-ya | *xaya(-ya) |  |

millet<sub>4</sub>/sorghumAreal root \*(ma-) **v(a)y(a)wa**

## HURZA

|                                                  |                     |                     |        |        |   |
|--------------------------------------------------|---------------------|---------------------|--------|--------|---|
| Vame                                             | <i>vɪyaw</i> və'yaw | *vy <sup>y</sup> aw | *vyawØ | *vyawa | 1 |
| 1. ə-epenthesis; *y > y <sup>y</sup> ; +Y: ə > i |                     |                     |        |        |   |

## KOTOKO-ISLAND

|                                                                              |                                  |                                  |        |        |   |
|------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------|----------------------------------|--------|--------|---|
| Buduma                                                                       | <i>fɪyow</i> fə'yaw <sup>w</sup> | *fy <sup>y</sup> aw <sup>w</sup> | *fyawØ | *vyawa | 1 |
| 1. *v > f; *y > y <sup>y</sup> ; +Y: ə > i; *w > w <sup>w</sup> ; +W: *a > o |                                  |                                  |        |        |   |

## KOTOKO-NORTH

|                                                                                            |                                 |                                   |           |             |   |
|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------|-----------------------------------|-----------|-------------|---|
|                                                                                            |                                 |                                   |           | √ C CaCa    |   |
| Malgbe                                                                                     | <i>fɪyo</i> fə'yaw <sup>w</sup> | *fy <sup>y</sup> aØ <sup>w</sup>  | *fyawØ    | *(ma-)vyawa | 1 |
| Mpade                                                                                      | <i>fio</i> fə'a <sup>w</sup>    |                                   |           |             | 1 |
|                                                                                            | <i>mfo</i> mfa <sup>w</sup>     | *m-faØ <sup>w</sup>               | *mØ-fØawØ |             | 2 |
|                                                                                            |                                 |                                   |           | √ CaCaCa    |   |
| Afade                                                                                      | <i>feyo</i> fa'yaw <sup>w</sup> | *fay <sup>y</sup> aØ <sup>w</sup> | *fayawØ   | *vayawa     | 3 |
| 1. *v > f; ə-epenthesis; *y > y <sup>y</sup> ; +Y: ə > i; *w > Ø <sup>w</sup> ; +W: *a > o |                                 |                                   |           |             |   |
| 2. *v > f; *w > Ø <sup>w</sup> ; +W: *a > o                                                |                                 |                                   |           |             |   |
| 3. *v > f; *y > y <sup>y</sup> ; +Y: a > e; *w > Ø <sup>w</sup> ; +W: *a > o               |                                 |                                   |           |             |   |

## KOTOKO-CENTRAL

|                                             |                             |                    |        |        |   |
|---------------------------------------------|-----------------------------|--------------------|--------|--------|---|
| Lagwan                                      | <i>vio</i> vya <sup>w</sup> | *vyaØ <sup>w</sup> | *vyawØ | *vyawa | 1 |
| 1. *y > i; *w > Ø <sup>w</sup> ; +W: *a > o |                             |                    |        |        |   |

## monkey

PCC \***v(a)d(a)ya**<sup>105</sup>

## TERA

|                                                                    |                   |                  |                    |       |   |
|--------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------|------------------|--------------------|-------|---|
| Tera                                                               | <i>viti</i> və'dy | *vd <sup>y</sup> | *vd <sup>y</sup> Ø | *vdya | 1 |
| 1. *d > d' > [t]; *y > y <sup>y</sup> > i; ə-epenthesis; +Y: ə > i |                   |                  |                    |       |   |

## MANDARA

|        |                    |                     |  |          |   |
|--------|--------------------|---------------------|--|----------|---|
|        |                    |                     |  | √ C C Ca |   |
| Malgwa | <i>vəre</i> vərə'y | *vrØ <sup>y</sup> a |  | *vdya    | 1 |
| Glavda | <i>biri</i> bə'ry  | *bry <sup>y</sup>   |  |          | 2 |
|        |                    |                     |  | √ C CaCa |   |

<sup>105</sup> We here follow Gravina (2015) by reconstructing this root as triradical, i.e. we consider C<sub>3</sub> \*/y/ to be part of the simple root and not a reflex of the ubiquitous frozen grammatical marker \*{y}. Possibly, the root could be reconstructed as a biradical one with all languages in the database showing reflexes of \*{-y(a)}.

|                                                                                                                                                                                                                       |                                          |                      |        |          |   |
|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------|----------------------|--------|----------|---|
| Matal                                                                                                                                                                                                                 | <i>vaday</i>                             | *vday                | *vdayØ | *vdaya   | 3 |
|                                                                                                                                                                                                                       |                                          |                      |        | √ CaC Ca |   |
| Mandara                                                                                                                                                                                                               | <i>vere va<sup>y</sup>ra<sup>y</sup></i> | *varØ <sup>y</sup> a |        | *vadya   | 4 |
| 1. *d > r; ə-epenthesis; *y > Ø <sup>y</sup> ; +Y: lexical-final *a > e<br>2. *d > r; *v > b; ə-epenthesis; *y > y <sup>y</sup> ; +Y: ə > i; *y > i<br>3. ə-epenthesis<br>4. *d > r; *y > Ø <sup>y</sup> ; +Y: *a > e |                                          |                      |        |          |   |

## MOFU

|                                                                                            |                                          |                     |        |          |   |  |
|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------|---------------------|--------|----------|---|--|
|                                                                                            |                                          |                     |        | √ C C Ca |   |  |
| Muyang                                                                                     | <i>virī və<sup>y</sup>ry</i>             | *vry <sup>y</sup>   | *vryØ  | *vdya    | 1 |  |
| Zulgo                                                                                      | <i>bire bə<sup>y</sup>ra<sup>y</sup></i> | *brØ <sup>y</sup> a |        |          | 2 |  |
| Gemzek                                                                                     | <i>bəre bəra<sup>y</sup></i>             |                     |        |          | 3 |  |
| Merey                                                                                      | <i>bəre bəra<sup>y</sup></i>             |                     |        |          | 3 |  |
| Dugwor                                                                                     | <i>bəre bəra<sup>y</sup></i>             |                     |        |          | 3 |  |
|                                                                                            |                                          |                     |        | √ C CaCa |   |  |
| Ouldeme                                                                                    | <i>vəray</i>                             | *vray               | *vrayØ | *vdya    | 4 |  |
| 1. *d > r; ə-epenthesis; *y > y <sup>y</sup> > i; +Y: ə > i                                |                                          |                     |        |          |   |  |
| 2. *d > r; *v > b; ə-epenthesis; *y > Ø <sup>y</sup> ; +Y: ə > i; +Y: lexical-final *a > e |                                          |                     |        |          |   |  |
| 3. *d > r; *v > b; ə-epenthesis; *y > Ø <sup>y</sup> ; +Y: lexical-final *a > e            |                                          |                     |        |          |   |  |
| 4. *d > r; ə-epenthesis                                                                    |                                          |                     |        |          |   |  |

## LAMANG

|                                                                                  |                              |                      |        |       |   |
|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------|----------------------|--------|-------|---|
| Lamang                                                                           | <i>vdze vdza<sup>y</sup></i> | *vdzØ <sup>y</sup> a | *vdzya | *vdya | 1 |
| Hdi                                                                              | <i>vdzi vdzy</i>             | *vdzy                | *vdzyØ |       | 2 |
| 1. *d > dz; *y > Ø <sup>y</sup> ; +Y: lexical-final *a > e<br>2. *d > dz; *y > i |                              |                      |        |       |   |

## KOTOKO-NORTH

|                                                                          |                              |                   |       |       |   |
|--------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------|-------------------|-------|-------|---|
| Afade                                                                    | <i>fili fə<sup>y</sup>ly</i> | *fly <sup>y</sup> | *flyØ | *vdya | 1 |
| Mpade                                                                    | <i>fli fly</i>               | *fly              |       |       | 2 |
| Malgbe                                                                   | <i>fli fly</i>               |                   |       |       | 2 |
| 1. *v > f; *d > l; ə-epenthesis; *y > y <sup>y</sup> ; +Y: ə > i; *y > i |                              |                   |       |       |   |
| 2. *v > f; *d > l; *y > i                                                |                              |                   |       |       |   |

## GIDAR

|                                                     |                     |        |       |   |
|-----------------------------------------------------|---------------------|--------|-------|---|
| Gidar                                               | <i>bərya</i>        | *brya  | *vdya | 1 |
|                                                     | <i>briya brə'yə</i> | *bry'a |       | 2 |
| 1. *v > b; *d > r; ə-epenthesis                     |                     |        |       |   |
| 2. *v > b; *d > r; ə-epenthesis; *y > y'; +Y: ə > i |                     |        |       |   |

moon<sub>1</sub>PCC \*(ma-, k<sup>w</sup>a-) t(a)ra (-y, -k<sup>w</sup>; FV)

## DABA

|               |              |        |                              |            |   |
|---------------|--------------|--------|------------------------------|------------|---|
| Daba          | <i>təra</i>  | *tra   | *(ma-(k <sup>w</sup> a-))tra |            | 1 |
| Mazagway Hidi | <i>təra</i>  |        |                              |            | 1 |
| Buwal         | <i>ɣtəra</i> | *ɣ-tra |                              | *mØ-kØ-tra | 2 |
| Gavar         | <i>ɣtra</i>  |        |                              |            | 3 |

|                                                                                                                                                                                                               |              |        |         |  |   |
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| Mbudum                                                                                                                                                                                                        | <i>ntəra</i> | *n-tra | *mØ-tra |  | 4 |
|                                                                                                                                                                                                               | <i>ntra</i>  |        |         |  | 5 |
| 1. ə-epenthesis<br>2. ə-epenthesis; *k <sup>w</sup> > k; fusion mk > ŋ<br>3. *k <sup>w</sup> > k; fusion mk > ŋ<br>4. homorganic assimilation *m > n/_t; ə-epenthesis<br>5. homorganic assimilation *m > n/_t |              |        |         |  |   |

## TERA

|                                                                                                                                                                                                  |                                                        |                       |           |           |   |
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|                                                                                                                                                                                                  |                                                        |                       |           | √ C Ca    |   |
| Hwana                                                                                                                                                                                            | <i>ndre ndra<sup>y</sup></i>                           | *n-dra-Ø <sup>y</sup> | *mØ-dra-y | *ma-tra-y | 1 |
|                                                                                                                                                                                                  |                                                        |                       |           | √ CaCa    |   |
| Tera                                                                                                                                                                                             | <i>tera ta<sup>y</sup>ra</i>                           | *tara-Ø <sup>y</sup>  |           |           | 2 |
|                                                                                                                                                                                                  | <i>tʃera ts<sup>y</sup>a<sup>y</sup>ra</i>             | *tsara-Ø <sup>y</sup> | *tsara-y  | *tara-y   | 3 |
|                                                                                                                                                                                                  | <i>tʃere ts<sup>y</sup>a<sup>y</sup>ra<sup>y</sup></i> |                       |           |           | 3 |
| 1. *t > d; homorganic assimilation *m > n/_d; *y > Ø <sup>y</sup> ; +Y: lexical-final *a > e<br>2. *y > Ø <sup>y</sup> ; +Y: *a > e<br>3. *t > ts; +Y: ts > tʃ; *y > Ø <sup>y</sup> ; +Y: *a > e |                                                        |                       |           |           |   |

## SUKUR

|                                                   |                              |                       |  |         |   |
|---------------------------------------------------|------------------------------|-----------------------|--|---------|---|
| Sukur                                             | <i>teya ta<sup>y</sup>ya</i> | *tØa-y <sup>y</sup> a |  | *tra-ya | 1 |
|                                                   | <i>tya</i>                   | *tØØ-ya               |  |         |   |
| 1. *y > y <sup>y</sup> ; +Y: lexical-final *a > e |                              |                       |  |         |   |

## MANDARA

|                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               |                                          |                     |  |          |   |
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| Podoko                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        | <i>təra</i>                              | *tra                |  |          | 1 |
| Mandara                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       | <i>təre təra<sup>y</sup></i>             | *tra-Ø <sup>y</sup> |  |          | 2 |
| Malgwa                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        | <i>təre təra<sup>y</sup></i>             |                     |  |          | 2 |
| Matal                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         | <i>təla</i>                              | *tla                |  | *tra(-y) | 3 |
| Dghwede                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       | <i>tile tə<sup>y</sup>la<sup>y</sup></i> | *tla-Ø <sup>y</sup> |  |          | 4 |
| Glavda                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        | <i>k<sup>y</sup>la t<sup>y</sup>la</i>   |                     |  |          | 5 |
|                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               | <i>k<sup>y</sup>i t<sup>y</sup>y</i>     | *tØØ-y <sup>y</sup> |  |          | 6 |
| 1. ə-epenthesis<br>2. ə-epenthesis; *y > Ø <sup>y</sup> ; +Y: lexical-final *a > e<br>3. *r > l; ə-epenthesis<br>4. *r > l; ə-epenthesis; *y > Ø <sup>y</sup> ; +Y: lexical-final *a > e<br>5. *r > l; *y > Ø <sup>y</sup> ; +Y: *t > t <sup>y</sup> > k <sup>y</sup><br>6. *y > y <sup>y</sup> > i; +Y: *t > t <sup>y</sup> > k <sup>y</sup> |                                          |                     |  |          |   |

## LAMANG

|                                                                                                                                |                                           |                      |  |        |   |
|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------|----------------------|--|--------|---|
| Lamang                                                                                                                         | <i>tə<sup>r</sup>(e) təra<sup>y</sup></i> | *tra-Ø <sup>y</sup>  |  | *tra-y | 1 |
| Hdi                                                                                                                            | <i>tīli tə<sup>y</sup>ly</i>              | *tliØ-y <sup>y</sup> |  |        | 2 |
| 1. ə-epenthesis; *y > Ø <sup>y</sup> ; +Y: lexical-final *a > e<br>2. *r > l; ə-epenthesis; *y > y <sup>y</sup> > i; +Y: ə > i |                                           |                      |  |        |   |

## HIGI

|             |                                        |                     |        |                           |   |
|-------------|----------------------------------------|---------------------|--------|---------------------------|---|
| Psikye      | <i>trə</i>                             | *tra                |        |                           | 1 |
| Kamwe-Nkafa | <i>tər«ə°</i>                          |                     |        | *tra(-y/-k <sup>w</sup> ) | 2 |
| Kirya       | <i>tə<sup>y</sup>i tə<sup>y</sup>y</i> | *trØ-y <sup>y</sup> |        |                           | 3 |
| Bana        | <i>tir tə<sup>y</sup>r</i>             | *tr-Ø <sup>y</sup>  | *trØ-y |                           | 4 |

|                                                                                                                     |                                                             |                      |                     |          |   |
|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------|---------------------|----------|---|
| Kamwe-Futu                                                                                                          | <i>təro</i> <i>təra</i> <sup>w</sup>                        | *tra-Ø <sup>w</sup>  | *tra-k <sup>w</sup> |          | 5 |
| 1. lexical-final *a > ə                                                                                             |                                                             |                      |                     |          |   |
| 2. ə-epenthesis; lexical-final *a > ə                                                                               |                                                             |                      |                     |          |   |
| 3. ə-epenthesis; *y > y <sup>y</sup> > i; +Y: *r > ɾ                                                                |                                                             |                      |                     |          |   |
| 4. ə-epenthesis; *y > Ø <sup>y</sup> ; +Y: ə > i                                                                    |                                                             |                      |                     |          |   |
| 5. ə-epenthesis; +W: lexical-final *a > o                                                                           |                                                             |                      |                     |          |   |
| KOTOKO-NORTH                                                                                                        |                                                             |                      |                     |          |   |
| Afade                                                                                                               | <i>dedi</i> <i>da</i> <sup>y</sup> <i>d̥y</i>               | *dad-y <sup>y</sup>  | *dadØ-y             | *tara-y  | 1 |
| Mpade                                                                                                               | <i>tedi</i> <i>ta</i> <sup>y</sup> <i>d̥ə</i> <sup>y</sup>  | *tadā-Ø <sup>y</sup> |                     |          | 2 |
| 1. *t > d; *r > d; *y > y <sup>y</sup> > i; +Y: *a > e                                                              |                                                             |                      |                     |          |   |
| 2. *r > d; lexical-final *a > ə; +Y: *a > e; +Y: ə > i                                                              |                                                             |                      |                     |          |   |
| KOTOKO-CENTRAL                                                                                                      |                                                             |                      |                     |          |   |
| Lagwan                                                                                                              | <i>tedi</i> <i>ta</i> <sup>y</sup> <i>d̥ə</i> <sup>y</sup>  | *tadā-Ø <sup>y</sup> |                     | *tara-y  | 1 |
| Mser                                                                                                                | <i>tedi</i> <i>ta</i> <sup>y</sup> <i>d̥ə</i> <sup>y</sup>  |                      |                     |          | 1 |
| 1. *r > d; lexical-final *a > ə; *y > Ø <sup>y</sup> ; +Y: *a > e; +Y: ə > i                                        |                                                             |                      |                     |          |   |
| MUSGUM                                                                                                              |                                                             |                      |                     |          |   |
| Vulum                                                                                                               | <i>t̥le</i> <i>t̥la</i> <sup>y</sup>                        | *tla-Ø <sup>y</sup>  |                     | *tra-y   | 1 |
| Mbara                                                                                                               | <i>t̥ile</i> <i>t̥ə</i> <sup>y</sup> <i>la</i> <sup>y</sup> |                      |                     |          | 2 |
| Muskum                                                                                                              | <i>k̥ile</i> <i>t̥ə</i> <sup>y</sup> <i>la</i> <sup>y</sup> |                      |                     |          | 3 |
| 1. *r > l; *y > Ø <sup>y</sup> ; +Y: lexical-final *a > e                                                           |                                                             |                      |                     |          |   |
| 2. *r > l; ə-epenthesis; *y > Ø <sup>y</sup> ; +Y: ə > i; +Y: lexical-final *a > e                                  |                                                             |                      |                     |          |   |
| 3. *r > l; ə-epenthesis; *y > Ø <sup>y</sup> ; +Y: ə > i; +Y: *t > t̥ > k <sup>(y)</sup> ; +Y: lexical-final *a > e |                                                             |                      |                     |          |   |
| GIDAR                                                                                                               |                                                             |                      |                     |          |   |
| Gidar                                                                                                               | <i>t̥ala</i>                                                | *tla                 |                     | *tra(-y) | 1 |
|                                                                                                                     | <i>t̥ila</i> <i>t̥ə</i> <sup>y</sup> <i>la</i>              | *tla-Ø <sup>y</sup>  | *tla-y              |          | 2 |
| 1. *r > l; ə-epenthesis                                                                                             |                                                             |                      |                     |          |   |
| 2. *r > l; ə-epenthesis; *y > Ø <sup>y</sup> ; +Y: ə > i                                                            |                                                             |                      |                     |          |   |

moon<sub>2</sub>Areal root \*k(a)ya (-k<sup>w</sup>, -x)

## MAFA

|                                                  |                               |                    |      |   |
|--------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------|--------------------|------|---|
| Mafa                                             | <i>kiya</i> kə'y <sup>a</sup> | *ky <sup>a</sup> a | *kya | 1 |
| Cuvok                                            | <i>kiya</i> kə'y <sup>a</sup> |                    |      | 1 |
| 1. ə-epenthesis; *y > y <sup>a</sup> ; +Y: ə > i |                               |                    |      |   |

## HURZA

|                                                  |             |                    |      |   |
|--------------------------------------------------|-------------|--------------------|------|---|
| Mbukuo                                           | <i>kiya</i> | *ky <sup>y</sup> a | *kya | 1 |
| Vame                                             | <i>kiya</i> |                    |      | 1 |
| 1. ə-epenthesis; *y > y <sup>y</sup> ; +Y: ə > i |             |                    |      |   |

## MARGI

|             |            |      |      |   |
|-------------|------------|------|------|---|
| Margi       | <i>hya</i> | *xya | *kya | 1 |
| Margi-South | <i>hya</i> |      |      | 1 |
| Kilba       | <i>hya</i> |      |      | 1 |
| 1. *k > x   |            |      |      |   |

## MOFU

|                                                                                                              |                                                                       |                                   |                     |                        |   |
|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------|---------------------|------------------------|---|
| Mada                                                                                                         | <i>kya</i>                                                            | *kya                              |                     | *kya(-k <sup>w</sup> ) |   |
| Moloko                                                                                                       | <i>kəya</i>                                                           |                                   |                     |                        | 1 |
| Dugwor                                                                                                       | <i>kiya</i> kə <sup>y</sup> ya                                        | *ky <sup>y</sup> a                |                     |                        | 2 |
| Mofu North                                                                                                   | <i>kiya</i> kə <sup>y</sup> ya                                        |                                   |                     |                        | 2 |
| Mofu-Gudur                                                                                                   | <i>kiya</i> kə <sup>y</sup> ya                                        |                                   |                     |                        | 2 |
| Zulgo                                                                                                        | <i>kiye</i> kə <sup>y</sup> ya <sup>y</sup>                           |                                   |                     |                        | 3 |
| Gemzek                                                                                                       | <i>kiye</i> kə <sup>y</sup> ya <sup>y</sup>                           |                                   |                     |                        | 3 |
| Merey                                                                                                        | <i>kiye</i> kə <sup>y</sup> ya <sup>y</sup>                           |                                   |                     |                        | 3 |
| Muyang                                                                                                       | <i>kiyi</i> kə <sup>y</sup> ə <sup>y</sup>                            |                                   |                     |                        | 4 |
| Ouldeme                                                                                                      | <i>k<sup>w</sup>iyo</i> k <sup>w</sup> ə <sup>y</sup> ya <sup>w</sup> | *ky <sup>y</sup> a-Ø <sup>w</sup> | *kya-k <sup>w</sup> | 5                      |   |
| 1. ə-epenthesis                                                                                              |                                                                       |                                   |                     |                        |   |
| 2. ə-epenthesis; *y > y <sup>y</sup> ; +Y: ə > i                                                             |                                                                       |                                   |                     |                        |   |
| 3. ə-epenthesis; *y > y <sup>y</sup> ; +Y: ə > i; +Y: lexical-final *a > e                                   |                                                                       |                                   |                     |                        |   |
| 4. ə-epenthesis; lexical-final *a > ə; *y > y <sup>y</sup> ; +Y: ə > i                                       |                                                                       |                                   |                     |                        |   |
| 5. *k <sup>w</sup> > Ø <sup>w</sup> ; ə-epenthesis; *y > y <sup>y</sup> ; Y: ə > i; +W: lexical-final *a > o |                                                                       |                                   |                     |                        |   |

## MAROUA

|                                                  |                                  |                      |          |   |
|--------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------|----------------------|----------|---|
| Giziga-Muturwa                                   | <i>kiya</i> kə <sup>y</sup> ya   | *ky <sup>y</sup> a   | *kya(-x) | 1 |
| Giziga-Marva                                     | <i>kiya</i> kə <sup>y</sup> ya   |                      |          | 1 |
| Mbazla                                           | <i>kiya</i> kə <sup>y</sup> ya   |                      |          | 1 |
|                                                  | <i>kiyah</i> kə <sup>y</sup> yax | *ky <sup>y</sup> a-x |          | 1 |
| 1. ə-epenthesis; *y > y <sup>y</sup> ; +Y: ə > i |                                  |                      |          |   |

## KOTOKO-ISLAND

|                                                  |                                |                    |      |   |
|--------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------|--------------------|------|---|
| Buduma                                           | <i>kiya</i> kə <sup>y</sup> ya | *ky <sup>y</sup> a | *kya | 1 |
| 1. ə-epenthesis; *y > y <sup>y</sup> ; +Y: ə > i |                                |                    |      |   |

## KOTOKO-SOUTH

|                                                          |                                |                    |      |   |
|----------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------|--------------------|------|---|
| Zina                                                     | <i>hiya</i>                    | *xy <sup>y</sup> a | *kya | 1 |
| Mazera                                                   | <i>kiya</i> kə <sup>y</sup> ya | *ky <sup>y</sup> a |      | 2 |
| 1. *k > x; ə-epenthesis; *y > y <sup>y</sup> ; +Y: ə > i |                                |                    |      |   |
| 2. ə-epenthesis; *y > y <sup>y</sup> ; +Y: ə > i         |                                |                    |      |   |

mortar<sub>1</sub>PCC \*(y-, ma-) dz(a)na (-a, -y, -k<sup>w</sup>, -n, -x; FV)

## BATA

|                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            |                                                            |                          |                          |               |   |
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| Jim <sup>106</sup>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         | <i>a<sup>n</sup>dzəɾən</i> a <sup>n</sup> dzəɾən           | *Ø <sup>n</sup> a-dzra-n | *m <sup>n</sup> a-dzra-n | *ma-dzna-y/-n | 1 |
| Sharwa                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     | <i><sup>n</sup>dʒirə</i> ndz <sup>y</sup> ə <sup>r</sup> ə | *n-dzra-Ø <sup>y</sup>   | *mØ-dzra-y               |               | 2 |
| 1. radical *n > r; ə-epenthesis; lexical-final *a > ə; *m > Ø <sup>n</sup> ; +N: dz > <sup>n</sup> dz<br>2. radical *n > r; *y > Ø <sup>y</sup> ; ə-epenthesis; *y > Ø <sup>y</sup> ; +Y: *dz > dʒ; +Y: ə > i; lexical-final *a > ə;<br>homorganic assimilation *m > n/ dz |                                                            |                          |                          |               |   |

<sup>106</sup> The Jimi augmented root poses an interesting question of domains of rule application, namely why simple-root internal \*n changes to r, while root-augmentative \*n stays /n/.

## DABA

|                                                                                                  |                                 |            |            |             |   |
|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------|------------|------------|-------------|---|
| Daba                                                                                             | <sup>n</sup> <i>dʒer</i> ndzʷaʳ | *n-dzar-Øʷ | *m-dzarØ-y | *ma-dzana-y | 1 |
| 1. radical *n > r; *y > Øʷ; +Y: *dz > dʒ; *y > Øʷ; +Y: a > e; homorganic assimilation *m > n/_dʒ |                                 |            |            |             |   |

## SUKUR

|                                                                                                    |                                      |                        |                         |            |   |
|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------|------------------------|-------------------------|------------|---|
| Sukur                                                                                              | <i>yimdzər</i> yəʷmdzər              | *yʷ-m-dzr              | *y-mØ-dzrØ              | *y-ma-dzna | 1 |
|                                                                                                    | <i>yimzər</i> yəʷmzər                | *yʷ-m-zr               | *y-mØ-zrØ               |            | 2 |
|                                                                                                    | <i>yimnzər</i> yəʷm <sup>n</sup> zər | *yʷ-m <sup>n</sup> -zr | *y-m <sup>n</sup> Ø-zrØ |            | 3 |
| 1. *n > r; ə-epenthesis; *y > yʷ; +Y: ə > i                                                        |                                      |                        |                         |            |   |
| 2. *n > r; *dz > z; ə-epenthesis; *y > yʷ; +Y: ə > i                                               |                                      |                        |                         |            |   |
| 3. *n > r; *dz > z; ə-epenthesis; *y > yʷ; +Y: ə > i; *m > m <sup>n</sup> ; +N: z > <sup>n</sup> z |                                      |                        |                         |            |   |

## HURZA

|                                              |                    |          |         |         |   |
|----------------------------------------------|--------------------|----------|---------|---------|---|
| Vame                                         | <i>dzəre</i> dzraʷ | *dzra-Øʷ | *dzra-y | *dzna-y | 1 |
| 1. *n > r; *y > Øʷ; +Y: lexical-final *a > e |                    |          |         |         |   |

## MARGI

|                                                                                               |                                 |           |            |            |   |
|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------|-----------|------------|------------|---|
| Bura                                                                                          | <sup>n</sup> <i>dʒir</i> ndzʷəʳ | *n-dzr-Øʷ | *mØ-dzrØ-y | *ma-dzna-y | 1 |
| 1. *n > r; ə-epenthesis; *y > Øʷ; +Y: *dz > dʒ; +Y: ə > i; homorganic assimilation *m > n/_dz |                                 |           |            |            |   |

## MANDARA

|                                                                                                                                                                            |                     |           |                            |          |   |
|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------|-----------|----------------------------|----------|---|
|                                                                                                                                                                            |                     |           |                            | √ C Ca   |   |
| Podoko                                                                                                                                                                     | <i>dzəra</i>        | *dzra     | *dzna(-y/-k <sup>w</sup> ) |          | 1 |
| Malgwa                                                                                                                                                                     | <i>dzəra</i>        |           |                            |          | 1 |
| Glavda                                                                                                                                                                     | <i>dzəra</i>        |           |                            |          | 1 |
|                                                                                                                                                                            | <i>dzi</i> dzy      | *dz-y     | *dzØØ-y                    |          | 2 |
| Matal                                                                                                                                                                      | <i>dzərw</i>        | *dzr-w    | *dzrØ-k <sup>w</sup>       |          | 3 |
|                                                                                                                                                                            | <i>dzəru</i> dzərw  |           |                            |          | 4 |
|                                                                                                                                                                            |                     |           |                            | √ CaCa   |   |
| Mandara                                                                                                                                                                    | <i>dzera</i> dzaʷra | *dzara-Øʷ | *dzara-y                   | *dzana-y | 5 |
| 1. *n > r; ə-epenthesis<br>2. *y > i<br>3. *n > r; ə-epenthesis; *k <sup>w</sup> > w<br>4. *n > r; ə-epenthesis; *k <sup>w</sup> > w > u<br>5. *n > r; *y > Øʷ; +Y: *a > e |                     |           |                            |          |   |

## MOFU

|                                                                                                                                                                                                       |                                 |                      |                                 |   |
|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------|----------------------|---------------------------------|---|
| Zulgo                                                                                                                                                                                                 | <i>dzəra</i>                    | *dzra                | *(ma-)dzna(-y/-k <sup>w</sup> ) | 1 |
| Mada                                                                                                                                                                                                  | <i>adzra</i> adzʷra             | *a-dzra-Øʷ           | *Øa-dzra-y                      | 2 |
| Muyang                                                                                                                                                                                                | <i>dʒəra</i> dzʷəra             | *dzra-Øʷ             | *dzra-y                         | 3 |
| Ouldeme                                                                                                                                                                                               | <i>dzəro</i> dzəra <sup>w</sup> | *dzra-Ø <sup>w</sup> | *dzra-k <sup>w</sup>            | 4 |
| 1. *n > r; ə-epenthesis<br>2. *n > r; *y > Øʷ; +Y: *dz > dʒ<br>3. *n > r; ə-epenthesis; *y > Øʷ; +Y: *dz > dʒ<br>4. *n > r; ə-epenthesis; *k <sup>w</sup> > Ø <sup>w</sup> ; +W: lexical-final *a > o |                                 |                      |                                 |   |

## LAMANG

|        |                              |                      |                      |                         |   |
|--------|------------------------------|----------------------|----------------------|-------------------------|---|
| Hdi    | <i>dzər</i>                  | *dzr                 | *dzrØ                | *dzna(-k <sup>w</sup> ) | 1 |
| Lamang | <i>dzro dzra<sup>w</sup></i> | *dzra-Ø <sup>w</sup> | *dzra-k <sup>w</sup> |                         | 2 |

1. ə-epenthesis; \*n > r  
2. \*n > r; \*k<sup>w</sup> > Ø<sup>w</sup>; +W: lexical-final \*a > o

## HIGI

|             |                                            |                       |            |            |   |
|-------------|--------------------------------------------|-----------------------|------------|------------|---|
| Kamwe-Nkafa | <i><sup>n</sup>dziri ndzə<sup>ry</sup></i> | *n-dzr-y <sup>y</sup> | *mØ-dzrØ-y | *ma-dzna-y | 1 |
| Kamwe-Futu  | <i><sup>n</sup>dzir ndzə<sup>ry</sup></i>  | *n-dzr-Ø <sup>y</sup> |            |            | 2 |

1. \*n > r; ə-epenthesis; \*y > Ø<sup>y</sup>; +Y: ə > i; \*y > i; homorganic assimilation \*m > n/\_dz  
2. \*n > r; ə-epenthesis; \*y > Ø<sup>y</sup>; +Y: ə > i; homorganic assimilation \*m > n/\_dz

## KOTOKO-ISLAND

|        |                                            |                       |            |            |   |
|--------|--------------------------------------------|-----------------------|------------|------------|---|
| Buduma | <i>adzín adzə<sup>n</sup></i>              | *a-dzn-Ø <sup>y</sup> | *Øa-dznØ-y | *ma-dzna-y | 1 |
|        | <i>aedzín a<sup>d</sup>dzə<sup>n</sup></i> | *a-dzn-Ø <sup>y</sup> | *Øa-dznØ-y |            | 2 |

1. ə-epenthesis; \*y > Ø<sup>y</sup>; +Y: \*dz > dʒ; +Y: ə > i  
2. ə-epenthesis; \*y > Ø<sup>y</sup>; +Y: \*dz > dʒ; +Y: \*a > æ; +Y: ə > i

## KOTOKO-CENTRAL

|        |                                |                        |           |                 |   |
|--------|--------------------------------|------------------------|-----------|-----------------|---|
| Mser   | <i>azin azə<sup>n</sup></i>    | *a-zn-Ø <sup>y</sup>   | *Øa-znØ-y | *ma-dzna-y(-xa) | 1 |
| Lagwan | <i>zínha zə<sup>n</sup>nxa</i> | *zn-Ø <sup>y</sup> -xa | *znØ-y-xa |                 | 1 |

1. \*dz > z; ə-epenthesis; \*y > Ø<sup>y</sup>; +Y: ə > i

## MUSGUM

|        |                               |                      |             |                              |   |
|--------|-------------------------------|----------------------|-------------|------------------------------|---|
| Muskum | <i>tiŋ tə<sup>n</sup>ŋ</i>    | *tŋ-Ø <sup>y</sup>   | *tnØ-y-k    |                              | 1 |
| Vulum  | <i>adiŋ adə<sup>n</sup>ŋ</i>  | *a-dŋ-Ø <sup>y</sup> | *Øa-dnØ-y-k | *ma-dzna-y(-k <sup>w</sup> ) | 2 |
| Mbara  | <i>dinay də<sup>n</sup>ay</i> | *dn-ay <sup>y</sup>  | *dnØ-a-y    |                              | 3 |

1. \*dz > (d >) t; ə-epenthesis; \*y > Ø<sup>y</sup>; +Y: ə > i; \*k<sup>w</sup> > k; fusion nk > ŋ  
2. \*dz > d; ə-epenthesis; \*y > Ø<sup>y</sup>; +Y: ə > i; \*k<sup>w</sup> > k; fusion nk > ŋ  
3. \*dz > d; ə-epenthesis; \*y > Ø<sup>y</sup>; +Y: ə > i

mortar<sup>107</sup>Secondary areal root \*RED-dz(a)na (-y, -k<sup>w</sup>)

## DABA

|        |                                                                       |                         |                              |                             |   |
|--------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------|------------------------------|-----------------------------|---|
| Mbudum | <i>dʒidʒeŋ</i><br><i>dzə<sup>n</sup>dzə<sup>n</sup>a<sup>n</sup>ŋ</i> | *dz-dzaŋ-Ø <sup>y</sup> | *dzØØ-dzanØ-y-k <sup>w</sup> | *RED-dzana-y-k <sup>w</sup> | 1 |
|--------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------|------------------------------|-----------------------------|---|

1. ə-epenthesis; \*y > Ø<sup>y</sup>; +Y: \*dz > dʒ; +Y: ə > i; +Y: \*a > e; \*k<sup>w</sup> > k; fusion \*nk > ŋ

<sup>107</sup> For ‘mortar’, two likely cognate roots coexist, which also co-occur in a few language groups, while others only have one of the two. The main differences consist of (i) reduplicated vs. non-reduplicated form, (ii) difference in final root consonants (\*r vs. \*n/ŋ). Possibly and plausibly, the reduplicated form is etymologically derived from the simpler form \*dz(a)na; it has a fairly restricted geographic distribution. As already suggested by Gravina (2015), reference may be to mortars of different size: a big one for pounding millet etc., and a smaller one for pounding tobacco, ingredients for soup, etc.

## HURZA

|                                                                                                    |                             |                      |                        |                          |                        |
|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------|----------------------|------------------------|--------------------------|------------------------|
| Mbuko                                                                                              | <i>dzə'dzen dzndza'n</i>    | <i>*dzØn-dzan-Øʸ</i> | <i>*dzan-dzanØ-y</i>   | <i>*RED-dzana-y</i>      | 1                      |
| 1. ə-epenthesis; *y > Øʸ; +Y: *a > e                                                               |                             |                      |                        |                          |                        |
| MOFU                                                                                               |                             |                      |                        |                          |                        |
|                                                                                                    |                             |                      |                        | √ C C-C Ca               |                        |
| Muyang                                                                                             | <i>dʒidʒiŋ dzʰə'dzʰə'n</i>  | <i>*dz-dzŋ-Øʸ</i>    | <i>*dzØ-dznØ-y-k</i>   | <i>*RED-dzna-y-kʷ</i>    | 1                      |
|                                                                                                    |                             |                      |                        | √ C C-CaCa               |                        |
| Moloko                                                                                             | <i>tʃədʒen tsʰədʒʰa'n</i>   | <i>*ts-dzan-Øʸ</i>   | <i>*tsØ-dzanØ-y</i>    | <i>*RED-dzana-y(-kʷ)</i> | 2                      |
| Merey                                                                                              | <i>dzaʰdʒen dzəndza'n</i>   | <i>*dzn-dzaŋ-Øʸ</i>  | <i>*dzn-dzanØ-y-k</i>  |                          | 3                      |
| Mofu North                                                                                         | <i>dʒəŋdʒen dzʰəŋdzʰa'n</i> | <i>*dʒŋ-dzaŋ-Øʸ</i>  |                        |                          | 4                      |
| Dugwor                                                                                             | <i>dʒədʒen dzʰədʒʰa'n</i>   | <i>*dz-dzaŋ-Øʸ</i>   |                        |                          | <i>*dzØØ-dzanØ-y-k</i> |
|                                                                                                    |                             |                      |                        | √ CaC-CaCa               |                        |
| Gemzek                                                                                             | <i>dʒenʒen dzaʰŋdʒa'n</i>   | <i>*dʒaŋ-dzaŋ-Øʸ</i> | <i>*RED-dzanØ-y-k</i>  | <i>*RED-dzana-y-kʷ</i>   | 5                      |
| M.Gudur                                                                                            | <i>dʒedʒen dzaʰdʒa'n</i>    | <i>*dʒa-dzaŋ-Øʸ</i>  | <i>*dʒaØ-dzanØ-y-k</i> |                          | 6                      |
| 1. ə-epenthesis; *y > Øʸ; +Y: *dz > dʒ; +Y: ə > i; *kʷ > k; fusion *nk > ŋ                         |                             |                      |                        |                          |                        |
| 2. (RED) *dz > ts; ə-epenthesis; *y > Øʸ; +Y: *dz > dʒ; +Y: *a > e                                 |                             |                      |                        |                          |                        |
| 3. ə-epenthesis; *kʷ > k; fusion *nk > ŋ; *y > Øʸ; +Y: *dz > dʒ; +Y: *a > e                        |                             |                      |                        |                          |                        |
| 4. ə-epenthesis; *y > Øʸ; +Y: *dz > dʒ; +Y: *a > e; *kʷ > k; fusion *nk > ŋ (before REDuplication) |                             |                      |                        |                          |                        |
| 5. *y > Øʸ; +Y: *dz > dʒ; +Y: *a > e; *kʷ > k; fusion *nk > ŋ (before REDuplication)               |                             |                      |                        |                          |                        |
| 6. *y > Øʸ; +Y: *dz > dʒ; +Y: *a > e; *kʷ > k; fusion *nk > ŋ                                      |                             |                      |                        |                          |                        |
| MAROUA                                                                                             |                             |                      |                        |                          |                        |
|                                                                                                    |                             |                      |                        | √ C C-C Ca               |                        |
| G.Muturwa                                                                                          | <i>dʒidʒiŋ dzʰə'dzʰə'n</i>  | <i>*dz-dzŋ-Øʸ</i>    | <i>*dzØ-dznØ-y-k</i>   | <i>*RED-dzna-y-kʷ</i>    | 1                      |
|                                                                                                    |                             |                      |                        | √ CaC-CaCa               |                        |
| G.Marva                                                                                            | <i>dʒidʒen dzʰə'dʒʰa'n</i>  | <i>*dz-dzaŋ-Øʸ</i>   | <i>*dzØØ-dzanØ-y-k</i> | <i>*RED-dzana-y-kʷ</i>   | 2                      |
| 1. ə-epenthesis; *y > Øʸ; +Y: dz > dʒ; +Y: ə > i; *kʷ > k; fusion *nk > ŋ                          |                             |                      |                        |                          |                        |
| 2. ə-epenthesis; *y > Øʸ; +Y: dz > dʒ; +Y: ə > i; +Y: *a > e; *kʷ > k; fusion *nk > ŋ              |                             |                      |                        |                          |                        |

mother<sub>1</sub>PCC \*(RED-) **ma** (-a, -y, -kʷ, -n; FV)

## BATA

|                                               |                     |                   |                   |                   |   |
|-----------------------------------------------|---------------------|-------------------|-------------------|-------------------|---|
| Tsuwan                                        | <i>mekən ma'kən</i> | <i>*ma-Øʸ-k-n</i> | <i>*ma-y-kʷ-n</i> | <i>*ma-y-kʷ-n</i> | 1 |
| 1. *kʷ > k; ə-epenthesis; *y > Øʸ; +Y: *a > e |                     |                   |                   |                   |   |

## DABA

|        |             |                |                           |  |
|--------|-------------|----------------|---------------------------|--|
| Gavar  | <i>mama</i> | <i>*ma-ma</i>  | <i>*(RED-)ma(-a-y/-n)</i> |  |
| Mbudum | <i>mama</i> |                |                           |  |
| Buwal  | <i>man</i>  | <i>*ma-n</i>   |                           |  |
| Daba   | <i>may</i>  | <i>*mØ-a-y</i> |                           |  |



## MAFA

|       |                                   |        |  |           |
|-------|-----------------------------------|--------|--|-----------|
| Mafa  | <i>mama</i>                       | *ma-ma |  |           |
| Cuvok | <i>ma</i>                         | *ma    |  | *(RED-)ma |
|       | <i>mamaŋ</i> < Fr. <sup>108</sup> |        |  |           |

## SUKUR

|       |             |        |     |           |
|-------|-------------|--------|-----|-----------|
| Sukur | <i>mama</i> | *ma-ma |     |           |
|       | <i>ma</i>   | *ma    | *ma | *(RED-)ma |

## HURZA

|        |              |           |             |                    |
|--------|--------------|-----------|-------------|--------------------|
| Vame   | <i>mama</i>  | *ma-ma    |             |                    |
| Mbukio | <i>mamay</i> | *ma-mØ-ay | *RED-ma-a-y |                    |
|        | <i>may</i>   | *m-ay     | *mØ-a-y     | *(RED-)ma(-a-y/-n) |
|        | <i>man</i>   | *ma-n     |             |                    |

## MARGI

|             |                                 |        |         |                |
|-------------|---------------------------------|--------|---------|----------------|
| Bura        | <i>muma</i> məma <sup>109</sup> | *mØ-ma | *RED-ma |                |
|             | <i>maya</i>                     | *ma-ya | *ma-ya  |                |
| Margi-South | <i>ama</i>                      | *Øa-ma | *RED-ma | *(RED-)ma(-ya) |
| Kilba       | <i>ama</i>                      |        |         |                |

## 1. ə-epenthesis

## MANDARA

|         |                   |           |           |               |
|---------|-------------------|-----------|-----------|---------------|
| Podoko  | <i>mama</i>       | *ma-ma    | *RED-ma   |               |
| Mandara | <i>mama</i>       |           |           |               |
|         | <i>emma</i> aʸmma | *mØ-ma-Øʸ | *RED-ma-y | 1             |
| Malgwa  | <i>mama</i>       | *ma-ma    |           | *(RED-)ma(-y) |
|         | <i>əmma</i>       | *mØ-ma    | *RED-ma   | 2             |
|         | <i>uuma</i> əʷwma | *wʷØ-ma   |           | 3             |
|         | <i>ma</i>         | *ma       | *ma       |               |

## 1. a-prothesis; \*y &gt; Øʸ; +Y: \*a &gt; e

## 2. ə-prothesis

## 3. \*m &gt; wʷ; ə-prothesis; +W: ə &gt; u; \*w &gt; u

## MOFU

|        |              |          |           |   |
|--------|--------------|----------|-----------|---|
| Moloko | <i>mama</i>  |          |           |   |
| Dugwor | <i>mama</i>  | *ma-ma   | *RED-ma   |   |
| Zulgo  | <i>mama</i>  |          |           |   |
|        | <i>məmər</i> | *mØ-mØ-r |           | 1 |
| Gemzek | <i>mamər</i> | *ma-mØ-r | *RED-ma-n | 1 |
| Mada   | <i>məmar</i> | *mØ-ma-r |           | 1 |
|        | <i>amma</i>  | *mØ-ma   | *RED-ma   | 2 |
| Muyang | <i>mma</i>   |          |           |   |

<sup>108</sup> Likely a transfer from French. The recording linguist (R. Gravina) gives as translation not *mère* as in other cases, but *maman*.

<sup>109</sup> It is considered here quite unlikely that phonetic [u] is conditioned by W-prosody, which would presuppose the historical presence of root-augmental \*{-kʷ}. Rather, we assume labialising assimilation from the surrounding bilabial nasals affecting the epenthetic vowel.

|                                                                                                                                    |                                            |                      |                           |                                     |   |
|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------|----------------------|---------------------------|-------------------------------------|---|
| Mofu North                                                                                                                         | <i>maya</i>                                | *ma-ya               | *ma-ya                    |                                     |   |
| Merey                                                                                                                              | <i>maya</i>                                |                      |                           |                                     |   |
|                                                                                                                                    | <i>may</i>                                 | *ma-yØ               |                           |                                     |   |
| Ouldeme                                                                                                                            | <i>maŋ</i>                                 | *ma-ŋ                | *ma-k-n                   |                                     | 3 |
| Mofu-Gudur                                                                                                                         | <i>mamaŋ</i> <sup>110</sup>                |                      |                           |                                     |   |
| 1. *n > r; ə-epenthesis<br>2. a-prothesis<br>3. *k <sup>w</sup> > k; fusion *kn > ŋ                                                |                                            |                      |                           |                                     |   |
| MAROUA                                                                                                                             |                                            |                      |                           |                                     |   |
| G.-Mutturwa                                                                                                                        | <i>maha</i>                                | *ma-xa               | *ma-k <sup>w</sup> a      |                                     | 1 |
|                                                                                                                                    | <i>munuŋ mə<sup>w</sup>mə<sup>w</sup>ŋ</i> | *m-m-ŋ <sup>w</sup>  | *RED-mØ-k <sup>w</sup> -n | *(RED-)ma(-k <sup>w</sup> , -n, FV) | 2 |
| G.-Marva                                                                                                                           | <i>uma wma</i>                             | *wØ-ma               | *RED-ma                   |                                     | 3 |
| Mbazla                                                                                                                             | <i>ma</i>                                  | *ma                  | *ma                       |                                     |   |
| 1. *k <sup>w</sup> (> k) > x<br>2. ə-epenthesis; fusion *k <sup>w</sup> n > ŋ <sup>w</sup> ; +W: ə > u<br>3. *m > w > u            |                                            |                      |                           |                                     |   |
| LAMANG                                                                                                                             |                                            |                      |                           |                                     |   |
| Lamang                                                                                                                             | <i>mama</i>                                | *ma-ma               |                           | *RED-ma                             |   |
| Hdi                                                                                                                                | <i>mama</i>                                |                      |                           |                                     |   |
| HIGI                                                                                                                               |                                            |                      |                           |                                     |   |
| Kamwe-Futu                                                                                                                         | <i>mama</i>                                | *ma-ma               |                           | *(RED-)ma(-ya)                      |   |
| Kamwe-Nkafa                                                                                                                        | <i>ma</i>                                  | *ma                  | *ma                       |                                     |   |
| Psikye                                                                                                                             | <i>ma</i>                                  |                      |                           |                                     |   |
|                                                                                                                                    | <i>miyi mə<sup>y</sup>yə<sup>y</sup></i>   | *m-y <sup>y</sup> a  | *mØ-ya                    |                                     | 1 |
| Kirya                                                                                                                              | <i>mayi mayə<sup>y</sup></i>               | *ma-y <sup>y</sup> a | *ma-ya                    |                                     | 2 |
| 1. ə-epenthesis; lexical-final *a > ə; *y > y <sup>y</sup> ; +Y: ə > i<br>2. lexical-final *a > ə; *y > y <sup>y</sup> ; +Y: ə > i |                                            |                      |                           |                                     |   |
| KOTOKO-ISLAND                                                                                                                      |                                            |                      |                           |                                     |   |
| Buduma                                                                                                                             | <i>man</i>                                 | *ma-n                | *ma-n                     | *ma-n                               |   |
| MUSGUM                                                                                                                             |                                            |                      |                           |                                     |   |
| Vulum                                                                                                                              | <i>amaa</i>                                | *ama-a               | *Øa-ma-Øa                 | *(RED-)ma-na                        |   |
| Muskum                                                                                                                             | <i>maana</i>                               | *ma-a-na             | *ma-Øa-na                 |                                     |   |
| GIDAR                                                                                                                              |                                            |                      |                           |                                     |   |
| Gidar                                                                                                                              | <i>ma</i>                                  | *ma                  | *ma                       | *(RED-)ma                           |   |
|                                                                                                                                    | <i>mma</i>                                 | *mØ-ma               | *RED-ma                   |                                     |   |
|                                                                                                                                    | <i>əma &lt; əmma</i>                       |                      |                           |                                     | 1 |
| 1. ə-prothesis; unusual length transfer from consonant to prothetic vowel(?)                                                       |                                            |                      |                           |                                     |   |

<sup>110</sup> Likely again a transfer from French, but the recording linguist (Hollingworth) gives no indication. In the light of the Ouldeme form, however, a Mofu-internal diachronic development could also be assumed, parallel to the situation in Ouldeme.

mother<sub>2</sub>Loan<sup>111</sup> \*(RED-) ya

## MANDARA

|                                                               |                            |                         |             |   |
|---------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------|-------------------------|-------------|---|
| Matal                                                         | <i>əya</i>                 | * <i>ya</i>             | * <i>ya</i> | 1 |
|                                                               | <i>iya ə<sup>y</sup>ya</i> | * <i>y<sup>y</sup>a</i> |             | 2 |
| 1. ə-prothesis                                                |                            |                         |             |   |
| 2. ə-prothesis; * <i>y</i> > <i>y<sup>y</sup></i> ; +Y: ə > i |                            |                         |             |   |

## KOTOKO-ISLAND

|                                             |        |        |         |           |   |
|---------------------------------------------|--------|--------|---------|-----------|---|
| Buduma                                      | yay    | *ya-yØ | *RED-ya | *(RED-)ya |   |
|                                             | yə     | *ya    | *ya     |           | 1 |
|                                             | yi yəʸ | *yʸa   |         |           | 2 |
| 1. lexical-final *a > ə                     |        |        |         |           |   |
| 2. lexical-final *a > ə; *y > yʸ; +Y: ə > i |        |        |         |           |   |

## KOTOKO-NORTH

|                                                                |                                     |                                  |             |   |
|----------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------|----------------------------------|-------------|---|
| Mpade                                                          | <i>ya</i>                           | * <i>ya</i>                      | * <i>ya</i> |   |
| Afade                                                          | <i>iya</i> ə <sup>y</sup> <i>ya</i> | * <i>y</i> <sup>a</sup> <i>a</i> |             | 1 |
| Malgbe                                                         | <i>iya</i> ə <sup>y</sup> <i>ya</i> |                                  |             | 1 |
| 1. ə-prothesis; * <i>y</i> > <i>y</i> <sup>y</sup> ; +Y: ə > i |                                     |                                  |             |   |

## KOTOKO-CENTRAL

|                                                 |                            |                   |     |   |
|-------------------------------------------------|----------------------------|-------------------|-----|---|
| Lagwan                                          | <i>iya ə<sup>y</sup>ya</i> | *y <sup>y</sup> a | *ya | 1 |
| Mser                                            | <i>iya ə<sup>y</sup>ya</i> |                   |     | 1 |
| 1. ə-prothesis; *y > y <sup>y</sup> ; +Y: ə > i |                            |                   |     |   |

## KOTOKO-SOUTH

|                                                 |                            |                   |     |   |
|-------------------------------------------------|----------------------------|-------------------|-----|---|
| Zina                                            | <i>iya ə<sup>y</sup>ya</i> | *y <sup>y</sup> a | *ya | 1 |
| Mazera                                          | <i>iya ə<sup>y</sup>ya</i> |                   |     | 1 |
| 1. ə-prothesis; *y > y <sup>y</sup> ; +Y: ə > i |                            |                   |     |   |

## MUSGUM

|                                                                       |                         |                      |         |         |   |
|-----------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------|----------------------|---------|---------|---|
| Mbara                                                                 | 'iya ʔə <sup>y</sup> ya | *yØ-y <sup>y</sup> a | *RED-ya | *RED-ya | 1 |
| 1. reduplicated *y > ʔ; ə-epenthesis; *y > y <sup>y</sup> ; +Y: ə > i |                         |                      |         |         |   |

<sup>111</sup> As pointed out by Gravina (2015), “[t]his root is borrowed from Kanuri, and is found only in the groups with close contact with Kanuri.” The Kanuri word is monoconsonantal and monosyllabic. However, quite a few reflexes in CC languages show a disyllabic structure. At the present time, it is not possible to tell whether this reflects any of the following three plausible options: (a) prothetic vowel insertion, which would be phonologically unmotivated (since prothesis tends to be linked to initial consonant clusters) unless we are dealing with analogy with the root for ‘mother<sub>1</sub>’; (b) root-augmentation by suffixal \*{-y(a)}, which would be supported by its occurrence also with the root ‘mother<sub>1</sub>’; (c) remnants of reduplication, which again would be an analogy to the root ‘mother<sub>1</sub>’. The question must remain open. For the current study, we will treat these tentatively as cases of analogical (somewhat irregular) prothesis and REDuplication.

mouse<sub>1</sub>PCC *\*(ma-) k<sup>w</sup>(a)s(a)ma* (-y, -k<sup>w</sup>, -n)BATA<sup>112</sup>

|       |                                    |                         |             |                                           |   |
|-------|------------------------------------|-------------------------|-------------|-------------------------------------------|---|
| Gude  | <i>hima</i> xə <sup>y</sup> ma     | *xma-Ø <sup>y</sup>     | *xØma-y     | *k <sup>w</sup> sma-y(-k <sup>w</sup> -n) | 1 |
| Tsuva | <i>himkən</i> xə <sup>y</sup> mkən | *xm-Ø <sup>y</sup> -k-n | *xØmØ-y-k-n |                                           | 1 |

1. radical \*k<sup>w</sup> (> k) > x; ə-epenthesis; \*y > Ø<sup>y</sup>; +Y: ə > i; suffixal \*k<sup>w</sup> > k

MAFA

|      |                         |                     |                      |                      |  |
|------|-------------------------|---------------------|----------------------|----------------------|--|
| Mafa | <i>k<sup>w</sup>ama</i> | *k <sup>w</sup> ama | *k <sup>w</sup> aØma | *k <sup>w</sup> asma |  |
|------|-------------------------|---------------------|----------------------|----------------------|--|

TERA

|      |                                            |                   |                     |                     |   |
|------|--------------------------------------------|-------------------|---------------------|---------------------|---|
| Tera | <i>ɣum</i> ɣ <sup>w</sup> ə <sup>w</sup> m | *ɣ <sup>w</sup> m | *ɣ <sup>w</sup> ØmØ | *k <sup>w</sup> sma | 1 |
|------|--------------------------------------------|-------------------|---------------------|---------------------|---|

1. \*k<sup>w</sup> (> g<sup>w</sup>) > ɣ<sup>w</sup>; ə-epenthesis; +W: ə > u

SUKUR

|       |                                            |                   |                     |                     |   |
|-------|--------------------------------------------|-------------------|---------------------|---------------------|---|
| Sukur | <i>kum</i> k <sup>w</sup> ə <sup>w</sup> m | *k <sup>w</sup> m | *k <sup>w</sup> ØmØ | *k <sup>w</sup> sma | 1 |
|-------|--------------------------------------------|-------------------|---------------------|---------------------|---|

1. ə-epenthesis; +W: ə &gt; u

HURZA

|       |                                                              |                     |                      |                      |   |
|-------|--------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------|----------------------|----------------------|---|
| Mbuko | <i>kuhom</i> k <sup>w</sup> ə <sup>w</sup> xə <sup>w</sup> m | *k <sup>w</sup> xam | *k <sup>w</sup> xamØ | *k <sup>w</sup> sama | 1 |
| Vame  | <i>k<sup>w</sup>am</i>                                       | *k <sup>w</sup> am  | *k <sup>w</sup> ØamØ |                      |   |

1. \*s &gt; x; ə-epenthesis; +W: ə &gt; u; +W: \*a &gt; o

MANDARA

|        |                                                         |                    |                     |                     |   |
|--------|---------------------------------------------------------|--------------------|---------------------|---------------------|---|
| Matal  | <i>k<sup>w</sup>əfu</i> k <sup>w</sup> əfə <sup>w</sup> | *k <sup>w</sup> fə | *k <sup>w</sup> fØa | *k <sup>w</sup> sma | 1 |
|        | <i>kufu</i> k <sup>w</sup> əfə <sup>w</sup>             |                    |                     |                     | 1 |
| Podoko | <i>kuma</i> k <sup>w</sup> ə <sup>w</sup> ma            | *k <sup>w</sup> ma | *k <sup>w</sup> Øma |                     | 2 |

1. \*s &gt; f; ə-epenthesis; lexical-final \*a &gt; ə; +W: ə &gt; u

2. ə-epenthesis; +W: ə &gt; u

MOFU<sup>113</sup>

|            |                                                              |                       |                         |                           |   |
|------------|--------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------|-------------------------|---------------------------|---|
|            |                                                              |                       |                         | √ C C Ca                  |   |
| Ouldeme    | <i>kum</i> k <sup>w</sup> ə <sup>w</sup> m                   | *k <sup>w</sup> m     | *k <sup>w</sup> ØmØ     | *(ma-)k <sup>w</sup> sma  | 1 |
| Merey      | <i>kuhum</i> k <sup>w</sup> ə <sup>w</sup> xə <sup>w</sup> m | *k <sup>w</sup> xm    | *k <sup>w</sup> xmØ     |                           | 2 |
| Muyang     | <i>akfum</i> akfə <sup>w</sup> m                             | *Øa-k <sup>w</sup> fm | *ma-k <sup>w</sup> fmØ  |                           | 3 |
| Moloko     | <i>gəmsə</i> gmsa <sup>w</sup>                               | *gØ <sup>w</sup> msa  | *g <sup>w</sup> asma    |                           | 4 |
|            |                                                              |                       |                         | √ CaC Ca                  |   |
| Ouldeme    | <i>g<sup>w</sup>amso</i> g <sup>w</sup> amsa <sup>w</sup>    | *gØ <sup>w</sup> amsa | *g <sup>w</sup> asma    | *k <sup>w</sup> asma      | 4 |
| Zulgo      | <i>k<sup>w</sup>ahum</i> k <sup>w</sup> axə <sup>w</sup> m   | *k <sup>w</sup> axm   | *k <sup>w</sup> axmØ    |                           | 2 |
|            |                                                              |                       |                         | √ C CaCa                  |   |
| Mofu North | <i>h<sup>w</sup>am</i>                                       | *x <sup>w</sup> am    | *x <sup>w</sup> ØamØ    | *(ma-)k <sup>w</sup> sama | 5 |
| Mofu-Gudur | <i>ah<sup>w</sup>am</i>                                      | *Øa-x <sup>w</sup> am | *ma-x <sup>w</sup> ØamØ |                           | 5 |

<sup>112</sup> There is an interesting problem regarding the diachronic source of the initial /x/ in BATA. It may be a de-labialised and weakened reflex of \*k<sup>w</sup> as we tentatively assume here, but it could also be a reflex of (lost) \*/s/, which is generally not uncommon in more northeastern Central (and East-) Chadic languages, but also occurs in this root (see examples below). However, in the light of frequent deletions of \*/s/ and since BATA group languages are spoken at the opposite – namely southwestern – periphery of the CC area, we currently consider this the less plausible hypothesis for BATA. In more general terms, this root appears to have been borrowed between CC languages following different paths and leading to double reflexes in the modern CC languages. This has led Gravina (2015) to reconstruct two different yet cognate roots: \*k<sup>w</sup>isim and \*k<sup>w</sup>ihim.

<sup>113</sup> In the MOFU group, Ouldeme and Moloko show a double reflex of this root, suggesting inter-dialectal borrowing of at least one of the root shapes, which are mainly distinguished

|                                                                                                                                          |                                                                                |                                    |                         |                              |   |
|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------|-------------------------|------------------------------|---|
| Moloko                                                                                                                                   | <i>okfom</i> a <sup>w</sup> kfa <sup>w</sup> m                                 | *Øa-k <sup>w</sup> fam             | *ma-k <sup>w</sup> famØ |                              | 6 |
|                                                                                                                                          |                                                                                |                                    |                         | √ CaCaCa                     |   |
| Gemzek                                                                                                                                   | <i>kohom</i> k <sup>w</sup> a <sup>w</sup> xa <sup>w</sup> m                   | *k <sup>w</sup> axam               | *k <sup>w</sup> axamØ   | *k <sup>w</sup> asama        | 7 |
| Dugwor                                                                                                                                   | <i>kohom</i> k <sup>w</sup> a <sup>w</sup> xa <sup>w</sup> m                   |                                    |                         |                              | 7 |
| 1. ə-epenthesis; +W: ə > u                                                                                                               |                                                                                |                                    |                         |                              |   |
| 2. *s > x; ə-epenthesis; +W: ə > u                                                                                                       |                                                                                |                                    |                         |                              |   |
| 3. *s (> x) > f; ə-epenthesis; +W: ə > u                                                                                                 |                                                                                |                                    |                         |                              |   |
| 4. *k <sup>w</sup> (> g <sup>w</sup> ) > g+w <sup>w</sup> ; ə-epenthesis; +W: ə > u; +W: *a > o                                          |                                                                                |                                    |                         |                              |   |
| 5. *k <sup>w</sup> > x <sup>w</sup>                                                                                                      |                                                                                |                                    |                         |                              |   |
| 6. *s > f; +W: *a > o                                                                                                                    |                                                                                |                                    |                         |                              |   |
| 7. *s > x; +W: *a > o                                                                                                                    |                                                                                |                                    |                         |                              |   |
| LAMANG                                                                                                                                   |                                                                                |                                    |                         |                              |   |
| Lamang <sup>114</sup>                                                                                                                    | <i>mbəga</i>                                                                   | *m-mga                             | *mØ-gØma                | *(ma-)k <sup>w</sup> sma-n   | 1 |
| Hdi                                                                                                                                      | <i>muguzur</i> mə <sup>w</sup> g <sup>w</sup> ə <sup>w</sup> zə <sup>w</sup> r | *mg <sup>w</sup> z-r               | *g <sup>w</sup> zmØ-r   |                              | 2 |
| 1. *k <sup>w</sup> > g; metathesis gm > mg; ə-epenthesis; dissimilation/consonant fortition *mm > mb?                                    |                                                                                |                                    |                         |                              |   |
| 2. *k <sup>w</sup> > g <sup>w</sup> ; *s > z; *n > r; multiple metathesis g <sup>w</sup> zm > mg <sup>w</sup> z; ə-epenthesis; +W: ə > u |                                                                                |                                    |                         |                              |   |
| HIGI                                                                                                                                     |                                                                                |                                    |                         |                              |   |
| Psikye                                                                                                                                   | <i>k<sup>w</sup>u</i> k <sup>w</sup> ə <sup>w</sup>                            | *k <sup>w</sup> a                  | *k <sup>w</sup> ØØa     | *k <sup>w</sup> sma          | 1 |
| Bana                                                                                                                                     | <i>kum</i> k <sup>w</sup> ə <sup>w</sup> m                                     | *k <sup>w</sup> m                  | *k <sup>w</sup> ØmØ     |                              | 2 |
| 1. lexical-final *a > ə; +W: ə > u                                                                                                       |                                                                                |                                    |                         |                              |   |
| 2. ə-epenthesis; +W: ə > u                                                                                                               |                                                                                |                                    |                         |                              |   |
| KOTOKO-NORTH                                                                                                                             |                                                                                |                                    |                         |                              |   |
| Mpade                                                                                                                                    | <i>kusumu</i> k <sup>w</sup> ə <sup>w</sup> sə <sup>w</sup> mə <sup>w</sup>    | *k <sup>w</sup> sma                |                         | *k <sup>w</sup> sma(-y)      | 1 |
| Maltam                                                                                                                                   | <i>δisim</i> δə <sup>w</sup> sə <sup>w</sup> m                                 | *δsm-Ø <sup>y</sup>                | *δsmØ-y                 |                              | 2 |
| Malgbe                                                                                                                                   | <i>gbim</i> gbə <sup>w</sup> m                                                 | *gbm-Ø <sup>y</sup>                | *gbØmØ-y                |                              | 3 |
| 1. ə-epenthesis; lexical-final *a > ə; +W: ə > u                                                                                         |                                                                                |                                    |                         |                              |   |
| 2. *k <sup>w</sup> > b; ə-epenthesis; *y > Ø <sup>y</sup> ; +Y: ə > i                                                                    |                                                                                |                                    |                         |                              |   |
| 3. *k <sup>w</sup> > gb; ə-epenthesis; *y > Ø <sup>y</sup> ; +Y: ə > i                                                                   |                                                                                |                                    |                         |                              |   |
| KOTOKO-CENTRAL                                                                                                                           |                                                                                |                                    |                         |                              |   |
| Lagwan                                                                                                                                   | <i>xsumi</i> xsə <sup>w</sup> my                                               | x <sup>w</sup> sm-y                | *x <sup>w</sup> smØ-y   | *k <sup>w</sup> sma(-y)      | 1 |
| Mser                                                                                                                                     | <i>kusum</i> k <sup>w</sup> ə <sup>w</sup> sə <sup>w</sup> m                   | *k <sup>w</sup> sm                 | *k <sup>w</sup> smØ     |                              | 2 |
| 1. *k <sup>w</sup> > x <sup>w</sup> ; ə-epenthesis; +W: ə > u; *y > i                                                                    |                                                                                |                                    |                         |                              |   |
| 2. ə-epenthesis; +W: ə > u                                                                                                               |                                                                                |                                    |                         |                              |   |
| KOTOKO-SOUTH                                                                                                                             |                                                                                |                                    |                         |                              |   |
| Zina                                                                                                                                     | <i>aksum</i> aksə <sup>w</sup> m                                               | *Øa-k <sup>w</sup> sm              | *ma-k <sup>w</sup> smØ  | *(ma-)k <sup>w</sup> sma(-y) | 1 |
| Mazera                                                                                                                                   | <i>kusime</i> k <sup>w</sup> ə <sup>w</sup> sə <sup>w</sup> ma <sup>y</sup>    | *k <sup>w</sup> sma-Ø <sup>y</sup> | *k <sup>w</sup> sma-y   |                              | 2 |
| 1. ə-epenthesis; +W: ə > u                                                                                                               |                                                                                |                                    |                         |                              |   |
| 2. ə-epenthesis; +W: ə > u; *y > Ø <sup>y</sup> ; +Y: ə > i; +Y: lexical-final *a > e                                                    |                                                                                |                                    |                         |                              |   |
| MUSGUM                                                                                                                                   |                                                                                |                                    |                         |                              |   |
| Vulum                                                                                                                                    | <i>kusum</i> k <sup>w</sup> ə <sup>w</sup> sə <sup>w</sup> m                   | *k <sup>w</sup> sm                 | *k <sup>w</sup> smØ     | *k <sup>w</sup> sma          | 1 |
| Mbara                                                                                                                                    | <i>kusum</i> k <sup>w</sup> ə <sup>w</sup> sə <sup>w</sup> m                   |                                    |                         |                              | 1 |
| Muskum                                                                                                                                   | <i>guzum</i> g <sup>w</sup> ə <sup>w</sup> zə <sup>w</sup> m                   | *g <sup>w</sup> zm                 | *g <sup>w</sup> zmØ     |                              | 2 |
| 1. ə-epenthesis; +W: ə > u                                                                                                               |                                                                                |                                    |                         |                              |   |
| 2. *k <sup>w</sup> > g <sup>w</sup> ; ə-epenthesis; +W: ə > u                                                                            |                                                                                |                                    |                         |                              |   |

by the voicing of the initial consonant: \*k<sup>w</sup> vs. g<sup>w</sup>, with the voiced-initial root also displaying metathesis of the non-initial root consonants. The path of borrowing remains currently obscure, but cf. TERA, LAMANG and MUSKUM (MUSGUM) for voiced initial consonants.

<sup>114</sup> The cognate status of the Lamang root is likely but remains somewhat doubtful.

mouse<sub>2</sub>Areal root **\*kat(a)kama** (-k<sup>w</sup>)

DABA

|      |                |           |           |  |
|------|----------------|-----------|-----------|--|
| Daba | <i>katakam</i> | *katakamØ | *katakama |  |
|------|----------------|-----------|-----------|--|

MAROUA

|                |                                                            |                         |                          |                          |   |
|----------------|------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|---|
| Giziga-Muturwa | <i>kotokom ka<sup>w</sup>ta<sup>w</sup>ka<sup>w</sup>m</i> | *katakam-Ø <sup>w</sup> | *katakamØ-k <sup>w</sup> | *katakama-k <sup>w</sup> | 1 |
| Giziga-Marwa   | <i>kotokom ka<sup>w</sup>ta<sup>w</sup>ka<sup>w</sup>m</i> |                         |                          |                          | 1 |

1. \*k<sup>w</sup> > Ø<sup>w</sup>; +W: \*a > o

GIDAR

|       |               |          |          |  |
|-------|---------------|----------|----------|--|
| Gidar | <i>katkam</i> | *katkamØ | *katkama |  |
|-------|---------------|----------|----------|--|

mouth<sup>115</sup>PCC \*(ma-, xa-, RED-) **m(a)ya** (-k<sup>w</sup>, -n, -t)

BATA

|        |            |       |         |           |  |
|--------|------------|-------|---------|-----------|--|
| Gude   | <i>ma</i>  | *ma   | *maØØ   | *maya(-n) |  |
| Sharwa | <i>ma</i>  |       |         |           |  |
| Tsuvan | <i>ma</i>  |       |         |           |  |
| Jimi   | <i>man</i> | *ma-n | *maØØ-n |           |  |

DABA

|        |           |     |       |       |  |
|--------|-----------|-----|-------|-------|--|
| Buwal  | <i>ma</i> | *ma | *maØØ | *maya |  |
| Gavar  | <i>ma</i> |     |       |       |  |
| Mbudum | <i>ma</i> |     |       |       |  |
| Daba   | <i>ma</i> |     |       |       |  |

MAFA

|       |           |     |       |       |  |
|-------|-----------|-----|-------|-------|--|
| Mafa  | <i>ma</i> | *ma | *maØØ | *maya |  |
| Cuvok | <i>ma</i> |     |       |       |  |

TERA

|      |                          |                   |       |       |   |
|------|--------------------------|-------------------|-------|-------|---|
| Tera | <i>me ma<sup>y</sup></i> | *maØ <sup>y</sup> | *mayØ | *maya | 1 |
|------|--------------------------|-------------------|-------|-------|---|

1. \*y > Ø<sup>y</sup>; +Y: \*a > e

SUKUR

|       |                                                  |                    |                 |                      |                      |   |
|-------|--------------------------------------------------|--------------------|-----------------|----------------------|----------------------|---|
| Sukur | <i>ŋ<sup>w</sup>u ŋ<sup>w</sup>w<sup>w</sup></i> | *ŋ +w <sup>w</sup> | *ŋ <sup>w</sup> | *mØØØ-k <sup>w</sup> | *maya-k <sup>w</sup> | 1 |
|-------|--------------------------------------------------|--------------------|-----------------|----------------------|----------------------|---|

1. fusion \*mk<sup>w</sup> > ŋ<sup>w</sup>; re-segmentalisation \*ŋ<sup>w</sup> > ŋ+w<sup>w</sup>; w > u

HURZA

|       |                          |                   |                      |                         |   |
|-------|--------------------------|-------------------|----------------------|-------------------------|---|
| Mbuko | <i>'am</i>               | *ma-ʔ             | *maØØ-k <sup>w</sup> | *maya(-k <sup>w</sup> ) | 1 |
| Vame  | <i>me ma<sup>y</sup></i> | *maØ <sup>y</sup> | *mayØ                |                         | 2 |

1. \*k<sup>w</sup> (> k) > ʔ; metathesis mʔ > ʔm2. \*y > Ø<sup>y</sup>; +Y: \*a > e

MARGI

|             |                              |                    |      |  |   |
|-------------|------------------------------|--------------------|------|--|---|
| Bura        | <i>mya</i>                   | *mya               | *mya |  |   |
| Margi-South | <i>mya</i>                   |                    |      |  |   |
|             | <i>miya mə<sup>y</sup>ya</i> | *my <sup>y</sup> a |      |  | 1 |
| Kilba       | <i>nya</i>                   | *nya               |      |  | 2 |

1. \*y > y<sup>y</sup>; ə-epenthesis; +Y: ə > i

2. homorganic assimilation \*m &gt; n / \_y

<sup>115</sup> This root has a particularly wide range of meanings, including 'beak; front, face, entry; shape; edge, rim; language, word, matter, problem'. See also the root for 'hunger', which is likely

## MANDARA

|                                                                                                                       |                    |                   |                    |                |   |
|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------|-------------------|--------------------|----------------|---|
| Podoko                                                                                                                | <i>wa</i>          | * <i>wa</i>       | * <i>wØa</i>       | *(RED-)mya(-y) | 1 |
| Mandara                                                                                                               | <i>we waʷ</i>      | * <i>wa-Øʷ</i>    | * <i>wØa-y</i>     |                | 2 |
| Malgwe                                                                                                                | <i>we waʷ</i>      |                   |                    |                | 2 |
| Dghwede                                                                                                               | <i>wuwe wəʷwaʷ</i> | * <i>w-wʷa-Øʷ</i> | * <i>RED-wØa-y</i> |                | 3 |
| 1. * <i>m</i> > <i>w</i>                                                                                              |                    |                   |                    |                |   |
| 2. * <i>m</i> > <i>w</i> ; * <i>y</i> > Øʷ; +Y: lexical-final * <i>a</i> > <i>e</i>                                   |                    |                   |                    |                |   |
| 3. * <i>m</i> > <i>wʷ</i> ; ə-epenthesis; +W: ə > <i>u</i> ; * <i>y</i> > Øʷ; +Y: lexical-final * <i>a</i> > <i>e</i> |                    |                   |                    |                |   |

## MOFU

|            |                 |          |             |               |   |   |
|------------|-----------------|----------|-------------|---------------|---|---|
| Ouldeme    | <i>ma</i>       | *ma      | *maØØ       | *(ma-xa-)maya |   |   |
| Muyang     | <i>ma</i>       |          |             |               |   |   |
| Moloko     | <i>ma</i>       |          |             |               |   |   |
| Merey      | <i>me</i> maʸ   | *maØʸ    | *mayØ       |               | 1 |   |
| Dugwor     | <i>mey</i> maʸy | *maʸy    |             |               |   | 2 |
| Mofu North | <i>mey</i> maʸy |          |             |               |   | 2 |
| Mofu-Gudur | <i>mey</i> maʸy |          |             |               |   | 2 |
| Mada       | <i>mamma</i>    | *ma-x-ma | *ma-xØ-maØØ |               | 3 |   |
| Zulgo      | <i>ahəm</i>     | *Øa-x-m  | *ma-xØ-mØØØ |               | 4 |   |

1. \*y > Øʸ; +Y: \*a > e

2. \*y > yʸ; +Y: \*a > e

3. assimilation \*x > m/\_m

4. ə-epenthesis

## MAROUA

|                                                                 |                |         |          |            |   |
|-----------------------------------------------------------------|----------------|---------|----------|------------|---|
| Giziga-Marva                                                    | <i>me maʏ</i>  | *maØʏ   | *mayØ    | *maya(-kʷ) | 1 |
| Mbazla                                                          | <i>me maʏ</i>  |         |          |            | 1 |
|                                                                 | <i>meʼ maʔ</i> | *maØʏ-ʔ | *mayØ-kʷ |            | 2 |
| 1. *ʏ > Øʏ; +Y: *a > e<br>2. *kʷ (> k) > ʔ; *ʏ > Øʏ; +Y: *a > e |                |         |          |            |   |

## LAMANG

|                                                                                                                                   |                 |                  |                 |           |   |
|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------|------------------|-----------------|-----------|---|
| Lamang <sup>116</sup>                                                                                                             | <i>ewe aʷaʷ</i> | * <i>Øa-wØʷa</i> | * <i>ma-wya</i> | *(ma-)mya | 1 |
| Hdi                                                                                                                               | <i>wi wy</i>    | * <i>wy</i>      | * <i>wyØ</i>    |           | 2 |
| 1. * <i>m</i> > <i>w</i> ; * <i>y</i> > <i>Øʷ</i> ; +Y: * <i>a</i> > <i>e</i><br>2. * <i>m</i> > <i>w</i> ; * <i>y</i> > <i>i</i> |                 |                  |                 |           |   |

## HIGI

|           |              |     |      |      |   |
|-----------|--------------|-----|------|------|---|
| Kirya     | <i>mi my</i> | *my | *myØ | *mya | 1 |
| Bana      | <i>mi my</i> |     |      |      | 1 |
| 1. *y > i |              |     |      |      |   |

formally identical but allows for different augmented structures and surface representations, hence we treat them separately. The option to reconstruct PCC \**ma* for ‘mouth’ (cf. PC \**ba* as reconstructed by Newman 1977) is dismissed in the light of reflexes of \**y* in 10 of the 15 languages groups in which this lexical item has cognate forms, as compared to 12 reflexes in 13 groups for ‘hunger’. The alternative option would be to reconstruct PCC \**ma(-ya)* ‘mouth’ and \**maya* ‘hunger’.

<sup>116</sup> The underlying form \**aʔwaʔ* for *ewe* in Lamang is diachronically motivated by comparative evidence and reflects the general diachronic principles that we have found to operate in CC languages. Arguing strictly from a Lamang perspective, which would reflect a stage in Lamang history after \*/y/ and \*/w/ had each already undergone a phoneme split and full phonemicisation of their diachronic allophones [i] > /i/ and [u] > /u/, the synchronically underlying representation would be \*/awi/ (cf. Wolff 2015, Vol. 1: 66-70); this again would be quite close to Hdi *wi* < \**wy*.

## KOTOKO-SOUTH

|                        |               |       |       |        |   |
|------------------------|---------------|-------|-------|--------|---|
|                        |               |       |       | √ C Ca |   |
| Zina                   | <i>mi my</i>  | *my   | *myØ  | *mya   | 1 |
|                        |               |       |       | √ CaCa |   |
| Mazera                 | <i>me maʸ</i> | *maØʸ | *mayØ | *maya  | 2 |
| 1. *y > i              |               |       |       |        |   |
| 2. *y > Øʸ; +Y: *a > e |               |       |       |        |   |

## MUSGUM

|        |                   |           |            |                    |   |
|--------|-------------------|-----------|------------|--------------------|---|
| Mbara  | <i>may</i>        | *mayØ     |            |                    |   |
| Mulwi  | <i>meʷg maʷᵛg</i> | *maØʷ-ᵛg  | *mayØ-kʷ-n | *maya(-t, -kʷ, -n) | 1 |
| Vulum  | <i>meŋ maʷŋ</i>   | *maØʷ-ŋ-Ø |            |                    | 2 |
| Muskum | <i>mut mwt</i>    | *m-w-t    | *mØØØ-t-kʷ |                    | 3 |

1. \*y > Øʷ; +Y: \*a > e; \*kʷ (> gʷ) > g; fusion gn > ᵛg  
 2. \*y > Øʷ; +Y: \*a > e; \*kʷ > k; fusion kn > ŋ  
 3. metathesis tkʷ > kʷt; \*kʷ > w > u

## GIDAR

|                              |            |       |                      |                         |   |
|------------------------------|------------|-------|----------------------|-------------------------|---|
| Gidar                        | <i>ma</i>  | *ma   | *maØØ                | *maya(-k <sup>w</sup> ) |   |
|                              | <i>ma'</i> | *ma-ʔ | *maØØ-k <sup>w</sup> |                         | 1 |
| 1. *k <sup>w</sup> (> k) > ʔ |            |       |                      |                         |   |

## navel

PCC \*(ma-) **z(a)b(a)-xʷ(a)ḏa**<sup>117</sup> (-y, -n)

## BATA

|                                                                                                                                                                           |                                                                   |                                                        |                               |                                       |   |
|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------|---------------------------------------|---|
| Bata                                                                                                                                                                      | <i>su<sup>m</sup>budē</i><br>sə <sup>wm</sup> bwɖa <sup>y</sup>   | *Ø <sup>n</sup> -sb-w <sup>w</sup> ɖa-Ø <sup>y</sup>   | *m <sup>n</sup> Ø-sbØ-wɖa-y   | *ma-zba-x <sup>w</sup> ɖa<br>(-y(-n)) | 1 |
| Sharwa                                                                                                                                                                    | <i>zi<sup>m</sup>budā</i><br>za <sup>ym</sup> bwɖā                | *Ø <sup>n</sup> -zb-wɖa-Ø <sup>y</sup>                 | *m <sup>n</sup> Ø-zbØ-wɖa-y   |                                       | 2 |
| Jimi                                                                                                                                                                      | <i>ʒə<sup>m</sup>b<sup>w</sup>ədən</i><br>zʲə <sup>mb</sup> bwɖən | *Ø <sup>n</sup> -z <sup>mb</sup> -wɖ-Ø <sup>y</sup> -n | *m <sup>n</sup> Ø-zbØ-wɖØ-y-n |                                       | 3 |
| 1. *z > s; ə-epenthesis; *x <sup>w</sup> > w <sup>w</sup> > u; +W: ə > u; *y > Ø <sup>y</sup> ; +Y: lexical-final *a > e;<br>*m > Ø <sup>n</sup> ; +N: b > m <sup>b</sup> |                                                                   |                                                        |                               |                                       |   |

<sup>117</sup> Two observations regarding this obvious compound:

(1) The widespread occurrence of medial \*ᵐbʷ in this root is an invitation to reconstruct \*/ᵐbʷ/, i.e. **ʷz(a)ᵐbʷ(a)ḏa**, but PCC did not have any labialised labials, only labialised velars. Since there is no labialised velar in the simple root, the labialisation feature could have originated from morphological labialisation, which we symbolise in our reconstructions by \*{-kʷ}. However, Gravina's (2015) hypothesis that we are dealing with a compound containing the root for 'belly' (PCC \***xʷ(a)ḏa**), whose initial consonant would account for the labial feature to be prosodised: \***z(a)ᵐba** + \***xʷ(a)ḏa** > \***z(a)ᵐb-xʷ(a)ḏa** is quite plausible. We, therefore, tentatively reconstruct such compound, irrespective of the fact that the first part of the compound (\***z(a)ᵐba**) remains obscure. Note, however, that the MANDARA group languages and three KOTOKO-NORTH languages would appear not to use such compound, therefore, there is no labialisation reflex of \***xʷ(a)ḏa** 'belly'.

