

English ‘Martha dressed.’ or can be translated as ‘wear’ as in ‘Martha wore (something unspecified).’ These two are illustrated below:

- A3) a. marta tə-xədinn-a PASS-STRATEGY
 Martha PASS-dressed-3f.sg.S
 ‘Martha dressed.’
- b. marta s’ɨbux’ kɨdan tə-xədinna
 Martha nice dress PASS-dressed-3f.sg.S
 ‘Martha dressed a nice dress/cloth.’

Thus, the Tigrinya verb ‘dress’ is complex in that, it behaves either as a typical transitive verb as in English (e.g., Martha dressed in a beautiful sweater.) or like ‘wear or cover’ that cannot take a reflexive pronoun object as shown below:

- A3) a. *marta ɕars-a xədinn-a
 Martha self-her dressed-3f.sg.S
 ‘Martha dressed herself/Martha covered herself.’ (cf. *Martha always wore herself.)
- b. *marta (nɨ-)ɕarsa xədinn-a
 Martha (to-)self-her dressed-3f.sg.S
- c. marta (nɨ-)ɕars-a tə-xədinn-a
 Martha (to-)self-her PASS-dressed-3f.sg.S

Tigrinya uses a verbal reflexive strategy with the other verbs of grooming. Verbal reflexives in Tigrinya take different reduplicative forms and morphosyntactic markers, namely, the passive marker *tə-* to encode reflexivity with self-grooming verbs. Consider the following:

- A2) a. joni tə-ɨas’ib-u Object-Null-STRATEGY
 John PASS-washed-3m.sg.SM
 ‘John washed himself.’
- b. joni tə-las’ɨyy-u
 John PASS-shaved-3m.sg.SM
 ‘John shaved himself.’

Here since the same passive marker is employed, the reflexive verb may also have a passive interpretation (e.g., John was shaved (by a barber) or washed (by his mother)). Nevertheless, with these verbs (‘bathe’ and ‘shave’) whose action normally affects body parts, the preferred reading is that of reflexive. Note that in Tigrinya the reflexive reading is not possible with the present tense/imperfective aspect, such as, “washes”.

- c. meri tə-s’ahgig-a/?id-a tə-ɨarid-a Object-Null-STRATEGY
 Mary PASS-cut-3m.sg.SM/hand PASS-cut.f.sg.SM
 ‘Mary cut herself/Mary cut her finger herself [accidentally]’
- d. joni ɨafir-u/ɨanix-u Object-Null-STRATEGY
 John ashamed-3m.sg.SM

- ‘John is ashamed of himself.’¹
- e. joni (nɪ-)ɕars-u ʔa-ɕəntɪ-u/ʔa-bris-u (n-)ɕars-STRATEGY
 John (to-)self-his CAUS-destroyed-3m.sg.SM
 ‘John destroyed himself.’
 joni nɪ-baɕl-u ʔə-ɕntɪ-u/ʔa-bris-u baɕl-STRATEGY
 John to-self-his CAUS-destroyed-3m.sg.SM
 ‘John destroyed himself.’
- f. (nɪɦna) nɪɕarsna nɪ-s'əhɪɕ (n-)ɕars-STRATEGY
 (nɪɦna) nɪ-ɕars-na nɪ-s'əhɪɕ
 we (to-)self-our 1pl.SM-hate
 ‘We hate ourselves.’
 (nɪɦna) nɪ-baɕl-na nɪ-s'əhɪɕ baɕl-STRATEGY
 we to-self-our 1pl.SM-hate
 ‘We hate ourselves.’
- g. (nɪsatom) nɪ-ɕars-atom yə-mogɪss-u (n-)ɕars-STRATEGY
 they (to-)self-their 3m.pl.SM-praise
 ‘They praise themselves.’
 (nɪsatom) nɪ-baɕl-atom yə-mogɪss-u baɕl-STRATEGY
 they to-self-their 3m.pl.SM-praise
 ‘They praise themselves.’

The above inventory of strategies is fully employed in the illustrative examples above.

2.1.4 Obliques and other argument types - Many languages use a different coreference strategy for oblique arguments. In Tigrinya, two different coreference strategies are employed for oblique arguments. These strategies referred to here as CAUS(ATIVE)/PASS(IVE)-STRATEGY and PP-*bizaɕba*-STRATEGY. Since Tigrinya, apart from the semantic restriction being employed as in English, doesn't seem to have a double object construction, (A3e) is ungrammatical as well.

- A3) a. joni nɪ-meri ʔa/tə-zarib-uww-a CAUS/PASS-STRATEGY
 John to-Mary CAUS/PASS-spoke-3m.sg.SM-3f.sg.OM
 ‘John spoke to Mary.’ Or ‘John made Mary to speak.’
- b. joni bɪzaɕba (ɕars)-u tə-zaribu PP-bɪzaɕba-STRATEGY
 John about self-his PASS-spoke-3m.sg.SM
 ‘John spoke about himself.’ (subject/PP argument)

¹ It is also possible to use the PASS-Reflexive or CAUS-Reflexive strategy combined with the *baɕl*/*ɕars*-strategy to encode reflexive meaning with a different verb root that has the same meaning ‘ashamed of’ as shown below:

- (i) joni (bəɕarsu/bəɕalu) təwarridu PASS-STRATEGY
 joni (bə-ɕars-u/baɕl-u) tə-warrid-u
 John by-self-his/self-his PASS-ashamed-3m.sg.SM
 ‘John is ashamed of himself.’
- (ii) joni (nɪɕarsu/nɪbaɕlu) ʔawarridu CAUS-STRATEGY
 joni (nɪ-ɕars-u/nɪbaɕl-u) ʔa-warrid-u
 John by-self-his/self-his CAUS-ashamed-3m.sg.SM
 ‘John is ashamed of himself.’