(2) Whatever the original meaning of the first part of the compound – it could indeed mean 'navel', besides the compound expression 'belly-navel' – we would want to reconstruct it



2. \*x<sup>w</sup> > w > u; ə-epenthesis; \*y > Ø<sup>y</sup>; +Y: ə > i; lexical-final \*a > ə; +\*m > Ø<sup>n</sup>; N: b > <sup>m</sup>b  
 3. \*x<sup>w</sup> > w; ə-epenthesis; \*y > Ø<sup>y</sup>; +Y: \*z > ʒ; \*m > Ø<sup>n</sup>; +N: b > <sup>m</sup>b

## MAFA

|                                                                                           |                                              |                      |               |                             |   |
|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------|----------------------|---------------|-----------------------------|---|
| Mafa                                                                                      | <i>zimel</i> zə <sup>y</sup> ma <sup>l</sup> | *zmal-Ø <sup>y</sup> | *mØ-zØa-ØlØ-y | *ma-zba-x <sup>w</sup> dā-y | 1 |
| 1. *d' > l; ə-epenthesis; metathesis mz > zm; *y > Ø <sup>y</sup> ; +Y: ə > i; +Y: *a > e |                                              |                      |               |                             |   |

## MARGI

|             |                                                                              |                                                      |                             |                             |   |
|-------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------|-----------------------------|---|
| Margi-South | <i>ʃə<sup>m</sup>budu</i><br>s <sup>y</sup> ə <sup>m</sup> bwdə <sup>w</sup> | *Ø <sup>n</sup> -sb-w <sup>w</sup> dā-Ø <sup>y</sup> | *m <sup>n</sup> Ø-sbØ-wdā-y | *ma-zba-x <sup>w</sup> dā-y | 1 |
| Kilba       | <i>ʃi<sup>m</sup>budu</i><br>s <sup>y</sup> ə <sup>m</sup> bwdə <sup>w</sup> |                                                      |                             |                             | 2 |

1. \*z > s; \*x<sup>w</sup> > w<sup>w</sup> > u; ə-epenthesis; \*y > Ø<sup>y</sup>; +Y: s > ʃ; lexical-final \*a > ə; +W: ə > u; \*m > Ø<sup>n</sup>; +N: b > <sup>m</sup>b  
 2. \*z > s; \*x<sup>w</sup> > w<sup>w</sup>; w > u; ə-epenthesis; \*y > Ø<sup>y</sup>; +Y: s > ʃ; +Y: ə > i; lexical-final \*a > ə; +W: ə > u; \*m > Ø<sup>n</sup>; +N: b > <sup>m</sup>b

## MANDARA

|         |                                                                       |                                      |                                       |            |   |
|---------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------|---------------------------------------|------------|---|
|         |                                                                       |                                      |                                       | √ C Ca     |   |
| Podoko  | <i>ʒi<sup>m</sup>ba</i> z <sup>y</sup> ə <sup>m</sup> ba              | *Ø <sup>n</sup> -zba-Ø <sup>y</sup>  | *m <sup>n</sup> Ø-zba-y               | *ma-zba-y  | 1 |
| Dghwede | <i>ʒi<sup>m</sup>be</i> z <sup>y</sup> ə <sup>m</sup> ba <sup>y</sup> |                                      |                                       |            | 2 |
|         |                                                                       |                                      |                                       | √ CaCa     |   |
| Mandara | <i>ʒa<sup>m</sup>ba</i> z <sup>y</sup> a <sup>m</sup> ba              | *Ø <sup>n</sup> -zaba-Ø <sup>y</sup> | *m <sup>n</sup> Ø-zaba-Ø <sup>y</sup> | *ma-zaba-y | 3 |
| Malgwa  | <i>ʒa<sup>m</sup>ba</i> z <sup>y</sup> a <sup>m</sup> ba              |                                      |                                       |            | 3 |
| Glavda  | <i>ʒa<sup>m</sup>ba</i> z <sup>y</sup> a <sup>m</sup> ba              |                                      |                                       |            | 3 |

1. ə-epenthesis; \*y > Ø<sup>y</sup>; +Y: \*z > ʒ; +Y: ə > i; \*m > Ø<sup>n</sup>; +N: b > <sup>m</sup>b  
 2. ə-epenthesis; \*y > Ø<sup>y</sup>; +Y: \*z > ʒ; +Y: ə > i; +Y: lexical-final \*a > e; \*m > Ø<sup>n</sup>; +N: b > <sup>m</sup>b  
 3. \*y > Ø<sup>y</sup>; +Y: \*z > ʒ; \*m > Ø<sup>n</sup>; +N: b > <sup>m</sup>b

## MOFU

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|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------|-----------------------------|-----------------------------|---|
| Ouldeme                                                                                                             | <i>zi<sup>m</sup>bel</i> zə <sup>y</sup> mba <sup>l</sup> | *Ø <sup>n</sup> -zba-l-Ø <sup>y</sup> | *m <sup>n</sup> Ø-zba-ØlØ-y | *ma-zba-x <sup>w</sup> dā-y | 1 |
| Muyang                                                                                                              | <i>zi<sup>m</sup>bel</i> zə <sup>y</sup> mba <sup>l</sup> |                                       |                             |                             | 1 |
| 1. *d' > l; ə-epenthesis; *y > Ø <sup>y</sup> ; +Y: ə > i; +Y: *a > e; *m > Ø <sup>n</sup> ; +N: b > m <sup>b</sup> |                                                           |                                       |                             |                             |   |

## LAMANG

|                                                                                                                                                             |                                                          |                                                     |                                           |                             |   |
|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------|-----------------------------|---|
| Lamang                                                                                                                                                      | <i>zi<sup>m</sup>bo</i> zə <sup>y</sup> mba <sup>w</sup> | *Ø <sup>n</sup> -zb-Ø <sup>w</sup> a-Ø <sup>y</sup> | *m <sup>n</sup> Ø-zbØ-w <sup>w</sup> Øa-y | *ma-zba-x <sup>w</sup> dā-y | 1 |
| 1. *x <sup>w</sup> > Ø <sup>w</sup> ; +W: lexical-final *a > o; ə-epenthesis; *y > Ø <sup>y</sup> ; +Y: ə > i; *m > Ø <sup>n</sup> ; +N: b > <sup>m</sup> b |                                                          |                                                     |                                           |                             |   |

## HIGI

|             |                                                                           |                                       |                             |                             |   |
|-------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------|-----------------------------|-----------------------------|---|
|             |                                                                           |                                       |                             | √ C C-C Ca                  |   |
| Kamwe-Nkafa | <i>ʒi<sup>m</sup>b<sup>w</sup>i</i><br>z <sup>y</sup> ə <sup>m</sup> bwy  | *Ø <sup>n</sup> -zb-w-y               | *m <sup>n</sup> Ø-zbØ-wØØ-y | *ma-zba-x <sup>w</sup> dā-y | 1 |
| Kirya       | <i>ʒi<sup>m</sup>bur</i><br>z <sup>y</sup> ə <sup>m</sup> bwr             | *Ø <sup>n</sup> -zb-wr-Ø <sup>y</sup> | *m <sup>n</sup> Ø-zbØ-wrØ-y |                             | 2 |
| Bana        | <i>ʒi<sup>m</sup>ber</i><br>z <sup>y</sup> ə <sup>m</sup> ba <sup>r</sup> | *Ø <sup>n</sup> -zba-r-Ø <sup>y</sup> | *m <sup>n</sup> Ø-zba-ØrØ-y | *ma-zba-x <sup>w</sup> dā-y | 3 |

without prenasalised <sup>m</sup>b, since we derive all prenasalised consonants that occur in surface forms from underlying and historical simple consonants by either +N prosody or segmental fusion of nasal plus consonant.

|                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    |                                                             |                                       |                                                | √ CaC-C Ca                   |   |
|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------|------------------------------|---|
| Kamwe-Futu                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         | <i>ʒe<sup>m</sup>b<sup>w</sup>i</i><br>z'a <sup>m</sup> bwy | *Ø <sup>n</sup> -zab-w-y <sup>y</sup> | *m <sup>n</sup> Ø-zabØ-<br>x <sup>w</sup> ØØ-y | *ma-zaba-x <sup>w</sup> ɗa-y | 4 |
| 1. *x <sup>w</sup> > w; ə-epenthesis; +Y: ə > i; +Y: *z > ʒ; *y > i; *m > Ø <sup>n</sup> ; +N: b > <sup>m</sup> b<br>2. *x <sup>w</sup> > w; *d' > r; ə-epenthesis; *y > Ø <sup>y</sup> ; +Y: ə > i; +Y: *z > ʒ; w > u; *m > Ø <sup>n</sup> ; +N: b > <sup>m</sup> b<br>3. *d' > r; ə-epenthesis; *y > Ø <sup>y</sup> ; +Y: ə > i; +Y: *z > ʒ; +Y: *a > e; *m > Ø <sup>n</sup> ; +N: b > <sup>m</sup> b<br>4. *x <sup>w</sup> > w; +Y: a > e; *y > i; *m > Ø <sup>n</sup> ; +N: b > <sup>m</sup> b |                                                             |                                       |                                                |                              |   |

## KOTOKO-NORTH

|                                                                                                                         |                                                         |                         |                            |                            |   |
|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------|----------------------------|----------------------------|---|
|                                                                                                                         |                                                         |                         |                            | √ C Ca <sup>118</sup>      |   |
| Afade                                                                                                                   | <i>tsimtsim</i><br>tsə <sup>y</sup> mtsə <sup>y</sup> m | *tsm-tsm-Ø <sup>y</sup> | *RED-mØ-tsØØ-y             | *RED-ma-<br>zba-y          | 1 |
| Maltam                                                                                                                  | <i>simsim</i><br>sə <sup>y</sup> msə <sup>y</sup> m     | *sm-sm-Ø <sup>y</sup>   | *RED-mØ-sØØ-y              |                            | 2 |
| Mpade                                                                                                                   | <i>simsim</i><br>sə <sup>y</sup> msə <sup>y</sup> m     |                         |                            |                            | 2 |
|                                                                                                                         |                                                         |                         |                            | √ CaC-C Ca                 |   |
| Mpade                                                                                                                   | <i>sa<sup>m</sup>bu</i> sa <sup>m</sup> bw              | *Ø <sup>n</sup> -sab-w  | *m <sup>n</sup> Ø-sabØ-wØØ | *ma-zaba-x <sup>w</sup> ɗa | 3 |
| 1. *z > ts; metathesis mts > tsm; ə-epenthesis; *y > Ø <sup>y</sup> ; +Y: ə > i                                         |                                                         |                         |                            |                            |   |
| 2. *z > s; ə-epenthesis; metathesis ms > sm; *y > Ø <sup>y</sup> ; +Y: ə > i                                            |                                                         |                         |                            |                            |   |
| 3. *z > s; *x <sup>w</sup> > w > u; *m > m <sup>n</sup> > Ø <sup>n</sup> ; *m > Ø <sup>n</sup> ; +N: b > m <sup>b</sup> |                                                         |                         |                            |                            |   |

neck<sub>1</sub>, voicePCC \*y<sup>w</sup>(a)r(a)ya (-k<sup>w</sup>, -n; FV)

## BATA

|                                                                       |                                  |                      |         |                         |   |
|-----------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------|----------------------|---------|-------------------------|---|
| Sharwa                                                                | <i>wura</i> wə <sup>w</sup> ra   | *w <sup>w</sup> ra   | *wrØa   | *y <sup>w</sup> rya(-n) | 1 |
| Jimi                                                                  | <i>wuran</i> wə <sup>w</sup> ran | *w <sup>w</sup> ra-n | *wrØa-n |                         | 1 |
| Gude                                                                  | <i>uura</i> ə <sup>w</sup> wra   | *w <sup>w</sup> ra   | *wrØa   |                         | 2 |
| Tsuvan                                                                | <i>wula</i> wə <sup>w</sup> la   | *w <sup>w</sup> la   | *wlØa   |                         | 3 |
| 1. *y <sup>w</sup> > w <sup>w</sup> ; ə-epenthesis; +W: ə > u         |                                  |                      |         |                         |   |
| 2. *y <sup>w</sup> > w <sup>w</sup> > u; ə-prothesis; +W: ə > u       |                                  |                      |         |                         |   |
| 3. *r > l; *y <sup>w</sup> > w <sup>w</sup> ; ə-epenthesis; +W: ə > u |                                  |                      |         |                         |   |

## DABA

|                                                                                                                                                             |                         |                    |       |                     |   |
|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------|--------------------|-------|---------------------|---|
| Gavar                                                                                                                                                       | wəla                    | *wla               | *wlØa | *y <sup>w</sup> rya | 1 |
| Daba                                                                                                                                                        | wəla                    |                    |       |                     | 1 |
| Buwal                                                                                                                                                       | ula wla                 |                    |       |                     | 2 |
| Mbudum                                                                                                                                                      | wula wə <sup>w</sup> la | *w <sup>w</sup> la |       |                     | 3 |
| 1. *r > l; *y <sup>w</sup> > w; ə-epenthesis<br>2. *r > l; *y <sup>w</sup> > w > u<br>3. *r > l; *y <sup>w</sup> > w <sup>w</sup> ; ə-epenthesis; +W: ə > u |                         |                    |       |                     |   |

<sup>118</sup> In these non-compound forms (see MANDARA group languages), reduplication compensates for the lost second element of the compound structure.

## MAFA

|           |             |       |        |                                  |   |
|-----------|-------------|-------|--------|----------------------------------|---|
| Mafa      | <i>daya</i> | *daya | *Ødaya | * <sub>Y</sub> <sup>w</sup> raya | 1 |
| 1. *r > d |             |       |        |                                  |   |

## SUKUR

|                                                                            |                       |                     |                                  |                                  |   |
|----------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------|---------------------|----------------------------------|----------------------------------|---|
| Sukur                                                                      | 'oy ʔa <sup>w</sup> y | *Ø <sup>w</sup> ʔay | * <sub>Y</sub> <sup>w</sup> ʔayØ | * <sub>Y</sub> <sup>w</sup> raya | 1 |
| 1. *r (> d) > ʔ; * <sub>Y</sub> <sup>w</sup> > Ø <sup>w</sup> ; +W: *a > o |                       |                     |                                  |                                  |   |

## MARGI

|                                                                                                                                                                                                         |                                                                 |                     |                     |                                 |   |
|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------|---------------------|---------------------------------|---|
| Bura                                                                                                                                                                                                    | <i>wulya</i> wə <sup>w</sup> lyə                                | *w <sup>w</sup> lyə | *wlyə               | * <sub>Y</sub> <sup>w</sup> rya | 1 |
| Kilba                                                                                                                                                                                                   | <i>wulya</i> wə <sup>w</sup> lyə                                |                     |                     |                                 | 1 |
| Margi-South                                                                                                                                                                                             | <i>gyuliya</i> g <sup>y</sup> ə <sup>w</sup> lə <sup>y</sup> ya | *g <sup>w</sup> lyə | *g <sup>w</sup> lyə |                                 | 2 |
| 1. *r > l; * <sub>Y</sub> <sup>w</sup> > w <sup>w</sup> ; ə-epenthesis; +W: ə > u<br>2. *r > l; * <sub>Y</sub> <sup>w</sup> > g <sup>w</sup> ; ə-epenthesis; +W: ə > u; *y > y <sup>y</sup> ; +Y: ə > i |                                                                 |                     |                     |                                 |   |

## MOFU

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|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------|--------|--------|----------------------|---|
|                                                                                                   |                     |        |        | √ C C Ca             |   |
| Gemzek                                                                                            | <i>biyda</i> bə'yda | *by'da | *bdya  | *y <sup>w</sup> rya  | 1 |
| Zulgo                                                                                             | <i>da</i>           | *da    | *ØdØa  |                      | 2 |
|                                                                                                   |                     |        |        | √ C CaCa             |   |
| Merey                                                                                             | <i>day</i>          | *day   | *ØdayØ | *y <sup>w</sup> raya | 2 |
| Dugwor                                                                                            | <i>day</i>          |        |        |                      | 2 |
| Mofu-Gudur                                                                                        | <i>day</i>          |        |        |                      | 2 |
| 1. *r > d; *y <sup>w</sup> (> g <sup>w</sup> ) > b; ə-epenthesis; *y > y <sup>y</sup> ; +Y: ə > i |                     |        |        |                      |   |
| 2. *r > d'                                                                                        |                     |        |        |                      |   |

## MAROUA

|              |                  |                     |        |                                  |   |
|--------------|------------------|---------------------|--------|----------------------------------|---|
| Giziga-Marva | <i>ay</i>        | *ay                 | *ØØayØ | * <sub>Y</sub> <sup>w</sup> raya |   |
| Mbazla       | 'ay              | *ʔay                | *ØdayØ |                                  | 1 |
|              | <i>ayi'</i> ayəʔ | *ay <sup>y</sup> əʔ | *Øʔaya |                                  | 2 |

1. \*r (> d) > ʔ

2. \*r (> d) > ʔ; metathesis ʔy > yʔ; lexical-final \*a > ə; \*y > y<sup>y</sup>; +Y: ə > i

## LAMANG

|                                                                                                       |                                               |                        |           |                                                   |   |
|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------|------------------------|-----------|---------------------------------------------------|---|
| Lamang                                                                                                | <i>uleke</i> wla <sup>k</sup> ka <sup>y</sup> | *wlaØ <sup>y</sup> -ka | *wlayØ-ka | * <sub>Y</sub> <sup>w</sup> raya-k <sup>w</sup> a | 1 |
| 1. *r > l; * <sub>Y</sub> <sup>w</sup> > w > u; *k <sup>w</sup> > k; *y > Ø <sup>y</sup> ; +Y: *a > e |                                               |                        |           |                                                   |   |

## HIGI

|             |                                               |                                   |       |                     |   |
|-------------|-----------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------|-------|---------------------|---|
| Kamwe-Nkafa | <i>wulyə</i> wə <sup>w</sup> lyə              | *w <sup>w</sup> lyə               | *wlyə | * <sup>y</sup> wrya | 1 |
| Kamwe-Futu  | <i>wulyi</i> wə <sup>w</sup> lyə <sup>y</sup> | *w <sup>w</sup> ly <sup>y</sup> a |       |                     | 2 |
| Kirya       | <i>wuɾi</i> wə <sup>w</sup> r <sup>y</sup>    | *w <sup>w</sup> ry <sup>y</sup>   | *wryØ |                     | 3 |
| Bana        | <i>wəri</i> wə <sup>y</sup>                   | *wry                              |       |                     | 4 |

1. \*r > l; \*<sup>y</sup>w > w<sup>w</sup>; ə-epenthesis; +W: ə > u; lexical-final \*a > ə

2. \*r > l; \*<sup>y</sup>w > w<sup>w</sup>; ə-epenthesis; +W: ə > u; lexical-final \*a > ə; \*y > y<sup>y</sup>; +Y: ə > i

3. \*<sup>y</sup>w > w<sup>w</sup>; ə-epenthesis; +W: ə > u; \*y > y<sup>y</sup>; +Y: \*r > ɾ; \*y > i

4. \*<sup>y</sup>w > w<sup>w</sup>; ə-epenthesis; \*y > i

## KOTOKO-SOUTH

|                                                                                           |                                                           |                                   |                     |                                 |   |
|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------|---------------------|---------------------------------|---|
| Zina                                                                                      | <i>wuni</i> wə <sup>w</sup> ny                            | *w <sup>w</sup> ny                | *w <sup>w</sup> nyØ | * <sub>Y</sub> <sup>w</sup> rya | 1 |
| Mazera                                                                                    | <i>yule</i> ʔ <sup>w</sup> ə <sup>w</sup> la <sup>y</sup> | *ʔ <sup>w</sup> lØ <sup>y</sup> a | *ʔ <sup>w</sup> lyə |                                 | 2 |
| 1. *r > n; * <sub>Y</sub> <sup>w</sup> > w <sup>w</sup> ; ə-epenthesis; +W: ə > u; *y > i |                                                           |                                   |                     |                                 |   |
| 2. *r > l; ə-epenthesis; +W: ə > u; *y > Ø <sup>y</sup> ; +Y: lexical-final *a > e        |                                                           |                                   |                     |                                 |   |

## MUSGUM

|                                                                                |                    |        |       |        |   |
|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------|--------|-------|--------|---|
| Mulwi                                                                          | <i>wile</i> wəʔlaʔ | *wlØʔa | *wlya | *ɣʷrya | 1 |
| 1. *r > l; *ɣʷ > w; ə-epenthesis; *y > Øʔ; +Y: ə > i; +Y: lexical-final *a > e |                    |        |       |        |   |

## GIDAR

|                                                                                                 |                   |        |          |             |   |
|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------|--------|----------|-------------|---|
| Gidar                                                                                           | <i>wula</i> wəʔla | *wʷla  | *wʷlØa   | *ɣʷrya(-kʷ) | 1 |
|                                                                                                 | <i>wəla</i> ʔ     | *wla-ʔ | *wlØa-kʷ |             | 2 |
| 1. *r > l; *ɣʷ > wʷ; ə-epenthesis; +W: ə > u<br>2. *r > l; *ɣʷ > w; *kʷ (> k) > ʔ; ə-epenthesis |                   |        |          |             |   |

neck<sub>2</sub>

## Areal root \*ɣ(a)w(a)ya

## MAFA

|                                                                           |                   |         |        |   |
|---------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------|---------|--------|---|
| Cuvok                                                                     | <i>uway</i> wway  | *wwayØ  | *ɣwaya | 1 |
|                                                                           | <i>uway</i> əʷway | *ØwʷayØ |        | 2 |
| 1. *ɣ > w > u<br>2. alternative analysis: ə-prothesis; *w > wʷ; +W: ə > u |                   |         |        |   |

## MOFU

|           |                  |        |        |   |
|-----------|------------------|--------|--------|---|
| Ouldeme   | <i>hʷay</i> xway | *xwayØ | *ɣwaya | 1 |
| 1. *ɣ > x |                  |        |        |   |

## KOTOKO-ISLAND

|                                     |                 |        |       |   |
|-------------------------------------|-----------------|--------|-------|---|
| Buduma                              | <i>wuy</i> wəʔy | *ØwʷyØ | *ɣwya | 1 |
| 1. ə-epenthesis; *w > wʷ; +W: ə > u |                 |        |       |   |

## KOTOKO-NORTH

|                                                           |               |              |               |               |   |
|-----------------------------------------------------------|---------------|--------------|---------------|---------------|---|
| Afade                                                     | <i>we waʏ</i> | <i>*waØʏ</i> | <i>*ØwayØ</i> | <i>*ɣwaya</i> | 1 |
| Mpade                                                     | <i>we waʏ</i> |              |               |               | 1 |
| Malgbe                                                    | <i>we waʏ</i> |              |               |               | 1 |
| 1. <i>*ɣ &gt; Øʏ</i> ; +Y: lexical-final <i>*a &gt; e</i> |               |              |               |               |   |

## KOTOKO-CENTRAL

|                                      |           |         |        |   |
|--------------------------------------|-----------|---------|--------|---|
| Lagwan                               | ɣʷae ɣwaʷ | *ɣwaØʷØ | *ɣwaya | 1 |
| Mser                                 | wa        | *ØwaØØ  |        |   |
| 1. *ɣ > Øʷ; +Y: lexical-final *a > æ |           |         |        |   |

## night

## PCC \*(ma-, sa-, ta-, xa-) r(a)v(a)ɖa (-a, -y, -kʷ, -n; FV)

## BATA

|                                                           |                    |         |              |         |   |
|-----------------------------------------------------------|--------------------|---------|--------------|---------|---|
| Gude                                                      | <i>vəɖa</i> vəɖa   | *Øvɖa   | *rvɖa(-y/-n) | 1       |   |
| Sharwa                                                    | <i>viɖa</i> vəʔɖa  | *vɖa-Øʔ |              | *Øvɖa-y | 2 |
| Jimi                                                      | <i>vəɖən</i> vəɖən | *Øvɖa-n |              |         | 3 |
| 1. ə-epenthesis                                           |                    |         |              |         |   |
| 2. ə-epenthesis; *y > Øʔ; +Y: ə > i; lexical-final *a > ə |                    |         |              |         |   |
| 3. ə-epenthesis; lexical-final *a > ə                     |                    |         |              |         |   |

## MAFA

|       |              |        |            |                            |   |
|-------|--------------|--------|------------|----------------------------|---|
| Mafa  | <i>vad'</i>  | *ØvadØ |            | *rvadā(-k <sup>w</sup> -n) | 1 |
| Cuvok | <i>vad'</i>  |        |            |                            |   |
|       | <i>lavay</i> | *lva-ŋ | *lvaØØ-k-n |                            | 1 |

1. \*r > l; \*k<sup>w</sup> > k; fusion kn > ŋ; ə-epenthesis

## TERA

|       |                         |                          |                            |                              |   |
|-------|-------------------------|--------------------------|----------------------------|------------------------------|---|
| Tera  | <i>vidki</i> və'dky     | *vd-k-y <sup>y</sup>     | *ØvdØ-y-k <sup>w</sup>     | *rvdā-y-k <sup>w</sup> (-na) | 1 |
| Hwana | <i>fidigja</i> fə'dygra | *fd-y <sup>y</sup> -k-ra | *ØfdØ-y-k <sup>w</sup> -ra |                              | 2 |

1. \*k<sup>w</sup> > k; metathesis yk > ky; ə-epenthesis; \*y > y<sup>y</sup> > i; +Y: ə > i

2. \*v > f; \*n > r; \*k<sup>w</sup> > k; \*k > g; ə-epenthesis; \*y > y<sup>y</sup>; +Y: ə > i; \*y > i

## SUKUR

|       |             |        |          |  |   |
|-------|-------------|--------|----------|--|---|
|       |             |        | √ C C Ca |  |   |
| Sukur | <i>vəd'</i> | *ØvdØ  | *rvdā    |  | 1 |
|       |             |        | √ C CaCa |  |   |
|       | <i>vay</i>  | *ØvayØ | *rvadā   |  | 2 |

1. ə-epenthesis

2. \*d' > y

## HURZA

|       |                                                |                        |                         |                         |   |
|-------|------------------------------------------------|------------------------|-------------------------|-------------------------|---|
|       |                                                |                        | √ C C Ca                |                         |   |
| Mbuko | <i>luvon</i> lə <sup>w</sup> va <sup>w</sup> n | *lva-Ø <sup>w</sup> -n | *lvØa-k <sup>w</sup> -n | *rvdā-k <sup>w</sup> -n | 1 |
|       |                                                |                        | √ C CaCa                |                         |   |
| Vame  | <i>luvad'</i> lə <sup>w</sup> vad'             | *lvad'-Ø <sup>w</sup>  | *lvadØ-k <sup>w</sup>   | *rvadā-k <sup>w</sup>   | 2 |

1. \*r > l; ə-epenthesis; \*k<sup>w</sup> > Ø<sup>w</sup>; +W: ə > u; +W: lexical-final \*a > o

2. \*r > l; ə-epenthesis; \*k<sup>w</sup> > Ø<sup>w</sup>; +W: ə > u

## MARGI

|             |                                                         |                                    |                        |                           |   |
|-------------|---------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------|------------------------|---------------------------|---|
| Bura        | <i>vir(i)</i> və'ry                                     | *vr-y <sup>y</sup>                 | *ØvrØ-y                | *rvdā-y(-k <sup>w</sup> ) | 1 |
| Margi       | <i>vi'i</i> və'y <sup>y</sup>                           | *vʔ-y <sup>y</sup>                 | *ØvdØ-y                |                           | 2 |
| Margi-South | <i>v<sup>w</sup>i'i</i> v <sup>w</sup> ə'y <sup>y</sup> | *vʔ-y <sup>y</sup> -Ø <sup>w</sup> | *ØvdØ-y-k <sup>w</sup> |                           | 3 |
| Kilba       | <i>vu'i</i> və'y <sup>y</sup>                           | *vʔ-y-Ø <sup>w</sup>               | *ØvdØ-y-k <sup>w</sup> |                           | 4 |

1. \*d' > r; ə-epenthesis; \*y > y<sup>y</sup> > i; +Y: ə > i

2. \*d' > ʔ; ə-epenthesis; +\*y > y<sup>y</sup> > i; Y: ə > i

3. \*d' > ʔ; ə-epenthesis; +W: \*v > v<sup>w</sup>; \*y > y<sup>y</sup> > i; +Y: ə > i

4. \*d' > ʔ; ə-epenthesis; +W: ə > u; \*y > i

## MANDARA

|         |                                  |                         |           |           |   |
|---------|----------------------------------|-------------------------|-----------|-----------|---|
|         |                                  |                         | √ C C Ca  |           |   |
| Matal   | <i>vəd'</i>                      | *vd'                    | *ØvdØ     | *rvdā(-y) | 1 |
| Podoko  | <i>vəda</i>                      | *vdā                    | *Øvdā     |           | 1 |
| Glavda  | <i>av<sup>o</sup>d(a)</i>        |                         |           |           | 2 |
| Dghwede | <i>vit'e</i> və'dā <sup>y</sup>  | *vdā-Ø <sup>y</sup>     | *Øvdā-y   |           | 3 |
|         | <i>vit'e</i> və'dā <sup>y</sup>  |                         |           |           | 4 |
|         |                                  |                         | √ C CaCa  |           |   |
| Mandara | <i>vayia</i> vad <sup>y</sup> ya | *ØvadØ-y <sup>y</sup> a | *rvadā-ya |           | 5 |

1. ə-epenthesis

2. a-prothesis

3. ə-epenthesis; \*y > Ø<sup>y</sup>; +Y: ə > i  
 4. ə-epenthesis; \*y > Ø<sup>y</sup>; +Y: ə > i  
 5. \*y > y<sup>y</sup>; +Y: \*d > d<sup>y</sup> > y; \*y > i

## MOFU

|            |                                 |                        |                |   |
|------------|---------------------------------|------------------------|----------------|---|
|            |                                 |                        | √ C C Ca       |   |
| Zulgo      | <i>həvəd' xəvəd'</i>            | *xØ-ØvdØ               | *xa-rvdā       | 1 |
|            |                                 |                        | √ C CaCa       |   |
| Muyang     | <i>vad'</i>                     | *ØvadØ                 |                |   |
| Gemzek     | <i>həvad'</i>                   | *xØ-ØvadØ              | *(xa-/ta-/sa-) | 1 |
| Mofu-Gudur | <i>tavad'</i>                   | *ta-ØvadØ              | rvadā(-y)      |   |
| Mofu North | <i>sevad' sa<sup>y</sup>vad</i> | *sa-vad-Ø <sup>y</sup> | *sa-ØvadØ-y    | 2 |
|            |                                 |                        | √ CaCaCa       |   |
| Ouldeme    | <i>lavad'</i>                   | *lavadØ                | *ravādā        | 3 |

1. ə-epenthesis  
 2. \*y > Ø<sup>y</sup>; +Y: \*a > e; (transcription error d = d' or d' > d?)  
 3. \*r > l

## MAROUA

|        |                                |                     |                      |                      |   |
|--------|--------------------------------|---------------------|----------------------|----------------------|---|
| Mbazla | <i>avud' avə<sup>w</sup>d'</i> | *vd'-Ø <sup>w</sup> | *ØvdØ-k <sup>w</sup> | *rvdā-k <sup>w</sup> | 1 |
|        | <i>avut' avə<sup>w</sup>t</i>  |                     |                      |                      | 2 |

1. a-prothesis; ə-epenthesis; \*k<sup>w</sup> > Ø<sup>w</sup>; +W: ə > u  
 2. a-prothesis; ə-epenthesis; \*k<sup>w</sup> > Ø<sup>w</sup>; +W: ə > u; \*d' > t

## LAMANG

|        |                                    |                         |                           |   |
|--------|------------------------------------|-------------------------|---------------------------|---|
| Lamang | <i>rvidi rvə<sup>y</sup>dý</i>     | *rvdØ-y <sup>y</sup>    | *rvdā-y(-k <sup>w</sup> ) | 1 |
| Hdi    | <i>rəvidik rəvə<sup>y</sup>dyk</i> | *rvdØ-y <sup>y</sup> -k |                           | 1 |

1. ə-epenthesis; \*k<sup>w</sup> > k; \*y > y<sup>y</sup> > i; +Y: ə > i

## HIGI

|             |                                                    |                      |           |   |
|-------------|----------------------------------------------------|----------------------|-----------|---|
| Kamwe-Futu  | <i>vidi və<sup>y</sup>dý</i>                       | *ØvdØ-y <sup>y</sup> |           | 1 |
| Psikye      | <i>vidi və<sup>y</sup>dý</i>                       |                      |           | 1 |
| Kamwe-Nkafa | <i>və<sup>r</sup>ə</i>                             | *Øvra                | *rvdā(-y) | 2 |
|             | <i>və<sup>l</sup>ə</i>                             |                      |           | 3 |
| Kirya       | <i>və<sup>l</sup>e və<sup>l</sup>a<sup>y</sup></i> | *Øvla-Ø <sup>y</sup> |           | 4 |

1. ə-epenthesis; \*y > y<sup>y</sup> > i; +Y: ə > i  
 2. \*d' > r; ə-epenthesis; lexical-final \*a > ə  
 3. \*d' > ʄ; ə-epenthesis; lexical-final \*a > ə  
 4. \*d' > l; ə-epenthesis; \*y > Ø<sup>y</sup>; +Y: lexical-final \*a > e

## KOTOKO-NORTH

|        |                              |                      |          |            |   |
|--------|------------------------------|----------------------|----------|------------|---|
| Afade  | <i>fadē fadā<sup>y</sup></i> |                      |          |            | 1 |
| Mpade  | <i>fadē fadā<sup>y</sup></i> | *fadā-Ø <sup>y</sup> | *Øfadā-y | *rvadā(-y) | 1 |
| Malgbe | <i>fadē fadā<sup>y</sup></i> |                      |          |            | 1 |

1. \*v > f; \*y > Ø<sup>y</sup>; +Y: lexical-final \*a > e

## KOTOKO-CENTRAL

|        |                                           |                         |             |             |   |
|--------|-------------------------------------------|-------------------------|-------------|-------------|---|
| Mser   | <i>mva<sup>l</sup>e nvadā<sup>y</sup></i> | *n-Øvadā-Ø <sup>y</sup> |             |             | 1 |
| Lagwan | <i>mva<sup>l</sup>e nvadā<sup>y</sup></i> |                         | *mØ-rvadā-y |             | 1 |
|        | <i>mva<sup>l</sup>e nvadā<sup>y</sup></i> | *m-Øvadā-Ø <sup>y</sup> |             | *ma-rvadā-y | 2 |

1. homorganic assimilation \*m > n/ \_r (> Ø); \*y > Ø<sup>y</sup>; +Y: lexical-final \*a > e

2. \*y > Ø<sup>y</sup>; +Y: lexical-final \*a > e

KOTOKO-SOUTH

|                                       |                    |         |         |   |
|---------------------------------------|--------------------|---------|---------|---|
| Zina                                  | <i>ləvin</i> ləvyn | *lvyØ-n | *rvdā-n | 1 |
| 1. *r > l; *d' > y > i; *ə-epenthesis |                    |         |         |   |

MUSGUM

|                                                                                    |                                                     |                       |                               |            |   |
|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------|-----------------------|-------------------------------|------------|---|
| Mulwi                                                                              | <i>divik</i> də <sup>y</sup> vyk                    | *dvy <sup>y</sup> Ø-k | *rvdā(-a-y, -k <sup>w</sup> ) | 1          |   |
| Vulum                                                                              | <i>divik</i> də <sup>y</sup> və <sup>y</sup> k      | *dvØ <sup>y</sup> -k  |                               | *dvyØ-k    | 2 |
| Mbara                                                                              | <i>divi'day</i> də <sup>y</sup> və <sup>y</sup> dāy | *dvɔd-ay <sup>y</sup> |                               | *dvɔdØ-a-y | 3 |
| Muskum                                                                             | <i>arvil</i> arvə <sup>y</sup> l                    | *rvl-Ø <sup>y</sup>   |                               | *rvlØ-y    | 4 |
| 1. *r > d; *d' > y > y <sup>y</sup> > i; ə-epenthesis; +Y: ə > i                   |                                                     |                       |                               |            |   |
| 2. *r > d; *d' > y > Ø <sup>y</sup> ; *k <sup>w</sup> > k; ə-epenthesis; +Y: ə > i |                                                     |                       |                               |            |   |
| 3. *r > d; ə-epenthesis; *y > Ø <sup>y</sup> ; +Y: ə > i                           |                                                     |                       |                               |            |   |
| 4. *d' > l; a-prothesis; ə-epenthesis; *y > Ø <sup>y</sup> ; +Y: ə > i             |                                                     |                       |                               |            |   |

GIDAR

|                                 |              |       |       |   |
|---------------------------------|--------------|-------|-------|---|
| Gidar                           | <i>dəfda</i> | *dfda | *rvdā | 1 |
| 1. *r > d; *v > f; ə-epenthesis |              |       |       |   |

## nose

PCC \*(ma-) x<sup>w</sup>(a)ts(a)na (-a, -y, -k<sup>w</sup>, -n)

## BATA

|        |                                       |                        |             |                                 |   |
|--------|---------------------------------------|------------------------|-------------|---------------------------------|---|
| Sharwa | <i>tʃinə</i> ts'ə'nə                  | *tsna-Ø <sup>y</sup>   | *Øtsna-y    | *(ma-)x <sup>w</sup> tsna-y(-n) | 1 |
| Gude   | <i>fina</i> s'ə'na                    | *sna-Ø <sup>y</sup>    | *Øsna-y     |                                 | 3 |
| Bata   | <i>fine</i> s'ə'na <sup>y</sup>       |                        |             |                                 | 2 |
| Jimi   | <i>fənən</i> s'anən                   | *sna-Ø <sup>y</sup> -n | *Øsna-y-n   |                                 | 4 |
| Tsuvan | <i>mətfine</i> məts'ə'na <sup>y</sup> | *m-tsna-Ø <sup>y</sup> | *mØ-Øtsna-y |                                 | 5 |

1. ə-epenthesis; \*y > Ø<sup>y</sup>; +Y: \*ts > tʃ; +Y: ə > i; lexical-final \*a > ə

2. ə-epenthesis; \*y > Ø<sup>y</sup>; +Y: \*s > ʃ; +Y: ə > i

3. ə-epenthesis; \*y > Ø<sup>y</sup>; +Y: \*s > ʃ; +Y: ə > i; +Y: lexical-final \*a > e

4. ə-epenthesis; \*y > Ø<sup>y</sup>; +Y: \*s > ʃ; lexical-final \*a > ə

5. ə-epenthesis; \*y > Ø<sup>y</sup>; +Y: \*ts > tʃ; +Y: ə > i; +Y: lexical-final \*a > e

## DABA

|                                                                                                                                               |                                   |                                      |                             |                                 |   |
|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------|--------------------------------------|-----------------------------|---------------------------------|---|
|                                                                                                                                               |                                   |                                      |                             | √ C C Ca                        |   |
| Daba                                                                                                                                          | <i>mitfi'n</i> mə'ts'ə'ʔn         | *m-Øtsʔ-Ø <sup>y</sup> -n            | *mØ-x <sup>w</sup> tsrØ-y-n | *ma-x <sup>w</sup> tsna(-y(-n)) | 1 |
| Gavar                                                                                                                                         | <i>mtsər</i>                      | *m-Øtsr                              | *mØ-x <sup>w</sup> tsrØ     |                                 | 2 |
| Mbudum                                                                                                                                        | <i>ntfur</i> nts'ə <sup>w</sup> r | *n-Ø <sup>w</sup> tsr-Ø <sup>y</sup> | *mØ-x <sup>w</sup> tsrØ-y   |                                 | 3 |
|                                                                                                                                               |                                   |                                      |                             | √ C CaCa                        |   |
| Buwal                                                                                                                                         | <i>mtfar</i> mts'ar               | *m-Øtsar-Ø <sup>y</sup>              | *mØ-x <sup>w</sup> tsarØ-y  | *ma-x <sup>w</sup> tsana-y      | 4 |
| 1. root-internal *n (> r > d) > ʔ; ə-epenthesis; *y > Ø <sup>y</sup> ; +Y: *ts > tʃ; +Y: ə > i                                                |                                   |                                      |                             |                                 |   |
| 2. *n > r; ə-epenthesis                                                                                                                       |                                   |                                      |                             |                                 |   |
| 3. *n > r; homorganic assimilation *m > n/_ts; ə-epenthesis; *x <sup>w</sup> > Ø <sup>w</sup> ; +W: ə > u; *y > Ø <sup>y</sup> ; +Y: *ts > tʃ |                                   |                                      |                             |                                 |   |
| 4. *n > r; *y > Ø <sup>y</sup> ; +Y: *ts > tʃ                                                                                                 |                                   |                                      |                             |                                 |   |

## MAFA

|                                                                                                                            |               |         |          |                                         |   |
|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------|---------|----------|-----------------------------------------|---|
| Mafa                                                                                                                       | <i>hətsan</i> | *xtsan  | *xtsanØ  | *x <sup>w</sup> tsana(-k <sup>w</sup> ) | 1 |
| Cuvok                                                                                                                      | <i>hətaŋ</i>  | *xtaŋ-Ø | *xtanØ-k |                                         | 2 |
| 1. *x <sup>w</sup> > x; ə-epenthesis<br>2. *x <sup>w</sup> > x; *ts > t; ə-epenthesis; *k <sup>w</sup> > k; fusion *nk > ŋ |               |         |          |                                         |   |

## SUKUR

|                                                         |                                       |                    |         |                        |   |
|---------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------|--------------------|---------|------------------------|---|
| Sukur                                                   | <i>fin s<sup>y</sup>ə<sup>n</sup></i> | *sn-Ø <sup>y</sup> | *ØsnØ-y | *x <sup>w</sup> tsna-y | 1 |
| 1. *ts > s; *y > Ø <sup>y</sup> ; +Y: *s > ʃ; +Y: ə > i |                                       |                    |         |                        |   |

## HURZA

|                                                                                                                                                                                                                              |                                             |                                    |                         |                                           |   |
|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------|------------------------------------|-------------------------|-------------------------------------------|---|
| Mbuko                                                                                                                                                                                                                        | <i>tʃæn ts<sup>y</sup>a<sup>wy</sup>n</i>   | * <sup>w</sup> tsan-Ø <sup>y</sup> | *Ø <sup>w</sup> tsanØ-y | *x <sup>w</sup> tsana-y(-k <sup>w</sup> ) | 1 |
| Vame                                                                                                                                                                                                                         | <i>həʃen xəts<sup>y</sup>a<sup>y</sup>ŋ</i> | *xtsaŋ-Ø <sup>y</sup> -Ø           | *xtsanØ-y-k             |                                           | 2 |
| 1. *x <sup>w</sup> > Ø <sup>w</sup> ; *y > Ø <sup>y</sup> ; +Y: *ts > tʃ; combined +W+Y: *a > æ<br>2. *x <sup>w</sup> > x; ə-epenthesis; *y > Ø <sup>y</sup> ; +Y: *ts > tʃ; +Y: *a > e; *k <sup>w</sup> > k; fusion *nk > ŋ |                                             |                                    |                         |                                           |   |

## MARGI

|                                                                                                                      |                                                                            |                                    |                        |                             |   |
|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------|------------------------|-----------------------------|---|
| Bura                                                                                                                 | <i>kutʃir</i> k <sup>w</sup> ə <sup>w</sup> ts <sup>y</sup> ə <sup>r</sup> | *k <sup>w</sup> tsr-Ø <sup>y</sup> | *k <sup>w</sup> tsrØ-y | *(ma-)x <sup>w</sup> tsna-y | 1 |
| Margi                                                                                                                | <i>mtʃir</i> mts <sup>y</sup> ə <sup>r</sup>                               | *m-ts-r-Ø <sup>y</sup>             | *mØ-ØtsrØ-y            |                             | 2 |
| Margi-South                                                                                                          | <i>tʃir</i> ts <sup>y</sup> ə <sup>r</sup>                                 | *tsr-Ø <sup>y</sup>                | *ØtsrØ-y               |                             | 2 |
| Kilba                                                                                                                | <i>tʃir</i> ts <sup>y</sup> ə <sup>r</sup>                                 |                                    |                        |                             |   |
| 1. *n > r; *x <sup>w</sup> > k <sup>w</sup> ; ə-epenthesis; +W: ə > u; *y > Ø <sup>y</sup> ; +Y: *ts > tʃ; +Y: ə > i |                                                                            |                                    |                        |                             |   |
| 2. *n > r; ə-epenthesis; *y > Ø <sup>y</sup> ; +Y: *ts > tʃ; +Y: ə > i                                               |                                                                            |                                    |                        |                             |   |

## MANDARA

|                                                                                                                  |                                              |                       |                          |                         |         |   |
|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------|-----------------------|--------------------------|-------------------------|---------|---|
|                                                                                                                  |                                              |                       |                          | √ C C Ca                |         |   |
| Podoko                                                                                                           | <i>fəɬara</i>                                | *fɬra                 | *x <sup>w</sup> tsna(-y) |                         | 1       |   |
| Glavda                                                                                                           | <i>x<sup>ɬ</sup>tra</i>                      | *xtra                 |                          |                         | 2       |   |
|                                                                                                                  | <i>xəɬə</i>                                  | *xta                  |                          |                         | *xtØa   | 3 |
| Dghwede                                                                                                          | <i>xtire xtə<sup>r</sup>ra<sup>y</sup></i>   | *xtra-Ø <sup>y</sup>  |                          |                         | *xtra-y | 4 |
| Matal                                                                                                            | <i>tir tə<sup>r</sup></i>                    | *tr-Ø <sup>y</sup>    |                          |                         | *ØtrØ-y | 5 |
|                                                                                                                  |                                              |                       |                          | √ C CaCa                |         |   |
| Mandara                                                                                                          | <i>ektare a<sup>y</sup>ktara<sup>y</sup></i> | *ktara-Ø <sup>y</sup> | *ktara-y                 | *x <sup>w</sup> tsana-y | 6       |   |
| Malgwa                                                                                                           | <i>əktare əktara<sup>y</sup></i>             |                       |                          |                         | 7       |   |
| 1. *n > r; *x <sup>w</sup> > f; *ts > t; ə-epenthesis                                                            |                                              |                       |                          |                         |         |   |
| 2. *n > r; *x <sup>w</sup> > x; *ts > t; ə-epenthesis                                                            |                                              |                       |                          |                         |         |   |
| 3. *x <sup>w</sup> > x; *ts > t; ə-epenthesis; lexical-final *a > ə                                              |                                              |                       |                          |                         |         |   |
| 4. *n > r; *x <sup>w</sup> > x; *ts > t; ə-epenthesis; *y > Ø <sup>y</sup> ; +Y: ə > i; +Y: lexical-final *a > e |                                              |                       |                          |                         |         |   |
| 5. *n > r; *ts > t; ə-epenthesis; *y > Ø <sup>y</sup> ; +Y: ə > I                                                |                                              |                       |                          |                         |         |   |
| 6. *n > r; *x <sup>w</sup> > k; *ts > t; a-prothesis; *y > Ø <sup>y</sup> ; +Y: *a > e                           |                                              |                       |                          |                         |         |   |
| 7. *n > r; *x <sup>w</sup> > k; *ts > t; ə-prothesis; *y > Ø <sup>y</sup> ; +Y: lexical-final *a > e             |                                              |                       |                          |                         |         |   |

## MOFU

|         |                                                         |                                     |                                       |                             |   |
|---------|---------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------|---------------------------------------|-----------------------------|---|
|         |                                                         |                                     |                                       | √ C C Ca                    |   |
| Muyang  | <i>hi<sup>n</sup>dir xə<sup>n</sup>də<sup>r</sup></i>   | *Ø <sup>n</sup> -xdr-Ø <sup>y</sup> | *m <sup>n</sup> Ø-xtrØ-y              | *(ma-)x <sup>w</sup> tsna-y | 1 |
| Zulgo   | <i>hitir xə<sup>n</sup>tə<sup>r</sup></i>               | *xtr-Ø <sup>y</sup>                 | *xtrØ-y                               |                             | 2 |
|         |                                                         |                                     |                                       | √ C CaCa                    |   |
| Ouldeme | <i>hu<sup>n</sup>dar x<sup>w</sup>ə<sup>wn</sup>dar</i> | *Ø <sup>n</sup> -x <sup>w</sup> dar | *m <sup>n</sup> Ø-x <sup>w</sup> tarØ |                             | 3 |



|                                                                                                                                            |                                                            |                                                    |                                         |                                |   |
|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------|--------------------------------|---|
| Mada <sup>119</sup>                                                                                                                        | <i>h<sup>n</sup>doer</i> x <sup>n</sup> da <sup>wy</sup> r | *Ø <sup>n</sup> -x <sup>w</sup> dar-Ø <sup>y</sup> | *m <sup>n</sup> Ø-x <sup>w</sup> tarØ-y | *(ma-)x <sup>w</sup> tsana(-y) | 4 |
| Moloko                                                                                                                                     | <i>hə<sup>n</sup>der</i> xə <sup>n</sup> da <sup>y</sup> r | *Ø <sup>n</sup> -xdar-Ø <sup>y</sup>               | *m <sup>n</sup> Ø-xtarØ-y               |                                | 5 |
| Gemzek                                                                                                                                     | <i>həter</i> xəta <sup>r</sup> r                           | *xtar-Ø <sup>y</sup>                               | *xtarØ-y                                |                                | 6 |
| Merey                                                                                                                                      | <i>həter</i> xəta <sup>r</sup> r                           |                                                    |                                         |                                | 6 |
| Dugwor                                                                                                                                     | <i>məter</i> məta <sup>r</sup> r                           | *m-tar-Ø <sup>y</sup>                              | *mØ-ØtarØ-y                             |                                | 7 |
|                                                                                                                                            |                                                            |                                                    |                                         | √ CaCaCa                       |   |
| Mofu North                                                                                                                                 | <i>hatar</i>                                               | *xatarØ                                            |                                         | *x <sup>w</sup> atsana(-y)     | 8 |
| Mofu-Gudur                                                                                                                                 | <i>heter</i> xa <sup>n</sup> ta <sup>y</sup> r             | *xatar-Ø <sup>y</sup>                              | *xatarØ-y                               |                                | 9 |
| 1. *n > r; *x <sup>w</sup> > x; *ts (> t) > d; ə-epenthesis; *y > Ø <sup>y</sup> ; +Y: ə > i; *m > Ø <sup>n</sup> ; +N: d > <sup>n</sup> d |                                                            |                                                    |                                         |                                |   |
| 2. *n > r; *x <sup>w</sup> > x; *ts > t; ə-epenthesis; *y > Ø <sup>y</sup> ; +Y: ə > i                                                     |                                                            |                                                    |                                         |                                |   |
| 3. *n > r; *ts (> t) > d; ə-epenthesis; +W: ə > u; +*m > Ø <sup>n</sup> ; N: d > <sup>n</sup> d                                            |                                                            |                                                    |                                         |                                |   |
| 4. *n > r; *ts (> t) > d; *y > Ø <sup>y</sup> ; combined +Y+W: *a > æ; *m > Ø <sup>n</sup> ; +N: d > <sup>n</sup> d                        |                                                            |                                                    |                                         |                                |   |
| 5. *n > r; *ts (> t) > d; *y > Ø <sup>y</sup> ; +Y: *a > e; *m > Ø <sup>n</sup> ; +N: d > <sup>n</sup> d                                   |                                                            |                                                    |                                         |                                |   |
| 6. *n > r; *x <sup>w</sup> > x; *ts > t; ə-epenthesis; *y > Ø <sup>y</sup> ; +Y: *a > e                                                    |                                                            |                                                    |                                         |                                |   |
| 7. *n > r; *ts > t; ə-epenthesis; *y > Ø <sup>y</sup> ; +Y: *a > e                                                                         |                                                            |                                                    |                                         |                                |   |
| 8. *n > r; *ts > t                                                                                                                         |                                                            |                                                    |                                         |                                |   |
| 9. *n > r; *ts > t; *y > Ø <sup>y</sup> ; +Y: *a > e                                                                                       |                                                            |                                                    |                                         |                                |   |

## MAROUA

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|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|---|
|                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    |                                                              |                        |                       | √ C C Ca              |   |
| Giziga-Muturwa                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     | <i>hutuy</i> x <sup>w</sup> ə <sup>n</sup> tə <sup>w</sup> ŋ | *x <sup>w</sup> tŋ-Ø   | *x <sup>w</sup> tnØ-k | *x <sup>w</sup> tsna- | 1 |
| Mbazla                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             | <i>kitij</i> kə <sup>n</sup> tə <sup>y</sup> ŋ               | *ktŋ-Ø <sup>y</sup> -Ø | *ktnØ-y-k             | y/-k <sup>w</sup>     | 2 |
|                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    |                                                              |                        |                       | √ C CaCa              |   |
| Giziga-Marva                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       | <i>huton</i> x <sup>w</sup> ə <sup>n</sup> ta <sup>n</sup>   | *x <sup>w</sup> tanØ   |                       | *x <sup>w</sup> tsana | 3 |
| 1. *ts > t; ə-epenthesis; +W: ə > u; *k <sup>w</sup> > k; fusion *nk > ŋ<br>2. *x <sup>w</sup> > k; *ts > t; ə-epenthesis; *y > Ø <sup>y</sup> ; +Y: ə > i; *k <sup>w</sup> > k; fusion *nk > ŋ<br>3. *ts > t; ə-epenthesis; +W: ə > u; +W: *a > o |                                                              |                        |                       |                       |   |

## LAMANG

|                                                                                                                                   |                                               |                                                      |            |                                          |   |
|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------|------------|------------------------------------------|---|
| Lamang                                                                                                                            | <i>htsini</i> xtsə <sup>n</sup> y             | *xtsn-y <sup>y</sup>                                 | *xtsnØ-y   | *x <sup>w</sup> tsna-y(-k <sup>w</sup> ) | 1 |
|                                                                                                                                   | <i>htsiŋi</i> xtsə <sup>n</sup> ŋy            | *xtsn-k-y <sup>y</sup><br>< *xtsnØ-y <sup>y</sup> -k | *xtsnØ-y-k |                                          | 2 |
|                                                                                                                                   | <i>hciŋ</i> xts <sup>y</sup> ə <sup>n</sup> ŋ | *xtsnØ-Ø <sup>y</sup> -k                             |            |                                          | 3 |
| Hdi                                                                                                                               | <i>hətsiŋ</i> xətsə <sup>n</sup> ŋ            | *xtsnØ-Ø <sup>y</sup> -k                             |            |                                          | 3 |
| 1. *x <sup>w</sup> > x; ə-epenthesis; *m > Ø <sup>n</sup> ; *m > Ø <sup>n</sup> ; *y > y <sup>y</sup> > i; +Y: ə > i              |                                               |                                                      |            |                                          |   |
| 2. *x <sup>w</sup> > x; ə-epenthesis; metathesis yk > ky; *y > y <sup>y</sup> > i; +Y: ə > i; *k <sup>w</sup> > k; fusion *nk > ŋ |                                               |                                                      |            |                                          |   |
| 3. *x <sup>w</sup> > x; ə-epenthesis; +Y: *ts > c; *y > Ø <sup>y</sup> ; +Y: ə > i; *k <sup>w</sup> > k; fusion *nk > ŋ           |                                               |                                                      |            |                                          |   |

## HIGI

|                                                                                                                         |                                              |                       |             |                             |   |
|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------|-----------------------|-------------|-----------------------------|---|
| Kamwe-Nkafa                                                                                                             | <i>ntfhi</i> nts <sup>y</sup> xy             | *n-tsx-y <sup>y</sup> | *mØ-xtsØØ-y | *(ma-)x <sup>w</sup> tsna-y | 1 |
| Kamwe-Futu                                                                                                              | <i>ntfi</i> nts <sup>y</sup> y               | *n-ts-y <sup>y</sup>  | *mØ-ØtsØØ-y |                             | 2 |
| Kirya                                                                                                                   | <i>ntfin</i> nts <sup>y</sup> ə <sup>n</sup> | *n-tsn-Ø <sup>y</sup> | *mØ-ØtsnØ-y |                             | 3 |
| Bana                                                                                                                    | <i>kʃən</i> ks <sup>y</sup> ən               | *ksn-Ø <sup>y</sup>   | *ksnØ-y     |                             | 4 |
| 1. *x <sup>w</sup> > x; *y > y <sup>y</sup> > i; +Y: *ts > tʃ; metathesis xts > tsx; homorganic assimilation *m > n/_ts |                                              |                       |             |                             |   |
| 2. *y > y <sup>y</sup> > i; +Y: *ts > tʃ; homorganic assimilation *m > n/_ts                                            |                                              |                       |             |                             |   |

<sup>119</sup> We are here reading the transcription *h<sup>n</sup>doer* to indicate IPA æ, which is the characteristic Central Chadic allophone of /a/ under combined Y- and W-prosodies.

3. ə-epenthesis; \*y > Ø<sup>y</sup>; +Y: \*ts > tʃ; +Y: ə > i; homorganic assimilation \*m > n/\_ts  
 4. \*x<sup>w</sup> > k; \*ts > s; ə-epenthesis; \*y > Ø<sup>y</sup>; +Y: \*s > ʃ

## KOTOKO-ISLAND

|                                                     |                       |                      |            |                          |   |
|-----------------------------------------------------|-----------------------|----------------------|------------|--------------------------|---|
| Buduma                                              | <i>tʃənaɪ</i> tsʷənaɪ | *tsn-ay <sup>y</sup> | *ØtsnØ-a-y | *x <sup>w</sup> tsna-a-y | 1 |
| 1. *y > y <sup>y</sup> ; +Y: *ts > tʃ; ə-epenthesis |                       |                      |            |                          |   |

## KOTOKO-NORTH

|                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   |                                 |                       |          |                         |   |
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|                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   |                                 |                       |          | √ C C Ca                |   |
| Afade                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             | <i>tsin</i> tsə <sup>n</sup> n  | *tsn-Ø <sup>y</sup>   | *ØtsnØ-y |                         | 1 |
| Maltam                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            | <i>sin</i> sə <sup>n</sup> n    | *sn-Ø <sup>y</sup>    | *ØsnØ-y  | *x <sup>w</sup> tsna-y  | 2 |
| Malgbe                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            | <i>skin</i> skə <sup>n</sup> n  | *skn-Ø <sup>y</sup>   | *ksnØ-y  |                         | 3 |
|                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   |                                 |                       |          | √ C CaCa                |   |
| Malgbe                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            | <i>skare</i> skara <sup>y</sup> | *skara-Ø <sup>y</sup> | *ksara-y | *x <sup>w</sup> tsana-y | 4 |
|                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   |                                 |                       |          | √ CaCaCa                |   |
| Mpade                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             | <i>hasan</i>                    | *xasanØ               |          | *x <sup>w</sup> atsana  | 5 |
| 1. *y > Ø <sup>y</sup> ; +Y: ə > i<br>2. *ts > s; *y > Ø <sup>y</sup> ; +Y: ə > i<br>3. *x <sup>w</sup> > k; *ts > s; metathesis ks > sk; ə-epenthesis; *y > Ø <sup>y</sup> ; +Y: ə > i<br>4. *x <sup>w</sup> > k; *ts > s; metathesis ks > sk; *y > Ø <sup>y</sup> ; +Y: lexical-final *a > e<br>5. *x <sup>w</sup> > x; *ts > s |                                 |                       |          |                         |   |

## KOTOKO-CENTRAL

|                                                                                                                                                |                                  |                     |          |                         |   |
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|                                                                                                                                                |                                  |                     |          | √ C C Ca                |   |
| Lagwan                                                                                                                                         | <i>xsini</i> xsə <sup>y</sup> ny | *xsn-y <sup>y</sup> | *xsnØ-y  | *x <sup>w</sup> tsna-y  | 1 |
|                                                                                                                                                |                                  |                     |          | √ CaC Ca                |   |
| Mser                                                                                                                                           | <i>asin</i> asə <sup>n</sup> n   | *asn-Ø <sup>y</sup> | *ØasnØ-y | *x <sup>w</sup> atsna-y | 2 |
| 1. *x <sup>w</sup> > x; *ts > s; ə-epenthesis; *y > y <sup>y</sup> > i; +Y: ə > i<br>2. *ts > s; ə-epenthesis; *y > Ø <sup>y</sup> ; +Y: ə > i |                                  |                     |          |                         |   |

## KOTOKO-SOUTH

|                                                                                                                                       |                                                                  |                       |           |                                          |   |
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| Mazera                                                                                                                                | <i>hitfine</i> xə <sup>y</sup> tsʷə <sup>n</sup> na <sup>y</sup> | *xtsna-Ø <sup>y</sup> | *xtsna-y  | *x <sup>w</sup> tsna-y(-k <sup>w</sup> ) | 1 |
| Zina                                                                                                                                  | <i>hiskini</i> xə <sup>y</sup> skə <sup>n</sup> ny               | *xskn-y <sup>y</sup>  | *xsnØ-y-k |                                          | 2 |
| 1. *x <sup>w</sup> > x; ə-epenthesis; *y > Ø <sup>y</sup> ; +Y: *ts > tʃ; +Y: ə > i; +Y: lexical-final *a > e                         |                                                                  |                       |           |                                          |   |
| 2. *x <sup>w</sup> > x; *ts > s; *k <sup>w</sup> > k; multiple metathesis nyk > kny; ə-epenthesis; *y > y <sup>y</sup> > i; +Y: ə > i |                                                                  |                       |           |                                          |   |

oil, fat

PCC \*(ma-) **m(a)ra** (-y, -t, -k<sup>w</sup>, -n)

## BATA

|                         |              |         |           |   |
|-------------------------|--------------|---------|-----------|---|
| Sharwa                  | <i>marə</i>  | *mara   | *mara(-n) | 1 |
| Jimi                    | <i>marən</i> | *mara-n |           | 1 |
| 1. lexical-final *a > ə |              |         |           |   |

## DABA

|       |                              |                     |         |         |   |
|-------|------------------------------|---------------------|---------|---------|---|
| Buwal | <i>mel</i> ma <sup>y</sup> l | *mal-Ø <sup>y</sup> | *malØ-y | *mara-y | 1 |
| Gavar | <i>mali</i> maly             | *mal-y              |         |         | 2 |

|                                                                           |                             |                       |                        |                         |   |
|---------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------|-----------------------|------------------------|-------------------------|---|
| 1. *r > l; *y > Ø <sup>y</sup> ; +Y: *a > e                               |                             |                       |                        |                         |   |
| 2. *r > l; *y > i                                                         |                             |                       |                        |                         |   |
| MAFA                                                                      |                             |                       |                        |                         |   |
| Cuvok                                                                     | <i>mal</i>                  | *mal                  | *malØ                  | *(ma-)mara              | 1 |
| Mafa                                                                      | <i><sup>m</sup>bar mbar</i> | *mØ-bar               | *ma-barØ               |                         | 2 |
| 1. *r > l                                                                 |                             |                       |                        |                         |   |
| 2. dissimilation *m > b/m_                                                |                             |                       |                        |                         |   |
| TERA                                                                      |                             |                       |                        |                         |   |
| Tera                                                                      | <i>mar</i>                  | *mar                  | *marØ                  | *mara(-k <sup>w</sup> ) | 1 |
|                                                                           | <i>mor ma<sup>w</sup>r</i>  | *mar-Ø <sup>w</sup>   | *marØ-k <sup>w</sup>   |                         | 1 |
| 1. *k <sup>w</sup> > Ø <sup>w</sup> ; +W: *a > o                          |                             |                       |                        |                         |   |
| SUKUR                                                                     |                             |                       |                        |                         |   |
| Sukur                                                                     | <i>mir mə<sup>r</sup>r</i>  | *mr-Ø <sup>y</sup>    | *mrØ-y                 | *mra-y                  | 1 |
| 1. ə-epenthesis; *y > Ø <sup>y</sup> ; +Y: ə > i                          |                             |                       |                        |                         |   |
| HURZA                                                                     |                             |                       |                        |                         |   |
| Mbuko                                                                     | <i>amar</i>                 | *Øa-mar               | *ma-marØ               | *(ma-)mara              |   |
| Vame                                                                      | <i>a<sup>m</sup>bar</i>     | *Ø <sup>a</sup> a-bar | *m <sup>a</sup> a-barØ |                         | 1 |
| 1. dissimilation *m > b/m_ ; *m > m <sup>n</sup> ; +N: b > <sup>m</sup> b |                             |                       |                        |                         |   |
| MARGI                                                                     |                             |                       |                        |                         |   |
| Bura                                                                      | <i>mal</i>                  | *mal                  | *malØ                  | *mara                   | 1 |
| Kilba                                                                     | <i>mal</i>                  |                       |                        |                         | 1 |
| 1. *r > l                                                                 |                             |                       |                        |                         |   |
| MANDARA                                                                   |                             |                       |                        |                         |   |
| Matal                                                                     | <i>amal</i>                 | *Øa-mal               | *ma-malØ               | *(ma-)mara              | 1 |
| Podoko                                                                    | <i>mala</i>                 | *mala                 |                        |                         | 1 |
| Glavda                                                                    | <i>wala</i>                 | *wala                 |                        |                         | 2 |
|                                                                           | <i>wal</i>                  | *wal                  | *walØ                  |                         | 2 |
|                                                                           | <i>wa</i>                   | *wa                   | *waØØ                  |                         | 3 |
| 1. *r > l                                                                 |                             |                       |                        |                         |   |
| 2. *r > l; *m > w                                                         |                             |                       |                        |                         |   |
| 3. *m > w                                                                 |                             |                       |                        |                         |   |
| MOFU                                                                      |                             |                       |                        |                         |   |
| Zulgo                                                                     | <i>mal</i>                  | *mal                  | *malØ                  | *(ma-)mara              | 1 |
| Gemzek                                                                    | <i>mal</i>                  |                       |                        |                         | 1 |
| Mofu North                                                                | <i>mal</i>                  |                       |                        |                         | 1 |
| Mofu-Gudur                                                                | <i>mal</i>                  |                       |                        |                         | 1 |
| Merey                                                                     | <i>mal</i>                  |                       |                        |                         | 1 |
| Ouldeme                                                                   | <i>amal</i>                 | *Øa-mal               | *ma-malØ               |                         | 1 |
| Muyang                                                                    | <i>amal</i>                 |                       |                        |                         | 1 |
| Mada                                                                      | <i>amal</i>                 |                       |                        |                         | 1 |
| Moloko                                                                    | <i>amar</i>                 | *Øa-mar               | *ma-marØ               |                         |   |
| 1. *r > l                                                                 |                             |                       |                        |                         |   |

## MAROUA

|                |            |             |              |              |   |
|----------------|------------|-------------|--------------|--------------|---|
| Giziga-Muturwa | <i>mal</i> | <i>*mal</i> | <i>*malØ</i> | <i>*mara</i> | 1 |
| Giziga-Marva   | <i>mal</i> |             |              |              | 1 |

1. \*r &gt; l

## KOTOKO-SOUTH

|        |                              |                              |                  |                    |   |
|--------|------------------------------|------------------------------|------------------|--------------------|---|
| Zina   | <i>aməl</i>                  | <i>*Øa-ml</i>                | <i>*ma-mlØ</i>   | <i>*ma-mra(-y)</i> | 1 |
| Mazera | <i>amle amla<sup>y</sup></i> | <i>*Øa-mla-Ø<sup>y</sup></i> | <i>*ma-mla-y</i> |                    | 2 |

1. \*r &gt; l; ə-epenthesis

2. \*r > l; \*y > Ø<sup>y</sup>; +Y: lexical-final \*a > e

## MUSGUM

|        |                                             |                                          |                               |                               |   |
|--------|---------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------|-------------------------------|-------------------------------|---|
|        |                                             |                                          |                               | √ C Ca                        |   |
| Muskum | <i>mltuw mə<sup>y</sup>ltə<sup>w</sup>w</i> | <i>*ml-Ø<sup>y</sup>-t-w<sup>w</sup></i> | <i>*mlØ-y-t-k<sup>w</sup></i> | <i>*mra-y-t-k<sup>w</sup></i> | 1 |
|        |                                             |                                          |                               | √ CaCa                        |   |
| Mbara  | <i>mal</i>                                  | <i>*mal</i>                              | <i>*malØ</i>                  | <i>*(ma-)mara(-y)</i>         | 2 |
| Vulum  | <i>amel ama<sup>y</sup>l</i>                | <i>*Øa-mal-Ø<sup>y</sup></i>             | <i>*ma-malØ-y</i>             |                               | 3 |

1. \*r > l; ə-epenthesis; \*y > Ø<sup>y</sup>; +Y: ə > i; \*k<sup>w</sup> > w<sup>w</sup>; +W: ə > u

2. \*r &gt; l

3. \*r > l; \*y > Ø<sup>y</sup>; +Y: a > e

## GIDAR

|       |                                          |                            |                |                |   |
|-------|------------------------------------------|----------------------------|----------------|----------------|---|
| Gidar | <i>mele ma<sup>y</sup>la<sup>y</sup></i> | <i>*mala-Ø<sup>y</sup></i> | <i>*mala-y</i> | <i>*mara-y</i> | 1 |
|-------|------------------------------------------|----------------------------|----------------|----------------|---|

1. \*r > l; \*y > Ø<sup>y</sup>; +Y: a > epath, way, road<sup>120</sup>PCC \*(ma-, k<sup>w</sup>a-, RED-) **ts(a)v(a)ḏa** (-a, -y, -k<sup>w</sup>, -n)

## BATA

|        |                              |                          |                         |                   |   |
|--------|------------------------------|--------------------------|-------------------------|-------------------|---|
| Sharwa | <i>tivə tə<sup>v</sup>və</i> | <i>*tvØ<sup>y</sup>a</i> | <i>*tv<sup>y</sup>a</i> | <i>*tsvdā(-n)</i> | 1 |
| Tsuvan | <i>təve təva<sup>y</sup></i> |                          |                         |                   | 2 |
| Jimi   | <i>təvən</i>                 | <i>*tvə-n</i>            | <i>*tvØa-n</i>          |                   | 3 |

1. \*ts > t; ə-epenthesis; \*d' > y > Ø<sup>y</sup>; +Y: ə > i; lexical-final \*a > ə2. \*ts > t; ə-epenthesis; \*d' > y > Ø<sup>y</sup>; +Y: lexical-final \*a > e

3. \*ts &gt; t; ə-epenthesis

## DABA

|        |                                           |                           |                  |                                 |   |
|--------|-------------------------------------------|---------------------------|------------------|---------------------------------|---|
|        |                                           |                           |                  | √ C C Ca                        |   |
| Gavar  | <i>təf</i>                                | <i>*tf</i>                | <i>*tfØØ</i>     | <i>*(k<sup>w</sup>a-)tsvdā</i>  | 1 |
| Daba   | <i>katəf<sup>?</sup> katf<sup>?</sup></i> | <i>*ka-tf<sup>?</sup></i> | <i>*ka-tfdØ</i>  |                                 | 2 |
|        |                                           |                           |                  | √ CaC Ca                        |   |
| Buwal  | <i>taf</i>                                | <i>*taf</i>               | <i>*tafØØ</i>    | <i>*(k<sup>w</sup>a-)tsavdā</i> | 3 |
| Mbudum | <i>kataf</i>                              | <i>*ka-taf</i>            | <i>*ka-tafØØ</i> |                                 | 4 |

<sup>120</sup> This lexical item poses a challenge to our methodological principle of giving analytical priority to phonological over morphological Y-prosody, since \*d' > y is a fairly common sound change in CC languages. Some languages retain \*d' and still show Y-prosody, which then must be assumed to be of morphological origin stemming from \*{-y}. In examples where \*d' is absent but Y-prosody occurs, we reconstruct sound change \*d' > y (with prosodising effect: \*d' > y<sup>y</sup>).

|                                                                                                                                                                                    |                               |                          |                    |                              |   |
|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------|------------------------------|---|
| 1. *ts > t; *v > f; ə-epenthesis                                                                                                                                                   |                               |                          |                    |                              |   |
| 2. *ts > t; *v > f; *d' > ʔ; *k <sup>w</sup> > k; ə-epenthesis                                                                                                                     |                               |                          |                    |                              |   |
| 3. *ts > t; *v > f                                                                                                                                                                 |                               |                          |                    |                              |   |
| 4. *ts > t; *v > f; *k <sup>w</sup> > k                                                                                                                                            |                               |                          |                    |                              |   |
| MAFA                                                                                                                                                                               |                               |                          |                    |                              |   |
| Mafa                                                                                                                                                                               | <i>tʃivedʹ tsʷəvaʷdʹ</i>      | *tsvad-Ø <sup>y</sup>    | *tsvadØ-y          | *tsvadā(-y)                  | 1 |
| Cuvok                                                                                                                                                                              | <i>tʃəvey tsʷəvaʷy</i>        | *tsvay <sup>y</sup>      | *tsvayØ            |                              | 2 |
| 1. ə-epenthesis; *y > Ø <sup>y</sup> ; +Y: *ts > tʃ; +Y: ə > i; +Y: *a > e                                                                                                         |                               |                          |                    |                              |   |
| 2. ə-epenthesis; *d' > y > y <sup>y</sup> ; +Y: *ts > tʃ; +Y: ə > i; +Y: *a > e                                                                                                    |                               |                          |                    |                              |   |
| TERA                                                                                                                                                                               |                               |                          |                    |                              |   |
| Tera                                                                                                                                                                               | <i>ⁿdəva ndəva</i>            | *n-dva                   | *mØ-dvØa           |                              | 1 |
|                                                                                                                                                                                    | <i>ⁿgⁿdʒiva<br/>ⁿgⁿdzʷəva</i> | *ⁿg-ⁿdzvØ <sup>y</sup> a | *mⁿØ-kØ-dzvya      | *ma-(k <sup>w</sup> a-)tsvdā | 2 |
| 1. *ts > d; homorganic assimilation *m > n/_d; ə-epenthesis                                                                                                                        |                               |                          |                    |                              |   |
| 2. *ts > dz; ə-epenthesis; *d' > y > y <sup>y</sup> ; +Y: *dz > dʒ; +Y: ə > i; *k <sup>w</sup> (> k) > g; *m > m <sup>n</sup> ;<br>+N: dz > ⁿdz; homorganic assimilation *m > ⁿ/_g |                               |                          |                    |                              |   |
| SUKUR                                                                                                                                                                              |                               |                          |                    |                              |   |
| Sukur                                                                                                                                                                              | <i>tʃivi tsʷəvy</i>           | *tsvy <sup>y</sup>       | *tsvyØ             | *tsvdā                       | 1 |
| 1. ə-epenthesis; *d' > y > y <sup>y</sup> > i; +Y: *ts > tʃ; +Y: ə > i                                                                                                             |                               |                          |                    |                              |   |
| HURZA                                                                                                                                                                              |                               |                          |                    |                              |   |
| Mbuko                                                                                                                                                                              | <i>tʃəvedʹ tsʷəvaʷdʹ</i>      | *tsvad-Ø <sup>y</sup>    | *tsvadØ-y          | *tsvadā-y                    | 1 |
| 1. ə-epenthesis; *y > Ø <sup>y</sup> ; +Y: *ts > tʃ; +Y: *a > e                                                                                                                    |                               |                          |                    |                              |   |
| MANDARA                                                                                                                                                                            |                               |                          |                    |                              |   |
|                                                                                                                                                                                    |                               |                          |                    | √ C C Ca                     |   |
| Podoko                                                                                                                                                                             | <i>tive təʷvaʷ</i>            | *tvØ <sup>y</sup> a      | *tv <sup>y</sup> a | *tsvdā                       | 1 |
|                                                                                                                                                                                    |                               |                          |                    | √ CaC Ca                     |   |
| Matal                                                                                                                                                                              | <i>teʷv(i) taʷtəʷvy</i>       | *ta-tØvy <sup>y</sup> Ø  | *RED-tavya         | *RED-tsvadā                  | 2 |
| 1. *ts > t; ə-epenthesis; *d' > y > Ø <sup>y</sup> ; +Y: *ə > i; +Y: lexical-final *a > e                                                                                          |                               |                          |                    |                              |   |
| 2. *ts > t; ə-epenthesis; *d' > y > y <sup>y</sup> > i; +Y: *ə > i; +Y: *a > e                                                                                                     |                               |                          |                    |                              |   |
| MOFU                                                                                                                                                                               |                               |                          |                    |                              |   |
|                                                                                                                                                                                    |                               |                          |                    | √ C C Ca                     |   |
| Ouldeme                                                                                                                                                                            | <i>tivi təʷvy</i>             | *tv <sup>y</sup>         | *tv <sup>y</sup> Ø | *tsvdā                       | 1 |
| Muyang                                                                                                                                                                             | <i>divi dəʷvy</i>             | *dv <sup>y</sup>         | *dv <sup>y</sup> Ø |                              | 2 |
|                                                                                                                                                                                    |                               |                          |                    | √ C CaCa                     |   |
| Moloko                                                                                                                                                                             | <i>tʃəvedʹ tsʷəvaʷdʹ</i>      | *tsvad-Ø <sup>y</sup>    | *tsvadØ-y          | *tsvadā-y                    | 3 |
| Merey                                                                                                                                                                              | <i>tʃəvedʹ tsʷəvaʷdʹ</i>      |                          |                    |                              | 3 |
| Dugwor                                                                                                                                                                             | <i>tʃəvedʹ tsʷəvaʷdʹ</i>      |                          |                    |                              | 3 |
| Mofu North                                                                                                                                                                         | <i>tʃəvedʹ tsʷəvaʷdʹ</i>      |                          |                    |                              | 3 |
| Mofu-Gudur                                                                                                                                                                         | <i>tʃəvedʹ tsʷəvaʷdʹ</i>      |                          |                    |                              | 3 |
| 1. *ts > t; ə-epenthesis; *d' > y > y <sup>y</sup> > i; +Y: *ə > i                                                                                                                 |                               |                          |                    |                              |   |
| 2. *ts (> t) > d; ə-epenthesis; *d' > y > y <sup>y</sup> > i; +Y: *ə > i                                                                                                           |                               |                          |                    |                              |   |
| 3. ə-epenthesis; *y > Ø <sup>y</sup> ; +Y: *ts > tʃ; +Y: *a > e                                                                                                                    |                               |                          |                    |                              |   |

## MAROUA

|                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      |                          |           |           |            |   |
|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------|-----------|-----------|------------|---|
|                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      |                          |           |           | √ C C Ca   |   |
| Mbazla                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               | <i>dʒivi</i> dzʷəʷvy     | *dzvyʷ    | *dzvyØ    | *tsvdā(-y) | 1 |
|                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      | <i>divi</i> dəʷvy        | *dvyʷ     | *dvyØ     |            | 2 |
|                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      | <i>dʷivi</i> dəʷvyʔ      | *dʷʔ-yʷ   | *dʷʔØ-y   |            | 3 |
|                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      |                          |           |           | √ C CaCa   |   |
| Giziga-Marva                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         | <i>dʒived</i> dzʷəʷvaʷdʷ | *dzvad-Øʷ | *dzvadØ-y | *tsvadā-y  | 4 |
| 1. *ts > dz; ə-epenthesis; *dʷ > y > yʷ > i; +Y: dz > dʒ; +Y: *ə > i<br>2. *ts (> t) > d; ə-epenthesis; *dʷ > y > yʷ > i; +Y: *ə > i<br>3. *ts (> t) > dʷ; *dʷ > ʔ; ə-epenthesis; *y > yʷ > i; +Y: *ə > i<br>4. *ts > dz; ə-epenthesis; *y > Øʷ; +Y: dz > dʒ; +Y: *ə > i; +Y: *a > e |                          |           |           |            |   |

## LAMANG

|                                                    |                 |        |        |        |   |
|----------------------------------------------------|-----------------|--------|--------|--------|---|
| Lamang                                             | <i>tve</i> tvaʷ | *tvØʷa | *tvya  | *tsvdā | 1 |
| Hdi                                                | <i>tvi</i> tvy  | *tvʷy  | *tvʷyØ |        | 2 |
| 1. *ts > t; *dʷ > y > Øʷ; +Y: lexical-final *a > e |                 |        |        |        |   |
| 2. *ts > t; *dʷ > y > i                            |                 |        |        |        |   |

## MUSGUM

|                                                                                                                                                                                               |                      |             |             |                   |   |
|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------|-------------|-------------|-------------------|---|
| Vulum                                                                                                                                                                                         | <i>futii</i> fəʷtəʷy | *ftØʷa-y-Øʷ | *tfyʷa-y-kʷ | *tsvdā(-a)-y(-kʷ) | 1 |
| Mulwi                                                                                                                                                                                         | <i>futii</i> fəʷtəʷy |             |             |                   | 1 |
| Mbara                                                                                                                                                                                         | <i>tifay</i> təʷfay  | *tfØʷ-ay    | *tfyʷØ-a-y  |                   | 2 |
| 1. *ts > t; *v > f; metathesis tf > ft; ə-epenthesis; *dʷ > y > Øʷ; +Y: ə > i; *kʷ > Øʷ; +W: ə > u; lexical-final *a > ə; *y > i<br>2. *ts > t; *v > f; ə-epenthesis; *dʷ > y > Øʷ; +Y: ə > i |                      |             |             |                   |   |

## GIDAR

|                                                                             |                    |        |        |        |   |
|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------|--------|--------|--------|---|
| Gidar                                                                       | <i>tive</i> təʷvaʷ | *tvØʷa | *tvʷya | *tsvdā | 1 |
| 1. *ts > t; ə-epenthesis; *dʷ > y > Øʷ; +Y: ə > i; +Y: lexical-final *a > e |                    |        |        |        |   |

porcupine<sub>1</sub>Areal root \*(ma-, va-, RED-) **ts(a)x<sup>w</sup>(a)ḏa** (-y, -n; FV)

## HURZA

|                                                                               |                                 |                       |                         |                          |   |
|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------|-----------------------|-------------------------|--------------------------|---|
| Mbuko                                                                         | <i>mətsah</i>                   | *mØ-tsax              | *ma-tsaxØØ              | *ma-tsax <sup>w</sup> ḏa | 1 |
| Vame                                                                          | <i>anzah</i> a <sup>n</sup> zax | *Ø <sup>n</sup> a-zax | *m <sup>n</sup> a-zaxØØ |                          | 2 |
| 1. *x <sup>w</sup> > x; ə-epenthesis                                          |                                 |                       |                         |                          |   |
| 2. *ts > z; *x <sup>w</sup> > x; *m > m <sup>n</sup> ; +N: z > <sup>n</sup> z |                                 |                       |                         |                          |   |

## MARGI

|                                                           |                                       |                           |                              |                                |   |
|-----------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------|---------------------------|------------------------------|--------------------------------|---|
| Bura                                                      | <i>mantsina</i> ma <sup>n</sup> tsyna | *m <sup>n</sup> a-ts-y-na | *m <sup>n</sup> a-tsØØØ-y-na | *ma-tsx <sup>w</sup> ḏa(-y-na) | 1 |
| Margi South                                               | <i>mətsa</i>                          | *mØ-tsa                   | *ma-tsØØa                    |                                | 2 |
| 1. *m > m <sup>n</sup> ; +N: ts > <sup>n</sup> ts; *y > i |                                       |                           |                              |                                |   |
| 2. ə-epenthesis                                           |                                       |                           |                              |                                |   |

## MANDARA

|         |                                    |               |               | √ C C Ca                       |   |
|---------|------------------------------------|---------------|---------------|--------------------------------|---|
| Matal   | <i>Øtʃhi</i> aʷtsʷxy               | *Øa-tsx-yʷ    | *ma-tsxØØ-y   | *(ma(-va-)/RED-)<br>tsxʷdā(-y) | 1 |
| Malgwa  | <i>tʃitʃiha</i> tsʷəʷtsʷəʷxa       | *ts-tsx-a-Øʷ  | *RED-tsxØa-y  |                                | 2 |
| Glavda  | <i>avandza</i> avaʷdza             | *Øʷa-va-dza   | *mʷa-va-dzØØa |                                | 3 |
|         |                                    |               |               | √ CaC Ca                       |   |
| Mandara | <i>tʃetʃehwe</i><br>tsʷaʷtsʷaʷxʷaʷ | *tsa-tsxʷa-Øʷ | *RED-tsxʷØa-y | *RED-tsxʷdā-y                  | 4 |

1. \*xʷ > x; \*y > yʷ > i; +Y: \*ts > tʃ; +Y: \*a > Ø  
 2. \*xʷ > x; ə-epenthesis; \*y > Øʷ; +Y: \*ts > tʃ; +Y: ə > i  
 3. \*ts > dz; \*m > mʷ; +N: dz > ʷdz  
 4. \*y > Øʷ; +Y: \*ts > tʃ; +Y: a > e

## MOFU

|            |                                                                                                                                     |                                                        |                                           |                             |   |
|------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------|-----------------------------|---|
|            |                                                                                                                                     |                                                        |                                           | √ C C Ca                    |   |
| Ouldeme    | <i>atsih<sup>w</sup>i</i> atsə <sup>w</sup> xy                                                                                      | *Øa-tsx <sup>w</sup> -y <sup>y</sup>                   | *ma-tsx <sup>w</sup> ØØ-y                 | *ma-tsx <sup>w</sup> dā-y   | 1 |
| Muyang     | <i>etʃihi</i> a <sup>w</sup> tsə <sup>w</sup> xy                                                                                    | *Øa-tsx-y <sup>y</sup>                                 | *ma-tsxØØ-y                               |                             | 2 |
|            |                                                                                                                                     |                                                        |                                           | √ C CaCa                    |   |
| Gemzek     | <i><sup>n</sup>dzəhed<sup>f</sup></i> ndzəhə <sup>f</sup> d <sup>f</sup>                                                            | *n-dzxad <sup>f</sup> -Ø <sup>y</sup>                  | *mØ-dzxadØ-y                              | *ma-tsx <sup>w</sup> adā-y  | 3 |
| Merey      | <i><sup>n</sup>dzəhed<sup>f</sup></i> ndzəhə <sup>f</sup> d <sup>f</sup>                                                            |                                                        |                                           |                             | 3 |
| Mofu North | <i><sup>n</sup>dzəhed<sup>f</sup></i> ndzəhə <sup>f</sup> d <sup>f</sup>                                                            |                                                        |                                           |                             | 3 |
|            |                                                                                                                                     |                                                        |                                           | √ CaCaCa                    |   |
| Zulgo      | <i>tsehe</i> tsa <sup>w</sup> xa <sup>y</sup>                                                                                       | *tsaxa-Ø <sup>y</sup>                                  | *tsaxØa-y                                 | *ma-tsax <sup>w</sup> adā-y | 4 |
| Moloko     | <i>e<sup>n</sup>dʒehed<sup>f</sup></i><br>a <sup>w</sup> <sup>n</sup> dz <sup>w</sup> a <sup>w</sup> ha <sup>f</sup> d <sup>f</sup> | *Ø <sup>n</sup> a-tsax <sup>w</sup> adā-Ø <sup>y</sup> | *m <sup>n</sup> a-tsax <sup>w</sup> adā-y |                             | 5 |
| Dugwor     | <i><sup>n</sup>dʒehed<sup>f</sup></i><br>ndz <sup>w</sup> a <sup>w</sup> ha <sup>f</sup> d <sup>f</sup>                             | *n-tsaxadā-Ø <sup>y</sup>                              | *mØ-tsaxadā-y                             |                             | 6 |