- c. joni n̄-meri b̄zaʕba (ʕars)-u nəggir-u-wwa PP-b̄zaʕba STRATEGY
 John to-Mary about self-histold-3m.sg.SM-3f.sg.OM
 ‘John told Mary about himself.’ (same, with intervening NP)
- d. joni (n̄ʕa-na) b̄zaʕba-na/b̄zaʕba (ʕars)-na nəggir-u-nna PP-b̄zaʕba- STRATEGY
 John (to-us) about-us/about self-us told-3m.sg.SM-1pl.OM
 ‘John told us about ourselves.’ (object/argument)
- e. *meri (n)ə-t-om k’olʕu (n̄-)baʕl-atom/-ʕars-atom hib-a-ttom
 Mery to-D-m.pl child.pl (to-)self-them/-self-them ʕave-3f.sg.SM-3m.pl.OM
 *Mary gave the children themselves. (ind.object/object) n-baʕl-/ʕars-STRATEGY
- f. meri ʔab-diḥriʔ-ə (z̄t-nəbər-ə) məsʕhaf riʔ-a
 Mary at-behind-her REL-was-3m.sg book saw-3f.sg.SM
 ‘Mary saw a book behind her.’ (subject/locative)
- g. joni (n)əti məsʕhaf n̄-baʕlu/n̄-ʕarsu gəziʔuwwo n-baʕl-/ʕars-STRATEGY
 joni (n)ə-t-i məsʕhaf (n̄-)baʕl-u/-ʕars-u gəziʔ-u-wwo
 John to-D-m.sg book (to-)self-his/-self-his bought-3m.sg.SM-3m.sg.OM
 ‘John bought the book for himself.’ (benefactive)

Tigrinya does not use the reflexive strategy, with things like experiencer-subject verbs, non-nominative subjects, etc., that exhibit unusual argument structures in many languages, except with the verb ‘like’ as in (A4a). With verbs like ‘scare’ or ‘worry’ Tigrinya doesn’t seem to make use of any reflexive strategies with all persons.

- A4) a. eta n̄-baʕl-a/(n̄-)ʕars-a t̄t-fətt-u
 Etta to-self-her/(to-)self-her 3f.sg.SM-like-sg.SM
 ‘Etta likes herself.’
- b. ?* eta n̄-baʕl-a/(n̄-)ʕars-a t̄t-fəriḥ
 Etta to-self-her/(to-)self-her 3f.sg.SM-scare
 Int. ‘Etta scares herself.’
- c. ?* eta n̄-baʕl-a/(n̄-)ʕars-a t̄t-tʃ’inəx
 Etta to-self-her/(to-)self-her 3f.sg.SM-worries
 Int. ‘Etta worries herself.’

2.1.5 Person and number - Some languages use different strategies depending on person or number. In Tigrinya, the same strategies mentioned above are used with all persons and numbers as the following examples illustrate:

- A5) a. n̄-baʕl-əy/(n̄-)ʕars-əyriʔ-ə
 to-self-me/(to-)self-me saw-1sg.SM
 ‘I saw myself.’
- b. n̄-baʕl-xa/(n̄-)ʕars-xak’oris’-ka/ḥarid-ka
 to-self-your/(to-)self-your cut-3m.sg.SM
 ‘You cut yourself [accidentally].’
- c. (n̄-)baʕl-na/(n̄-)ʕars-na k̄t-n-ḥas’ḥb-i-nna

- (to-)self-our/(to-)self-our FUT-1pl.SM-wash-be-1pl.SM
 ‘We will wash ourselves.’
- d. nɪ-baʕl-xum/(nɪ-)ʕars-xum ɧargz-u
 to-self-your.m.pl/(to-)self-your.m.pl help-2m.pl.SM
 ‘You must help yourselves.’

Tigrinya is both a subject and an object drop language with affixes coreferencing both the subject and the object always being indicated on the verb; but as long as the use of reflexives is concerned, there is some variation. The optionality of reflexive pronouns sometimes gives rise to a different interpretation. For instance, in (A5a), if we drop the reflexive pronoun the interpretation becomes “I saw” and the same is true with the other constructions. This could, however, be unsurprising given the pro-drop nature of Tigrinya. Note also that while the same common (nɪ-)baʕlu/(nɪ-)ʕarsu STRATEGIES with optional (n-) mentioned above are used with all persons and numbers, there is a strong preference towards avoiding (n-) with the ‘wash’ verb type in (A5c) altogether.

2.1.6 Strategies for other clausemate environments -

(a) Is there any strategy which is only possible with some special aspectual class of a verb?

It’s not entirely clear to me but Tigrinya does not allow reflexives in the imperfective aspect with verbs like “know” as the following example illustrates:

- A6a) * peter nɪbaʕlu/nɪʕarsu yɪfəlɪt'
 Peter nɪ-baʕl-u /(nɪ-)ʕarsu yɪ-fəlɪt'
 Peter to-self-his /(to-)self 3m.sg.SM-knows
 ‘Peter knows himself.’

Also, the reflexive strategies used to mark these verbs is the same except that the verbs take a causative-form. Note that the CAUS marker (ʔa-) often doesn’t appear on the surface for phonological reasons (e.g., haplology).

- b) peter (kuluʔaʕ) nɪ-baʕl-u/(nɪ-)ʕars-u yɪ-nək'ɪf
 peter (habitually) to-self-his/(to-)self-his 3m.sg.SM.CAUS-criticize
 ‘Peter (habitually) criticizes himself.’
- c) peter (nɪ-)baʕl-u/(nɪ-)ʕars-u z-ə-mogɪs kɪxəwɪn yɪ-xʔɪl
 peter (to-)self-his/(to-)self-his REL-3m.sg.SM.CAUS-prise likely 3m.sg.SM-can
 ‘Peter is likely to praise himself.’

(b) Do quantificational constructions involve a separate strategy? No, not in Tigrinya; as we can see from the following examples, the (nɪ-)baʕl-/ʕars-strategy which is independently used or combined with the PASS/CAUS-strategies is commonly employed with verbs such as ‘look at, help, introduce to’ but not with verbs such as ‘describe to.’

- A7a) ɧɪdɪɪd kolʕa nɪ-baʕl-u/(nɪ-)ʕars-u riʔ-ɪ
 every child to-self-his/(to-)self-his saw-3m.sg.SM
 ‘Every boy looked at himself.’

baʕl/ʕars-STRATEGY

- b) ?* kullən ʔit-ən ʔansti n̄t-joni n̄t-baʕlat-ən/n̄t-ʕarsat-ən gəlis'-ənnəʔ-o
 all D-f.pl womento-John to-self-them/to-self-them described-3f.pl.SM-3m.sg.OM
 'All the women described John to themselves.'
- c) ? h̄d̄hid məmhir ʕars-u/baʕl-u n̄t-bob ʔa-falit'-u
 every teacher self-his/self-his to-Bob CAUS-introduced-3m.sg.SM
 'Every teacher introduced himself to Bob.'
- d) gəllə k'olʕu t'iraħ ʕars-atom/baʕl-atom yit-higiz-u
 some children only self-them/self-them 3m.SM-help-pl.
 'Some children only help themselves.'

(c) If your language has a system of grammaticized honorifics, do some types of honorific allow a strategy that has not been listed yet? Tigrinya has grammaticalized honorifics. Usually, it is the third or second person plural pronouns that serve as an expression of honorifics. However, the strategy for reflexives remains the same, as illustrated below.²

A1) n̄ssom (n̄t)ʕars-om riʔom (n-)ʕars-STRATEGY
 n̄ssom (n̄t-)ʕars-om riʔ-om
 he.hon (to-)self-them saw-3m.pl.SM
 'He (honorifics) saw himself.'

A1) n̄ssixum (n̄t-)baʕl-kum riʔ-kum baʕl-STRATEGY
 you.hon (to-)self-his saw-3m.sg.SM
 'You (honorifics) saw yourselves.'

(d) The above were all tensed main clauses. In Tigrinya placing both coreferring arguments in various types of subordinate clauses (e.g., tensed complements, subjunctives, infinitivals, purpose clauses, or any other embedding construction) does not bring any difference in the reflexive strategy as the examples in A9 illustrate. Note however that in Tigrinya the reflexive reading is not always possible with the present tense/imperfective aspect with verbs like “wash” (see section 2.1.3 for discussion).

- A9a) sol ales (n̄t-)ʕars-u kəm-ti-fətt-u yit-zarəb (n-)ʕars-STRATEGY
 Sol Alice (to-)self-his COM-3m.sg.SM-like-f.sg 3m.sg.SM-speak
 sol ales (n̄t-)baʕl-a kəm-ti-fətt-u yit-zarəb (n-)baʕl-STRATEGY
 Sol Alice (to-)self-his COM-3m.sg.SM-like-f.sg 3m.sg.SM-speak
 'Sol says that Alice loves herself.'
- b) sol ales (n̄t-)ʕars-a ki-tə-mogis t'alib-u (n-)ʕars-STRATEGY
 Sol Alice (to-)self-her COM-PASS-3m.sg.SM-praise-f.sg required-3m.sg.SM

² Tigrinya sometimes employs the middle type strategy with some verbs such as 'see' to encode reflexive relation (e.g. /təməlkit-om/see-3m.pl.SM/ 'saw themselves'). However, middles in Tigrinya have the same morphological form as passives and they can be grouped under the Pass-strategy already introduced earlier.