1. ə-epenthesis; \*y > y<sup>w</sup> > i; +Y: ə > i  
2. \*x<sup>w</sup> > x; ə-epenthesis; \*y > y<sup>w</sup> > i; +Y: \*ts > tʃ; +Y: \*a > e; +Y: ə > i  
3. \*ts > dz; \*x<sup>w</sup> > x; homorganic assimilation \*m > n/\_dz; \*y > Ø<sup>y</sup>; +Y: \*a > e  
4. \*x<sup>w</sup> > x; \*y > Ø<sup>y</sup>; +Y: \*a > e  
5. \*ts > dz; \*x<sup>w</sup> > x; \*m > Ø<sup>n</sup>; +N: dz > <sup>n</sup>dz; \*y > Ø<sup>y</sup>; +Y: dz > dʒ; +Y: \*a > e  
6. ts > dz; \*x<sup>w</sup> > x; homorganic assimilation \*m > n/\_dz; \*y > Ø<sup>y</sup>; +Y: dz > dʒ; +Y: \*a > e

porcupine<sub>2</sub>PCC/areal root<sup>121</sup> \*(ma-) dz(a)m(a)kʷa (-y, -n; FV)

## BATA

|      |               |        |          | √ C C Ca   |   |
|------|---------------|--------|----------|------------|---|
| Gude | <i>dəməya</i> | *dm-ya | *dmØØ-ya | *dzmkʷa-ya | 1 |

<sup>121</sup> According to Gravina (2015) and by reference to his own sub-classification (Gravina 2007, 2011), this root “may be an innovation in Proto-Central Chadic South, since it is found in at least four of the five groups within the South sub-branch of Central Chadic, and in few other languages.”

|                                                       |                       |           |          |            |   |
|-------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------|-----------|----------|------------|---|
|                                                       |                       |           |          | √ C CaCa   |   |
| Sharwa                                                | <i>dima'a</i> də'maʔa | *dmaʔa-Øʸ | *dmaʔa-y |            | 2 |
| Tsuwan                                                | <i>dima'a</i> də'maʔa |           |          | *dzmakʷa-y | 2 |
| 1. *dz > d; ə-epenthesis                              |                       |           |          |            |   |
| 2. *dz > d; *kʷ > ʔ; ə-epenthesis; *y > Øʸ; +Y: ə > i |                       |           |          |            |   |

## DABA

|                                                                                                                                                          |                       |             |               |                 |   |
|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------|-------------|---------------|-----------------|---|
|                                                                                                                                                          |                       |             |               | √ C C Ca        |   |
| Gavar                                                                                                                                                    | <i>ɟimam</i> z'əʸmam  | *zmØa-Øʸ-n  | *zmkʷa-y-n    | *dzmkʷa-y-n     | 1 |
|                                                                                                                                                          |                       |             |               | √ C CaCa        |   |
| Buwal                                                                                                                                                    | <i>zəmeɲ</i> zəmaʸɲ   | *zmaØʸɲ     | *zmaykØ-n     | *dzmakʷa-y-n    | 2 |
|                                                                                                                                                          |                       |             |               | √ CaC Ca        |   |
| Mbudum                                                                                                                                                   | <i>zeᵐbəɲ</i> zaʸᵐbəɲ | *Øⁿ-zabØʸɲ  | *mⁿØ-zabykØ-n | *ma-dzamkʷa-y-n | 3 |
| Daba                                                                                                                                                     | <i>zaᵐban</i>         | *Øⁿ-zabØa-n | *mⁿØ-zabka-n  | *ma-dzamkʷa-n   | 4 |
| 1. *dz > z; ə-epenthesis; *y > Øʸ; +Y: z > ʒ; +Y: ə > i; assimilation (?) *n > *m (see 3.4.5)                                                            |                       |             |               |                 |   |
| 2. *dz > z; ə-epenthesis; metathesis kʷy > ykʷ; *kʷ > k; fusion kn > ɲ; *y > Øʸ; +Y: lexical-final *a > e                                                |                       |             |               |                 |   |
| 3. *dz > z; radical m > b (dissimilation); prefixal *m > mⁿ; +N: b > ᵐb; *y > Øʸ; +Y: *a > e; ə-epenthesis; metathesis kʷy > ykʷ; *kʷ > k; fusion kn > ɲ |                       |             |               |                 |   |
| 4. *dz > z; *kʷ > k; radical m > b (dissimilation); prefixal *m > mⁿ; +N: b > ᵐb                                                                         |                       |             |               |                 |   |

## MAFA

|                                                                                                                       |                         |              |               |              |   |
|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------|--------------|---------------|--------------|---|
|                                                                                                                       |                         |              |               | √ C C Ca     |   |
| Cuvok                                                                                                                 | <i>dəᵐbəkʷ</i>          | *Øⁿ-dbkʷ     | *mⁿØ-dbkʷØ    | *ma-dzmkʷa   | 1 |
|                                                                                                                       |                         |              |               | √ C CaCa     |   |
| Cuvok                                                                                                                 | <i>dəᵐbekʷ</i> dəᵐbaʸkʷ | *Øⁿ-dbakʷ-Øʸ | *mⁿØ-dbakʷØ-y |              | 2 |
| Mafa                                                                                                                  | <i>dᵐbek</i> dəᵐbaʸkʷ   |              |               | *ma-dzmkʷa-y | 3 |
| 1. *dz > d; radical m > b (dissimilation); prefixal *m > mⁿ; +N: b > ᵐb; ə-epenthesis                                 |                         |              |               |              |   |
| 2. *dz > d; radical m > b (dissimilation); prefixal *m > mⁿ; +N: b > ᵐb; ə-epenthesis; *y > Øʸ; +Y: *a > e            |                         |              |               |              |   |
| 3. *dz > d; radical m > b (dissimilation); prefixal *m > mⁿ; +N: b > ᵐb; ə-epenthesis; *y > Øʸ; +Y: ə > i; +Y: *a > e |                         |              |               |              |   |

## SUKUR

|                                                            |                        |          |          |           |   |
|------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------|----------|----------|-----------|---|
| Sukur                                                      | <i>dɟimək</i> dz'əʸmək | *dzmk-Øʸ | *dzmkØ-y | *dzmkʷa-y | 1 |
| 1. *kʷ > k; ə-epenthesis; *y > Øʸ; +Y: ə > i; +Y: *dz > dɟ |                        |          |          |           |   |

## MANDARA

|                                                                                                                                              |                          |             |             |              |   |
|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------|-------------|-------------|--------------|---|
| Podoko                                                                                                                                       | <i>dᵐbike</i> dəʸᵐbəʔkaʸ | *Øⁿ-dbka-Øʸ | *mⁿØ-dbka-y | *ma-dzmkʷa-y | 1 |
| 1. *dz > d; *kʷ > k; radical m > b (dissimilation); prefixal *m > mⁿ; +N: b > ᵐb; ə-epenthesis; *y > Øʸ; +Y: ə > i; +Y: lexical-final *a > e |                          |             |             |              |   |

## MOFU

|                                   |                |          |           |            |   |
|-----------------------------------|----------------|----------|-----------|------------|---|
| Mofu-Gudur                        | <i>damyakʷ</i> | *damyakʷ | *damkʷa-y | *dzamkʷa-y | 1 |
| 1. *dz > d; metathesis *kʷy > ykʷ |                |          |           |            |   |

## LAMANG

|                                                                                                           |                         |             |              |              |   |
|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------|-------------|--------------|--------------|---|
| Hdi                                                                                                       | <i>dᵐbikʷ</i> dəʸᵐbəʔkʷ | *Øⁿ-dbkʷ-Øʸ | *mⁿØ-dbkʷØ-y | *ma-dzmkʷa-y | 1 |
| 1. *dz > d; radical m > b (dissimilation); prefixal *m > Øⁿ; +N: b > ᵐb; ə-epenthesis; *y > Øʸ; +Y: ə > i |                         |             |              |              |   |



## HIGI

|       |                          |           |           |           |   |
|-------|--------------------------|-----------|-----------|-----------|---|
| Bana  | <i>tʃiməkə</i> tsʷəʔməkə | *tsmka-Øʷ |           | *dzmkʷa-y | 1 |
| Kirya | <i>tʃiməhu</i> tsʷəʔməxw | *tsmxw-Øʷ | *tsmxʷØ-y |           | 2 |

1. \*dz > ts; \*kʷ > k; \*y > Øʷ; +Y: ts > tʃ; +Y: ə > i; ə-epenthesis; lexical-final \*a > ə  
 2. \*dz > ts; \*kʷ > xʷ; \*y > Øʷ; +Y: ts > tʃ; +Y: ə > i; ə-epenthesis; re-segmentalisation  
 xʷ > x+w; w > u

## pus

PCC \*(ma-, RED-) r(a)w(a)da (-y, -kʷ, -n, -t; FV)

## BATA

|        |                        |                |                 |                  |   |
|--------|------------------------|----------------|-----------------|------------------|---|
|        |                        |                |                 | √ C C Ca         |   |
| Gude   | <i>rəʔunə</i> rəʔwna   | *rʔw-na        | *rwʔØ-na        |                  | 1 |
| Jimi   | <i>ruʔun</i> rwʔəʔn    | *rwʔ-n         | *rwʔØ-n         | *rwdā-y-kʷ/-n(a) | 2 |
| Sharwa | <i>ryəbʷək</i> rʔəbʷək | *rØʷb-Øʷ-k     | *rwbØ-y-kʷ      |                  | 3 |
|        |                        |                |                 | √ CaCaCa         |   |
| Bata   | <i>reeto</i> raʔaʔtaʷ  | *raØa-Øʷ-t-Øʷa | *rawaØØ-y-t-kʷa | *rawadā-y-t-kʷa  | 4 |

1. \*w > u; \*dʔ > ?; metathesis wʔ > ?w; ə-epenthesis; FV \*a > ə  
 2. \*w > wʷ > u; \*dʔ > ?; ə-epenthesis; +W: ə > u  
 3. assimilation \*dʔ > b/wʷ; \*w > Øʷ; +W: b > bʷ; \*y > Øʷ; +Y: \*r > rʷ; \*kʷ > k; ə-epenthesis  
 4. \*kʷ > Øʷ; +W: FV \*a > o; \*y > Øʷ; +Y: \*a > e; vowel length due to loss of intervocalic /w/

## DABA

|        |                      |          |          |          |   |
|--------|----------------------|----------|----------|----------|---|
|        |                      |          |          | √ C C Ca |   |
| Mbudum | <i>wilib</i> wəʔlaʔb | *wl6-Øʷ  | *lw6Ø-y  | *rwdā-y  | 1 |
|        |                      |          |          | √ C CaCa |   |
| Buwal  | <i>uled</i> wlaʔd    |          |          |          | 2 |
| Gavar  | <i>wəled</i> wlaʔd   | *wlad-Øʷ | *lwadØ-y | *rawdā-y | 3 |
| Daba   | <i>wiled</i> wəʔlaʔd |          |          |          | 4 |

1. \*r > l; assimilation \*dʔ > b/wʷ; metathesis lw > wl; ə-epenthesis; \*y > Øʷ; +Y: ə > i  
 2. \*r > l; metathesis lw > wl; \*w > u; \*y > Øʷ; +Y: \*a > e  
 3. \*r > l; metathesis lw > wl; ə-epenthesis; \*y > Øʷ; +Y: \*a > e  
 4. \*r > l; metathesis lw > wl; ə-epenthesis; \*y > Øʷ; +Y: ə > i; +Y: \*a > e

## MAFA

|       |                      |             |              |              |   |
|-------|----------------------|-------------|--------------|--------------|---|
|       |                      |             |              | √ CaC Ca     |   |
| Cuvok | <i>lele6</i> laʔlaʔb | *la-laØ6-Øʷ | *RED-law6Ø-y | *RED-rawdā-y | 1 |
|       |                      |             |              | √ CaCaCa     |   |
| Mafa  | <i>vorob</i> vaʷraʷb | *vara6-Øʷ   | *rawa6Ø-kʷ   | *rawdā-kʷ    | 2 |

1. \*r > l; assimilation \*dʔ > b/wʷ; \*y > Øʷ; +Y: \*a > e  
 2. assimilation \*dʔ > b/wʷ; metathesis rw > wr; \*w > v; \*kʷ > Øʷ; +W: \*a > o

## TERA

|      |           |     |       |       |  |
|------|-----------|-----|-------|-------|--|
| Tera | <i>ra</i> | *ra | *rØØa | *rwdā |  |
|------|-----------|-----|-------|-------|--|

## SUKUR

|       |                    |        |          |          |   |
|-------|--------------------|--------|----------|----------|---|
| Sukur | <i>məru mərw</i>   | *mØ-rw | *ma-rwØØ | *ma-rwɗa | 1 |
|       | <i>mərəu mərəw</i> |        |          |          | 1 |

1. ə-epenthesis; \*w &gt; u

## HURZA

|         |                     |          |          |          |   |
|---------|---------------------|----------|----------|----------|---|
|         |                     |          |          | √ C C Ca |   |
| Vame    | <i>diru də'rw</i>   | *dɾwa-Øʸ | *dɾwa-y  | *rɗɗa-y  | 1 |
|         |                     |          |          | √ C CaCa |   |
| Pelasla | <i>diraw də'raw</i> | *draw-Øʸ | *drawØ-y | *rɗɗa-y  | 2 |
| Mbuko   | <i>dərew dəra'w</i> |          |          |          | 3 |

1. multiple metathesis rwd' &gt; dɾw; \*w &gt; u; ə-epenthesis; \*y &gt; Øʸ; +Y: \*ə &gt; i

2. multiple metathesis rwd' &gt; dɾw; ə-epenthesis; \*y &gt; Øʸ; +Y: \*ə &gt; i

3. multiple metathesis rwd' &gt; dɾw; ə-epenthesis; \*y &gt; Øʸ; +Y: \*a &gt; e

## MARGI

|       |                   |        |       |       |   |
|-------|-------------------|--------|-------|-------|---|
| Bura  | <i>lu lw</i>      | *lw    | *lwØØ |       | 1 |
| Margi | <i>lu'u lwʔəʷ</i> | *lwʷʔa | *lwʔa | *rɗɗa | 2 |
| Kilba | <i>lu'u lwʔəʷ</i> |        |       |       | 2 |

1. \*r &gt; l; \*w &gt; u

2. \*r &gt; l; \*d' &gt; ʔ; \*w &gt; wʷ &gt; u; lexical-final \*a &gt; ə; +W: ə &gt; u

## MANDARA

|         |                      |          |           |           |   |
|---------|----------------------|----------|-----------|-----------|---|
|         |                      |          |           | √ C C Ca  |   |
| Podoko  | <i>ləɓa</i>          | *lØɓa    | *lɗɗa     |           | 1 |
| Glavda  | <i>lu lw</i>         | *lw      | *lwØØ     |           | 2 |
|         | <i>luwa ləʷwa</i>    | *lwʷa    | *lwØa     | *rɗɗa(-y) | 3 |
| Malgwa  | <i>luwa ləʷwa</i>    |          |           |           | 3 |
|         | <i>əluwe ələʷwaʸ</i> | *lwʷa-Øʸ | *lwØa-y   |           | 4 |
| Mandara | <i>lua lwa</i>       | *lwa     | *lwØa     |           | 2 |
|         |                      |          |           | √ CaC Ca  |   |
| Matal   | <i>alaw</i>          | *Øa-law  | *ma-lawØØ | *ma-lawɗa | 5 |

1. \*r &gt; l; assimilation \*d' &gt; ɓ/w\_ (&gt; Ø); ə-epenthesis

2. \*r &gt; l; \*w &gt; u

3. \*r &gt; l; ə-epenthesis; \*w &gt; wʷ; +W: ə &gt; u

4. \*r &gt; l; ə-prothesis; ə-epenthesis; \*w &gt; wʷ; +W: ə &gt; u; \*y &gt; Øʸ; +Y: lexical-final \*a &gt; e

5. \*r &gt; l

## MOFU

|         |                        |              |              |          |   |
|---------|------------------------|--------------|--------------|----------|---|
|         |                        |              |              | √ C C Ca |   |
| Muyang  | <i>alu alw</i>         | *Øa-lw       | *ma-lwØØ     |          | 1 |
| Gemzek  | <i>aləɓ</i>            | *Øa-lØɓ      | *ma-lwɗØ     | *ma-rɗɗa | 2 |
| Ouldeme | <i>aləl</i>            | *Øa-lɪ       | *ma-lØɗØ     |          | 3 |
| Mada    | <i>ollo aʷllaʷ</i>     | *Øa-lØʷla    | *ma-lɗɗa     |          | 4 |
|         |                        |              |              | √ CaC Ca |   |
| Moloko  | <i>oroh aʳraʷx</i>     | *a-raØʷ-xʷ   | *Øa-lawØØ-kʷ |          | 5 |
|         | <i>aloəɓ alaʷyɓ</i>    | *a-laØʷɓ-Øʸ  | *Øa-lawɗØ-y  |          | 6 |
| Merey   | <i>leloəɓ laʷlaʷyɓ</i> | *la-laØʷɓ-Øʸ | *RED-lawɗØ-y |          | 7 |

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|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------|------------------------|------------|-------------------------------------|----|
|                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           | <i>lolo</i> 6 la <sup>w</sup> la <sup>w</sup> 6 | *la-laØ <sup>w</sup> 6 | *RED-lawdØ |                                     | 8  |
| Dugwor                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    | <i>lolo</i> 6 la <sup>w</sup> la <sup>w</sup> 6 |                        |            | *ma-/RED-rawdā(-y/-k <sup>w</sup> ) | 8  |
| Mofu-Gudur                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                | <i>lala</i> 6                                   | *la-laØ6               | *RED-lawdØ |                                     | 9  |
| Mofu North                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                | <i>law</i>                                      | *la-law                | *RED-lawØØ |                                     | 10 |
| 1. *r > l; *w > u<br>2. *r > l; assimilation *d' > ɓ/w_ (> Ø); ə-epenthesis<br>3. *r > l; assimilation *d' > l/l_ ; ə-epenthesis<br>4. *r > l; assimilation *d' > l/l_ ; *w > Ø <sup>w</sup> ; +W: *a > o<br>5. *w > Ø <sup>w</sup> ; +W: *a > o; *k <sup>w</sup> (> x <sup>w</sup> ) > x<br>6. *r > l; assimilation *d' > ɓ/w_ (> Ø); *w > Ø <sup>w</sup> ; *y > Ø <sup>y</sup> ; +W+Y: *a > æ<br>7. *r > l; assimilation *d' > ɓ/w_ (> Ø); *w > Ø <sup>w</sup> ; *y > Ø <sup>y</sup> ; +Y: *a > e; +W+Y: *a > æ<br>8. *r > l; assimilation *d' > ɓ/w_ (> Ø); *w > Ø <sup>w</sup> ; +W: *a > o<br>9. *r > l; assimilation *d' > ɓ/w_ (> Ø)<br>10. *r > l |                                                 |                        |            |                                     |    |

## MAROUA

|                                                                                                                          |                                                    |                       |            |            |   |
|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------|-----------------------|------------|------------|---|
|                                                                                                                          |                                                    |                       |            | √ C C Ca   |   |
| Giziga-Muturwa                                                                                                           | <i>lulu</i> lwlw                                   | *lw-lw                | *RED-lwØØ  | *RED-rwdā  | 1 |
|                                                                                                                          |                                                    |                       |            | √ CaC Ca   |   |
| Giziga-Marva                                                                                                             | <i>lulo</i> 6<br>lā <sup>w</sup> la <sup>w</sup> 6 | *l-laØ <sup>w</sup> 6 | *RED-lawdØ | *RED-rawdā | 2 |
| 1. *r > l; *w > u<br>2. *r > l; assimilation *d' > ɓ/w_ (> Ø); ə-epenthesis; *w > Ø <sup>w</sup> ; +W: ə > u; +W: *a > o |                                                    |                       |            |            |   |

## HIGI

|                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        |                                     |                      |         |           |   |
|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------|----------------------|---------|-----------|---|
| Bana                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   | <i>la</i> 'wə                       | *lʔwə                | *lwʔa   |           | 1 |
| Kamwe-Nkafa                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            | <i>la</i> 'uwə ləʔə <sup>w</sup> wə | *lʔw <sup>w</sup> ə  |         | *rwdā(-y) | 2 |
|                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        | <i>la</i> gʷə ləɖ <sup>w</sup> wə   | *lɖwə-Ø <sup>y</sup> | *lwdā-y |           | 3 |
| Kamwe-Futu                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             | <i>lauo</i> ləwə <sup>w</sup>       | *lw <sup>w</sup> Øa  | *lwØa   |           | 4 |
| 1. *r > l; *d' > ʔ; metathesis wʔ > ʔw; ə-epenthesis; lexical-final *a > ə<br>2. *r > l; *d' > ʔ; metathesis wʔ > ʔw; ə-epenthesis; *w > w <sup>w</sup> ; +W: ə > u; lexical-final *a > ə<br>3. *r > l; metathesis wd' > d'w; *y > Ø <sup>y</sup> ; +Y: *d' > dʷ > g; ə-epenthesis; lexical-final *a > ə<br>4. *r > l; ə-epenthesis; *w > w <sup>w</sup> > u; +W: lexical-final *a > o |                                     |                      |         |           |   |

## MUSGUM

|                   |                |        |          |          |   |
|-------------------|----------------|--------|----------|----------|---|
| Mulwi             | <i>alu</i> alw | *Øa-lw | *ma-lwØØ | *ma-rwdā | 1 |
| 1. *r > l; *w > u |                |        |          |          |   |

## GIDAR

|                                                                                 |                                |                    |         |         |   |
|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------|--------------------|---------|---------|---|
| Gidar                                                                           | <i>wili</i> wə <sup>y</sup> ly | *wl-y <sup>y</sup> | *lwØØ-y | *rwdā-y | 1 |
| 1. *r > l; metathesis lw > wl; ə-epenthesis; *y > y <sup>y</sup> > i; +Y: ə > i |                                |                    |         |         |   |

## quiver

PCC/Areal root<sup>122</sup> \***ɣ<sup>w</sup>(a)dza** (-y, -n, -r)

BATA

|        |                           |                        |                          |   |
|--------|---------------------------|------------------------|--------------------------|---|
| Gude   | <i>k<sup>w</sup>adza</i>  | *k <sup>w</sup> adza   | *ɣ <sup>w</sup> adza(-n) | 1 |
| Sharwa | <i>k<sup>w</sup>adza</i>  |                        |                          | 1 |
| Jimi   | <i>k<sup>w</sup>adzan</i> | *k <sup>w</sup> adza-n |                          | 1 |

1. \*ɣ<sup>w</sup> (> g<sup>w</sup>) > k<sup>w</sup>

SUKUR

|       |                      |          |                        |   |
|-------|----------------------|----------|------------------------|---|
| Sukur | <i>wadzi wadzy</i>   | *wadzØ-y | *ɣ <sup>w</sup> adza-y | 1 |
|       | <i>wadzəi wadzəy</i> | *wadza-y |                        | 2 |

1. \*ɣ<sup>w</sup> > w; \*y > i2. \*ɣ<sup>w</sup> > w; lexical-final \*a > ə; \*y > i

MARGI

|             |                                                        |                                     |                          |   |
|-------------|--------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------|--------------------------|---|
| Margi South | <i>k<sup>w</sup>adza</i>                               | *k <sup>w</sup> adza                | *ɣ <sup>w</sup> adza(-y) | 1 |
| Bura        | <i>k<sup>w</sup>adʒa k<sup>w</sup>adz<sup>y</sup>a</i> | *k <sup>w</sup> adza-Ø <sup>y</sup> |                          | 2 |
| Kilba       | <i>g<sup>w</sup>adʒa g<sup>w</sup>adz<sup>y</sup>a</i> | *g <sup>w</sup> adza-Ø <sup>y</sup> |                          | 3 |

1. ɣ<sup>w</sup> (> g<sup>w</sup>) > k<sup>w</sup>2. ɣ<sup>w</sup> (> g<sup>w</sup>) > k<sup>w</sup>; \*y > Ø<sup>y</sup>; +Y: \*dz > dʒ3. ɣ<sup>w</sup> > g<sup>w</sup>; \*y > Ø<sup>y</sup>; +Y: \*dz > dʒ

LAMANG

|        |                                                         |                                     |                        |   |
|--------|---------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------|------------------------|---|
| Lamang | <i>ɣ<sup>w</sup>edze ɣ<sup>w</sup>a'dza<sup>y</sup></i> | *ɣ <sup>w</sup> adza-Ø <sup>y</sup> | *ɣ <sup>w</sup> adza-y | 1 |
| Hdi    | <i>ɣ<sup>w</sup>adzi ɣ<sup>w</sup>adzy</i>              | *ɣ <sup>w</sup> adzØ-y              |                        | 2 |

1. \*y > Ø<sup>y</sup>; +Y: \*a > e

2. \*y &gt; i

HIGI

|             |                                               |                                       |                           |   |
|-------------|-----------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------|---------------------------|---|
| Kamwe-Nkafa | <i>gutʃə g<sup>w</sup>ə'ts<sup>y</sup>ə</i>   | *g <sup>w</sup> tsa-Ø <sup>y</sup>    | *ɣ <sup>w</sup> dza-y(-r) | 1 |
| Bana        | <i>gutʃi g<sup>w</sup>ə'ts<sup>y</sup>y</i>   | *g <sup>w</sup> tsØ-y <sup>y</sup>    |                           | 2 |
| Kirya       | <i>gutʃil g<sup>w</sup>ə'ts<sup>y</sup>ɪl</i> | *g <sup>w</sup> tsØ-y <sup>y</sup> -l |                           | 2 |

1. \*ɣ<sup>w</sup> > g<sup>w</sup>; \*dz > ts; ə-epenthesis; +W: ə > u; \*y > Ø<sup>y</sup>; +Y: ts > tʃ; lexical-final \*a > ə2. \*ɣ<sup>w</sup> > g<sup>w</sup>; \*dz > ts; ə-epenthesis; +W: ə > u; \*y > y<sup>y</sup> > i; +Y: ts > tʃ; \*r > l (in Kirya)

## rain

PCC \*(ma-, na-) **v(a)na** (-y, -k<sup>w</sup>, -n)

BATA

|        |                                  |                      |                          |   |
|--------|----------------------------------|----------------------|--------------------------|---|
|        |                                  |                      | √ C Ca                   |   |
| Gude   | <i>vəna</i>                      | *vna                 | *vna(-k <sup>w</sup> -n) | 1 |
| Sharwa | <i>v<sup>w</sup>ənə</i>          | *vna-Ø <sup>w</sup>  |                          | 2 |
| Jimi   | <i>vuunən və<sup>w</sup>wnən</i> | *vw <sup>w</sup> n-n |                          | 3 |

<sup>122</sup> According to Gravina (2015), this root is found in languages around the Nigerian Plains area, where it reflects a technological innovation rather than an ancient Proto-Central Chadic root.

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|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------|------------------------|---------------------------------|---|--|
|                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       |                                                                  |                                      |                        | √ CaCa                          |   |  |
| Tsuvan                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                | v <sup>w</sup> ene v <sup>w</sup> a <sup>y</sup> na <sup>y</sup> | *vana-Ø <sup>y</sup> -Ø <sup>w</sup> | *vana-y-k <sup>w</sup> | *vana-y-k <sup>w</sup>          | 4 |  |
| 1. ə-epenthesis<br>2. *k <sup>w</sup> > Ø <sup>w</sup> ; +W: *v > v <sup>w</sup> ; ə-epenthesis; lexical-final *a > ə<br>3. *k <sup>w</sup> > w <sup>w</sup> ; metathesis wn > nw; ə-epenthesis; +W: *ə > u; lexical-final *a > ə<br>4. *y > Ø <sup>y</sup> ; *k <sup>w</sup> > Ø <sup>w</sup> ; +W: *v > v <sup>w</sup> ; +Y: *a > e |                                                                  |                                      |                        |                                 |   |  |
| DABA                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  |                                                                  |                                      |                        |                                 |   |  |
| Buwal                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 | van                                                              | *van                                 | *vanØ                  | *(ma-na-)vana(-k <sup>w</sup> ) |   |  |
| Daba                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  | van                                                              |                                      |                        |                                 |   |  |
| Mbudum                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                | vanj                                                             | *vanj                                | *vanØ-k                |                                 | 1 |  |
| Gavar                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 | manavan                                                          | *ma-na-van                           | *ma-na-vanØ            |                                 |   |  |
| 1. *k <sup>w</sup> > k; fusion *nk > ŋ                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                |                                                                  |                                      |                        |                                 |   |  |
| HURZA                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 |                                                                  |                                      |                        |                                 |   |  |
| Mbuko                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 | iven ə <sup>y</sup> va <sup>y</sup> n                            | *Øa-van-Ø <sup>y</sup>               | *ma-vanØ-y             | *ma-vana-y(-k <sup>w</sup> )    | 1 |  |
| Vame                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  | avej ava <sup>y</sup> ŋ                                          | *Øa-van-Ø <sup>y</sup>               | *ma-vanØ-y-k           |                                 | 2 |  |
| 1. prefixal *a > ə; *y > Ø <sup>y</sup> ; +Y: ə > i; +Y: *a > e<br>2. *y > Ø <sup>y</sup> ; +Y: *a > e; *k <sup>w</sup> > k; fusion *nk > ŋ                                                                                                                                                                                           |                                                                  |                                      |                        |                                 |   |  |
| MARGI                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 |                                                                  |                                      |                        |                                 |   |  |
| Margi                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 | padə                                                             | *padə                                | *pada                  | *vana                           | 1 |  |
| Kilba                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 | par                                                              | *par                                 | *parØ                  |                                 | 2 |  |
| 1. *v (> b) > p; *n (> r) > d; lexical-final *a > ə<br>2. *v (> b) > p; *n > r                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        |                                                                  |                                      |                        |                                 |   |  |
| MOFU                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  |                                                                  |                                      |                        |                                 |   |  |
|                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       |                                                                  |                                      |                        | √ C Ca                          |   |  |
| Ouldeme                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               | avər                                                             | *a-vr                                | *Øa-vrØ                | *ma-vna                         | 1 |  |
| Muyang                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                | avər                                                             |                                      |                        |                                 | 1 |  |
|                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       |                                                                  |                                      |                        | √ CaCa                          |   |  |
| Moloko                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                | var                                                              | *var                                 | *varØ                  | *vana                           | 2 |  |
| Mofu-Gudur                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            | var                                                              |                                      |                        |                                 | 2 |  |
| 1. *n > r; ə-epenthesis<br>2. *n > r                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  |                                                                  |                                      |                        |                                 |   |  |
| MAROUA                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                |                                                                  |                                      |                        |                                 |   |  |
| Giziga-Marva                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          | von va <sup>w</sup> n                                            | *van-Ø <sup>w</sup>                  | *vanØ-k <sup>w</sup>   | *vana-k <sup>w</sup>            | 1 |  |
| 1. *k <sup>w</sup> > Ø <sup>w</sup> ; +W: *a > o                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      |                                                                  |                                      |                        |                                 |   |  |
| HIGI                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  |                                                                  |                                      |                        |                                 |   |  |
| Kamwe-Nkafa                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           | va                                                               | *va                                  | *vaØØ                  | *vana                           |   |  |
| Kamwe-Futu                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            | va                                                               |                                      |                        |                                 |   |  |
| Psikye                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                | va                                                               |                                      |                        |                                 |   |  |
| Kirya                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 | van                                                              | *van                                 | *vanØ                  |                                 |   |  |
| Bana                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  | van                                                              |                                      |                        |                                 |   |  |
| MUSGUM                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                |                                                                  |                                      |                        |                                 |   |  |
| Vulum                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 | fanj                                                             | *fanj                                | *fanØ-k                | *vana-k <sup>w</sup>            | 1 |  |
| Mulwi                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 | fanj                                                             |                                      |                        |                                 | 1 |  |
| 1. *v > f; *k <sup>w</sup> > k; fusion *nk > ŋ                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        |                                                                  |                                      |                        |                                 |   |  |

## GIDAR

|                                                                       |                                |                     |                     |                     |   |
|-----------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------|---------------------|---------------------|---------------------|---|
| Gidar                                                                 | <i>buna</i> bə <sup>w</sup> na | *bna-Ø <sup>w</sup> | *bna-k <sup>w</sup> | *vna-k <sup>w</sup> | 1 |
| 1. *v > b; ə-epenthesis; *k <sup>w</sup> > Ø <sup>w</sup> ; +W: ə > u |                                |                     |                     |                     |   |

rainbow, drought, famine<sup>123</sup>PCC \*(ma-) k<sup>w</sup>(a)ra (-a, -y, -x)

## DABA

|                                                           |                                                |                         |                            |                              |   |
|-----------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------|-------------------------|----------------------------|------------------------------|---|
| Buwal                                                     | <i>k<sup>w</sup>alay</i>                       | *k <sup>w</sup> al-ay   | *k <sup>w</sup> alØ-a-y    | *(ma-)k <sup>w</sup> ara-a-y | 1 |
| Mbudum                                                    | <i>kolay</i> k <sup>w</sup> a <sup>w</sup> lay |                         |                            |                              | 2 |
| Gavar                                                     | <i>ηk<sup>w</sup>alay</i> ηk <sup>w</sup> alay | *η-k <sup>w</sup> al-ay | *mØ-k <sup>w</sup> alØ-a-y |                              | 3 |
| 1. *r > l                                                 |                                                |                         |                            |                              |   |
| 2. *r > l; +W: *a > o                                     |                                                |                         |                            |                              |   |
| 3. *r > l; homorganic assimilation *m > η/ k <sup>w</sup> |                                                |                         |                            |                              |   |

## MAFA

|           |                          |                       |                         |                         |   |
|-----------|--------------------------|-----------------------|-------------------------|-------------------------|---|
| Mafa      | <i>k<sup>w</sup>aray</i> | *k <sup>w</sup> ar-ay | *k <sup>w</sup> arØ-a-y | *k <sup>w</sup> ara-a-y | 1 |
| Cuvok     | <i>k<sup>w</sup>alay</i> | *k <sup>w</sup> al-ay | *k <sup>w</sup> alØ-a-y |                         |   |
| 1. *r > l |                          |                       |                         |                         |   |

## HURZA

|                                    |                                                |                      |                        |                        |   |
|------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------|----------------------|------------------------|------------------------|---|
| Mbuko                              | <i>kulay</i> k <sup>w</sup> ə <sup>w</sup> lay | *k <sup>w</sup> l-ay | *k <sup>w</sup> lØ-a-y | *k <sup>w</sup> ra-a-y | 1 |
| 1. *r > l; ə-epenthesis; +W: ə > u |                                                |                      |                        |                        |   |

## MOFU

|                                                                                                     |                                                |                          |                            |                                  |   |
|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------|--------------------------|----------------------------|----------------------------------|---|
|                                                                                                     |                                                |                          |                            | √ C Ca                           |   |
| Dugwor                                                                                              | <i>kulay</i> k <sup>w</sup> ə <sup>w</sup> lay | k <sup>w</sup> l-ay      | *k <sup>w</sup> lØ-a-y     | *(ma-)k <sup>w</sup> ra(-a-y/-x) | 1 |
| Gemzek                                                                                              | <i>kula</i> k <sup>w</sup> ə <sup>w</sup> la   | *k <sup>w</sup> la       |                            |                                  | 1 |
|                                                                                                     | <i>makəlah</i>                                 | *ma-kla-x                |                            |                                  | 2 |
| Merey                                                                                               | <i>makəlah</i>                                 |                          |                            |                                  | 2 |
| Zulgo                                                                                               | <i>makəlah</i>                                 |                          |                            |                                  | 2 |
|                                                                                                     |                                                |                          |                            | √ CaCa                           |   |
| Mofu North                                                                                          | <i>k<sup>w</sup>alay</i>                       | *k <sup>w</sup> al-ay    | *k <sup>w</sup> alØ-a-y    | *(ma-)k <sup>w</sup> ara(-a-y)   | 3 |
| Mofu-Gudur                                                                                          | <i>k<sup>w</sup>alay</i>                       |                          |                            |                                  | 3 |
| Moloko                                                                                              | <i>kolay</i> k <sup>w</sup> a <sup>w</sup> lay |                          |                            |                                  | 4 |
| Ouldeme                                                                                             | <i>mak<sup>w</sup>alay</i>                     | *ma-k <sup>w</sup> al-ay | *ma-k <sup>w</sup> alØ-a-y |                                  | 3 |
| Muyang                                                                                              | <i>mak<sup>w</sup>al</i>                       | *ma-k <sup>w</sup> al    | *ma-k <sup>w</sup> alØ     |                                  | 3 |
| 1. *r > l; ə-epenthesis; +W: ə > u<br>2. *r > l; ə-epenthesis<br>3. *r > l<br>4. *r > l; +W: *a > o |                                                |                          |                            |                                  |   |

<sup>123</sup> Semantically, in some CC languages ‘rainbow’ is explained to stand for the stopping of rainfall leading into dry periods, which potentially entail drought and famine. Note the almost identical reconstruction for the verb ‘refuse, to’ (grammaticalised in some CC languages to ‘without, no(ne)’), which may indicate etymological identity.

## MAROUA

|                      |                                                |                       |                         |                         |   |
|----------------------|------------------------------------------------|-----------------------|-------------------------|-------------------------|---|
| Giziga-Muturwa       | <i>k<sup>w</sup>alay</i>                       | *k <sup>w</sup> al-ay | *k <sup>w</sup> alØ-a-y | *k <sup>w</sup> ara-a-y | 1 |
| Giziga-Marva         | <i>kolay</i> k <sup>w</sup> a <sup>w</sup> lay |                       |                         |                         | 2 |
| 1. *r > l            |                                                |                       |                         |                         |   |
| 2. *r > l; +W: a > o |                                                |                       |                         |                         |   |

## rainy season

PCC \*vya (-k<sup>w</sup>, -n; FV)

## BATA

|              |                    |         |             |   |
|--------------|--------------------|---------|-------------|---|
| Gude         | <i>vyanə</i> vyanə | *vya-na | *vya(-n(a)) | 1 |
| Jimi         | <i>vyan</i>        | *vya-n  |             |   |
| Sharwa       | <i>vya</i>         | *vya    |             |   |
| 1. FV *a > ə |                    |         |             |   |

## DABA

|                                                  |            |                    |      |   |
|--------------------------------------------------|------------|--------------------|------|---|
| Buwal                                            | vəya       | *vya               | *vya | 1 |
| Gavar                                            | viya və'yə | *vy <sup>y</sup> a |      | 2 |
| Mbudum                                           | viya və'yə |                    |      | 2 |
| Daba                                             | viya və'yə |                    |      | 2 |
| 1. ə-epenthesis                                  |            |                    |      |   |
| 2. ə-epenthesis; *y > y <sup>y</sup> ; +Y: ə > i |            |                    |      |   |

## MAFA

|                                                  |                                |                    |      |   |
|--------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------|--------------------|------|---|
| Mafa                                             | <i>viya</i> və <sup>y</sup> ya | *vy <sup>y</sup> a | *vya | 1 |
| Cuvok                                            | <i>viya</i> və <sup>y</sup> ya |                    |      | 1 |
| 1. ə-epenthesis; *y > y <sup>y</sup> ; +Y: ə > i |                                |                    |      |   |

## SUKUR

|           |              |     |      |      |   |
|-----------|--------------|-----|------|------|---|
| Sukur     | <i>vi</i> vy | *vy | *vyØ | *vya | 1 |
| 1. *y > i |              |     |      |      |   |

## HURZA

|                                                  |                                |                    |      |   |
|--------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------|--------------------|------|---|
| Mbuko                                            | <i>viya</i> və <sup>y</sup> ya | *vy <sup>y</sup> a | *vya | 1 |
| 1. ə-epenthesis; *y > y <sup>y</sup> ; +Y: ə > i |                                |                    |      |   |

## MARGI

|                                                                                                              |                                                          |                                   |                        |   |
|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------|------------------------|---|
| Margi                                                                                                        | <i>viya</i> və <sup>y</sup> ya                           | *vy <sup>y</sup> a                | *vya(-k <sup>w</sup> ) | 1 |
| Bura                                                                                                         | <i>viya</i> və <sup>y</sup> ya                           |                                   |                        | 1 |
|                                                                                                              | <i>avīya</i> avə <sup>y</sup> ya                         |                                   |                        | 2 |
| Margi-South                                                                                                  | <i>v<sup>w</sup>iya</i> v <sup>w</sup> ə <sup>y</sup> ya | *vy <sup>y</sup> a-Ø <sup>w</sup> |                        | 3 |
|                                                                                                              | <i>viya</i> və <sup>w</sup> ya                           | *vya-Ø <sup>w</sup>               | *vya-k <sup>w</sup>    | 4 |
| Kilba                                                                                                        | <i>uvuya</i> ə <sup>w</sup> və <sup>w</sup> ya           |                                   |                        | 5 |
| 1. ə-epenthesis; *y > y <sup>y</sup> ; +Y: ə > i                                                             |                                                          |                                   |                        |   |
| 2. a-prothesis; ə-epenthesis; *y > y <sup>y</sup> ; +Y: ə > i                                                |                                                          |                                   |                        |   |
| 3. ə-epenthesis *k <sup>w</sup> > Ø <sup>w</sup> ; +W: *v > v <sup>w</sup> ; *y > y <sup>y</sup> ; +Y: ə > i |                                                          |                                   |                        |   |
| 4. ə-epenthesis; +*k <sup>w</sup> > Ø <sup>w</sup> ; W: ə > u                                                |                                                          |                                   |                        |   |
| 5. ə-prothesis; ə-epenthesis; *k <sup>w</sup> > Ø <sup>w</sup> ; +W: ə > u                                   |                                                          |                                   |                        |   |

## MANDARA

|                                                                        |                   |               |                |                  |   |
|------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------|---------------|----------------|------------------|---|
| Matal                                                                  | <i>vʲya vəʲya</i> | <i>*vyʲa</i>  | <i>*vya</i>    | <i>*vya(-kʷ)</i> | 1 |
| Podoko                                                                 | <i>viya vəʲya</i> |               |                |                  | 1 |
| Malgwa                                                                 | <i>viya vəʲya</i> |               |                |                  | 1 |
| Mandara                                                                | <i>via vya</i>    | <i>*vya</i>   |                |                  | 2 |
| Glavda                                                                 | <i>viak vyak</i>  | <i>*vya-k</i> | <i>*vya-kʷ</i> |                  | 3 |
| 1. ə-epenthesis; *y > yʲ; +Y: ə > i<br>2. *y > i<br>3. *kʷ > k; *y > i |                   |               |                |                  |   |

## MOFU

|                                                                            |                                          |                           |                           |                             |   |
|----------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------|---------------------------|---------------------------|-----------------------------|---|
| Muyang                                                                     | <i>vi vy</i>                             | <i>*vy</i>                | <i>*vyØ</i>               | <i>*vya(-k<sup>w</sup>)</i> | 1 |
| Moloko                                                                     | <i>vəya</i>                              | <i>*vya</i>               |                           |                             | 2 |
| Dugwor                                                                     | <i>viya və<sup>y</sup>ya</i>             | <i>*vy<sup>y</sup>a</i>   | <i>*vya</i>               |                             | 3 |
| Zulgo                                                                      | <i>viye və<sup>y</sup>ya<sup>y</sup></i> |                           |                           |                             | 3 |
| Gemzek                                                                     | <i>viye və<sup>y</sup>ya<sup>y</sup></i> |                           |                           |                             | 3 |
| Ouldeme                                                                    | <i>viyo və<sup>y</sup>ya<sup>w</sup></i> | <i>*vya-Ø<sup>w</sup></i> | <i>*vya-k<sup>w</sup></i> |                             | 4 |
| Mofu North                                                                 | <i>piya pə<sup>y</sup>ya</i>             | <i>*py<sup>y</sup>a</i>   | <i>*pya</i>               |                             | 5 |
| Mofu-Gudur                                                                 | <i>piya pə<sup>y</sup>ya</i>             |                           |                           | 5                           |   |
| 1. *y > i                                                                  |                                          |                           |                           |                             |   |
| 2. ə-epenthesis                                                            |                                          |                           |                           |                             |   |
| 3. ə-epenthesis; *y > y <sup>y</sup> ; +Y: ə > i; +Y: lexical-final *a > e |                                          |                           |                           |                             |   |
| 4. *k <sup>w</sup> > Ø <sup>w</sup> ; +W: lexical-final *a > o             |                                          |                           |                           |                             |   |
| 5. *v (> b) > p; ə-epenthesis; *y > y <sup>y</sup> ; +Y: ə > i             |                                          |                           |                           |                             |   |

## MAROUA

|                                                  |                              |                         |             |   |
|--------------------------------------------------|------------------------------|-------------------------|-------------|---|
| Giziga-Muturwa                                   | <i>viya və<sup>h</sup>ya</i> | <i>*vy<sup>h</sup>a</i> | <i>*vya</i> | 1 |
| Giziga-Marva                                     | <i>viya və<sup>h</sup>ya</i> |                         |             | 1 |
| Mbazla                                           | <i>viya və<sup>h</sup>ya</i> |                         |             | 1 |
| 1. ə-epenthesis; *y > y <sup>h</sup> ; +Y: ə > i |                              |                         |             |   |

## LAMANG

|                                     |                   |              |             |   |
|-------------------------------------|-------------------|--------------|-------------|---|
| Lamang                              | <i>viya</i> vəʲya | <i>*vyʲa</i> | <i>*vya</i> | 1 |
| Hdi                                 | <i>viya</i> vəʲya |              |             | 1 |
| 1. ə-epenthesis; *y > yʲ; +Y: ə > i |                   |              |             |   |

## HIGI

|                                     |                   |              |             |   |
|-------------------------------------|-------------------|--------------|-------------|---|
| Kamwe-Futu                          | <i>viya vəʲya</i> | <i>*vyʲa</i> | <i>*vya</i> | 1 |
| Kirya                               | <i>viya vəʲya</i> |              |             | 1 |
| Bana                                | <i>viya vəʲya</i> |              |             | 1 |
| 1. ə-epenthesis; *y > yʲ; +Y: ə > i |                   |              |             |   |

## MUSGUM

|                                                                |                     |              |             |             |   |
|----------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------|--------------|-------------|-------------|---|
| Vulum                                                          | <i>apiya apəʲya</i> | <i>*pyʲa</i> | <i>*pya</i> | <i>*vya</i> | 1 |
| Mbara                                                          | <i>piya pəʲya</i>   |              |             |             | 2 |
| 1. *v (> b) > p; a-prothesis; ə-epenthesis; *y > yʲ; +Y: ə > i |                     |              |             |             |   |
| 2. *v (> b) > p; ə-epenthesis; *y > yʲ; +Y: ə > i              |                     |              |             |             |   |



## ram

PCC \*(ma-) g<sup>w</sup>(a)z(a)ma (-y)

MAFA

|                                     |                 |                     |          |                        |   |
|-------------------------------------|-----------------|---------------------|----------|------------------------|---|
| Cuvok                               | <i>zem za'm</i> | *zam-Ø <sup>y</sup> | *ØzamØ-y | *g <sup>w</sup> zama-y | 1 |
| 1. *y > Ø <sup>y</sup> ; +Y: *a > e |                 |                     |          |                        |   |

MANDARA

|                                         |                 |             |                          |   |
|-----------------------------------------|-----------------|-------------|--------------------------|---|
| Matal                                   | <i>magadzaw</i> | *ma-gadzawØ | *ma-g <sup>w</sup> azama | 1 |
| 1. *g <sup>w</sup> > g; *z > dz; *m > w |                 |             |                          |   |

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|                                                  |                                          |                     |          |                        |   |
|--------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------|---------------------|----------|------------------------|---|
| Mofu North                                       | <i>zem za<sup>y</sup>m</i>               | *zam-Ø <sup>y</sup> | *ØzamØ-y | *g <sup>w</sup> zama-y | 1 |
| Dugwor                                           | <i>azem aza<sup>y</sup>m</i>             |                     |          |                        | 2 |
| Mofu-Gudur                                       | <i>ezem a<sup>y</sup>za<sup>y</sup>m</i> |                     |          |                        | 2 |
| 1. *y > Ø <sup>y</sup> ; +Y: *a > e              |                                          |                     |          |                        |   |
| 2. a-prothesis; *y > Ø <sup>y</sup> ; +Y: *a > e |                                          |                     |          |                        |   |

MAROUA

|                                                                                |                       |                        |         |                         |   |
|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------|------------------------|---------|-------------------------|---|
|                                                                                |                       |                        |         | √ C C Ca                |   |
| Giziga-Marva                                                                   | <i>izim əʔzə'm</i>    | *zm-Ø <sup>y</sup>     | *ØzmØ-y | *g <sup>w</sup> zma-y   | 1 |
|                                                                                |                       |                        |         | √ CaCaCa                |   |
| Mbazla                                                                         | <i>'aʒem ʔaz'a'm</i>  | *ʔazamØ-Ø <sup>y</sup> |         | *g <sup>w</sup> azama-y | 2 |
|                                                                                | <i>'eʒem ʔa'z'a'm</i> |                        |         |                         | 2 |
| 1. ə-prothesis; ə-epenthesis; *y > Ø <sup>y</sup> ; +Y : ə > i                 |                       |                        |         |                         |   |
| 2. *g <sup>w</sup> (> g > k) > ʔ; *y > Ø <sup>y</sup> ; +Y: *z > ʒ; +Y: *a > e |                       |                        |         |                         |   |

KOTOKO-NORTH

|                                                                                                                      |                     |                       |        |                        |   |
|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------|-----------------------|--------|------------------------|---|
|                                                                                                                      |                     |                       |        | √ C C Ca               |   |
| Afade <sup>125</sup>                                                                                                 | <i>s'im sʔə'm</i>   | *sʔm-Ø <sup>y</sup>   | *ʔsm-y | *g <sup>w</sup> zma-y  | 1 |
|                                                                                                                      |                     |                       |        | √ C CaCa               |   |
| Mpade                                                                                                                | <i>sam</i>          | *ØsamØ                |        | *g <sup>w</sup> zama-y | 2 |
| Malgbe                                                                                                               | <i>wiyam wə'yam</i> | *wyamØ-Ø <sup>y</sup> |        |                        | 3 |
| 1. *g <sup>w</sup> (> g > k) > ʔ; *z > s; metathesis ʔs > sʔ (> sʔ ʔ); ə-epenthesis; *y > Ø <sup>y</sup> ; +Y: ə > i |                     |                       |        |                        |   |
| 2. *z > s                                                                                                            |                     |                       |        |                        |   |
| 3. *g <sup>w</sup> > w; *z (> s) > y; ə-epenthesis; *y > Ø <sup>y</sup> ; +Y: ə > i                                  |                     |                       |        |                        |   |

KOTOKO-CENTRAL

|                                                                              |                     |                      |                        |          |   |
|------------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------|----------------------|------------------------|----------|---|
|                                                                              |                     |                      |                        | √ C C Ca |   |
| Lagwan                                                                       | <i>uzimi wza'my</i> | *wzmØ-y <sup>y</sup> | *g <sup>w</sup> zma-y  |          | 1 |
|                                                                              |                     |                      |                        | √ C CaCa |   |
| Mser                                                                         | <i>uzam wzam</i>    | *wzamØ               | *g <sup>w</sup> zama-y |          | 2 |
| 1. *g <sup>w</sup> > w > u; ə-epenthesis; *y > y <sup>y</sup> > i; +Y: ə > i |                     |                      |                        |          |   |
| 2. *g <sup>w</sup> > w > u                                                   |                     |                      |                        |          |   |

<sup>124</sup> For Dugwor and Mofu-Gudur, we assume vowel prothesis based on the original situation of the initial consonant cluster \*g<sup>w</sup>z.

<sup>125</sup> The transcription of initial sʔ could reflect both an underlying glottal cluster sʔ or glottalisation of s > [sʔ] by ʔ-prosody; we here opt for glottal cluster analysis.

## rat

PCC/Areal root<sup>126</sup> \*(ma-, RED-) d(a)w(a)na (-y, -k<sup>w</sup>)

## DABA

|       |                            |                                        |                                         |                              |                  |   |
|-------|----------------------------|----------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------|------------------------------|------------------|---|
| Buwal | <i>ma<sup>a</sup>duwan</i> | <i>ma<sup>a</sup>də<sup>w</sup>wan</i> | <i>*m<sup>n</sup>a-dw<sup>w</sup>an</i> | <i>*m<sup>n</sup>a-dwanØ</i> | <i>*ma-dwana</i> | 1 |
| Daba  | <i>ma<sup>a</sup>dəwan</i> |                                        | <i>*m<sup>n</sup>a-dwanØ</i>            | <i>*m<sup>n</sup>a-dwanØ</i> |                  | 2 |

1. ə-epenthesis; \*m > m<sup>n</sup>; +N: \*d > <sup>n</sup>d; \*w > w<sup>w</sup>; +W: ə > u2. ə-epenthesis; \*m > m<sup>n</sup>; +N: \*d > <sup>n</sup>d

## MAFA

|       |               |                           |                            |                                  |   |
|-------|---------------|---------------------------|----------------------------|----------------------------------|---|
| Mafa  | <i>madəwa</i> | <i>*ma-dwa</i>            | <i>*ma-dwaØØ</i>           | <i>*ma-dwana(-k<sup>w</sup>)</i> | 1 |
|       | <i>maduwa</i> | <i>mədə<sup>w</sup>wa</i> | <i>*ma-dw<sup>w</sup>a</i> |                                  | 2 |
| Cuvok | <i>madwaŋ</i> | <i>*ma-dwaŋ</i>           | <i>*ma-dwanØ-k</i>         |                                  | 3 |

1. ə-epenthesis

2. ə-epenthesis; \*w > w<sup>w</sup>; +W: ə > u3. \*k<sup>w</sup> > k; fusion \*nk > ŋ

## SUKUR

|       |               |                           |                            |                  |   |
|-------|---------------|---------------------------|----------------------------|------------------|---|
| Sukur | <i>mədwan</i> | <i>*m-dwan</i>            | <i>*mØ-dwanØ</i>           | <i>*ma-dwana</i> | 1 |
|       | <i>mudwan</i> | <i>mə<sup>w</sup>dwan</i> | <i>*m-dw<sup>w</sup>an</i> |                  | 2 |

1. ə-epenthesis

2. ə-epenthesis; \*w > w<sup>w</sup>; +W: ə > u

## HURZA

|       |                  |                              |                      |                      |   |
|-------|------------------|------------------------------|----------------------|----------------------|---|
| Mbuko | <i>mədəduwan</i> | <i>*m-d-dw<sup>w</sup>an</i> | <i>*mØ-RED-dwanØ</i> | <i>*ma-RED-dwana</i> | 1 |
|-------|------------------|------------------------------|----------------------|----------------------|---|

1. ə-epenthesis; \*w > w<sup>w</sup>; +W: ə > u

## MANDARA

|        |                 |                  |                  |   |
|--------|-----------------|------------------|------------------|---|
| Podoko | <i>madəwana</i> | <i>*ma-dwana</i> | <i>*ma-dwana</i> | 1 |
|--------|-----------------|------------------|------------------|---|

1. ə-epenthesis

## MOFU

|            |                                                                    |                        |              |                             |                        |
|------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------|--------------|-----------------------------|------------------------|
|            |                                                                    |                        |              | √ C C Ca                    |                        |
| Zulgo      | <i>mediwiŋ</i><br>ma <sup>y</sup> də <sup>w</sup> ə <sup>y</sup> ŋ | *ma-dwŋ-Ø <sup>y</sup> | *ma-dwnØ-y-k | *ma-dwana-y-k <sup>w</sup>  | 1                      |
|            |                                                                    |                        |              | √ C CaCa                    |                        |
| Moloko     | <i>mədəwan</i>                                                     | *m-dwan                | *mØ-dwanØ    | *ma-dwana(-k <sup>w</sup> ) | 2                      |
| Muyang     | <i>madwaŋ</i>                                                      | *ma-dwaŋ               | *ma-dwanØ-k  |                             | 3                      |
| Gemzek     | <i>maduwaŋ</i><br>madə <sup>w</sup> waŋ                            | *ma-dw <sup>w</sup> aŋ |              |                             | 4                      |
| Merey      | <i>maduwaŋ</i><br>madə <sup>w</sup> waŋ                            |                        |              |                             | 4                      |
| Mofu-Gudur | <i>ma<sup>n</sup>dəwaŋ</i>                                         |                        |              |                             | *ma- <sup>n</sup> dwaŋ |

1. metathesis yk<sup>w</sup> > k<sup>w</sup>y; \*k<sup>w</sup> > k; fusion \*nk > ŋ; ə-epenthesis; \*y > Ø<sup>y</sup>; +Y: ə > i

2. ə-epenthesis

1. metathesis yk<sup>w</sup> > k<sup>w</sup>y; \*k<sup>w</sup> > k; fusion \*nk > ŋ; ə-epenthesis; \*y > Ø<sup>y</sup>; +Y: ə > i

2. ə-epenthesis

<sup>126</sup> The geographically restricted distribution of this root suggests an areal origin rather than stemming from PCC.

3. \*k<sup>w</sup> > k; fusion \*nk > ŋ  
 4. ə-epenthesis; \*w > w<sup>w</sup>; +W: ə > u; \*k<sup>w</sup> > k; fusion \*nk > ŋ  
 5. ə-epenthesis; \*k<sup>w</sup> > k; fusion \*nk > ŋ, \*m > m<sup>n</sup>; +N: \*d > nd

razor<sub>1</sub>PCC \*p(a)d(a)k<sup>w</sup>a (-y, -d)

BATA

|                                                  |                                                 |                                    |                                    |   |
|--------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------|------------------------------------|---|
| Gude                                             | <i>pidək<sup>w</sup>a</i> pə'dək <sup>w</sup> a | *pdk <sup>w</sup> a-Ø <sup>y</sup> | *pd <sup>k</sup> w <sup>a</sup> -y | 1 |
| 1. ə-epenthesis; *y > Ø <sup>y</sup> ; +Y: ə > i |                                                 |                                    |                                    |   |

DABA

|        |                                                          |                                    |                        |   |
|--------|----------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------|------------------------|---|
|        |                                                          |                                    | √ C C Ca               |   |
| Mbudum | <i>p<sup>y</sup>dēd' p<sup>y</sup>dā'y'd'</i>            | *pdā-Ø <sup>y</sup> -d'            | *pdØa-y-d'             | 1 |
|        |                                                          |                                    | √ C CaCa               |   |
| Buwal  | <i>pədək<sup>w</sup> pəda'y<sup>w</sup>k<sup>w</sup></i> | *pdak <sup>w</sup> -Ø <sup>y</sup> | *pdāk <sup>w</sup> Ø-y | 2 |
| Daba   | <i>pidek pə'da'y<sup>k</sup></i>                         | *pdak-Ø <sup>y</sup>               | *pdākØ-y               | 3 |

1. \*y > Ø<sup>y</sup>; +Y: \*a > e  
 2. \*d' > d (transcription error d = d' or d' > d ?); ə-epenthesis; \*y > Ø<sup>y</sup>; +Y: \*a > e;  
 3. \*d' > d (transcription error d = d' or d' > d ?); ə-epenthesis; \*y > Ø<sup>y</sup>; +Y: ə > i; +Y: \*a > e

MAFA

|                                                   |                                                          |                                    |                        |                        |   |
|---------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------|------------------------|------------------------|---|
| Cuvok                                             | <i>pədək<sup>w</sup> pəda'y<sup>w</sup>k<sup>w</sup></i> | *pdāk <sup>w</sup> -Ø <sup>y</sup> | *pdāk <sup>w</sup> Ø-y | *pdāk <sup>w</sup> a-y | 1 |
| 1. ə-epenthesis; *y > Ø <sup>y</sup> ; +Y: *a > e |                                                          |                                    |                        |                        |   |

SUKUR

|                      |                                        |                                     |                                    |   |
|----------------------|----------------------------------------|-------------------------------------|------------------------------------|---|
|                      |                                        |                                     | √ C C Ca                           |   |
| Sukur <sup>127</sup> | <i>pidik'u</i> pə'ydə'y <sup>k</sup> w | *pdk <sup>w</sup> Ø-Ø <sup>y</sup>  | *pd <sup>k</sup> w <sup>a</sup> -y | 1 |
|                      |                                        |                                     | √ C CaCa                           |   |
|                      | <i>pidoek'</i> pə'yda'y <sup>w</sup> k | *pdāk <sup>w</sup> Ø-Ø <sup>y</sup> | *pdāk <sup>w</sup> a-y             | 2 |

1. ə-epenthesis; \*y > Ø<sup>y</sup>; +Y: \*ə > i; re-segmentalisation \*k<sup>w</sup> > k+w; w > u (for glottalisation of final k, see footnote 127)  
 2. ə-epenthesis; \*y > Ø<sup>y</sup>; +Y: \*ə > i; +Y+W: \*a > ə (for glottalisation of final k, see footnote 127)

HURZA

|                                                     |                                  |                                     |                        |   |
|-----------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------|-------------------------------------|------------------------|---|
| Mbuko                                               | <i>pədək pəda'y<sup>w</sup>k</i> | *pdāk <sup>w</sup> Ø-Ø <sup>y</sup> | *pdāk <sup>w</sup> a-y | 1 |
| 1. ə-epenthesis; *y > Ø <sup>y</sup> ; +Y+W: *a > ə |                                  |                                     |                        |   |

MARGI

|                                                                                                |                       |                                     |                                     |   |
|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------|-------------------------------------|-------------------------------------|---|
| Bura                                                                                           | <i>perku</i> pa'rkw   | *park <sup>w</sup> a-Ø <sup>y</sup> | *pad <sup>k</sup> w <sup>a</sup> -y | 1 |
|                                                                                                | <i>p'erku</i> p'a'rkw |                                     |                                     | 2 |
| 1. *d' > r; re-segmentalisation *k <sup>w</sup> > k+w; w > u; *y > Ø <sup>y</sup> ; +Y: *a > e |                       |                                     |                                     |   |

<sup>127</sup> The two Sukur forms given in the database pose problems for the interpretation of transcription and analysis. If *pidik'u* was a correct transcription and k' symbolised a glottal velar, the co-occurrence of two different glottal consonants within the same word must be considered highly unusual in (Central) Chadic languages. Comparative evidence strongly supports C<sub>2</sub> to be glottalised \*d'. If, however, *pidoek'* was a correct transcription, the problem would not arise and this form would testify to glottalisation prosody via re-segmentalisation: \*d' > d+ʔ, ʔ > Ø<sup>ʔ</sup>, +ʔ: \*k<sup>w</sup> > k<sup>wʔ</sup>.

|                                                                                                                                                    |                                                                                          |                                    |                         |                                    |   |
|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------|-------------------------|------------------------------------|---|
| 2. *d' > r; re-segmentalisation *k <sup>w</sup> > k+w; w > u; *y > Ø <sup>y</sup> ; +Y: *a > e; +Y: p > p <sup>y</sup>                             |                                                                                          |                                    |                         |                                    |   |
| MANDARA                                                                                                                                            |                                                                                          |                                    |                         |                                    |   |
| Matal                                                                                                                                              | <i>p<sup>ɔ</sup>d<sup>ɛ</sup>k<sup>w</sup> p<sup>d</sup>'a<sup>y</sup>k<sup>w</sup></i>  | *pdāk <sup>w</sup> -Ø <sup>y</sup> |                         | *pdāk <sup>w</sup> a-y             | 1 |
| 1. *y > Ø <sup>y</sup> ; +Y: *d' > d <sup>y</sup> ; +Y: *a > E                                                                                     |                                                                                          |                                    |                         |                                    |   |
| MOFU                                                                                                                                               |                                                                                          |                                    |                         |                                    |   |
| Mofu-Gudur                                                                                                                                         | <i>p<sup>ɔ</sup>d<sup>ɛ</sup>k<sup>w</sup> p<sup>d</sup>'a<sup>y</sup>k<sup>w</sup></i>  | *pdāk <sup>w</sup> -Ø <sup>y</sup> | *pdāk <sup>w</sup> -Ø-y | *pdāk <sup>w</sup> a-y             | 1 |
| 1. ə-epenthesis; *y > Ø <sup>y</sup> ; +Y: *a > e                                                                                                  |                                                                                          |                                    |                         |                                    |   |
| LAMANG                                                                                                                                             |                                                                                          |                                    |                         |                                    |   |
| Lamang                                                                                                                                             | <i>paka</i>                                                                              | *pØaka                             |                         | *pdāk <sup>w</sup> a               | 1 |
| 1. *k <sup>w</sup> > k                                                                                                                             |                                                                                          |                                    |                         |                                    |   |
| HIGI                                                                                                                                               |                                                                                          |                                    |                         |                                    |   |
| Kamwe-Futu                                                                                                                                         | <i>p<sup>ɔ</sup>d<sup>i</sup> p<sup>ɔ</sup>d<sup>y</sup></i>                             | *pd <sup>i</sup> -y                | *pdØØ-y                 | *pd <sup>k</sup> w <sup>a</sup> -y | 1 |
| Bana                                                                                                                                               | <i>p<sup>i</sup>r<sup>ə</sup> p<sup>ə</sup>'r<sup>ə</sup></i>                            | *pra-Ø <sup>y</sup>                | *prØa-y                 |                                    | 2 |
| Kirya                                                                                                                                              | <i>p<sup>i</sup>r<sup>u</sup>k<sup>u</sup> p<sup>ə</sup>'r<sup>ə</sup>w<sup>k</sup>w</i> | *prk <sup>w</sup> -Ø <sup>y</sup>  | *prk <sup>w</sup> -Ø-y  |                                    | 3 |
| 1. ə-epenthesis; *y > i                                                                                                                            |                                                                                          |                                    |                         |                                    |   |
| 2. *d' > r; ə-epenthesis; *y > Ø <sup>y</sup> ; +Y: ə > i; lexical-final *a > ə                                                                    |                                                                                          |                                    |                         |                                    |   |
| 3. *d' > r; ə-epenthesis; re-segmentalisation *k <sup>w</sup> > k+w <sup>w</sup> ; w <sup>w</sup> > u; *+W: ə > u; y > Ø <sup>y</sup> ; +Y: ə > i; |                                                                                          |                                    |                         |                                    |   |

razor<sub>2</sub>Loan<sup>128</sup> \*b(a)la (-y)

## MARGI

|                                     |                 |                     |         |         |   |
|-------------------------------------|-----------------|---------------------|---------|---------|---|
| Bura                                | <i>bel ba'l</i> | *bal-Ø <sup>y</sup> | *balØ-y | *bala-y | 1 |
| 1. *y > Ø <sup>y</sup> ; +Y: *a > e |                 |                     |         |         |   |

## MANDARA

|         |                              |                     |        |   |
|---------|------------------------------|---------------------|--------|---|
| Mandara | <i>bila bə<sup>y</sup>la</i> | *bla-Ø <sup>y</sup> | *bla-y | 1 |
|         |                              |                     |        |   |

1. ə-epenthesis; \*y > Ø<sup>y</sup>; +Y: ə > i

## MOFU

|                      |                                              |                     |          |   |
|----------------------|----------------------------------------------|---------------------|----------|---|
|                      |                                              |                     | √ C Ca   |   |
| Ouldeme              | <i>bila bə<sup>y</sup>la</i>                 | *bla-Ø <sup>y</sup> | *bla-y   | 1 |
| Mofu North           | <i>bila bə<sup>y</sup>la</i>                 |                     |          | 1 |
| Mofu-Gudur           | <i>bila bə<sup>y</sup>la</i>                 |                     |          | 1 |
|                      |                                              |                     | √ C C Ca |   |
| Zulgo <sup>129</sup> | <i>biyila bə<sup>y</sup>yə<sup>y</sup>la</i> | *by <sup>y</sup> la | *byla    | 2 |

1. ə-epenthesis; \*y > Ø<sup>y</sup>; +Y: ə > i2. ə-epenthesis; \*y > y<sup>y</sup>; +Y: ə > i

<sup>128</sup> This obvious loan *beli* from Kanuri (partly via Fulfulde *belihti*) has been adapted to Central Chadic phonology and is treated as if it were a retention from PCC (i.e. a 'Pseudo'-PCC root). Its likely integration would have been via \*b(a)l<sub>3</sub>a-y, but since no documented modern CC language has retained l<sub>3</sub>, we refrain from reconstructing \*l<sub>3</sub> but opt for the borrowed phoneme \*l instead.

<sup>129</sup> Zulgo appears to be unique insofar as it obviously reanalyses the root to be triradical of the root type √ C C Ca, namely \*b<sub>3</sub>yla. Note that bil(a) could also be analysed as reflecting such trilateral structure.

## KOTOKO-NORTH

|        |                   |         |        |   |
|--------|-------------------|---------|--------|---|
| Afade  | <i>bil</i> bəʔl   | *bl-Øʏ  | *bla-y | 1 |
| Mpade  | <i>bil</i> bəʔl   |         |        | 1 |
| Malgbe | <i>bila</i> bəʔla | *bla-Øʏ |        | 1 |

1. ə-epenthesis; \*y &gt; Øʏ; +Y: ə &gt; i

## KOTOKO-CENTRAL

|        |                 |         |         |   |
|--------|-----------------|---------|---------|---|
| Lagwan | <i>bel</i> baʔl | *bal-Øʏ | *bala-y | 1 |
| Mser   | <i>bel</i> baʔl |         |         | 1 |

1. \*y &gt; Øʏ; +Y: \*a &gt; e

## MUSGUM

|       |                    |          |         |   |
|-------|--------------------|----------|---------|---|
| Mbara | <i>bele</i> baʔlaʏ | *bala-Øʏ | *bala-y | 1 |
|-------|--------------------|----------|---------|---|

1. \*y &gt; Øʏ; +Y: \*a &gt; e

refuse, to<sup>130</sup>PCC \*(ma-) **k<sup>w</sup>(a)ra** (-y, -n, -x; FV)

## BATA

|      |                               |            |         |                               |   |
|------|-------------------------------|------------|---------|-------------------------------|---|
| Gude | <i>kaaree</i> karaʏ           | *kara-Øʏ   | *kara-y | *k <sup>w</sup> ara-y/-na(-n) | 1 |
| Jimi | <i>karanən</i> <sup>131</sup> | *kara-na-n |         |                               | 2 |

1. \*k<sup>w</sup> > k; \*y > Øʏ; +Y: lexical-final \*a > e (vowel length remains unaccounted for)2. \*k<sup>w</sup> > k; FV \*a > ə

## DABA

|       |             |         |                        |                        |   |
|-------|-------------|---------|------------------------|------------------------|---|
| Gavar | <i>ɣkal</i> | *ɣ-kalØ | *mØ-k <sup>w</sup> ala | *ma-k <sup>w</sup> ara | 1 |
|-------|-------------|---------|------------------------|------------------------|---|

1. \*r > l; \*k<sup>w</sup> > k; homorganic assimilation \*m > ɣ/\_k

## SUKUR

|       |            |       |                     |   |
|-------|------------|-------|---------------------|---|
| Sukur | <i>kar</i> | *karØ | *k <sup>w</sup> ara | 1 |
|-------|------------|-------|---------------------|---|

1. \*k<sup>w</sup> > k

## HURZA

|      |             |      |                    |   |
|------|-------------|------|--------------------|---|
| Vame | <i>kəra</i> | *kra | *k <sup>w</sup> ra | 1 |
|------|-------------|------|--------------------|---|

1. \*k<sup>w</sup> > k; ə-epenthesis

## MANDARA

|         |                         |                     |                     |   |
|---------|-------------------------|---------------------|---------------------|---|
| Podoko  | <i>k<sup>w</sup>ala</i> | *k <sup>w</sup> ala | *k <sup>w</sup> ara | 1 |
| Mandara | <i>k<sup>w</sup>ala</i> |                     |                     | 1 |

1. \*r &gt; l

## MOFU

|         |                        |                     |                         |   |
|---------|------------------------|---------------------|-------------------------|---|
|         |                        |                     | √ C Ca                  |   |
| Merey   | <i>kərah</i>           | *kra-x              | *k <sup>w</sup> ra-x    | 1 |
|         |                        |                     | √ CaCa                  |   |
| Ouldeme | <i>k<sup>w</sup>al</i> | *k <sup>w</sup> alØ | *k <sup>w</sup> ara(-y) | 2 |

<sup>130</sup> See footnote 123 on 'rainbow'.<sup>131</sup> This is a case of double appearance of root-augmentative \*-n, unless we are dealing with a synchronic formative of sorts that found its way into the elicited form of this verb. We must leave a historical analysis of the double occurrence aside.

|                                                                                                            |                                                                    |                      |                     |                       |   |
|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------|---------------------|-----------------------|---|
| Muyang                                                                                                     | <i>keley ka<sup>y</sup>la<sup>y</sup>y</i>                         | *kala-y <sup>y</sup> | *kala-y             |                       | 3 |
| 1. *k <sup>w</sup> > k; ə-epenthesis<br>2. *r > l<br>3. *r > l; *y > y <sup>y</sup> ; +Y: *a > e           |                                                                    |                      |                     |                       |   |
| LAMANG <sup>132</sup>                                                                                      |                                                                    |                      |                     |                       |   |
|                                                                                                            |                                                                    |                      |                     | √ C Ca                |   |
| Hdi                                                                                                        | <i>kul k<sup>w</sup>ə<sup>w</sup>l</i>                             | *k <sup>w</sup> lØ   | *k <sup>w</sup> ra  |                       | 1 |
|                                                                                                            |                                                                    |                      |                     | √ CaCa                |   |
| Lamang                                                                                                     | <i>k<sup>w</sup>ol(o) k<sup>w</sup>a<sup>w</sup>la<sup>w</sup></i> | *k <sup>w</sup> ala  | *k <sup>w</sup> ara |                       | 2 |
| 1. *r > l; ə-epenthesis<br>2. *r > l; +W: *a > o                                                           |                                                                    |                      |                     |                       |   |
| HIGI                                                                                                       |                                                                    |                      |                     |                       |   |
| Kamwe-Nkafa                                                                                                | <i>kəlyə</i>                                                       | *kl-ya               | *klØ-ya             | *k <sup>w</sup> ra-ya | 1 |
|                                                                                                            | <i>kəryə</i>                                                       | *kr-ya               | *krØ-ya             |                       | 2 |
| 1. *k <sup>w</sup> > k; *r > l; ə-epenthesis; FV *a > ə<br>2. *k <sup>w</sup> > k; ə-epenthesis; FV *a > ə |                                                                    |                      |                     |                       |   |

ripen, to

PCC \*(k<sup>w</sup>a-, ma-, ta-) **n(a)xa** (-a, -y, -k<sup>w</sup>, -n; FV)

BATA

|      |            |       |        |          |  |
|------|------------|-------|--------|----------|--|
| Gude | <i>na</i>  | *na   | *nØa   | *nxa(-n) |  |
| Jimi | <i>nan</i> | *na-n | *nØa-n |          |  |

DABA

|                                      |             |       |                       |                         |   |
|--------------------------------------|-------------|-------|-----------------------|-------------------------|---|
| Buwal                                | <i>na</i>   | *na   | *nØa                  | *(k <sup>w</sup> a-)nxa |   |
| Gavar                                | <i>na</i>   |       |                       |                         |   |
| Daba                                 | <i>na</i>   |       |                       |                         |   |
| Mbudum                               | <i>kəna</i> | *k-na | *k <sup>w</sup> Ø-nØa |                         | 1 |
| 1. *k <sup>w</sup> > k; ə-epenthesis |             |       |                       |                         |   |

MAFA

|                                                                |                             |         |          |                     |   |
|----------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------|---------|----------|---------------------|---|
| Cuvok                                                          | <i>nəhay</i>                | *nx-ay  | *nxØ-a-y | *(ma-/ta-)nxa(-a-y) | 1 |
|                                                                | <i>manha</i>                | *ma-nxa |          |                     |   |
| Mafa                                                           | <i><sup>n</sup>dəh ndəx</i> | *ndx    | *tØ-nx   | *ta-nxØ             | 2 |
| 1. ə-epenthesis<br>2. metathesis tn > nt; *t > d; ə-epenthesis |                             |         |          |                     |   |

SUKUR

|                         |            |     |      |      |   |
|-------------------------|------------|-----|------|------|---|
| Sukur                   | <i>nəh</i> | *nx | *nxØ | *nyə | 1 |
| 1. *y > x; ə-epenthesis |            |     |      |      |   |

<sup>132</sup> In LAMANG group languages, and possibly in other CC languages as well, this verb is a likely source for grammaticalisation to yield a negative marker ‘without’ that also functions synchronically to negate conjugational paradigms etc., which we here add from more recent lexicographic sources. As a tentative suggestion, this verb may be etymologically linked to the Hausa particle *kada/kar/kal* (i.e. the grammaticalised marker for negative subjunctive/imperative). The database (Gravina 2015) gives *k<sup>w</sup>alayuta* for Hdi, which is an extended/derived stem of a simple √ CaCa type verb root \*k<sup>w</sup>ala.

## HURZA

|                                             |                    |       |         |         |   |
|---------------------------------------------|--------------------|-------|---------|---------|---|
|                                             |                    |       |         | √ C Ca  |   |
| Vame                                        | <i>*dāha</i> ndəxa | *ndxa | *tØ-nxa | *ta-nxa | 1 |
|                                             |                    |       |         | √ CaCa  |   |
| Mbuko                                       | <i>nah</i>         | *nax  | *naxØ   | *naxa   |   |
| 1. metathesis tn > nt; *t > d; ə-epenthesis |                    |       |         |         |   |

## MARGI

|           |            |      |      |      |   |
|-----------|------------|------|------|------|---|
| Bura      | <i>nya</i> | *nya |      | *nxa | 1 |
| Kilba     | <i>na</i>  | *na  | *nØa |      |   |
| 1. *x > y |            |      |      |      |   |

## MANDARA

|                       |                          |           |             |             |   |
|-----------------------|--------------------------|-----------|-------------|-------------|---|
| Matal                 | <i>mah<sup>h</sup>ay</i> | *ma-xn-ay | *ma-nxØ-a-y | *ma-nxa-a-y | 1 |
| Malgwa                | <i>na</i>                | *na       | *nØa        |             |   |
| 1. metathesis nx > xn |                          |           |             |             |   |

## MOFU

|                                                                                        |                                                                  |                            |                              |                         |   |
|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------|------------------------------|-------------------------|---|
|                                                                                        |                                                                  |                            |                              | √ C Ca                  |   |
| Mofu-Gudur                                                                             | <i>nəh</i>                                                       | *nx                        | *nxØ                         |                         | 1 |
| Ouldeme                                                                                | <i>nuhw</i> nə <sup>w</sup> x <sup>w</sup>                       | *nx-Ø <sup>w</sup>         | *nxØ-k <sup>w</sup>          | *ma-nxa                 | 2 |
|                                                                                        | <i>anuhw</i> anə <sup>w</sup> x <sup>w</sup>                     | *Øa-nx-Ø <sup>w</sup>      | *ma-nxØ-k <sup>w</sup>       | (-a-y/-k <sup>w</sup> ) | 2 |
| Dugwor                                                                                 | <i>mənəhey</i> mənəxa <sup>y</sup>                               | *mØ-nx-ay <sup>y</sup>     | *ma-nxØ-a-y                  |                         | 3 |
|                                                                                        |                                                                  |                            |                              | √ CaCa                  |   |
| Merey                                                                                  | <i>nah</i>                                                       | *nax                       | *naxØ                        |                         |   |
| Moloko                                                                                 | <i>nah</i>                                                       |                            |                              |                         |   |
| Gemzek                                                                                 | <i>manaha</i>                                                    | *ma-naxa                   |                              |                         |   |
|                                                                                        | <i>menəhe</i> ma <sup>y</sup> na <sup>y</sup> xa <sup>y</sup>    | *ma-naxa-Ø <sup>y</sup>    | *ma-naxa-y                   | *ma-nxa                 | 4 |
|                                                                                        | <i>menəhi</i> ma <sup>y</sup> na <sup>y</sup> xy                 | *ma-nax-y <sup>y</sup>     | *ma-naxØ-y                   | (-y/-k <sup>w</sup> -n) | 5 |
| Mada                                                                                   | <i>manah</i>                                                     | *ma-nax                    | *ma-naxØ                     |                         | 6 |
|                                                                                        | <i>menəhey</i> ma <sup>y</sup> na <sup>y</sup> xa <sup>y</sup> ŋ | *ma-naxa-Ø <sup>y</sup> -ŋ | *ma-naxa-y-k <sup>w</sup> -n |                         |   |
| 1. ə-epenthesis                                                                        |                                                                  |                            |                              |                         |   |
| 2. ə-epenthesis; *k <sup>w</sup> > Ø <sup>w</sup> ; +W: x > x <sup>w</sup> ; +W: ə > u |                                                                  |                            |                              |                         |   |
| 3. ə-epenthesis; *y > y <sup>y</sup> ; +Y: *a > e                                      |                                                                  |                            |                              |                         |   |
| 4. *y > Ø <sup>y</sup> ; +Y: *a > e                                                    |                                                                  |                            |                              |                         |   |
| 5. *y > y <sup>y</sup> ; > i; +Y: *a > e                                               |                                                                  |                            |                              |                         |   |
| 6. *y > Ø <sup>y</sup> ; +Y: *a > e; *k <sup>w</sup> > k; kn > ŋ                       |                                                                  |                            |                              |                         |   |

## MAROUA

|                                                                                       |                                      |                           |               |                        |   |
|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------|---------------------------|---------------|------------------------|---|
| Giziga-Muturwa                                                                        | <i>nih(i)</i> nə <sup>y</sup> xy     | *nxa-y <sup>y</sup>       |               | *ma-nxa                | 1 |
| Giziga-Marva                                                                          | <i>mənihan</i> mənə <sup>y</sup> xan | *mØ-nxa-Ø <sup>y</sup> -n | *ma-nxa-y-n   | -y(-k <sup>w</sup> )-n | 2 |
|                                                                                       | <i>mənihaŋ</i> mənə <sup>y</sup> xan | *mØ-nxa-Ø <sup>y</sup> -ŋ | *ma-nxa-y-k-n |                        | 3 |
| 1. ə-epenthesis; *y > y <sup>y</sup> > i; +Y: ə > i                                   |                                      |                           |               |                        |   |
| 2. ə-epenthesis; *y > Ø <sup>y</sup> ; +Y: ə > i                                      |                                      |                           |               |                        |   |
| 3. ə-epenthesis; *y > Ø <sup>y</sup> ; +Y: ə > i; *k <sup>w</sup> > k; fusion *kn > ŋ |                                      |                           |               |                        |   |

## HIGI

|           |             |       |  |       |   |
|-----------|-------------|-------|--|-------|---|
| Psikye    | <i>naka</i> | *naka |  | *naxa | 1 |
| Bana      | <i>naka</i> |       |  |       | 1 |
| 1. *x > k |             |       |  |       |   |

## KOTOKO-ISLAND

|                                                                |                          |                    |                     |                     |   |
|----------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------|---------------------|---------------------|---|
| Buduma                                                         | <i>no na<sup>w</sup></i> | *na-Ø <sup>w</sup> | *nØa-k <sup>w</sup> | *nxa-k <sup>w</sup> | 1 |
| 1. *k <sup>w</sup> > Ø <sup>w</sup> ; +W: lexical-final *a > o |                          |                    |                     |                     |   |

## KOTOKO-NORTH

|                                                                |                                |                        |                         |                             |   |
|----------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------|------------------------|-------------------------|-----------------------------|---|
| Afade                                                          | <i>nona na<sup>w</sup>na</i>   | *na-Ø <sup>w</sup> -na | *nØa-k <sup>w</sup> -na | *nxa(-k <sup>w</sup> -n(a)) | 1 |
| Mpade                                                          | <i>na</i>                      | *na                    | *nØa                    |                             | 2 |
| Malgbe                                                         | <i>nawun nawə<sup>w</sup>n</i> | *na-w <sup>w</sup> -n  | *nØa-k <sup>w</sup> -n  |                             |   |
| 1. *k <sup>w</sup> > Ø <sup>w</sup> ; +W: lexical-final *a > o |                                |                        |                         |                             |   |
| 2. *k <sup>w</sup> > w <sup>w</sup> ; ə-epenthesis; +W: ə > u  |                                |                        |                         |                             |   |

## KOTOKO-CENTRAL

|                                                  |                              |                       |           |           |   |
|--------------------------------------------------|------------------------------|-----------------------|-----------|-----------|---|
|                                                  |                              |                       |           | √ C Ca    |   |
| Mser                                             | <i>tina tə<sup>y</sup>na</i> | *tØ-na-Ø <sup>y</sup> | *ta-nØa-y | *ta-nxa-y | 1 |
|                                                  |                              |                       |           | √ CaCa    |   |
|                                                  | <i>naha</i>                  | *naxa                 |           | *naxa     |   |
| 1. ə-epenthesis; *y > Ø <sup>y</sup> ; +Y: ə > i |                              |                       |           |           |   |

## KOTOKO-SOUTH

|                                                               |                                |                      |                       |                       |   |
|---------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------|----------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|---|
| Zina                                                          | <i>wunha wə<sup>w</sup>nxa</i> | *w <sup>w</sup> -nxa | *k <sup>w</sup> Ø-nxa | *k <sup>w</sup> a-nxa | 1 |
| 1. *k <sup>w</sup> > w <sup>w</sup> ; ə-epenthesis; +W: ə > u |                                |                      |                       |                       |   |

## MUSGUM

|                                                             |                                          |                     |         |         |   |
|-------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------|---------------------|---------|---------|---|
| Mulwi                                                       | <i>niyi nə<sup>y</sup>yə<sup>y</sup></i> | *n-y <sup>y</sup> a | *nØØ-ya | *nxa-ya | 1 |
| 1. ə-epenthesis; FV *a > ə; *y > y <sup>y</sup> ; +Y: ə > i |                                          |                     |         |         |   |

## GIDAR

|                                                              |                                  |                         |                         |                            |   |
|--------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------|-------------------------|-------------------------|----------------------------|---|
| Gidar                                                        | <i>ənaha</i>                     | *Øa-naxa                | *ma-naxa                | *ma-naxa(-k <sup>w</sup> ) | 1 |
|                                                              | <i>unaha</i> ə <sup>w</sup> naxa | *Øa-naxa-Ø <sup>w</sup> | *ma-naxa-k <sup>w</sup> |                            | 2 |
| 1. prefixal *a > ə                                           |                                  |                         |                         |                            |   |
| 2. prefixal *a > ə: *k <sup>w</sup> > Ø <sup>w</sup> : ə > u |                                  |                         |                         |                            |   |

roast, to

PCC \*(ma-) t(a)w(a)sa (-a, -y)

## BATA

|                |             |      |       |       |   |
|----------------|-------------|------|-------|-------|---|
| Gude           | <i>ətsa</i> | *tsa | *tØsa | *twsa | 1 |
| 1. ə-prothesis |             |      |       |       |   |

## MARGI

|       |               |       |        |        |  |
|-------|---------------|-------|--------|--------|--|
| Kilba | <i>tas(a)</i> | *tasa | *taØsa | *tawsa |  |
|-------|---------------|-------|--------|--------|--|

## MOFU

|                                                      |                                    |                        |             |                    |   |
|------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------|------------------------|-------------|--------------------|---|
|                                                      |                                    |                        |             | √ C C Ca           |   |
| Muyang                                               | <i>tusay twsay</i>                 | *tws-ay                | *twsØ-a-y   | *(ma-)twsa((-a)-y) | 1 |
| Gemzek                                               | <i>"dusa ndwsa</i>                 | *n-dwsa                | *mØ-dwsa    |                    | 2 |
| Mofu-Gudur                                           | <i>təs</i>                         | *ts                    | *tØsØ       |                    | 3 |
|                                                      |                                    |                        |             | √ C C CaCa         |   |
| Dugwor                                               | <i>mətasew mətəsə<sup>y</sup>w</i> | *m-tsaw-Ø <sup>y</sup> | *mØ-twəsØ-y | *ma-twasa-y        | 4 |
| 1. *w > u                                            |                                    |                        |             |                    |   |
| 2. *t > d; *w > u; homorganic assimilation *m > n/_d |                                    |                        |             |                    |   |



3. ə-epenthesis

4. ə-epenthesis; metathesis ws > sw; \*y > Ø<sup>y</sup>; +Y: \*a > e

MAROUA

|              |                  |       |  |       |   |
|--------------|------------------|-------|--|-------|---|
| Giziga-Marva | <i>tusa</i> twsa | *twsa |  | *twsa | 1 |
|--------------|------------------|-------|--|-------|---|

1. \*w > u

LAMANG<sup>133</sup>

|        |             |       |          |       |   |
|--------|-------------|-------|----------|-------|---|
|        |             |       | √ C C Ca |       |   |
| Hdi    | <i>fsa</i>  | *fsa  |          | *twsa | 1 |
|        |             |       | √ C CaCa |       |   |
| Lamang | <i>fasa</i> | *fasa |          | *twsa | 1 |

1. fusion \*t+w > f

HIGI

|             |             |       |       |       |   |
|-------------|-------------|-------|-------|-------|---|
| Kamwe-Nkafa | <i>tswā</i> | *tswa | *twsa | *twsa | 1 |
| Kamwe-Futu  | <i>tswa</i> |       |       |       | 1 |
| Kirya       | <i>tswa</i> |       |       |       | 1 |

1. metathesis ws > sw

## root

PCC \*(RED-) **l(a)r(a)ka** (-a, -y, k<sup>w</sup>, -n; FV)

BATA

|                                                                                        |                                          |                      |          |                |   |
|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------|----------------------|----------|----------------|---|
|                                                                                        |                                          |                      | √ C C Ca |                |   |
| Sharwa                                                                                 | <i>lʔərʔəgi lʔərʔəgy</i>                 | *lrgØ-y <sup>y</sup> |          |                | 1 |
| Jimi                                                                                   | <i>lārəgin lārəgyn</i>                   | *lrgØ-y-n            |          | *lрка-y(-n(a)) | 2 |
| Gude                                                                                   | <i>lhārəginə lārəgynə</i>                | *lrgØ-y-na           |          |                | 3 |
|                                                                                        |                                          |                      | √ CaC Ca |                |   |
| Tsuvan                                                                                 | <i>lere la<sup>y</sup>ra<sup>y</sup></i> | *lara-Ø <sup>y</sup> | *larØa-y | *larka-y       | 4 |
| 1. *k > g; ə-epenthesis; *y > y <sup>y</sup> > i; +Y: *l > lʔ; +Y: *r > r <sup>y</sup> |                                          |                      |          |                |   |
| 2. *k > g; ə-epenthesis; *y > i                                                        |                                          |                      |          |                |   |
| 3. *k > g; ə-epenthesis; *y > i; FV *a > ə                                             |                                          |                      |          |                |   |
| 4. *y > Ø <sup>y</sup> ; +Y: *a > e                                                    |                                          |                      |          |                |   |

DABA

|           |                |            |               |              |   |
|-----------|----------------|------------|---------------|--------------|---|
| Buwal     | <i>latalay</i> | *la-lal-ay | *RED-lalØØ-ay | *RED-larka-y | 1 |
| 1. *r > l |                |            |               |              |   |

MAFA

|           |                |            |               |              |   |
|-----------|----------------|------------|---------------|--------------|---|
| Cuvok     | <i>latalay</i> | *la-lal-ay | *RED-lalØØ-ay | *RED-larka-y | 1 |
| 1. *r > l |                |            |               |              |   |

SUKUR

|                                  |                |         |         |   |
|----------------------------------|----------------|---------|---------|---|
| Sukur                            | <i>li ly</i>   | *lØØØ-y | *lɾka-y | 1 |
|                                  | <i>ləi ləy</i> | *lØØa-y |         | 2 |
| 1. *y > i                        |                |         |         |   |
| 2. lexical-final *a > ə : *y > i |                |         |         |   |

<sup>133</sup> If the LAMANG group root was at all cognate, it would testify to a unique fusion of t+w > f.