- sol ales n̄baɕla k̄təmogɨs t'əlibu (n-)baɕl-STRATEGY
sol ales (n̄-)baɕl-a k̄tə-mogɨs t'əlib-u
Sol Alice (to-)self-her COM-PASS-3m.sg.SM-praise-f.sg required-3m.sg.SM
‘Sol required that Alice praise herself.’
- c) sol ales (n̄-)ɕars-a k̄tə-mogɨs (n-)ɕars-STRATEGY
Sol Alice (to-)self-his COM-PASS-3m.sg.SM-praise-f.sg
kəm-z-əllə-wwa t'əlib-u
COM-REL-HAVE-3f.sg.SM required-3m.sg.SM
sol ales (n̄-)baɕl-a k̄tə-mogɨs (n-)baɕl-STRATEGY
Sol Alice (to-)self-his COM-PASS-3m.sg.SM-praise-f.sg
kəm-z-əllə-wwa t'əlib-u
COM-REL-HAVE-3f.sg.SM required-3m.sg.SM
Sol thought Alice should praise herself.
- d) sol ales (n̄)ɕarsa k̄təmogɨs hatitu (n-)ɕars-STRATEGY
sol ales (n̄-)ɕars-a k̄tə-mogɨs hatit-u
Sol Alice (to-)self-her COM-PASS-3m.sg.SM-praise-f.sg asked-3m.sg.SM
sol ales n̄baɕla k̄təmogɨs t'əlibu (n-)baɕl-STRATEGY
sol ales (n̄-)baɕl-a k̄tə-mogɨs hatit-u
Sol Alice (to-)self-her COM-PASS-3m.sg.SM-praise-f.sg asked-3m.sg.SM
Sol asked Alice to praise herself.
- e) sol (n̄)ɕarsu kəmogɨs ȳdəliɣ (n-)ɕars-STRATEGY
sol (n̄-)ɕars-a kə-mogɨs ȳt-dəliɣ
Sol (to-)self-her COM-3m.sg.SM-praise-f.sg 3m.sg.SM-want
sol (n̄)baɕla kəmogɨs ȳdəliɣ (n-)baɕl-STRATEGY
sol (n̄-)baɕl-a kə-mogɨs ȳt-dəliɣ
Sol (to-)self-her COM-3m.sg.SM-praise-f.sg 3m.sg.SM-want
Sol wants to praise himself.
- f) sol ales (n̄)ɕarsa k̄təmogɨs ȳtəsɸw (n-)ɕars-STRATEGY
sol ales (n̄-)ɕars-a k̄tə-mogɨs ȳt-təsɸw
Sol Alice (to-)self-her COM-PASS-3m.sg.SM-praise-f.sg 3m.sg.SM-expect
sol ales n̄baɕla k̄təmogɨs yətəsɸw (n-)baɕl-STRATEGY
sol ales (n̄-)baɕl-a k̄tə-mogɨs yət-təsɸw
Sol Alice (to-)self-her COM-PASS-3m.sg.SM-praise-f.sg 3m.sg.SM-expect
Sol expects Alice to praise herself.
- g) sol ales (n̄)ɕarsa k̄təmogɨs səmiɕuwwa (n-)ɕars-STRATEGY
sol ales (n̄-)ɕars-a k̄tə-mogɨs səmiɕ-u-wwa
Sol Alice (to-)self-her COM-PASS-3m.sg.SM-praise-f.sg heard-3m.sg.SM-3f.sg.OM
sol ales n̄baɕla k̄təmogɨs səmiɕuwwa (n-)baɕl-STRATEGY
sol ales (n̄-)baɕl-a k̄tə-mogɨs səmiɕ-u-wwa
Sol Alice (to-)self-her COM-PASS-3m.sg.SM-praise-f.sg heard-3m.sg.SM-3f.sg.OM
Sol heard Alice praising herself.

2.2 Ordinary (potentially independent) pronouns

In Tigrinya, pronouns can appear independently on their own or as affixes attached to a hosting head, co-referencing an antecedent; for example, independent pronouns, such as, *nʔssu* ‘he’ can be used without an antecedent as illustrated by A10a referring to a 3msg subject different from Abraham. However, the same pronoun in A10a can also refer to Abraham, the antecedent; in that respect, A10a is ambiguous. Note that the most natural way to express the same construction is by having the second clause embedded (normally as a relative clause in Tigrinya) under the first clause (e.g., I spoke with Abraham who saw Lela yesterday). Dependent pronouns on the other hand, appear attaching to the host verb and often show morphological variation depending on the type of aspect or mood involved. For instance, in A10a the affix *-ə* co-references the subject omitted due to pro-drop ‘I’, while the affix *-u* co-references to Abraham as a subject. Similarly, objective pronouns such as *niʔiʔu/ niʔay/ niʔana* ‘him/me/us’ can (in)dependently exist even though they require an antecedent as A10b, c illustrate. Note again that the use of independent pronouns such as *nʔssu* ‘he’ in A10b is still grammatical but renders the construction ambiguous between ‘he’ referring to ‘Abraham’ and somebody else. The same is not true with A10c, however.