## HURZA

|                                                                         |                                      |                      |             |   |
|-------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------|----------------------|-------------|---|
| Mbuko                                                                   | <i>ləlay</i> <i>ləlay</i>            | *lɔɔ-a-y             | *lɾka(-a)-y | 1 |
| Vame                                                                    | <i>ləke</i> <i>ləka</i> <sup>y</sup> | *lɪka-Ø <sup>y</sup> |             | 2 |
| 1. *r > l; ə-epenthesis                                                 |                                      |                      |             |   |
| 2. *r > l; ə-epenthesis; *y > Ø <sup>y</sup> ; +Y: lexical-final *a > e |                                      |                      |             |   |

## MANDARA

|                                                                             |                                                   |                        |             |   |
|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------|------------------------|-------------|---|
|                                                                             |                                                   |                        | √ C C Ca    |   |
| Dghwede                                                                     | <i>ləla</i> <i>ləla</i>                           | *lɪɔa                  | *lɾka(-y)   | 1 |
| Matal                                                                       | <i>lil ih</i> <i>lə<sup>y</sup>lə<sup>x</sup></i> | *lɪxØ-Ø <sup>y</sup>   |             | 2 |
|                                                                             |                                                   |                        | √ CaC Ca    |   |
| Mandara                                                                     | <i>ləwe</i> <i>ləwa</i> <sup>y</sup>              | *ləwa-Ø <sup>y</sup>   | *larka-y(a) | 3 |
| Glavda                                                                      | <i>tləliya</i> <i>lələ<sup>y</sup>ya</i>          | *ləlɔa-y <sup>a</sup>  |             | 4 |
|                                                                             |                                                   |                        | √ CaCaCa    |   |
| Malgwa                                                                      | <i>tləlawe</i> <i>ləlawə<sup>y</sup></i>          | *ləlawə-Ø <sup>y</sup> | *lāraka-y   | 5 |
| 1. *r > l; ə-epenthesis                                                     |                                                   |                        |             |   |
| 2. *r > l; *k > x; ə-epenthesis; *y > Ø <sup>y</sup> ; +Y: ə > i; +Y: ə > I |                                                   |                        |             |   |
| 3. *r > l; *k > w; *y > Ø <sup>y</sup> ; +Y: *a > e                         |                                                   |                        |             |   |
| 4. *r > l; ə-epenthesis; *y > y <sup>y</sup> ; +Y: ə > i                    |                                                   |                        |             |   |
| 5. *r > l; *k > w; *y > Ø <sup>y</sup> ; +Y: lexical-final *a > e           |                                                   |                        |             |   |

## MOFU

|                                                                                            |                                                     |                      |                |                          |   |
|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------|----------------------|----------------|--------------------------|---|
|                                                                                            |                                                     |                      |                | √ C C Ca                 |   |
| Ouldeme                                                                                    | <i>likili</i> <i>lə<sup>k</sup>lə<sup>y</sup>ly</i> | *lɪl-y <sup>y</sup>  | *lɪkØ-y        | *(RED-)<br>rka<br>(-a)-y | 1 |
| Gemzek                                                                                     | <i>ləle</i> <i>ləla</i> <sup>y</sup>                | *ləla-Ø <sup>y</sup> | *ləlɔa-y       |                          | 2 |
| Zulgo                                                                                      | <i>ləile</i> <i>lə<sup>y</sup>la<sup>y</sup></i>    |                      |                |                          | 3 |
| Moloko                                                                                     | <i>ləlay</i> <i>ləlay</i>                           | *lɪl-ay              | *lɪɔØ-a-y      |                          | 4 |
| Merey                                                                                      | <i>ləlay</i> <i>ləlay</i>                           | *ləl-ay              | *ləlɔØ-a-y     |                          | 5 |
| Mofu North                                                                                 | <i>ləfay</i> <i>ləfay</i>                           | *lɪf-ay              | *lɪfɔfØ-a-y    |                          | 6 |
| Dugwor                                                                                     | <i>lələlay</i> <i>lələlay</i>                       | *lə-ləl-ay           | *RED-ləlɔØ-a-y |                          | 5 |
|                                                                                            |                                                     |                      |                | √ CaC Ca                 |   |
| Mofu-Gudur                                                                                 | <i>ləlalay</i>                                      | *lə-lal-ay           | *RED-lalɔØ-ay  | *RED-larka-y             | 7 |
| 1. *r > l; metathesis lk > kl; ə-epenthesis; *y > y <sup>y</sup> > i; +Y: ə > i            |                                                     |                      |                |                          |   |
| 2. *r > l; *l > ɭ; ə-epenthesis; *y > Ø <sup>y</sup> ; +Y: lexical-final *a > e            |                                                     |                      |                |                          |   |
| 3. *r > l; *l > ɭ; ə-epenthesis; *y > Ø <sup>y</sup> ; +Y: ə > i; +Y: lexical-final *a > e |                                                     |                      |                |                          |   |
| 4. *r > l; ə-epenthesis                                                                    |                                                     |                      |                |                          |   |
| 5. *r > l; *l > ɭ; ə-epenthesis                                                            |                                                     |                      |                |                          |   |
| 6. *k > f; ə-epenthesis                                                                    |                                                     |                      |                |                          |   |
| 7. *r > l                                                                                  |                                                     |                      |                |                          |   |

## MAROUA

|                |                                                                   |                        |             |          |   |
|----------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------|-------------|----------|---|
|                |                                                                   |                        |             | √ C C Ca |   |
| Mbazla         | <i>filki</i> <i>s<sup>y</sup>ə<sup>y</sup>lky</i>                 | *slkØ-y <sup>y</sup>   | *lɾka-y     |          | 1 |
|                | <i>hiliki</i> <i>x<sup>(y)</sup>ə<sup>y</sup>lə<sup>y</sup>ky</i> | *xlkØ-y <sup>y</sup>   |             |          | 2 |
|                |                                                                   |                        |             | √ CaC Ca |   |
| Mbazla         | <i>tjelki</i> <i>ts<sup>a</sup>ə<sup>y</sup>lky</i>               | *tsalkØ-y <sup>y</sup> | *larka-y    |          | 3 |
|                |                                                                   |                        |             | √ CaCaCa |   |
| Giziga-Muturwa | <i>lələlak(a)</i>                                                 | *lə-lalaka             | *RED-laraka |          | 4 |

|                                                                                                                                                                                                                  |                   |  |  |   |
|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------|--|--|---|
| Giziga-Marva                                                                                                                                                                                                     | <i>lalalak(a)</i> |  |  | 4 |
| 1. *r > l; *l > s; ə-epenthesis; *y > y' > i; +Y: ə > i; +Y: s > f<br>2. *r > l *l > x; ə-epenthesis; *y > y' > i; +Y: ə > i; +Y: x > x'<br>3. *r > l; *l > ts; *y > y' > i; +Y: ts > tʃ; +Y: a > e<br>4. *r > l |                   |  |  |   |

## LAMANG

|                                                                                                         |                    |       |          |             |   |
|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------|-------|----------|-------------|---|
| Lamang                                                                                                  | <i>lərɲi lərɲy</i> | *lɲ-y | *lɲØ-n-y | *lɲka(-y)-n | 1 |
| Hdi                                                                                                     | <i>lərəɲ lərəɲ</i> | *lɲ   | *lɲØ-n   |             | 2 |
| 1. multiple metathesis kyn > nky; fusion nk > ɲ; ə-epenthesis; *y > i<br>2. fusion nk > ɲ; ə-epenthesis |                    |       |          |             |   |

## HIGI

|                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          |                                            |                                         |                         |                                         |   |
|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------|-------------------------|-----------------------------------------|---|
| Psikye                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   | <i>lugu ləw<sup>gw</sup></i>               | *lɔ-w <sup>w</sup>                      | *lɔgØ-k <sup>w</sup>    |                                         | 1 |
| Bana                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     | <i>x'ililiɲə x'ylylyɲə</i>                 | *xl-y <sup>y</sup> -ly <sup>y</sup> -ɲa | *lɔØ-y-RED-k-na         | *lɲka(-RED)<br>(-y)-k <sup>w</sup> /-na | 2 |
| Kirya                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    | <i>lir<sup>ɲ</sup>ga lə<sup>ɲ</sup>ɲga</i> | *lɲØ <sup>ɲ</sup> nga                   | *lɲg-y <sup>y</sup> -na |                                         | 3 |
| Kamwe-Nkafa                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              | <i>thlārəna lārəna</i>                     | *lɲ-na                                  | *lɲØØ-na                |                                         | 4 |
|                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          | <i>thārəna lārəna</i>                      |                                         |                         |                                         |   |
| 1. ə-epenthesis; *k > g; *k <sup>w</sup> > w <sup>w</sup> > u; +W: ə > u<br>2. ə-epenthesis; *k <sup>w</sup> > k; fusion kn > ɲ; *l > x; *r > l; *y > y' > i; +Y: ə > i;<br>lexical-final *a > ə<br>3. *k > g; metathesis gn > ng; homorganic assimilation n > ɲ/_g; ə-epenthesis; *y > Ø <sup>y</sup> ; +Y:<br>ə > i<br>4. ə-epenthesis |                                            |                                         |                         |                                         |   |

## GIDAR

|                   |                |           |           |   |
|-------------------|----------------|-----------|-----------|---|
| Gidar             | <i>lalwaya</i> | *lalwa-ya | *larka-ya | 1 |
| 1. *r > l; *k > w |                |           |           |   |

## rope, string

PCC \*(ma-) z(a)w(a)dā (-y, -k<sup>w</sup>, -n)

## BATA

|                                                                                  |               |        |        |          |   |
|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------|--------|--------|----------|---|
|                                                                                  |               |        |        | √ C C Ca |   |
| Sharwa                                                                           | <i>zə 'ə</i>  | *zʔə   | *zʔa   | *zwdā    | 1 |
|                                                                                  |               |        |        | √ CaC Ca |   |
| Gude                                                                             | <i>za 'wa</i> | *zaʔwa | *zawʔa | *zawdā   | 2 |
| 1. *d' > ʔ; ə-epenthesis; lexical-final *a > ə<br>2. *d' > ʔ; metathesis wʔ > ʔw |               |        |        |          |   |

## TERA

|                                     |                          |                   |        |        |   |
|-------------------------------------|--------------------------|-------------------|--------|--------|---|
| Tera                                | <i>zo za<sup>w</sup></i> | *zaØ <sup>w</sup> | *zawØØ | *zawdā | 1 |
| 1. *w > Ø <sup>w</sup> ; +W: *a > o |                          |                   |        |        |   |

## SUKUR

|                                                                     |                    |                    |         |         |   |
|---------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------|--------------------|---------|---------|---|
| Sukur                                                               | <i>ʒibi z'əyby</i> | *zɓ-y <sup>y</sup> | *zwdØ-y | *zwdā-y | 1 |
| 1. fusion *wd > ɓ; ə-epenthesis; *y > y' > i; +Y: *z > ʒ; +Y: ə > i |                    |                    |         |         |   |

## HURZA

|       |               |          |           |           |   |
|-------|---------------|----------|-----------|-----------|---|
|       |               |          |           | √ C CaCa  |   |
| Vame  | <i>azəway</i> | *Øa-zway | *ma-zwayØ | *ma-zwadā | 1 |
|       |               |          |           | √ CaCaCa  |   |
| Mbuko | <i>zaway</i>  | *zaway   |           | *zawadā   |   |

1. \*d' &gt; y; ə-epenthesis

## MARGI

|       |                   |                    |         |           |   |
|-------|-------------------|--------------------|---------|-----------|---|
| Bura  | <i>suwa sə'wa</i> | *sw <sup>w</sup> a | *swØa   |           | 1 |
|       | <i>sua swa</i>    | *swa               |         | *zwdā(-y) | 2 |
| Kilba | <i>si'i sə'y</i>  | *sʔ-y <sup>y</sup> | *sØʔØ-y |           | 3 |

1. \*z > s; ə-epenthesis; \*w > w<sup>w</sup>; +W: ə > u

2. \*z &gt; s; \*w &gt; u

3. \*z > s; \*d' > ʔ; ə-epenthesis; \*y > y<sup>y</sup> > i; +Y: ə > i

## MANDARA

|         |              |       |        |        |   |
|---------|--------------|-------|--------|--------|---|
| Mandara | <i>zawa</i>  |       | *zawØa |        |   |
| Malgwa  | <i>zawa</i>  | *zawa |        |        |   |
| Glawda  | <i>zawa</i>  |       |        | *zawdā |   |
|         | <i>zaw</i>   | *zaw  | *zawØØ |        |   |
| Dghwede | <i>zap'a</i> | zaba  | *zawdā |        | 1 |

1. fusion \*wd' &gt; b

## MOFU

|            |                          |                                     |              |                |   |
|------------|--------------------------|-------------------------------------|--------------|----------------|---|
|            |                          |                                     |              | √ C CaCa       |   |
| Merey      | <i>zurwed' zə'wa'd</i>   | *zw <sup>w</sup> ad'-Ø <sup>y</sup> | *zwadØ-y     |                | 1 |
| Mofu North | <i>zəwed' zəwa'd</i>     | *zwad'-Ø <sup>y</sup>               |              | *zwardā-y      | 2 |
|            |                          |                                     |              | √ CaCaCa       |   |
| Dugwor     | <i>azewed' aza'wa'd</i>  | *a-zawad'-Ø <sup>y</sup>            | *Øa-zawadØ-y |                | 3 |
| Moloko     | <i>ezewed' a'za'wa'd</i> | *a-zawad'-Ø <sup>y</sup>            |              | *(ma-)zawadā-y | 3 |
| Mofu-Gudur | <i>zewed' za'wa'd</i>    | *zawad'-Ø <sup>y</sup>              | *zawadØ-y    |                | 3 |

1. ə-epenthesis; \*w > w<sup>w</sup>; +W: ə > u; \*y > Ø<sup>y</sup>; +Y: a > e2. ə-epenthesis; \*y > Ø<sup>y</sup>; +Y: a > e3. \*d' > d (transcription error?); \*y > Ø<sup>y</sup>; +Y: a > e4. \*y > Ø<sup>y</sup>; +Y: a > e

## MAROUA

|              |                         |                           |              |                         |   |
|--------------|-------------------------|---------------------------|--------------|-------------------------|---|
|              |                         |                           |              | √ C C Ca                |   |
| Mbazla       | <i>ziwiŋ z'ə'wyŋ</i>    | *zwy <sup>y</sup> -ŋ      | *zwyØ-k-n    |                         | 1 |
|              | <i>žiwiwiŋ z'yw'wyŋ</i> | *zwy <sup>y</sup> -ŋ      |              | *zwdā-k <sup>w</sup> -n | 2 |
|              |                         |                           |              | √ CaCaCa                |   |
| Giziga-Marva | <i>azewed' aza'wa'd</i> | *Øa-zawad'-Ø <sup>y</sup> | *ma-zawadØ-y | *ma-zawadā-y            | 3 |

1. ə-epenthesis; \*k<sup>w</sup> > k; fusion kn > ŋ; \*d' > y > y<sup>y</sup> > i; +Y: \*z > ʒ; +Y: ə > i2. ə-epenthesis; \*k<sup>w</sup> > k; fusion kn > ŋ; \*d' > y > y<sup>y</sup> > i; +W+Y: \*z > ʒ<sup>w</sup>; +Y: ə > i3. \*y > Ø<sup>y</sup>; +Y: a > e

## LAMANG

|        |                   |                    |         |           |   |
|--------|-------------------|--------------------|---------|-----------|---|
| Lamang | <i>zuwi zə'wy</i> | *zw <sup>w</sup> y | *zwyØ   | *zwdā(-y) | 1 |
| Hdi    | <i>zu'i zw'y</i>  | *zwʔ-y             | *zwʔØ-y |           | 2 |

1. \*d' > y > i; ə-epenthesis; \*w > w<sup>w</sup>; +W: ə > u

2. \*d' &gt; ʔ; \*w &gt; u; \*y &gt; i

## HIGI

|             |            |        |       |       |   |
|-------------|------------|--------|-------|-------|---|
| Bana        | zəʔwə      | *zʔwə  | *zwʔa | *zwɔa | 1 |
| Kirya       | zəw        | *zw    | *zwØØ |       | 2 |
| Kamwe-Nkafa | zəwə       | *zwa   | *zwØa |       | 3 |
| Psikye      | zəwə       |        |       |       | 3 |
| Kamwe-Futu  | ziwə zəʔwə | *zwØʔa | *zwyə |       | 4 |

1. ə-epenthesis; \*d' > ʔ; metathesis wʔ > ʔw; lexical-final \*a > ə

2. ə-epenthesis

3. ə-epenthesis; lexical-final \*a > ə

4. ə-epenthesis; \*d' > y > Øʔ; +Y: ə > i; lexical-final \*a > ə

## KOTOKO-NORTH

|                                                                                                     |                   |          |          |          |   |
|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------|----------|----------|----------|---|
| Mpade                                                                                               | <i>sare saraʏ</i> | *sara-Øʏ | *saØra-y | *zawdā-y | 1 |
| Malgbe                                                                                              | <i>se saʏ</i>     | *sa-Øʏ   | *sØØØa-y |          | 2 |
| 1. *z > s; *dʔ > r; *y > Øʏ; +Y: lexical-final a > e<br>2. *z > s; *y > Øʏ; +Y: lexical-final a > e |                   |          |          |          |   |

## KOTOKO-CENTRAL

|                                                     |                   |          |          |          |   |
|-----------------------------------------------------|-------------------|----------|----------|----------|---|
| Mser                                                | <i>sadī</i> sadəʔ | *sadā-Øʔ | *saØdā-y | *zawdā-y | 1 |
|                                                     | <i>sadē</i> sadāʔ | *sadā-Øʔ |          |          | 2 |
| 1. *z > s; lexical-final *a > ə; *y > Øʔ; +Y: ə > i |                   |          |          |          |   |
| 2. *z > s; *y > Øʔ; +Y: lexical-final a > e         |                   |          |          |          |   |

run, to

PCC \*(ma-, RED-) **x(a)w(a)ya** (-a, -y, -n)

## BATA

|                         |                    |        |         |         |   |
|-------------------------|--------------------|--------|---------|---------|---|
| Jimi                    | <i>huyən xwyən</i> | *xwy-n | *xwyØ-n | *xwya-n | 1 |
| 1. ə-epenthesis; *w > u |                    |        |         |         |   |

## DABA

|                                     |                 |       |        |          |   |
|-------------------------------------|-----------------|-------|--------|----------|---|
|                                     |                 |       |        | √ C C Ca |   |
| Mbudum                              | <i>hi xy</i>    | *xy   | *xØyØ  | *xwya    | 1 |
|                                     |                 |       |        | √ C CaCa |   |
| Buwal                               | <i>hey xaʔy</i> | *xayʔ | *xØayØ | *xwaya   |   |
| 1. *y > i<br>2. *y > yʔ; +Y: *a > e |                 |       |        |          |   |

## MAFA

|       |                  |       |        |        |  |
|-------|------------------|-------|--------|--------|--|
| Mafa  | <i>ha</i>        | *xa   | *xØØØa | *xwaya |  |
| Cuvok | <i>hʷay xway</i> | *xway | *xwayØ |        |  |

## SUKUR

|                                                          |                                |                    |       |       |   |
|----------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------|--------------------|-------|-------|---|
| Sukur                                                    | <i>huwi</i> xə <sup>w</sup> wy | *xw <sup>w</sup> y | *xwyØ | *xwya | 1 |
|                                                          | <i>hui</i> xwy                 |                    |       |       | 2 |
| 1. ə-epenthesis; *w > w <sup>w</sup> ; +W: ə > u; *y > i |                                |                    |       |       |   |
| 2. *w > u; *y > i                                        |                                |                    |       |       |   |

## HURZA

|       |            |      |        |        |  |
|-------|------------|------|--------|--------|--|
| Mbuko | <i>haw</i> | *xaw | *xawØØ | *xawya |  |
|-------|------------|------|--------|--------|--|

## MARGI

|             |                           |             |              |              |   |
|-------------|---------------------------|-------------|--------------|--------------|---|
| Bura        | <i>h<sup>w</sup>i xwy</i> | <i>*xwy</i> | <i>*xwyØ</i> | <i>*xwya</i> | 1 |
| Margi-South | <i>h<sup>w</sup>i xwy</i> |             |              |              | 1 |
| Kilba       | <i>h<sup>w</sup>i xwy</i> |             |              |              | 1 |
| Margi       | <i>wi wy</i>              | <i>*wy</i>  | <i>*ØwyØ</i> |              | 1 |

1. \*y &gt; i

## MANDARA

|       |                                                 |                                |                      |                      |   |
|-------|-------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------|----------------------|----------------------|---|
| Matal | <i>mah<sup>w</sup>ɔyay maxwa<sup>w</sup>yay</i> | <i>*ma-xw<sup>w</sup>ay-ay</i> | <i>*ma-xwayØ-a-y</i> | <i>*ma-xwaya-a-y</i> | 1 |
|-------|-------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------|----------------------|----------------------|---|

1. \*w > w<sup>w</sup>; +W; \*a > ɔ

## MOFU

|            |                                 |                 |                  |                    |  |
|------------|---------------------------------|-----------------|------------------|--------------------|--|
| Mofu-Gudur | <i>h<sup>w</sup>(a) xwa</i>     | <i>*xwa</i>     | <i>*xwØØa</i>    | <i>*(ma-)xwaya</i> |  |
| Merey      | <i>h<sup>w</sup>ay xway</i>     | <i>*xway</i>    | <i>*xwayØ</i>    |                    |  |
| Dugwor     | <i>mah<sup>w</sup>ay maxway</i> | <i>*ma-xway</i> | <i>*ma-xwayØ</i> |                    |  |
| Mofu North | <i>mah<sup>w</sup>ay maxway</i> |                 |                  |                    |  |

## LAMANG

|     |                                 |                 |                   |                   |  |
|-----|---------------------------------|-----------------|-------------------|-------------------|--|
| Hdi | <i>h<sup>w</sup>ayay xwayay</i> | <i>*xway-ay</i> | <i>*xwayØ-a-y</i> | <i>*xwaya-a-y</i> |  |
|-----|---------------------------------|-----------------|-------------------|-------------------|--|

## HIGI

|             |                                                            |                                         |                   |                    |   |
|-------------|------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------|-------------------|--------------------|---|
|             |                                                            |                                         |                   | $\sqrt{C C C a}$   |   |
| Kirya       | <i>h<sup>w</sup>yi xwyy</i>                                | <i>*xwy-y</i>                           | <i>*xwyØ-y</i>    | <i>*xwya-y</i>     | 1 |
| Psikye      | <i>x<sup>w</sup>e xwa<sup>y</sup></i>                      | <i>*xwa-Ø<sup>y</sup></i>               | <i>*xwØa-y</i>    |                    | 2 |
|             |                                                            |                                         |                   | $\sqrt{C C a C a}$ |   |
| Kamwe-Nkafa | <i>h<sup>w</sup>eh<sup>w</sup>ə<br/>xwa<sup>y</sup>xwə</i> | <i>*xwa-xwaØ<sup>y</sup></i>            | <i>*RED-xwayØ</i> | <i>*RED-xwaya</i>  | 3 |
| Kamwe-Futu  | <i>hoho xa<sup>w</sup>xa<sup>w</sup></i>                   | <i>*xØ<sup>w</sup>a-xØ<sup>w</sup>a</i> | <i>*RED-xwaØØ</i> |                    | 4 |

1. \*y &gt; i

2. \*y > Ø<sup>y</sup>; +Y: lexical-final \*a < e3. \*y > Ø<sup>y</sup>; reduplication +Y: lexical-final \*a > e; root lexical-final \*a > ɔ4. \*w > Ø<sup>w</sup>; +W: \*a > o

## scorpion

PCC \*(ma-) **x(a)r(a)dza** (-RED, -a, -y, -k<sup>w</sup>, -n; FV)

## BATA

|        |                                      |                                |                      |                           |   |
|--------|--------------------------------------|--------------------------------|----------------------|---------------------------|---|
|        |                                      |                                |                      | $\sqrt{C C C a}$          |   |
| Tsuva  | <i>hərdekən xərda<sup>k</sup>kən</i> | <i>*xrda-Ø<sup>y</sup>-k-n</i> | <i>*xrda-y-k-n</i>   | <i>*xrda-y-k-n</i>        | 1 |
|        |                                      |                                |                      | $\sqrt{C a C C a}$        |   |
| Sharwa | <i>ardə</i>                          | <i>*arda</i>                   | <i>*Øarda</i>        | <i>*xardza(-RED, -na)</i> | 2 |
| Gude   | <i>arədədənə</i>                     | <i>*ard-d-na</i>               | <i>*ØardØ-RED-na</i> |                           | 3 |
|        |                                      |                                |                      | $\sqrt{C C a C a}$        |   |
| Jimi   | <i>redzən ra<sup>d</sup>dzən</i>     | <i>*radza-Ø<sup>y</sup>-n</i>  | <i>*Øradza-y-n</i>   | <i>*xradza-y-n</i>        | 4 |

1. \*dz > d; ə-epenthesis; \*y > Ø<sup>y</sup>; +Y: lexical-final \*a > e

2. \*dz &gt; d; lexical-final \*a &gt; ɔ

3. \*dz &gt; d; ə-epenthesis; FV \*a &gt; ɔ

4. \*y > Ø<sup>y</sup>; +Y: \*a > e

## DABA

|                                                                                                                                    |                       |           |           |           |   |
|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------|-----------|-----------|-----------|---|
|                                                                                                                                    |                       |           |           | √ C C Ca  |   |
| Daba                                                                                                                               | <i>irdi</i> əʔrdy     | *rd-yʔ    | *ØrdØ-y   | *xrdza-y  | 1 |
| Gavar                                                                                                                              | <i>rədzɪ</i> rədzʔy   | *rdz-yʔ   | *ØrdzØ-y  |           | 2 |
|                                                                                                                                    |                       |           |           | √ C CaCa  |   |
| Buwal                                                                                                                              | <i>redʒe</i> raʔdzʔaʔ | *radza-Øʔ | *Øradza-y | *xradza-y | 3 |
| 1. *dz > d; ə-prothesis; *y > Øʔ > i; Y: ə > i<br>2. ə-epenthesis; *y > yʔ > i; +Y: dz > dʒ<br>3. *y > Øʔ; +Y: dz > dʒ; +Y: *a > e |                       |           |           |           |   |

## MAFA

|                 |                               |          |          |          |   |
|-----------------|-------------------------------|----------|----------|----------|---|
| Mafa            | <i>varadza</i> <sup>134</sup> | *varadza |          | *xaradza | 1 |
| Cuvok           | <i>rats</i>                   | *rats    | *ØØratsØ |          | 2 |
| 1. *x (> f) > v |                               |          |          |          |   |
| 2. *dz > ts     |                               |          |          |          |   |

## SUKUR

|                                            |                        |           |              |               |   |
|--------------------------------------------|------------------------|-----------|--------------|---------------|---|
| Sukur                                      | <i>mbərdai</i> mbərday | *m-brd-ay | *mØ-brdØ-a-y | *ma-xrdza-a-y | 1 |
| 1. *x (> f > v) > b; *dz > d; ə-epenthesis |                        |           |              |               |   |

## HURZA

|                                     |                       |           |           |           |   |
|-------------------------------------|-----------------------|-----------|-----------|-----------|---|
| Mbuko                               | <i>redʒe</i> raʔdzʔaʔ | *radza-Øʔ | *Øradza-y | *xradza-y | 1 |
| 1. *y > Øʔ; +Y: dz > dʒ; +Y: *a > e |                       |           |           |           |   |

## MARGI

|                                                  |                   |        |         |          |   |
|--------------------------------------------------|-------------------|--------|---------|----------|---|
| Bura                                             | <i>hidi</i> xəʔdy | *xd-yʔ | *xØdØ-y | *xrdza-y | 1 |
| Kilba                                            | <i>ida</i> əʔda   | *da-Øʔ | *ØØda-y |          | 2 |
| 1. *dz > d; ə-epenthesis; *y > yʔ > i; +Y: ə > i |                   |        |         |          |   |
| 2. *dz > d; ə-prothesis; *y > Øʔ; +Y: ə > i      |                   |        |         |          |   |

## MANDARA

|         |                      |           |             |            |     |
|---------|----------------------|-----------|-------------|------------|-----|
|         |                      |           |             | √ C C Ca   |     |
| Matal   | <i>aliʒ</i> aləʔzʏ   | *lʒ-Øʏ    | *ØlʒØ-y     | *xrdza(-y) | 1   |
| Mandara | <i>erdze</i> aʏrdzaʏ | *rdza-Øʏ  | *Ørdza-y    |            | 2   |
| Malgwa  | <i>ərdza</i>         | *rdza     | *Ørdza      |            | 3   |
| Glavda  | <i>arḍza</i>        |           |             |            | 4   |
|         | <i>ard</i>           |           |             |            | *rd |
|         |                      |           |             | √ C CaCa   |     |
| Podoko  | <i>raʏdza</i>        | *Øʏ-radza | *mʏØ-Øradza | *ma-xradza | 6   |

1. a-prothesis \*r > l; \*dz > z; ə-epenthesis; \*y > Øʏ; +Y: z > ʒ; +Y: ə > i  
2. a-prothesis; \*y > Øʏ; +Y: \*a > e  
3. ə-prothesis  
4. a-prothesis  
5. a-prothesis; \*dz > d  
6. \*m > Øʏ; +N: dz > ʏdz

<sup>134</sup> There is only weak comparative indication to analyse the initial /v/ as a rather unusual reflex of PCC \*/x/ rather than as part of a likewise rare prefixal root-augment \*{va-}. For the present study, we have opted to assume a change from initial velar \*/x/ to labial /v~b/ (likely via intermediate f).

## MOFU

|                                                                                       |                                                |                               |                             |                              |   |
|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------|-----------------------------|------------------------------|---|
|                                                                                       |                                                |                               |                             | √ C C Ca                     |   |
| Muyang                                                                                | <i>a<sup>n</sup>dra</i>                        | <i>*Ø<sup>n</sup>a-dra</i>    | <i>*m<sup>n</sup>a-Ørda</i> | <i>*(ma-)xrdza(-RED, -y)</i> | 1 |
| Ouldeme                                                                               | <i>arda</i>                                    | <i>*rda</i>                   | <i>*Ørda</i>                |                              | 2 |
| Dugwor                                                                                | <i>arəde arəda<sup>y</sup></i>                 | <i>*rda-Ø<sup>y</sup></i>     | <i>*Ørda-y</i>              |                              | 3 |
| Zulgo                                                                                 | <i>hirde xə<sup>y</sup>rda<sup>y</sup></i>     | <i>*xrda-Ø<sup>y</sup></i>    | <i>*xrda-y</i>              |                              | 4 |
| Gemzek                                                                                | <i>hərdede xərda<sup>y</sup>da<sup>y</sup></i> | <i>*xrda-da-Ø<sup>y</sup></i> | <i>*xrda-RED-y</i>          |                              | 5 |
| Merey                                                                                 | <i>hərdəde xərdəda<sup>y</sup></i>             |                               |                             |                              | 6 |
|                                                                                       |                                                |                               |                             | √ CaCaCa                     |   |
| Moloko                                                                                | <i>harats</i>                                  | <i>*xarats</i>                | <i>*xaratsØ</i>             | <i>*xaradza</i>              | 7 |
| Mofu-Gudur                                                                            | <i>arats</i>                                   | <i>*arats</i>                 | <i>*ØaratsØ</i>             |                              | 7 |
| 1. *dz > d; metathesis rd > dr; *m > Ø <sup>n</sup> ; +N: d > <sup>n</sup> d          |                                                |                               |                             |                              |   |
| 2. *dz > d; a-prothesis                                                               |                                                |                               |                             |                              |   |
| 3. *dz > d; a-prothesis; ə-epenthesis; *y > Ø <sup>y</sup> ; +Y: lexical-final *a > e |                                                |                               |                             |                              |   |
| 4. *dz > d; ə-epenthesis; *y > Ø <sup>y</sup> ; +Y: ə > i; +Y: lexical-final *a > e   |                                                |                               |                             |                              |   |
| 5. *dz > d; ə-epenthesis; *y > Ø <sup>y</sup> ; +Y: *a > e                            |                                                |                               |                             |                              |   |
| 6. *dz > d; ə-epenthesis; *y > Ø <sup>y</sup> ; +Y: lexical-final *a > e              |                                                |                               |                             |                              |   |
| 7. *dz > ts                                                                           |                                                |                               |                             |                              |   |

## MAROUA

|                                                                        |                   |             |            |            |   |
|------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------|-------------|------------|------------|---|
|                                                                        |                   |             |            | √ CaC Ca   |   |
| Mbazla                                                                 | 'arif ʔarəʔsʔ     | *ʔars-Øʔ    | *ʔarsØ-y   | *xardza-y  | 1 |
|                                                                        |                   |             |            | √ CaCaCa   |   |
| Mbazla                                                                 | 'aretf ʔaraʔtsʔ   | *ʔarats-Øʔ  | *ʔaratsØ-y | *xaradza-y | 2 |
| Giziga-Marva                                                           | 'aratfe ʔaratsʔaʔ | *ʔaratsa-Øʔ | *ʔaratsa-y |            | 2 |
| 1. *x > ʔ; *dz (> ts) > s; ə-epenthesis; *y > Øʔ; +Y: s > ʃ; +Y: ə > i |                   |             |            |            |   |
| 2. *x > ʔ; *dz > ts; *y > Øʔ; +Y: s > ʃ; +Y: *a > e                    |                   |             |            |            |   |

## LAMANG

|                                                                                              |             |      |       |        |   |
|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------|------|-------|--------|---|
| Lamang                                                                                       | <i>arda</i> | *rda | *Ørda | *xrdza | 1 |
|                                                                                              | <i>ərdə</i> |      |       |        | 2 |
|                                                                                              | <i>rda</i>  |      |       |        | 3 |
| Hdi                                                                                          | <i>rda</i>  |      |       |        | 3 |
|                                                                                              | <i>rəda</i> |      |       |        | 4 |
| 1. *dz > d; a-prothesis<br>2. *dz > d; ə-prothesis<br>3. *dz > d<br>4. *dz > d; ə-epenthesis |             |      |       |        |   |

## MUSGUM

|        |                            |            |             |                  |   |
|--------|----------------------------|------------|-------------|------------------|---|
| Vulum  | <i>hirduu</i> xəʔrdəʷw     | *xrd-Øʷ-wʷ | *xrdØ-y-kʷ  | *xrdza(-y)-kʷ(a) | 1 |
| Mulwi  | <i>hirduu</i> xəʔrdəʷw     |            |             |                  | 1 |
| Mbara  | <i>hurtuway</i> xəʔrtəʷway | *xrt-wʷa-y | *xrtØ-y-kʷa |                  | 2 |
| Muskum | <i>hurut</i> xəʔrtəʔt      | *xrt-Øʷ    | *xrtØ-kʷ    |                  | 3 |

1. \*dz > d; ə-epenthesis; \*kʷ > wʷ > u; +W: ə > u; \*y > Øʷ; +Y: ə > i

2. \*dz > t; ə-epenthesis; metathesis ykʷ > kʷy; \*kʷ > wʷ; +W: ə > u

3. \*dz > t; ə-epenthesis; \*kʷ > Øʷ; +W: ə > u



## GIDAR

|                                                                    |                         |                 |                 |                  |   |
|--------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------|-----------------|-----------------|------------------|---|
| Gidar                                                              | <i>hərziya xərzəʔya</i> | <i>*xřz-yʔa</i> | <i>*xřzØ-ya</i> | <i>*xřdza-ya</i> | 1 |
| 1. <i>*dz &gt; z</i> ; ə-epenthesis; <i>*y &gt; yʔ</i> ; +Y: ə > i |                         |                 |                 |                  |   |

see, to

PCC *\*(ma-) n(a)ya* (-a, -y, -k<sup>w</sup>, -n; FV)

## BATA

|                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          |                      |                |                  |                  |   |
|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------|----------------|------------------|------------------|---|
|                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          |                      |                |                  | √ C Ca           |   |
| Jimi                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     | <i>nəʔgən nəŋgən</i> | <i>*n-ŋg-n</i> | <i>*mØ-ngØ-n</i> | <i>*ma-nya-n</i> | 1 |
|                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          |                      |                |                  | √ CaCa           |   |
| Gude                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     | <i>nee naʔaʔ</i>     | <i>*naa-Øʔ</i> | <i>*naØa-y</i>   | <i>*naʔa-y</i>   | 2 |
| 1. <i>*y &gt; g</i> ; ə-epenthesis; root: homorganic assimilation <i>*n &gt; ŋ/_g</i> ; prefix: partial assimilation <i>*m &gt; n/_ŋ</i><br>2. <i>*y &gt; Øʔ</i> ; +Y: <i>*a &gt; e</i> ; (vowel length due to intervocalic loss of /y/) |                      |                |                  |                  |   |

## TERA

|      |           |            |             |             |  |
|------|-----------|------------|-------------|-------------|--|
| Tera | <i>na</i> | <i>*na</i> | <i>*nØa</i> | <i>*nya</i> |  |
|------|-----------|------------|-------------|-------------|--|

## MANDARA

|                                                                       |                           |                         |                           |                                   |   |
|-----------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------|-------------------------|---------------------------|-----------------------------------|---|
|                                                                       |                           |                         |                           | √ C Ca                            |   |
| Malgwa                                                                | <i>na</i>                 | *na                     | *nØa                      | *(ma-)nya(-a-y/-k <sup>w</sup> a) |   |
| Glavda                                                                | <i>nigga</i> nəʔyga       | *ny-Ø <sup>y</sup> -ga  | *nyØ-y-k <sup>w</sup> a   |                                   | 1 |
| Matal                                                                 | <i>man<sup>n</sup>ɲay</i> | *ma-n <sup>n</sup> ɲ-ay | *m <sup>n</sup> a-nɲØ-a-y |                                   | 2 |
|                                                                       |                           |                         |                           | √ CaCa                            |   |
| Podoko                                                                | <i>naka</i>               | *naka                   |                           | *naya                             | 3 |
| Mandara                                                               | <i>naha</i>               | *naxa                   |                           |                                   | 4 |
| 1. *k <sup>w</sup> > g; ə-epenthesis; *y > Ø <sup>y</sup> ; +Y: ə > i |                           |                         |                           |                                   |   |
| 2. *m > Ø <sup>n</sup> ; +N: ɲ > <sup>n</sup> ɲ > ŋ                   |                           |                         |                           |                                   |   |
| 3. *ɲ (> x) > k                                                       |                           |                         |                           |                                   |   |
| 4. *ɲ > x                                                             |                           |                         |                           |                                   |   |

## MOFU

|                                           |                          |                              |                    |                        |   |
|-------------------------------------------|--------------------------|------------------------------|--------------------|------------------------|---|
| Mofu North                                | <i>menəkey maʔnakaʔy</i> | <i>*ma-nk-ay<sup>y</sup></i> | <i>*ma-nkØ-a-y</i> | <i>*(ma-)nya(-a-y)</i> | 1 |
| Mofu-Gudur                                | <i>nək</i>               | <i>*nk</i>                   | <i>*nkØ</i>        |                        | 2 |
| 1. *y (> x) > k; ə-epenthesis; +Y: *a > e |                          |                              |                    |                        |   |
| 2. *y (> x) > k; ə-epenthesis             |                          |                              |                    |                        |   |

## MAROUA

|                                                                                |                    |                 |                  |                              |   |
|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------|-----------------|------------------|------------------------------|---|
| Mbazla                                                                         | <i>nahiʔ naxyʔ</i> | <i>*nax-y-ʔ</i> | <i>*naxØ-y-k</i> | <i>*naʔa-y-k<sup>w</sup></i> | 1 |
| 1. <i>*y &gt; x</i> ; <i>*y &gt; i</i> ; <i>*k<sup>w</sup> (&gt; k) &gt; ʔ</i> |                    |                 |                  |                              |   |

## LAMANG

|                 |              |               |                 |                   |   |
|-----------------|--------------|---------------|-----------------|-------------------|---|
| Lamang          | <i>nya</i>   | <i>*nya</i>   |                 | <i>*nya(-a-y)</i> |   |
| Hdi             | <i>nəyay</i> | <i>*ny-ay</i> | <i>*nyØ-a-y</i> |                   | 1 |
| 1. ə-epenthesis |              |               |                 |                   |   |

## HIGI

|                                                           |                   |          |         |              |   |
|-----------------------------------------------------------|-------------------|----------|---------|--------------|---|
|                                                           |                   |          |         | √ C Ca       |   |
| Bana                                                      | <i>niyə</i> nəʔyə | *nyā-Øʔ  | *nyā-y  | *nyā(-y/-na) | 1 |
| Kirya                                                     | <i>nə</i>         | *na      | *nØa    |              | 2 |
| Kamwe-Nkafa                                               | <i>nənə</i>       |          | *nØa-na |              | 3 |
| Psikye                                                    | <i>nəwə</i>       |          | *nwa    |              | 4 |
|                                                           |                   |          |         | √ CaCa       |   |
|                                                           | <i>nake</i> nakaʔ | *naka-Øʔ | *naka-y | *naya-y      | 5 |
| Kamwe-Futu                                                | <i>negə</i> naʔgə | *naga-Øy | *naga-y |              | 6 |
| 1. ə-epenthesis; *y > Øʔ; +Y: ə > i; lexical-final *a > ə |                   |          |         |              |   |
| 2. lexical-final *a > ə                                   |                   |          |         |              |   |
| 3. lexical-final *a > ə; FV *a > ə                        |                   |          |         |              |   |
| 4. *y > w; ə-epenthesis; lexical-final *a > ə             |                   |          |         |              |   |
| 5. *y (> x) > k; *y > Øʔ; +Y: lexical-final *a > e        |                   |          |         |              |   |
| 6. *y > g; *y > Øʔ; +Y: *a > e; lexical-final *a > ə      |                   |          |         |              |   |

send, to

PCC \*(ma-, kʷa-) **l(a)na** (-y, -kʷ, -t; FV)

## DABA

|                          |            |      |       |   |
|--------------------------|------------|------|-------|---|
| Gavar                    | <i>ḡən</i> | *ḡnØ | *l̥na | 1 |
| Daba                     | <i>ḡən</i> |      |       | 1 |
| 1. *l̥ > ḡ; ə-epenthesis |            |      |       |   |

## MAFA

|                                                                                                                                                                                         |                   |            |             | √ C Ca         |   |
|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------|------------|-------------|----------------|---|
| Mafa                                                                                                                                                                                    | <i>ḡiḡd ḡəḡgd</i> | *ḡḡ-Øʔ-g-d | *ḡnØ-y-t-kʷ | *l̥na(-y-t-kʷ) | 1 |
| Cuvok                                                                                                                                                                                   | <i>ḡəra</i>       | *ḡra       |             |                | 2 |
|                                                                                                                                                                                         |                   |            |             | √ CaCa         |   |
|                                                                                                                                                                                         | <i>ḡar</i>        | *ḡarØ      |             | *l̥ana         | 3 |
| 1. *l̥ > ḡ; *kʷ (> k) > g; *t > d; metathesis dg > gd; homorganic assimilation *n > ḡ/_g;<br>ə-epenthesis; *y > Øʔ; +Y: ə > i<br>2. *l̥ > ḡ; *n > r; ə-epenthesis<br>3. *l̥ > ḡ; *n > r |                   |            |             |                |   |

## HURZA

|                 |              |        |  | √ C Ca |   |
|-----------------|--------------|--------|--|--------|---|
| Vame            | <i>l̥əna</i> | *l̥na  |  | *l̥na  | 1 |
|                 |              |        |  | √ CaCa |   |
| Mbuko           | <i>l̥an</i>  | *l̥anØ |  | *l̥ana |   |
| 1. ə-epenthesis |              |        |  |        |   |

## MARGI

|                                                                     |                       |                         |            |            |   |
|---------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------|-------------------------|------------|------------|---|
| Bura                                                                | <i>lenta la'nta</i>   | *lan-Ø <sup>y</sup> -ta | *lanØ-y-ta | *lana-y-ta | 1 |
|                                                                     | <i>hyenta x'a'nta</i> | *xan-Ø <sup>y</sup> -ta |            |            | 2 |
| 1. *y > Ø <sup>y</sup> ; +Y: a > e                                  |                       |                         |            |            |   |
| 2. *l > x; *v > Ø <sup>y</sup> ; +Y: x > x <sup>y</sup> ; +Y: a > e |                       |                         |            |            |   |

## MANDARA

|                               |                |           |             |              |   |
|-------------------------------|----------------|-----------|-------------|--------------|---|
| Matal                         | <i>matəlay</i> | *ma-lɪ-ay | *ma-lɪØ-a-y | *ma-lɪna-a-y | 1 |
| 1. *n (> r) > l; ə-epenthesis |                |           |             |              |   |

## MOFU

|                                              |                           |             |              |                    |   |
|----------------------------------------------|---------------------------|-------------|--------------|--------------------|---|
|                                              |                           |             |              | √ C Ca             |   |
| Ouldeme                                      | <i>l̥ər</i>               | *l̥r        | *l̥rØ        | *(ma-)l̥na((-a)-y) | 1 |
| Zulgo                                        | <i>l̥ər</i>               |             |              |                    | 1 |
| Merey                                        | <i>l̥ər</i>               |             |              |                    | 1 |
| Mofu-Gudur                                   | <i>l̥ər</i>               |             |              |                    | 1 |
| Mada                                         | <i>mall̥a</i>             | *ma-l̥la    |              |                    | 2 |
| Dugwor                                       | <i>m̥ələrey m̥ələraʔy</i> | *m-l̥r-aʔy  | *mØ-l̥rØ-a-y |                    | 3 |
| Gemzek                                       | <i>m̥ələre maʔləraʔy</i>  | *ma-l̥ra-Øʔ | *ma-l̥ra-y   |                    | 3 |
|                                              |                           |             |              | √ CaCa             |   |
| Moloko                                       | <i>lar</i>                | *l̥arØ      |              | *l̥ana             | 4 |
| 1. *n > r; ə-epenthesis                      |                           |             |              |                    |   |
| 2. *n (> r) > l                              |                           |             |              |                    |   |
| 3. *n > r; ə-epenthesis; *y > yʔ; +Y: *a > e |                           |             |              |                    |   |
| 4. *n > r                                    |                           |             |              |                    |   |

## MAROUA

|                |                     |            |              |                 |   |
|----------------|---------------------|------------|--------------|-----------------|---|
| Giziga-Muturwa | <i>lin ləʸn</i>     | *lɪn-Øʸ    | *lɪnØ-y      | *lɪna-y(-kʷ-na) | 1 |
| Giziga-Marva   | <i>ləjne ləjnaʸ</i> | *lɪj-Øʸ-na | *lɪnØ-y-k-na |                 | 2 |

1. ə-epenthesis; \*y > Øʸ; +Y: ə > i  
2. \*kʷ > k; fusion \*nk > ŋ; ə-epenthesis: \*y > Øʸ; +Y: FV \*a > e

## KOTOKO-NORTH

|                                                                                                                                                                                                                  |                     |            |            |             |   |
|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------|------------|------------|-------------|---|
| Mpade                                                                                                                                                                                                            | <i>tʃ'am tsʷʔam</i> | *tsam-Øy-ʔ | *tsamØ-y-k | *lɪana-y-kʷ | 1 |
|                                                                                                                                                                                                                  | <i>tʃ'am tsʷʔam</i> | *tsam-Øʷ-ʔ | *tsamØ-y-ʔ | *lɪana-y-kʷ | 2 |
| 1. *l(> s) > ts; *kʷ > k > ʔ; *n > m (see 3.4.5); *y > Øy; +Y: ts > tʃ; metathesis mʔ > ʔm<br>2. Alternative analysis:<br>*l(> s) > ts; *kʷ > k > ʔ > Øʔ; *n > m (see 3.4.5); *y > Øy; +Y: ts > tʃ; +ʔ: tʃ > tʃʔ |                     |            |            |             |   |

## KOTOKO-CENTRAL

|                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            |                          |               |              |                |   |
|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------|---------------|--------------|----------------|---|
|                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            |                          |               |              | √ C Ca         |   |
| Lagwan                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     | <i>lini ləʸny</i>        | *lɪn-yʸ       | *lɪnØ-y      | *lɪna-y(-kʷ-n) | 1 |
|                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            | <i>l'im lʔəʸm</i>        | *lɪm-Øʷ-ʔ     | *lɪmØ-y-k    |                | 2 |
|                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            | <i>l'imwun lʔəʸmwəʸn</i> | *lɪm-Øʷ-ʔwʷ-n | *lɪmØ-y-kʷ-n |                | 3 |
| Mser                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       | <i>sin (bilam) səʸn</i>  | *sn-Øʸ        | *snØ-y       |                | 4 |
|                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            |                          |               |              | √ CaCa         |   |
|                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            | <i>s'am</i>              | *sʔam         | *sam-ʔ       | *samØ-k        | 5 |
| 1. ə-epenthesis; *y > yʸ > i; +Y: ə > i<br>2. *kʷ > k > ʔ; *n > m (see 3.4.5); *y > Øʷ; +Y: ə > i<br>3. re-segmentalisation *kʷ > ʔ+wʷ; *n > m (see 3.4.5); ə-epenthesis; +W: ə > u;<br>*y > Øʷ; +Y: ə > i; metathesis mʔ > ʔm; ʔ > Øʔ; +ʔ: *lʔ > lʔʔ<br>4. *l > s; ə-epenthesis; *y > Øʷ; +Y: ə > i<br>5. *l > s; *kʷ > k > ʔ; *n > m (see 3.4.5); metathesis mʔ > ʔm; ʔ > Øʔ; +ʔ: s > sʔ |                          |               |              |                |   |

## KOTOKO-SOUTH

|                                                                      |                     |         |        |         |   |
|----------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------|---------|--------|---------|---|
| Mazera                                                               | <i>sine səʸnaʸy</i> | *sna-Øʸ | *sna-y | *lɪna-y | 1 |
| 1. *l > s; ə-epenthesis; *y > Øʷ; +Y: ə > i; +Y lexical-final *a > e |                     |         |        |         |   |

## MUSGUM

|                                         |                   |         |         |         |   |
|-----------------------------------------|-------------------|---------|---------|---------|---|
| Mulwi                                   | <i>lini ləʸny</i> | *lɪn-yʸ | *lɪnØ-y | *lɪna-y | 1 |
| 1. ə-epenthesis; *y > yʸ > i; +Y: ə > i |                   |         |         |         |   |

## GIDAR

|                                      |               |         |                       |   |
|--------------------------------------|---------------|---------|-----------------------|---|
| Gidar                                | <i>wələna</i> | *wØ-lna | *k <sup>w</sup> a-lna | 1 |
| 1. *k <sup>w</sup> > w; ə-epenthesis |               |         |                       |   |

seven<sub>1</sub>Areal root \*(ma-) **m(a)d(a)fa** (-y, -k<sup>w</sup>; FV)

## BATA

|                                                                                                      |                                     |            |                |                        |   |
|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------|------------|----------------|------------------------|---|
| Gude                                                                                                 | <i>mədəfə</i>                       | *mdfa      |                | *(ma-)mdfa             | 1 |
| Jimi                                                                                                 | <i><sup>m</sup>bərafij mbərafij</i> | *m-brf-y-ŋ | *mØ-brfØ-y-k-n | (-y-k <sup>w</sup> -n) | 2 |
| 1. ə-epenthesis; lexical-final vowel *a > ə                                                          |                                     |            |                |                        |   |
| 2. (dissimilation) radical *m > b; *d > r; ə-epenthesis, *v > i; *k <sup>w</sup> > k; fusion *kn > ŋ |                                     |            |                |                        |   |

## TERA

|                                                                                           |                   |        |         |                      |   |
|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------|--------|---------|----------------------|---|
| Tera                                                                                      | <i>mmut</i> mmwd' | *mfwd' | *mdfØ-w | *mdfa-k <sup>w</sup> | 1 |
| Ga'anda                                                                                   | <i>mud'</i> mwdf' | *mwdf' | *mdØØ-w |                      | 2 |
| 1. *k <sup>w</sup> > w > u; multiple metathesis dfw > fwd; assimilation mf > mm; *d > [t] |                   |        |         |                      |   |
| 2. *k <sup>w</sup> > w > u; metathesis dfw > wd'                                          |                   |        |         |                      |   |

## SUKUR

|       |              |         |         |  |
|-------|--------------|---------|---------|--|
| Sukur | <i>madaf</i> | *madafØ | *madafa |  |
|-------|--------------|---------|---------|--|

## MARGI

|                                                                        |                        |                      |                      |                      |   |
|------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------|----------------------|----------------------|----------------------|---|
| Bura                                                                   | <i>murfa</i> məw'rfə   | *mrfa-Ø <sup>w</sup> | *mrfa-k <sup>w</sup> | *mdfa-k <sup>w</sup> | 1 |
| Margi-South                                                            | <i>mədəfau</i> mədəfaw | *mdfa-w              | *mdfa-k <sup>w</sup> |                      | 2 |
| 1. *d' > r; *k <sup>w</sup> > Ø <sup>w</sup> ; ə-epenthesis; +W: ə > u |                        |                      |                      |                      |   |
| 2. *d' > d; *k <sup>w</sup> > w; ə-epenthesis                          |                        |                      |                      |                      |   |

## MANDARA

|                                                                                                            |                                                    |                                    |           |          |   |
|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------|-----------|----------|---|
|                                                                                                            |                                                    |                                    |           | √ C C Ca |   |
| Matal <sup>135</sup>                                                                                       | <i>m'd'f</i>                                       | *mdfØ                              | *mdfa(-y) |          | 1 |
| Glavda                                                                                                     | <i>u.dyifa</i> ə <sup>w</sup> wd'ə <sup>y</sup> fa | *w <sup>w</sup> dfa-Ø <sup>y</sup> |           |          | 2 |
|                                                                                                            |                                                    |                                    |           | √ CaC Ca |   |
| Podoko                                                                                                     | <i>madəfa</i>                                      | *madfa                             | *madfa    |          | 1 |
| 1. ə-epenthesis                                                                                            |                                                    |                                    |           |          |   |
| 2. ə-prothesis; *m > w <sup>w</sup> ; +W: ə > u; *y > Ø <sup>y</sup> ; +Y: d' > d <sup>y</sup> ; +Y: ə > i |                                                    |                                    |           |          |   |

## LAMANG

|                                                                                    |                             |         |            |                              |   |
|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------|---------|------------|------------------------------|---|
| Lamang                                                                             | <i>lfaŋa</i>                | *lfa-ŋa | *Ølfa-k-na | *mdfa(-k <sup>w</sup> -n(a)) | 1 |
| Hdi                                                                                | <i>ndfaŋ</i>                | *ndfa-ŋ | *mdfa-k-n  |                              | 2 |
|                                                                                    | <i>ndsaj</i> <sup>136</sup> | *ndsə-ŋ | *mdsa-k-n  |                              | 3 |
| 1. d' > l; *k <sup>w</sup> > k; fusion *kn > ŋ                                     |                             |         |            |                              |   |
| 2. homorganic assimilation *m > n/_d; *d' > d; *k <sup>w</sup> > k; fusion *kn > ŋ |                             |         |            |                              |   |
| 3. See (2.) and footnote                                                           |                             |         |            |                              |   |

<sup>135</sup> The (erroneous?) translation is given as 'nine'.<sup>136</sup> This suspicious and unique \*p > f > s form is contained in Frajzyngier et al. (2015).

## HIGI

|                 |                                                                         |                                         |                                         |                                     |   |
|-----------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------|-------------------------------------|---|
| Kamwe<br>-Nkafa | <i><sup>m</sup>burfu<sup>u</sup>gə mbə<sup>w</sup>rfə<sup>w</sup>gə</i> | *m-brfØ- <sup>u</sup> g <sup>w</sup> a  | *m <sup>u</sup> Ø-brfa-k <sup>w</sup> a | *ma-mdfa<br>(-y, -k <sup>w</sup> a) | 1 |
| Kamwe-Futu      | <i><sup>m</sup>brfa<sup>u</sup>go mbrfa<sup>u</sup>ga<sup>w</sup></i>   | *m-brfa- <sup>u</sup> g <sup>w</sup> a  |                                         |                                     | 2 |
| Kirya           | <i><sup>m</sup>birfə<sup>u</sup>g mbə<sup>w</sup>rfə<sup>u</sup>g</i>   | *m-brfa-Ø <sup>y</sup> - <sup>u</sup> g | *m <sup>u</sup> Ø-brfa-y-k              |                                     | 3 |
| Psikye          | <i><sup>m</sup>bə<sup>r</sup>əfaj mbə<sup>r</sup>əfə<sup>u</sup>k</i>   | *m-brfa- <sup>u</sup> k                 | *m <sup>u</sup> Ø-brfa-k                |                                     | 4 |
| Bana            | <i><sup>m</sup>bə<sup>r</sup>f(ə)ŋ mbə<sup>r</sup>fə<sup>u</sup>k</i>   |                                         |                                         |                                     | 4 |

1. (dissimilation) radical \*m > b/m<sub>-</sub>; \*d' > r; \*k<sup>w</sup> > g<sup>w</sup>; prefixal \*m > m<sup>n</sup>; +N: g<sup>w</sup> > <sup>u</sup>g<sup>w</sup>; ə-epenthesis; +W: ə > u; FV \*a > ə

2. (dissimilation) radical \*m > b/m<sub>-</sub>; \*d' > r; prefixal \*m > m<sup>n</sup>; +N: g<sup>w</sup> > <sup>u</sup>g<sup>w</sup>; +W: \*a > o

3. (dissimilation) radical \*m > b/m<sub>-</sub>; \*d' > r; \*k<sup>w</sup> > k > g; prefixal \*m > m<sup>n</sup>; +N: g > <sup>u</sup>g; ə-epenthesis; \*y > Ø<sup>y</sup>; +Y: ə > i

4. (dissimilation) radical \*m > b/m<sub>-</sub>; \*d' > r; \*k<sup>w</sup> > k > g; prefixal \*m > m<sup>n</sup>; +N: k > <sup>u</sup>k > ŋ; ə-epenthesis

seven<sub>2</sub>Areal root \*(RED-) t(a)s(a)r(a)ɖa (-y, -k<sup>w</sup>)

## DABA

|      |                                                               |                          |              |             |   |
|------|---------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------|--------------|-------------|---|
| Daba | <i>tʃesered' ts'a<sup>y</sup>sa<sup>y</sup>ra<sup>d</sup></i> | *tsasarad-Ø <sup>y</sup> | *tsasaradØ-y | *tasaradā-y | 1 |
|------|---------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------|--------------|-------------|---|

1. \*t > ts; \*y > Ø<sup>y</sup>; +Y: ts > tʃ; +Y \*a > i

## MAFA

|       |                |          |         |            |   |
|-------|----------------|----------|---------|------------|---|
|       |                |          |         | √ CaC C Ca |   |
| Cuvok | <i>tasla</i>   | *tasla   | *taslØa | *tasrdā    | 1 |
|       |                |          |         | √ C CaCaCa |   |
| Mafa  | <i>tsarad'</i> | *tsaradØ |         | *tsaradā   |   |

1. \*d' > l

## MOFU

|            |                                  |                       |              |                                           |   |
|------------|----------------------------------|-----------------------|--------------|-------------------------------------------|---|
|            |                                  |                       |              | √ C C C Ca                                |   |
| Moloko     | <i>səsəre səsəra<sup>y</sup></i> | *s-sra-Ø <sup>y</sup> | *RED-ØsrØa-y | *(ma-/RED-)<br>tsrdā(-y/-k <sup>w</sup> ) | 1 |
| Ouldeme    | <i>səsəla</i>                    | *s-sla                | *RED-ØslØa   |                                           | 2 |
| Zulgo      | <i>təsəla</i>                    | *tslØa                |              |                                           | 2 |
| Gemzek     | <i>təsəla</i>                    |                       |              |                                           | 2 |
| Dugwor     | <i>tsəla</i>                     |                       |              |                                           | 2 |
| Mofu North | <i>tsəla</i>                     |                       |              |                                           | 2 |
| Muyang     | <i>adəskəla</i>                  | *Øa-dskla             | *ma-dslØa-k  |                                           | 3 |
|            |                                  |                       |              | √ CaC C Ca                                |   |
| Merey      | <i>tasəla</i>                    | *tasla                | *taslØa      | *tasrdā                                   | 2 |
|            |                                  |                       |              | √ CaCaCaCa                                |   |
| Mofu-Gudur | <i>maasala</i>                   | *ma-asala             | *ma-ØasalaØØ | *ma-tasaradā                              | 4 |

1. ə-epenthesis; \*y > Ø<sup>y</sup>; +Y: lexical-final \*a > e

2. \*r > l; ə-epenthesis

3. \*r > l; \*t > d; metathesis lk > kl; ə-epenthesis

4. \*r > l

shame<sub>1</sub>

PCC \*z(a)r(a)wa (-y)

SUKUR

|       |       |        |         |         |   |
|-------|-------|--------|---------|---------|---|
| Sukur | sələy | *slə-y | *slØa-y | *zrwa-y | 1 |
|-------|-------|--------|---------|---------|---|

1. \*z &gt; s; \*r &gt; l; ə-epenthesis; lexical-final \*a &gt; ə

MARGI

|      |            |        |         |         |   |
|------|------------|--------|---------|---------|---|
| Bura | sili səʎly | *sl-yʎ | *slØØ-y | *zrwa-y | 1 |
|------|------------|--------|---------|---------|---|

1. \*z &gt; s; \*r &gt; l; ə-epenthesis; \*y &gt; yʎ &gt; i; +Y: ə &gt; i

MANDARA

|         |                   |            |         |           |   |
|---------|-------------------|------------|---------|-----------|---|
|         |                   |            |         | √ C C Ca  |   |
| Malgwa  | zirwe z'ə'rwaʎ    | *zrwa-Øʎ   |         | *zrwa-y   | 1 |
| Podoko  | zirəwa z'ə'rəwa   |            |         |           | 2 |
| Glavda  | zirwa z'ə'rwa     |            |         |           | 2 |
|         | zir z'ə'r         | *zr-Øʎ     | *zrØØ-y |           | 2 |
| Matal   | zirəwi z'ə'rəʎwy  | *zrwʎ-Ø-yʎ | *zrwØ-y |           | 3 |
|         |                   |            |         | √ CaCaCa  |   |
| Mandara | zerewe z'a'ra'waʎ | *zarawa-Øʎ |         | *zarawa-y | 4 |

1. ə-epenthesis; \*y &gt; yʎ; +Y: \*z &gt; ʒ; +Y: ə &gt; i; +Y: lexical-final \*a &gt; e

2. ə-epenthesis; \*y &gt; yʎ; +Y: \*z &gt; ʒ; +Y: ə &gt; i

3. ə-epenthesis; \*y &gt; yʎ &gt; i; +Y: \*z &gt; ʒ; +Y: ə &gt; i; \*w &gt; wʎ; +W: ə &gt; u

4. \*y &gt; Øʎ; +Y: \*z &gt; ʒ; +Y: \*a &gt; e

MOFU

|        |              |         |         |         |   |
|--------|--------------|---------|---------|---------|---|
| Muyang | zirwi zəʎrwy | *zrw-yʎ | *zrwØ-y | *zrwa-y | 1 |
|--------|--------------|---------|---------|---------|---|

1. ə-epenthesis; \*y &gt; yʎ &gt; i; +Y: ə &gt; i

LAMANG

|        |            |        |         |         |   |
|--------|------------|--------|---------|---------|---|
| Lamang | zirwi zrwy | *zrw-y | *zrwØ-y | *zrwa-y | 1 |
|--------|------------|--------|---------|---------|---|

1. \*y &gt; i

MUSGUM

|       |               |        |         |         |   |
|-------|---------------|--------|---------|---------|---|
| Vulum | siyer səʎya'r | *syʎar | *srØa-y | *zrwa-y | 1 |
|-------|---------------|--------|---------|---------|---|

1. \*z &gt; s; metathesis ry &gt; yr; ə-epenthesis; \*y &gt; yʎ; +Y: ə &gt; i; +Y: \*a &gt; e

shame<sub>2</sub>PCC \*x<sup>w</sup>(a)ra (-y)

DABA

|      |            |         |         |                       |   |
|------|------------|---------|---------|-----------------------|---|
| Daba | weli waʎly | *wal-yʎ | *walØ-y | *x <sup>w</sup> ara-y | 1 |
|------|------------|---------|---------|-----------------------|---|

1. \*x<sup>w</sup> > w; \*y > yʎ > i; +Y: \*a > e

MAFA

|       |                     |                       |                         |                         |  |
|-------|---------------------|-----------------------|-------------------------|-------------------------|--|
| Mafa  | h <sup>w</sup> aray | *x <sup>w</sup> ar-ay | *x <sup>w</sup> arØ-a-y | *x <sup>w</sup> ara-a-y |  |
| Cuvok | h <sup>w</sup> aray |                       |                         |                         |  |

## HURZA

|       |              |         |           |                         |   |
|-------|--------------|---------|-----------|-------------------------|---|
| Mbuko | <i>waray</i> | *war-ay | *warØ-a-y | *x <sup>w</sup> ara-a-y | 1 |
|-------|--------------|---------|-----------|-------------------------|---|

1. \*x<sup>w</sup> > w

## MOFU

|            |                                                        |                       |                                      |                                           |   |
|------------|--------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------|--------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------|---|
| Merey      | <i>h<sup>w</sup>aray</i>                               | *x <sup>w</sup> ar-ay | *x <sup>w</sup> arØ-a-y              | *x <sup>w</sup> ara-a-y/-k <sup>w</sup> a |   |
| Mofu-Gudur | <i>h<sup>w</sup>aray</i>                               |                       |                                      |                                           |   |
| Dugwor     | <i>h<sup>w</sup>oray x<sup>w</sup>a<sup>w</sup>ray</i> |                       |                                      |                                           | 1 |
| Gemzek     | <i>horo x<sup>w</sup>a<sup>w</sup>ra<sup>w</sup></i>   | *x <sup>w</sup> ara   |                                      |                                           | 1 |
| Zulgo      | <i>h<sup>w</sup>arwa</i>                               | *x <sup>w</sup> ar-wa | *x <sup>w</sup> arØ-k <sup>w</sup> a |                                           | 2 |

1. +W: \*a &gt; o

2. \*k<sup>w</sup> > w

## LAMANG

|        |                                          |                     |                     |   |
|--------|------------------------------------------|---------------------|---------------------|---|
|        |                                          |                     | √ C Ca              |   |
| Hdi    | <i>hula x<sup>w</sup>ə<sup>w</sup>la</i> | *x <sup>w</sup> la  | *x <sup>w</sup> ra  | 1 |
| Lamang | <i>hula x<sup>w</sup>ə<sup>w</sup>la</i> |                     |                     | 1 |
|        |                                          |                     | √ CaCa              |   |
|        | <i>hola x<sup>w</sup>a<sup>w</sup>la</i> | *x <sup>w</sup> ala | *x <sup>w</sup> ara | 2 |

1. \*r &gt; l; ə-epenthesis; +W: ə &gt; u

2. \*r &gt; l; +W: \*a &gt; o

## GIDAR

|       |                              |                    |        |                      |   |
|-------|------------------------------|--------------------|--------|----------------------|---|
| Gidar | <i>wili wə<sup>v</sup>ly</i> | *wl-y <sup>v</sup> | *wlØ-y | *x <sup>w</sup> ra-y | 1 |
|-------|------------------------------|--------------------|--------|----------------------|---|

1. \*x<sup>w</sup> > w; \*r > l; ə-epenthesis; \*y > y<sup>v</sup> > i; +Y: ə > i

## sheep

PCC \*(ma-, k<sup>w</sup>a-) **t(a)ma** (-y, -k<sup>w</sup>, -n)

## DABA

|        |                                                                  |                             |                              |                                                   |   |
|--------|------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------|------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------|---|
|        |                                                                  |                             |                              | √ C Ca                                            |   |
| Daba   | <i>tumuk</i> tə <sup>w</sup> mə <sup>w</sup> k                   | *tm-k <sup>w</sup>          | *tmØ-k <sup>w</sup>          | *(ma-k <sup>w</sup> a-)<br>tma(-y)-k <sup>w</sup> | 1 |
| Buwal  | <i>ɣtəmek</i> ɣtəma <sup>v</sup> k                               | *ɣ-Ø-tma-Ø <sup>v</sup> -k  | *mØ-kØ-tma-y-k <sup>w</sup>  |                                                   | 2 |
| Gavar  | <i>ɣtɕimek</i> ɣts <sup>v</sup> ə <sup>v</sup> ma <sup>v</sup> k | *ɣ-Ø-tsma-Ø <sup>v</sup> -k | *mØ-kØ-tsma-y-k <sup>w</sup> |                                                   | 3 |
|        |                                                                  |                             |                              | √ CaCa                                            |   |
| Mbudum | <i>ntek</i> nta <sup>v</sup> k                                   | *n-ta-Ø <sup>v</sup> -k     | *mØ-taØØ-y-k <sup>w</sup>    | *ma-tama-y-k <sup>w</sup>                         | 4 |

1. ə-epenthesis; +W: ə &gt; u

2. \*k<sup>w</sup> > k; fusion \*mk > ɣ; ə-epenthesis; \*y > Ø<sup>v</sup>; +Y: \*a > e3. \*t > ts; \*k<sup>w</sup> > k; fusion \*mk > ɣ; ə-epenthesis; \*y > Ø<sup>v</sup>; +Y ts > tɕ; +Y: ə > i; +Y: \*a > e4. \*k<sup>w</sup> > k; homorganic assimilation \*m > n/\_t; \*y > Ø<sup>v</sup>; +Y: \*a > e

## MAFA

|       |                          |                         |                                       |                         |   |
|-------|--------------------------|-------------------------|---------------------------------------|-------------------------|---|
|       |                          |                         |                                       | √ C Ca                  |   |
| Cuvok | <i>təmak</i>             | *tma-k                  |                                       | *tma-k <sup>w</sup>     | 1 |
|       |                          |                         |                                       | √ CaCa                  |   |
| Mafa  | <i>ta<sup>m</sup>bak</i> | *Ø-ta <sup>n</sup> ba-k | *m <sup>n</sup> Ø-taba-k <sup>w</sup> | *ma-tama-k <sup>w</sup> | 2 |

1. \*k<sup>w</sup> > k; ə-epenthesis2. \*k<sup>w</sup> > k; dissimilation \*m > b/m\_ ; \*m > Ø<sup>n</sup>; +N: b > <sup>m</sup>b

## TERA

|                                                                                                                          |                      |          |             |                           |   |
|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------|----------|-------------|---------------------------|---|
| Tera                                                                                                                     | <i>ndəbaŋ</i> ndəbaŋ | *n-dba-ŋ | *mØ-dba-k-n | *ma-tma-k <sup>w</sup> -n | 1 |
| 1. *t > d; dissimulation *m > b/m_; homorganic assimilation *m > n/_d; ə-epenthesis; *k <sup>w</sup> > k; fusion *kn > ŋ |                      |          |             |                           |   |

## HURZA

|                                                                                                           |               |                        |                                      |                             |   |
|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------|------------------------|--------------------------------------|-----------------------------|---|
| Mbuko                                                                                                     | <i>təman</i>  | *tma-n                 |                                      |                             | 1 |
| Vame                                                                                                      | <i>təmbak</i> | *Ø-t <sup>h</sup> ba-k | *m <sup>n</sup> Ø-tba-k <sup>w</sup> | *(ma-)tma-k <sup>w</sup> -n | 2 |
| 1. ə-epenthesis<br>2. dissimulation *m > b/m_; *m > Ø <sup>n</sup> : +N: b > <sup>mb</sup> ; ə-epenthesis |               |                        |                                      |                             |   |

## MANDARA

|         |                                                               |                        |                        |                                 |   |
|---------|---------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------|------------------------|---------------------------------|---|
|         |                                                               |                        |                        | √ C Ca                          |   |
| Matal   | <i>t<sup>w</sup>waŋ</i> tə <sup>w</sup> waŋ                   | *t <sup>w</sup> a-ŋ    | *twa-k-n               | *tma(-y)-k <sup>w</sup> (-n)(a) | 1 |
| Glavda  | <i>tuu</i> tww                                                | *tw-w                  | *twØ-k <sup>w</sup>    |                                 | 2 |
|         | <i>tus<sup>w</sup>a</i> twy <sup>w</sup> a                    | *tw- <sup>y</sup> a    | *twa-k <sup>w</sup> a  |                                 | 3 |
| Dghwede | <i>tuwige</i> tə <sup>w</sup> wə <sup>y</sup> ga <sup>y</sup> | *tw-Ø <sup>y</sup> -ga | *tw-y-k <sup>w</sup> a |                                 | 4 |
|         |                                                               |                        |                        | √ CaCa                          |   |
| Podoko  | <i>tag<sup>w</sup>a</i>                                       | *ta-g <sup>w</sup> a   | *taØØ-k <sup>w</sup> a | *tama-y/-k <sup>w</sup> a       | 5 |
| Mandara | <i>kyawe</i> t <sup>h</sup> awa <sup>y</sup>                  | tawa-Ø <sup>y</sup>    | *tawa-y                |                                 | 6 |
| Malgwa  | <i>kyewe</i> t <sup>h</sup> a <sup>y</sup> wa <sup>y</sup>    |                        |                        |                                 | 6 |

1. \*m > w<sup>w</sup>; ə-epenthesis; +W: ə > u; \*k<sup>w</sup> > k; fusion \*kn > ŋ

2. \*m > w > u; \*k<sup>w</sup> > w > u

3. \*m > w > u; \*k<sup>w</sup> (> g<sup>w</sup>) > y<sup>w</sup>

4. \*m > w<sup>w</sup>; ə-epenthesis; +W: ə > u; \*k<sup>w</sup> (> k) > g; \*y > Ø<sup>y</sup>; +Y: ə > i; +Y: FV \*a > e

5. \*k<sup>w</sup> > g<sup>w</sup>

6. \*m > w; \*y > Ø<sup>y</sup>; +Y: t > t<sup>y</sup> > k<sup>y</sup>; +Y: lexical-final \*a > e

## MOFU

|            |                          |                        |                                      |                               |   |
|------------|--------------------------|------------------------|--------------------------------------|-------------------------------|---|
| Moloko     | <i>təmak</i>             | *tma-k                 | *tma-k <sup>w</sup>                  | *(ma-)tma-k <sup>w</sup> (-n) | 1 |
| Dugwor     | <i>təmak</i>             |                        |                                      |                               | 1 |
| Gemzek     | <i>təmaŋ</i>             | *tma-ŋ                 | *tma-k-n                             |                               | 2 |
| Ouldeme    | <i>tə<sup>m</sup>bak</i> | *Ø-t <sup>m</sup> ba-k | *m <sup>n</sup> Ø-tba-k <sup>w</sup> |                               | 3 |
| Merey      | <i>təbaŋ</i>             | *Ø-tba-ŋ               | *mØ-tba-k-n                          |                               | 4 |
| Mofu North | <i>təbaŋ</i>             |                        |                                      |                               | 4 |
| Mofu-Gudur | <i>təbaŋ</i>             |                        |                                      |                               | 4 |
|            |                          |                        |                                      |                               |   |

1. \*k<sup>w</sup> > k; ə-epenthesis

2. ə-epenthesis; \*k<sup>w</sup> > k; fusion \*kn > ŋ

3. \*k<sup>w</sup> > k; ə-epenthesis; dissimulation \*m > b/m<sub>-</sub>; \*m > Ø<sup>n</sup>; +N: b > m<sup>b</sup>

4. dissimulation \*m > b/m<sub>-</sub> (> Ø); ə-epenthesis; \*k<sup>w</sup> > k; fusion \*kn > ŋ

## MAROUA

|                                                                                                                                 |                                                |                        |                        |                          |   |
|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------|------------------------|------------------------|--------------------------|---|
| Giziga-Marva                                                                                                                    | <i>tumon</i> tə <sup>w</sup> ma <sup>w</sup> n | *tma-Ø <sup>w</sup> -n | *tma-k <sup>w</sup> -n | *tma-k <sup>w</sup> (-n) | 1 |
| Mbazla                                                                                                                          | <i>təmak</i>                                   | *tma-k                 | *tma-k <sup>w</sup>    |                          | 2 |
| 1. ə-epenthesis: *k <sup>w</sup> > Ø <sup>w</sup> ; +W: ə > u; +W: lexical-final *a > o<br>2. ə-epenthesis: *k <sup>w</sup> > k |                                                |                        |                        |                          |   |



## LAMANG

|        |                                    |                       |         |                         |   |
|--------|------------------------------------|-----------------------|---------|-------------------------|---|
| Lamang | <i>tuwaka</i> tə <sup>w</sup> waka | *tw <sup>w</sup> a-ka | *twa-ka | *tma-k <sup>w</sup> (a) | 1 |
| Hdi    | <i>tuwak</i> tə <sup>w</sup> wak   | *tw <sup>w</sup> a-k  | *twa-k  |                         | 1 |

1. \*k<sup>w</sup> > k; ə-epenthesis; \*m > w<sup>w</sup>; +W: ə > u

## HIGI

|        |                             |                        |                                        |                              |   |
|--------|-----------------------------|------------------------|----------------------------------------|------------------------------|---|
| Kirya  | <i>tə<sup>m</sup>bəkə</i>   | *Ø-t <sup>m</sup> b-kə | *m <sup>m</sup> Ø-tbØ-k <sup>w</sup> a | *(ma-)tma-k <sup>w</sup> (a) | 1 |
| Bana   | <i>tə<sup>m</sup>bək(ə)</i> |                        |                                        |                              | 1 |
| Psikye | <i>təmu</i> təmw            | *tm-w                  | *tmØ-k <sup>w</sup>                    |                              | 2 |

1. \*k<sup>w</sup> > k; ə-epenthesis; dissimilation \*m > b/m<sub>-</sub>; \*m > Ø<sup>n</sup>; +N: b > <sup>m</sup>b; FV: \*a > ə

2. \*k<sup>w</sup> > w > u; ə-epenthesis

## MUSGUM

|        |                                |                        |           |             |   |
|--------|--------------------------------|------------------------|-----------|-------------|---|
| Vulum  | <i>adme</i> adma <sup>y</sup>  | *Øa-dma-Ø <sup>y</sup> | *ma-dma-y | *(ma-)tma-y | 1 |
| Mbara  | <i>dima</i> də <sup>y</sup> ma | *dma-Ø <sup>y</sup>    | *dma-y    |             | 2 |
| Muskum | <i>tima</i> tə <sup>y</sup> ma | *tma-Ø <sup>y</sup>    | *tma-y    |             | 3 |

1. \*t > d; \*y > Ø<sup>y</sup>; +Y: lexical-final \*a > e

2. \*t > d; ə-epenthesis; \*y > Ø<sup>y</sup>; +Y: ə > i

3. ə-epenthesis; \*y > Ø<sup>y</sup>; +Y: ə > i

## GIDAR

|       |                                             |                     |        |        |   |
|-------|---------------------------------------------|---------------------|--------|--------|---|
| Gidar | <i>time</i> tə <sup>y</sup> ma <sup>y</sup> | *tma-Ø <sup>y</sup> | *tma-y | *tma-y | 1 |
|-------|---------------------------------------------|---------------------|--------|--------|---|

1. ə-epenthesis; \*y > Ø<sup>y</sup>; +Y: ə > i; +Y: lexical-final \*a > e

shoulder/(upper) arm<sup>137</sup>

PCC \*(ma-, na-, ra-, ta-, tsa-, xa-, RED-) **p(a)l̥ʒa** (-RED, -y, -n, -x, -k<sup>w</sup>; FV)

## DABA

|       |                                                                         |                               |                    |                                        |   |
|-------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------|--------------------|----------------------------------------|---|
| Gavar | <i>mapeleleŋ</i><br>mapa <sup>y</sup> la <sup>y</sup> la <sup>y</sup> ŋ | *ma-pala-la-Ø <sup>y</sup> -ŋ | *ma-pala-RED-y-k-n | *ma-pal̥ʒa<br>-RED-y-k <sup>w</sup> -n | 1 |
|-------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------|--------------------|----------------------------------------|---|

1. \*l̥ʒ > l; \*y > Ø<sup>y</sup>; +Y: a > e; \*k<sup>w</sup> > k; fusion \*kn > ŋ

## MAFA

|      |                                                  |                         |             |               |   |
|------|--------------------------------------------------|-------------------------|-------------|---------------|---|
| Mafa | <i>pelpel</i> pa <sup>y</sup> lpa <sup>y</sup> l | *pal-pal-Ø <sup>y</sup> | *RED-palØ-y | *RED-pal̥ʒa-y | 1 |
|------|--------------------------------------------------|-------------------------|-------------|---------------|---|

1. \*l̥ʒ > l; \*y > Ø<sup>y</sup>; +Y: a > e

## SUKUR

|       |              |         |          |            |   |
|-------|--------------|---------|----------|------------|---|
| Sukur | <i>tapal</i> | *ta-pal | *ta-palØ | *ta-pal̥ʒa | 1 |
|-------|--------------|---------|----------|------------|---|

1. \*l̥ʒ > l

## HURZA

|       |                                                  |                         |             |                   |   |
|-------|--------------------------------------------------|-------------------------|-------------|-------------------|---|
| Mbuko | <i>baḷʒa</i>                                     | *baḷʒa                  |             | *(RED-)pal̥ʒa(-y) | 1 |
| Vame  | <i>pelpel</i> pa <sup>y</sup> lpa <sup>y</sup> l | *pal-pal-Ø <sup>y</sup> | *RED-palØ-y |                   | 2 |

1. \*p > b

2. \*l̥ʒ > l; \*y > Ø<sup>y</sup>; +Y: a > e

<sup>137</sup> As pointed out by Gravina (2015), we are likely dealing with at least two cognate forms representing derivations from one historically underlying common PCC root \***p(a)l̥ʒa**, which undergoes different strategies of reduplication, compounding, or prefixing. (Gravina, therefore, reconstructs two related roots: \***hipal** 'shoulder' and \***pal̥ʒa** 'upper arm'.) Note that Kilba (HIGI) has two reflexes of this common root, one meaning 'hand' and the other meaning 'shoulder'. In order to capture the assumed common origin, we here reconstruct all available forms as stemming from the same origin.

## MARGI

|                                              |                       |           |                        |                                         |   |
|----------------------------------------------|-----------------------|-----------|------------------------|-----------------------------------------|---|
| Bura                                         | <i>palaha</i>         | *pała-xa  |                        | *(RED-)pałǵa(-x, -k <sup>w</sup> , (a)) | 1 |
|                                              | <i>patlahu</i> palaxw | *pała-x-w | *pała-x-k <sup>w</sup> |                                         | 2 |
| Margi-South                                  | <i>papałǵa</i>        | *pa-pałǵa | *RED-pałǵa             |                                         | 3 |
| Kilba                                        | <i>pałǵa</i>          | *pał-ka   | *pałØ-k <sup>w</sup> a |                                         |   |
| 1. *ǵ > ɭ                                    |                       |           |                        |                                         |   |
| 2. *ǵ > ɭ; *k <sup>w</sup> > w > u           |                       |           |                        |                                         |   |
| 3. *ǵ > ɭ; *k <sup>w</sup> > k; ə-epenthesis |                       |           |                        |                                         |   |

MANDARA<sup>138</sup>

|         |                                              |                 |               |                                 |   |
|---------|----------------------------------------------|-----------------|---------------|---------------------------------|---|
|         |                                              |                 |               | √ C Ca                          |   |
| Glavda  | <i>aça</i>                                   | *Øa-ça          | *na-Øça       | *na-płǵa                        | 1 |
|         |                                              |                 |               | √ CaCa                          |   |
| Matal   | <i>dzabala</i>                               | *dza-bala       |               | *(tsa-, na-, ra-, RED)<br>pałǵa | 2 |
| Mandara | <i>nahyapehyape</i><br><i>naxʰapaʰxʰapaʰ</i> | *na-xʰapa-xʰapa | *na-RED-paxʰa |                                 | 3 |
| Malgwa  | <i>nahyepe</i> <i>naxʰaʰpaʰ</i>              | *na-xʰap        | *na-paxʰa     |                                 | 3 |
|         | <i>lahyepe</i> <i>laxʰaʰpaʰ</i>              | *la-xʰapa       | *ra-paxʰa     |                                 | 4 |
| Glavda  | <i>açapa</i>                                 | *a-çapa         | *Øa-paça      |                                 | 5 |

1. \*ǵ > ç

2. \*p > b; \*ǵ > ɭ

3. \*ǵ (> ɭ) > xʰ; metathesis pxʰ > xʰp; +Y; lexical-final \*a > e

4. \*ǵ (> ɭ) > xʰ; \*r > l; metathesis pxʰ > xʰp; +Y; lexical-final \*a > e

5. \*ǵ > ç; metathesis pç > çp

## MOFU

|            |                                                       |                           |                |                            |   |
|------------|-------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------|----------------|----------------------------|---|
| Mofu-Gudur | <i>pepeɭ</i> pa <sup>y</sup> pa <sup>y</sup> ɭ        | *pa-paɭ-Ø <sup>y</sup>    | *RED-paɭØ-y    | *(ma-, xa-, RED-) paɭa(-y) | 1 |
| Ouldeme    | <i>məpepeɭ</i><br>məpa <sup>y</sup> pa <sup>y</sup> ɭ | *mØ-pa-paɭ-Ø <sup>y</sup> | *ma-RED-paɭØ-y |                            | 2 |
| Mada       | <i>ahpaɭ</i>                                          | *Øa-xØ-paɭ                | *ma-xa-paɭØ    |                            | 3 |
| Muyang     | <i>həpaɭ</i>                                          | *xØ-paɭ                   | *xa-paɭØ       |                            | 4 |

1. \*ɭ > ɭ; \*y > Ø<sup>y</sup>; +Y: a > e

2. \*ɭ > ɭ; ə-epenthesis; \*y > Ø<sup>y</sup>; +Y: a > e

3. \*ɭ > ɭ

4. \*ɭ > ɭ; ə-epenthesis

## MAROUA

|                                                 |                                                   |                              |                    |                          |   |
|-------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------|------------------------------|--------------------|--------------------------|---|
| Giziga-Muturwa                                  | <i>pepeɭ</i> <i>pa<sup>y</sup>pa<sup>y</sup>ɭ</i> | <i>*pa-paɭ-Ø<sup>y</sup></i> | <i>*RED-paɭØ-y</i> | <i>*(RED-) pałǵa(-y)</i> | 1 |
| Giziga-Marva                                    | <i>bałǵa</i>                                      | <i>*bałǵa</i>                |                    |                          |   |
| 1. *y > Ø <sup>y</sup> ; +Y: a > e<br>2. *p > b |                                                   |                              |                    |                          |   |

<sup>138</sup> Examples from this group suggest a glimpse at the relative chronology of sound changes. Possibly, the change \*ǵ → ɭ → x<sup>y</sup> predating the prosodification of x<sup>y</sup> licenses palatalisation effects on following vowels in Mandara and Malgwa – unless, of course, Y-prosody stems from \*{-y} (which we have not postulated in this case because we give priority to phonological over morphological prosodies where there is doubt or structural ambivalence).

## LAMANG

|        |                 |              |                            |                             |   |
|--------|-----------------|--------------|----------------------------|-----------------------------|---|
| Lamang | <i>ybadzaka</i> | *ʏØ-badza-ka | *xa-badza-k <sup>w</sup> a | *(xa-)paɭa-k <sup>w</sup> a | 1 |
| Hdi    | <i>badzaga</i>  | *badza-ga    | *badza-k <sup>w</sup> a    |                             | 2 |

1. \*p > b; \*ɭ > dz; \*k<sup>w</sup> > k; \*x > ɣ  
2. \*p > b; \*ɭ > dz; \*k<sup>w</sup> > k > g

## HIGI

|             |                               |          |           |                     |   |
|-------------|-------------------------------|----------|-----------|---------------------|---|
|             |                               |          |           | √ C Ca              |   |
| Kirya       | <i>pəla</i> 'hand'            | *pla     |           | *pɭa                | 1 |
|             |                               |          |           | √ CaCa              |   |
| Kirya       | <i>babaɭa</i>                 | *ba-baɭa | *RED-baɭa | *(ma-/RED-)paɭa(-y) | 2 |
| Kamwe-Nkafa | <i>baɭa</i>                   | *baɭa    |           |                     | 2 |
| Bana        | <i>baɭi baɭy</i>              | *baɭ-y   | *baɭØ-y   |                     | 3 |
| Kamwe-Futu  | <i><sup>m</sup>baɭa mbaɭa</i> | *mØ-baɭa | *ma-baɭa  |                     | 4 |

1. \*ɭ > l; ə-epenthesis  
2. \*p > b  
3. \*p > b; \*y > i  
4. \*p > b

## KOTOKO-NORTH

|        |                                |                       |           |           |   |
|--------|--------------------------------|-----------------------|-----------|-----------|---|
|        |                                |                       |           | √ C Ca    |   |
| Afade  | <i><sup>m</sup>bila mbə'la</i> | *m-bla-Ø <sup>y</sup> | *mØ-bla-y | *ma-pɭa-y | 1 |
|        |                                |                       |           | √ CaCa    |   |
| Mpade  | <i><sup>m</sup>bala</i>        | *m-bala               | *mØ-bala  | *ma-paɭa  | 2 |
| Malgbe | <i><sup>m</sup>bala</i>        |                       |           |           | 2 |
| Maltam | <i><sup>m</sup>bala</i>        |                       |           |           | 2 |

1. \*p > b; \*ɭ > l; ə-epenthesis; \*y > Ø<sup>y</sup>; +Y: ə > i  
2. \*p > b; \*ɭ > l

## KOTOKO-CENTRAL

|        |              |         |          |          |   |
|--------|--------------|---------|----------|----------|---|
| Lagwan | <i>mpala</i> | *m-pala | *mØ-pala | *ma-paɭa | 1 |
| Mser   | <i>mpala</i> |         |          |          | 1 |

1. \*ɭ > l

sit/stay, to

PCC \*(ma-, RED-) dz(a)ka (-a, -y, -k<sup>w</sup>, -n: FV)

## BATA

|        |                               |           |             |               |   |
|--------|-------------------------------|-----------|-------------|---------------|---|
| Gude   | <i><sup>n</sup>dzaa ndzaa</i> | *n-dzaa   | *mØ-dzaØa   | *ma-dzaka(-n) | 1 |
| Jimi   | <i><sup>n</sup>dzan ndzan</i> | *n-dza-n  | *mØ-dzaØØ-n |               | 1 |
| Tsuwan | <i>nzakən</i>                 | *n-zaka-n | *mØ-zaka-n  |               | 2 |

1. homorganic assimilation \*m > n/\_dz; (vowel length accounted for by loss of intervocalic /k/)  
2. homorganic assimilation \*m > n/\_z; lexical-final \*a > ə

## DABA

|        |                              |                     |          |               |   |
|--------|------------------------------|---------------------|----------|---------------|---|
| Mbudum | <i>dʒa dz'a</i>              | *dza-Ø <sup>y</sup> | *dzaØØ-y | *(ma-)dzaka-y | 1 |
| Buwal  | <i><sup>n</sup>dʒa ndz'a</i> |                     |          |               | 2 |

|       |                               |           |             |  |   |
|-------|-------------------------------|-----------|-------------|--|---|
| Gavar | <sup>n</sup> <i>dʒa</i> ndzʼa | *n-dza-Øʸ | *mØ-dzaØØ-y |  | 2 |
| Daba  | <sup>n</sup> <i>dʒa</i> ndzʼa |           |             |  | 2 |

1. \*y > Øʸ; +Y: \*dz > dʒ  
 2. homorganic assimilation \*m > n/ dz; \*y > Øʸ; +Y: \*dz > dʒ

## MAFA

|       |                                     |             |               |                   |   |
|-------|-------------------------------------|-------------|---------------|-------------------|---|
| Mafa  | <sup>n</sup> <i>dza</i>             | *n-dza      | *mØ-dzaØØ     |                   | 1 |
| Cuvok | <sup>n</sup> <i>dʒaha</i> ndzʼaxa   | *n-dzaxa-Øʸ | *mØ-dzaxa-y   | *ma-dzaka((-a)-y) | 2 |
|       | <sup>n</sup> <i>dʒahay</i> ndzʼaxay | *n-dzax-ayʸ | *mØ-dzaxØ-a-y |                   | 3 |

1. homorganic assimilation \*m > n/ dz  
 2. homorganic assimilation \*m > n/ dz; \*y > Øʸ; +Y: \*dz > dʒ; \*k > x  
 3. homorganic assimilation \*m > n/ dz; \*y > yʸ; +Y: \*dz > dʒ; \*k > x

## SUKUR

|       |                   |          |            |               |   |
|-------|-------------------|----------|------------|---------------|---|
| Sukur | <i>nza</i>        | *n-za    | *mØ-zaØØ   | *ma-dzaka(-y) | 1 |
|       | <i>inza</i> əʸnza | *n-za-Øʸ | *mØ-zaØØ-y |               | 2 |

1. \*dz > z; homorganic assimilation \*m > n/ z  
 2. \*dz > z; homorganic assimilation \*m > n/ z; ə-prothesis; \*y > Øʸ; +Y: ə > i

## HURZA

|       |               |           |              |               |   |
|-------|---------------|-----------|--------------|---------------|---|
| Mbuko | <i>nzahay</i> | *n-zax-ay | *mØ-zaxØ-a-y | *ma-dzaka-a-y | 1 |
|-------|---------------|-----------|--------------|---------------|---|

1. \*dz > z; \*k > x; homorganic assimilation \*m > n/ z

## MARGI

|      |                |        |            |             |   |
|------|----------------|--------|------------|-------------|---|
| Bura | <i>nzi</i> nzy | *n-z-y | *mØ-zØØØ-y | *ma-dzaka-y | 1 |
|------|----------------|--------|------------|-------------|---|

1. \*dz > z; homorganic assimilation \*m > n/ z; \*y > i

## MANDARA

|         |                                                                       |                                        |                |                            |   |
|---------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------|----------------|----------------------------|---|
| Matal   | <i>madzʼmadzay</i>                                                    | *ma-dz+ma-dz-ay<br>< *RED+ma-dzØØØ-a-y |                |                            |   |
| Podoko  | <sup>n</sup> <i>dza</i> ndza                                          | *n-dza                                 | *mØ-dzØa       |                            | 1 |
| Mandara | <sup>n</sup> <i>dʒa</i> ndzʼa                                         | *n-dza-Øʸ                              | *mØ-dzØa-y     | *RED-ma-dzka((-a)-y(-kʷa)) | 2 |
| Malgwa  | <sup>n</sup> <i>dʒa</i> ndzʼa                                         |                                        |                |                            | 2 |
| Glavda  | <sup>n</sup> <i>dʒiga</i> ndzʼga                                      | *n-dz-Øʸ-ga                            | *mØ-dzØØ-y-kʷa |                            | 3 |
| Dghwede | <sup>n</sup> <i>dʒəgi</i> <sup>n</sup> <i>dʒəge</i><br>ndzəgəʸndzəgaʸ | *n-dzga+n-dzga-Øʸ<br>< *RED+mØ-dzka-y  |                |                            | 4 |

1. homorganic assimilation \*m > n/ dz  
 2. homorganic assimilation \*m > n/ dz; \*y > Øʸ; +Y: \*dz > dʒ  
 3. homorganic assimilation \*m > n/ dz; \*kʷ (> k) > g; ə-epenthesis; \*y > Øʸ; +Y: ə > i  
 4. homorganic assimilation \*m > n/ dz; \*k > g; ə-epenthesis; \*y > Øʸ; +Y: ə > i;  
 +Y: FV \*a > e

## MOFU

|            |                                                                           |           |               |                   |   |
|------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------|---------------|-------------------|---|
| Ouldeme    | <i>nzakaŋ</i>                                                             | *n-zaka-ŋ | *mØ-zaka-kʷ-n |                   | 1 |
| Zulgo      | <sup>n</sup> <i>dza</i> ndza                                              | *n-dza    | *mØ-dzaØØ     |                   | 2 |
| Gemzek     | <sup>n</sup> <i>dza</i> ndza                                              |           |               |                   | 2 |
| Merey      | <sup>n</sup> <i>dʒay</i> ndzay                                            | *n-dza-y  | *mØ-dzaØØ-y   | *ma-dzaka-y/-kʷ-n | 2 |
| Mofu-Gudur | <sup>n</sup> <i>dʒ</i> ndzʼ                                               | *n-dz-Øʸ  | *mØ-dzØØØ-y   |                   | 3 |
| Moloko     | <sup>n</sup> <i>dʒe</i> ndzʼaʸ                                            | *n-dza-Øʸ | *mØ-dzaØØ-y   |                   | 4 |
| Dugwor     | <i>ma</i> <sup>n</sup> <i>dʒay</i><br><i>ma</i> <sup>n</sup> <i>dʒʼay</i> |           |               |                   | 5 |

|                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  |                                                         |                                        |                           |   |
|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------|---------------------------|---|
| Mofu North                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       | <i>me<sup>n</sup>dzey</i><br><i>ma<sup>n</sup>dza'y</i> | *m <sup>n</sup> a-dzaØØ-y <sup>y</sup> | *m <sup>n</sup> a-dzaØØ-y | 6 |
| 1. *dz > z; homorganic assimilation *m > n/_z; *k <sup>w</sup> > k; fusion kn > ŋ<br>2. homorganic assimilation *m > n/_dz<br>3. homorganic assimilation *m > n/_dz; *y > Ø <sup>y</sup> ; +Y: *dz > dʒ<br>4. homorganic assimilation *m > n/_dz; *y > Ø <sup>y</sup> ; +Y: *dz > dʒ; +Y: *a > e<br>5. *m > m <sup>n</sup> ; +N: *dz > <sup>n</sup> dz; *y > y <sup>y</sup> ; +Y: *dz > dʒ<br>6. *m > m <sup>n</sup> ; +N: *dz > <sup>n</sup> dz; *y > y <sup>y</sup> ; +Y: *dz > dʒ; +Y: *a > e |                                                         |                                        |                           |   |

## LAMANG

|                                                                     |                                                   |                        |                           |                              |   |
|---------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------|------------------------|---------------------------|------------------------------|---|
| Lamang                                                              | <i>ndza</i>                                       | *n-dza                 | *mØ-dzaØØ                 | *ma-dzaka(-k <sup>w</sup> a) | 1 |
|                                                                     | <i>nza</i>                                        | *n-za                  | *mØ-zaØØ                  |                              | 2 |
| Hdi                                                                 | <i>nzaku</i> <i>nzak<sup>w</sup>ə<sup>w</sup></i> | *n-za-k <sup>w</sup> a | *mØ-zaØØ-k <sup>w</sup> a |                              | 3 |
| 1. homorganic assimilation *m > n/_dz                               |                                                   |                        |                           |                              |   |
| 2. *dz > z; homorganic assimilation *m > n/_z                       |                                                   |                        |                           |                              |   |
| 3. *dz > z; homorganic assimilation *m > n/_z; FV *a > ə; +W: ə > u |                                                   |                        |                           |                              |   |

## HIGI

|                                               |                             |         |             |               |   |
|-----------------------------------------------|-----------------------------|---------|-------------|---------------|---|
| Psikye                                        | <i>nza</i>                  | *n-za   | *mØ-zaØØ    | *ma-dzaka(-y) | 1 |
| Kamwe-Futu                                    | <i><sup>n</sup>dza ndza</i> | *n-dza  | *mØ-dzaØØ   |               | 2 |
| Kirya                                         | <i><sup>n</sup>dza ndza</i> |         |             |               | 2 |
| Bana                                          | <i>ndzi ndzy</i>            | *n-dz-y | *mØ-dzØØØ-y |               | 3 |
| 1. *dz > z; homorganic assimilation *m > n/_z |                             |         |             |               |   |
| 2. homorganic assimilation *m > n/_dz         |                             |         |             |               |   |
| 3. homorganic assimilation *m > n/_dz; *y > i |                             |         |             |               |   |

SIX<sub>1</sub>PCC \*(ma-) **k(a)w(a)xa** (-y)

## BATA

|                                                                                             |                                |                      |          |            |   |
|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------|----------------------|----------|------------|---|
| Gude                                                                                        | <i>kuwa</i> kə <sup>w</sup> wa | *kw <sup>w</sup> a   | *kwØa    | *(ma-)kwxa | 1 |
| Jimi                                                                                        | <i>ənko</i> ənka <sup>w</sup>  | *n-kØ <sup>w</sup> a | *mØ-kwØa |            | 2 |
| 1. ə-epenthesis; +W: ə > u                                                                  |                                |                      |          |            |   |
| 2. ə-prothesis; partial assimilation *m > n; *w > Ø <sup>w</sup> ; +W: lexical-final *a > o |                                |                      |          |            |   |

## DABA

|                                              |                               |                     |           |             |   |
|----------------------------------------------|-------------------------------|---------------------|-----------|-------------|---|
|                                              |                               |                     |           | √ C C Ca    |   |
| Mbudum                                       | <i>ŋkuh</i> ŋkwx              | *ŋ-kwx              | *mØ-kwxØ  | *ma-kwxa    | 1 |
|                                              |                               |                     |           | √ C CaCa    |   |
| Buwal                                        | <i>ŋk<sup>w</sup>ah</i> ŋkwax | *ŋ-kwax             | *mØ-kwaxØ | *(ma-)kwaxa | 2 |
| Gavar                                        | <i>ŋk<sup>w</sup>ah</i> ŋkwax |                     |           |             | 2 |
| Daba                                         | <i>koh</i> ka <sup>w</sup> x  | *kØ <sup>w</sup> ax | *kwaxØ    |             | 3 |
| 1. homorganic assimilation *m > ŋ/_k; *w > u |                               |                     |           |             |   |
| 2. homorganic assimilation *m > ŋ/_k         |                               |                     |           |             |   |
| 3. *w > Ø <sup>w</sup> ; +W: *a > o          |                               |                     |           |             |   |

## MAFA

|       |                                             |                       |          |          |   |
|-------|---------------------------------------------|-----------------------|----------|----------|---|
| Mafa  | <i>mok<sup>w</sup>a</i> ma <sup>w</sup> kwa | *ma-kw <sup>w</sup> a | *ma-kwØa | *ma-kwxa | 1 |
| Cuvok | <i>mak<sup>w</sup>a</i> makwa               | *ma-kwa               | *ma-kwØa |          |   |

1. \* > w<sup>w</sup>; +W: \*a > o

## SUKUR

|       |                                             |                      |          |          |   |
|-------|---------------------------------------------|----------------------|----------|----------|---|
| Sukur | <i>muk<sup>w</sup>a</i> mə <sup>w</sup> kwa | *m-kw <sup>w</sup> a | *mØ-kwØa | *ma-kwxa | 1 |
|       | <i>mək<sup>w</sup>a</i> məkwa               | *m-kwa               |          |          | 2 |

1. ə-epenthesis; \*w > w<sup>w</sup>; +W: ə > u

2. ə-epenthesis

## MARGI

|             |                             |        |          |            |   |
|-------------|-----------------------------|--------|----------|------------|---|
| Bura        | <i>nk<sup>w</sup>a</i> nkwa | *n-kwa | *mØ-kwØa | *(ma-)kwxa | 1 |
| Margi-South | <i>k<sup>w</sup>a</i> kwa   | *kwa   | *kwØa    |            |   |

1. partial assimilation \*m &gt; n/\_k

## MANDARA

|        |                                                          |                                     |            |              |   |
|--------|----------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------|------------|--------------|---|
|        |                                                          |                                     |            | √ C C Ca     |   |
| Matal  | <i>m<sup>w</sup>kwa</i> mə <sup>w</sup> kwa              | *m-kw <sup>w</sup> a                | *mØ-kwØa   | *ma-kwxa(-y) | 1 |
| Podoko | <i>mək<sup>w</sup>a</i> məkə <sup>w</sup> wa             |                                     |            |              | 1 |
| Malgwa | <i>unk<sup>w</sup>e</i> ə <sup>w</sup> nkwa <sup>y</sup> | *n-kw <sup>w</sup> a-Ø <sup>y</sup> | *mØ-kwØa-y |              | 2 |
|        |                                                          |                                     |            | √ C CaCa     |   |
| Glavda | <i>uŋk<sup>w</sup>axa</i> ə <sup>w</sup> ŋkwaxa          | *ŋ-kw <sup>w</sup> axa              | *mØ-kwaxa  | *ma-kwaxa    | 3 |

1. ə-epenthesis; \*w > w<sup>w</sup>; +W: ə > u2. ə-prothesis; \*w > w<sup>w</sup>; +W: ə > u; partial assimilation \*m > n/\_k; \*y > Ø<sup>y</sup>; +Y: lexical-final \*a > e3. ə-prothesis; \*w > w<sup>w</sup>; +W: ə > u; homorganic assimilation \*m > ŋ/\_k

## MOFU

|            |                                                |                      |          |           |   |
|------------|------------------------------------------------|----------------------|----------|-----------|---|
|            |                                                |                      |          | √ C C Ca  |   |
| Moloko     | <i>məko</i> məka <sup>w</sup>                  | *m-kØ <sup>w</sup> a | *mØ-kwØa | *ma-kwxa  | 1 |
| Merey      | <i>mək<sup>w</sup>a</i> məkwa                  | *m-kwa               |          |           | 2 |
| Mofu North | <i>muk<sup>w</sup>a</i> mə <sup>w</sup> kwa    | *m-kw <sup>w</sup> a |          |           | 3 |
| Ouldeme    | <i>muku</i> mə <sup>w</sup> kw                 | *m-kw <sup>w</sup>   | *mØ-kwØØ |           | 4 |
| Muyang     | <i>muku</i> mə <sup>w</sup> kw                 |                      |          |           | 4 |
|            |                                                |                      |          | √ CaC Ca  |   |
| Dugwor     | <i>mukow</i> mə <sup>w</sup> ka <sup>w</sup> w | *m-kaw <sup>w</sup>  | *mØ-kawØ | *ma-kawxa | 5 |
| Mofu-Gudur | <i>maak<sup>w</sup>aw</i> maak <sup>w</sup> aw | *ma-kaw <sup>w</sup> | *ma-kawØ |           | 6 |

1. ə-epenthesis; \*w > Ø<sup>w</sup>; +W: lexical-final \*a > o

2. ə-epenthesis

3. ə-epenthesis; \*w > w<sup>w</sup>; +W: ə > u4. ə-epenthesis; \*w > w<sup>w</sup>; +W: ə > u; \*w > u5. ə-epenthesis; \*w > w<sup>w</sup>; +W: ə > u; +W: \*a > o6. \*w > w<sup>w</sup>; +W: \*k > k<sup>w</sup>; vowel length unaccounted for

## LAMANG

|        |                                   |                      |          |          |   |
|--------|-----------------------------------|----------------------|----------|----------|---|
| Lamang | <i>mk<sup>w</sup>a</i> mkwa       | *m-kwa               | *mØ-kwØa | *ma-kwxa |   |
|        | <i>mkuwa</i> mkə <sup>w</sup> wa  | *m-kw <sup>w</sup> a |          |          | 1 |
| Hdi    | <i>muku</i> ' mə <sup>w</sup> kw? | *m-kw <sup>w</sup> ? | *mØ-kw?Ø |          | 2 |
|        | <i>mə'ku</i> m?kw                 | *m-?kw               |          |          | 3 |

1. ə-epenthesis; \*w > w<sup>w</sup>; +W; ə > u
2. \*x (> k) > ?; ə-epenthesis; \*w > w<sup>w</sup>; +W: ə > u; \*w > u
3. \*x (> k) > ?; multiple metathesis kw? > ?kw; ə-epenthesis; \*w > u

## HIGI

|             |                                                                    |                                      |                         |             |   |
|-------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------|-------------------------|-------------|---|
| Kamwe-Futu  | <i>nk<sup>w</sup>a<sup>g</sup>o nkwa<sup>n</sup>ga<sup>w</sup></i> | *n <sup>n</sup> -kw <sup>w</sup> aga | *m <sup>n</sup> Ø-kwaga | *(ma-)kwaxa | 1 |
| Kamwe-Nkafa | <i>nk<sup>w</sup>a<sup>g</sup>gə nkwa<sup>n</sup>gə</i>            | *n <sup>n</sup> -kwaga               |                         |             | 2 |
| Psikye      | <i>ŋk<sup>w</sup>aŋə nkwaŋə</i>                                    | *Ø <sup>n</sup> -kwagØ               |                         |             | 3 |
| Kirya       | <i>k<sup>v</sup>a<sup>g</sup> kwa<sup>n</sup>g</i>                 |                                      |                         |             | 4 |
| Bana        | <i>k<sup>v</sup>aŋ kwaŋ</i>                                        |                                      |                         |             | 5 |

1. \*x (> k) > g; partial assimilation \*m > n<sup>n</sup>/ \_k; +N: \*g > <sup>n</sup>g; +W: lexical-final \*a > o
2. \*x (> k) > g; partial assimilation \*m > n<sup>n</sup>/ \_k; +N: \*g > <sup>n</sup>g; lexical-final \*a > ə
3. \*x (> k) > g; partial assimilation \*m > n<sup>n</sup>/ \_k; +N: \*g (> <sup>n</sup>g) > ŋ; lexical-final \*a > ə
4. \*x (> k) > g; \*m > Ø<sup>n</sup>; +N: \*g > <sup>n</sup>g
5. \*x (> k) > g; \*m > Ø<sup>n</sup>; +N: \*g (> <sup>n</sup>g) > ŋ

six<sub>2</sub>Areal root **\*l(a)ra** (-y)

## MUSGUM

|       |                              |                     |        |   |
|-------|------------------------------|---------------------|--------|---|
|       |                              |                     | √ C Ca |   |
| Mbara | <i>lira lə<sup>y</sup>ra</i> | *lra-Ø <sup>y</sup> | *lra-y | 1 |
|       |                              |                     | √ CaCa |   |
| Vulum | <i>laara</i>                 | *lara               | *lara  | 2 |

1. ə-epenthesis; \*y > Ø<sup>y</sup>; +Y: ə > i
2. vowel length unaccounted for

## GIDAR

|       |                              |                     |        |   |
|-------|------------------------------|---------------------|--------|---|
| Gidar | <i>ləre ləra<sup>y</sup></i> | *lra-Ø <sup>y</sup> | *lra-y | 1 |
|       | <i>tre lra<sup>y</sup></i>   |                     |        | 2 |

1. ə-epenthesis; \*y > Ø<sup>y</sup>; +Y: lexical-final \*a > e
2. \*y > Ø<sup>y</sup>; +Y: lexical-final \*a > e

six<sub>3</sub>Areal root **\*(ma-) m(a)rk(a)da** (-y)

## HURZA

|                      |                                 |          |           |            |   |
|----------------------|---------------------------------|----------|-----------|------------|---|
|                      |                                 |          |           | √ C C C Ca |   |
| Mbuko <sup>139</sup> | <i><sup>m</sup>bərka mbərka</i> | *mØ-brka | *ma-brkØa | *ma-mrkda  | 1 |
|                      |                                 |          |           | √ CaC C Ca |   |
| Vame                 | <i>marka</i>                    | *marka   | *markØa   | *markda    |   |

1. (dissimilation) \*m > b/m<sub>-</sub>; ə-epenthesis

<sup>139</sup> There is no robust comparative evidence to reconstruct prefixal \*{ma-}, which would explain C<sub>1</sub> \*m > b dissimilation prior to N-prosody \*b > <sup>m</sup>b stemming from the prefix \*{ma-}. Alternatively, we would be stuck with having to assume spontaneous \*m > <sup>m</sup>b fortition.

## MAROUA

|                                                 |                             |             |            | √ CaC C Ca |   |
|-------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------|-------------|------------|------------|---|
| Giziga-Marva                                    | <i>merkid'</i> ma'rkaʔd'    | *markd-Øʏ   | *markdØ-y  | *markdā-y  | 1 |
| Mbazla                                          | <i>merki</i> ma'rky         | *mark-yʏ    | *markØØ-y  |            | 2 |
|                                                 |                             |             |            | √ CaC CaCa |   |
|                                                 | <i>merke'</i> ma'rkaʔ?      | *markaʔ-Øʏ  | *markaʔØ-y |            | 3 |
| Giziga-Muturwa                                  | <i>merked(e)</i> ma'rkaʔdāʏ | *markadā-Øʏ | *markadā-y | *markadā-y | 4 |
| 1. ə-epenthesis; *y > Øʏ; +Y: *a > e; +Y: ə > i |                             |             |            |            |   |
| 2. *y > yʏ > i; +Y: *a > e                      |                             |             |            |            |   |
| 3. *d' > ʔ; *y > Øʏ; +Y: *a > E                 |                             |             |            |            |   |
| 4. *y > Øʏ; +Y: *a > e                          |                             |             |            |            |   |

## skin

## PCC \*(ma-) x(a)b(a)ra (-y)

## MAFA

|           |                  |        |           |           |   |
|-----------|------------------|--------|-----------|-----------|---|
| Cuvok     | <i>mbal</i> mbal | *m-bal | *mØ-ØbalØ | *ma-xbara | 1 |
| 1. *r > l |                  |        |           |           |   |

## HURZA

|                                                 |                         |                       |                          |            |   |
|-------------------------------------------------|-------------------------|-----------------------|--------------------------|------------|---|
| Mbuko                                           | <i>a<sup>m</sup>bar</i> | *Ø <sup>n</sup> -abar | *m <sup>n</sup> Ø-ØabarØ | *ma-xabara | 1 |
| 1. *m > m <sup>n</sup> ; +N: b > <sup>m</sup> b |                         |                       |                          |            |   |

## MOFU

|                                                 |                             |                        |                          |            |   |
|-------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------|------------------------|--------------------------|------------|---|
|                                                 |                             |                        |                          | √ C CaCa   |   |
| Merey                                           | <i><sup>m</sup>bal</i> mbal | *mØ-bal                | *ma-ØbalØ                | *ma-xbara  | 1 |
|                                                 |                             |                        |                          | √ CaC Ca   |   |
| Ouldeme                                         | <i>a<sup>m</sup>bəl</i>     | *Ø-a <sup>n</sup> bl   | *m <sup>n</sup> Ø-ØablØ  | *ma-xabra  | 2 |
| Muyang                                          | <i>a<sup>m</sup>bəl</i>     |                        |                          |            | 2 |
| Gemzek                                          | <i>a<sup>n</sup>bəl</i>     |                        |                          |            | 2 |
|                                                 |                             |                        |                          | √ CaCaCa   |   |
| Moloko                                          | <i>ha<sup>m</sup>bar</i>    | *Ø-xa <sup>n</sup> bar | *m <sup>n</sup> Ø-xabarØ | *ma-xabara | 2 |
| Dugwor                                          | <i>a<sup>m</sup>bal</i>     | *Ø-a <sup>n</sup> bal  | *m <sup>n</sup> Ø-ØabalØ |            | 2 |
| Mofu-Gudur                                      | <i>a<sup>m</sup>bal</i>     |                        |                          |            | 2 |
| Mada                                            | <i>a<sup>m</sup>bal</i>     |                        |                          |            | 2 |
| 1. *r > l                                       |                             |                        |                          |            |   |
| 2. *m > Ø <sup>n</sup> ; +N: b > <sup>m</sup> b |                             |                        |                          |            |   |

## LAMANG

|                                                                                 |                                          |                     |                     |        |   |
|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------|---------------------|---------------------|--------|---|
| Lamang                                                                          | <i>x<sup>w</sup>ta</i> x <sup>w</sup> ta | *xØ <sup>w</sup> ta | *xw <sup>w</sup> ta | * xbra | 1 |
| Hdi                                                                             | <i>xuta</i> xwta                         | *xwta               | *xwta               |        | 2 |
| 1. *r (> d) > t; *b > w <sup>w</sup> > Ø <sup>w</sup> ; +W: *x > x <sup>w</sup> |                                          |                     |                     |        |   |
| 2. *r (> d) > t; *b > w > u                                                     |                                          |                     |                     |        |   |

## HIGI

|                         |                  |        |          |          |   |
|-------------------------|------------------|--------|----------|----------|---|
| Bana                    | <i>mbəl</i> mbəl | *mØ-bl | *ma-ØblØ | *ma-xbra | 1 |
| 1. *r > l; ə-epenthesis |                  |        |          |          |   |



## MUSGUM

|                                                         |                   |           |           |            |   |
|---------------------------------------------------------|-------------------|-----------|-----------|------------|---|
| Vulum                                                   | <i>amir</i> aməʔr | *ØamØr-Øʔ | *xambrØ-y | *ma-xbra-y | 1 |
| 1. metathesis xm > mx; ə-epenthesis; *y > Øʔ; +Y: ə > i |                   |           |           |            |   |

smell bad/stink, to

PCC \*(ma-, RED-) **z(a)ya** (-y, -k<sup>w</sup>, -n; FV)

## DABA

|                                                                          |                   |         |          |         |   |
|--------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------|---------|----------|---------|---|
| Gavar                                                                    | <i>ndzi</i> ndzʔy | *n-dzyʔ | *mØ-dzyØ | *ma-zya | 1 |
| Daba                                                                     | <i>ndzi</i> ndzʔy |         |          |         | 1 |
| 1. *z > dz; homorganic assimilation *m > n/_dz; *y > yʔ > i; +Y: dz > dʒ |                   |         |          |         |   |

## TERA

|                            |               |      |      |      |   |
|----------------------------|---------------|------|------|------|---|
| Tera                       | <i>zi</i> zʔy | *zyʔ | *zyØ | *zya | 1 |
| 1. *y > yʔ > i; +Y: *z > ʒ |               |      |      |      |   |

## MANDARA

|                                                                                                                                                                          |                         |             |              |              |   |
|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------|-------------|--------------|--------------|---|
| Matal <sup>140</sup>                                                                                                                                                     | <i>mazʔnay</i> mazʔənay | *ma-znayʔ   | *ma-zyØ-na   | *ma-zya-na   | 1 |
|                                                                                                                                                                          | <i>mazʔnay</i> mazʔənay | *ma-zØʔn-ay | *ma-zynØ-a-y | *ma-zyna-a-y | 2 |
| 1. 'irregular' metathesis -y-na > -na-y; ə-epenthesis: *y > yʔ; +Y: *z > ʒ; +Y: ə > i<br>Alternative analysis:<br>2. 'pseudo-root' *zyna; *y > Øʔ; +Y: *z > ʒ; +Y: ə > i |                         |             |              |              |   |

## MOFU

|                                                               |                                                            |                            |                     |                                         |   |
|---------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------|---------------------|-----------------------------------------|---|
|                                                               |                                                            |                            |                     | √ C Ca                                  |   |
| Mofu-Gudur                                                    | <i>z</i>                                                   | *z                         | *zØØ                | *(ma-)zya(-k <sup>w</sup> )             |   |
| Muyang                                                        | <i>zu zə<sup>w</sup></i>                                   | *zə-Ø <sup>w</sup>         | *zØa-k <sup>w</sup> |                                         | 1 |
|                                                               | <i>zi zy</i>                                               | *zy                        | *zyØ                |                                         | 2 |
| Ouldeme                                                       | <i>zi zy</i>                                               |                            |                     |                                         | 2 |
| Moloko                                                        | <i>ze za<sup>y</sup></i>                                   | *zØ <sup>y</sup> a         | *zya                |                                         | 3 |
| Zulgo                                                         | <i>ze za<sup>y</sup></i>                                   |                            |                     |                                         | 3 |
| Merey                                                         | <i>ze za<sup>y</sup></i>                                   |                            |                     |                                         | 3 |
| Gemzek                                                        | <i>meze ma<sup>y</sup>za<sup>y</sup></i>                   | *ma-zØ <sup>y</sup> a      | *ma-zya             |                                         |   |
|                                                               |                                                            |                            |                     | √ CaCa                                  |   |
| Dugwor                                                        | <i>mazay</i>                                               | *ma-zay                    | *ma-zayØ            | *ma-(RED-)<br>zaya(-k <sup>w</sup> -na) |   |
| Mofu North                                                    | <i>mezey ma<sup>y</sup>za<sup>y</sup>y</i>                 | *ma-zay <sup>y</sup>       | *ma-zayØ            |                                         | 4 |
| Mada                                                          | <i>mezzeŋa ma<sup>y</sup>zz<sup>y</sup>a<sup>y</sup>ŋa</i> | *ma-z-zay <sup>y</sup> -ŋa | *ma-RED-zayØ-k-na   |                                         | 5 |
| 1. *k <sup>w</sup> > Ø <sup>w</sup> ; ə-epenthesis; +W: ə > u |                                                            |                            |                     |                                         |   |
| 2. *y > i                                                     |                                                            |                            |                     |                                         |   |
| 3. *y > Ø <sup>y</sup> ; +Y: lexical-final *a > e             |                                                            |                            |                     |                                         |   |

<sup>140</sup> The example is apparently 'irregular' in posing a unique problem of 'unacceptable' order of root-augmental elements; the expected order would be \*-y-na, not ʔ-na-y. So, we offer two options of analysis. Analysis (1) would accept a violation of the metathesis rule, which states that the root type must stay stable, i.e. the vowel /a/ should not take part in metathesis; in analysis (1) \*{-na} *in toto* shifts position with {-y}, which should not be allowed, i.e. the expected result should be \*{-y-na} > {-n-ya}, not ʔ{-na-y}. Analysis (2) rests on the ad hoc assumption that we are dealing with a 'pseudo-root', in which the augmentative \*-n has fused with the simple root prior to entering a combination with the root-augments \*-a-y.

|                                                                                      |
|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| 4. *y > y <sup>y</sup> ; +Y: *a > e                                                  |
| 5. *y > y <sup>y</sup> ; +Y: *z > ʒ; +Y: *a > e; *k <sup>w</sup> > k; fusion *kn > ŋ |

## LAMANG

|        |                                        |                      |                     |                        |   |
|--------|----------------------------------------|----------------------|---------------------|------------------------|---|
| Lamang | ziya zə <sup>y</sup> ya                | *zy <sup>y</sup> a   | *zya                | *zya(-k <sup>w</sup> ) | 1 |
| Hdi    | zii zə <sup>y</sup> y                  | *zy <sup>y</sup>     | *zyØ                |                        | 2 |
|        | zi <sup>y</sup> ya zə <sup>y</sup> ?ya | *zy <sup>y</sup> a-ʔ | *zya-k <sup>w</sup> |                        | 3 |

1. \*y > y<sup>y</sup>; ə-epenthesis; +Y: ə > i
2. \*y > y<sup>y</sup> > i; ə-epenthesis; +Y: ə > i
3. \*k<sup>w</sup> (> k) > ʔ; metathesis yʔ > ?ya; ə-epenthesis; \*y > y<sup>y</sup>; +Y: ə > i

spit, to<sup>141</sup>PCC \*(ma-, k<sup>w</sup>a-) **t(a)fa** (-a, -y, -k<sup>w</sup>, -n, -r; FV)

## BATA

|      |                                                       |                                         |                           |   |
|------|-------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------|---------------------------|---|
|      |                                                       |                                         | √ C Ca                    |   |
| Bata | taf                                                   | *tfØ                                    | *tfa(-y)                  | 1 |
| Gude | tifi tə <sup>y</sup> fy                               | *tfØ-y <sup>y</sup>                     |                           | 2 |
|      |                                                       |                                         | √ CaCa                    |   |
| Jimi | tef <sup>w</sup> ən ta <sup>y</sup> f <sup>w</sup> ən | *tafa-Ø <sup>y</sup> -Ø <sup>w</sup> -n | *tafa-y-k <sup>w</sup> -n | 3 |

1. ə-epenthesis
2. ə-epenthesis; +Y: ə > i; \*y > i
3. ə-epenthesis; \*y > Ø<sup>y</sup>; +Y: \*a > e; \*k<sup>w</sup> > Ø<sup>w</sup>; +W: \*f > f<sup>w</sup>

## DABA

|       |                         |                       |                              |   |
|-------|-------------------------|-----------------------|------------------------------|---|
|       |                         |                       | √ C Ca                       |   |
| Daba  | tif tə <sup>y</sup> f   | *tfØ-Ø <sup>y</sup>   | *(ma-k <sup>w</sup> a-)tfa-y | 1 |
| Gavar | ɣtif ɣtə <sup>y</sup> f | *ɣ-tf-Ø <sup>y</sup>  |                              | 2 |
|       |                         |                       | √ CaCa                       |   |
| Buwal | ɣtef ɣta <sup>y</sup> f | *ɣ-taf-Ø <sup>y</sup> | *mØ-kØ-tafØ-y                | 3 |

1. ə-epenthesis; \*y > Ø<sup>y</sup>; +Y: ə > i
2. \*k<sup>w</sup> > k; fusion mk > ɣ; ə-epenthesis; \*y > Ø<sup>y</sup>; +Y: ə > i
3. \*k<sup>w</sup> > k; fusion mk > ɣ; \*y > Ø<sup>y</sup>; +Y: \*a > e

## MAFA

|      |                           |                       |            |           |   |
|------|---------------------------|-----------------------|------------|-----------|---|
| Mafa | *dzɪf ndzə <sup>y</sup> f | *n-dzf-Ø <sup>y</sup> | *mØ-dzfØ-y | *ma-tfa-y | 1 |
|------|---------------------------|-----------------------|------------|-----------|---|

1. \*t > dz; ə-epenthesis; homorganic assimilation \*m > n/ \_\_dz; \*y > Ø<sup>y</sup>; +Y: ə > i; +Y: dz > dʒ

## SUKUR

|       |                         |                     |        |   |
|-------|-------------------------|---------------------|--------|---|
| Sukur | tifa tə <sup>y</sup> fa | *tfa-Ø <sup>y</sup> | *tfa-y | 1 |
|-------|-------------------------|---------------------|--------|---|

1. ə-epenthesis; \*y > Ø<sup>y</sup>; +Y: ə > i

## HURZA

|       |                         |                     |        |   |
|-------|-------------------------|---------------------|--------|---|
| Mbuko | təfe təfa <sup>y</sup>  | *tfa-Ø <sup>y</sup> | *tfa-y | 1 |
| Vame  | tifa tə <sup>y</sup> fa |                     |        | 2 |

1. ə-epenthesis; \*y > Ø<sup>y</sup>; +Y: lexical-final \*a > e
2. ə-epenthesis; \*y > Ø<sup>y</sup>; +Y: ə > i

<sup>141</sup> Onomatopoeic origin highly likely.

## MARGI

|                                                                           |                                |                        |                       |                            |   |
|---------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------|------------------------|-----------------------|----------------------------|---|
| Kilba                                                                     | <i>təfa</i>                    | *tfa                   |                       | *tfa(-y(-k <sup>w</sup> )) | 1 |
| Bura                                                                      | <i>tifa</i> tə <sup>y</sup> fa | *tfa-Ø <sup>y</sup>    |                       |                            | 2 |
|                                                                           | <i>tifu</i> tə <sup>y</sup> fw | *tfa-Ø <sup>y</sup> -w | *tfa-y-k <sup>w</sup> |                            | 3 |
| 1. ə-epenthesis                                                           |                                |                        |                       |                            |   |
| 2. ə-epenthesis; *y > Ø <sup>y</sup> ; +Y: ə > i                          |                                |                        |                       |                            |   |
| 3. ə-epenthesis; *y > Ø <sup>y</sup> ; +Y: ə > i; *k <sup>w</sup> > w > u |                                |                        |                       |                            |   |

## MANDARA

|                                                                |                         |              |                |   |
|----------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------|--------------|----------------|---|
| Podoko                                                         | <i>təfa</i>             | *tfa         |                | 1 |
| Matal                                                          | <i>mθɛʔfla</i> maʔtʰfla | *ma-tf-Øʷ-la | *(ma-)tfa-y-ra | 2 |
| 1. ə-epenthesis<br>2. *r > l; *y > Øʷ; +Y: *t > tʰ; +Y: *a > Q |                         |              |                |   |

## MOFU

|                                      |                          |             |                |   |
|--------------------------------------|--------------------------|-------------|----------------|---|
|                                      |                          |             | √ C Ca         |   |
| Mofu-Gudur                           | <i>təf</i>               | *tfØ        | (ma-)tfa(-a-y) | 1 |
| Merey                                | <i>təf</i>               |             |                | 1 |
| Dugwor                               | <i>mətəfey</i> mətəfaʷy  |             |                | 2 |
| Mofu North                           | <i>mətəfey</i> maʷtəfaʷy |             |                | 2 |
|                                      |                          |             | √ CaCa         |   |
| Moloko                               | <i>taf</i>               | *tafØ       | *(ma-)tafa(-y) |   |
| Gemzek                               | <i>metefe</i> maʷtaʷfaʷ  | *ma-tafa-Øʷ |                | 3 |
| 1. ə-epenthesis                      |                          |             |                |   |
| 2. ə-epenthesis; *y > yʷ; +Y: *a > e |                          |             |                |   |
| 3. *y > Øʷ; +Y: *a > e               |                          |             |                |   |

## MAROUA

|                                           |                   |         |         |   |
|-------------------------------------------|-------------------|---------|---------|---|
| Mbazla                                    | <i>tufu</i> təʷfw | *tfØ-wʷ | *tfa-kʷ | 1 |
| 1. ə-epenthesis; *kʷ > wʷ > u; +W: *ə > u |                   |         |         |   |

## LAMANG

|                 |              |         |            |   |
|-----------------|--------------|---------|------------|---|
| Lamang          | <i>təf</i>   | *tfØ    | *tfa(-a-y) | 1 |
| Hdi             | <i>təfay</i> | *tfØ-ay |            | 1 |
| 1. ə-epenthesis |              |         |            |   |

## HIGI

|                                                                                     |                     |          |           |               |   |
|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------|----------|-----------|---------------|---|
| Bana                                                                                | <i>tfə</i>          | *tfa     |           | *(ma-)tfa(-y) | 1 |
| Kirya                                                                               | <i>ntəfə</i>        | *n-tfa   | *mØ-tfa   |               | 2 |
| Kamwe-Nkafa                                                                         | <i>ntivi</i> ntəʷvy | *n-tv-yʷ | *mØ-tvØ-y |               | 3 |
| Kamwe-Futu                                                                          | <i>ntivi</i> ntəʷvy |          |           |               | 3 |
| 1. lexical-final *a > ə                                                             |                     |          |           |               |   |
| 2. ə-epenthesis; homorganic assimilation *m > n/ _t; lexical-final *a > ə           |                     |          |           |               |   |
| 3. *f > v; ə-epenthesis; homorganic assimilation *m > n/ _t; *y > yʷ > i; +Y: ə > i |                     |          |           |               |   |

## KOTOKO-NORTH

|                                             |                   |          |         |   |
|---------------------------------------------|-------------------|----------|---------|---|
| Mpade                                       | <i>tafi</i> tafəʷ | *tafa-Øʷ | *tafa-y | 1 |
| 1. lexical-final *a > ə; *y > Øʷ; +Y: ə > i |                   |          |         |   |

## KOTOKO-CENTRAL

|                                                                                                                                                                                                                |                            |              |             |                  |   |
|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------|--------------|-------------|------------------|---|
|                                                                                                                                                                                                                |                            |              |             | √ C Ca           |   |
| Lagwan                                                                                                                                                                                                         | <i>tifel</i> təʔfaʎ        | *tfa-Øʎ-l    | *tfa-y-l    |                  | 1 |
|                                                                                                                                                                                                                | <i>tifu</i> təʔfw          | *tf-Øʎ-w     | *tfØ-y-kʷ   | *tfa-y-r/-kʷ(-n) | 2 |
|                                                                                                                                                                                                                | <i>tifiwun</i> təʔfəʔwʷəʔn | *tfa-Øʎ-wʷ-n | *tfa-y-kʷ-n |                  | 3 |
|                                                                                                                                                                                                                |                            |              |             | √ CaCa           |   |
| Mser                                                                                                                                                                                                           | <i>tafi</i> tafaʔ          | *tafa-Øʎ     | *tafa-y     |                  | 4 |
| 1. ə-epenthesis; *y > Øʎ; +Y: ə > i; +Y: *a > e<br>2. ə-epenthesis; *y > Øʎ; +Y: ə > i; *kʷ > w > u<br>3. ə-epenthesis; *y > Øʎ; +Y: ə > i; *kʷ > wʷ; +W: ə > u<br>4. lexical-final *a > ə; *y > Øʎ; +Y: ə > i |                            |              |             |                  |   |

## MUSGUM

|                                      |                 |        |         |         |   |
|--------------------------------------|-----------------|--------|---------|---------|---|
| Mbara                                | <i>tuf</i> təʔf | *tf-Øʷ | *tfØ-kʷ | *tfa-kʷ | 1 |
| 1. ə-epenthesis; *kʷ > Øʷ; +W: ə > u |                 |        |         |         |   |

## spitting cobra

Areal /ʔ Pseudoʔ-PCC<sup>142</sup> \*(kʷa-, ra-) gʷ(a)van (-kʷ)

## DABA

|                                   |                       |            |            |   |
|-----------------------------------|-----------------------|------------|------------|---|
| Mbudum                            | <i>govon</i> gʷaʷvaʷŋ | *gʷavanʷ-Ø | *gʷavan-kʷ | 1 |
| Daba                              | <i>govom</i> gʷaʷvaʷm | *gʷavam    | *gʷavan    | 2 |
| 1. fusion nkʷ > ŋʷ                |                       |            |            |   |
| 2. *n > m (see 3.4.5); +W: *a > o |                       |            |            |   |

## MAFA

|                                                    |                      |        |          |           |   |
|----------------------------------------------------|----------------------|--------|----------|-----------|---|
| Cuvok                                              | <i>guvan</i> gʷəʷvaŋ | *gʷvaŋ | *gʷvan-k | *gʷvan-kʷ | 1 |
| 1. ə-epenthesis; *kʷ > k; fusion nk > ŋ; +W: ə > u |                      |        |          |           |   |

## HURZA

|                                                  |                               |               |               |            |   |
|--------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------|---------------|---------------|------------|---|
|                                                  |                               |               |               | √ C CaC    |   |
| Mbuko                                            | <i>gulguvon</i> gʷəʷlgʷəʷvaʷn | *gʷØ-lØ-gʷvan | *kʷa-ra-gʷvan |            | 1 |
|                                                  |                               |               |               | √ CaCaC    |   |
| Vame                                             | <i>gavan</i>                  | *gavan        | *gavan-k      | *gʷavan-kʷ | 2 |
| 1. ə-epenthesis; *kʷ > gʷ; +W: ə > u; +W: *a > o |                               |               |               |            |   |
| 2. *gʷ > g; *kʷ > k; fusion nk > ŋ               |                               |               |               |            |   |

<sup>142</sup> This root is restricted to the area of the Mandara Mountains (Gravina 2015). It raises the suspicion that it is a loan (from a still unidentified source) mainly by showing no reflex of – PCC default? – lexical-final \*a. The original articulation of the final nasal remains unclear. In most languages it is realised as a velar nasal, which is a frequent observation throughout CC languages and usually goes back to \*/n/ (presumably assimilated to or fused with a deleted but originally following root augment \*-kʷ. This, however, leaves Daba final \*/m/ unaccounted for, as with a few other roots (e.g. ‘horn’, ‘tamarind’), an observation that we relate to a sporadic shound shift \*n > m affecting final nasals (see 3.4.5). We, therefore and tentatively, ‘reconstruct’ \*/n/ for this root.

## MOFU

|                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              |                                                  |                                          |                                             |                                             |   |
|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------|---|
| Ouldeme                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      | <i>gavan</i>                                     | <i>*gavan</i>                            | <i>*gavan-k</i>                             | <i>*g<sup>w</sup>avan-k<sup>w</sup></i>     | 1 |
| Muyang                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       | <i>gavan</i>                                     |                                          |                                             |                                             | 1 |
| Zulgo                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        | <i>gavan</i>                                     |                                          |                                             |                                             | 1 |
| Gemzek                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       | <i>gavan</i>                                     |                                          |                                             |                                             | 1 |
| Mofu North                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   | <i>g<sup>w</sup>avan</i>                         | <i>*g<sup>w</sup>avan</i>                | <i>*g<sup>w</sup>avan-k</i>                 |                                             |   |
| Mofu-Gudur                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   | <i>g<sup>w</sup>avan<sup>w</sup></i>             | <i>*g<sup>w</sup>avan<sup>w</sup></i>    | <i>*g<sup>w</sup>avan-k<sup>w</sup></i>     |                                             | 2 |
| Dugwor                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       | <i>golgavan g<sup>w</sup>a<sup>w</sup>lgavan</i> | <i>*g<sup>w</sup>a<sup>w</sup>lgavan</i> | <i>*k<sup>w</sup>a-lØ-g<sup>w</sup>avan</i> | <i>*k<sup>w</sup>a-ra-g<sup>w</sup>avan</i> | 3 |
| 1. <i>*g<sup>w</sup> &gt; g</i> ; <i>*k<sup>w</sup> &gt; k</i> ; fusion <i>nk &gt; ŋ</i><br>2. fusion <i>*nk<sup>w</sup> &gt; ŋ<sup>w</sup></i> ; +W: <i>ŋ &gt; ŋ<sup>w</sup></i><br>3. prefixal <i>*k<sup>w</sup> &gt; g<sup>w</sup></i> ; root-initial <i>*g<sup>w</sup> &gt; g</i> ; +W: <i>*a &gt; o</i> |                                                  |                                          |                                             |                                             |   |

## MAROUA

|                         |                                                        |                           |                           |   |
|-------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------|---------------------------|---|
| Giziga-Marva            | <i>govon g<sup>w</sup>a<sup>w</sup>va<sup>w</sup>n</i> | <i>*g<sup>w</sup>avan</i> | <i>*g<sup>w</sup>avan</i> | 1 |
| 1. +W: <i>*a &gt; o</i> |                                                        |                           |                           |   |

## LAMANG

|                                        |                                            |                           |                              |                                         |   |
|----------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------|---------------------------|------------------------------|-----------------------------------------|---|
| Lamang <sup>143</sup>                  | <i>lkaf- lkaf-</i>                         | <i>*lØ-kaf(a)Ø</i>        | <i>*ra-g<sup>w</sup>avan</i> | 1                                       |   |
| 1. *r > l; *g <sup>w</sup> > k; *v > f |                                            |                           |                              |                                         |   |
| HIGI                                   |                                            |                           |                              |                                         |   |
| Bana                                   | <i>g<sup>w</sup>avan g<sup>w</sup>avan</i> | <i>*g<sup>w</sup>avan</i> | <i>*gavan-k</i>              | <i>*g<sup>w</sup>avan-k<sup>w</sup></i> | 1 |
| 1. *k <sup>w</sup> > k; fusion nk > ŋ  |                                            |                           |                              |                                         |   |

## steal, to/theft/thief

PCC *\*(na-, ma-, sa-, RED-) k<sup>w</sup>(a)r(a)ya*<sup>144</sup> (-k<sup>w</sup>, -n; FV)

## BATA

|                       |                       |                 |                  |                                                 |   |
|-----------------------|-----------------------|-----------------|------------------|-------------------------------------------------|---|
|                       |                       |                 |                  | √ C C Ca                                        |   |
| Tsuvan <sup>145</sup> | <i>ahəlle axəllaʔ</i> | <i>*Øa-xlʔa</i> | <i>*ma-xlyʔa</i> | <i>*(ma-)k<sup>w</sup>rya(-n)</i>               | 1 |
| Bata                  | <i>hir xəʔr</i>       | <i>*xrØʔ</i>    | <i>*xryØ</i>     |                                                 | 2 |
| Jimi                  | <i>hərən</i>          | <i>*xr-n</i>    | <i>*xrØØ-n</i>   |                                                 | 3 |
|                       |                       |                 |                  | √ CaC Ca                                        |   |
| Gude                  | <i>harə</i>           | <i>*xara</i>    | <i>*xarØa</i>    | <i>*(ma-)k<sup>w</sup>arya(-k<sup>w</sup>a)</i> | 4 |
| Sharwa                | <i>har</i>            | <i>*xar</i>     | <i>*xarØØ</i>    |                                                 | 5 |

<sup>143</sup> Wolff (2015 Vol.2), not in Gravina (2015).<sup>144</sup> According to Gravina (2015), “[s]ome of the entries are for the verb ‘to steal’, and some are for the nouns ‘theft’ and ‘thief’. It is not clear which form is the basic root.” At variance with Gravina, who reconstructs *\*kir*, we are here reconstructing a labialised initial root consonant *\*k<sup>w</sup>/* in order to account for the labialisation occurring in some KOTOKO and MAROUA group languages. Further, the almost consistent presence of *i* and *Y*-prosody is here accounted for by phonological palatalisation, i.e. we reconstruct *\*y/* as a radical consonant rather than as a petrified root augment. This decision, however, rests mainly on our principle of – in case of doubt – giving phonological prosodies preference over morphological prosodies; in this case there is no robust comparative evidence.<sup>145</sup> In an ad hoc fashion, we assume that the double consonant results from the assimilation *ly > ll*. This, however, presupposes that the prosodification of *\*y* to *y<sup>w</sup>* preceded the assimilation and was retained afterwards. This example is the only one of this type in the database.

|                                                                                                                                           |                                 |                       |                            |                                        |   |
|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------|-----------------------|----------------------------|----------------------------------------|---|
|                                                                                                                                           | <i>maharə</i>                   | *ma-xara              | *ma-xarØa                  |                                        | 4 |
|                                                                                                                                           | <i>maharə ʔəkə</i>              | *ma-xarʔ-ka           | *ma-xaryØ-k <sup>w</sup> a |                                        | 6 |
| 1. *k <sup>w</sup> (> k) > x; *r > l; assimilation ly > ll; ə-epenthesis; *y > y <sup>y</sup> > l <sup>y</sup> ; +Y: lexical-final *a > e |                                 |                       |                            |                                        |   |
| 2. *k <sup>w</sup> (> k) > x; ə-epenthesis; *y > Ø <sup>y</sup> ; +Y: ə > i                                                               |                                 |                       |                            |                                        |   |
| 3. *k <sup>w</sup> (> k) > x; ə-epenthesis                                                                                                |                                 |                       |                            |                                        |   |
| 4. *k <sup>w</sup> (> k) > x; lexical-final *a > ə                                                                                        |                                 |                       |                            |                                        |   |
| 5. *k <sup>w</sup> (> k) > x                                                                                                              |                                 |                       |                            |                                        |   |
| 6. radical *k <sup>w</sup> (> k) > x; *y > ʔ; suffixal *k <sup>w</sup> > k; ə-epenthesis; FV *a > ə                                       |                                 |                       |                            |                                        |   |
| DABA                                                                                                                                      |                                 |                       |                            |                                        |   |
|                                                                                                                                           |                                 |                       |                            | √ C C Ca                               |   |
| Gavar                                                                                                                                     | <i>ɣhəl ɣxəl</i>                | *ɣ-xl                 | *mØ-xlØØ                   | *(ma-)k <sup>w</sup> rya               | 1 |
| Mbudum                                                                                                                                    | <i>mihil məʔxəʔl</i>            | *m-xlØ <sup>y</sup>   | *mØ-xlyØ                   |                                        | 2 |
|                                                                                                                                           | <i>mihəl məʔxəl</i>             |                       |                            |                                        | 2 |
|                                                                                                                                           | <i>hil xyl</i>                  | *xyl                  | *xlyØ                      |                                        | 3 |
| Daba                                                                                                                                      | <i>həl</i>                      |                       | *xlØØ                      |                                        | 4 |
| Mazagwa Hidi                                                                                                                              | <i>həl</i>                      |                       |                            |                                        | 4 |
|                                                                                                                                           |                                 |                       |                            | √ CaC Ca                               |   |
| Buwal                                                                                                                                     | <i>ɣhel ɣxaʔl</i>               | *ɣ-xalØ <sup>y</sup>  | *mØ-xalyØ                  | *ma-k <sup>w</sup> arya                | 5 |
| 1. *k <sup>w</sup> > x; *r > l; homorganic assimilation *m > ɣ/_x                                                                         |                                 |                       |                            |                                        |   |
| 2. *k <sup>w</sup> > x; *r > l; ə-epenthesis; *y > Øy; +Y: ə > i                                                                          |                                 |                       |                            |                                        |   |
| 3. *k <sup>w</sup> > x; *r > l; metathesis ly > yl; *y > i                                                                                |                                 |                       |                            |                                        |   |
| 4. *k <sup>w</sup> > x; *r > l; ə-epenthesis                                                                                              |                                 |                       |                            |                                        |   |
| 5. *k <sup>w</sup> > x; *r > l; *y > Øy; +Y: *a > e; homorganic assimilation *m > ɣ/_x                                                    |                                 |                       |                            |                                        |   |
| MAFA                                                                                                                                      |                                 |                       |                            |                                        |   |
| Cuvok                                                                                                                                     | <i>kəraw</i>                    | *kra-w                | *kraØØ-k <sup>w</sup>      | *k <sup>w</sup> raya(-k <sup>w</sup> ) | 1 |
|                                                                                                                                           | <i>kərey kəraʔy</i>             | *kray <sup>y</sup>    | *krayØ                     |                                        | 2 |
| 1. radical *k <sup>w</sup> > k; suffixal *k <sup>w</sup> > w; ə-epenthesis                                                                |                                 |                       |                            |                                        |   |
| 2. *k <sup>w</sup> > k; ə-epenthesis; *y > y <sup>y</sup> ; +Y: *a > e                                                                    |                                 |                       |                            |                                        |   |
| TERA                                                                                                                                      |                                 |                       |                            |                                        |   |
| Tera <sup>146</sup>                                                                                                                       | <i>muura məʔw<sup>w</sup>ra</i> | *mØ-w <sup>w</sup> ra | *ma-w <sup>w</sup> rØa     | *ma-k <sup>w</sup> rya                 | 1 |
| 1. ə-epenthesis; *k <sup>w</sup> > w <sup>w</sup> ; +W: ə > u; w > u                                                                      |                                 |                       |                            |                                        |   |
| SUKUR                                                                                                                                     |                                 |                       |                            |                                        |   |
| Sukur                                                                                                                                     | <i>kər</i>                      | *kr                   | *krØØ                      | *k <sup>w</sup> rya                    | 1 |
| 1. *k <sup>w</sup> > k; ə-epenthesis                                                                                                      |                                 |                       |                            |                                        |   |
| HURZA                                                                                                                                     |                                 |                       |                            |                                        |   |
|                                                                                                                                           |                                 |                       |                            | √ C C Ca                               |   |
| Mbuko                                                                                                                                     | <i>kəra</i>                     | *kra                  | *krØa                      | *k <sup>w</sup> rya                    | 1 |
|                                                                                                                                           |                                 |                       |                            | √ CaC Ca                               |   |
|                                                                                                                                           | <i>akar</i>                     | *Øa-kar               | *ma-karØØ                  | *ma-k <sup>w</sup> arya                | 2 |
| Vame                                                                                                                                      | <i>akar</i>                     |                       |                            |                                        | 2 |
| 1. *k <sup>w</sup> > k; ə-epenthesis                                                                                                      |                                 |                       |                            |                                        |   |
| 2. *k <sup>w</sup> > k                                                                                                                    |                                 |                       |                            |                                        |   |

<sup>146</sup> Information provided by Paul Newman (p.c. 2022).

## MARGI

|                                                                  |                  |       |       |                     |   |
|------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------|-------|-------|---------------------|---|
| Bura                                                             | <i>hila xyla</i> | *xyla | *xlyɑ | *k <sup>w</sup> ryɑ | 1 |
| Margi-South                                                      | <i>həl</i>       | *xl   | *xl∅∅ |                     | 2 |
| Kilba                                                            | <i>həla</i>      | *xla  | *xl∅ɑ |                     | 2 |
| 1. *r > l; *k <sup>w</sup> (> k) > x; metathesis ly > yl; *y > i |                  |       |       |                     |   |
| 2. *r > l; *k <sup>w</sup> (> k) > x; ə-epenthesis               |                  |       |       |                     |   |

## MANDARA

|         |                                            |                          |                        |                                                      |   |
|---------|--------------------------------------------|--------------------------|------------------------|------------------------------------------------------|---|
| Matal   | <i>gəl</i>                                 | *gl                      | *glØØ                  | *(na-)(ma-)<br>k <sup>w</sup> rya(-k <sup>w</sup> a) | 1 |
| Mandara | <i>ila yla</i>                             | *yla                     | *Ølya                  |                                                      | 2 |
| Malgwa  | <i>naŋəle naŋəla<sup>y</sup></i>           | *na-ŋ-ØlØ <sup>w</sup> a | *na-mØ-klya            |                                                      | 3 |
|         | <i>ŋəla</i>                                | *ŋla                     | *mØ-klØa               |                                                      | 4 |
| Glavda  | <i>gla</i>                                 | *gla                     | *glØa                  |                                                      | 5 |
|         | <i>g</i>                                   | *g                       | *gØØØ                  |                                                      | 5 |
|         | <i>kil<sup>3</sup>ga ʏə<sup>y</sup>lga</i> | *ʏlØ <sup>y</sup> -ga    | *ʏlyØ-k <sup>w</sup> a |                                                      | 6 |
| Dghwede | <i>gəle gəla<sup>y</sup></i>               | *glØ <sup>w</sup> a      | *glya                  |                                                      | 7 |

1. \*r > l; \*k<sup>w</sup> (> k) > g; ə-epenthesis

2. \*r > l; metathesis ly > yl; \*y > i

3. \*r > l; ə-epenthesis; \*y > Ø<sup>y</sup>; +Y: lexical-final \*a > e; \*k<sup>w</sup> > k; fusion mk > ŋ

4. \*r > l; \*k<sup>w</sup> > k; fusion mk > ŋ; ə-epenthesis

5. \*r > l; \*k<sup>w</sup> (> k) > g

6. \*r > l; \*k<sup>w</sup> (> k > g) > ʏ; \*y > Ø<sup>y</sup>; ə-epenthesis; +Y: ə > i

7. \*r > l; \*k<sup>w</sup> (> k) > g; \*y > Ø<sup>y</sup>; +Y: lexical-final \*a > e

## MOFU

|            |                                                                       |                                     |                         |                                         |   |
|------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------|-------------------------|-----------------------------------------|---|
|            |                                                                       |                                     |                         | √ C C Ca                                |   |
| Merey      | <i>kəla</i>                                                           | *kla                                | *klØa                   | *(ma-)k <sup>w</sup> rya                | 1 |
| Zulgo      | <i>akəl</i>                                                           | *Øa-kl                              | *ma-klØØ                |                                         | 1 |
| Gemzek     | <i>akəl</i>                                                           |                                     |                         |                                         | 1 |
|            |                                                                       |                                     |                         | √ C CaCa                                |   |
|            | <i>mekəle ma<sup>y</sup>kəla<sup>y</sup></i>                          | *ma-klaØ <sup>y</sup>               | *ma-klayØ               | *(RED-/ma-(na-))<br>k <sup>w</sup> raya | 2 |
| Dugwor     | <i>mənəkəley mənəkəla<sup>y</sup></i>                                 | *m-n-klay <sup>y</sup>              | *mØ-nØ-klayØ            |                                         | 3 |
| Mofu North | <i>mehuley ma<sup>y</sup>x<sup>w</sup>ə<sup>w</sup>la<sup>y</sup></i> | *ma-x <sup>w</sup> lay <sup>y</sup> | *ma-x <sup>w</sup> layØ |                                         | 4 |
| Mofu-Gudur | <i>lal</i>                                                            | *la-lØ                              | *RED-ØlaØØ              |                                         |   |
|            |                                                                       |                                     |                         | √ CaC Ca                                |   |
| Moloko     | <i>akar</i>                                                           | *a-kar                              | *Øa-karØØ               | *(ma-/na-)<br>k <sup>w</sup> arya       | 5 |
| Ouldeme    | <i>akal</i>                                                           | *a-kal                              | *Øa-kalØØ               |                                         | 6 |
|            | <i>məkəla</i>                                                         | *m-kal                              | *mØ-kalØØ               |                                         | 1 |
|            | <i>nəkəla</i>                                                         | *n-kal                              | *nØ-kalØØ               |                                         | 1 |
|            | <i>mahal</i>                                                          | *ma-xal                             | *ma-xalØØ               |                                         | 7 |
| Mada       | <i>akkal</i>                                                          | *a-k-kal                            | *Øa-nØ-kalØØ            |                                         | 8 |
|            |                                                                       |                                     |                         | √ C CaCa                                |   |
|            | <i>malay</i>                                                          | *ma-lay                             | *ma-ØlayØ               | *ma-k <sup>w</sup> raya                 | 9 |

|                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      |              |         |                       |   |
|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------|---------|-----------------------|---|
| Moloko                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               | <i>karay</i> | *karayØ | √ CaCaCa              |   |
|                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      |              |         | *k <sup>w</sup> araya | 5 |
| 1. *k <sup>w</sup> > k; *r > l; ə-epenthesis<br>2. *k <sup>w</sup> > k; *r > l; ə-epenthesis; *y > Ø <sup>v</sup> ; +Y: *a > e<br>3. *k <sup>w</sup> > k; *r > l; ə-epenthesis; *y > y <sup>v</sup> ; +Y: *a > e<br>4. *k <sup>w</sup> > x <sup>w</sup> ; *r > l; ə-epenthesis; *y > y <sup>v</sup> ; +Y: *a > e; +W: ə > u<br>5. *k <sup>w</sup> > k<br>6. *k <sup>w</sup> > k; *r > l<br>7. *k <sup>w</sup> (> k) > x; *r > l<br>8. *k <sup>w</sup> > k; *r > l; assimilation nk > kk<br>9. *r > l |              |         |                       |   |

## MAROUA

|                                                                             |                                            |                      |                     |                           |   |
|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------|----------------------|---------------------|---------------------------|---|
|                                                                             |                                            |                      |                     | √ C C Ca                  |   |
| Giziga-Muturwa                                                              | <i>hul</i> x <sup>w</sup> ə <sup>w</sup> l | *x <sup>w</sup> l    | *x <sup>w</sup> lØØ | *k <sup>w</sup> rya       | 1 |
| Giziga-Marva                                                                | <i>hul</i> x <sup>w</sup> ə <sup>w</sup> l |                      |                     |                           | 1 |
|                                                                             |                                            |                      |                     | √ C CaCa                  |   |
| Mbazla                                                                      | <i>lay</i>                                 | *lay                 | *ØlayØ              | *(ma-)k <sup>w</sup> raya | 2 |
|                                                                             | <i>alai</i> <sup>ʔ</sup>                   | *Øa-lay <sup>ʔ</sup> | *ma-?layØ           |                           | 3 |
| 1. *r > l; *k <sup>w</sup> > x <sup>w</sup> ; ə-epenthesis; +W: ə > u       |                                            |                      |                     |                           |   |
| 2. *r > l                                                                   |                                            |                      |                     |                           |   |
| 3. *r > l; *k <sup>w</sup> (> k) > ?; multiple metathesis ?ly > ly?: *y > i |                                            |                      |                     |                           |   |

## LAMANG

|                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               |                                       |                   |       |                      |   |
|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------|-------------------|-------|----------------------|---|
|                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               |                                       |                   |       | √ C C Ca             |   |
| Lamang                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        | (verb) <i>yila</i> yyla               | *yyla             | *ylya | *k <sup>w</sup> rya  | 1 |
|                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               | (noun) <i>yili</i> yə <sup>v</sup> ly | *yly <sup>v</sup> | *ylyØ |                      | 2 |
|                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               |                                       |                   |       | √ CaC Ca             |   |
| Hdi                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           | <i>yali</i> yaly                      | *yalyØ            |       | *k <sup>w</sup> arya | 3 |
| 1. *k <sup>w</sup> (> g <sup>w</sup> > g) > y; *r > l; metathesis ly > yl; *y > i<br>2. *k <sup>w</sup> (> g <sup>w</sup> > g) > y; *r > l; ə-epenthesis; *y > y <sup>v</sup> > i; +Y: ə > i<br>3. *k <sup>w</sup> (> g <sup>w</sup> > g) > y; *r > l; *y > i |                                       |                   |       |                      |   |

## HIGI

|                                                                                                                        |                                             |                     |       |                     |   |
|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------|---------------------|-------|---------------------|---|
| Kamwe-Nkafa                                                                                                            | <i>yəli</i> yəly                            | *ylyØ               |       | *k <sup>w</sup> rya | 1 |
| Bana                                                                                                                   | <i>y(ə)li</i> yəly                          |                     |       |                     | 1 |
| Kirya                                                                                                                  | <i>yələ</i>                                 | *yla                | *ylØa |                     | 2 |
| Kamwe-Futu                                                                                                             | <i>yirə</i> yə <sup>v</sup> rə              | *yrØ <sup>v</sup> a | *yrya |                     | 3 |
|                                                                                                                        | <i>yire</i> yə <sup>v</sup> ra <sup>v</sup> |                     |       | 4                   |   |
| 1. *k <sup>w</sup> (> g <sup>w</sup> > g) > y; *r > l; ə-epenthesis; *y > i                                            |                                             |                     |       |                     |   |
| 2. *k <sup>w</sup> (> g <sup>w</sup> > g) > y; *r > l; ə-epenthesis; lexical-final *a > ə                              |                                             |                     |       |                     |   |
| 3. *k <sup>w</sup> (> g <sup>w</sup> > g) > y; ə-epenthesis; *y > Ø <sup>v</sup> ; +Y: ə > i; lexical-final *a > ə     |                                             |                     |       |                     |   |
| 4. *k <sup>w</sup> (> g <sup>w</sup> > g) > y; ə-epenthesis; *y > Ø <sup>v</sup> ; +Y: ə > i; +Y: lexical-final *a > e |                                             |                     |       |                     |   |



## KOTOKO-NORTH

|                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     |                              |                     |                     |                      |   |
|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------|---------------------|---------------------|----------------------|---|
|                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     |                              |                     |                     | √ C C Ca             |   |
| Afade                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               | <i>hiʔi xəʔʔy</i>            | *xʔyʔ               | *xdyØ               | *k <sup>w</sup> rya  | 1 |
| Malgbe                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              | <i>hiru xyɾə<sup>w</sup></i> | *xØ <sup>w</sup> ya | *x <sup>w</sup> rya |                      | 2 |
|                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     |                              |                     |                     | √ CaC Ca             |   |
| Mpade                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               | <i>hadi xady</i>             | *xadyØ              |                     | *k <sup>w</sup> arya | 3 |
| 1. *k <sup>w</sup> (> k) > x; *r (> d) > ʔ; ə-epenthesis; +Y: ə > i; *y > i<br>2. *k <sup>w</sup> > x <sup>w</sup> > x+Ø <sup>w</sup> ; metathesis ry > yr; *y > i; lexical-final *a > ə; +W: ə > u<br>3. *k <sup>w</sup> (> k) > x; *r > d; *y > i |                              |                     |                     |                      |   |

## KOTOKO-CENTRAL

|                                                                                                                                                                                          |                                                                                  |                         |                           |                           |   |
|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------|---------------------------|---------------------------|---|
|                                                                                                                                                                                          |                                                                                  |                         |                           | √ C C Ca                  |   |
| Lagwan                                                                                                                                                                                   | <i>musxui<sup>147</sup></i><br><i>mə<sup>w</sup>sx<sup>w</sup>ə<sup>w</sup>y</i> | *mØ-sØ-x <sup>w</sup> y | *ma-sa-x <sup>w</sup> ØyØ | *ma-sa-k <sup>w</sup> rya | 1 |
|                                                                                                                                                                                          |                                                                                  |                         |                           | √ CaC Ca                  |   |
| Mser                                                                                                                                                                                     | <i>nɣey nɣa<sup>y</sup></i>                                                      | *n-yay <sup>y</sup>     | *mØ-yaØyØ                 | *ma-k <sup>w</sup> arya   | 2 |
| 1. ə-epenthesis; *k <sup>w</sup> > x <sup>w</sup> ; +W: ə > u; *y > i<br>2. *k <sup>w</sup> (> g <sup>w</sup> > g) > y; *y > y <sup>y</sup> ; +Y: *a > e; partial assimilation *m > n/_y |                                                                                  |                         |                           |                           |   |

## KOTOKO-SOUTH

|                                                                                                                                     |                              |                      |          |                        |   |
|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------|----------------------|----------|------------------------|---|
|                                                                                                                                     |                              |                      |          | √ C C Ca               |   |
| Zina                                                                                                                                | <i>aħəl</i>                  | *Øa-xl               | *ma-xlØØ | *ma-k <sup>w</sup> rya | 1 |
|                                                                                                                                     |                              |                      |          | √ C CaCa               |   |
| Mazera                                                                                                                              | <i>yale yala<sup>y</sup></i> | *Øy <sup>y</sup> ala | *Ølaya   | *k <sup>w</sup> raya   | 2 |
| 1. *r > l; *k <sup>w</sup> (> k) > x; ə-epenthesis<br>2. *r > l; metathesis ly > yl; *y > y <sup>y</sup> ; +Y: lexical-final *a > e |                              |                      |          |                        |   |

## MUSGUM

|                                                                                                            |                                |                      |          |                        |   |
|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------|----------------------|----------|------------------------|---|
| Vulum                                                                                                      | <i>mihil mə<sup>y</sup>xyl</i> | *m-xy <sup>y</sup> l | *mØ-xlyØ | *ma-k <sup>w</sup> rya | 1 |
| 1. *r > l; *k <sup>w</sup> (> k) > x; ə-epenthesis; metathesis ly > yl; *y > y <sup>y</sup> > i; +Y: ə > i |                                |                      |          |                        |   |

## GIDAR

|       |                                  |                         |           |                         |   |
|-------|----------------------------------|-------------------------|-----------|-------------------------|---|
| Gidar | <i>əhala</i>                     | *Øa-xala                | *ma-xalØa | *ma-k <sup>w</sup> arya | 1 |
|       | <i>ihala ə<sup>y</sup>xala</i>   | *Øa-xalØ <sup>y</sup> a | *ma-xalya |                         | 2 |
|       | <i>iihala ə<sup>y</sup>yxala</i> | *Øa-y <sup>y</sup> xala |           |                         | 3 |

1. \*k<sup>w</sup> > x; \*r > l; raising of prefixal \*a > ə

2. \*k<sup>w</sup> > x; \*r > l; raising of prefixal \*a > ə; \*y > Ø<sup>y</sup>; +Y: ə > i

3. \*k<sup>w</sup> > x; \*r > l; raising of prefixal \*a > ə; multiple metathesis xly > yxl; \*y > y<sup>y</sup>; +Y: ə > i; assimilation iy > ii

<sup>147</sup> Whether we are dealing with a compound or with the use of a rare/unique prefixal root augment \*{s-} remains unclear. Here we treat the form as carrying a multiple root augment.