A10a) *nʔʔabraham tʔmali ʔazaribəyyo.*
nʔ-ʔabraham tʔmali ʔazarib-ə-yyo.
 to-Abraham yesterday spoke.1sg.SM-3m.sg.OM
nʔssu nʔlela riʔuwwa
nʔssu nʔ-lela riʔ-u-wwa
 he to-Lela saw-3m.sg.SM-3f.sg.OM
 I spoke with Abraham yesterday. He saw Lela.

b) *ʔabraham ʔabəy ʔallo? (niʔiʔu) ʔab ʕɔdaga riʔəyyo nəyrə*
ʕabraham ʔabəy ʔall-o (niʔiʔu) ʔab ʕɔdaga riʔ-ə-yyo nəyr-ə
 Abraham where exist-3m.sg.OM(him) at market saw-1sg.SM-3m.sg.OM
 Where is Abraham? I saw him in the market.

c) *(nʔhna niʕaxa)riʔnaka. (niʕsɔxa)*nʔhna/*ʔanə niʕana/niʕay*
*(nʔhna nʔ-ʕaxa) riʔ-na-ka. (you) *nʔhna/*ʔanə nʔ-ʕana/nʔ-ʕay*
 we to-you saw-1pl.SM-2m.sg.OM (you) *we/*I to-us/to-me
riʔxana/riʔxanni-do ?
riʔ-xa-na/riʔ-xa-nni-do?
 saw-2m.sg.SM-1pl.OM/saw-2m.sg.SM-1sg.OM
 We saw you. Did you see me/us?

2.2.2. Agreement/Clitic Pronouns: Tigrinya allows clitic or agreement pronouns that always attach as affixes to the verb. Clitic/Agreement pronouns can be prefixes or suffixes or both depending on the type of Aspect involved on the verb. As in other Semitic languages, verbs in Tigrinya display two morph-syntactic patterns, based on aspectual opposition – perfective and imperfective aspect. Variation in the position of agreement/clitic pronouns is particularly true with subject agreement/clitic pronouns, as the following paradigms illustrate: (Note that I am referring those pronominal affixes as clitics or agreement pre-

theoretical)

A11) Perfective Subject Agreement/Clitic Pronouns

Person	Number	Ind. Subj Pron	Dept Subj. Pro	Verb + Ind Subj. Pro	Gloss
1	Singular	ʔanə	-ə/ku	səbə/ir-ə/ku	'I broke'
2m	Singular	nissixa	-ku	səbə/ir-ka	'you broke'
2f	Singular	nissixi	-ki	səbə/ir-ki	'you broke'
3m	Singular	nissu	-ə/u	səbə/ir-ə/u	'he broke'
3f	Singular	nissa	-a	səbə/ir-a/ət	'she broke'
1	Plural	niḥna	-na	səbə/ir-na	'we broke'
2m	Plural	nissixatikum	-kum	səbə/ir-kum	'you broke'
2f	Plural	nissixatikin	-kin	səbə/ir-kin	'you broke'
3m	Plural	nissatom	-om/u	səbə/ir-u/om	'they broke'
3f	Plural	nissatən	-a/ən	səbə/ir-a/ən	'they broke'

A11) Imperfective Subject Agreement/Clitic Pronouns

Per&Gen	Number	Ind. Subj Pron	Dept. Subj. Pro	Verb + Ind Subj. Pro	Gloss
1	Singular	ʔanə	ʔ-	ʔi-səbir	'I break'
2m	Singular	nissixa	t-	tī-səbir	'You break'
2f	Singular	nissixi	t-...-i	tī-səbr-i	'You break'
3m	Singular	nissu	y-	yi-səbir	'He breaks'
3f	Singular	nissa	t-	tī-səbir	'She breaks'
1	Plural	niḥna	n-	ni-səbir	'We break'
2m	Plural	nissixatikum	t-...-u	tī-səbr-u	'You break'
2f	Plural	nissixatikin	t-...-a	tī-səbr-a	'You break'
3m	Plural	nissatom	y-...-u	yi-səbr-u	'They break'
3f	Plural	nissatən	y-...-a	yi-səbr-a	'They break'

Object (both direct and indirect) agreement/clitic pronouns in Tigrinya consistently appear as suffixes regardless of the aspectual opposition in the verb. They always appear following the subject agreement/subject pronouns on the verb if the full object noun phrase is definite. In Tigrinya, although both the direct and indirect object agreement/clitic pronouns have the same form, only one of them is expressed on the verb. That is, if both direct and indirect objects occur in a construction, it is always the indirect object that is expressed as a suffix on the verb (never both). The full paradigms with both perfect and imperfect verb forms are given below. Note the object agreement/clitic pronouns are bolded and a 3rd person masculine singular subject is used throughout for ease of presentation.

A13) Perfective Object Agreement/Clitic Pronouns

Per&Gen	Number	Ind. Obj Pron	Object Pro	Verb + Ind Subj. +Obj Pro	Gloss
1	Singular	niʕʔay	-nni	səbər-ə- nni	‘He broke me’
2m	Singular	niʕʔaxa	-ka	səbər-ə- ka	‘He broke you’
2f	Singular	niʕʔaxi	-ki	səbər-ə- ki	‘He broke you’
3m	Singular	niʕʔu	-o	səbər-ə- o	‘He broke him’
3f	Singular	niʕaʔa	-a	səbər-ə- a	‘He broke her’
1	Plural	niʕʔna	-na	səbər-ə- na	‘He broke us’
2m	Plural	niʕʔxatikum	-kum	səbər-ə- kum	‘He broke you’
2f	Plural	niʕʔxatikin	-kɪn	səbər-ə- kin	‘He broke you’
3m	Plural	niʕʔatom	-om	səbər-ə- om	‘He broke them’
3f	Plural	niʕʔatən	-ən	səbər-ə- ən	‘He broke them’

A13) Imperfective Object Agreement/Clitic Pronouns

Per&Gen	Number	Ind. Obj Pron	Dep Object Pro	Dep Sub Pro+Verb + Dep Obj. Pro	Gloss
1	Singular	niʕʔay	-nni	yɪ-səbr-ə- nni	‘He breaks/is breaking me’
2m	Singular	niʕʔaxa	-kka	yɪ-səbr-ə- ka	‘He breaks/is breaking you’
2f	Singular	niʕʔaxi	-kki	yɪ-səbr-ə- ki	‘He breaks/is breaking you’
3m	Singular	niʕʔu	-o	yɪ-səbr- o	‘He breaks/is breaking him’
3f	Singular	niʕaʔa	-a	yɪ-səbr- a	‘He breaks/is breaking her’
1	Plural	niʕʔna	-nna	yɪ-səbr-ə- nna	‘He breaks/is breaking us’
2m	Plural	niʕʔxatikum	-kkum	yɪ-səbr-ə- kkum	‘He breaks/is breaking you’
2f	Plural	niʕʔxatikin	-kkɪn	yɪ-səbr-ə- kkin	‘He breaks/is breaking you’
3m	Plural	niʕʔatom	-om	yɪ-səbr- om	‘He breaks/is breaking them’
3f	Plural	niʕʔatən	-ən	yɪ-səbr- ən	‘He breaks/is breaking them’

Possession is also expressed by pronominal suffixes in Tigrinya. These are attached either to the noun (regardless of whether the noun is masculine or feminine or plural or singular) or to a possessive marker *nat-* (*ay* is an independent form while *nat-* is a bound form). Morphological variability of the possessive pronominals often exhibits due to phonological processes, namely, whether the noun ends in a consonant (e.g., *səb* ‘person/human’ or in a vowel (e.g., *dərho* ‘chicken’). The full paradigm is given below:

A11) Possessive Agreement/Clitic Pronouns with possessed N

Per&Gen	Number	Dep Poss Pro	Noun+ Dep Poss. Pro	Gloss
1	Singular	-(ə)y	məs'haf-əy	'my book'
2m	Singular	-ku	məs'haf-ka	'your book'
2f	Singular	-ki	məs'haf-ki	'your book'
3m	Singular	-u	məs'haf-u	'his book'
3f	Singular	-a	məs'haf-a	'her book'
1	Plural	-na	məs'haf-na	'our book'
2m	Plural	-kum	məs'haf-kum	'your book'
2f	Plural	-kɨn	məs'haf-kɨn	'your book'
3m	Plural	-om	məs'haf-om	'their book'
3f	Plural	-ən	məs'haf-ən	'their book'

A11) Possessive Agreement/Clitic Pronouns with *nay/nat-*

Per&Gen	Number	Dep Poss Pro	<i>nat/nay+</i> Poss. Pro	Gloss
1	Singular	-(ə)y	nay/t-əy	'mine'
2m	Singular	-ku	nay/t-ka	'yours'
2f	Singular	-ki	nay/t-ki	'yours'
3m	Singular	-u	nay/t-u	'his'
3f	Singular	-a	nay/t-a	'hers'
1	Plural	-na	nay/t-na	'ours'
2m	Plural	-kum	nay/t-kum	'yours'
2f	Plural	-kɨn	nay/t-kɨn	'yours'
3m	Plural	-om	nay/t-om	'theirs'
3f	Plural	-ən	nay/t-ən	'theirs'

Summarizing: Tigrinya uses both independent and dependent pronouns. While independent pronouns can exist on their own, dependent pronouns cannot and must appear as agreement enclitics or affixes attached to verbs nouns or other relational heads. The general phenomena of Tigrinya agreement affix or enclitics is further discussed in the following subsection

2.2.3. Null arguments –

Tigrinya is a pro-drop language and arguments can be phonetically empty because they can be recovered from the agreement affixes attached onto the verb. The verb always obligatorily bears the subject agreement affix, and as a result, the subject can be droppable as illustrated below.

- A15) a. nɨssu məs'ifɨ
 nɨssu məs'if-u
 he came-3m.sg.SM
 'He came.'
- b. məs'ifɨ
 məs'if-u
 came-3m.sg.SM
 'He came.'

The verb also attaches direct or indirect object agreement/clitic pronouns; however, the appearance of the direct or indirect object agreement/clitic pronouns is dependent on definiteness or specificity; only when the direct or indirect object of the verb is definite that we observe object agreement marking obligatorily attached on the verb (cf. typical differential object marking language in the sense of Assien 2002). Since the definite or specific object is recoverable from the verb object pronominal marking, the object can also be droppable in Tigrinya. Tigrinya is therefore both a subject and object pro-drop language; i.e., the subject and object can be dropped and the verb along with its accompanying agreement pronoun can independently form a sentence. The following examples illustrate the facts. Note that I am just using 3rd person masculine singular pronoun to illustrate the point, otherwise, the phenomenon applies equally to all other pronouns.