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PCC \*(ma-, RED-) **s(a)wba** (-a, -y, n)

BATA

|        |                    |         |          |         |   |
|--------|--------------------|---------|----------|---------|---|
| Gude   | <i>fiḃa</i> sʷaʷḃa | *sḃa-Øʷ | *sØḃa-y  | *swḃa-y | 1 |
| Sharwa | <i>fəḃ</i> sʷəḃ    | *sḃ-Øʷ  | *sØḃ-Ø-y |         | 2 |

1. ə-epenthesis; \*y > Øʷ; +Y: ə > i; +Y: \*s > f; lexical-final \*a > ə  
 2. ə-epenthesis; \*y > Øʷ; +Y: \*s > f

DABA

|        |                      |            |               |                 |   |
|--------|----------------------|------------|---------------|-----------------|---|
| Daba   | <i>seḃ</i> saʷḃ      | *saḃ-Øʷ    | *saØḃ-Ø-y     | *(RED-) sawḃa-y | 1 |
| Gavar  | <i>feḃ</i> sʷaʷḃ     |            |               |                 | 2 |
| Mbudum | <i>səseḃ</i> səsaʷḃ  | *sa-saḃ-Øʷ | *RED-saØḃ-Ø-y |                 | 3 |
| Buwal  | <i>seseḃ</i> saʷsaʷḃ |            |               |                 | 1 |

1. \*y > Øʷ; +Y: \*a > e  
 2. \*y > Øʷ; +Y: s > f; +Y: \*a > e  
 3. ə-epenthesis; \*y > Øʷ; +Y: \*a > e

MAFA<sup>148</sup>

|       |                     |           |            |            |   |
|-------|---------------------|-----------|------------|------------|---|
| Mafa  | <i>sosub</i> saʷswḃ | *sa-sØwʷḃ | *RED-sawḃØ | *RED-sawḃa | 1 |
| Cuvok | <i>sasḃa</i>        | *sa-sØḃa  | *RED-sawḃa |            |   |

1. \*w > u; +W: \*a > o

HURZA

|       |                       |              |              |              |   |
|-------|-----------------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|---|
| Mbuko | <i>susæḃ</i> səʷsaʷyḃ | *sa-saØʷḃ-Øʷ | *RED-sawḃØ-y | *RED-sawḃa-y | 1 |
|-------|-----------------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|---|

1. prefixal \*a > ə; \*w > Øʷ; +W: ə > u; \*y > Øʷ; +W+Y: \*a > æ

MARGI

|       |                    |         |         |         |   |
|-------|--------------------|---------|---------|---------|---|
| Kilba | <i>fiḃa</i> sʷaʷḃa | *sḃa-Øʷ | *sØḃa-y | *swḃa-y | 1 |
|-------|--------------------|---------|---------|---------|---|

1. ə-epenthesis; \*y > Øʷ; +Y: \*ə > i; +Y: \*s > f

MANDARA

|         |                     |         |         |           |   |
|---------|---------------------|---------|---------|-----------|---|
| Podoko  | <i>ḃife</i> ḃəʷsʷaʷ | *ḃsa-Øʷ | *sØḃa-y | *swḃa(-y) | 1 |
| Dghwede | <i>pʷutsa</i> ḃwtsa | *ḃwtsa  | *tswḃa  |           | 2 |

1. ə-epenthesis; \*y > Øʷ; +Y: \*ə > i; +Y: \*s > f; +Y: lexical-final \*a > e  
 2. \*s > ts; multiple metathesis tsḃw > ḃtsw; \*w > u

MOFU

|            |                    |         |            |                          |   |
|------------|--------------------|---------|------------|--------------------------|---|
|            |                    |         |            | √ C C Ca                 |   |
| Gemzek     | <i>sub</i> swḃ     | *swḃØ   |            | *(RED-) swḃa(-a-y)       | 1 |
| Merey      | <i>susub</i> swswḃ | *sw-swḃ | *RED-swḃØ  |                          | 1 |
| Ouldeme    | <i>səḃay</i> səḃay | *sḃ-ay  | *sØḃØ-a-y  |                          | 2 |
|            |                    |         |            | √ CaC Ca                 |   |
| Moloko     | <i>sob</i> saʷḃ    | *saØʷḃ  | *sawḃØ     | *(ma-)(RED-) sawḃa(-a-y) | 3 |
| Mofu-Gudur | <i>sasə</i>        | *sa-sa  | *RED-saØØØ |                          | 4 |

<sup>148</sup> Note that in MAFA but also some MOFU group languages, the shape of the reduplicative prefix containing /a/ indicates an originally underlying root-pattern shape \*CaCCa. While the /a/ in the prefix may be retained, the medial /a/ in the root may be deleted and replaced by epenthetic schwa.

|            |                                         |                |                   |  |   |
|------------|-----------------------------------------|----------------|-------------------|--|---|
| Zulgo      | <i>sasuba</i><br><i>saswba</i>          | *sa-sØwba      | *RED-sawba        |  | 1 |
| Dugwor     | <i>masobey</i><br><i>məsaʷbaʷy</i>      | *mØ-saØʷb-ayʷ  | *ma-sawbØ-a-y     |  | 5 |
| Mofu North | <i>mesesəbey</i><br><i>maʷsaʷsəbaʷy</i> | *ma-sa-sØb-ayʷ | *ma-RED-saØbØ-a-y |  | 6 |

1. \*w > u  
2. ə-epenthesis  
3. \*w > Øʷ; +W: \*a > o  
4. lexical-final \*a > ə  
5. ə-epenthesis; \*w > Øʷ; +W: \*a > o; \*y > yʷ; +Y: \*a > e  
6. ə-epenthesis; \*y > yʷ; +Y: \*a > e

## MAROUA

|              |                      |           |             |                 |   |
|--------------|----------------------|-----------|-------------|-----------------|---|
| Giziga-Marva | <i>suba</i> swba     | *swba     |             |                 | 1 |
| Mbazla       | <i>susubi</i> swswbɣ | *sw-swɓ-y | *RED-swɓØ-y | *(RED-)swba(-y) | 2 |

1. \*w > u  
2. \*w > u; \*y > i

## LAMANG

|     |                     |          |           |              |   |
|-----|---------------------|----------|-----------|--------------|---|
| Hdi | <i>bisay</i> bəʷsay | *bɓs-ayʷ | *sØbØ-a-y | *sawba(-a-y) | 1 |
|-----|---------------------|----------|-----------|--------------|---|

1. metathesis sɓ > bɓ; ə-epenthesis; \*y > yʷ; +Y: \*ə > i

## HIGI

|             |                         |            |             |                   |   |
|-------------|-------------------------|------------|-------------|-------------------|---|
| Kamwe-Nkafa | <i>bisi</i> bəʷsy       | *bɓs-yʷ    | *sØbØ-y     |                   | 1 |
| Kamwe-Futu  | <i>bisi</i> bəʷsy       |            |             |                   | 1 |
| Psikye      | <i>mbisə</i> mbəʷsə     | *mØ-bsa-Øʷ | *ma-sØba-y  | *(ma-/RED-)swba-y | 2 |
| Bana        | <i>b(ə)sə</i>           | *bɓsa      | *sØba       |                   | 3 |
|             | <i>ʃibə</i> sʷəʷbə      | *sba-Øʷ    | *sØba-y     |                   | 4 |
|             | <i>ʃiʃəbə</i> sʷəʷsʷəbə | *s-sba-Øʷ  | *RED-sØba-y |                   | 4 |

1. metathesis sɓ > bɓ; ə-epenthesis; \*y > yʷ; +Y: \*ə > i; \*y > i  
2. metathesis sɓ > bɓ; ə-epenthesis; \*y > Øʷ; +Y: \*ə > i; lexical-final \*a > ə  
3. metathesis sɓ > bɓ; ə-epenthesis; lexical-final \*a > ə  
4. ə-epenthesis; \*y > Øʷ; +Y: \*ə > i; +Y: \*s > ʃ; lexical-final \*a > ə

## KOTOKO-ISLAND

|        |                             |               |              |                |   |
|--------|-----------------------------|---------------|--------------|----------------|---|
| Buduma | <i>tʃetʃabu</i> tsʷaʷtsʷaʷw | *tsa-tsaɓw-Øʷ | *RED-tsawɓ-y | *(RED-)sawba-y | 1 |
|--------|-----------------------------|---------------|--------------|----------------|---|

1. \*s > ts; metathesis wɓ > ɓw; \*y > Øʷ; +Y: \*a > e; +Y: ts > tʃ; \*w > u

## KOTOKO-NORTH

|        |                               |            |          |          |            |   |
|--------|-------------------------------|------------|----------|----------|------------|---|
|        |                               |            |          |          | √ C C Ca   |   |
| Afade  | <i>sʷufu</i><br><i>sʷəʷfw</i> | *sʷfwʷ     | *sʷfw    | *sɓwØ    | *swba      | 1 |
|        |                               |            |          |          | √ CaC Ca   |   |
| Mpade  | <i>sʷafu</i> sʷafw            | *saØʷfw    | *saʷfw   | *saɓwØ   | *sawba(-y) | 2 |
|        | <i>sʷafi</i> sʷafəʷ           | *saØʷfə-Øʷ | *saʷfa-y | *saØba-y |            | 3 |
| Malgbe | <i>sʷafi</i> sʷafəʷ           |            |          |          |            | 3 |

1. metathesis  $w\bar{b} > \bar{b}w$ ; re-segmentalisation  $*\bar{b} > \bar{?}+f$ ; fusion  $s\bar{?} > s^?$ ; ə-epenthesis;  $*w > w^w$ ;  $+W$ :  $\bar{a} > u$ ;  $*w > u$
2. metathesis  $w\bar{b} > \bar{b}w$ ; re-segmentalisation  $*\bar{b} > \bar{?}+f$ ;  $\bar{?} > \bar{O}^?$ ;  $\bar{?}$ :  $*s > s^?$ ;  $*w > u$
3. re-segmentalisation  $*\bar{b} > \bar{?}+f$ ;  $\bar{?} > \bar{O}^?$ ;  $\bar{?}$ :  $*s > s^?$ ; lexical-final  $*a > \bar{a}$ ;  $*y > \bar{O}^y$ ;  $+Y$ :  $\bar{a} > i$

## KOTOKO-CENTRAL

|        |                             |                                    |                             |                      |   |
|--------|-----------------------------|------------------------------------|-----------------------------|----------------------|---|
|        |                             |                                    |                             | $\sqrt{C C Ca}$      |   |
| Lagwan | <i>s'ifuwun s'ə'fə'wə'n</i> | $*s\bar{?}fw-\bar{O}^y-n$          | $*sw\bar{?}f\bar{O}-y-n$    | $*sw\bar{b}a-y-n$    | 1 |
|        |                             |                                    |                             | $\sqrt{CaC Ca}$      |   |
| Mser   | <i>s'afi s'afə'y</i>        | $*sa\bar{O}^?f\bar{a}-\bar{O}^y$   | $*sa\bar{O}^?fa-y$          | $*(ma-)$             | 2 |
|        | <i>ns'afi ns'afə'y</i>      | $*n-sa\bar{O}^?f\bar{a}-\bar{O}^y$ | $*m\bar{O}-sa\bar{O}^?fa-y$ | <i>saw\bar{b}a-y</i> | 2 |

1. metathesis  $w\bar{b} > \bar{b}w$ ; re-segmentalisation  $*\bar{b} > \bar{?}+f$ ; fusion  $s\bar{?} > s^?$ ; ə-epenthesis;  $*y > \bar{O}^y$ ;  $+Y$ :  $\bar{a} > i$ ;  $+W$ :  $\bar{a} > u$
2. re-segmentalisation  $*\bar{b} > \bar{?}+f$ ;  $\bar{?} > \bar{O}^?$ ;  $\bar{?}$ :  $*s > s^?$ ; homorganic assimilation  $*m > n/_s$ ; lexical-final  $*a > \bar{a}$ ;  $*y > \bar{O}^y$ ;  $+Y$ :  $\bar{a} > i$

## MUSGUM

|                                                                     |                              |                          |                           |                     |   |
|---------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------|--------------------------|---------------------------|---------------------|---|
| Vulum                                                               | <i>susubi sə'wə'by</i>       | $*s-s\bar{O}^w\bar{b}-y$ | $*RED-sw\bar{b}\bar{O}-y$ | $*RED-sw\bar{b}a-y$ | 1 |
| 1. ə-epenthesis; $*w > \bar{O}^w$ ; $+W$ : $\bar{a} > u$ ; $*y > i$ |                              |                          |                           |                     |   |
| GIDAR                                                               |                              |                          |                           |                     |   |
| Gidar                                                               | <i>əssubo əssw\bar{b}a^w</i> | $*s-sw\bar{b}a$          | $*RED-sw\bar{b}a$         |                     | 1 |
| 1. ə-prothesis; $*w > w^w > u$ ; $+W$ : lexical-final $*a > o$      |                              |                          |                           |                     |   |

## sun

PCC  $*(Ca-, da-, xa-, RED-) p(a)ta$  (-a, -y, -k<sup>w</sup>, -n; FV)

## BATA

|                                                                                                    |                     |                   |                  |               |   |
|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------|-------------------|------------------|---------------|---|
|                                                                                                    |                     |                   |                  | $\sqrt{C Ca}$ |   |
| Sharwa                                                                                             | <i>fəta</i>         | $*fta$            |                  |               | 1 |
| Jimi                                                                                               | <i>fitən fə'tən</i> | $*ft-\bar{O}^y-n$ | $*ft\bar{O}-y-n$ | $*pta(-y-n)$  | 2 |
|                                                                                                    |                     |                   |                  | $\sqrt{CaCa}$ |   |
| Tsuvan                                                                                             | <i>fete fa'ta'y</i> | $*fata-\bar{O}^y$ |                  | $*pata-y$     | 3 |
| 1. $*p > f$ ; ə-epenthesis; lexical-final $*a > \bar{a}$                                           |                     |                   |                  |               |   |
| 2. $*p > f$ ; ə-epenthesis; $*y > \bar{O}^y$ ; $+Y$ : $\bar{a} > i$ ; lexical-final $*a > \bar{a}$ |                     |                   |                  |               |   |
| 3. $*p > f$ ; $*y > \bar{O}^y$ ; $+Y$ : $*a > e$                                                   |                     |                   |                  |               |   |

## DABA

|                                                                                                   |                     |                         |                 |               |   |
|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------|-------------------------|-----------------|---------------|---|
|                                                                                                   |                     |                         |                 | $\sqrt{C Ca}$ |   |
| Mbudum                                                                                            | <i>pis pə's</i>     | $*ps-\bar{O}^y$         | $*ps\bar{O}-y$  |               | 1 |
| Gavar                                                                                             | <i>piŋ pə's'y</i>   |                         |                 | $*pta-y$      | 2 |
| Daba                                                                                              | <i>pitf pə'ts'y</i> | $*pts-\bar{O}^y$        | $*pts\bar{O}-y$ |               | 3 |
|                                                                                                   |                     |                         |                 | $\sqrt{CaCa}$ |   |
| Buwal                                                                                             | <i>pes pa's</i>     | $*pas\bar{O}-\bar{O}^y$ |                 | $*pata-y$     | 4 |
| 1. $*t (> ts) > s$ ; ə-epenthesis; $*y > \bar{O}^y$ ; $+Y$ : $\bar{a} > i$                        |                     |                         |                 |               |   |
| 2. $*t (> ts) > s$ ; ə-epenthesis; $*y > \bar{O}^y$ ; $+Y$ : $\bar{a} > i$ ; $+Y$ : $s > \bar{f}$ |                     |                         |                 |               |   |
| 3. $*t > ts$ ; ə-epenthesis; $*y > \bar{O}^y$ ; $+Y$ : $\bar{a} > i$ ; $+Y$ : $ts > t\bar{f}$     |                     |                         |                 |               |   |
| 4. $*t (> ts) > s$ ; $*y > \bar{O}^y$ ; $+Y$ : $*a > e$                                           |                     |                         |                 |               |   |

## MAFA

|                                |                  |                 |               |   |
|--------------------------------|------------------|-----------------|---------------|---|
| Mafa                           | <i>pats pats</i> | * <i>pats</i> Ø | * <i>pata</i> | 1 |
| Cuvok                          | <i>pas pas</i>   | * <i>pas</i> Ø  |               | 2 |
| 1. *t > ts<br>2. *t (> ts) > s |                  |                 |               |   |

## TERA

|                                                                 |                         |              |              |   |
|-----------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------|--------------|--------------|---|
| Tera                                                            | <i>fəda</i> <i>fəda</i> | * <i>fda</i> | * <i>pta</i> | 1 |
| 1. * <i>p</i> > <i>f</i> ; * <i>t</i> > <i>d</i> ; ə-epenthesis |                         |              |              |   |

## SUKUR

|                                                                                                                 |                        |                             |                         |                         |   |
|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------|-----------------------------|-------------------------|-------------------------|---|
| Sukur                                                                                                           | <i>pis</i> <i>pə's</i> | * <i>ps</i> -Ø <sup>y</sup> | * <i>ps</i> Ø- <i>y</i> | * <i>pta</i> - <i>y</i> | 1 |
| 1. * <i>t</i> (> <i>ts</i> ) > <i>s</i> ; ə-epenthesis; * <i>y</i> > Ø <sup>y</sup> ; + <i>Y</i> : ə > <i>i</i> |                        |                             |                         |                         |   |

## HURZA

|                                                                      |             |                            |                             |   |
|----------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------|----------------------------|-----------------------------|---|
| Mbuko                                                                | <i>pats</i> | * <i>pats</i> Ø            | *( <i>xa</i> -) <i>pata</i> | 1 |
| Vame                                                                 | <i>apas</i> | *Ø <i>a</i> - <i>pas</i> Ø | * <i>xa</i> - <i>pata</i>   | 2 |
| 1. * <i>t</i> > <i>ts</i><br>2. * <i>t</i> (> <i>ts</i> ) > <i>s</i> |             |                            |                             |   |

## MARGI

|                                                                |                               |                     |         |        |   |
|----------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------|---------------------|---------|--------|---|
| Bura                                                           | <i>ptfi</i> pts <sup>y</sup>  | *pts-y <sup>y</sup> | *ptsØ-y | *pta-y | 1 |
| Margi-South                                                    | <i>pətfi</i> pts <sup>y</sup> |                     |         |        | 2 |
| Kilba                                                          | <i>pətfi</i> pts <sup>y</sup> |                     |         |        | 2 |
| 1. *t > ts; *y > y <sup>y</sup> > i; +Y: ts > tf               |                               |                     |         |        |   |
| 2. *t > ts; *y > y <sup>y</sup> > i; +Y: ts > tf; ə-epenthesis |                               |                     |         |        |   |

## MANDARA

|         |                                          |                          |                         |               |   |
|---------|------------------------------------------|--------------------------|-------------------------|---------------|---|
|         |                                          |                          |                         | √ C Ca        |   |
| Dghwede | <i>fitfe</i> fə'tsa <sup>y</sup>         | *fɪsa-Ø <sup>y</sup>     | *fɪsa-y                 | *pta-y        | 1 |
|         |                                          |                          |                         | √ CaCa        |   |
| Podoko  | <i>patsa</i>                             | *patsa                   |                         |               | 2 |
| Matal   | <i>afats</i>                             | *Qa-fatsØ                |                         |               | 3 |
| Glavda  | <i>fatfiya</i> fats'yə <sup>y</sup> ya   | *fats-y'y <sup>a</sup>   | *fatsØ-ya               | *(da-)pata-ya | 4 |
|         | <i>dvatfiya</i> dvats'yə <sup>y</sup> ya | *d-vats-y'y <sup>a</sup> | *dØ-vatsØ-ya            |               | 5 |
| Malgwa  | <i>vatfiya</i> vats'yə <sup>y</sup> ya   | *vats-y'y <sup>a</sup>   | *vatsØ-y'y <sup>a</sup> |               | 5 |

1. \*p > f; \*t > ts; ə-epenthesis; \*y > Ø<sup>y</sup>; +Y: ts > tf; +Y: ə > i; +Y: lexical-final \*a > e

2. \*t > ts

3. \*p > f: \*t > ts

4. \*p > f; \*t > ts; ə-epenthesis; \*y > y<sup>y</sup>; +Y: ts > tf; +Y: ə > i

5. \*p (> f) > v; \*t > ts; ə-epenthesis; \*y > y<sup>y</sup>; +Y: ts > tf; +Y: ə > i

## MOFU

|            |                           |                            |                                           |   |
|------------|---------------------------|----------------------------|-------------------------------------------|---|
| Ouldeme    | <i>fat</i>                | * <i>fat</i> Ø             | *( <i>xa</i> -/ <i>RED</i> -) <i>pata</i> | 1 |
| Muyang     | <i>fat</i>                |                            |                                           | 1 |
| Moloko     | <i>fat</i>                |                            |                                           | 1 |
| Zulgo      | <i>fat</i>                |                            |                                           | 1 |
| Gemzek     | <i>fat</i>                |                            |                                           | 1 |
| Dugwor     | <i>pat</i>                | * <i>pat</i> Ø             |                                           |   |
| Merey      | <i>həpat</i> <i>xəpat</i> | * <i>x</i> Ø- <i>pat</i> Ø | * <i>xa</i> - <i>pata</i>                 | 2 |
| Mofu North | <i>pas</i>                | * <i>pas</i> Ø             |                                           | 3 |

|                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    |                       |                     |                     |                      |   |
|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------|---------------------|---------------------|----------------------|---|
| Mofu-Gudur                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         | <i>pas</i>            |                     |                     |                      | 3 |
|                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    | <i>papas</i>          | <i>*pa-pasØ</i>     | <i>*RED-pasa</i>    |                      | 3 |
| 1. *p > f<br>2. ə-epenthesis<br>3. *t (> ts) > s                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   |                       |                     |                     |                      |   |
| MAROUA                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             |                       |                     |                     |                      |   |
| Giziga-Marva                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       | <i>pas</i>            | <i>*pasØ</i>        |                     | <i>*pata</i>         | 1 |
| Mbazla                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             | <i>pas</i>            |                     |                     |                      | 1 |
| 1. *t (> ts) > s                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   |                       |                     |                     |                      |   |
| LAMANG                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             |                       |                     |                     |                      |   |
| Lamang                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             | <i>fiti fəʔty</i>     | <i>*fitØ-yʏ</i>     |                     | <i>*pta-y(-kʷ)</i>   | 1 |
| Hdi                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                | <i>fitik fəʔtyk</i>   | <i>*fitØ-yʏ-k</i>   |                     |                      | 1 |
| 1. *p > f; ə-epenthesis; *y > yʏ > i; +Y: ə > i                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    |                       |                     |                     |                      |   |
| HIGI                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               |                       |                     |                     |                      |   |
|                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    |                       |                     |                     | √ C Ca               |   |
| Bana                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               | <i>fiʃa ftsʔa</i>     | <i>*ftsa-Øʏ</i>     | <i>*ftsa-y</i>      | <i>*pta-y</i>        | 1 |
|                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    | <i>vtʃi vtsʔy</i>     | <i>*vtsØ-y</i>      |                     |                      | 2 |
| Kirya                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              | <i>vəʃfi vətsʔy</i>   | <i>*vtsØ-yʏ</i>     |                     |                      | 3 |
| Psikye                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             | <i>vəʃfi vətsʔy</i>   |                     |                     |                      | 3 |
| Kamwe-Futu                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         | <i>vitʃi vəʔtsʔy</i>  |                     |                     |                      | 4 |
|                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    |                       |                     |                     | √ CaCa               |   |
| Kamwe-Nkafa                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        | <i>vetʃi vaʔtsʔy</i>  | <i>*vatsØ-yʏ</i>    |                     | <i>*pata-y</i>       | 5 |
| 1. *p > f; *t > ts; *y > Øʏ; +Y: ts > tʃ<br>2. *p (> f) > v; *t > ts; *y > yʏ > i; +Y: ts > tʃ<br>3. *p (> f) > v; *t > ts; ə-epenthesis; *y > yʏ > i; +Y: ts > tʃ<br>4. *p (> f) > v; *t > ts; ə-epenthesis; *y > yʏ > i; +Y: ə > i; +Y: ts > tʃ<br>5. *p (> f) > v; *t > ts; *y > yʏ > i; +Y: a > e; +Y: ts > tʃ |                       |                     |                     |                      |   |
| KOTOKO-SOUTH                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       |                       |                     |                     |                      |   |
| Mazera                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             | <i>fatʃa fatsʔa</i>   | <i>*fatsa-Øʏ</i>    |                     | <i>*(Ca-)pata-y</i>  | 1 |
| Zina                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               | <i>avatʃa avatsʔa</i> | <i>*Øa-vatsa-Øʏ</i> | <i>*Ca-fatsa-y</i>  |                      |   |
| 1. *p > f; *t > ts; *y > Øʏ; +Y: ts > tʃ<br>2. *p (> f) > v; *t > ts; *y > Øʏ; +Y: ts > tʃ                                                                                                                                                                                                                         |                       |                     |                     |                      |   |
| MUSGUM                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             |                       |                     |                     |                      |   |
|                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    |                       |                     |                     | √ C Ca               |   |
| Vulum                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              | <i>futii fəʷtəʔy</i>  | <i>*ft-yʏ-Øʷ</i>    | <i>*fitØ-y-kʷ</i>   | <i>*pta(-a)-y-kʷ</i> | 1 |
| Mulwi                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              | <i>futii fəʷtəʔy</i>  |                     |                     |                      | 1 |
| Mbara                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              | <i>futay fəʷtay</i>   | <i>*ft-ay-Øʷ</i>    | <i>*fitØ-a-y-kʷ</i> |                      | 2 |
|                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    |                       |                     |                     | √ CaCa               |   |
| Muskum                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             | <i>fasa</i>           | <i>*fasa</i>        |                     | <i>*pata</i>         | 3 |
| 1. *p > f; ə-epenthesis; +W: ə > u; *y > yʏ > i; +Y: ə > i<br>2. *p > f; ə-epenthesis; *kʷ > Øʷ; +W: ə > u<br>3. *p > f; *t (> ts) > s                                                                                                                                                                             |                       |                     |                     |                      |   |

swallow<sub>1</sub>, toPCC \*(ma-) **da** (-y, -k<sup>w</sup>, -n; FV)

BATA

|                                      |                       |         |          |            |   |
|--------------------------------------|-----------------------|---------|----------|------------|---|
| Gude                                 | <sup>n</sup> da nda   | *n-da   | *mØ-da   | *ma-da(-n) | 1 |
| Jimi                                 | <sup>n</sup> dan ndan | *n-da-n | *mØ-da-n |            | 1 |
| 1. homorganic assimilation *m > n/_d |                       |         |          |            |   |

SUKUR

|                                                                   |                       |         |          |          |   |
|-------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------|---------|----------|----------|---|
| Sukur                                                             | <sup>n</sup> dam ndam | *n-da-n | *mØ-da-n | *ma-da-n | 1 |
| 1. homorganic assimilation prefixal *m > n/_d; *n > m (see 3.4.5) |                       |         |          |          |   |

MANDARA

|                                                                               |                                         |                      |           |                                 |   |
|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------|----------------------|-----------|---------------------------------|---|
| Mandara                                                                       | <i><sup>n</sup>de</i> nda <sup>y</sup>  | *n-da-Ø <sup>y</sup> | *mØ-da-y  | <i>*ma-da-y/-k<sup>w</sup>a</i> | 1 |
| Malgwa                                                                        | <i><sup>n</sup>de</i> nda <sup>y</sup>  |                      |           |                                 | 1 |
| Glavda                                                                        | <i><sup>n</sup>d<sup>ɔ</sup>ga</i> ndga | *n-d-ga              | *mØ-dØ-ka |                                 | 2 |
| 1. homorganic assimilation *m > n/_d; *y > Ø <sup>y</sup> ; +Y: *a > e        |                                         |                      |           |                                 |   |
| 2. *k <sup>w</sup> > (k >) g; ə-epenthesis; homorganic assimilation *m > n/_d |                                         |                      |           |                                 |   |

MOFU

|                                                                                                          |                                                       |                                     |                           |                               |   |
|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------|---------------------------|-------------------------------|---|
| Mofu-Gudur                                                                                               | <i><sup>n</sup>d nd</i>                               | *n-d                                | *mØ-dØ                    | *ma-da(-y(-k <sup>w</sup> a)) | 1 |
| Zulgo                                                                                                    | <i><sup>n</sup>de nda<sup>y</sup></i>                 | *n-da-Ø <sup>y</sup>                | *mØ-da-y                  |                               | 2 |
| Mofu North                                                                                               | <i>me<sup>n</sup>dey ma<sup>n</sup>da<sup>y</sup></i> | *m <sup>n</sup> a-da-y <sup>y</sup> | *m <sup>n</sup> a-da-y    |                               | 3 |
| Moloko                                                                                                   | <i><sup>n</sup>daway ndaway</i>                       | *n-da-way                           | *mØ-da-y-k <sup>w</sup> a |                               | 4 |
| 1. homorganic assimilation *m > n/_d                                                                     |                                                       |                                     |                           |                               |   |
| 2. homorganic assimilation *m > n/_d; *y > Ø <sup>y</sup> ; +Y: *a > e                                   |                                                       |                                     |                           |                               |   |
| 3. *m > Ø <sup>n</sup> ; +N: *d > <sup>n</sup> d; *y > Ø <sup>y</sup> ; +Y: *a > e                       |                                                       |                                     |                           |                               |   |
| 4. homorganic assimilation *m > n/_d; metathesis yk <sup>w</sup> > k <sup>w</sup> y; *k <sup>w</sup> > w |                                                       |                                     |                           |                               |   |

MAROUA

|                                              |                     |        |          |          |   |
|----------------------------------------------|---------------------|--------|----------|----------|---|
| Giziga-Muturwa                               | <sup>n</sup> di ndy | *n-d-y | *mØ-dØ-y | *ma-da-y | 1 |
| Giziga-Marva                                 | <sup>n</sup> di ndy |        |          |          | 1 |
| 1. homorganic assimilation *m > n/_d; *y > i |                     |        |          |          |   |

LAMANG

|                                      |                       |         |            |              |   |
|--------------------------------------|-----------------------|---------|------------|--------------|---|
| Lamang                               | <sup>n</sup> da nda   | *n-da   | *mØ-da     | *ma-da(-a-y) | 1 |
| Hdi                                  | <sup>n</sup> day nday | *n-d-ay | *mØ-dØ-a-y |              | 1 |
| 1. homorganic assimilation *m > n/_d |                       |         |            |              |   |

HIGI

|                                      |                     |       |        |        |   |
|--------------------------------------|---------------------|-------|--------|--------|---|
| Kamwe-Nkafa                          | <sup>n</sup> da nda | *n-da | *mØ-da | *ma-da | 1 |
| Kirya                                | <sup>n</sup> da nda |       |        |        | 1 |
| 1. homorganic assimilation *m > n/_d |                     |       |        |        |   |

swallow<sub>2</sub>, toAreal root \*(ma-) **s(a)d(a)ka** (-y, -k<sup>w</sup>)

MAFA

|                 |        |        |       |          |   |
|-----------------|--------|--------|-------|----------|---|
|                 |        |        |       | √ C C Ca |   |
| Mafa            | səḍək  | *sɖk   | *sɖkØ | *sɖka    | 1 |
|                 |        |        |       | √ C CaCa |   |
| Cuvok           | səḍaka | *sɖaka |       | *sɖaka   | 1 |
| 1. ə-epenthesis |        |        |       |          |   |

## HURZA

|                                                        |                |        |        |        |   |
|--------------------------------------------------------|----------------|--------|--------|--------|---|
| Mbuko                                                  | <i>səḍak</i>   | *sḍak  | *sḍakØ | *sḍaka | 1 |
| 1. ə-epenthesis                                        |                |        |        |        |   |
| MANDARA                                                |                |        |        |        |   |
| Podoko                                                 | <i>tsədəhə</i> | *tsḍxa |        | *sḍka  | 1 |
| 1. *s > ts; *k > x; ə-epenthesis; lexical-final *a > ə |                |        |        |        |   |

## MOFU

|                                                                                                                                                     |                                      |                         |                      |                                  |   |
|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------|-------------------------|----------------------|----------------------------------|---|
|                                                                                                                                                     |                                      |                         |                      | √ C C Ca                         |   |
| Mofu-Gudur                                                                                                                                          | <i>səḍkw</i>                         | *sḍk-Ø <sup>w</sup>     | *sḍkØ-k <sup>w</sup> | * (ma-)sḍka(-y/-k <sup>w</sup> ) | 1 |
| Gemzek                                                                                                                                              | <i>mesəḍke</i> maʸsəḍka <sup>y</sup> | *ma-sḍka-Ø <sup>y</sup> | *ma-sḍka-y           |                                  | 2 |
|                                                                                                                                                     |                                      |                         |                      | √ C CaCa                         |   |
|                                                                                                                                                     | <i>asəḍak</i>                        | *a-sḍak                 | *Øa-sḍakØ            | *(ma-)sḍaka(-y)                  | 3 |
|                                                                                                                                                     | <i>səḍak</i>                         | *sḍak                   | *sḍakØ               |                                  | 3 |
| Mofu North                                                                                                                                          | <i>səḍak</i>                         |                         |                      |                                  | 3 |
| Merey                                                                                                                                               | <i>səḍaka</i>                        | *sḍaka                  | *sḍaka               |                                  | 3 |
| Moloko                                                                                                                                              | <i>səḍək</i> səḍaʼk                  | *sḍak-Ø <sup>y</sup>    | *sḍakØ-y             |                                  | 2 |
| Dugwor                                                                                                                                              | <i>məsəḍekey</i><br>məsəḍaʼkaʸy      | *m-sḍaka-Ø <sup>y</sup> | *mØ-sḍaka-y          |                                  | 2 |
| 1. ə-epenthesis; *k <sup>w</sup> > Ø <sup>w</sup> ; +W: *k > k <sup>w</sup><br>2. ə-epenthesis; *y > Ø <sup>y</sup> ; +Y: *a > e<br>3. ə-epenthesis |                                      |                         |                      |                                  |   |

## GIDAR

|                              |               |       |  |       |   |
|------------------------------|---------------|-------|--|-------|---|
| Gidar                        | <i>əsḍaka</i> | *sḍka |  | *sḍka | 1 |
| 1. ə-prothesis; ə-epenthesis |               |       |  |       |   |

## tail

PCC \*k<sup>w</sup>(a)t(a)ra (-y; FV)

## BATA

|                                                                                                                      |                                                               |                                    |                       |                       |   |
|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|---|
| Sharwa                                                                                                               | <i>hutirə</i> x <sup>w</sup> ə <sup>w</sup> tə <sup>r</sup> ə | *x <sup>w</sup> tra-Ø <sup>y</sup> | *x <sup>w</sup> tra-y | *k <sup>w</sup> tra-y | 1 |
| 1. *k <sup>w</sup> > x <sup>w</sup> ; ə-epenthesis; +W: ə > u; *y > Ø <sup>y</sup> ; +Y: ə > i; lexical-final *a > ə |                                                               |                                    |                       |                       |   |

## DABA

|                                                                                                                                      |                                                 |                                    |                        |                        |   |
|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------|------------------------|------------------------|---|
|                                                                                                                                      |                                                 |                                    |                        | √ C CaCa               |   |
| Buwal                                                                                                                                | <i>kutəl</i> k <sup>w</sup> ə <sup>w</sup> ta'l | *k <sup>w</sup> tal-Ø <sup>y</sup> | *k <sup>w</sup> talØ-y | *k <sup>w</sup> tara-y | 1 |
|                                                                                                                                      |                                                 |                                    |                        | √ CaC Ca               |   |
| Mazagwa Hidi                                                                                                                         | <i>kwetir</i> k <sup>w</sup> a'yta'r            | *k <sup>w</sup> atr-Ø <sup>y</sup> | *k <sup>w</sup> atrØ-y | *k <sup>w</sup> atra-y | 2 |
| 1. *r > l; ə-epenthesis; +W: ə > u; *y > Ø <sup>y</sup> ; +Y: *a > e<br>2. ə-epenthesis; *y > Ø <sup>y</sup> ; +Y: ə > i; +Y: *a > e |                                                 |                                    |                        |                        |   |

## MAFA

|                                                                                                                                               |                                                              |                      |                       |                       |   |
|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|---|
|                                                                                                                                               |                                                              |                      |                       | √ C CaCa              |   |
| Mafa                                                                                                                                          | <i>futor</i> f <sup>w</sup> ə <sup>w</sup> ta <sup>w</sup> r | *f <sup>w</sup> tar  | *f <sup>w</sup> tarØ  | *k <sup>w</sup> tara  | 1 |
|                                                                                                                                               |                                                              |                      |                       | √ CaCaCa              |   |
| Cuvok                                                                                                                                         | <i>h<sup>w</sup>adar</i>                                     | *x <sup>w</sup> adar | *x <sup>w</sup> adarØ | *k <sup>w</sup> atara | 2 |
| 1. *k <sup>w</sup> (> x <sup>w</sup> ) > f <sup>w</sup> ; ə-epenthesis; +W: ə > u; +W: *a > o<br>2. *k <sup>w</sup> > x <sup>w</sup> ; *t > d |                                                              |                      |                       |                       |   |



## SUKUR

|       |                 |      |        |        |   |
|-------|-----------------|------|--------|--------|---|
| Sukur | <i>tur</i> təʷr | *wtr | *ØʷtrØ | *kʷtra | 1 |
|-------|-----------------|------|--------|--------|---|

1. ə-epenthesis; \*kʷ &gt; Øʷ; +W: ə &gt; u

## HURZA

|       |                        |           |           |           |   |
|-------|------------------------|-----------|-----------|-----------|---|
| Mbuko | <i>guter</i> gʷəʷtaʷr  | *gʷtar-Øʷ | *gʷtarØ-y | *kʷtara-y | 1 |
| Vame  | <i>kuter</i> kʷəʷtaʷr  | *kʷtar-Øʷ | *kʷtarØ-y |           | 2 |
|       | <i>kʷiter</i> kʷəʷtaʷr |           |           |           | 3 |

1. \*kʷ &gt; gʷ; ə-epenthesis; +W: ə &gt; u; \*y &gt; Øʷ; +Y: \*a &gt; e

2. ə-epenthesis; +W: ə &gt; u; \*y &gt; Øʷ; +Y: \*a &gt; e

3. ə-epenthesis; \*y &gt; Øʷ; +Y: ə &gt; i; +Y: \*a &gt; e

## MANDARA

|         |                           |             |           |             |   |
|---------|---------------------------|-------------|-----------|-------------|---|
|         |                           |             |           | √ C C Ca    |   |
| Podoko  | <i>fətala</i>             | *ftla       |           | *kʷtra(-y)  | 1 |
| Dghwede | <i>xʷtəle</i> xʷtəlaʷ     | *xʷtla-Øʷ   | *xʷtla-y  |             | 2 |
| Glavda  | <i>xukyla</i> xʷəʷkʷla    | *xʷtʲla     | *xʷtla-Øʷ |             | 3 |
|         | <i>xʷçə</i>               | *xʷtʲa      | *xʷtØa    |             | 4 |
|         |                           |             |           | √ C CaCa    |   |
| Mandara | <i>uktere</i> əʷktaʷraʷ   | *kʷtara-Øʷ  |           | *kʷtara-y   | 5 |
|         | <i>ugdere</i> əʷgdaʷraʷ   | *gʷdara-Øʷ  | *gʷdara-y |             | 6 |
|         |                           |             |           | √ CaCaCa    |   |
|         | <i>katalia</i> kataləʷa   | *katala-yʷa |           | *kʷatara-ya | 7 |
| Malgwa  | <i>gataliya</i> gataləʷya | *gatala-yʷa |           |             | 8 |

1. \*kʷ (xʷ &gt; fʷ) &gt; f; \*r &gt; l; ə-epenthesis

2. \*kʷ &gt; xʷ; \*r &gt; l; ə-epenthesis; \*y &gt; Øʷ; +Y: lexical-final \*a &gt; e

3. \*kʷ &gt; xʷ; \*r &gt; l; ə-epenthesis; +W: ə &gt; u; \*y &gt; Øʷ; +Y: \*t (&gt; tʲ) &gt; kʷ

4. \*kʷ &gt; xʷ; lexical-final \*a &gt; ə; \*y &gt; Øʷ; +Y: \*t (&gt; tʲ) &gt; ç

5. ə-prothesis; +W: ə &gt; u; \*y &gt; Øʷ; +Y: \*a &gt; e

6. \*kʷ &gt; gʷ; \*t &gt; d; ə-prothesis; +W: ə &gt; u; \*y &gt; Øʷ; +Y: \*a &gt; e

7. \*kʷ &gt; k; \*r &gt; l; lexical-final \*a &gt; ə; +Y: ə &gt; i

8. \*kʷ &gt; g; \*r &gt; l; lexical-final \*a &gt; ə; +Y: ə &gt; i

## MOFU

|          |                         |               |                |                 |   |
|----------|-------------------------|---------------|----------------|-----------------|---|
|          |                         |               |                | √ C C Ca        |   |
| Ouldeme  | <i>aftəl</i>            | *Øa-ftl       | *ma-ftlØ       | *(ma-)kʷtra     | 1 |
| Muyang   | <i>hutul</i> xʷəʷtəʷl   | *xʷtl         | *xʷtlØ         |                 | 2 |
|          |                         |               |                | √ C CaCa        |   |
| Moloko   | <i>hʷəter</i> xʷəʷtaʷr  | *xʷtar-Øʷ     | *xʷtarØ-y      | *(ma-)kʷtara-y  | 3 |
| Merey    | <i>hutel</i> xʷəʷtaʷl   | *xʷtal-Øʷ     | *xʷtalØ-y      |                 | 4 |
| Gemzek   | <i>gutel</i> gʷəʷtaʷl   | *gʷtal-Øʷ     | *gʷtalØ-y      |                 | 5 |
| Dugwor   | <i>mətel</i> mətəʷl     | *mØ-tal-Øʷ    | *ma-ØtalØ-y    |                 | 6 |
|          |                         |               |                | √ CaCaCa        |   |
| M.-Gudur | <i>dengʷel</i> daʷgʷaʷl | *Øⁿ-dagʷal-Øʷ | *mʷØ-gʷadalØ-y | *(ma-)kʷatara-y | 7 |
|          | <i>gʷeʷdel</i> gʷaʷdaʷl | *Øⁿ-gʷadal-Øʷ |                |                 | 8 |

1. \*kʷ (&gt; xʷ &gt; fʷ) &gt; f; \*r &gt; l; ə-epenthesis

2. \*kʷ &gt; xʷ; \*r &gt; l; ə-epenthesis; +W: ə &gt; u

3. \*kʷ &gt; xʷ; ə-epenthesis; \*y &gt; Øʷ; +Y: \*a &gt; e

4. \*kʷ &gt; xʷ; \*r &gt; l; ə-epenthesis; +W: ə &gt; u; \*y &gt; Øʷ; +Y: \*a &gt; e

5. \*kʷ &gt; gʷ; \*r &gt; l; ə-epenthesis; +W: ə &gt; u; \*y &gt; Øʷ; +Y: \*a &gt; e

6. \*r &gt; l; ə-epenthesis; \*y &gt; Øʷ; +Y: \*a &gt; e

7. \*kʷ &gt; gʷ; \*t &gt; d; \*r &gt; l; metathesis gʷd &gt; dgʷ; \*y &gt; Øʷ; +Y: \*a &gt; e; \*m &gt; Øⁿ; +N: gʷ &gt; ʷgʷ

8. \*kʷ &gt; gʷ; \*t &gt; d; \*r &gt; l; \*y &gt; Øʷ; +Y: \*a &gt; e; \*m &gt; Øⁿ; +N: d &gt; ʷd

## LAMANG

|                                                                                         |                                                              |                                   |                       |                         |   |
|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------|-----------------------|-------------------------|---|
| Lamang                                                                                  | <i>h<sup>w</sup>tiri</i> x <sup>w</sup> tə <sup>ry</sup>     | *x <sup>w</sup> tr-y <sup>y</sup> | *x <sup>w</sup> trØ-y | *k <sup>w</sup> tra(-y) | 1 |
| Hdi                                                                                     | <i>hutor</i> x <sup>w</sup> ə <sup>w</sup> tə <sup>w</sup> r | *x <sup>w</sup> tr                | *x <sup>w</sup> trØ   |                         | 2 |
| 1. *k <sup>w</sup> > x <sup>w</sup> ; ə-epenthesis; *y > y <sup>y</sup> > i; +Y: *ə > i |                                                              |                                   |                       |                         |   |
| 2. *k <sup>w</sup> > x <sup>w</sup> ; ə-epenthesis; +W: ə > u                           |                                                              |                                   |                       |                         |   |

## HIGI

|                                                                                        |              |       |       |                     |   |
|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------|-------|-------|---------------------|---|
| Kirya                                                                                  | <i>twələ</i> | *twla | *wtla | *k <sup>w</sup> tra | 1 |
| 1. *k <sup>w</sup> > w; *r > l; metathesis wt > tw; ə-epenthesis; lexical-final *a > ə |              |       |       |                     |   |

## MUSGUM

|                                                                                                                     |                                                              |                                    |                                      |                        |   |
|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------|--------------------------------------|------------------------|---|
|                                                                                                                     |                                                              |                                    |                                      | √ C C C Ca             |   |
| Mbara                                                                                                               | <i>hutor</i> x <sup>w</sup> ə <sup>w</sup> tə <sup>w</sup> l | *Ø <sup>n</sup> -x <sup>w</sup> tl | *m <sup>n</sup> Ø-x <sup>w</sup> tlØ | *ma-k <sup>w</sup> tra | 1 |
|                                                                                                                     |                                                              |                                    |                                      | √ C C CaCa             |   |
| Vulum                                                                                                               | <i>gider</i> gə <sup>y</sup> də <sup>r</sup>                 | *gdar-Ø <sup>y</sup>               | *gdarØ-y                             | *k <sup>w</sup> tara-y | 2 |
| 1. *k <sup>w</sup> > x <sup>w</sup> ; *r > l; ə-epenthesis; +W: ə > u; *m > Ø <sup>n</sup> ; +N: t > <sup>n</sup> t |                                                              |                                    |                                      |                        |   |
| 2. *k <sup>w</sup> (> k) > g; *t > d; *y > Ø <sup>y</sup> ; +Y: ə > i; +Y: *a > e                                   |                                                              |                                    |                                      |                        |   |

## GIDAR

|       |                                                                             |                     |                     |                     |   |
|-------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------|---------------------|---------------------|---|
| Gidar | <i>kutur</i> k <sup>w</sup> ə <sup>w</sup> tə <sup>w</sup> r                | *k <sup>w</sup> tr  | *k <sup>w</sup> trØ | *k <sup>w</sup> tra | 1 |
|       | <i>kuturo</i> k <sup>w</sup> ə <sup>w</sup> tə <sup>w</sup> ra <sup>w</sup> | *k <sup>w</sup> tra |                     |                     | 2 |
|       | <i>kutəro</i> k <sup>w</sup> ə <sup>w</sup> tə <sup>w</sup> ra <sup>w</sup> |                     |                     |                     |   |

1. ə-epenthesis; +W: ə > u

2. ə-epenthesis; +W: ə > u; +W: lexical-final \*a > o

## tamarind tree

PCC \*(ma-) b(a)w(a)r(a)na (-y, -k<sup>w</sup>)

## BATA

|                                                           |                                   |                          |             |              |   |
|-----------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------|--------------------------|-------------|--------------|---|
|                                                           |                                   |                          |             | √ C C C C Ca |   |
| Tsuvan                                                    | <i>mburne</i> mbwrna <sup>y</sup> | *mØ-bwrna-Ø <sup>y</sup> | *ma-bwrna-y | *ma-bwrna-y  | 1 |
|                                                           |                                   |                          |             | √ CaC CaCa   |   |
| Jimi                                                      | <i>mbalan</i> mbalan              | *mØ-balan                | *ma-baØlanØ | *ma-bawrana  | 2 |
| 1. *w > u; *y > Ø <sup>y</sup> ; +Y: lexical-final *a > e |                                   |                          |             |              |   |
| 2. *r > l                                                 |                                   |                          |             |              |   |

## MAFA

|                                                            |                                               |                         |            |            |   |
|------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------|-------------------------|------------|------------|---|
| Mafa                                                       | <i><sup>m</sup>burom</i> mbwra <sup>w</sup> m | *mØ-bw <sup>w</sup> ran | *ma-bwranØ | *ma-bwrana | 1 |
| Cuvok                                                      | <i><sup>m</sup>balam</i> mbəlam               | *mØ-blan                | *ma-bØlanØ |            | 2 |
| 1. *w > w <sup>w</sup> > u; +W: *a > o; *n > m (see 3.4.5) |                                               |                         |            |            |   |
| 2. *r > l; ə-epenthesis; *n > m (see 3.4.5)                |                                               |                         |            |            |   |

## TERA

|                                             |                      |         |           |           |   |
|---------------------------------------------|----------------------|---------|-----------|-----------|---|
| Tera                                        | <i>mbəren</i> mbəren | *mØ-brn | *ma-bØrnØ | *ma-bwrna | 1 |
| 1. ə-epenthesis                             |                      |         |           |           |   |
| SUKUR                                       |                      |         |           |           |   |
| Sukur                                       | <i>mbəlam</i> mbəlam | *mØ-blñ | *ma-bØlñØ | *ma-bwrna | 1 |
| 1. *r > l; ə-epenthesis; *n > m (see 3.4.5) |                      |         |           |           |   |

## MARGI

|             |                                  |                        |             |               |   |
|-------------|----------------------------------|------------------------|-------------|---------------|---|
| Bura        | <i>mbula</i> mbwla               | *mØ-bwla               | *ma-bwlØa   | *ma-bwrna(-y) | 1 |
| Kilba       | <i>mbəla</i> mbəla               | *mØ-bla                | *ma-bØlØa   |               | 2 |
| Margi-South | <i>mbəla</i> mbəla               |                        |             |               | 2 |
|             | <i>mbila</i> mbə <sup>l</sup> la | *mØ-bla-Ø <sup>y</sup> | *ma-bØlØa-y |               | 3 |

1. \*r > l; ə-epenthesis; w > u
2. \*r > l; ə-epenthesis
3. \*r > l; ə-epenthesis; \*y > Ø<sup>y</sup>; +Y: ə > i

## MANDARA

|         |                                          |                       |           |                 |   |
|---------|------------------------------------------|-----------------------|-----------|-----------------|---|
| Podoko  | <i><sup>m</sup>bula mbwla</i>            | *mØ-bwla              | *ma-bwlØa | *(ma-)bwrna(-y) | 1 |
| Matal   | <i>am<sup>r</sup></i>                    | *Øa-mr                | *ma-mØrØØ |                 | 2 |
| Glavda  | <i>aw</i>                                | *Øa-w                 | *ma-ØwØØØ |                 |   |
|         | <i>awura awə<sup>w</sup>ra</i>           | *Øa-w <sup>w</sup> ra | *ma-ØwrØa |                 | 3 |
| Mandara | <i>ure wra<sup>y</sup></i>               | *wra-Ø <sup>y</sup>   | *ØwrØa-y  |                 | 4 |
| Malgwa  | <i>ure wra<sup>y</sup></i>               |                       |           |                 | 4 |
|         | <i>uure ə<sup>w</sup>wra<sup>y</sup></i> |                       |           |                 | 5 |

1. \*w > u; \*r > l
2. ə-epenthesis; \*b > m
3. ə-epenthesis; \*w > w<sup>w</sup>; +W: ə > u
4. \*w > u; \*y > Ø<sup>y</sup>; +Y: lexical-final \*a > e
5. ə-prothesis; \*w > w<sup>w</sup> > u; +W: ə > u; \*y > Ø<sup>y</sup>; +Y: lexical-final \*a > e

## MOFU

|            |                                               |                        |            |            |   |
|------------|-----------------------------------------------|------------------------|------------|------------|---|
| Gemzek     | <i><sup>m</sup>bular</i> mbwlar               | *m-bwlar               | *mØ-bwlarØ | *ma-bwrana | 1 |
|            | <i><sup>m</sup>bulor</i> mbwla <sup>w</sup> r | *m-bw <sup>w</sup> lar |            |            | 2 |
| Dugwor     | <i><sup>m</sup>bəlor</i> mbəla <sup>w</sup> r | *m-bØ <sup>w</sup> lar |            |            | 3 |
| Merey      | <i><sup>m</sup>bular</i> mbwla <sup>w</sup> r | *m-bw <sup>w</sup> lar | 2          |            |   |
|            | <i><sup>m</sup>bəlar</i> mbəlar               | *m-blar                | 4          |            |   |
| Zulgo      | <i><sup>m</sup>bəlar</i> mbəlar               |                        | *mØ-bØlarØ |            | 4 |
| Mofu North | <i><sup>m</sup>bəlar</i> mbəlar               |                        |            |            | 4 |

1. \*r > l; \*n > r; \*w > u
2. \*r > l; \*n > r; \*w > u; +W: \*a > o
3. \*r > l; \*n > r; ə-epenthesis; \*w > Ø<sup>w</sup>; +W: \*a > o
4. \*r > l; \*n > r; ə-epenthesis

## MAROUA

|                |                                 |          |              |                              |   |
|----------------|---------------------------------|----------|--------------|------------------------------|---|
| Giziga-Muturwa | <i><sup>m</sup>bulam mbwlam</i> | *m-bwlan | *mØ-bwlanØ   | *ma-bwrana(-k <sup>w</sup> ) | 1 |
| Giziga-Marva   | <i><sup>m</sup>bulam mbwlam</i> |          |              |                              | 1 |
| Mbazla         | <i><sup>m</sup>bəlaŋ mbəlaŋ</i> | *m-blāŋ  | *mØ-bØlanØ-k |                              | 2 |

1. \*w > u; \*r > l; \*n > m (see 3.4.5)
2. \*r > l; ə-epenthesis; \*k<sup>w</sup> > k; fusion \*nk > ŋ

## LAMANG

|        |                                 |          |            |            |   |
|--------|---------------------------------|----------|------------|------------|---|
| Lamang | <i>mblama</i>                   | *m-blana | *mØ-bØlana | *ma-bwrana | 1 |
| Hdi    | <i><sup>m</sup>bəlam mbəlam</i> | *m-blān  | *mØ-bØlanØ |            | 2 |

1. \*r > l; \*n > m (see 3.4.5)
2. \*r > l; ə-epenthesis; \*n > m (see 3.4.5)

## HIGI

|             |                                                         |         |              |                              |   |
|-------------|---------------------------------------------------------|---------|--------------|------------------------------|---|
| Kamwe-Nkafa | <i><sup>m</sup>bulā mbwla</i>                           | *m-bwla | *mØ-bwlaØØ   | *ma-bwrana(-k <sup>w</sup> ) | 1 |
| Kamwe-Futu  | <i><sup>m</sup>bulā mbwla</i>                           |         |              |                              | 1 |
| Kirya       | <i><sup>m</sup>bəla<sup>w</sup>g mbəla<sup>w</sup>g</i> | *m-blāŋ | *mØ-bØlanØ-k |                              | 2 |
| Bana        | <i><sup>m</sup>b(ə)laŋ mbəlaŋ</i>                       |         |              |                              | 2 |

1. \*w > u; \*r > l
2. \*r > l; ə-epenthesis; \*k<sup>w</sup> > k; fusion \*nk > ŋ~<sup>ŋ</sup>g

## ten

PCC \*(xa-) **k<sup>w</sup>(a)n(a)ma**<sup>149</sup> (-y, -k<sup>w</sup>; FV)

## MAFA

|                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           |                                                |                      |                                    |                                       |   |
|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------|----------------------|------------------------------------|---------------------------------------|---|
| Mafa                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      | <i>kula</i> k <sup>w</sup> ə <sup>w</sup> la   | *k <sup>w</sup> la   | *k <sup>w</sup> lØa                | *k <sup>w</sup> nma(-k <sup>w</sup> ) | 1 |
| Cuvok                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     | <i>kuraw</i> k <sup>w</sup> ə <sup>w</sup> raw | *k <sup>w</sup> ra-w | *k <sup>w</sup> rØa-k <sup>w</sup> |                                       | 2 |
| 1. *n (> r) > l; ə-epenthesis; +W: ə > u<br>2. *n > r; suffixal *k <sup>w</sup> > w; ə-epenthesis; +W: ə > u. Alternatively, we could assume the well-attested sporadic sound change *m > w and not reconstruct suffixal *-k <sup>w</sup> |                                                |                      |                                    |                                       |   |

## TERA

|                                                                                                                                  |                                            |                    |                        |                                     |   |
|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------|--------------------|------------------------|-------------------------------------|---|
|                                                                                                                                  |                                            |                    |                        | √ C C Ca                            |   |
| Ga'anda                                                                                                                          | <i>kum</i> k <sup>w</sup> ə <sup>w</sup> m | *k <sup>w</sup> m  | *k <sup>w</sup> mØ     | *k <sup>w</sup> nma                 | 1 |
|                                                                                                                                  |                                            |                    |                        | √ CaC Ca                            |   |
| Tera                                                                                                                             | <i>g<sup>w</sup>a<sup>g</sup></i>          | *g <sup>w</sup> aŋ | *g <sup>w</sup> anØØ-k | *k <sup>w</sup> anma-k <sup>w</sup> | 2 |
| 1. ə-epenthesis; +W: ə > u<br>2. root-initial *k <sup>w</sup> > g <sup>w</sup> ; suffixal *k <sup>w</sup> > k; fusion *nk > ŋ~ŋg |                                            |                    |                        |                                     |   |

## SUKUR

|                                                                                    |            |        |          |                                     |   |
|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------|--------|----------|-------------------------------------|---|
| Sukur                                                                              | <i>waŋ</i> | *waŋ-Ø | *wanØØ-k | *k <sup>w</sup> anma-k <sup>w</sup> | 1 |
| 1. *root-initial *k <sup>w</sup> > w; suffixal *k <sup>w</sup> > k; fusion *nk > ŋ |            |        |          |                                     |   |

## HURZA

|                                                                                                          |                                                           |                                   |                                    |                                    |   |
|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------|------------------------------------|------------------------------------|---|
| Mbuko                                                                                                    | <i>kuro</i> k <sup>w</sup> ə <sup>w</sup> ra <sup>w</sup> | *k <sup>w</sup> ra-Ø <sup>w</sup> | *k <sup>w</sup> rØa-k <sup>w</sup> | *k <sup>w</sup> nma-k <sup>w</sup> | 1 |
| 1. *n > r; suffixal *k <sup>w</sup> > Ø <sup>w</sup> ; ə-epenthesis; +W: ə > u; +W: lexical-final *a > o |                                                           |                                   |                                    |                                    |   |

## MARGI

|                                                                                                                                   |                                                            |                                   |                                    |                                       |   |
|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------|------------------------------------|---------------------------------------|---|
| Bura                                                                                                                              | <i>kuma</i> k <sup>w</sup> ə <sup>w</sup> ma               | *k <sup>w</sup> ma                | *k <sup>w</sup> Øma                | *k <sup>w</sup> nma(-k <sup>w</sup> ) | 1 |
| Margi-South                                                                                                                       | <i>kumou</i> k <sup>w</sup> ə <sup>w</sup> ma <sup>w</sup> | *k <sup>w</sup> ma-w <sup>w</sup> | *k <sup>w</sup> Øma-k <sup>w</sup> |                                       | 2 |
| 1. ə-epenthesis; +W: ə > u<br>2. suffixal *k <sup>w</sup> > w <sup>w</sup> > u; ə-epenthesis; +W: ə > u; +W: lexical-final *a > o |                                                            |                                   |                                    |                                       |   |

## MANDARA

|                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            |                                                             |                        |                     |                         |   |
|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------|---------------------|-------------------------|---|
|                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            |                                                             |                        |                     | √ C C Ca                |   |
| Glavda                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     | <i>kəl</i>                                                  | *kl                    | *klØØ               | *k <sup>w</sup> nma     | 1 |
| Matal                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      | <i>k<sup>w</sup>l(u)</i> k <sup>w</sup> ə <sup>w</sup> l(w) | *k <sup>w</sup> lw     | *k <sup>w</sup> lwØ |                         | 2 |
|                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            |                                                             |                        |                     | √ C CaCa                |   |
| Glavda                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     | <i>kla.wa</i>                                               | *klawa                 |                     | *k <sup>w</sup> nama    | 3 |
|                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            |                                                             |                        |                     | √ CaCaCa                |   |
| Mandara                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    | <i>kelawa</i> ka <sup>y</sup> lawā                          | *kalawa-Ø <sup>y</sup> | *kalawa-y           | *k <sup>w</sup> anama-y | 4 |
| 1. *n (> r) > l; *k <sup>w</sup> > k; ə-epenthesis<br>2. *n (> r) > l; *m > w > u; ə-epenthesis; +W: ə > u<br>3. *n (> r) > l; *k <sup>w</sup> > k; *m > w; vowel length unaccounted for<br>4. *n (> r) > l; *k <sup>w</sup> > k; *m > w; *y > Ø <sup>y</sup> ; +Y: *a > e |                                                             |                        |                     |                         |   |

<sup>149</sup> Gravina (2015) reconstructs three different roots, each with limited areal distribution: \***k<sup>w</sup>im**, \***kiriw**, \***hikan**. In the present study, we derive all CC forms from one common PCC root. Note that this root raises questions also in terms of a potential early borrowing from Benue-Congo languages into Chadic, as suggested by Carl Hoffmann (1970), as far as biradical PC reconstructions such as \***g<sup>w</sup>am**- (Newman 1977) are concerned. If, however, our triradical PCC reconstruction was valid, then this would throw doubt on the borrowing hypothesis.

## MOFU

|                                                                                                  |                                                              |                      |                     |                      |   |
|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------|---------------------|----------------------|---|
|                                                                                                  |                                                              |                      |                     | √ C C Ca             |   |
| Ouldeme                                                                                          | <i>kulu</i> k <sup>w</sup> ə <sup>w</sup> lw                 | *k <sup>w</sup> lw   | *k <sup>w</sup> lwØ | *k <sup>w</sup> nma  | 1 |
| Muyang                                                                                           | <i>kru</i> krw                                               | *krw                 | *k <sup>w</sup> rwØ |                      | 2 |
| Moloko                                                                                           | <i>kəro</i> kəra <sup>w</sup>                                | *krØ <sup>w</sup> a  | *krwa               |                      | 3 |
| Gemzek                                                                                           | <i>kuro</i> k <sup>w</sup> ə <sup>w</sup> ra <sup>w</sup>    | *k <sup>w</sup> rØa  | *k <sup>w</sup> rwa |                      | 4 |
| Merey                                                                                            | <i>kuro</i> k <sup>w</sup> ə <sup>w</sup> ra <sup>w</sup>    |                      |                     |                      | 4 |
| Zulgo                                                                                            | <i>kurwa</i> k <sup>w</sup> ə <sup>w</sup> rwa               | *k <sup>w</sup> rwa  |                     |                      | 5 |
|                                                                                                  |                                                              |                      |                     | √ C CaCa             |   |
| Mofu North                                                                                       | <i>kuraw</i> k <sup>w</sup> ə <sup>w</sup> raw               | *k <sup>w</sup> rawØ |                     | *k <sup>w</sup> nama | 5 |
| Mofu-Gudur                                                                                       | <i>kuraw</i> k <sup>w</sup> ə <sup>w</sup> raw               |                      |                     |                      | 5 |
| Dugwor                                                                                           | <i>kurow</i> k <sup>w</sup> ə <sup>w</sup> ra <sup>w</sup> w |                      |                     |                      | 6 |
| 1. *n > l; *m > w; ə-epenthesis; +W: ə > u                                                       |                                                              |                      |                     |                      |   |
| 2. *n > r; *m > w > u                                                                            |                                                              |                      |                     |                      |   |
| 3. *n > r; *k <sup>w</sup> > k; *m > w > Ø <sup>w</sup> ; ə-epenthesis; +W: lexical-final *a > o |                                                              |                      |                     |                      |   |
| 4. *n > r; ə-epenthesis; +W: ə > u; +W: lexical-final *a > o                                     |                                                              |                      |                     |                      |   |
| 5. *n > r; *m > w; ə-epenthesis; +W: ə > u                                                       |                                                              |                      |                     |                      |   |
| 6. *n > r; *m > w; ə-epenthesis; +W: ə > u; +W: *a > o                                           |                                                              |                      |                     |                      |   |

## MAROUA

|                |                                                  |                       |                                    |                                       |   |
|----------------|--------------------------------------------------|-----------------------|------------------------------------|---------------------------------------|---|
| Giziga-Marva   | <i>kuru</i> k <sup>w</sup> ə <sup>w</sup> rw     | *k <sup>w</sup> rw    | *k <sup>w</sup> rwØ                | *k <sup>w</sup> nma(-k <sup>w</sup> ) | 1 |
| Mbazla         | <i>kuru</i> k <sup>w</sup> ə <sup>w</sup> rw     |                       |                                    |                                       | 1 |
|                | <i>kuru'</i> k <sup>w</sup> ə <sup>w</sup> rw?   | *k <sup>w</sup> rwa-? | *k <sup>w</sup> rwa-k <sup>w</sup> |                                       | 2 |
| Giziga-Muturwa | <i>kuru'u</i> k <sup>w</sup> ə <sup>w</sup> rw?w | *k <sup>w</sup> rw-?w | *k <sup>w</sup> rwØ-k <sup>w</sup> |                                       | 3 |

1. \*n > r; \*m > w > u; ə-epenthesis; +W: ə > u

2. \*n > r; \*m > w > u; suffixal \*k<sup>w</sup> (> k) > ?; ə-epenthesis; +W: ə > u

3. \*n > r; \*m > w > u; suffixal \*k<sup>w</sup> > ?w > ?u; ə-epenthesis; +W: ə > u

## LAMANG

|        |                         |                     |                         |                                         |   |
|--------|-------------------------|---------------------|-------------------------|-----------------------------------------|---|
| Lamang | <i>ɣ<sup>w</sup>ana</i> | *ɣ <sup>w</sup> ana | *ɣ <sup>w</sup> anØØ-ka | *k <sup>w</sup> anma-k <sup>w</sup> (a) | 1 |
| Hdi    | <i>ɣ<sup>w</sup>an</i>  | *ɣ <sup>w</sup> an  | *ɣ <sup>w</sup> anØØ-k  |                                         | 1 |

1. radical \*k<sup>w</sup> (> g<sup>w</sup>) > ɣ<sup>w</sup>; suffixal \*k<sup>w</sup> > k; fusion \*nk > ŋ

## HIGI

|             |                                            |                                  |                     |                     |   |
|-------------|--------------------------------------------|----------------------------------|---------------------|---------------------|---|
| Kirya       | <i>gum</i> g <sup>w</sup> ə <sup>w</sup> m | *g <sup>w</sup> m                | *g <sup>w</sup> ØmØ | *k <sup>w</sup> nma | 1 |
| Kamwe-Nkafa | <i>mu'gə</i> mə <sup>w</sup> gə            | *m <sup>w</sup> g <sup>w</sup> a |                     |                     | 2 |
| Kamwe-Futu  | <i>mu'gə</i> mə <sup>w</sup> gə            |                                  |                     |                     | 2 |
| Psikye      | <i>məŋə</i> mə <sup>w</sup> gə             | *mØ <sup>w</sup> ga              |                     |                     | 3 |
| Psikye      | <i>məŋ</i>                                 | *mng                             |                     |                     | 4 |
| Bana        | <i>məŋ</i>                                 |                                  | *gnmØ               |                     | 4 |

- \*k<sup>w</sup> > g<sup>w</sup>; ə-epenthesis; +W: ə > u
- \*k<sup>w</sup> > g<sup>w</sup>; metathesis g<sup>w</sup>m > mg<sup>w</sup>; ə-epenthesis; \*n > n<sup>n</sup> > Ø<sup>n</sup>; +N: g<sup>w</sup> > <sup>n</sup>g<sup>w</sup>; +W: ə > u; lexical-final \*a > ə
- \*k<sup>w</sup> > g<sup>w</sup> > g; \*n > n<sup>n</sup> > Ø<sup>n</sup>; metathesis gm > mg; ə-epenthesis; lexical-final \*a > ə; \*n > Ø<sup>n</sup>; +N: g > <sup>n</sup>g
- \*k<sup>w</sup> > g; multiple metathesis gnm > mng; ə-epenthesis; fusion ng > ŋ

## KOTOKO-ISLAND

|                                      |              |         |           |                         |   |
|--------------------------------------|--------------|---------|-----------|-------------------------|---|
| Buduma                               | <i>həkan</i> | *xØ-kan | *xa-kanØØ | *xa-k <sup>w</sup> anma | 1 |
| 1. *k <sup>w</sup> > k; ə-epenthesis |              |         |           |                         |   |

## KOTOKO-NORTH

|        |            |      |        |                      |   |
|--------|------------|------|--------|----------------------|---|
| Afade  | <i>kan</i> | *kan | *kanØØ | *k <sup>w</sup> anma | 1 |
| Mpade  | <i>kan</i> |      |        |                      | 1 |
| Malgbe | <i>kan</i> |      |        |                      | 1 |

1. \*k<sup>w</sup> > k

## KOTOKO-CENTRAL

|        |             |         |           |                           |  |
|--------|-------------|---------|-----------|---------------------------|--|
| Lagwan | <i>xkan</i> | *xØ-kan | *xa-kanØØ | *(xa-)k <sup>w</sup> anma |  |
| Mser   | <i>kan</i>  | *kan    | *kanØØ    |                           |  |

## thorn

PCC \*(ma-, va-, xa-) d(a)yka (-y, -t)

## BATA

|        |                  |       |       |   |
|--------|------------------|-------|-------|---|
| Gude   | <i>dəha dəxa</i> | *dØxa | *dyka | 1 |
| Sharwa | <i>dəhə dəxə</i> |       |       | 2 |

1. \*k &gt; x; ə-epenthesis

2. \*k &gt; x; ə-epenthesis; lexical-final \*a &gt; ə

## MAFA

|       |              |           |               |   |
|-------|--------------|-----------|---------------|---|
| Mafa  | <i>vatak</i> | *va-taØkØ | *ma-/va-dayka | 1 |
| Cuvok | <i>matak</i> | *mØ-tak   |               | 2 |

1. \*d &gt; t

2. \*d &gt; t; ə-epenthesis

## TERA

|       |                          |               |                |                   |   |
|-------|--------------------------|---------------|----------------|-------------------|---|
| Tera  | <i>"deki nda'kəy</i>     | *n-daØ'kə     | *mØ-dayka      | *(ma-)dayka(-y-t) | 1 |
|       | <i>"dzakhti ndz'axty</i> | *n-dzaØ'x-t-y | *mØ-dzayxØ-t-y |                   | 2 |
| Hwana | <i>"daxa ndaxa</i>       | *n-daxa       | *mØ-daØxa      |                   | 3 |

1. homorganic assimilation \*m &gt; n/\_d; lexical-final \*a &gt; ə; +y: \*a &gt; e; \*y &gt; Ø'; +Y: ə &gt; i

2. homorganic assimilation \*m &gt; n/\_dz; \*d &gt; dz; metathesis yt &gt; ty; \*k &gt; x; \*y &gt; Ø'; +Y: dz &gt; dʒ; \*y &gt; i

3. homorganic assimilation \*m &gt; n/\_d; \*k &gt; x

## SUKUR

|       |                    |         |       |   |
|-------|--------------------|---------|-------|---|
| Sukur | <i>dzik dz'yik</i> | *dzy'kØ | *dyka | 1 |
|-------|--------------------|---------|-------|---|

1. \*d &gt; dz; \*y &gt; y'; +Y: dz &gt; dʒ

## HURZA

|       |              |         |           |           |   |
|-------|--------------|---------|-----------|-----------|---|
|       |              |         |           | √ C C Ca  |   |
| Vame  | <i>adəga</i> | *Øa-dga | *ma-dØga  | *ma-dyka  | 1 |
|       |              |         |           | √ CaC Ca  |   |
| Mbuko | <i>adək</i>  | *Øa-dak | *ma-daØkØ | *ma-dayka |   |

1. \*k &gt; g; ə-epenthesis

## MANDARA

|         |                   |          |           |             |   |
|---------|-------------------|----------|-----------|-------------|---|
| Podoko  | <i>taka</i>       | *taØka   |           | *(ma-)dayka | 1 |
| Glavda  | <i>taka</i>       |          |           |             | 1 |
| Matal   | <i>atak</i>       | *Øa-taka | *ma-taØka |             | 1 |
| Mandara | <i>dake dakaʷ</i> | *daØʷka  |           |             | 2 |
| Malgwa  | <i>dake dakaʷ</i> |          |           |             | 2 |

1. \*d &gt; t

2. \*y &gt; Ø'; +Y: lexical-final \*a &gt; e

## MOFU

|                                      |                  |           |          |               |   |
|--------------------------------------|------------------|-----------|----------|---------------|---|
| Mofu North                           | <i>*dak</i> ndak | *n-dak    | mØ-daØkØ | *ma-/xa-dayka | 1 |
| Ouldeme                              | <i>adak</i>      | *Øa-daØkØ |          |               |   |
| Muyang                               | <i>adak</i>      |           |          |               |   |
| Zulgo                                | <i>adak</i>      |           |          |               |   |
| Gemzek                               | <i>adak</i>      |           |          |               |   |
| Merey                                | <i>adak</i>      |           |          |               |   |
| Dugwor                               | <i>adak</i>      |           |          |               |   |
| Moloko                               | <i>hadak</i>     | *xa-daØkØ |          |               | 2 |
| Mofu-Gudur                           | <i>hatak</i>     | *xa-taØkØ |          |               |   |
| 1. homorganic assimilation *m > n/_d |                  |           |          |               |   |
| 2. *d > t                            |                  |           |          |               |   |

## LAMANG

|                                                                 |             |               |        |          |   |
|-----------------------------------------------------------------|-------------|---------------|--------|----------|---|
|                                                                 |             |               |        | √ C C Ca |   |
| Lamang                                                          | <i>tiki</i> | <i>tykəʷ</i>  | *tyʷka | *dyka    | 1 |
|                                                                 |             |               |        | √ CaC Ca |   |
| Hdi                                                             | <i>teki</i> | <i>taʷkəʷ</i> | *taʷkə | *tayka   | 2 |
| 1. *d > t; lexical-final *a > ə; *y > *yʷ > i; +Y: ə > i        |             |               |        |          |   |
| 2. *d > t; lexical-final *a > ə; *y > Øʷ; +Y: *a > e; +Y: ə > i |             |               |        |          |   |

## HIGI

|                                                                   |                     |       |       |       |   |
|-------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------|-------|-------|-------|---|
| Kamwe-Nkafa                                                       | <i>tikə</i> tykə    | *tyka |       | *dyka | 1 |
| Bana                                                              | <i>t(ə)ki</i> təkəʷ | tØʷkə | *tyka |       | 2 |
| 1. *d > t; *y > i; lexical-final *a > ə                           |                     |       |       |       |   |
| 2. *d > t; ə-epenthesis; lexical-final *a > ə; *y > Øʷ; +Y: ə > i |                     |       |       |       |   |

## MUSGUM

|                         |                      |            |             |                 |   |
|-------------------------|----------------------|------------|-------------|-----------------|---|
| Mbara                   | <i>taha</i>          | *taØxa     |             | *(xa-)dayka(-t) | 1 |
| Vulum                   | <i>hedek</i> xaʔdaʔk | *xa-daØʔk  | *xa-daykØ   |                 | 2 |
| Muskum                  | <i>heder</i> xaʔdaʔt | *xa-daØʔ-t | *xa-dayØØ-t |                 | 2 |
| 1. *d > t ; *k > x      |                      |            |             |                 |   |
| 2. *y > Øʔ; +Y : *a > e |                      |            |             |                 |   |

## three

PCC \*(ma-)<sup>150</sup> x(a)k(a)na (-y, -kʷ, -dʷ; FV)

## BATA

|      |                |                |          |           |   |
|------|----------------|----------------|----------|-----------|---|
|      |                |                |          | √ C C C a |   |
| Jimi | <i>mahəkən</i> | <i>maxəkən</i> | *ma-xknØ | *ma-xkna  | 1 |
| Gude | <i>makə</i>    | <i>makə</i>    | *ma-ØkØa |           | 2 |

<sup>150</sup> Quite a few of the languages show a long vowel [aa] in the first syllable at the juncture of the petrified prefix \*{ma-} and the simple root, when the initial consonant of the root (\*x/) is lost. In the words of Gravina (2015): “In several groups, the \*h has been lost, triggering compensatory lengthening of the \*a from the prefix.” Alternatively and without reference to ‘compensatory lengthening’, one could also simply assume loss of /x/ in intervocalic position /a\_a/ resulting in /aa/, as is assumed for other CC languages as well.

|                                                                                                                                          |                                                            |                                         |                             |             |                          |
|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------|-----------------------------|-------------|--------------------------|
| Bata <sup>151</sup>                                                                                                                      | <i>m<sup>w</sup>aakin</i> m <sup>w</sup> aakə <sup>n</sup> | *ma-Øakn-Ø <sup>y</sup> -Ø <sup>w</sup> | *ma-xaknØ-y-k <sup>w</sup>  | √ CaC Ca    | 3                        |
| 1. ə-epenthesis                                                                                                                          |                                                            |                                         |                             |             |                          |
| 2. lexical-final *a > ə                                                                                                                  |                                                            |                                         |                             |             |                          |
| 3. ə-epenthesis; *y > Ø <sup>y</sup> ; +Y: ə > i; *k <sup>w</sup> > Ø <sup>w</sup> ; +W: m > m <sup>w</sup> ; (for vowel length see fn.) |                                                            |                                         |                             |             |                          |
| DABA                                                                                                                                     |                                                            |                                         |                             |             |                          |
| Buwal                                                                                                                                    | <i>mahkad'</i> maxkad'                                     | *ma-xkad'                               | *ma-xkadØ                   | *ma-xkana   | 1                        |
| Gavar                                                                                                                                    | <i>mahkad'</i> maxkad'                                     | *ma-Økad'                               |                             |             | 1                        |
| Mbudum                                                                                                                                   | <i>makad'</i>                                              |                                         |                             |             | 1                        |
| Daba                                                                                                                                     | <i>makad'</i>                                              |                                         |                             |             | 1                        |
| 1. *n (> r) > d'                                                                                                                         |                                                            |                                         |                             |             |                          |
| MAFA                                                                                                                                     |                                                            |                                         |                             |             |                          |
| Mafa                                                                                                                                     | <i>makar</i>                                               | *ma-ØkarØ                               | *ma-xkana                   |             | 1                        |
| Cuvok                                                                                                                                    | <i>mahkar</i> maxkar                                       | *ma-xkarØ                               |                             |             | 1                        |
| 1. *n > r                                                                                                                                |                                                            |                                         |                             |             |                          |
| TERA                                                                                                                                     |                                                            |                                         |                             |             |                          |
| Ga'anda                                                                                                                                  | <i>mahkan</i> maxkan                                       | *ma-xkanØ                               | *ma-xkana                   |             |                          |
| SUKUR                                                                                                                                    |                                                            |                                         |                             |             |                          |
| Sukur                                                                                                                                    | <i>maakən</i>                                              | *ma-Øakn                                | *ma-xaknØ                   | *ma-xakna   | 1                        |
| 1. ə-epenthesis; for vowel length see fn.                                                                                                |                                                            |                                         |                             |             |                          |
| HURZA                                                                                                                                    |                                                            |                                         |                             |             |                          |
|                                                                                                                                          |                                                            |                                         |                             | √ C CaCa    |                          |
| Vame                                                                                                                                     | <i>ma<sup>n</sup>gan</i>                                   | *ma-Ø <sup>n</sup> gan                  | *m <sup>a</sup> a-xkanØ     | *ma-xkana   | 1                        |
|                                                                                                                                          |                                                            |                                         |                             | √ CaCaCa    |                          |
| Mbuko                                                                                                                                    | <i>maakan</i>                                              | *ma-Øakan                               | *ma-xakanØ                  | *ma-xakana  | 2                        |
| 1. *k > g; *m > m <sup>n</sup> ; +N: g > <sup>n</sup> g                                                                                  |                                                            |                                         |                             |             |                          |
| 2. for vowel length see fn.                                                                                                              |                                                            |                                         |                             |             |                          |
| MARGI                                                                                                                                    |                                                            |                                         |                             |             |                          |
|                                                                                                                                          |                                                            |                                         |                             | √ C C Ca    |                          |
| Bura                                                                                                                                     | <i>makir</i> makə <sup>r</sup>                             | *ma-Økr-Ø <sup>y</sup>                  | *ma-xkrØ-y                  | *ma-xkana-y | 1                        |
|                                                                                                                                          |                                                            |                                         |                             | √ CaC Ca    |                          |
| Margi-South                                                                                                                              | <i>maakər</i> maakər                                       | *ma-ØakrØ                               | *ma-xakna(-k <sup>w</sup> ) |             | 2                        |
| Kilba                                                                                                                                    | <i>maakəru</i> maakər <sup>w</sup>                         | *ma-Øakr-w                              |                             |             | *ma-xakrØ-k <sup>w</sup> |
| 1. *n > r; ə-epenthesis; *y > Ø <sup>y</sup> ; +Y: ə > i                                                                                 |                                                            |                                         |                             |             |                          |
| 2. *n > r; for vowel length see fn.; ə-epenthesis                                                                                        |                                                            |                                         |                             |             |                          |
| 3. *n > r; *k <sup>w</sup> > w > u; for vowel length see fn.; ə-epenthesis                                                               |                                                            |                                         |                             |             |                          |

<sup>151</sup> The unique occurrence of labialised /m<sup>w</sup>/ in Bata is somewhat enigmatic. It is here explained as resulting from the desegmentalisation of suffixal \*/k<sup>w</sup>/ > Ø<sup>w</sup> with subsequent leftward transfer of the labialisation to yield m<sup>w</sup>. The segmental loss of \*/x/ in root-initial position creates a long surface vowel [aa], which may lead to a synchronic interpretation of the shape of the prefix being m<sup>w</sup>a- in Bata.



## MANDARA

|                                                                                                                                                                         |                         |          |          | √ C C Ca                   |          |
|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------|----------|----------|----------------------------|----------|
| Matal                                                                                                                                                                   | <i>makʷr</i> makər      | *ma-ØkrØ |          | *(ma-)xkna<br>(-dā/-y(-a)) | 1        |
| Podoko                                                                                                                                                                  | <i>makəra</i><br>makəra | *ma-Økra |          |                            | 1        |
| Mandara                                                                                                                                                                 | <i>keye</i> kaʷyaʷ      | *ka-yʷa  | ØkØa-yʷa |                            | 2        |
| Dghwede                                                                                                                                                                 | <i>xkre</i> xkraʷ       | *xkra-Øʷ | *xkra-y  |                            | 3        |
| Glavda                                                                                                                                                                  | <i>xkɾdā</i> xkɾdā      | *xkrØ-dā |          |                            | 4        |
|                                                                                                                                                                         |                         |          |          | √ C CaCa                   |          |
| Malgwa                                                                                                                                                                  | <i>keɟye</i> kaʷgʷaʷ    | *kaʷdʷaʷ | *kadā-Øʷ | *Økadā-y                   | *xkana-y |
| 1. *n > r; ə-epenthesis<br>2. *y > yʷ; +Y: *a > e<br>3. *n > r; *y > Øʷ; +Y: lexical-final *a > e<br>4. *n > ɾ<br>5. *n (> r) > d; *y > Øʷ; +Y: d > dʷ > ɟʷ; +Y: *a > e |                         |          |          |                            |          |

## MOFU

|                                                                             |                      |            |          | √ C C Ca   |   |
|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------|------------|----------|------------|---|
| Muyang                                                                      | <i>mahkər</i> maxkər | *ma-xkrØ   |          | *ma-xkna   | 1 |
| Gemzek                                                                      | <i>makər</i>         | *ma-Økr    | *ma-xkrØ |            | 1 |
|                                                                             |                      |            |          | √ C CaCa   |   |
| Gemzek                                                                      | <i>makar</i>         | *ma-ØkarØ  |          | *ma-xkana  | 2 |
| Moloko                                                                      | <i>makar</i>         |            |          |            | 2 |
| Dugwor                                                                      | <i>makar</i>         |            |          |            | 2 |
| Mofu-North                                                                  | <i>makar</i>         |            |          |            | 2 |
| Ouldeme                                                                     | <i>makar</i>         |            |          |            | 2 |
| Merey                                                                       | <i>mahkar</i> maxkar | *ma-xkarØ  |          |            | 2 |
|                                                                             |                      |            |          | √ CaCaCa   |   |
| Mofu-Gudur                                                                  | <i>maakar</i>        | *ma-ØakarØ |          | *ma-xakana | 3 |
| 1. *n > r; ə-epenthesis<br>2. *n > r<br>3. *n > r; for vowel length see fn. |                      |            |          |            |   |

## MAROUA

|                                                                                                                          |                    |           |              | √ C C Ca      |   |
|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------|-----------|--------------|---------------|---|
| Giziga-Muturwa                                                                                                           | <i>makir</i> makəʳ | *ma-kr-Øʷ | *ma-ØkrØ-y   | *ma-xkna-y    | 1 |
| Giziga-Marva                                                                                                             | <i>makir</i> makəʳ |           |              |               | 1 |
|                                                                                                                          |                    |           |              | √ C CaCa      |   |
| Mbazla                                                                                                                   | <i>maɲ</i>         | *ma-kaɲ   | *ma-ØkanØ-kʷ | *ma-xkana-kʷ  | 2 |
|                                                                                                                          |                    |           |              | √ CaCaCa      |   |
| Mbazla                                                                                                                   | <i>maakaɲ</i>      | *ma-akaɲ  | *ma-ØakanØ-k | *ma-xakana-kʷ | 3 |
| 1. *n > r; ə-epenthesis; +Y: ə > i<br>2. *kʷ > k; fusion *nk > ɲ<br>3. *kʷ > k; fusion *nk > ɲ; for vowel length see fn. |                    |           |              |               |   |

## LAMANG

|                 |                    |       |       |   |
|-----------------|--------------------|-------|-------|---|
| Lamang          | <i>hkəna</i> xkəna | *xkna | *xkna | 1 |
| Hdi             | <i>həkən</i> xəkən | *xknØ |       | 1 |
| 1. ə-epenthesis |                    |       |       |   |

## HIGI

|                                                                                             |                                |                         |                           |   |
|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------|-------------------------|---------------------------|---|
|                                                                                             |                                |                         | √ C C Ca                  |   |
| Kirya                                                                                       | <i>makən</i>                   | *ma-ØknØ                |                           | 1 |
| Psikye                                                                                      | <i>maxkən(ə)</i>               | *ma-xkna                | *ma-                      | 2 |
| Kamwe-Nkafa                                                                                 | <i>makənə</i>                  | *ma-Økna                | xkna(-k <sup>w</sup> a)   | 2 |
| Kamwe-Futu                                                                                  | <i>makəo makəa<sup>w</sup></i> | *ma-ka-Ø <sup>w</sup> a | *ma-ØkØa-k <sup>w</sup> a | 3 |
|                                                                                             |                                |                         | √ C CaCa                  |   |
| Bana                                                                                        | <i>mahkan maxkan</i>           | *ma-xkanØ               | *ma-xkana                 |   |
| 1. ə-epenthesis                                                                             |                                |                         |                           |   |
| 2. ə-epenthesis; lexical-final *a > ə                                                       |                                |                         |                           |   |
| 3. ə-epenthesis; +W: lexical-final *a > ə; *k <sup>w</sup> > Ø <sup>w</sup> ; +W: FV *a > o |                                |                         |                           |   |

## tomb

PCC/Areal root<sup>152</sup> \*dz(a)v(a)ya (-k<sup>w</sup>, -n)

## DABA

|                                                                                                                 |                        |          |                       |                       |   |
|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------|----------|-----------------------|-----------------------|---|
| Daba                                                                                                            | <i>tʃiviʹ tsʷəʷvyʔ</i> | *tsvyʷ-ʔ | *tsvyØ-k <sup>w</sup> | *dzvya-k <sup>w</sup> | 1 |
| 1. *dz > ts; *y > yʷ > i; +Y: ts > tʃ; +Y: ə > i; *k <sup>w</sup> (> k) > ʔ; ə-epenthesis; lexical-final *a > ə |                        |          |                       |                       |   |

## MAFA

|                                        |                       |          |          |   |
|----------------------------------------|-----------------------|----------|----------|---|
|                                        |                       |          | √ C CaCa |   |
| Cuvok                                  | <i>dʒəvay dzʷəvay</i> | *dzvayʷØ | *dzvaya  | 1 |
|                                        |                       |          | √ CaCaCa |   |
| Mafa                                   | <i>dzavay</i>         | *dzavayØ | *dzavaya |   |
| 1. *y > yʷ; +Y: *dz > dʒ; ə-epenthesis |                       |          |          |   |

## HURZA

|                                        |                       |          |         |   |
|----------------------------------------|-----------------------|----------|---------|---|
| Mbuko                                  | <i>dʒəvay dzʷəvay</i> | *dzvayʷØ | *dzvaya | 1 |
| 1. *y > yʷ; +Y: *dz > dʒ; ə-epenthesis |                       |          |         |   |

## MANDARA

|                                                                                                                |                       |                        |                        |                           |   |
|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------|------------------------|------------------------|---------------------------|---|
| Matal                                                                                                          | <i>zəvay</i>          | *zvayØ                 |                        | *dzvaya(-k <sup>w</sup> ) | 1 |
| Podoko                                                                                                         | <i>dʒuve dzʷəʷvaʹ</i> | *dzvaØʷ-Ø <sup>w</sup> | *dzvayØ-k <sup>w</sup> |                           | 2 |
| 1. *dz > z; ə-epenthesis                                                                                       |                       |                        |                        |                           |   |
| 2. *y > Øʷ; +Y: *dz > dʒ; +Y: lexical-final *a > e; ə-epenthesis; *k <sup>w</sup> > Ø <sup>w</sup> ; +W: ə > u |                       |                        |                        |                           |   |

## MOFU

|            |                    |         |          |   |
|------------|--------------------|---------|----------|---|
|            |                    |         | √ C C Ca |   |
| Gemzek     | <i>dzəva</i>       | *dzvØa  |          | 1 |
| Zulgo      | <i>dive dəʷvaʷ</i> | *dvØʷa  | *dzvya   | 2 |
|            |                    |         | √ C CaCa |   |
| Merey      | <i>tsəvay</i>      |         |          | 3 |
| Mofu North | <i>tsəvay</i>      | *tsvayØ | *dzvaya  | 3 |
| Mofu-Gudur | <i>tsəvay</i>      |         |          | 4 |

<sup>152</sup> According to Gravina (2015), “[t]he range of use of the root implies an origin in the Mandara Mountains, and may reflect an ancient Daba-Mafa practice.”

1. ə-epenthesis
2. \*dz > d; ə-epenthesis; \*y > Ø<sup>y</sup>; +Y: ə > i; +Y: lexical-final \*a > e
3. \*dz > ts; ə-epenthesis

## MAROUA

|                |                                             |                     |        |   |
|----------------|---------------------------------------------|---------------------|--------|---|
| Giziga-Muturwa | <i>zivi</i> zə <sup>y</sup> vy              | *zv <sup>y</sup> Ø  | *dzvya | 1 |
| Giziga-Marva   | <i>zive</i> zə <sup>y</sup> va <sup>y</sup> | *zvØ <sup>y</sup> a |        | 2 |

1. \*dz > z; ə-epenthesis; \*y > y<sup>y</sup> > i; +Y: ə > i
2. \*dz > z; ə-epenthesis; \*y > Ø<sup>y</sup>; +Y: ə > i; +Y: lexical-final \*a > e

## LAMANG

|        |                                |                    |                      |                          |   |
|--------|--------------------------------|--------------------|----------------------|--------------------------|---|
| Lamang | <i>vdun</i> vda <sup>w</sup> ŋ | *vd-ŋ <sup>w</sup> | *dvØØ-ŋ <sup>w</sup> | *dzvya-k <sup>w</sup> -n | 1 |
|--------|--------------------------------|--------------------|----------------------|--------------------------|---|

1. \*dz > d; metathesis dv > vd; ə-epenthesis; fusion k<sup>w</sup>n > ŋ<sup>w</sup>; +W: ə > u

tongue<sub>1</sub>PCC/areal root \*(da-, ma-, na-) **r(a)n(a)xa** (-dʰ, -y, -k<sup>w</sup>, -n)

## MAFA

|       |                                                |                           |              |                                       |   |
|-------|------------------------------------------------|---------------------------|--------------|---------------------------------------|---|
| Mafa  | <i>le'en</i> la <sup>y</sup> ʔa <sup>y</sup> n | *laʔan-Ø <sup>y</sup>     | *ʔa-lanØØ-y  | *da-ranxa-y                           | 1 |
|       | <i>lene</i> la <sup>y</sup> na <sup>y</sup>    | *lana-Ø <sup>y</sup>      | *lanØa-y     | *(da-)ranxa<br>-y(-k <sup>w</sup> -n) | 2 |
| Cuvok | <i>neneŋ</i> na <sup>y</sup> na <sup>y</sup> ŋ | *nana-Ø <sup>y</sup> -ŋ-Ø | *lanØa-y-k-n |                                       | 3 |

1. \*r > l; \*dʰ > ʔ; metathesis ʔl > lʔ; \*y > Ø<sup>y</sup>; +Y: \*a > e
2. \*r > l; \*y > Ø<sup>y</sup>; +Y: \*a > e
3. (\*r > l) assimilation \*r/l > n/\_n; \*y > Ø<sup>y</sup>; +Y: \*a > e; \*k<sup>w</sup> > k; fusion \*kn > ŋ

## MANDARA

|         |                                              |                        |              |                |   |
|---------|----------------------------------------------|------------------------|--------------|----------------|---|
|         |                                              |                        |              | √ C C Ca       |   |
| Mandara | <i>nara</i>                                  | *na-ra                 | *na-rØØa     | *(na-)rnxa(-y) |   |
| Malgwa  | <i>nare</i> nara <sup>y</sup>                | *na-ra-Ø <sup>y</sup>  | *na-rØØa-y   |                | 1 |
| Dghwede | <i>raxe</i> raxa <sup>y</sup>                | *rxa-Ø <sup>y</sup>    | *rØxa-y      |                | 2 |
|         |                                              |                        |              | √ Ca C Ca      |   |
| Matal   | <i>alah</i> alax                             | *Øa-lax                | *na-laØxØ    | *na-ranxa(-y)  | 3 |
| Glavda  | <i>εṛεṛ</i> a <sup>y</sup> ra <sup>y</sup> x | *Øa-rax-Ø <sup>y</sup> | *na-raØØxØ-y |                | 4 |

1. \*y > Ø<sup>y</sup>; +Y: \*a > e
2. ə-epenthesis; \*y > Ø<sup>y</sup>; +Y: \*a > e
3. \*r > l;
4. \*r > ṛ; \*y > Ø<sup>y</sup>; +Y: \*a > ε

## MOFU

|            |                                    |                         |                         |                                       |   |
|------------|------------------------------------|-------------------------|-------------------------|---------------------------------------|---|
|            |                                    |                         |                         | √ C C Ca                              |   |
| Ouldeme    | <i>maro</i> mara <sup>w</sup>      | *ma-ra-Ø <sup>w</sup>   | *ma-rØØa-k <sup>w</sup> | *(ma-)rnxa<br>(-dʰ-k <sup>w</sup> )   | 1 |
| Muyang     | <i>arəḏ</i>                        | *Øa-ra-dʰ               | *ma-rØØa-dʰ             |                                       | 2 |
| Mada       | <i>arra</i>                        | *Øa-rra                 | *ma-rnØa                |                                       | 3 |
|            |                                    |                         |                         | √ C CaCa                              |   |
| Moloko     | <i>hərnek</i> xərna <sup>y</sup> k | *xrna-Ø <sup>y</sup> -k | *rnaxØ-y-k              | *(da-)<br>rnaxa(-y(-k <sup>w</sup> )) | 4 |
| Merey      | <i>dərneh</i> dərna <sup>y</sup> x | *dØ-rna-Ø <sup>y</sup>  | *da-rnaØ-y              |                                       | 5 |
| Mofu-Gudur | <i>dərne</i> dərna <sup>y</sup>    | *dØ-rna-Ø <sup>y</sup>  | *da-rnaØØ-y             |                                       | 5 |
| Zulgo      | <i>arah</i> arax                   | *Øa-rax                 | *da-rØaxØ               |                                       |   |
| Gemzek     | <i>arah</i> arax                   |                         |                         |                                       |   |

|                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               |                                                |                       |           |           |   |
|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------|-----------------------|-----------|-----------|---|
|                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               |                                                |                       |           | √ CaCaCa  |   |
| Mofu-Gudur                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    | <i>neneh</i> na <sup>y</sup> na <sup>y</sup> x | *nanax-Ø <sup>y</sup> | *ranaxØ-y | *ranaxa-y | 6 |
| 1. *k <sup>w</sup> > Ø <sup>w</sup> ; +W: lexical-final *a > o<br>2. lexical-final *a > ə<br>3. assimilation *n > r/r_ <sub>-</sub><br>4. *k <sup>w</sup> > k; multiple metathesis nrx > xrn; ə-epenthesis; *y > Ø <sup>y</sup> ; +Y: lexical-final *a > e<br>5. ə-epenthesis; *y > Ø <sup>y</sup> ; +Y: *a > e<br>6. assimilation *r > n/ n_ <sub>-</sub> ; *y > Ø <sup>y</sup> ; +Y: *a > e |                                                |                       |           |           |   |

## MAROUA

|                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     |                                               |                        |            |                  |   |
|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------|------------------------|------------|------------------|---|
| Giziga-Muturwa                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      | <i>'irne</i> ʔə <sup>y</sup> rna <sup>y</sup> | *ʔØ-rna-Ø <sup>y</sup> | *dā-rnØa-y | *(dā-)rnxa-y(-d) | 1 |
|                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     | <i>irne</i> ə <sup>y</sup> rna <sup>y</sup>   | *rna-Ø <sup>y</sup>    | *rnØa-y    |                  | 2 |
| Giziga-Marva                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        | <i>irne</i> ə <sup>y</sup> rna <sup>y</sup>   |                        |            |                  | 2 |
| Mbazla                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              | <i>ne</i> na <sup>y</sup>                     | *na-Ø <sup>y</sup>     | *ØnØa-y    |                  | 3 |
|                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     | <i>ne</i> ʔ na <sup>y</sup> ʔ                 | *na-Ø <sup>y</sup> -ʔ  | *ØnØa-y-d' |                  | 4 |
| 1. *d' > ʔ; ə-epenthesis; *y > Ø <sup>y</sup> ; +Y: ə > i; +Y: lexical-final *a > e<br>2. ə-prothesis; *y > Ø <sup>y</sup> ; +Y: ə > i; +Y: lexical-final *a > e<br>3. *y > Ø <sup>y</sup> ; +Y: lexical-final *a > e<br>4. *d' > ʔ; *y > Ø <sup>y</sup> ; +Y: lexical-final *a > E |                                               |                        |            |                  |   |

tongue<sub>2</sub>PCC/areal root \*(k<sup>w</sup>a-, na-) **g(a)na** (-RED, -d', -y, -k<sup>w</sup>, -n; FV)

## BATA

|                                                  |                                   |                         |                        |                                |   |
|--------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------|-------------------------|------------------------|--------------------------------|---|
| Tsuwan                                           | <i>agana</i>                      | *Øa-gana                | *k <sup>w</sup> a-gana | *(k <sup>w</sup> a-)gana(-y-n) |   |
| Sharwa                                           | <i>gana</i>                       | *gana                   |                        |                                |   |
| Jimi                                             | <i>gianan</i> g <sup>y</sup> anan | *gana-Ø <sup>y</sup> -n | *gana-y-n              |                                | 1 |
| 1. *y > Ø <sup>y</sup> ; +Y: *g > g <sup>y</sup> |                                   |                         |                        |                                |   |

## DABA

|                                                            |                |            |                         |                                        |                                           |   |
|------------------------------------------------------------|----------------|------------|-------------------------|----------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------|---|
| Mbudum                                                     | <i>ganad'</i>  |            | *gana-d'                |                                        | *gana(-RED,<br>-d', -k <sup>w</sup> /-na) | 1 |
| Gavar                                                      | <i>gadadaŋ</i> | *gaḁa-da-ŋ | *gaḁa-RED-ŋ<br>< *gaḁaŋ | *gaḁa-n-k<br>< *gana-d'-k <sup>w</sup> |                                           |   |
| Buwal                                                      | <i>ganana</i>  |            | *gana-na                |                                        |                                           |   |
| Daba                                                       | <i>gana</i>    |            | *gana                   |                                        |                                           |   |
| 1. metathesis nd' > dñ; *k <sup>w</sup> > k; fusion kn > ŋ |                |            |                         |                                        |                                           |   |

## TERA

|                                                                                                        |                                |                      |         |         |   |
|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------|----------------------|---------|---------|---|
|                                                                                                        |                                |                      |         | √ C Ca  |   |
| Tera                                                                                                   | <i>ɣin</i> ɣə <sup>y</sup> n   | *ɣn-Ø <sup>y</sup>   | *ɣnØ-y  | *gna-y  | 1 |
|                                                                                                        |                                |                      |         | √ CaCa  |   |
|                                                                                                        | <i>ɣena</i> ɣa <sup>y</sup> na | *ɣana-Ø <sup>y</sup> | *ɣana-y | *gana-y | 2 |
| 1. *g > ɣ; ə-epenthesis; *y > Ø <sup>y</sup> ; +Y: ə > i<br>2. *g > ɣ; *y > Ø <sup>y</sup> ; +Y: a > e |                                |                      |         |         |   |

## SUKUR

|           |                    |         |         |   |
|-----------|--------------------|---------|---------|---|
| Sukur     | <i>ɣanay</i>       | *ɣana-y | *gana-y | 1 |
|           | <i>ɣanai</i> ɣanay |         |         | 1 |
| 1. *g > ɣ |                    |         |         |   |

## MARGI

|                                                                                           |                         |               |               |                  |   |
|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------|---------------|---------------|------------------|---|
| Bura                                                                                      | <i>keʷgyar</i> kaʷŋgyar | *ka-nØ-gar-Øʷ | *ka-na-garØ-y | *(kʷa-na-)gana-y | 1 |
| Margi                                                                                     | <i>kyar</i> kʷar        | *kar-Øʷ       | *karØ-y       |                  | 2 |
| Margi-South                                                                               | <i>kyar</i> kʷar        |               |               |                  | 2 |
| Kilba                                                                                     | <i>kyar</i> kʷar        |               |               |                  | 2 |
| 1. *n > r; *kʷ > k; *y > Øʷ; +Y: *g > gʷ; +Y: *a > e; homorganic assimilation n > ŋ/ __gʷ |                         |               |               |                  |   |
| 2. *n > r; *g > k; *y > Øʷ; +Y: k > kʷ                                                    |                         |               |               |                  |   |

## LAMANG

|                                                                                      |                                             |                      |                        |                           |   |
|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------|----------------------|------------------------|---------------------------|---|
| Lamang                                                                               | <i>yene</i> ya <sup>n</sup> na <sup>y</sup> | *yana-Ø <sup>y</sup> | *yana-y                | *gana-y(-k <sup>w</sup> ) | 1 |
| Hdi                                                                                  | <i>yanik</i> yanyk                          | *yan-y-k             | *yanØ-y-k <sup>w</sup> |                           | 2 |
| 1. *g > y; *y > Ø <sup>y</sup> ; +Y: *a > e<br>2. *g > y; *k <sup>w</sup> > k; y > i |                                             |                      |                        |                           |   |

## HIGI

|                                                                                                                                           |                                 |                           |               |                               |   |
|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------|---------------------------|---------------|-------------------------------|---|
|                                                                                                                                           |                                 |                           |               | √ C Ca                        |   |
| Kamwe-Nkafa                                                                                                                               | <i>annyə</i> ann <sup>y</sup> ə | *Øa-nØ-n-Ø <sup>y</sup> a | *ka-na-ØnØ-ya | *k <sup>w</sup> a-(na-)gna-ya | 1 |
|                                                                                                                                           | <i>aniə</i> an <sup>y</sup> ə   | *Øa-n-Ø <sup>y</sup> a    | *ka-ØnØ-ya    |                               | 1 |
|                                                                                                                                           |                                 |                           |               | √ CaCa                        |   |
| Bana                                                                                                                                      | <i>yani</i> yany                | *yan-y                    | *yanØ-y       | *(na-)gana(-y)                | 2 |
| Kamwe-Futu                                                                                                                                | <i>yani</i> yany                |                           |               |                               | 2 |
| Kirya                                                                                                                                     | <i>nyanə</i> nyanə              | *nØ-yana                  | *na-yana      |                               | 3 |
| 1. *k <sup>w</sup> > k; *y > Ø <sup>y</sup> ; +Y: *n > n <sup>y</sup> ; FV *a > ə<br>2. *g > y; *y > i<br>3. *g > y; lexical-final *a > ə |                                 |                           |               |                               |   |

## tongue,

Areal root \*(ma-) **n(a)la** (-a, -y)

## HURZA

|                                                                      |                                              |                        |            |            |   |
|----------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------|------------------------|------------|------------|---|
| Mbuko                                                                | <i>mirel</i> mə <sup>y</sup> ra <sup>l</sup> | *mØ-ral-Ø <sup>y</sup> | *ma-ralØ-y | *ma-nala-y | 1 |
| Vame                                                                 | <i>mənel</i> mənə <sup>l</sup>               | *mØ-nal-Ø <sup>y</sup> | *ma-nalØ-y |            | 2 |
| 1. *n > r; ə-epenthesis; *y > Ø <sup>y</sup> ; +Y: ə > i; +Y: *a > e |                                              |                        |            |            |   |
| 2. ə-epenthesis; *y > Ø <sup>y</sup> ; +Y: *a > e                    |                                              |                        |            |            |   |

## MOFU

|                                     |                                     |                     |         |         |   |
|-------------------------------------|-------------------------------------|---------------------|---------|---------|---|
| Dugwor <sup>153</sup>               | <i>hərnel</i> (xər-)na <sup>l</sup> | *nal-Ø <sup>y</sup> | *nalØ-y | *nala-y | 1 |
| 1. *y > Ø <sup>y</sup> ; +Y: *a > e |                                     |                     |         |         |   |

## KOTOKO-NORTH

|                                                           |                                              |                       |           |           |   |
|-----------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------|-----------------------|-----------|-----------|---|
| Afade                                                     | <i>enli</i> a <sup>y</sup> nly               | *Øa-nl-y <sup>y</sup> | *ma-nlØ-y | *ma-nla-y | 1 |
| Malgbe                                                    | <i>enli</i> a <sup>y</sup> nly               |                       |           |           | 1 |
| Mpade                                                     | <i>enfi</i> a <sup>y</sup> ns <sup>y</sup> y | *Øa-ns-y <sup>y</sup> | *ma-nsØ-y |           | 2 |
| 1. *y > y <sup>y</sup> > i; +Y: *a > e                    |                                              |                       |           |           |   |
| 2. *l > s; *y > y <sup>y</sup> > i; +Y: s > f; +Y: *a > e |                                              |                       |           |           |   |

## KOTOKO-CENTRAL

|        |                                            |                       |           |             |   |
|--------|--------------------------------------------|-----------------------|-----------|-------------|---|
| Lagwan | <i>nli</i> nly                             | *nl-y                 | *nlØ-y    | *(ma-)nla-y | 1 |
| Mser   | <i>ensi</i> a <sup>y</sup> nsy             | *Øa-ns-y <sup>y</sup> | *ma-nsØ-y |             | 2 |
|        | <i>enfi</i> a <sup>y</sup> ns <sup>y</sup> |                       |           |             | 3 |

<sup>153</sup> A potential compound, whose first part \*xər- remains unidentified.

|                                               |                     |            |           |             |   |
|-----------------------------------------------|---------------------|------------|-----------|-------------|---|
| 1. *y > i                                     |                     |            |           |             |   |
| 2. *l > s; *y > yʷ > i; +Y: *a > e            |                     |            |           |             |   |
| 3. *l > s; *y > yʷ > i; +Y: s > ʃ; +Y: *a > e |                     |            |           |             |   |
| KOTOKO-SOUTH                                  |                     |            |           |             |   |
| Zina                                          | <i>anisə</i> anəʷsə | *Øa-nsa-Øʷ | *ma-nsa-y | *(ma-)nla-y | 1 |
| Mazera                                        | <i>insa</i> əʷnsa   | *nsa-Øʷ    | *nsa-y    |             | 2 |
| 1. *l > s; ə-epenthesis; *y > Øʷ; +Y: ə > i   |                     |            |           |             |   |
| 2. *l > s; ə-prothesis; *y > Øʷ; +Y: ə > i    |                     |            |           |             |   |
| MUSGUM                                        |                     |            |           |             |   |
| Mbara                                         | <i>nalay</i>        | *nal-ay    | *nalØ-a-y | *nalə-a-y   |   |

## tooth

PCC \*(xa-, RED) l(a)d(a)na (-y, -kʷ, -n, -t; FV)

## BATA

|        |                                                    |                         |                          |                                    |   |
|--------|----------------------------------------------------|-------------------------|--------------------------|------------------------------------|---|
| Bata   | <i>linto</i> lynta <sup>w</sup>                    | *lyn-t-Ø <sup>w</sup> a | *lynØ-t-k <sup>w</sup> a | *ldna(-n(a)/-t, -k <sup>w</sup> a) | 1 |
| Gude   | <i>linyinə</i> lə <sup>h</sup> nyə <sup>h</sup> nə | *lɪny <sup>h</sup> -na  | *lynØ-na                 |                                    | 2 |
| Jimi   | <i>linyən</i> lə <sup>h</sup> nyən                 | *lɪny <sup>h</sup> -n   | *lynØ-n                  |                                    | 3 |
| Sharwa | <i>linyə</i> lə <sup>h</sup> nyə                   | *lɪny <sup>h</sup> a    | *lyna                    |                                    | 4 |
| Tsuvan | <i>ḡine</i> ḡyna <sup>y</sup>                      | *ḡy <sup>y</sup> na     | *ḡyna                    |                                    | 5 |

1. \*l > l; \*d > y; \*k<sup>w</sup> > Ø<sup>w</sup>; \*y > i; +W: FV \*a > o

2. \*l > l; \*d > y; metathesis yn > ny; ə-epenthesis; \*y > y<sup>y</sup>; +Y: ə > i; FV \*a > ə

3. \*l > l; \*d > y; metathesis yn > ny; ə-epenthesis; \*y > y<sup>y</sup>; +Y: ə > i

4. \*l > l; \*d > y; metathesis yn > ny; ə-epenthesis; \*y > y<sup>y</sup>; +Y: ə > i; lexical-final \*a > ə

5. \*l > ḡ; \*d > y; ə-epenthesis; \*y > Ø<sup>y</sup>; +Y: ə > i; +Y: lexical-final \*a > e

## DABA

|                                                                                                |                     |          |            |             |   |
|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------|----------|------------|-------------|---|
| Buwal                                                                                          | <i>ḡədeŋ</i> ḡədaʷŋ | *ḡdāŋ-Øʷ | *ḡdāŋØ-y-k | *ldāna-y-kʷ | 1 |
| Gavar                                                                                          | <i>ḡiden</i> ḡədaʷŋ |          |            |             | 2 |
| 1. *l > ḡ; ə-epenthesis; *y > Øʷ; +Y: lexical-final *a > e; *kʷ > k; fusion *nk > ŋ            |                     |          |            |             |   |
| 2. *l > ḡ; ə-epenthesis; *y > Øʷ; +Y: ə > i; +Y: lexical-final *a > e; *kʷ > k; fusion *nk > ŋ |                     |          |            |             |   |

## MAFA

|                                                                 |                    |         |         |             |   |
|-----------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------|---------|---------|-------------|---|
| Mafa                                                            | <i>ḡene</i> ḡaʷnaʷ | *ḡØʷana | *ḡyana  | *ldāna(-kʷ) | 1 |
| Cuvok                                                           | <i>ḡeŋ</i> ḡaʷŋ    | *ḡØʷaŋ  | *ḡyan-k |             | 2 |
| 1. *l > ḡ; *dʰ > y; *y > Øʷ; +Y: *a > e                         |                    |         |         |             |   |
| 2. *l > ḡ; *dʰ > v; *y > Øʷ; +Y: a > e; *kʷ > k; fusion *nk > ŋ |                    |         |         |             |   |

## TERA

|                                                                 |                   |       |       |       |   |
|-----------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------|-------|-------|-------|---|
| Tera                                                            | <i>ḡin</i> ḡəʷn   | *ḡØʷn | *ḡynØ | *ldna | 1 |
| 1. *l > ḡ; *d > y; ə-epenthesis; *y > Øʷ; +Y: ə > i             |                   |       |       |       |   |
| SUKUR                                                           |                   |       |       |       |   |
| Sukur                                                           | <i>ḡin</i> ḡəʷn   | *ḡØʷn | *ḡynØ | *ldna | 1 |
|                                                                 | <i>ḡyin</i> ḡʷəʷn |       |       |       | 2 |
| 1. *l > ḡ; *d > y; ə-epenthesis; *y > Øʷ; +Y: ə > i             |                   |       |       |       |   |
| 2. *l > ḡ; *d > y; ə-epenthesis; *y > Øʷ; +Y: ḡ > ḡʷ; +Y: ə > i |                   |       |       |       |   |

## HURZA

|                       |              |        |           |             |   |
|-----------------------|--------------|--------|-----------|-------------|---|
| Mbuko                 | <i>lan</i>   | *lan   | *laØnØ    | *(xa-)ladna | 1 |
| Vame                  | <i>lahan</i> | *laxan | *xa-laØnØ |             |   |
| 1. metathesis xl > lx |              |        |           |             |   |

## MARGI

|                                                                                                                     |                   |       |       |       |   |
|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------|-------|-------|-------|---|
| Margi                                                                                                               | <i>hyir</i> xʷəʔr | *xØʔr | *xyrØ | *ldna | 1 |
| Margi-South                                                                                                         | <i>hyir</i> xʷəʔr |       |       |       | 1 |
| Kilba                                                                                                               | <i>hyir</i> xʷəʔr |       |       |       | 1 |
| Bura                                                                                                                | <i>hyir</i> xʷəʔr |       |       |       | 1 |
|                                                                                                                     | <i>hir</i> xyr    | *xyr  |       |       | 2 |
|                                                                                                                     | <i>lir</i> lyr    | *lyr  | *lyrØ |       | 3 |
| 1. *n > r; *l > x; *d > y; *y > Øʷ; +Y: x > xʷ; +Y: ə > i<br>2. *n > r; *l > x; *d > y > i<br>3. *n > r; *d > y > i |                   |       |       |       |   |

## MANDARA

|                                                   |                       |          |         |            |   |
|---------------------------------------------------|-----------------------|----------|---------|------------|---|
|                                                   |                       |          |         | √ C C Ca   |   |
| Glavda                                            | <i>lrdā</i>           | *lrdā    | *ldra   | *ldna (-y) | 1 |
| Matal                                             | <i>lud</i> ləʔd       | *ld-Øʷ   | *ldØØ-y |            | 2 |
| Podoko                                            | <i>lira</i> lyra      | *lyra    |         |            | 3 |
| Dghwede                                           | <i>lire</i> lyraʷ     | *lyʷra   | *lyra   |            | 4 |
|                                                   |                       |          |         | √ CaCaCa   |   |
| Mandara                                           | <i>lare</i> laraʷ     | *laØʷra  | *layØra | *ladāna    | 5 |
| Malgwa                                            | <i>thlaare</i> laaraʷ | *laØʷara | *layana |            | 5 |
| 1. *n > r; metathesis dī > rdʹ                    |                       |          |         |            |   |
| 2. ə-epenthesis; *y > Øʷ; +Y: ə > I               |                       |          |         |            |   |
| 3. *n > r; *dʹ > y > i                            |                       |          |         |            |   |
| 4. *n > r; *dʹ > yʷ > i; +Y: lexical-final *a > e |                       |          |         |            |   |
| 5. *n > r; *dʹ > y > Øʷ; Y: lexical-final *a > e  |                       |          |         |            |   |

## MOFU

|            |                 |         |           |             |   |
|------------|-----------------|---------|-----------|-------------|---|
|            |                 |         |           | √ C C Ca    |   |
| Muyang     | <i>alər</i>     | *Øa-lr  | *xa-lØrØ  | *(xa-)ldna  | 1 |
| Zulgo      | <i>ḡir ḡyr</i>  | *ḡyr    | *ḡyrØ     |             | 2 |
|            |                 |         |           | √ C CaCa    |   |
| Ouldeme    | <i>alar</i>     | *Øa-lar | *xa-lØarØ | *(xa-)ldāna | 3 |
| Mada       | <i>alar</i>     |         |           |             | 3 |
| Moloko     | <i>alar</i>     |         |           |             | 3 |
| Gemzek     | <i>ḡer ḡaʳr</i> | *ḡØʳar  | *ḡyarØ    |             | 4 |
| Merey      | <i>ḡer ḡaʳr</i> |         |           |             | 4 |
| Dugwor     | <i>ḡer ḡaʳr</i> |         |           |             | 4 |
| Mofu North | <i>ler laʳr</i> | *lØʳar  | *lyarØ    |             | 5 |
| Mofu-Gudur | <i>ler laʳr</i> |         |           |             | 5 |

1. \*n > r; ə-epenthesis  
2. \*n > r; \*l > ḡ; \*dʳ > y > i  
3. \*n > r  
4. \*n > r; \*l > ḡ; \*dʳ > y > Øʳ; +Y: a > e  
5. \*n > r; \*dʳ > y > Øʳ; +Y: a > e

## MAROUA

|               |                |      |       |            |   |
|---------------|----------------|------|-------|------------|---|
| Giziga-Marva  | <i>lin</i> lyn | *lyn | *lynØ | *ldna(-kʷ) | 1 |
| Gizia-Muturwa | <i>lin</i> lyn |      |       |            | 2 |

|        |                |      |         |  |   |
|--------|----------------|------|---------|--|---|
| Mbazla | <i>liŋ lyŋ</i> | *lŋ  | *lŋØ-k  |  | 2 |
|        | <i>hiŋ xyŋ</i> | *xyŋ | *xynØ-k |  | 3 |

1. \*d' > y > i
2. \*d' > y > i; \*k<sup>w</sup> > k; fusion nk > ŋ
3. \*l > x; \*d' > y > i; \*k<sup>w</sup> > k; fusion nk > ŋ

## LAMANG

|        |                      |                     |           |                        |   |
|--------|----------------------|---------------------|-----------|------------------------|---|
| Lamang | <i>ldiŋ ldə'ŋ</i>    | *ldŋ-Ø <sup>y</sup> | *ldnØ-y-k | *ldna-y-k <sup>w</sup> | 1 |
| Hdi    | <i>li'iŋ lə'ʔə'ŋ</i> | *lʔŋ-Ø <sup>y</sup> | *lʔnØ-y-k |                        | 2 |

1. ə-epenthesis; \*y > Ø<sup>y</sup>; +Y: ə > i; \*k<sup>w</sup> > k; fusion \*nk > ŋ
2. \*d' > ʔ; ə-epenthesis; \*y > Ø<sup>y</sup>; +Y: ə > i; \*k<sup>w</sup> > k; fusion \*nk > ŋ

## HIGI

|            |                              |                      |                      |                         |   |
|------------|------------------------------|----------------------|----------------------|-------------------------|---|
|            |                              |                      |                      | √ C C Ca                |   |
| Psikye     | <i>lənə</i>                  | *lŋa                 | *lŋa                 |                         | 1 |
| Bana       | <i>lini lə'ny</i>            | *lŋy <sup>y</sup>    | *lŋnØ                | *ldna(-k <sup>w</sup> ) | 2 |
| Kamwe-Futu | <i>lino lyna<sup>w</sup></i> | *lyna-Ø <sup>w</sup> | *lyna-k <sup>w</sup> |                         | 3 |
|            |                              |                      |                      | √ CaC Ca                |   |
| Kirya      | <i>lay</i>                   | *lay                 | *layØØ               | *ladna                  | 4 |

1. ə-epenthesis; lexical-final \*a > ə
2. metathesis dn > nd; ə-epenthesis; \*d' > y > y' > i; +Y: ə > i
3. \*d' > y > i; \*k<sup>w</sup> > Ø<sup>w</sup>; +W: lexical-final \*a > o
4. \*d' > y

## KOTOKO-ISLAND

|        |              |       |        |        |   |
|--------|--------------|-------|--------|--------|---|
| Buduma | <i>hənay</i> | *xnay | *xyanØ | *ldana | 1 |
|--------|--------------|-------|--------|--------|---|

1. \*l > x; \*d' > y; metathesis yn > ny; ə-epenthesis

## KOTOKO-NORTH

|        |                 |        |        |          |   |
|--------|-----------------|--------|--------|----------|---|
|        |                 |        |        | √ C C Ca |   |
| Afade  | <i>lir lə'r</i> | *lŋ'r  | *lŋrØ  | *ldna    | 1 |
| Malgbe | <i>lir lə'r</i> |        |        |          | 1 |
|        |                 |        |        | √ C CaCa |   |
| Mpade  | <i>fan s'an</i> | *sŋ'an | *syānØ | *ldana   | 2 |

1. \*n > r; ə-epenthesis; \*d' > y > Ø<sup>y</sup>; +Y: ə > i
2. \*l > s; \*d' > y > Ø<sup>y</sup>; +Y: s > f

## KOTOKO-CENTRAL

|        |                   |                   |        |       |   |
|--------|-------------------|-------------------|--------|-------|---|
| Lagwan | <i>lini lə'ny</i> | *lŋy <sup>y</sup> | *lŋnØ  | *ldna | 1 |
| Mser   | <i>sir sə'r</i>   | *sŋ'r             | *syŋrØ |       | 2 |

1. ə-epenthesis; \*d' > y > y' > i; +Y: ə > i
2. \*n > r; \*l > s; ə-epenthesis; \*d' > y > Ø<sup>y</sup>; +Y: ə > i

## KOTOKO-SOUTH

|        |                              |        |       |       |   |
|--------|------------------------------|--------|-------|-------|---|
| Zina   | <i>sin syn</i>               | *syn   | *synØ | *ldna | 1 |
| Mazera | <i>sine syna<sup>y</sup></i> | *sy'na | *syna |       | 2 |

1. \*l > s; \*d' > y > i
2. \*l > s; \*d' > y > y' > i; +Y: lexical-final \*a > e

## MUSGUM

|       |                        |           |             |                          |   |
|-------|------------------------|-----------|-------------|--------------------------|---|
| Vulum | <i>liŋliŋ lə'ŋlə'ŋ</i> | *lŋ'ŋ+ŋ'ŋ | *RED-lŋnØ-k | *RED-lana-k <sup>w</sup> | 1 |
|-------|------------------------|-----------|-------------|--------------------------|---|

1. ə-epenthesis; \*d' > y > Ø<sup>y</sup>; +Y: ə > i; \*k<sup>w</sup> > k; fusion \*nk > ŋ



| GIDAR      |             |       |        |        |   |
|------------|-------------|-------|--------|--------|---|
| Gidar      | <i>laya</i> | *laya | *layØa | *ladna | 1 |
| 1. *d' > y |             |       |        |        |   |

## tree

PCC \*(na-) x<sup>w</sup>(a)fa (-n, -k<sup>w</sup>; FV)

BATA

|        |                                            |                                       |                         |                                                        |   |
|--------|--------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------|-------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------|---|
| Gude   | <i>uf wf</i>                               | *wfØ                                  |                         |                                                        | 1 |
|        | <i>ənf<sup>a</sup>a ənf<sup>w</sup>a</i>   | *nØ-Ø <sup>w</sup> fa                 | *na-x <sup>w</sup> fa   | *(na-)x <sup>w</sup> fa<br>(-y, -n, -k <sup>w</sup> a) | 2 |
| Jimi   | <i>f<sup>a</sup>ən f<sup>w</sup>ən</i>     | *Ø <sup>w</sup> fa-n                  | *x <sup>w</sup> fa-n    |                                                        | 3 |
| Sharwa | <i>f<sup>a</sup>əgə f<sup>w</sup>əgə</i>   | *Ø <sup>w</sup> f-ga                  | *x <sup>w</sup> fØ-ka   |                                                        | 4 |
| Tsuwan | <i>f<sup>a</sup>ege f<sup>w</sup>a'ga'</i> | *Ø <sup>w</sup> fa-Ø <sup>y</sup> -ga | *x <sup>w</sup> fa-y-ka |                                                        | 5 |

1. \*x<sup>w</sup> > w > u
2. \*x<sup>w</sup> > Ø<sup>w</sup>; +W: f > f<sup>w</sup>; ə-prothesis
3. \*x<sup>w</sup> > Ø<sup>w</sup>; +W: f > f<sup>w</sup>; ə-epenthesis
4. \*x<sup>w</sup> > Ø<sup>w</sup>; +W: f > f<sup>w</sup>; \*k<sup>w</sup> > k > g; ə-epenthesis; FV \*a > ə
5. \*x<sup>w</sup> > Ø<sup>w</sup>; +W: f > f<sup>w</sup>; \*k<sup>w</sup> > k > g; \*y > Ø<sup>y</sup>; +Y: \*a > e

MAFA

|      |                |      |       |                     |   |
|------|----------------|------|-------|---------------------|---|
| Mafa | <i>waf waf</i> | *waf | *wafØ | *x <sup>w</sup> afa | 1 |
|------|----------------|------|-------|---------------------|---|

1. \*x<sup>w</sup> > w

SUKUR

|       |                              |                      |  |                      |   |
|-------|------------------------------|----------------------|--|----------------------|---|
| Sukur | <i>fwai f<sup>w</sup>ay</i>  | *Ø <sup>w</sup> fa-y |  | *x <sup>w</sup> fa-y | 1 |
|       | <i>fwoy f<sup>w</sup>a'y</i> |                      |  |                      | 2 |

1. \*x<sup>w</sup> > Ø<sup>w</sup>; +W: f > f<sup>w</sup>; \*y > i
2. \*x<sup>w</sup> > Ø<sup>w</sup>; +W: f > f<sup>w</sup>; +W: \*a > o; \*y > i

MARGI

|       |                                        |                       |                       |                         |   |
|-------|----------------------------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|-------------------------|---|
| Margi | <i>wu w<sup>w</sup>ə<sup>w</sup></i>   | *w <sup>w</sup> Øa    |                       | *(na-)x <sup>w</sup> fa | 1 |
| Kilba | <i>wa wa</i>                           | *wØa                  |                       |                         | 2 |
| Bura  | <i>nf<sup>a</sup>a nf<sup>w</sup>a</i> | *nØ-Ø <sup>w</sup> fa | *na-x <sup>w</sup> fa |                         | 3 |

1. \*x<sup>w</sup> > w<sup>w</sup>; lexical-final \*a > ə; +W: ə > u
2. \*x<sup>w</sup> > w
3. x<sup>w</sup> > Ø<sup>w</sup>; +W: f > f<sup>w</sup>

MANDARA

|                                                               |                                          |                    |          |                         |   |
|---------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------|--------------------|----------|-------------------------|---|
|                                                               |                                          |                    |          | √ C Ca                  |   |
| Podoko                                                        | <i>nafa nafa</i>                         | *na-fa             | *na-Øfa  | *(na-)x <sup>w</sup> fa |   |
| Mandara                                                       | <i>nafa nafa</i>                         |                    |          |                         |   |
| Dghwede                                                       | <i>ɲufa ɲ<sup>w</sup>ə<sup>w</sup>fa</i> | *ɲ <sup>w</sup> fa |          |                         | 1 |
| Glavda                                                        | <i>u:fa ə<sup>w</sup>wfa</i>             | *w <sup>w</sup> fa |          |                         | 2 |
|                                                               | <i>u w</i>                               | *w                 | *wØØ     |                         | 3 |
|                                                               |                                          |                    |          | √ CaCa                  |   |
| Matal                                                         | <i>ahaf axaf</i>                         | *Øa-xaf            | *na-xafØ | *na-x <sup>w</sup> afa  | 4 |
| 1. *x <sup>w</sup> > ɲ <sup>w</sup> ; ə-epenthesis; +W: ə > u |                                          |                    |          |                         |   |

|                                                              |
|--------------------------------------------------------------|
| 2. *x <sup>w</sup> > w <sup>w</sup> ; ə-prothesis; +W: ə > u |
| 3. *x <sup>w</sup> > w > u                                   |
| 4. *x <sup>w</sup> > x                                       |

## MOFU

|        |                                          |                    |                     |                     |   |
|--------|------------------------------------------|--------------------|---------------------|---------------------|---|
| Dugwor | <i>h<sup>w</sup>af</i> x <sup>w</sup> af | *x <sup>w</sup> af | *x <sup>w</sup> afØ | *x <sup>w</sup> afa |   |
| Muyang | <i>haf</i> xaf                           | *xaf               | *xafØ               |                     | 1 |

1. \*x<sup>w</sup> > x

## LAMANG

|        |                             |                    |      |                    |   |
|--------|-----------------------------|--------------------|------|--------------------|---|
| Lamang | <i>ufu</i> wfə <sup>w</sup> | *w <sup>w</sup> fa | *wfa | *x <sup>w</sup> fa | 1 |
| Hdi    | <i>fu</i> fw                | *fw                | *wfØ |                    | 2 |

1. \*x<sup>w</sup> > w<sup>w</sup> > u; lexical-final \*a > ə; +W: ə > u2. \*x<sup>w</sup> > w > u; metathesis wf > fw

## HIGI

|             |                                                     |                    |      |                    |   |
|-------------|-----------------------------------------------------|--------------------|------|--------------------|---|
| Kamwe-Nkafa | <i>f<sup>ə</sup>ə</i> fwə                           | *fwa               |      |                    | 1 |
| Kirya       | <i>f<sup>ə</sup>ə</i> fwə                           |                    | *wfa |                    | 1 |
| Kamwe-Futu  | <i>f<sup>ə</sup>o</i> f <sup>ə</sup> a <sup>w</sup> | *Ø <sup>w</sup> fa |      | *x <sup>w</sup> fa | 2 |
| Bana        | <i>fə</i> fə                                        | *fa                | *Øfa |                    | 3 |

1. \*x<sup>w</sup> > w; metathesis wf > fw; lexical-final \*a > ə2. \*x<sup>w</sup> > w > Ø<sup>w</sup>; +W: \*f > f<sup>w</sup>; +W: lexical-final \*a > o

3. lexical-final \*a &gt; ə

## KOTOKO-SOUTH

|      |                  |        |         |                       |   |
|------|------------------|--------|---------|-----------------------|---|
| Zina | <i>mafu</i> mafw | *ma-fw | *ma-wfØ | *ma-x <sup>w</sup> fa | 1 |
|------|------------------|--------|---------|-----------------------|---|

1. \*x<sup>w</sup> > w > u; metathesis wf > fwtwo<sub>1</sub>Areal root \***k(a)sa** (-y, -k<sup>w</sup>, -d; FV)

## LAMANG

|        |                    |                      |         |   |
|--------|--------------------|----------------------|---------|---|
|        |                    |                      | √ C Ca  |   |
| Hdi    | <i>his</i> xə's    | *xsØ-Ø <sup>y</sup>  | *ksa-y  | 1 |
|        |                    |                      | √ CaCa  |   |
| Lamang | <i>hesa</i> xa'sa  | *xasa-Ø <sup>y</sup> | *kasa-y | 2 |
|        | <i>hasha</i> xas'a |                      |         | 3 |

1. \*k > x; ə-epenthesis; \*y > Ø<sup>y</sup>; +Y: ə > i2. \*k > x; \*y > Ø<sup>y</sup>; +Y: a > e3. \*k > x; \*y > Ø<sup>y</sup>; +Y: \*s > f

## KOTOKO-ISLAND

|        |                   |                     |        |   |
|--------|-------------------|---------------------|--------|---|
| Buduma | <i>kixi</i> kə'xy | *kxØ-y <sup>y</sup> | *ksa-y | 1 |
|--------|-------------------|---------------------|--------|---|

1. \*s > x; ə-epenthesis; \*y > y<sup>y</sup> > i; +Y: ə > i

## KOTOKO-NORTH

|       |                  |         |         |   |
|-------|------------------|---------|---------|---|
| Afade | <i>gasi</i> gasy | *gasØ-y | *kasa-y | 1 |
| Mpade | <i>gasi</i> gasy |         |         | 1 |

1. \*k &gt; g; \*y &gt; i

## KOTOKO-CENTRAL

|        |                                   |                                      |                        |                           |   |
|--------|-----------------------------------|--------------------------------------|------------------------|---------------------------|---|
| Lagwan | <i>xsida</i> xsə'dā               | *xs-Ø <sup>y</sup> -dā               | *xsØ-y-dā              | *ksa-y-dā/-k <sup>w</sup> | 1 |
| Mser   | <i>kitfo</i> kə'ts'a <sup>w</sup> | *ktsa-Ø <sup>y</sup> -Ø <sup>w</sup> | *ktsa-y-k <sup>w</sup> |                           | 2 |

1. \*k > x; ə-epenthesis; \*y > Ø<sup>y</sup>; +Y: ə > i  
 2. \*s > ts; ə-epenthesis; \*y > Ø<sup>y</sup>; +Y: ə > i; +Y: ts > tʃ; \*k<sup>w</sup> > Ø<sup>w</sup>; +W: lexical-final \*a > o

two<sub>2</sub>Areal root \***by(a)ka** (-a, -k<sup>w</sup>; FV)

## BATA

|      |                   |                    |                     |          |   |
|------|-------------------|--------------------|---------------------|----------|---|
|      |                   |                    |                     | √ C C Ca |   |
| Jimi | <i>biik</i> bə'yk | *by <sup>y</sup> k | *by <sup>y</sup> kØ | *ɓyka    | 1 |
|      |                   |                    |                     | √ C CaCa |   |
| Bata | <i>kpyaq</i>      | *kpyaq             | *kpyaqØ             | *ɓyaka   | 2 |

1. \*ɓ > b; ə-epenthesis; \*y > y<sup>y</sup> > i; +Y: ə > i  
 2. \*ɓ > kp; \*k > q

## DABA

|        |             |           |  |                         |   |
|--------|-------------|-----------|--|-------------------------|---|
|        |             |           |  | √ C C Ca                |   |
| Mbudum | <i>bək</i>  | *bØkØ     |  | *ɓyka                   | 1 |
|        |             |           |  | √ C CaCa                |   |
| Buwal  | <i>gbak</i> | *gØ-bØakØ |  | *k <sup>w</sup> a-ɓyaka | 2 |
| Gavar  | <i>gbak</i> |           |  |                         | 2 |

1. \*ɓ > b; ə-epenthesis  
 2. \*ɓ > b; prefixal \*k<sup>w</sup> (> k) > g

## SUKUR

|       |            |        |  |        |   |
|-------|------------|--------|--|--------|---|
| Sukur | <i>bak</i> | *bØakØ |  | *ɓyaka | 1 |
|-------|------------|--------|--|--------|---|

1. \*ɓ > b

## MANDARA

|         |                                  |                      |                        |                        |   |
|---------|----------------------------------|----------------------|------------------------|------------------------|---|
| Mandara | <i>bua</i> bwa                   | *b-wa                | *bØØØ-k <sup>w</sup> a | *ɓyka-k <sup>w</sup> a | 1 |
| Malgwa  | <i>buwa</i> bə <sup>w</sup> wa   | *b-w <sup>w</sup> a  |                        |                        | 2 |
| Glawda  | <i>bu:wa</i> bə <sup>w</sup> wwa | *bw-w <sup>w</sup> a | *bØkØ-k <sup>w</sup> a |                        | 3 |

1. \*ɓ > b; \*k<sup>w</sup> > w > u  
 2. \*ɓ > b; \*k<sup>w</sup> > w; ə-epenthesis; +W: ə > u  
 3. \*ɓ > b; \*k > w; \*k<sup>w</sup> > w; assimilation kw > ww; ə-epenthesis; +W: ə > u

## HIGI

|             |                                 |                        |                         |                             |   |
|-------------|---------------------------------|------------------------|-------------------------|-----------------------------|---|
|             |                                 |                        |                         | √ C C Ca                    |   |
| Kirya       | <i>ɓəkə</i>                     | *ɓØka                  |                         | *ɓyka                       | 1 |
|             |                                 |                        |                         | √ C CaCa                    |   |
| Bana        | <i>bak(ə)</i>                   | *bØaka                 |                         | *ɓyaka(-k <sup>w</sup> (a)) | 2 |
| Psikye      | <i>bak</i>                      | *bØakØ                 |                         |                             | 3 |
| Kamwe-Nkafa | <i>ɓwagə</i>                    | *ɓaga-Ø <sup>w</sup>   | *ɓØaka-k <sup>w</sup>   |                             | 4 |
| Kamwe-Futu  | <i>ɓakəə</i> ɓakəə <sup>w</sup> | *ɓaka-Ø <sup>w</sup> a | *ɓØaka-k <sup>w</sup> a |                             | 5 |

1. ə-epenthesis; lexical-final \*a > ə  
 2. \*ɓ > b; lexical-final \*a > ə  
 3. \*ɓ > b  
 4. \*k<sup>w</sup> > Ø<sup>w</sup>; +W: ɓ > ɓ<sup>w</sup>; \*k > g; lexical-final \*a > ə  
 5. lexical-final \*a > ə; \*k<sup>w</sup> > Ø<sup>w</sup>; +W: FV \*a > o

two<sub>3</sub>PCC \*(ma-, RED-) s(a)y(a)ra<sup>154</sup> (-k<sup>w</sup>)

DABA

|      |       |       |        |        |   |
|------|-------|-------|--------|--------|---|
| Daba | səray | *sray | *syarØ | *syara | 1 |
|------|-------|-------|--------|--------|---|

1. metathesis yr &gt; ry; ə-epenthesis

MAFA

|       |                         |              |                            |                                  |   |
|-------|-------------------------|--------------|----------------------------|----------------------------------|---|
| Mafa  | tʃew ts'a'w             | *tsØ'a-w     | *tsyaØØ-k <sup>w</sup>     | *(ma-/RED-) syara-k <sup>w</sup> | 1 |
|       | tʃetʃew<br>ts'a' ts'a'w | *tsa-tsØ'a-w | *RED-tsyaØØ-k <sup>w</sup> |                                  | 1 |
| Cuvok | atʃew ats'a'w           | *Øa-tsØ'a-w  | *ma-tsyaØØ-k <sup>w</sup>  |                                  | 1 |

1. \*s > ts; \*k<sup>w</sup> > w; \*y > Ø<sup>v</sup>; +Y: ts > tʃ; +Y: \*a > e

TERA

|         |              |        |        |       |   |
|---------|--------------|--------|--------|-------|---|
| Ga'anda | sərri sərrəʋ | *srrəʋ | *sy'ra | *syra | 1 |
|---------|--------------|--------|--------|-------|---|

1. lexical-final \*a > ə; \*y > y<sup>v</sup>; +Y: ə > i; assimilation \*yr > rr

HURZA

|       |             |          |                       |                       |   |
|-------|-------------|----------|-----------------------|-----------------------|---|
| Mbuko | tʃew ts'a'w | *tsØ'a-w | *tsyØa-k <sup>w</sup> | *syara-k <sup>w</sup> | 1 |
| Vame  | tʃaw ts'aw  |          |                       |                       | 2 |

1. \*s > ts; \*k<sup>w</sup> > w; \*y > Ø<sup>v</sup>; +Y: ts > tʃ; +Y: \*a > e2. \*s > ts; \*k<sup>w</sup> > w; \*y > Ø<sup>v</sup>; +Y: ts > tʃ

MARGI

|      |            |                     |                      |                      |   |
|------|------------|---------------------|----------------------|----------------------|---|
| Bura | suda sə'da | *sda-Ø <sup>w</sup> | *sØda-k <sup>w</sup> | *syra-k <sup>w</sup> | 1 |
|------|------------|---------------------|----------------------|----------------------|---|

1. \*r > d; ə-epenthesis; \*k<sup>w</sup> > Ø<sup>w</sup>; +W: ə > u

MANDARA

|        |      |      |       |       |   |
|--------|------|------|-------|-------|---|
| Matal  | s'la | *sla | *sØla | *syra | 1 |
| Podoko | səra | *sra | *sØra |       | 2 |

1. \*r &gt; l; ə-epenthesis

2. ə-epenthesis

MOFU

|            |                                                                      |                                       |                            |                               |   |
|------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------|----------------------------|-------------------------------|---|
|            |                                                                      |                                       |                            | √ C C Ca                      |   |
| Mada       | səla                                                                 | *sla                                  | *sØla                      | *(RED-)syra(-k <sup>w</sup> ) | 1 |
| Dugwor     | səla                                                                 |                                       |                            |                               | 1 |
| Gemzek     | sulo sə <sup>w</sup> la <sup>w</sup>                                 | *sla-Ø <sup>w</sup>                   | *sØla-k <sup>w</sup>       |                               | 2 |
| Merey      | sulo sə <sup>w</sup> la <sup>w</sup>                                 |                                       |                            |                               | 2 |
| Ouldeme    | tsiyo tsə <sup>y</sup> ya <sup>w</sup>                               | *tsy <sup>y</sup> a-Ø <sup>w</sup>    | *tsyØa-k <sup>w</sup>      |                               | 3 |
| Muyang     | tʃu ts <sup>y</sup> ə <sup>w</sup>                                   | *tsØ <sup>y</sup> ə-Ø <sup>w</sup>    |                            |                               | 4 |
|            | tʃitʃu ts <sup>y</sup> ə <sup>y</sup> ts <sup>y</sup> ə <sup>w</sup> | *ts-tsØ <sup>y</sup> ə-Ø <sup>w</sup> | *RED-*tsyØa-k <sup>w</sup> |                               | 5 |
|            |                                                                      |                                       |                            | √ C CaCa                      |   |
| Zulgo      | sala                                                                 | *sala                                 | *sØala                     | *syara(-k <sup>w</sup> )      |   |
| Moloko     | tʃew ts <sup>y</sup> a <sup>y</sup> w                                | *tsØ <sup>y</sup> a-w                 | *tsyØa-k <sup>w</sup>      |                               | 6 |
| Mofu North | tʃew ts <sup>y</sup> a <sup>y</sup> w                                |                                       |                            |                               | 6 |
| Mofu-Gudur | tʃew ts <sup>y</sup> a <sup>y</sup> w                                |                                       |                            |                               | 6 |

<sup>154</sup> This root for 'two' is likely the reflex of a Proto-Chadic root, cf. \*sər(-) (Newman 1977: 33), \*sr (-y, -n, -d) (Jungraithmayr & Shimizu 1981: 277). Gravina (2015) reconstructs two different roots (within a total of four), namely \*tsiyiw and \*siwra, which we here consider original cognates that have undergone different diachronic developments before they occasionally ended up in same language groups by different paths of inter-dialectal borrowing.

1. \*r > l; ə-epenthesis

2. \*r > l; ə-epenthesis; \*k<sup>w</sup> > Ø<sup>w</sup>; +W: ə > u; +W: lexical-final \*a > o

3. \*s > ts; ə-epenthesis; \*y > y<sup>y</sup>; +Y: ə > i; \*k<sup>w</sup> > Ø<sup>w</sup>; +W: lexical-final \*a > o

4. \*s > ts; \*y > Ø<sup>y</sup>; +Y: ts > tʃ; lexical-final \*a > ə; \*k<sup>w</sup> > Ø<sup>w</sup>; +W: ə > u

5. \*s > ts; \*y > Ø<sup>y</sup>; +Y: ts > tʃ; +Y: ə > i; lexical-final \*a > ə; \*k<sup>w</sup> > Ø<sup>w</sup>; +W: ə > u

6. \*s > ts; \*k<sup>w</sup> > w; \*y > Ø<sup>y</sup>; +Y: ts > tʃ; +Y: \*a > e

MAROUA

|                |             |                          |          |                      |   |
|----------------|-------------|--------------------------|----------|----------------------|---|
| Giziga-Muturwa | <i>tʃuɯ</i> | <i>tsʰə<sup>w</sup></i>  |          | *syra-k <sup>w</sup> | 1 |
| Giziga-Marva   | <i>tʃuɯ</i> | <i>tsʰə<sup>w</sup></i>  |          |                      | 1 |
| Mbazla         | <i>tʃɛw</i> | <i>tsʰa<sup>ɰ</sup>w</i> | *tsyØa-w |                      | 2 |
|                | <i>tiaw</i> | <i>tyaw</i>              | *tya-w   |                      | 3 |

1. \*s > ts; ə-epenthesis; \*y > Ø<sup>y</sup>; +Y: ts > tʃ; \*k<sup>w</sup> > w<sup>w</sup>; +W: ə > u

2. \*s > ts; \*y > Ø<sup>y</sup>; +Y: ts > tʃ; +Y: \*a > e; \*k<sup>w</sup> > w

3. \*s (> ts) > t; \*y > i; \*k<sup>w</sup> > w

KOTOKO-SOUTH

|      |            |             |                      |                       |                      |   |
|------|------------|-------------|----------------------|-----------------------|----------------------|---|
| Zina | <i>tʃu</i> | <i>tsʰw</i> | *tsØ <sup>y</sup> -w | *tsyØØ-k <sup>w</sup> | *syra-k <sup>w</sup> | 1 |
|------|------------|-------------|----------------------|-----------------------|----------------------|---|

1. \*s > ts; \*k<sup>w</sup> > w > u; \*y > Ø<sup>y</sup>; +Y: ts > tʃ

MUSGUM

|       |             |                         |                    |                      |                      |   |
|-------|-------------|-------------------------|--------------------|----------------------|----------------------|---|
| Vulum | <i>sulu</i> | <i>sə<sup>w</sup>lw</i> | *sl-w <sup>w</sup> | *sØlØ-k <sup>w</sup> | *syra-k <sup>w</sup> | 1 |
|-------|-------------|-------------------------|--------------------|----------------------|----------------------|---|

1. \*r > l; ə-epenthesis; \*k<sup>w</sup> > w<sup>w</sup> > u; +W: ə > u

GIDAR

|       |              |                          |                     |                      |                      |   |
|-------|--------------|--------------------------|---------------------|----------------------|----------------------|---|
| Gidar | <i>sula</i>  | <i>sə<sup>w</sup>la</i>  | *sla-Ø <sup>w</sup> | *sØla-k <sup>w</sup> | *syra-k <sup>w</sup> | 1 |
|       | <i>suula</i> | <i>sə<sup>w</sup>wla</i> | *sla-w <sup>w</sup> |                      |                      | 2 |

1. \*r > l; ə-epenthesis; \*k<sup>w</sup> > Ø<sup>w</sup>; +W: ə > u

2. \*r > l; ə-epenthesis; \*k<sup>w</sup> > w<sup>w</sup>; metathesis lw<sup>w</sup> > w<sup>w</sup>l; +W: ə > u

untie, to

PCC \*(ma-, RED-) p(a)ra (-a, -y, -k<sup>w</sup>, -n, -t; FV)

BATA

|                                       |              |        |      |          |   |
|---------------------------------------|--------------|--------|------|----------|---|
| Bata                                  | <i>pər</i>   | *pr    | *prØ | *pra(-n) | 1 |
| Gude                                  | <i>pərə</i>  | *pra   |      |          | 2 |
| Jimi                                  | <i>pərən</i> | *pra-n |      |          | 2 |
| 1. ə-epenthesis                       |              |        |      |          |   |
| 2. ə-epenthesis; lexical-final *a > ə |              |        |      |          |   |

DABA

|                         |                                |      |       |        |   |
|-------------------------|--------------------------------|------|-------|--------|---|
|                         |                                |      |       | √ C Ca |   |
| Gavar                   | <i>pəl</i>                     | *pl  | *plØ  | *pra   | 1 |
| Daba                    | <i>pəl</i>                     |      |       |        | 1 |
|                         |                                |      |       | √ CaCa |   |
| Buwal                   | <i>pal</i> ( <i>laxarʒak</i> ) | *pal | *palØ | *para  | 2 |
| 1. *r > l; ə-epenthesis |                                |      |       |        |   |
| 2. *r > l               |                                |      |       |        |   |

MAFA

|       |                |                                       |                        |                 |   |
|-------|----------------|---------------------------------------|------------------------|-----------------|---|
| Mafa  | <i>pər</i>     | *pr                                   | *prØ                   | *(ma-)pra(-a-y) | 1 |
| Cuvok | <i>mepəley</i> | <i>ma<sup>y</sup>pəla<sup>y</sup></i> | *ma-pl-ay <sup>y</sup> |                 | 2 |

|                                                         |                  |              |               |                              |   |
|---------------------------------------------------------|------------------|--------------|---------------|------------------------------|---|
| 1. ə-epenthesis                                         |                  |              |               |                              |   |
| 2. *r > l; ə-epenthesis; *y > yʷ; +Y: *a > e            |                  |              |               |                              |   |
| TERA                                                    |                  |              |               |                              |   |
| Tera                                                    | pəri pəry        | *pr-y        | *prØ-y        | *pra-y                       | 1 |
| 1. ə-epenthesis; *y > i                                 |                  |              |               |                              |   |
| SUKUR                                                   |                  |              |               |                              |   |
| Sukur                                                   | pər              | *pr          | *prØ          | *pra                         | 1 |
| 1. ə-epenthesis                                         |                  |              |               |                              |   |
| HURZA                                                   |                  |              |               |                              |   |
| Vame                                                    | para             | *para        |               | *para                        |   |
| MARGI                                                   |                  |              |               |                              |   |
| Bura                                                    | mpili mpəly      | *mØ-pl-yʷ    | *ma-plØ-y     | *(ma-)pra(-ya)               | 1 |
| Kilba                                                   | pəliya pələya    | *pl-yʷa      | *plØ-ya       |                              | 2 |
| 1. *r > l; ə-epenthesis; *y > yʷ; +Y: ə > i; *y > i     |                  |              |               |                              |   |
| 2. *r > l; ə-epenthesis; *y > yʷ; +Y: ə > i             |                  |              |               |                              |   |
| MANDARA                                                 |                  |              |               |                              |   |
|                                                         |                  |              |               | √ C Ca                       |   |
| Matal                                                   | mapl             | *ma-pl       | *ma-plØ       | *(ma-)pra(-y(-kʷa))          | 1 |
| Podoko                                                  | pəla             | *pla         |               |                              | 1 |
| Malgwa                                                  | pəla             |              |               |                              | 1 |
| Glavda                                                  | pilga pəlgə      | *pl-Øʷ-ga    | *plØ-y-kʷa    |                              | 2 |
|                                                         |                  |              |               | √ CaCa                       |   |
| Mandara                                                 | pale palaʷ       | pala-Øʷ      | *pala-y       | *para-y                      | 3 |
|                                                         | pele paʷlaʷ      |              |               |                              | 3 |
| 1. *r > l                                               |                  |              |               |                              |   |
| 2. *r > l; *kʷ (> k) > g; *y > Øʷ; +Y: ə > i            |                  |              |               |                              |   |
| 3. *r > l; *y > Øʷ; +Y: *a > e                          |                  |              |               |                              |   |
| MOFU                                                    |                  |              |               |                              |   |
|                                                         |                  |              |               | √ C Ca                       |   |
| Merey                                                   | pəla             | *pla         |               | *(ma-)pra<br>((-a)-y(-kʷ-n)) | 1 |
| Zulgo                                                   | pəl              | *pl          | *plØ          |                              | 1 |
| Ouldeme                                                 | pəl              |              |               |                              | 1 |
|                                                         | məpələŋ məpələʷŋ | *mØ-pla-Øʷ-ŋ | *ma-pla-y-k-n |                              | 2 |
|                                                         | məpələy          | *mØ-plØ-a-y  | *ma-plØ-a-y   |                              | 1 |
| Gemzek                                                  | məpələ maʷpələ   | *ma-pla-Øʷ   | *ma-pla-y     |                              | 3 |
|                                                         |                  |              |               | √ CaCa                       |   |
| Ouldeme                                                 | peleŋ paʷlaʷŋ    | *pala-Øʷ-ŋ   | *pala-y-k-n   | *para-y-kʷ-n                 | 4 |
| 1. *r > l; ə-epenthesis                                 |                  |              |               |                              |   |
| 2. *r > l; ə-epenthesis; *kʷ > k; fusion *kn > ŋ        |                  |              |               |                              |   |
| 3. *r > l; ə-epenthesis; *y > Øʷ; +Y: *a > e            |                  |              |               |                              |   |
| 4. *r > l; *y > Øʷ; +Y: *a > e; *kʷ > k; fusion *kn > ŋ |                  |              |               |                              |   |
| LAMANG                                                  |                  |              |               |                              |   |
| Lamang                                                  | pəla             | *pla         |               | *pra-a-y                     | 1 |
| Hdi                                                     | pəlay            | *pl-ay       | *plØ-a-y      |                              | 1 |
| 1. *r > l; ə-epenthesis                                 |                  |              |               |                              |   |

## HIGI

|                                    |                    |        |           |                     |   |
|------------------------------------|--------------------|--------|-----------|---------------------|---|
| Kamwe-Futu                         | <i>pələntə</i>     | *plnta | *plØ-n-ta | *(ma-)pra(-y/-n-ta) | 1 |
| Kirya                              | <i>mpəl</i>        | *mpl   | *mØ-plØ   |                     | 2 |
| Bana                               | <i>p(ə)li pəly</i> | *pl-y  | *plØ-y    |                     | 3 |
| 1. *r > l; ə-epenthesis; FV *a > ə |                    |        |           |                     |   |
| 2. *r > l; ə-epenthesis            |                    |        |           |                     |   |
| 3. *r > l; ə-epenthesis; *y > i    |                    |        |           |                     |   |

## KOTOKO-ISLAND

|                                                                              |                   |                        |                        |                        |   |
|------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------|------------------------|------------------------|------------------------|---|
| Buduma                                                                       | <i>fəlu fa'lw</i> | *fal-Ø <sup>y</sup> -w | *falØ-y-k <sup>w</sup> | *para-y-k <sup>w</sup> | 1 |
| 1. *p > f; *r > l; *k <sup>w</sup> > w > u; *y > Ø <sup>y</sup> ; +Y: *a > e |                   |                        |                        |                        |   |

## KOTOKO-NORTH

|                   |            |      |       |       |   |
|-------------------|------------|------|-------|-------|---|
| Mpade             | <i>fal</i> | *fal | *falØ | *para | 1 |
| Malgbe            | <i>fal</i> |      |       |       | 1 |
| 1. *p > f; *r > l |            |      |       |       |   |

## KOTOKO-CENTRAL

|                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               |                                      |                                       |                          |                            |   |
|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------|---------------------------------------|--------------------------|----------------------------|---|
|                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               |                                      |                                       |                          | √ C Ca                     |   |
| Lagwan                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        | <i>vil və'l</i>                      | *vl-Ø <sup>y</sup>                    | *vlØ-y                   | *pra-y(-k <sup>w</sup> -n) | 1 |
|                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               | <i>vilun (he) və'lə<sup>w</sup>n</i> | *vl-Ø <sup>y</sup> -Ø <sup>w</sup> -n | *vlØ-y-k <sup>w</sup> -n |                            | 2 |
|                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               |                                      |                                       |                          | √ CaCa                     |   |
| Mser                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          | <i>valyo valya<sup>w</sup></i>       | *val-y-Ø <sup>w</sup> a               | *valØ-y-k <sup>w</sup> a | *para-y-k <sup>w</sup> a   | 3 |
| 1. *p (> f) > v; *r > l; ə-epenthesis; *y > Ø <sup>y</sup> ; +Y: ə > i<br>2. *p (> f) > v; *r > l; *y > Ø <sup>y</sup> ; +Y: ə > i; *k <sup>w</sup> > Ø <sup>w</sup> ; +W: ə > u<br>3. *p (> f) > v; *r > l; *k <sup>w</sup> > Ø <sup>w</sup> ; +W: FV *a > o |                                      |                                       |                          |                            |   |

## GIDAR

|                                                         |                     |                     |          |                |   |
|---------------------------------------------------------|---------------------|---------------------|----------|----------------|---|
| Gidar                                                   | <i>əpila</i> əpə'la | *pla-Ø <sup>y</sup> | *pla-y   | *(RED-)pra(-y) | 1 |
|                                                         | <i>əppəla</i>       | *p-pla              | *RED-pla |                | 2 |
| 1. *r > l; ə-prothesis; *y > Ø <sup>y</sup> ; +Y: ə > i |                     |                     |          |                |   |
| 2. *r > l; ə-prothesis; ə-epenthesis                    |                     |                     |          |                |   |

## urine

PCC \*(ma-, sa-) k<sup>w</sup>(a)na (-a, -y, -n, -k<sup>w</sup>; FV)

## MAFA

|                                    |                                 |                      |                        |                        |   |
|------------------------------------|---------------------------------|----------------------|------------------------|------------------------|---|
| Mafa                               | <i>kuray k<sup>w</sup>ə'ray</i> | *k <sup>w</sup> r-ay | *k <sup>w</sup> rØ-a-y | *k <sup>w</sup> na-a-y | 1 |
| 1. *n > r; ə-epenthesis; +W: ə > u |                                 |                      |                        |                        |   |

## SUKUR

|                                                                                            |                                      |                                        |                            |                            |   |
|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------|----------------------------------------|----------------------------|----------------------------|---|
| Sukur <sup>155</sup>                                                                       | <i>miskuir mə'sk<sup>w</sup>ə'yr</i> | *mØ-sØ-k <sup>w</sup> y <sup>y</sup> r | *ma-sa-k <sup>w</sup> rØ-y | *ma-sa-k <sup>w</sup> na-y | 1 |
| 1. *n > r; ə-epenthesis; metathesis ry > yr; *y > y <sup>y</sup> > i; +Y: ə > i; +W: ə > u |                                      |                                        |                            |                            |   |

## HURZA

|       |                                     |                        |                            |                            |   |
|-------|-------------------------------------|------------------------|----------------------------|----------------------------|---|
| Mbuko | <i>məkadāy</i>                      | *mØ-kad-ay             | *ma-kadØ-a-y               | *ma-k <sup>w</sup> ana-a-y | 1 |
| Vame  | <i>kəmadāy</i>                      | *kmaɖ-ay               |                            |                            | 2 |
|       | <i>kumadāy k<sup>w</sup>ə'madāy</i> | *k <sup>w</sup> maɖ-ay | *mØ-k <sup>w</sup> adØ-a-y |                            | 3 |

<sup>155</sup> Prefixal /s/ is unusual as opposed to the widely spread prefixal root augment \*ma-, unless we are here dealing with a compound of sorts in which *mis-* represents something entirely different that remains hitherto unidentified.

1. \*k<sup>w</sup> > k; \*n (> r) > d; ə-epenthesis
2. metathesis mk > km; \*n (> r) > d; ə-epenthesis
3. metathesis mk > km; \*n (> r) > d; ə-epenthesis; +W: ə > u

## MARGI

|       |                                                           |                                  |                      |                      |   |
|-------|-----------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------|----------------------|----------------------|---|
| Bura  | <i>kini</i> kə <sup>w</sup> ny                            | *kn-y <sup>y</sup>               | *knØ-y               | *k <sup>w</sup> na-y | 1 |
| Kilba | <i>kunyi</i> k <sup>w</sup> ə <sup>w</sup> n <sup>y</sup> | *k <sup>w</sup> n-y <sup>y</sup> | *k <sup>w</sup> nØ-y |                      | 2 |

1. ə-epenthesis; \*k<sup>w</sup> > k; \*y > y<sup>y</sup> > i; +Y: ə > i
2. ə-epenthesis; +W: ə > u; \*y > y<sup>y</sup> > i; +Y: n > n<sup>y</sup>; +Y: ə > i

## MANDARA

|         |                                                                |                                    |                       |                             |   |
|---------|----------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------------|---|
| Matal   | <i>k<sup>w</sup>lay</i> k <sup>w</sup> lay                     | *k <sup>w</sup> lØ-a-y             |                       |                             | 1 |
| Podoko  | <i>kure</i> k <sup>w</sup> ə <sup>w</sup> ra <sup>y</sup>      |                                    |                       |                             | 2 |
| Mandara | <i>kure</i> k <sup>w</sup> ə <sup>w</sup> ra <sup>y</sup>      | *k <sup>w</sup> ra-Ø <sup>y</sup>  | *k <sup>w</sup> ra-y  | *k <sup>w</sup> na(-a)-y(a) | 2 |
| Malgwa  | <i>kure</i> k <sup>w</sup> ə <sup>w</sup> ra <sup>y</sup>      |                                    |                       |                             | 2 |
| Glavda  | <i>kur</i> k <sup>w</sup> ə <sup>w</sup> r                     | *k <sup>w</sup> r                  | *k <sup>w</sup> rØ    |                             | 3 |
|         | <i>kuriya</i> k <sup>w</sup> ə <sup>w</sup> ra <sup>y</sup> ya | *k <sup>w</sup> r-y <sup>y</sup> a | *k <sup>w</sup> rØ-ya |                             | 4 |

1. \*n (> r) > l
2. \*n > r; ə-epenthesis; +W: ə > u; \*y > Ø<sup>y</sup>; +Y: lexical-final \*a > e
3. \*n > r; ə-epenthesis; +W: ə > u
4. \*n > r; ə-epenthesis; +W: ə > u; \*y > y<sup>y</sup>; +Y: ə > i

## MOFU

|            |                                                                          |                                      |                          |                              |   |
|------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--------------------------|------------------------------|---|
| Ouldeme    | <i>kunay</i> k <sup>w</sup> ə <sup>w</sup> nay                           | *k <sup>w</sup> n-ay                 | *k <sup>w</sup> nØ-a-y   |                              | 1 |
| Mada       | <i>k<sup>w</sup>ne</i> k <sup>w</sup> na <sup>y</sup>                    | *k <sup>w</sup> na-Ø <sup>y</sup>    | *k <sup>w</sup> na-y     |                              | 2 |
| Moloko     | <i>k<sup>w</sup>ənen</i> k <sup>w</sup> ə <sup>w</sup> na <sup>y</sup> n | *k <sup>w</sup> na-Ø <sup>y</sup> -n | *k <sup>w</sup> na-y-n   |                              | 3 |
| Dugwor     | <i>kunen</i> k <sup>w</sup> ə <sup>w</sup> na <sup>y</sup> ŋ             | *k <sup>w</sup> na-Ø <sup>y</sup> -ŋ | *k <sup>w</sup> na-y-k-n |                              | 4 |
| Mofu North | <i>kuray</i> k <sup>w</sup> ə <sup>w</sup> ray                           | *k <sup>w</sup> r-ay                 | *k <sup>w</sup> rØ-a-y   | *k <sup>w</sup> na           | 5 |
| Mofu-Gudur | <i>kuray</i> k <sup>w</sup> ə <sup>w</sup> ray                           |                                      |                          | (-a)-y(-k <sup>w</sup> )(-n) | 5 |
| Muyang     | <i>kud<sup>w</sup>in</i> k <sup>w</sup> ə <sup>w</sup> də <sup>y</sup> ŋ | *k <sup>w</sup> d-Ø <sup>y</sup> -ŋ  | *k <sup>w</sup> dØ-y-k-n |                              | 6 |
| Zulgo      | <i>k<sup>w</sup>ide</i> k <sup>w</sup> ə <sup>w</sup> də <sup>y</sup>    |                                      |                          |                              | 7 |
| Gemzek     | <i>kude</i> k <sup>w</sup> ə <sup>w</sup> də <sup>y</sup>                | *k <sup>w</sup> də-Ø <sup>y</sup>    | *k <sup>w</sup> də-y     |                              | 8 |
| Merey      | <i>kude</i> k <sup>w</sup> ə <sup>w</sup> də <sup>y</sup>                |                                      |                          |                              | 8 |
|            | <i>kudəy</i> k <sup>w</sup> ə <sup>w</sup> də <sup>y</sup>               | *k <sup>w</sup> d-ay                 | *k <sup>w</sup> dØ-a-y   |                              | 8 |

1. ə-epenthesis; +W: ə > u
2. \*y > Ø<sup>y</sup>; +Y: lexical-final \*a > e
3. ə-epenthesis; +W: ə > u; \*y > Ø<sup>y</sup>; +Y: lexical-final \*a > e
4. ə-epenthesis; +W: ə > u; \*y > Ø<sup>y</sup>; +Y: lexical-final \*a > e; \*k<sup>w</sup> > k; fusion \*kn > ŋ
5. \*n > r; ə-epenthesis; +W: ə > u
6. \*n (> r) > d; ə-epenthesis; \*k<sup>w</sup> > k; fusion \*kn > ŋ; \*y > Ø<sup>y</sup>; +Y: ə > i; +W: ə > u
7. \*n (> r) > d; ə-epenthesis; \*y > Ø<sup>y</sup>; +Y: ə > i; +Y: lexical-final \*a > e
8. \*n (> r) > d; ə-epenthesis; +W: ə > u; \*y > Ø<sup>y</sup>; +Y: lexical-final \*a > e

## MAROUA

|                |                                                 |                         |                                       |                                          |   |
|----------------|-------------------------------------------------|-------------------------|---------------------------------------|------------------------------------------|---|
|                |                                                 |                         |                                       | √ C Ca                                   |   |
| Giziga-Marva   | <i>kunay</i> k <sup>w</sup> ə <sup>w</sup> nay  | *k <sup>w</sup> n-ay    | *k <sup>w</sup> nØ-a-y                |                                          | 1 |
| Mbazla         | <i>kunay</i> k <sup>w</sup> ə <sup>w</sup> nay  |                         |                                       | *k <sup>w</sup> na-a-y(-k <sup>w</sup> ) | 1 |
|                | <i>kunai</i> k <sup>w</sup> ə <sup>w</sup> nay? | *k <sup>w</sup> n-a-y-? | *k <sup>w</sup> nØ-a-y-k <sup>w</sup> |                                          | 2 |
|                |                                                 |                         |                                       | √ CaCa                                   |   |
| Giziga-Muturwa | <i>kwanay</i>                                   | *k <sup>w</sup> ana-y   |                                       | *k <sup>w</sup> ana-y                    |   |

1. ə-epenthesis; +W: ə > u
2. suffixal \*k<sup>w</sup> (> k) > ?; ə-epenthesis; +W: ə > u; \*y > i



## LAMANG

|                                                                  |                                                          |                                  |                       |                       |   |
|------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|---|
|                                                                  |                                                          |                                  |                       | √ C Ca                |   |
| Lamang                                                           | <i>k<sup>w</sup>ini</i> k <sup>w</sup> ə <sup>y</sup> ny | *k <sup>w</sup> n-y <sup>y</sup> | *k <sup>w</sup> nØ-y  | *k <sup>w</sup> na-y  | 1 |
|                                                                  |                                                          |                                  |                       | √ CaCa                |   |
| Hdi                                                              | <i>k<sup>w</sup>ani</i> k <sup>w</sup> any               | *k <sup>w</sup> an-y             | *k <sup>w</sup> anØ-y | *k <sup>w</sup> ana-y | 2 |
| 1. ə-epenthesis; *y > y <sup>y</sup> > i; +Y: ə > i<br>2. *y > i |                                                          |                                  |                       |                       |   |

## KOTOKO-ISLAND

|                       |                                                 |                       |                         |                       |   |
|-----------------------|-------------------------------------------------|-----------------------|-------------------------|-----------------------|---|
| Buduma                | <i>koray</i> *k <sup>w</sup> a <sup>w</sup> ray | *k <sup>w</sup> ar-ay | *k <sup>w</sup> arØ-a-y | *k <sup>w</sup> ana-y | 1 |
| 1. *n > r; +W: *a > o |                                                 |                       |                         |                       |   |

## KOTOKO-NORTH

|                                                           |                                                           |                                   |                      |                      |   |
|-----------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------|----------------------|----------------------|---|
| Mpade                                                     | <i>kure</i> k <sup>w</sup> ə <sup>w</sup> ra <sup>y</sup> | *k <sup>w</sup> ra-Ø <sup>y</sup> | *k <sup>w</sup> ra-y | *k <sup>w</sup> na-y | 1 |
| 1. *n > r; *y > Ø <sup>y</sup> ; +Y: lexical-final *a > e |                                                           |                                   |                      |                      |   |

## KOTOKO-CENTRAL

|                                                                                                                         |                                                             |                                     |                         |                           |   |
|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------|-------------------------|---------------------------|---|
| Lagwan                                                                                                                  | <i>nkune</i> nk <sup>w</sup> ə <sup>w</sup> na <sup>y</sup> | *n-k <sup>w</sup> na-Ø <sup>y</sup> | *mØ-k <sup>w</sup> na-y | *(ma-)k <sup>w</sup> na-y | 1 |
| Mser                                                                                                                    | <i>kure</i> k <sup>w</sup> ə <sup>w</sup> ra <sup>y</sup>   | *k <sup>w</sup> ra-Ø <sup>y</sup>   | *k <sup>w</sup> ra-y    |                           | 2 |
| 1. ə-epenthesis; +W: ə > u; *y > Ø <sup>y</sup> ; +Y: lexical-final *a > e; partial assimilation *m > n/_k <sup>w</sup> |                                                             |                                     |                         |                           |   |
| 2. *n > r; *y > Ø <sup>y</sup> ; +Y: lexical-final *a > e                                                               |                                                             |                                     |                         |                           |   |

## KOTOKO-SOUTH

|                                                                                                                                   |                                                 |           |            |                          |   |
|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------|-----------|------------|--------------------------|---|
| Mazera                                                                                                                            | <i>kimadē</i> kə <sup>y</sup> madā <sup>y</sup> | *kmadā-Øy | *mØ-kadā-y | *ma-k <sup>w</sup> ana-y | 1 |
| 1. *k <sup>w</sup> > k; *n (> r) > d; metathesis mk > km; ə-epenthesis; *y > Ø <sup>y</sup> ; +Y: ə > i; +Y: lexical-final *a > e |                                                 |           |            |                          |   |

## GIDAR

|                                                                                                 |                                             |                     |  |                      |   |
|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------|---------------------|--|----------------------|---|
| Gidar                                                                                           | <i>kine</i> kə <sup>y</sup> na <sup>y</sup> | *kna-Ø <sup>y</sup> |  | *k <sup>w</sup> na-y | 1 |
| 1. *k <sup>w</sup> > k; ə-epenthesis; *y > Ø <sup>y</sup> ; +Y: ə > i; +Y: lexical-final *a > e |                                             |                     |  |                      |   |

vomit, to

PCC \*(ma-) v(a)n(a)x<sup>w</sup>a (-y, -k<sup>w</sup>, -n; FV)

## BATA

|                                                                                                                                   |                    |         |                       |                       |   |
|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------|---------|-----------------------|-----------------------|---|
|                                                                                                                                   |                    |         |                       | √ C C Ca              |   |
| Jimi                                                                                                                              | <i>vənan</i> vənan | *vna-n  | *vnØa-n               | *vnx <sup>w</sup> a-n | 1 |
|                                                                                                                                   |                    |         |                       | √ CaCaCa              |   |
| Gude                                                                                                                              | <i>vaana</i>       | *vaØana | *vax <sup>w</sup> ana | *vanax <sup>w</sup> a | 2 |
| 1. ə-epenthesis<br>2. metathesis nx <sup>w</sup> > x <sup>w</sup> n; (vowel length due to loss of intervocalic /x <sup>w</sup> /) |                    |         |                       |                       |   |