- A16) a. nɨssu nəti ʔɨnjərə bəliɨuwwo
 nɨssu nə-t-i ʔɨnjərə bəliɨ-u-wwo
 he ACC-D-m.sg injera ate-3m.sg.SM-3m.sg.OM
 'He ate/has eaten the injera.'
- b. nəti ʔɨnjərə bəliɨuwwo
 nə-t-i ʔɨnjərə bəliɨ-u-wwo
 ACC-D-m.sg injera ate-3m.sg.SM-3m.sg.OM
 'He ate/has eaten the injera.'
- c. bəliɨuwwo
 bəliɨ-u-wwo
 ate-3m.sg.SM-3m.sg.OM
 'He ate/~~has eaten~~-it.'

The same pro-drop phenomenon is observed with other verbs as well, as the following examples illustrate:

- A17) e. joni wəx'ifɨuwwo
 joni wəliɨ-u-wwo
 John hit-3m.sgSM-3m.sg.OM
 'John hit him.'
- b. joni ʔazaribuwwo
 joni ʔazarib-u-wwo

John talked-3m.sgSM-3m.sg.OM
 ‘John talked to him/caused him to talk.’

Note that in (A17) the subjects can also be dropped, and the sentences still remain grammatical.

2.2.4 The use of otherwise independent pronouns for clausemate anaphora

Tigrinya does not use simple pronouns for a reflexive reading; rather the other common strategies we observed above are employed to express reflexive relationship as the comparison between examples given in (A18a-c) and (A18g-p) illustrates.

- A10g) ሩali nፑፑፑፑ ጎamogisuwwo
 ሩali nፑ-ፑፑፑፑ ጎamogis-u-wwo
 ali to-him praised-3m.sg.SM-3m.sg.OM
 ‘Ali praised him.’
- h) ሩali nፑፑፑፑ ፑፑፑፑፑፑ
 ሩali nፑ-ፑፑፑፑ ፑፑፑፑፑፑ
 Ali to-him liked-3m.sg.SM-3m.sg.OM
 ‘Ali liked him.’
- i) ሩali nፑፑፑፑ riፑፑፑፑ
 ሩali nፑ-ፑፑፑፑ riፑፑፑፑ
 Ali to-him saw-3m.sg.SM-3m.sg.OM
 ‘Ali saw him.’
- j) ሩali nፑፑፑፑ ጎazaribuwwo
 ሩali nፑ-ፑፑፑፑ ጎazarib-u-wwo
 Ali to-him talked-3m.sg.SM-3m.sg.OM
 ‘Ali talked to him/made him talk.’
- k) ሩali nፑፑፑፑ mፑፑፑፑ sፑdidullu
 ሩali nፑ-ፑፑፑፑ mፑፑፑፑ sፑdid-u-llu
 Ali to-him book sent-3m.sg.SM-3m.sg.OM
 ‘Ali sent a book to him.’
- l) ሩali nፑፑፑፑ ሐፑፑፑፑፑፑ
 ሩali nፑ-ፑፑፑፑ ሐፑፑፑፑፑፑ
 Ali to-him helped-3m.sg.SM-3m.sg.OM
 ‘Ali helped him.’
- m) ሩali nፑፑፑፑ ጎagrimullu
 ሩali nፑ-ፑፑፑፑ ጎagrim-u-llu
 Ali to-him surprised-3m.sg.SM-3m.sg.OM
 ‘Ali surprised him.’ or ‘**Ali surprised himself.**’ Or ‘**Him surprised to Ali.**’
- n) ሩali nፑፑፑፑ mፑፑፑፑ ፑፑፑፑፑፑ
 ሩali nፑ-ፑፑፑፑ mፑፑፑፑ ፑፑፑፑፑፑ
 Ali to-him book bought-3m.sg.SM-3m.sg.OM
 ‘Ali bought a book for him.’
- o) ሩali bፑzaፑፑፑፑ mፑፑፑፑ ጎanbibu
 ሩali bፑ-zaፑፑፑፑ mፑፑፑፑ ጎanbib-u

- Ali by-thing-him book read-3m.sg.SM
 ‘Ali read a book about him.’ or ‘**Ali read a book about himself.**’
- p) ሩali ገabt'ix'iq?u mäs'haf rəxibu
 ሩali ገab-t'ix'iq?-u mäs'haf rəxib-u
 Ali at-near-him book found-3m.sg.SM
 ‘Ali found a book near him.’ or ‘**Ali found a book near himself= him.**’

In Tigrinya, except (A18m, o, p), none of the above examples are acceptable if the pronoun ‘him’ *refers to or anteceded by* ‘Ali.’ In all these cases, ‘him’ must refer to somebody else, other than Ali. There are some exceptions to this, however. In (A18m, o, p), ‘him’ can refer to ‘Ali’. Note that the verb ‘surprise’ in Tigrinya results in a different interpretation (e.g., Ali got surprised) whenever the reflexive pronoun is not involved.

2.3 Reciprocal Readings

So far, we have seen that Tigrinya uses a number of strategies to mark reflexive relationship or anaphoric co-reference. Among these different strategies, the PASS/CAUS-*bəḥal-/ḥars-* STRATEGIES, the use of a passive marker *tə-* or a causative *ḥa-* attaching on the verb in conjunction with reflexive pronouns *bəḥal-* or *ḥars-* ‘SELF’, are the most common ones.