## DABA

|                 |             |      |       |                     |   |
|-----------------|-------------|------|-------|---------------------|---|
| Buwal           | <i>vəna</i> | *vna | *vnØa | *vnx <sup>w</sup> a | 1 |
| Gavar           | <i>vəna</i> |      |       |                     | 1 |
| Daba            | <i>vəna</i> |      |       |                     | 1 |
| Mbudum          | <i>vən</i>  |      |       |                     | 1 |
| 1. ə-epenthesis |             |      |       |                     |   |

## MAFA

|       |                                                  |                       |          |                          |   |
|-------|--------------------------------------------------|-----------------------|----------|--------------------------|---|
| Mafa  | <i>vənehe</i> vəna <sup>y</sup> xa <sup>y</sup>  | *vnaxa-Ø <sup>y</sup> | *vnaxa-y | *vnax <sup>w</sup> a(-y) | 1 |
|       | <i>vineh-</i> və <sup>y</sup> na <sup>y</sup> x- | *vnaxØ-Ø <sup>y</sup> |          |                          | 2 |
| Cuvok | <i>vənaha</i>                                    | *vnaxa                |          |                          | 3 |

|                                                                                                      |                                                                   |                                    |                           |                                        |   |
|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------|---------------------------|----------------------------------------|---|
| 1. *x <sup>w</sup> > x; ə-epenthesis; *y > Ø <sup>y</sup> ; +Y: *a > e                               |                                                                   |                                    |                           |                                        |   |
| 2. *x <sup>w</sup> > x; ə-epenthesis; *y > Ø <sup>y</sup> ; *Y: ə > i; +Y: *a > e                    |                                                                   |                                    |                           |                                        |   |
| 3. *x <sup>w</sup> > x; ə-epenthesis                                                                 |                                                                   |                                    |                           |                                        |   |
| TERA                                                                                                 |                                                                   |                                    |                           |                                        |   |
| Tera                                                                                                 | <i>vənax</i>                                                      | *vnaxØ                             | *vnax <sup>w</sup> a      | 1                                      |   |
| 1. *x <sup>w</sup> > x; ə-epenthesis                                                                 |                                                                   |                                    |                           |                                        |   |
| SUKUR                                                                                                |                                                                   |                                    |                           |                                        |   |
| Sukur                                                                                                | <i>vinah</i> vən <sup>y</sup> nax                                 | *vnaxØ-Ø <sup>y</sup>              | *vnax <sup>w</sup> a-y    | 1                                      |   |
| 1. *x <sup>w</sup> > x; ə-epenthesis; *y > Ø <sup>y</sup> ; +Y: ə > i                                |                                                                   |                                    |                           |                                        |   |
| HURZA                                                                                                |                                                                   |                                    |                           |                                        |   |
| Mbuko                                                                                                | <i>vəne</i> vənə <sup>y</sup>                                     | *vna-Ø <sup>y</sup>                | *vnaØØ-y                  | 1                                      |   |
| Vame                                                                                                 | <i>vənaha</i>                                                     | *vnaxa                             | *vnax <sup>w</sup> a(-y)  | 2                                      |   |
| 1. ə-epenthesis, *y > Ø <sup>y</sup> ; +Y: lexical-final *a > e                                      |                                                                   |                                    |                           |                                        |   |
| 2. *x <sup>w</sup> > x; ə-epenthesis                                                                 |                                                                   |                                    |                           |                                        |   |
| MANDARA                                                                                              |                                                                   |                                    |                           |                                        |   |
| Podoko                                                                                               | <i>vəraha</i>                                                     | *vraxa                             |                           | 1                                      |   |
| Dghwede                                                                                              | <i>vraxa</i>                                                      |                                    | *vna-Ø <sup>y</sup>       | 2                                      |   |
| Glavda                                                                                               | <i>vɾeːge</i> vɾaː <sup>y</sup> ga <sup>y</sup>                   | *vra-Ø <sup>y</sup> -ga            | *vraØØ-y-k <sup>w</sup> a | 3                                      |   |
| Matal                                                                                                | <i>mavlahay</i>                                                   | *ma-vlax-ay                        | *ma-vlaxØ-a-y             | 4                                      |   |
| 1. *n > r; ə-epenthesis                                                                              |                                                                   |                                    |                           |                                        |   |
| 2. *n > r                                                                                            |                                                                   |                                    |                           |                                        |   |
| 3. *n > r; *k <sup>w</sup> (> k) > g; *y > Ø <sup>y</sup> ; +Y: *a > e; vowel length unaccounted for |                                                                   |                                    |                           |                                        |   |
| 4. *n (> r) > l                                                                                      |                                                                   |                                    |                           |                                        |   |
| MOFU                                                                                                 |                                                                   |                                    |                           |                                        |   |
|                                                                                                      |                                                                   |                                    |                           | √ C C Ca                               |   |
| Mofu North                                                                                           | <i>məvənhey</i> ma <sup>y</sup> vənaxa <sup>y</sup>               | *ma-vnxa-y <sup>y</sup>            | *ma-vnxa-y                | *ma-vn <sup>w</sup> x <sup>w</sup> a-y | 1 |
|                                                                                                      |                                                                   |                                    |                           | √ C CaCa                               |   |
| Moloko                                                                                               | <i>vənah</i>                                                      | *vnax                              | *vnaxØ                    | *(ma-)<br>vnax <sup>w</sup> a((-a)-y)  | 2 |
| Merey                                                                                                | <i>vənaha</i>                                                     | *vnaxa                             |                           |                                        | 2 |
| Zulgo                                                                                                | <i>vənaha</i>                                                     |                                    |                           |                                        | 2 |
| Ouldeme                                                                                              | <i>vənahay</i>                                                    | *vnax-ay                           | *vnaxØ-a-y                |                                        | 2 |
| Mada                                                                                                 | <i>mavnaha</i>                                                    | *ma-vnaxa                          |                           |                                        |   |
| Gemzek                                                                                               | <i>məvənehe</i> ma <sup>y</sup> vənə <sup>y</sup> xa <sup>y</sup> | *ma-vnaxa-Ø <sup>y</sup>           | *ma-vnaxa-y               |                                        | 3 |
| Dugwor                                                                                               | <i>məvənehey</i> məvənə <sup>y</sup> xa <sup>y</sup>              | *ma-vnaxa-y <sup>y</sup>           |                           |                                        | 1 |
| 1. *x <sup>w</sup> > x; ə-epenthesis; *y > y <sup>y</sup> ; +Y: *a > e                               |                                                                   |                                    |                           |                                        |   |
| 2. *x <sup>w</sup> > x; ə-epenthesis                                                                 |                                                                   |                                    |                           |                                        |   |
| 3. *x <sup>w</sup> > x; ə-epenthesis; *y > Ø <sup>y</sup> ; +Y: *a > e                               |                                                                   |                                    |                           |                                        |   |
| LAMANG                                                                                               |                                                                   |                                    |                           |                                        |   |
|                                                                                                      |                                                                   |                                    |                           | √ C C Ca                               |   |
| Hdi                                                                                                  | <i>vənihi</i> vənə <sup>y</sup> xy                                | *vn <sup>w</sup> x-y <sup>y</sup>  | *vn <sup>w</sup> xØ-y     | *vn <sup>w</sup> x <sup>w</sup> a-y    | 1 |
|                                                                                                      | <i>vənihay</i> vənə <sup>y</sup> xay                              | *vn <sup>w</sup> xa-y <sup>y</sup> | *vn <sup>w</sup> xa-y     |                                        | 2 |
|                                                                                                      |                                                                   |                                    |                           | √ CaCaCa                               |   |
| Lamang                                                                                               | <i>vanax<sup>w</sup>a</i>                                         | *vanax <sup>w</sup> a              |                           | *vanax <sup>w</sup> a                  |   |
| 1. *x <sup>w</sup> > x; ə-epenthesis; *y > y <sup>y</sup> ; > i; +Y: *ə > i                          |                                                                   |                                    |                           |                                        |   |
| 2. *x <sup>w</sup> > x; ə-epenthesis; *y > y <sup>y</sup> ; +Y: *ə > i                               |                                                                   |                                    |                           |                                        |   |

## HIGI

|                                                                                                                                                                                                                        |                                              |                                     |                        |                       |   |
|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------|------------------------|-----------------------|---|
|                                                                                                                                                                                                                        |                                              |                                     |                        | √ C C Ca              |   |
| Bana                                                                                                                                                                                                                   | <i>vənəx<sup>w</sup>ə</i>                    | *vnx <sup>w</sup> a                 | *vnx <sup>w</sup> a    | *vnx <sup>w</sup> a   | 1 |
| Kirya                                                                                                                                                                                                                  | <i>vənəhu vənəx<sup>w</sup>ə<sup>w</sup></i> |                                     |                        |                       | 2 |
|                                                                                                                                                                                                                        |                                              |                                     |                        | √ C CaCa              |   |
| Kamwe-Futu                                                                                                                                                                                                             | <i>vineyo vənə<sup>y</sup>ŋa<sup>w</sup></i> | *vnaŋ <sup>w</sup> a-Ø <sup>y</sup> | *vnaŋ <sup>w</sup> a-y | *vna <sup>w</sup> a-y | 3 |
| 1. ə-epenthesis; lexical-final *a > ə<br>2. ə-epenthesis; lexical-final *a > ə; +W: ə > u<br>3. *x <sup>w</sup> > ŋ <sup>w</sup> ; +W: lexical-final *a > o; *y > Ø <sup>y</sup> ; +Y: ə > i; +Y: lexical-final *a > e |                                              |                                     |                        |                       |   |

## KOTOKO-CENTRAL

|                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          |                                                                       |                                          |                            |                                              |  |
|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------|----------------------------|----------------------------------------------|--|
| Lagwan                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   | <i>vinahi</i> və <sup>n</sup> axə <sup>y</sup>                        | *vnaxa-Ø <sup>y</sup>                    | *vnaxa-y                   | *vnax <sup>w</sup> a-y-<br>k <sup>w</sup> -n |  |
|                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          | <i>vinahi</i> wun<br>və <sup>n</sup> axə <sup>y</sup> wə <sup>n</sup> | *vnaxə-Ø <sup>y</sup> -w <sup>w</sup> -n | *vnaxa-y-w <sup>w</sup> -n |                                              |  |
| 1. *x <sup>w</sup> > x; ə-epenthesis; lexical-final *a > ə; *y > Ø <sup>y</sup> ; +Y: ə > i<br>2. *x <sup>w</sup> > x; ə-epenthesis; lexical-final *a > ə; *y > Ø <sup>y</sup> ; +Y: ə > i; *k <sup>w</sup> > w <sup>w</sup> ; +W: ə > u |                                                                       |                                          |                            |                                              |  |

## KOTOKO-SOUTH

|                                      |               |        |                      |  |
|--------------------------------------|---------------|--------|----------------------|--|
| Zina                                 | <i>vənaha</i> | *vnaxa | *vnax <sup>w</sup> a |  |
| 1. *x <sup>w</sup> > x; ə-epenthesis |               |        |                      |  |

## MUSGUM

|                                                                                    |                              |                     |         |                       |  |
|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------|---------------------|---------|-----------------------|--|
| Mbara                                                                              | <i>fine fənə<sup>y</sup></i> | *fna-Ø <sup>y</sup> | *fnəa-y | *vnx <sup>w</sup> a-y |  |
| 1. *v > f; ə-epenthesis; *y > Ø <sup>y</sup> ; +Y: ə > i; +Y: lexical-final *a > e |                              |                     |         |                       |  |

wash, to

PCC \*(ma-) **b(a)na** (-a, -y, -k<sup>w</sup>, -n, -x, -b, -v, -RED; FV)

## BATA

|                                                                        |                  |                     |        |   |
|------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------|---------------------|--------|---|
| Jimi                                                                   | <i>binə bənə</i> | *bna-Ø <sup>y</sup> | *bna-y | 1 |
| 1. ə-epenthesis; *y > Ø <sup>y</sup> ; +Y: ə > i; lexical-final *a > ə |                  |                     |        |   |

## DABA

|                                       |            |       |         |                         |   |
|---------------------------------------|------------|-------|---------|-------------------------|---|
| Buwal                                 | <i>ban</i> | *banØ |         | *bana(-k <sup>w</sup> ) |   |
| Gavar                                 | <i>ban</i> |       |         |                         |   |
| Mbudum                                | <i>baŋ</i> | *baŋ  | *banØ-k |                         | 1 |
| Daba                                  | <i>pan</i> | *panØ |         |                         | 2 |
| 1. *k <sup>w</sup> > k; fusion nk > ŋ |            |       |         |                         |   |
| 2. *b > p                             |            |       |         |                         |   |

## MAFA

|           |             |       |       |   |
|-----------|-------------|-------|-------|---|
| Mafa      | <i>pan</i>  | *panØ | *bana | 1 |
| Cuvok     | <i>pana</i> | *pana |       | 1 |
| 1. *b > p |             |       |       |   |

## SUKUR

|       |            |       |       |  |
|-------|------------|-------|-------|--|
| Sukur | <i>ban</i> | *banØ | *bana |  |
|-------|------------|-------|-------|--|

## HURZA

|                                                                                                |                                   |                                       |                         |   |
|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------|---------------------------------------|-------------------------|---|
|                                                                                                |                                   |                                       | √ C Ca                  |   |
| Vame                                                                                           | <i>buniya bənənə<sup>y</sup>a</i> | *bnØ-y <sup>y</sup> -Ø <sup>w</sup> a | *bna-y-k <sup>w</sup> a | 1 |
|                                                                                                |                                   |                                       | √ CaCa                  |   |
| Mbuko                                                                                          | <i>banay</i>                      | *banØ-ay                              | *bana-a-y               |   |
| 1. ə-epenthesis; *k <sup>w</sup> > Ø <sup>w</sup> ; +W: ə > u; *y > y <sup>y</sup> ; +Y: ə > i |                                   |                                       |                         |   |

## MANDARA

|                                      |                |             |                        |                                    |   |
|--------------------------------------|----------------|-------------|------------------------|------------------------------------|---|
| Podoko                               | <i>para</i>    | *para       |                        | *(ma-)bana(-k <sup>w</sup> a/-a-y) | 1 |
| Glavda                               | <i>barga</i>   | *bar-ga     | *barØ-k <sup>w</sup> a |                                    | 2 |
| Matal                                | <i>mapalay</i> | *ma-palØ-ay |                        |                                    | 3 |
| 1. *n > r *b > p                     |                |             |                        |                                    |   |
| 2. *n > r; *k <sup>w</sup> (> k) > g |                |             |                        |                                    |   |
| 3. *n (> r) > l; *b > p              |                |             |                        |                                    |   |

## MOFU

|            |                                   |                           |             |                                  |   |
|------------|-----------------------------------|---------------------------|-------------|----------------------------------|---|
|            |                                   |                           |             | √ C Ca                           |   |
| Mofu-Gudur | <i>pər</i>                        | *prØ                      |             | *(ma-)bna(-a-y)                  | 1 |
| Mofu North | <i>mepərey</i> ma'pəra'y          | *ma-prØ-ay <sup>y</sup>   |             |                                  | 2 |
|            |                                   |                           |             | √ CaCa                           |   |
| Ouldeme    | <i>baraka</i>                     | *bara-ka                  |             | *bara-k <sup>w</sup> a           | 3 |
|            | <i>baraha</i>                     | *bara-xa                  |             | *bara-xa                         | 3 |
|            | <i>bariya</i> barə'yā             | *bara-y <sup>y</sup> a    |             | *bara-ya                         | 4 |
|            | <i>bereya</i> ba'ra'yā            |                           |             |                                  | 5 |
|            | <i>bereŋ</i> ba'ra'ŋ              | *bara-Ø <sup>y</sup> -ŋ   | *bara-y-k-n | *bara-y-k <sup>w</sup> -n        | 6 |
| Muyang     | <i>baray</i>                      | *barØ-ay                  |             | *bara-a-y                        | 3 |
|            | <i>barafəŋ</i>                    | *bara-f-ŋ                 | *bara-f-k-n | *bara-v-k <sup>w</sup> -n        | 6 |
|            | <i>baraba</i>                     | *bara-ba                  |             | *bara-RED/-ba (?)                | 3 |
| Zulgo      | <i>bara</i>                       | *bara                     |             | *bara                            | 3 |
| Meray      | <i>bara</i>                       |                           |             |                                  | 3 |
| Gemzek     | <i>bara</i>                       |                           |             |                                  | 3 |
|            | <i>mebere</i> ma'yba'yra'y        | *ma-bara-Ø <sup>y</sup>   |             | *ma-bara-y                       | 5 |
| Dugwor     | <i>məberey</i> məba'yra'y         | *ma-barØ-a-y <sup>y</sup> |             | *ma-bara-a-y                     | 6 |
| Moloko     | <i>balay</i>                      | *balØ-ay                  |             | *bala-a-y                        | 7 |
| Mada       | <i>mabala(faŋa)</i><br>mabalafəŋa | *ma-bala(-fa-k-na)        |             | *ma-bala(-va-k <sup>w</sup> -na) | 8 |

1. \*n > r; \*b > p; ə-epenthesis
2. \*n > r; \*b > p; ə-epenthesis; \*y > y<sup>y</sup>; +Y: \*a > e
3. \*n > r
4. \*n > r; lexical-final \*a > ə; \*y > y<sup>y</sup>; +Y: ə > i
5. \*n > r; \*y > y<sup>y</sup>; +Y: \*a > e
6. \*n > r; \*k<sup>w</sup> > k; fusion kn > ŋ
7. \*n (> r) > l
8. \*n (> r) > l; \*k<sup>w</sup> > k; fusion kn > ŋ

## MAROUA

|                                                               |                                |                     |                     |                     |  |
|---------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------|---------------------|---------------------|---------------------|--|
|                                                               |                                |                     |                     | √ C Ca              |  |
| Giziga-Muturwa                                                | <i>bun</i> bə <sup>w</sup> n   | *bn-Ø <sup>w</sup>  | *bnØ-k <sup>w</sup> | *bna-k <sup>w</sup> |  |
| Giziga-Marva                                                  | <i>bun</i> bə <sup>w</sup> n   |                     |                     |                     |  |
|                                                               | <i>buna</i> bə <sup>w</sup> na | *bna-Ø <sup>w</sup> | *bna-k <sup>w</sup> |                     |  |
|                                                               |                                |                     |                     | √ CaCa              |  |
| Mbazla                                                        | <i>ban</i>                     | *banØ               |                     | *bana               |  |
| 1. ə-epenthesis; *k <sup>w</sup> > Ø <sup>w</sup> ; +W: ə > u |                                |                     |                     |                     |  |

## HIGI

|                                                           |                          |                    |        |        |   |
|-----------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------|--------|--------|---|
| Psikye                                                    | <i>pe pa<sup>y</sup></i> | *pa-Ø <sup>y</sup> | *pØa-y | *bna-y | 1 |
| Bana                                                      | <i>pi py</i>             | *p-y               | *pØØ-y |        | 2 |
| 1. *b > p; *y > Ø <sup>y</sup> ; +Y: lexical-final *a > e |                          |                    |        |        |   |
| 2. *b > p; *y > i                                         |                          |                    |        |        |   |

## water

## BATA

|                                                  |                      |           |           |             |   |
|--------------------------------------------------|----------------------|-----------|-----------|-------------|---|
| Gude                                             | <i>ma'inə maʔynə</i> | *maʔyØ-na | *ʔyama-na | *ʔyama(-na) | 1 |
| Jimi                                             | <i>ma'i maʔy</i>     | *maʔyØ    | *ʔyama    |             | 2 |
| Sharwa                                           | <i>ma'i maʔy</i>     |           |           |             | 2 |
| 1. metathesis ʔyama > maʔya; *ʔy > ʔi; FV *a > ə |                      |           |           |             |   |
| 2. metathesis ʔyama > maʔya; *ʔy > ʔi            |                      |           |           |             |   |

## DABA

|                                     |                            |                    |        |          |   |
|-------------------------------------|----------------------------|--------------------|--------|----------|---|
|                                     |                            |                    |        | √ C C Ca |   |
| Gavar                               | <i>yəm</i>                 | *Øym               | *ʔymØ  | *ʔyma    | 1 |
| Daba                                | <i>yəm</i>                 |                    |        |          | 1 |
| Mbudum                              | <i>yim yə<sup>y</sup>m</i> | *Øy <sup>y</sup> m |        |          | 2 |
|                                     |                            |                    |        | √ CCaCa  |   |
| Buwal                               | <i>yam</i>                 | Øyam               | *ʔyamØ | *ʔyama   | 3 |
| 1. *ʔy > y; ə-epenthesis            |                            |                    |        |          |   |
| 2. *ʔy > y; ə-epenthesis; +Y: ə > i |                            |                    |        |          |   |
| 3. *ʔy > y                          |                            |                    |        |          |   |

## MAFA

|            |            |       |        |        |   |
|------------|------------|-------|--------|--------|---|
| Mafa       | <i>yam</i> | *Øyam | *ʔyamØ | *ʔyama | 1 |
| Cuvok      | <i>yam</i> |       |        |        | 1 |
| 1. *ʔy > y |            |       |        |        |   |

## TERA

|                                                                                                                |                                               |                    |           |          |   |
|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------|--------------------|-----------|----------|---|
|                                                                                                                |                                               |                    |           | √ C C Ca |   |
| Tera                                                                                                           | <i>yīm (dyim) d<sup>y</sup>ə<sup>y</sup>m</i> | *d <sup>y</sup> mØ |           | *ʔyma    | 1 |
|                                                                                                                |                                               |                    |           | √ CCaCa  |   |
| Hwana <sup>156</sup>                                                                                           | <i>aama [a]ama</i>                            | *[a]ØØama          | *[a]ʔyama | *ʔyama   | 2 |
| 1. *ʔy > d <sup>y</sup> ; ə-epenthesis; +Y: ə > i                                                              |                                               |                    |           |          |   |
| 2. a-prothesis (before original consonant cluster); vowel length resulting from prothetic [a] plus medial */a/ |                                               |                    |           |          |   |

## SUKUR

|                                                      |                             |                       |           |        |   |
|------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------|-----------------------|-----------|--------|---|
| Sukur <sup>157</sup>                                 | <i>iyam ə<sup>y</sup>am</i> | *[ə]y <sup>y</sup> am | *[ə]ʔyamØ | *ʔyama | 1 |
|                                                      | <i>yam</i>                  | *Øyam                 | *ʔyamØ    |        | 2 |
| 1. ə-prothesis; *ʔy > y > y <sup>y</sup> ; +Y: ə > i |                             |                       |           |        |   |
| 2. *ʔy > y                                           |                             |                       |           |        |   |

<sup>156</sup> Vowel prothesis is a fairly frequent process in some Central Chadic languages in cases of initial consonant clusters; vowel prothesis in Tera (and Sukur) could be yet another indication of an underlying reanalysis of the root as triradical √CCaCa, i.e. \*ʔyama.

<sup>157</sup> See footnote 156.

## HURZA

|            |                                          |                         |                            |                         |   |
|------------|------------------------------------------|-------------------------|----------------------------|-------------------------|---|
| Mbuko      | <i>a'am</i>                              | *Øa-ʔamØ                | *Ca-ʔØamØ                  | *Ca-(x <sup>w</sup> a-) | 1 |
| Vame       | <i>ah<sup>w</sup>am ax<sup>w</sup>am</i> | *Øa-x <sup>w</sup> Ø-am | *Ca-x <sup>w</sup> a-ØØamØ | ʔyama                   |   |
| 1. *ʔy > ʔ |                                          |                         |                            |                         |   |

## MARGI

|             |                                          |                     |  |        |   |
|-------------|------------------------------------------|---------------------|--|--------|---|
| Margi       | <i>'imi ʔymə<sup>y</sup></i>             | *ʔy <sup>y</sup> ma |  |        | 1 |
| Margi South | <i>imi ymə<sup>y</sup></i>               | *Øy <sup>y</sup> ma |  | *ʔyama | 1 |
| Bura        | <i>yimi yə<sup>y</sup>mə<sup>y</sup></i> |                     |  |        | 2 |

1. lexical-final \*a > ə; \*y > y<sup>y</sup> > i; +Y: ə > i2. ə-penthesis; lexical-final \*a > ə; \*y > y<sup>y</sup> > i +Y: ə > i

Alternatively, final i could be interpreted as reflex of suffixal \*-y which, however, is not reconstructed for this lexical item.

## MANDARA

|         |                              |                     |            |        |   |
|---------|------------------------------|---------------------|------------|--------|---|
|         |                              |                     | √ C C Ca   |        |   |
| Podoko  | <i>yəwa</i>                  | *Øywa               |            |        | 1 |
| Glavda  | <i>yūwa yə<sup>w</sup>wa</i> | *Øy <sup>w</sup> a  |            | *ʔyama | 2 |
|         | <i>yu yw</i>                 | *ØywØ               |            |        | 3 |
|         | <i>ii ə<sup>y</sup>y</i>     | *Øy <sup>y</sup> ØØ |            |        | 4 |
|         |                              |                     | √ C C CaCa |        |   |
| Matal   | <i>y:aw yyaw</i>             | *ʔyawØ              |            |        | 5 |
| Mandara | <i>yawe yawa<sup>y</sup></i> | *y <sup>y</sup> awa |            | *ʔyama | 6 |
| Malgwa  | <i>yawe yawa<sup>y</sup></i> |                     |            |        | 6 |

1. ə-penthesis; \*m &gt; w

2. ə-penthesis; \*m > w<sup>w</sup>; +W: ə > u

3. \*m &gt; w; \*w &gt; u

4. ə-prothesis; \*y > y<sup>y</sup>; +Y: ə > i; ə<sup>y</sup>y > ii

5. \*m &gt; w; assimilation \*ʔy &gt; yy

6. \*m > w; \*y > y<sup>y</sup>; +Y: lexical-final \*a > e

## MOFU

|            |            |       |        |        |   |
|------------|------------|-------|--------|--------|---|
| Ouldeme    | <i>yam</i> |       |        |        | 1 |
| Muyang     | <i>yam</i> |       |        |        | 1 |
| Moloko     | <i>yam</i> |       |        |        | 1 |
| Zulgo      | <i>yam</i> | *Øyam | *ʔyamØ |        | 1 |
| Gemzek     | <i>yam</i> |       |        | *ʔyama | 1 |
| Meray      | <i>yam</i> |       |        |        | 1 |
| Dugwor     | <i>yam</i> |       |        |        | 1 |
| Mofu-North | <i>yam</i> |       |        |        | 1 |
| Mofu-Gudur | <i>yam</i> |       |        |        | 1 |

1. \*ʔy &gt; y

## MAROUA

|              |            |       |        |        |   |
|--------------|------------|-------|--------|--------|---|
| Giziga Marva | <i>yam</i> | *Øyam | *ʔyamØ | *ʔyama | 1 |
| Mbazla       | <i>yam</i> |       |        |        | 1 |
| 1. *ʔy > y   |            |       |        |        |   |

## LAMANG

|        |                            |                    |                     |        |   |
|--------|----------------------------|--------------------|---------------------|--------|---|
| Lamang | <i>imi ymə<sup>y</sup></i> |                    |                     |        | 1 |
| Hdi    | <i>imi ymə<sup>y</sup></i> | *y <sup>y</sup> ma | *Øy <sup>y</sup> ma | *ʔyama | 1 |

1. lexical-final \*a > ə; \*ʔy > y<sup>y</sup> > i; +Y: ə > i

Alternatively, final i could be interpreted as reflex of suffixal \*-y which, however, is not reconstructed for this lexical item.

## HIGI

|                                                                                                 |                                                                 |                      |                       |        |   |
|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------|-----------------------|--------|---|
| Bana                                                                                            | <i>yam</i>                                                      | *yam                 | *ØyamØ                | *ʔyama | 1 |
| Kamwe-Nkafa                                                                                     | <i>yame yama<sup>y</sup></i>                                    | *y <sup>y</sup> ama  | *Øyama                |        | 2 |
| Kamwe-Futu                                                                                      | <i>yem<sup>i</sup> ya<sup>m</sup>m<sup>y</sup>ə<sup>y</sup></i> | *y <sup>y</sup> amə  |                       |        | 3 |
| Kirya                                                                                           | <i>yamə</i>                                                     | *yamə                |                       |        | 4 |
| Psikye                                                                                          | <i>yemu ya<sup>m</sup>w</i>                                     | *y <sup>y</sup> am-w | *ØyamØ-k <sup>w</sup> |        | 5 |
| 1. *ʔy > y                                                                                      |                                                                 |                      |                       |        |   |
| 2. *ʔy > y <sup>y</sup> ; +Y: lexical-final *a > e                                              |                                                                 |                      |                       |        |   |
| 3. lexical-final *a > ə; *ʔy > y <sup>y</sup> ; +Y: *a > e; +Y: m > m <sup>y</sup> ; +Y : ə > i |                                                                 |                      |                       |        |   |
| 4. *ʔy > y; lexical-final *a > ə                                                                |                                                                 |                      |                       |        |   |
| 5. *ʔy > y <sup>y</sup> ; +Y: *a > e; *k <sup>w</sup> > w > u                                   |                                                                 |                      |                       |        |   |

## KOTOKO-ISLAND

|                       |             |        |           |           |   |
|-----------------------|-------------|--------|-----------|-----------|---|
| Buduma                | <i>amay</i> | *a-may | *Øa-ØyamØ | *Ca-ʔyama | 1 |
| 1. metathesis ym > my |             |        |           |           |   |

## KOTOKO-NORTH

|                                                        |                            |                     |        |        |   |
|--------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------|---------------------|--------|--------|---|
| Afade                                                  | <i>ame ama<sup>y</sup></i> | *Ø <sup>y</sup> ama | *Øyama | *ʔyama | 1 |
| Mpade                                                  | <i>ame ama<sup>y</sup></i> |                     |        |        | 1 |
| Malgbe                                                 | <i>am</i>                  | *am                 | *ØØamØ |        |   |
| 1. *ʔy > y > Ø <sup>y</sup> ; +Y: lexical-final *a > e |                            |                     |        |        |   |

## KOTOKO-CENTRAL

|        |           |     |        |        |  |
|--------|-----------|-----|--------|--------|--|
| Lagwan | <i>am</i> | *am | *ØØamØ | *ʔyama |  |
| Mser   | <i>am</i> |     |        |        |  |

## KOTOKO-SOUTH

|                                                                                                        |                   |        |        |          |   |
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|                                                                                                        |                   |        |        | √ C C Ca |   |
| Mazera                                                                                                 | <i>aʔim aʔəʔm</i> | *aʔʔm  | *ʔʔmØ  | *ʔyama   | 1 |
|                                                                                                        |                   |        |        | √ C CaCa |   |
| Zina                                                                                                   | <i>ami aməʔ</i>   | *Øʔamə | *yʔama | *ʔyama   | 2 |
| 1. a-prothesis; ə-epenthesis; *ʔy > ʔʔ; +Y: ə > i<br>2. lexical-final *a > ə; *ʔy > yʔ > Øʔ; +Y: ə > i |                   |        |        |          |   |

## MUSGUM

|                                     |                  |        |                       |                          |   |
|-------------------------------------|------------------|--------|-----------------------|--------------------------|---|
| Mbara                               | <i>ʔam</i>       | *ʔam   | *ʔØamØ                | *ʔyama(-k <sup>w</sup> ) | 1 |
| Vulum                               | <i>yem yaʔm</i>  | *yʔam  | *ØyamØ                |                          | 2 |
| Muskum                              | <i>yamu yamw</i> | *yam-w | *ØyamØ-k <sup>w</sup> |                          | 3 |
| 1. *ʔy > ʔ                          |                  |        |                       |                          |   |
| 2. *ʔy > yʔ; +Y: *a > e             |                  |        |                       |                          |   |
| 3. *ʔy > y; *k <sup>w</sup> > w > u |                  |        |                       |                          |   |

whistle, to

PCC \*(ma-, RED-) f(a)y(a)k<sup>w</sup>a (-a, -y, -n)

## BATA

|                                                             |                                 |                       |                     |                         |   |
|-------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------|-----------------------|---------------------|-------------------------|---|
| Gude                                                        | <i>fiku fykw</i>                | *fykw                 | *fyk <sup>w</sup> Ø | *fyk <sup>w</sup> a(-n) | 1 |
| Jimí                                                        | <i>fikwən fyk<sup>w</sup>ən</i> | *fyk <sup>w</sup> a-n |                     |                         | 2 |
| 1. *y > i; re-segmentalisation *k <sup>w</sup> > k+w; w > u |                                 |                       |                     |                         |   |
| 2. *y > i; lexical-final *a > ə                             |                                 |                       |                     |                         |   |

## DABA

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|                                                                                                                                                       |                                                                         |                                     | √ C C Ca                 |                            |
| Mbudum                                                                                                                                                | <i>fəfək</i>                                                            | *f-fk                               | *RED-fØk <sup>w</sup> Ø  | *RED-fyk <sup>w</sup> a 1  |
|                                                                                                                                                       |                                                                         |                                     | √ CaC Ca                 |                            |
| Mbudum                                                                                                                                                | <i>fəfek</i> fəfa <sup>w</sup> k                                        | *fa-faØ <sup>y</sup> k              | *RED-fayk <sup>w</sup> Ø | *RED-fayk <sup>w</sup> a 2 |
| Buwal                                                                                                                                                 | <i>fefek<sup>w</sup></i> fa <sup>y</sup> fa <sup>y</sup> k <sup>w</sup> | *fa-faØ <sup>y</sup> k <sup>w</sup> |                          | 3                          |
| 1. ə-epenthesis; *k <sup>w</sup> > k<br>2. ə-epenthesis; *k <sup>w</sup> > k; *y > Ø <sup>y</sup> ; +Y: *a > e<br>3. *y > Ø <sup>y</sup> ; +Y: *a > e |                                                                         |                                     |                          |                            |

## MAFA

|                                               |                                                       |                        |                           |                          |
|-----------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------|------------------------|---------------------------|--------------------------|
|                                               |                                                       |                        | √ C C Ca                  |                          |
| Mafa                                          | <i>fuk<sup>w</sup></i> fə <sup>w</sup> k <sup>w</sup> | *fØk <sup>w</sup> Ø    | *(RED-)fyk <sup>w</sup> a | 1                        |
| Cuvok                                         | <i>fəfk<sup>w</sup>a</i>                              | *f-fk <sup>w</sup> a   |                           | 2                        |
|                                               |                                                       |                        | √ CaC Ca                  |                          |
| Cuvok                                         | <i>fəfk<sup>w</sup>a</i>                              | *fa-fØk <sup>w</sup> a | *RED-faØk <sup>w</sup> a  | *RED-fayk <sup>w</sup> a |
| 1. ə-epenthesis; +W: ə > u<br>2. ə-epenthesis |                                                       |                        |                           |                          |

## HURZA

|                                          |                  |       |                         |                           |
|------------------------------------------|------------------|-------|-------------------------|---------------------------|
| Vame                                     | <i>fəfu</i> fəfw | *f-fw | *RED-fØk <sup>w</sup> Ø | *RED-fyk <sup>w</sup> a 1 |
| 1. *k <sup>w</sup> > w > u; ə-epenthesis |                  |       |                         |                           |

## MANDARA

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|                                                                                                                                                                 |                                                            |                                   | √ C C Ca                 |                            |
| Podoko                                                                                                                                                          | <i>fik<sup>w</sup>a</i> fyk <sup>w</sup> a                 | *fyk <sup>w</sup> a               | *fyk <sup>w</sup> a      | 1                          |
| Mandara                                                                                                                                                         | <i>fik<sup>w</sup>a</i> fyk <sup>w</sup> a                 |                                   |                          | 1                          |
| Malgwa                                                                                                                                                          | <i>fiik<sup>w</sup>a</i> fə <sup>y</sup> yk <sup>w</sup> a | *f <sup>y</sup> yk <sup>w</sup> a |                          | 2                          |
| Dghwede                                                                                                                                                         | <i>fəge</i> fga <sup>y</sup>                               | *fØ <sup>y</sup> ga               |                          | 3                          |
|                                                                                                                                                                 |                                                            |                                   | √ CaC Ca                 |                            |
| Glavda                                                                                                                                                          | <i>fəfik<sup>w</sup>a</i> fafyk <sup>w</sup> a             | *fa-fØyk <sup>w</sup> a           | *RED-fayk <sup>w</sup> a | *RED-fayk <sup>w</sup> a 1 |
| 1. *y > i<br>2. ə-epenthesis; *y > y <sup>y</sup> > i; +Y: ə > i<br>3. *k <sup>w</sup> (> k) > g; ə-epenthesis; *y > Øy <sup>y</sup> ; +Y: lexical-final *a > e |                                                            |                                   |                          |                            |

## MOFU

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|                                                                                                                                                                                                                 |                                                                                         |                                       | √ C C Ca                 |   |
| Muyang                                                                                                                                                                                                          | <i>fik<sup>w</sup>ey</i> fyk <sup>w</sup> a <sup>y</sup>                                | *f <sup>y</sup> yk <sup>w</sup> -ay   | *fyk <sup>w</sup> Ø-a-y  | 1 |
| Gemzek                                                                                                                                                                                                          | <i>fuk</i> fə <sup>w</sup> k <sup>w</sup>                                               | *fk <sup>w</sup>                      | *fØk <sup>w</sup> Ø      | 2 |
|                                                                                                                                                                                                                 | <i>məfik<sup>w</sup>e</i> məfə <sup>w</sup> k <sup>w</sup> a <sup>y</sup>               | *m-fØ <sup>y</sup> k <sup>w</sup> a   | *mØ-fyk <sup>w</sup> a   | 3 |
| Merey                                                                                                                                                                                                           | <i>fəfək<sup>w</sup></i>                                                                | *f-fk <sup>w</sup>                    | *RED-fØk <sup>w</sup> Ø  | 4 |
|                                                                                                                                                                                                                 |                                                                                         |                                       | √ CaC Ca                 |   |
| Moloko                                                                                                                                                                                                          | <i>fokay</i> fa <sup>w</sup> kay                                                        | *fak <sup>w</sup> -ay                 | *faØk <sup>w</sup> Ø-ay  | 5 |
| Zulgo                                                                                                                                                                                                           | <i>fefek<sup>w</sup>e</i> fa <sup>y</sup> fa <sup>y</sup> k <sup>w</sup> a <sup>y</sup> | *fa-faØ <sup>y</sup> k <sup>w</sup> a | *RED-fayk <sup>w</sup> a | 6 |
| Mofu-Gudur                                                                                                                                                                                                      | <i>fəfək<sup>w</sup></i>                                                                | *fa-faØk <sup>w</sup> Ø               | *RED-fayk <sup>w</sup> Ø |   |
| 1. *y > y <sup>y</sup> > i; +Y: *a > e<br>2. ə-epenthesis; +W: ə > u<br>3. ə-epenthesis; +W: ə > u; *y > Ø <sup>y</sup> ; +Y: *a > e<br>4. ə-epenthesis<br>5. +W: *a > o<br>6. *y > Ø <sup>y</sup> ; +Y: *a > e |                                                                                         |                                       |                          |   |



## LAMANG

|                                                      |                    |         |           |                         |   |
|------------------------------------------------------|--------------------|---------|-----------|-------------------------|---|
| Hdi                                                  | <i>vihay</i> vyxay | *vyx-ay | *vyxØ-a-y | *fyk <sup>w</sup> a-a-y | 1 |
| 1. *f > v; *k <sup>w</sup> (> k) > x; radical *y > i |                    |         |           |                         |   |

## HIGI

|                                                                                              |                                                         |                                   |                     |   |
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| Kamwe-Futu                                                                                   | <i>fig<sup>w</sup>e</i> fyg <sup>w</sup> a <sup>y</sup> | *fy <sup>y</sup> g <sup>w</sup> a | *fyk <sup>w</sup> a | 1 |
| 1. *y > i; *k <sup>w</sup> > g <sup>w</sup> ; *y > y <sup>y</sup> ; +Y: lexical-final *a > e |                                                         |                                   |                     |   |

## white

PCC \*(ma-, RED-) k<sup>w</sup>(a)d(a)ka (-y, -r; FV)

## DABA

|                                                                                                                                     |                           |                         |                            |   |
|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------|-------------------------|----------------------------|---|
| Mbudum                                                                                                                              | <i>k'k'd'ek</i> k'k'd'a'k | *k-kdākØ-Ø <sup>y</sup> | *RED-k <sup>w</sup> daka-y | 1 |
| 1. *k <sup>w</sup> > k; *y > Ø <sup>y</sup> ; +Y: *k > k <sup>y</sup> ; +Y: *a > e; source of consonant length [d:] remains obscure |                           |                         |                            |   |

## MAFA

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|                                                                                                                                                              |                                                                                                                |                                                      |                            | √ CaC Ca                   |   |
| Cuvok                                                                                                                                                        | <i>k<sup>w</sup>ed</i> k <sup>w</sup> a <sup>y</sup> d                                                         | *k <sup>w</sup> ad-Ø <sup>y</sup>                    | *k <sup>w</sup> adØØ-y     | *k <sup>w</sup> adka-y     | 1 |
|                                                                                                                                                              |                                                                                                                |                                                      |                            | √ C CaCa                   |   |
| Mafa                                                                                                                                                         | <i>k<sup>w</sup>idk<sup>w</sup>idde'e</i><br>k <sup>w</sup> ə'dk <sup>w</sup> ə'da <sup>y</sup> a <sup>y</sup> | *k <sup>w</sup> d-k <sup>w</sup> dā?a-Ø <sup>y</sup> | *RED-k <sup>w</sup> daka-y | *RED-k <sup>w</sup> daka-y | 2 |
| 1. *y > Ø <sup>y</sup> ; +Y: *a > e<br>2. ə-epenthesis; *k > ?; *y > Ø <sup>y</sup> ; +Y: ə > i; +Y: *a > e; source of consonant length [dd] remains obscure |                                                                                                                |                                                      |                            |                            |   |

## HURZA

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|                                                                                                                            |                                                                                                                         |                                                      |                             | √ CaC Ca                  |   |
| Vame                                                                                                                       | <i>medek<sup>w</sup>e</i><br>ma <sup>y</sup> dā <sup>y</sup> k <sup>w</sup> a <sup>y</sup>                              | *ma-dāk <sup>w</sup> a-Ø <sup>y</sup>                | *ma-k <sup>w</sup> adØa-y   | *ma-k <sup>w</sup> adka-y | 1 |
|                                                                                                                            |                                                                                                                         |                                                      |                             | √ CaCaCa                  |   |
| Mbuko                                                                                                                      | <i>k<sup>w</sup>edek</i> k <sup>w</sup> a <sup>y</sup> dā <sup>y</sup> k                                                | *k <sup>w</sup> adāk-Ø <sup>y</sup>                  | *k <sup>w</sup> adākØ-y     | *(RED-)                   | 2 |
|                                                                                                                            | <i>k<sup>w</sup>ek<sup>w</sup>edek</i><br>k <sup>w</sup> a <sup>y</sup> k <sup>w</sup> a <sup>y</sup> dā <sup>y</sup> k | *k <sup>w</sup> a-k <sup>w</sup> adāk-Ø <sup>y</sup> | *RED-k <sup>w</sup> adākØ-y | k <sup>w</sup> adaka-y    | 2 |
| 1. metathesis k <sup>w</sup> d > dk <sup>w</sup> ; *y > Ø <sup>y</sup> ; +Y: *a > e<br>2. *y > Ø <sup>y</sup> ; +Y: *a > e |                                                                                                                         |                                                      |                             |                           |   |

## MANDARA

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|                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      |                                                                                                |                                            |  | √ C C Ca                         |   |
| Matal                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                | <i>mædik<sup>w</sup>ga</i><br>ma <sup>y</sup> dā <sup>y</sup> k <sup>w</sup> ə <sup>w</sup> ga | *ma-dk <sup>w</sup> ga-Ø <sup>y</sup>      |  | *ma-k <sup>w</sup> dka-y         | 1 |
| Glavda                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               | <i>mad<sup>l</sup>k<sup>w</sup>a</i> madāk <sup>w</sup> a                                      | *ma-dk <sup>w</sup> Øa                     |  |                                  | 2 |
|                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      |                                                                                                |                                            |  | √ CaC Ca                         |   |
| Podoko                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               | <i>medek<sup>w</sup>e</i> ma <sup>y</sup> dā <sup>y</sup> k <sup>w</sup> a <sup>y</sup>        | *ma-dāk <sup>w</sup> Øa-Ø <sup>y</sup>     |  |                                  | 3 |
|                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      | <i>medekula</i> ma <sup>y</sup> dā <sup>y</sup> k <sup>w</sup> ə <sup>w</sup> la               | *ma-dāk <sup>w</sup> ØØ-Ø <sup>y</sup> -la |  | *ma-k <sup>w</sup> adka(-y(-ra)) | 4 |
| Dghwede                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              | <i>mat'ak<sup>w</sup>a</i> madāk <sup>w</sup> a                                                | *ma-dāk <sup>w</sup> aØa                   |  |                                  | 5 |
| 1. *k > g; metathesis *k <sup>w</sup> d > dk <sup>w</sup> ; ə-epenthesis; *y > Ø <sup>y</sup> ; +Y: *a > æ; +Y: ə > I; +W: ə > u<br>2. metathesis *k <sup>w</sup> d > dk <sup>w</sup> ; ə-epenthesis<br>3. metathesis *k <sup>w</sup> d > dk <sup>w</sup> ; *y > Ø <sup>y</sup> ; +Y: *a > e<br>4. metathesis *k <sup>w</sup> d > dk <sup>w</sup> ; *y > Ø <sup>y</sup> ; +Y: *a > e; +W: ə > u<br>5. metathesis *k <sup>w</sup> d > dk <sup>w</sup> |                                                                                                |                                            |  |                                  |   |

## MOFU

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|                                                                                      |                                                                                                                |                                                      | √ CaC Ca                   |   |
| Ouldeme                                                                              | <i>medek<sup>w</sup>e</i> ma <sup>y</sup> da <sup>y</sup> k <sup>w</sup> a <sup>y</sup>                        | *ma-dāk <sup>w</sup> Øa-Ø <sup>y</sup>               | *ma-k <sup>w</sup> adka-y  | 1 |
|                                                                                      |                                                                                                                |                                                      | √ C CaCa                   |   |
| Merey                                                                                | <i>kudekudek</i> k <sup>w</sup> a <sup>y</sup> da <sup>y</sup> k <sup>w</sup> a <sup>y</sup> da <sup>y</sup> k | k <sup>w</sup> da-k <sup>w</sup> dakØ-Ø <sup>y</sup> | *RED-k <sup>w</sup> daka-y | 2 |
|                                                                                      |                                                                                                                |                                                      | √ CaCaCa                   |   |
| Merey                                                                                | <i>k<sup>w</sup>edek</i> k <sup>w</sup> a <sup>y</sup> da <sup>y</sup> k                                       | *k <sup>w</sup> adākØ-Ø <sup>y</sup>                 | *k <sup>w</sup> adaka-y    | 3 |
| Gemzek                                                                               | <i>k<sup>w</sup>edek</i> k <sup>w</sup> a <sup>y</sup> da <sup>y</sup> k                                       |                                                      |                            | 3 |
| Mofu North                                                                           | <i>k<sup>w</sup>edek</i> k <sup>w</sup> a <sup>y</sup> da <sup>y</sup> k                                       |                                                      |                            | 3 |
| Mofu-Gudur                                                                           | <i>k<sup>w</sup>edek</i> k <sup>w</sup> a <sup>y</sup> da <sup>y</sup> k                                       |                                                      |                            | 3 |
| 1. metathesis *k <sup>w</sup> d > dk <sup>w</sup> ; *y > Ø <sup>y</sup> ; +Y: *a > e |                                                                                                                |                                                      |                            |   |
| 2. *y > Ø <sup>y</sup> ; +Y: *a > e; +W: ə > u                                       |                                                                                                                |                                                      |                            |   |
| 3. *y > Ø <sup>y</sup> ; +Y: *a > e                                                  |                                                                                                                |                                                      |                            |   |

## MAROUA

|                                     |                                                                          |                                                    |                         |   |
|-------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------|-------------------------|---|
| Giziga-Muturwa                      | <i>k<sup>w</sup>edek</i> k <sup>w</sup> a <sup>ɔ</sup> da <sup>ɔ</sup> k | *k <sup>w</sup> adāk <sup>w</sup> Ø-Ø <sup>y</sup> | *k <sup>w</sup> adāka-y | 1 |
| 1. *y > Ø <sup>y</sup> ; +Y: *a > e |                                                                          |                                                    |                         |   |

## MUSGUM

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| Mulwi                                                                                                                        | <i>muduk<sup>w</sup>ii</i> ma <sup>ɔ</sup> dā <sup>ɔ</sup> k <sup>w</sup> a <sup>ɔ</sup> y | *mØ-dk <sup>w</sup> Øa-y <sup>y</sup> | *ma-k <sup>w</sup> dka-y | 1 |
| Vulum                                                                                                                        | <i>muduk<sup>w</sup>ii</i> ma <sup>ɔ</sup> dā <sup>ɔ</sup> k <sup>w</sup> a <sup>ɔ</sup> y |                                       |                          | 1 |
| 1. metathesis *k <sup>w</sup> d > dk <sup>w</sup> ; +W: ə > u; lexical-final *a > ə; *y > y <sup>y</sup> ; +Y: ə > i; *y > i |                                                                                            |                                       |                          |   |

## white hair

PCC \*(ma-, dā-, RED-) k<sup>w</sup>(a)ra (-RED, -a, -y; FV)

## DABA

|                                                                       |                                                |                                    |                        |                        |   |
|-----------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------|------------------------|------------------------|---|
| Daba                                                                  | <i>huhul</i> xə <sup>ɔ</sup> xə <sup>ɔ</sup> l | *x <sup>w</sup> -x <sup>w</sup> lØ | *RED-x <sup>w</sup> la | *RED-k <sup>w</sup> ra | 1 |
| 1. *r > l; ə-epenthesis; *k <sup>w</sup> > x <sup>w</sup> ; +W: ə > u |                                                |                                    |                        |                        |   |

## MAFA

|           |                                              |                       |                         |                         |   |
|-----------|----------------------------------------------|-----------------------|-------------------------|-------------------------|---|
| Cuvok     | <i>k<sup>w</sup>alay</i> k <sup>w</sup> alay | *k <sup>w</sup> al-ay | *k <sup>w</sup> alØ-a-y | *k <sup>w</sup> ara-a-y | 1 |
| 1. *r > l |                                              |                       |                         |                         |   |

## SUKUR

|                                                  |                                                      |                                   |                      |   |
|--------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------|----------------------|---|
| Sukur                                            | <i>k<sup>w</sup>ir</i> k <sup>w</sup> ə <sup>r</sup> | *k <sup>w</sup> rØ-Ø <sup>y</sup> | *k <sup>w</sup> ra-y | 1 |
| 1. ə-epenthesis; *y > Ø <sup>y</sup> ; +Y: ə > i |                                                      |                                   |                      |   |

## HURZA

|       |                                                                   |                        |                           |                               |   |
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| Mbuko | <i>dəduk<sup>w</sup>ar</i><br>dədā <sup>ɔ</sup> k <sup>w</sup> ar | *dd-k <sup>w</sup> arØ | *mØ-dØ-k <sup>w</sup> arØ | *ma-dā-/da-k <sup>w</sup> ara | 1 |
|       | <i>dədukwar</i><br>dədā <sup>ɔ</sup> k <sup>w</sup> ar            | *dd-k <sup>w</sup> arØ | *mØ-dØ-k <sup>w</sup> arØ |                               | 2 |
| Vame  | <i>ak<sup>w</sup>ar</i> ak <sup>w</sup> ar                        | *Øa-k <sup>w</sup> arØ | *dā-k <sup>w</sup> ara    |                               |   |

1. assimilation \*m &gt; d/\_d; ə-epenthesis; +W: ə &gt; u

2. assimilation \*m &gt; d/\_d; ə-epenthesis; +W: ə &gt; u

## MANDARA

|         |                                                                            |                                     |                        |                            |   |
|---------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------|------------------------|----------------------------|---|
| Podoko  | <i>kulala</i> k <sup>w</sup> a <sup>ɔ</sup> lala                           | *k <sup>w</sup> la-la               | *k <sup>w</sup> la-RED | *k <sup>w</sup> ra-ya/-RED | 1 |
| Mandara | <i>kuliye</i> k <sup>w</sup> a <sup>ɔ</sup> lā <sup>y</sup> a <sup>ɔ</sup> | *k <sup>w</sup> lØ-y <sup>y</sup> a | *k <sup>w</sup> la-ya  |                            | 2 |

1. \*r &gt; l; ə-epenthesis; +W: ə &gt; u

2. \*r > l; ə-epenthesis; +W: ə > u; \*y > y<sup>y</sup>; +Y: ə > i; +Y: FV \*a > e

## MOFU

|                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    |                                                                  |                                      |                                      |                                  |   |
|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--------------------------------------|----------------------------------|---|
|                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    |                                                                  |                                      |                                      | √ C Ca                           |   |
| Moloko                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             | <i>dak<sup>w</sup>əl</i>                                         | *dā-k <sup>w</sup> lØ                |                                      | *dā-k <sup>w</sup> ra            | 1 |
| Zulgo                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              | <i>akul ak<sup>w</sup>əl</i>                                     | *Øa-k <sup>w</sup> l                 | *dā-k <sup>w</sup> lØ                |                                  | 2 |
|                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    |                                                                  |                                      |                                      | √ C CaCa                         |   |
| Mofu-Gudur                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         | <i>eg<sup>w</sup>el a<sup>y</sup>g<sup>w</sup>a<sup>y</sup>l</i> | *Øa-g <sup>w</sup> al-Ø <sup>y</sup> | *dā-g <sup>w</sup> alØ-y             |                                  | 3 |
| Muyang                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             | <i>ak<sup>w</sup>al</i>                                          | *Øa-k <sup>w</sup> al                | *dā-k <sup>w</sup> alØ               |                                  | 4 |
| Gemzek                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             | <i>ak<sup>w</sup>al</i>                                          |                                      |                                      |                                  | 4 |
| Mada                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               | <i>akk<sup>w</sup>al akk<sup>w</sup>al</i>                       | *Øa-k-k <sup>w</sup> al              | *ma-dØ-k <sup>w</sup> alØ            | * (ma-)dā-k <sup>w</sup> ara(-y) | 5 |
| Merey                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              | <i>madak<sup>w</sup>al<br/>madak<sup>w</sup>al</i>               | *ma-dā-k <sup>w</sup> al             | *ma-dā-k <sup>w</sup> alØ            |                                  | 4 |
| Dugwor                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             | <i>madakol<br/>madak<sup>w</sup>a<sup>w</sup>l</i>               |                                      |                                      |                                  | 6 |
| 1. *r > l; ə-epenthesis<br>2. *r > l; ə-epenthesis; +W: ə > u<br>3. *r > l; *k <sup>w</sup> > g <sup>w</sup> ; *y > Ø <sup>y</sup> ; +Y: *a > e<br>4. *r > l<br>5. *r > l; assimilation dk <sup>w</sup> > kk <sup>w</sup><br>6. *r > l; +W: *a > o |                                                                  |                                      |                                      |                                  |   |
| MAROUA                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             |                                                                  |                                      |                                      |                                  |   |
| Giziga-Muturwa                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     | <i>hol x<sup>w</sup>a<sup>w</sup>l</i>                           | *x <sup>w</sup> alØ                  |                                      | * (ma-)k <sup>w</sup> ara        | 1 |
| Giziga-Marva                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       | <i>anhol a<sup>n</sup>x<sup>w</sup>a<sup>w</sup>l</i>            | *Ø <sup>n</sup> a-x <sup>w</sup> al  | *m <sup>n</sup> a-x <sup>w</sup> alØ |                                  | 2 |
| 1. *k <sup>w</sup> > x <sup>w</sup> ; *r > l; +W: *a > o<br>2. *k <sup>w</sup> > x <sup>w</sup> ; *r > l; +W: *a > o; *m > Ø <sup>n</sup> ; +N: x <sup>w</sup> > <sup>n</sup> x <sup>w</sup>                                                       |                                                                  |                                      |                                      |                                  |   |

wind, cold (season); breath/life

PCC \*(ma-) s(a)m(a)ɗa<sup>158</sup> (-a, -y, -k<sup>w</sup>, -n; FV)

## BATA

|                                                                                                            |                                             |                          |              |                     |   |
|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------|--------------------------|--------------|---------------------|---|
| Gude                                                                                                       | <i>məɗa</i>                                 | *mɗa                     | *Ømɗa        | * (ma-)smɗa(-y, -n) | 1 |
| Jimi                                                                                                       | <i><sup>m</sup>bidən mbə<sup>y</sup>ɗən</i> | *m-bɗa-Ø <sup>y</sup> -n | *mØ-Øbɗa-y-n |                     | 2 |
| 1. ə-epenthesis<br>2. dissimilation *m > b/mX <sub>-</sub> ; ə-epenthesis; *y > Ø <sup>y</sup> ; +Y: ə > i |                                             |                          |              |                     |   |

## DABA

|                                                  |                            |                    |         |          |   |
|--------------------------------------------------|----------------------------|--------------------|---------|----------|---|
|                                                  |                            |                    |         | √ C C Ca |   |
| Gavar                                            | <i>mid mə<sup>y</sup>ɗ</i> | *mɗ-Ø <sup>y</sup> | *ØmɗØ-y | *smɗa-y  | 1 |
| Daba                                             | <i>mid mə<sup>y</sup>ɗ</i> |                    |         |          | 1 |
|                                                  |                            |                    |         | √ C CaCa |   |
| Buwal                                            | <i>mad</i>                 | *mad               | *ØmadØ  | *smaɗa   |   |
| Mbudum                                           | <i>mad</i>                 |                    |         |          |   |
| 1. ə-epenthesis; *y > Ø <sup>y</sup> ; +Y: ə > i |                            |                    |         |          |   |

<sup>158</sup> For this root, it is currently not clear whether to best reconstruct \*/x/ or \*/s/ as initial consonant for PCC. (See a comparable case regarding the medial consonant of the root for ‘mouse<sub>i</sub>’.) Both consonants tend to form sets of sound correspondences beyond Buduma (KOTOKO-ISLAND), where the s : x correspondence is well established. The regularities and patterns of distribution of this correspondence across CC are not yet fully understood.

## MAFA

|                                    |                         |                        |             |             |   |
|------------------------------------|-------------------------|------------------------|-------------|-------------|---|
| Cuvok                              | <i>memed</i> ma'yma'yd' | *ma-mad-Ø <sup>y</sup> | *ma-ØmadØ-y | *ma-smadā-y | 1 |
| 1. *y > Ø <sup>y</sup> ; +Y: a > e |                         |                        |             |             |   |

## SUKUR

|                                                  |                   |                    |         |         |   |
|--------------------------------------------------|-------------------|--------------------|---------|---------|---|
| Sukur                                            | <i>mid</i> mə'yd' | *md-Ø <sup>y</sup> | *ØmdØ-y | *smdā-y | 1 |
| 1. ə-epenthesis; *y > Ø <sup>y</sup> ; +Y: ə > i |                   |                    |         |         |   |

## HURZA

|                                                                                                        |                                                 |                                     |                        |          |   |
|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------|------------------------|----------|---|
| Mbuko                                                                                                  | <i>mad</i>                                      | *mad                                | *ØmadØ                 | *smadā-y |   |
| Vame                                                                                                   | <i>həmadē</i> xəmadā <sup>y</sup>               | *xmadā-Ø <sup>y</sup>               | *xmadā-y               |          | 1 |
| Ndreme                                                                                                 | <i>humadē</i> xə <sup>w</sup> madā <sup>y</sup> | *x <sup>w</sup> madā-Ø <sup>y</sup> | *x <sup>w</sup> madā-y |          | 2 |
| 1. *s > x; ə-epenthesis; *y > Ø <sup>y</sup> ; +Y: lexical-final *a > e                                |                                                 |                                     |                        |          |   |
| 2. *s (> x) > x <sup>w</sup> ; ə-epenthesis; +W: ə > u; *y > Ø <sup>y</sup> ; +Y: lexical-final *a > E |                                                 |                                     |                        |          |   |

## MARGI

|                                                                                                                                       |                                                       |                                       |                                        |                          |   |
|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------|----------------------------------------|--------------------------|---|
|                                                                                                                                       |                                                       |                                       |                                        | √ C CaCa                 |   |
| Margi-South                                                                                                                           | yə <sup>m</sup> badū yə <sup>m</sup> badw             | *Ø <sup>n</sup> -ybad-w               | *m <sup>n</sup> Ø-ybadØ-k <sup>w</sup> | *ma-smadā-k <sup>w</sup> | 1 |
|                                                                                                                                       |                                                       |                                       |                                        | √ CaCaCa                 |   |
| Bura                                                                                                                                  | fa <sup>m</sup> bar s <sup>y</sup> a <sup>m</sup> bar | *Ø <sup>n</sup> -sabar-Ø <sup>y</sup> | *m <sup>n</sup> Ø-sabarØ-y             | *(ma-)samadā<br>(-y)     | 2 |
| Margi                                                                                                                                 | yamadā                                                | *yamadā                               | *samadā                                |                          | 3 |
| 1. *s > y; dissimilation *m > b/mX <sub>-</sub> ; *m > m <sup>n</sup> ; +N: b > <sup>m</sup> b; *k <sup>w</sup> > w > u; ə-epenthesis |                                                       |                                       |                                        |                          |   |
| 2. dissimilation *m > b/mX <sub>-</sub> ; *m > m <sup>n</sup> ; +N: b > <sup>m</sup> b; *d > r; *y > Ø <sup>y</sup> ; +Y: *s > f      |                                                       |                                       |                                        |                          |   |
| 3. *s > y; lexical-final *a > ə                                                                                                       |                                                       |                                       |                                        |                          |   |

## MOFU

|            |                                                            |                                               |                                                |                 |   |
|------------|------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------|-----------------|---|
|            |                                                            |                                               |                                                | √ C C Ca        |   |
| Zulgo      | <i>hi<sup>m</sup>bid</i> xə <sup>m</sup> bə <sup>y</sup> d | *Ø <sup>n</sup> -x <b>b</b> d-Ø <sup>y</sup>  | *m <sup>n</sup> Ø-x <sup>m</sup> <b>b</b> dØ-y | *ma-smdā-y      | 1 |
| Mofu North | <i>meməd</i> ma <sup>y</sup> məd                           | *ma-md-Ø <sup>y</sup>                         | *ma-ØmdØ-y                                     |                 | 2 |
|            |                                                            |                                               |                                                | √ C CaCa        |   |
| Moloko     | <i>həmad</i>                                               | *x <b>m</b> ad                                | *x <b>m</b> adØ                                | *(ma-)smadā(-y) | 3 |
| Dugwor     | <i>həmed</i> xəma <sup>y</sup> d                           | *x <b>m</b> ad-Ø <sup>y</sup>                 | *x <b>m</b> adØ-y                              |                 | 4 |
| Gemzek     | <i>hə<sup>m</sup>bed</i> xə <sup>m</sup> ba <sup>y</sup> d | *Ø <sup>n</sup> -x <b>b</b> ad-Ø <sup>y</sup> | *ma-x <b>b</b> adØ-y                           |                 | 5 |
| Mofu-Gudur | <i>memed</i> ma <sup>y</sup> ma <sup>y</sup> d             | *ma-mad-Ø <sup>y</sup>                        | *ma-ØmadØ-y                                    |                 | 6 |
|            |                                                            |                                               |                                                | √ CaC Ca        |   |
| Muyang     | <i>aməd</i>                                                | *am <b>d</b>                                  | *ØamdØ                                         | *sam <b>d</b> ā | 7 |
|            |                                                            |                                               |                                                | √ CaCaCa        |   |
| Ouldeme    | <i>amad</i>                                                | *am <b>a</b> d                                | *ØamadØ                                        | *samadā         |   |
| Mada       | <i>amad</i>                                                |                                               |                                                |                 |   |

1. \*s > x; \*m > m<sup>n</sup>; +N: b > <sup>m</sup>b; ə-epenthesis; \*y > Ø<sup>y</sup>; +Y: ə > i

2. ə-epenthesis; \*y > Ø<sup>y</sup>; +Y: a > e

3. \*s > x; ə-epenthesis

4. \*s > x; ə-epenthesis; \*y > Ø<sup>y</sup>; +Y: a > e

5. \*s > x; radical \*m > b (dissimilation); prefixal \*m > Ø<sup>n</sup>; +N: b > <sup>m</sup>b; ə-epenthesis; \*y > Ø<sup>y</sup>; +Y: a > e

6. \*y > Ø<sup>y</sup>; +Y: a > e

7. ə-epenthesis

## MAROUA

|                                                          |                           |           |           |          |   |
|----------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------|-----------|-----------|----------|---|
|                                                          |                           |           |           | √ C C Ca |   |
| Giziga-Muturwa                                           | <i>himid(i)</i> xə'mə'dy  | *xmd-yʷ   | *xmdØ-y   | *smdā-y  | 1 |
|                                                          |                           |           |           | √ C CaCa |   |
| Giziga-Marva                                             | <i>himed'</i> xə'ma'd'    | *xmad-Øʷ  | *xmadØ-y  | *smaḍā-y | 2 |
| Mbazla                                                   | <i>simed'</i> sə'ma'd'    | *smaḍ-Øʷ  | *smaḍØ-y  |          | 3 |
|                                                          | <i>tjimed'</i> ts'ə'ma'd' | *tsmaḍ-Øʷ | *tsmaḍØ-y |          | 4 |
| 1. *s > x; ə-epenthesis; +Y: ə > i; *y > i               |                           |           |           |          |   |
| 2. *s > x; ə-epenthesis; *y > Øʷ; +Y: ə > i; +Y: *a > e  |                           |           |           |          |   |
| 3. ə-epenthesis; *y > Øʷ; +Y: ə > i; +Y: *a > e          |                           |           |           |          |   |
| 4. *s > ts; ə-epenthesis; *y > Øʷ; +Y: ə > i; +Y: *a > e |                           |           |           |          |   |

## LAMANG

|                                         |               |          |            |                            |   |
|-----------------------------------------|---------------|----------|------------|----------------------------|---|
| Lamang                                  | <i>safaka</i> | *safa-ka | *safaØØ-ka | *samada-k <sup>w</sup> (a) | 1 |
| Hdi                                     | <i>falak</i>  | *fala-k  | *ØØfala-k  |                            | 2 |
| 1. *m > f; *k <sup>w</sup> > k          |               |          |            |                            |   |
| 2. *m > f; *d' > l; *k <sup>w</sup> > k |               |          |            |                            |   |

## KOTOKO-ISLAND

|                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          |                           |                         |                          | √ CaC Ca  |   |
|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------|-------------------------|--------------------------|-----------|---|
| Buduma                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   | <i>ha<sup>m</sup>bəḍā</i> | *Ø <sup>n</sup> -xabḍā  | *m <sup>n</sup> Ø-xabḍā  | *ma-samḍā | 1 |
|                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          |                           |                         |                          | √ CaCaCa  |   |
|                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          | <i>ha<sup>m</sup>badə</i> | *Ø <sup>n</sup> -xabadā | *m <sup>n</sup> Ø-xabadā | *samaḍā   | 2 |
| 1. *s > x; radical *m > b (dissimilation); prefixal *m > m <sup>n</sup> ; +N: b > <sup>m</sup> b; ə-epenthesis<br>2. *s > x; radical *m > b (dissimilation); prefixal *m > m <sup>n</sup> ; +N: b > <sup>m</sup> b; lexical-final *a > ə |                           |                         |                          |           |   |

## KOTOKO-NORTH

|                                                                                      |                           |               |             |           |   |
|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------|---------------|-------------|-----------|---|
|                                                                                      |                           |               |             | √ C CaCa  |   |
| Mpade                                                                                | <i>simadī</i> səʷmadōʷ    | *smaḍā-Øʷ     | *smaḍā-y    | *smaḍā-y  | 1 |
|                                                                                      |                           |               |             | √ CaCaCa  |   |
| Afade                                                                                | <i>semadē</i> saʷmadaʷ    | *samada-Øʷ    | *samada-y   | *samada-y | 2 |
| Malgbe                                                                               | <i>tʃʷamare</i> tsʷamaraʷ | *tsamaØʷra-Øʷ | *tsamaʔra-y |           | 3 |
| 1. ə-epenthesis; lexical-final *a > ə; *y > Øʷ; +Y: ə > i                            |                           |               |             |           |   |
| 2. *y > Øʷ; +Y: *a > e                                                               |                           |               |             |           |   |
| 3. *s > ts; re-segmentalisation *dʷ > ʔ+r; ʔ > Øʷ; +ʔ: ts > tsʷ; *y > Øʷ; +Y: *a > e |                           |               |             |           |   |

## KOTOKO-CENTRAL

|        |                        |           |          |          |   |
|--------|------------------------|-----------|----------|----------|---|
| Lagwan | <i>fima</i> sʰəʸma     | *sma-Øʸ   | *smaØØ-y | *smaḍā-y | 1 |
|        | <i>simadī</i> səʰmadəʸ | *smaḍā-Øʸ | *smaḍā-y |          | 2 |
| Mser   | <i>simadī</i> səʰmady  | *smaḍ-yʸ  | *smaḍØ-y |          | 3 |

1. ə-epenthesis; \*y > Øʸ; +Y: \*s > f; +Y: ə > i  
2. ə-epenthesis; lexical-final \*a > ə; \*y > Øʸ; +Y: ə > i  
3. ə-epenthesis; \*y > yʸ > i; +Y: ə > i

## KOTOKO-SOUTH

|                                                                                                       |                                  |                      |           | √ C C Ca  |   |
|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------|----------------------|-----------|-----------|---|
| Mazera                                                                                                | <i>simde</i> sə'mḍə <sup>y</sup> | *smdā-Ø <sup>y</sup> | *smdā-y   | *smdā-y   | 1 |
|                                                                                                       |                                  |                      |           | √ C CaCa  |   |
| Zina                                                                                                  | <i>asmaḍə</i>                    | *Øa-smaḍā            | *ma-smaḍā | *ma-smaḍā | 2 |
| 1. ə-epenthesis; *y > Ø <sup>y</sup> ; +Y: ə > i; +Y: lexical-final *a > e<br>2. lexical-final *a > ə |                                  |                      |           |           |   |

## MUSGUM

|                                                          |                        |            |              |              |   |
|----------------------------------------------------------|------------------------|------------|--------------|--------------|---|
|                                                          |                        |            |              | √ C C Ca     |   |
| Mbara                                                    | <i>sum'day</i> səʷmɗay | *smd-ay-Øʷ | *smdØ-a-y-Øʷ | *smdā-a-y-kʷ | 1 |
|                                                          |                        |            |              | √ C CaCa     |   |
| Muskum                                                   | <i>simet</i> səʷmaʔt   | *smat-Øʷ   | *smatØ-y     | *smadā-y     | 2 |
| Vulum                                                    | <i>simer</i> səʷmaʔr   | *smar-Øʷ   | *smardØ-y    |              | 3 |
| 1. ə-epenthesis; *kʷ > Øʷ; +W: ə > u                     |                        |            |              |              |   |
| 2. *d' > t; ə-epenthesis; *y > Øʷ; +Y: ə > i; +Y: *a > e |                        |            |              |              |   |
| 3. *d' > r; ə-epenthesis; *y > Øʷ; +Y: ə > i; +Y: *a > e |                        |            |              |              |   |

## GIDAR

|                                                                          |                     |        |       |       |   |
|--------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------|--------|-------|-------|---|
| Gidar                                                                    | <i>səmya</i>        | *smya  | *smya | *smdā | 1 |
|                                                                          | <i>simya</i> səʷmya | *smyʷa |       |       | 2 |
| 1. *d' > y; ə-epenthesis<br>2. *d' > y; ə-epenthesis; *y > yʷ; +Y: ə > i |                     |        |       |       |   |

woman, wife

PCC \*(ma-) gʷ(a)sa (-y)

## MAFA

|       |              |         |           |           |   |
|-------|--------------|---------|-----------|-----------|---|
| Mafa  | <i>ŋgʷaz</i> | *ŋ-gʷaz | *mØ-gʷazØ | *ma-gʷasa | 1 |
| Cuvok | <i>ŋgʷaz</i> |         |           |           | 1 |

1. \*s &gt; z; homorganic assimilation \*m &gt; ŋ/\_gʷ

## TERA

|      |                      |           |            |              |   |
|------|----------------------|-----------|------------|--------------|---|
| Tera | <i>nufu</i> nəʷsʷəʷ  | *n-ʷsa-Øʷ | *mØ-Øʷsa-y | *ma-gʷsa(-y) | 1 |
|      | <i>nusu</i> nəʷsəʷ   | *n-ʷsa    | *mØ-Øʷsa   |              | 2 |
|      | <i>noyza</i> nəʷɣʷza | *na-ɣʷza  | *ma-ɣʷza   |              | 3 |

1. \*gʷ &gt; Øʷ; homorganic assimilation \*m &gt; n/\_s; ə-epenthesis; lexical-final \*a &gt; ə; +W: ə &gt; u; \*y &gt; Øʷ; +Y: \*s &gt; ʃ

2. \*gʷ &gt; Øʷ; homorganic assimilation \*m &gt; n/\_s; ə-epenthesis; lexical-final \*a &gt; ə; +W: ə &gt; u

3. \*gʷ &gt; ɣʷ; +W: \*a &gt; o; \*s &gt; z; (analogical?) partial assimilation \*m &gt; n/\_xʷ

## MANDARA

|         |                      |            |            |              |   |
|---------|----------------------|------------|------------|--------------|---|
| Malgwa  | <i>mukse</i> məʷksaʷ | *m-kʷsa-Øʷ | *mØ-kʷsa-y | *ma-gʷsa(-y) | 1 |
| Matal   | <i>mif</i> məʷsʷ     | *m-s-Øʷ    | *mØ-ØsØ-y  |              | 2 |
| Dghwede | <i>nife</i> nəʷsʷaʷ  | *n-sa-Øʷ   | *mØ-Øsa-y  |              | 3 |
| Podoko  | <i>nasa</i>          | *n-sa      | *mØ-Øsa    |              | 4 |
| Glavda  | <i>uu ww</i>         | *w-w       | *wØ-wØØ    |              | 5 |
|         | <i>u:sa wwsa</i>     | *w-wsa     | *wØ-wsa    |              | 5 |

1. ə-epenthesis; \*gʷ &gt; kʷ; +W: ə &gt; u; \*y &gt; Øʷ; +Y: lexical-final \*a &gt; e

2. ə-epenthesis; \*y &gt; Øʷ; +Y: \*s &gt; ʃ; +Y: ə &gt; i

3. ə-epenthesis; \*y &gt; Øʷ; +Y: \*s &gt; ʃ; +Y: ə &gt; i; +Y: lexical-final \*a &gt; e; homorganic assimilation \*m &gt; n/\_s

4. ə-epenthesis; homorganic assimilation \*m &gt; n/\_s

5. \*m &gt; w &gt; u; \*gʷ &gt; w &gt; u

## MOFU

|                                                                                                      |                                                                            |                                     |                                     | √ C Ca                 |   |
|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------|-------------------------------------|------------------------|---|
| Zulgo                                                                                                | <i>məkəs</i>                                                               | *m-ks                               | *mØ-ksØ                             | *ma-g <sup>w</sup> sa  | 1 |
| Mofu-Gudur                                                                                           | <i>ma<sup>g</sup>gusa</i> ma <sup>g</sup> g <sup>w</sup> ə <sup>w</sup> sa | *ma- <sup>g</sup> g <sup>w</sup> sa | *m <sup>a</sup> a-g <sup>w</sup> sa |                        | 2 |
|                                                                                                      |                                                                            |                                     |                                     | √ CaCa                 |   |
| Gemzek                                                                                               | <i>məkəs</i>                                                               | *m-kas                              | *mØ-kasØ                            | *ma-g <sup>w</sup> asa | 1 |
| Merey                                                                                                | <i>ɲgwas</i>                                                               | *ɲ-g <sup>w</sup> as                | *mØ-g <sup>w</sup> asØ              |                        | 3 |
| Mofu North                                                                                           | <i>ɲgwas</i>                                                               |                                     |                                     |                        | 3 |
| Mofu-Gudur                                                                                           | <i>ɲgwas</i>                                                               |                                     |                                     |                        | 3 |
| Dugwor                                                                                               | <i>ɲgwos</i> ɲg <sup>w</sup> a <sup>w</sup> s                              |                                     |                                     |                        | 4 |
| 1. *g <sup>w</sup> (> g) > k; ə-epenthesis                                                           |                                                                            |                                     |                                     |                        |   |
| 2. *m > m <sup>n</sup> ; +N: *g <sup>w</sup> > <sup>g</sup> g <sup>w</sup> ; ə-epenthesis; +W: ə > u |                                                                            |                                     |                                     |                        |   |
| 3. homorganic assimilation *m > ɲ/_g <sup>w</sup>                                                    |                                                                            |                                     |                                     |                        |   |
| 4. homorganic assimilation *m > ɲ/_g <sup>w</sup> ; +W: *a > o                                       |                                                                            |                                     |                                     |                        |   |

## MAROUA

|                                                           |                         |                    |                     |                          |   |
|-----------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------|--------------------|---------------------|--------------------------|---|
| Giziga-Marva                                              | <i>g<sup>w</sup>as</i>  | *g <sup>w</sup> as | *g <sup>w</sup> asØ | *(ma-)g <sup>w</sup> asa |   |
| Mbazla                                                    | <i><sup>g</sup>gasa</i> | *η-gasa            | *mØ-gasa            |                          | 1 |
|                                                           | <i><sup>g</sup>gas</i>  | *η-gasØ            | *mØ-gasØ            |                          | 1 |
| 1. *g <sup>w</sup> > g; homorganic assimilation *m > η/_g |                         |                    |                     |                          |   |

## work(, to)

PCC \*(k<sup>w</sup>a-, ma-) **l(a)na** (-t, -y, -k<sup>w</sup>, -n, -r ; FV)

## BATA

|                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        |                                           |                                                       | √ C Ca                                     |   |
|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------|---|
| Gude                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   | <i>ləna</i>                               | *l <sup>a</sup> na                                    | *l <sup>a</sup> na(-y(-k <sup>w</sup> )-n) | 1 |
|                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        | <i>lənə</i>                               |                                                       |                                            | 2 |
| Sharwa                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 | <i>lən</i>                                | *l <sup>a</sup> nØ                                    |                                            | 1 |
| Jimi                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   | <i>linən lə<sup>n</sup>nən</i>            | *l <sup>a</sup> na-Ø <sup>y</sup> -n                  |                                            | 3 |
| Tsuvan                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 | <i>linikən lə<sup>n</sup>nykən</i>        | *l <sup>a</sup> nØ-y-k-n                              |                                            | 4 |
|                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        |                                           |                                                       | √ CaCa                                     |   |
| Bata                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   | <i>lento la<sup>n</sup>ta<sup>w</sup></i> | *l <sup>a</sup> nØ-Ø <sup>y</sup> -t-Ø <sup>w</sup> a | *l <sup>a</sup> na-y-t-k <sup>w</sup> a    | 5 |
| 1. ə-epenthesis<br>2. ə-epenthesis; lexical-final *a > ə<br>3. ə-epenthesis; *y > Ø <sup>y</sup> ; +Y: ə > i; lexical-final *a > ə<br>4. ə-epenthesis; *k <sup>w</sup> > k; +Y: ə > i; *y > i<br>5. *y > Ø <sup>y</sup> ; +Y: *a > e; *k <sup>w</sup> > Ø <sup>w</sup> ; +W: FV *a > o |                                           |                                                       |                                            |   |

## DABA

|                                                                 |            |                      | √ C Ca             |   |
|-----------------------------------------------------------------|------------|----------------------|--------------------|---|
| Gavar                                                           | <i>lən</i> | *l <sup>a</sup> nØ   | *l <sup>a</sup> na | 1 |
|                                                                 |            |                      | √ CaCa             |   |
| Buwal                                                           | <i>lən</i> | *l <sup>a</sup> nanØ | *l <sup>a</sup> na | 2 |
| 1. *l > l <sup>a</sup> ; ə-epenthesis<br>2. *l > l <sup>a</sup> |            |                      |                    |   |

## TERA

|                 |             |                    |                    |   |
|-----------------|-------------|--------------------|--------------------|---|
| Tera            | <i>lənə</i> | *l <sup>a</sup> na | *l <sup>a</sup> na | 1 |
| 1. ə-epenthesis |             |                    |                    |   |

## SUKUR

|                         |            |      |      |   |
|-------------------------|------------|------|------|---|
| Sukur                   | <i>ʁən</i> | *ʁnØ | *ɪna | 1 |
| 1. *ɪ > ʁ; ə-epenthesis |            |      |      |   |

## HURZA

|                         |             |          |          |   |
|-------------------------|-------------|----------|----------|---|
|                         |             |          | √ C Ca   |   |
| Vame                    | <i>lɔra</i> | *ɪra     | *ɪna     | 1 |
|                         |             |          | √ CaCa   |   |
| Mbuko                   | <i>alan</i> | *Øa-lanØ | *ma-lana |   |
| 1. *n > r; ə-epenthesis |             |          |          |   |

## MARGI

|                                                                               |                      |                      |                             |            |
|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------|----------------------|-----------------------------|------------|
| Margi                                                                         | <i>lɔr</i>           | *ɪrØ                 | *(k <sup>w</sup> a-)ɪna(-y) | 1          |
| Kilba                                                                         | <i>lɔra</i>          | *ɪra                 |                             | 1          |
| Bura                                                                          | <i>kilɪr</i> kəʔləʔr | *k-lr-Ø <sup>y</sup> |                             | *kØ-lr-Ø-y |
| 1. *n > r; ə-epenthesis                                                       |                      |                      |                             |            |
| 2. *n > r; *k <sup>w</sup> > k; ə-epenthesis; *y > Ø <sup>y</sup> ; +Y: ə > i |                      |                      |                             |            |

## MANDARA

|                         |                   |         |            |   |
|-------------------------|-------------------|---------|------------|---|
| Matal                   | <i>ʔray</i>       | *ɪrØ-ay | *ɪna(-a-y) | 1 |
| Podoko                  | <i>lɔra</i>       | *ɪra    |            |   |
| Malgwa                  | <i>θlɔra lɔra</i> |         |            | 1 |
| Dghwede                 | <i>lɔra</i>       |         |            | 1 |
| Glavda                  | <i>ɪra ɪra</i>    |         |            | 2 |
|                         | <i>lɔ lɔ</i>      | *ɪØa    |            | 3 |
| 1. *n > r; ə-epenthesis |                   |         |            |   |
| 2. *n > r               |                   |         |            |   |
| 3. lexical-final *a > ə |                   |         |            |   |

## MOFU

|            |                        |            |           |                  |   |
|------------|------------------------|------------|-----------|------------------|---|
| Mofu-Gudur | <i>lɔra</i>            | *ɪra       |           | *(ma-)ɪna(-y-ra) | 1 |
| Ouldeme    | <i>alɔr</i>            | *Øa-lr     | *ma-lrØ   |                  | 1 |
| Gemzek     | <i>mɔlɔr</i>           | *ma-lrØ    |           |                  | 1 |
| Dugwor     | <i>mɔlɔr</i>           |            |           |                  | 1 |
| Merey      | <i>mɔlɔr</i>           |            |           |                  | 1 |
| Moloko     | <i>lɔrele lɔraʔlaʔ</i> | *ɪra-Øʏ-la | *ɪra-y-la |                  | 2 |

1. \*n > r; ə-epenthesis

2. \*n > r; ə-epenthesis; \*y > Øʏ; +Y: \*a > e

## MAROUA

|                                             |                   |         |        |          |   |
|---------------------------------------------|-------------------|---------|--------|----------|---|
| Giziga-Muturwa                              | <i>lra</i>        | *lra    |        | *lra(-y) | 1 |
| Giziga-Marva                                | <i>lira ləʔra</i> | *lra-Øʏ | *lra-y |          | 2 |
| 1. *n > r; ə-epenthesis                     |                   |         |        |          |   |
| 2. *n > r; ə-epenthesis; *y > Øʏ; +Y: ə > i |                   |         |        |          |   |

## LAMANG

|                 |             |      |      |   |
|-----------------|-------------|------|------|---|
| Lamang          | <i>lɔna</i> | *ɪna | *ɪna | 1 |
| Hdi             | <i>lɔna</i> |      |      | 1 |
| 1. ə-epenthesis |             |      |      |   |



|                                                                                      |                  |                           |                 |   |
|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------|---------------------------|-----------------|---|
| H1G1                                                                                 |                  |                           |                 |   |
| Kamwe-Nkafa                                                                          | <i>lənə</i>      | <i>*lna</i>               | <i>*lna(-y)</i> | 1 |
| Kirya                                                                                | <i>lənə</i>      |                           |                 | 1 |
| Psikye                                                                               | <i>lənə</i>      |                           |                 | 1 |
| Kamwe-Futu                                                                           | <i>linə</i>      | <i>*lna-Ø<sup>y</sup></i> |                 | 2 |
| Bana                                                                                 | <i>ləni ləny</i> | <i>*lnØ-y</i>             |                 | 3 |
| 1. ə-epenthesis; lexical-final <i>*a</i> > ə                                         |                  |                           |                 |   |
| 2. ə-epenthesis; <i>*y</i> > Ø <sup>y</sup> ; +Y: ə > i; lexical-final <i>*a</i> > ə |                  |                           |                 |   |
| 3. ə-epenthesis; <i>*y</i> > i                                                       |                  |                           |                 |   |