In Tigrinya, the PASS-STRATEGY without the reflexives *bəḥal-/ḥars-* is also used to encode reciprocal meaning. I refer to this strategy as the PASS-STRATEGY hereafter. The name is given simply to signify the idea that Tigrinya uses reflexive derivation with transitive verbs and that the passive marker *t(ə)-* along with a verb accompanied by argument markers is used to derive the reflexive reciprocal meaning. The following is an illustrative example:

2.3.1 Reciprocal reading

ገጐm	təmaharo	təmagwitom/təxatiḥom	PASS-STRATEGY
ገጐ-om	təmaharo	tə-mag ^w it-om/tə-xatiḥ-om	
D-m.pl	students	PASS-argue-3m.pl.SM	
‘The students argued (with each other).’			

Note however that this strategy can also refer to simple passive meaning if a proper context is created for it.

2.3.2 Other Reciprocal strategies

Tigrinya also uses two other independent strategies in combination with those discussed above to express reciprocal reading: (i) a reduplicated form of the quantificational elements such as the numeral one (*ḥadə* ‘one’) or the pronoun *niss-* accompanied by the passive marker *tə-* prefixed to the verb, and (ii) a reduplicated form of the quantificational elements such as the numeral one (*ḥadə* ‘one’) or the pronoun *niss-* accompanied by the passive marker *tə-* prefixed to the **reduplicated** verb. I refer to the first strategy as a reciprocal-1 strategy (REC-1-STRATEGY in short) and the second as REC-2-STRATEGY. Note that sometimes there is a semantic difference between the two strategies: while Rec-2-strategy refers to an action that happens multiple times, Rec-1-strategy only involves a single event.

A11) REC-1-STRATEGY

- a. ʔtən ʔansti (nənɪ)hɪdɪdən/nɪssnɪssatən yɪrəʔayyaʔalləwwa
 ʔt-ən ʔansti (nə-nɪ-)hɪd-hɪd-ən/nɪss-nɪssat-ən yɪ-ø-rəʔayy-a-ʔallə-wwa
 D-f.pl women(to-to-)one-one-them/pro-pro-them 3pl.SM-PASS-see-f-be-3sg.SM
 ‘The women see each other.’
- b.?
 ʔtom ʔawədat (nənɪ)hɪdɪdom/nɪssnɪssatom yɪhs'əbuʔalləwwu
 ʔt-om ʔawədat (nənɪ-)hɪd-hɪd-om/nɪss-nɪssat-om yɪ-hs'əb-u-ʔallə-wwu
 D-f.pl boys (to-to-)one-one-them 3pl.SM-wash-m-be-3m.pl.SM
 ‘The boys wash each other.’
- c. ʔtom səbʔut (nənɪ)hɪdɪdom/nɪssnɪssatom (tj'əgurom) təməʃit'om
 ʔt-om səbʔut (nə-nɪ-)hɪd-hɪd-om/nɪss-nɪssat-om (tj'əgur-om) tə-məʃit'-om
 D-f.pl men (to-to-)one-one-them/pro-pro-them hair-their PASS-combed RED.-3f.pl.OM
 ‘The boys combed each other’s hair.’
- d. (nənɪ)hɪdɪdom/nɪssnɪssatom təmag^witom/təxatiʃom
 (nə-nɪ-)hɪd-hɪd-om/nɪss-nɪssat-om tə-mag^wit-om/tə-xatiʃ-om
 (to-to-)one-one-them/pro-pro-them PASS-argued-3f.pl.OM
 ‘They argued with each other.’
- e. ʔtom ʔawədat (nənɪ)hɪdɪdom/nɪssnɪssatom təragihom (middle passive)
 ʔt-om ʔawədat (nə-nɪ-)hɪd-hɪd-om/nɪss-nɪssat-om tə-ragih-om
 D-f.pl boys (to-to-)one-one-them/pro-pro-them PASS-kicked-3f.pl.OM
 ‘The boys kicked each other.’
- f. (nənɪ)hɪdɪdom/nɪssnɪssatom təs'aliʔom³
 (nə-nɪ-)hɪd-hɪd-om/nɪss-nɪssat-om təs'aliʔ-om
 (to-to-one-one-them/pro-pro-them PASS-hate-3f.pl.OM (middle passive)
 ‘They hate each other.’

A11) REC-2-STRATEGY

- a. ʔtən ʔansti (nənɪ)hɪdɪdən/nɪssnɪssatən yɪraʔaʔayya
 ʔt-ən ʔansti (nə-nɪ-)hɪd-hɪd-ən/nɪss-nɪssat-ən yɪ-raʔaʔayy-a
 D-f.pl women(to-to-)one-one-them/pro-pro-them 3f.pl.SM-PASS-see.RED-f
 ‘The women see each other.’
- b. ʔtom ʔawədat (nənɪ)hɪdɪdom/nɪssnɪssatom təhas'as'ibom
 ʔt-om ʔawədat (nənɪ-)hɪd-hɪd-om/nɪss-nɪssat-om tə-has'as'ib-om
 D-f.pl boys (to-to-)one-one-them PASS-washed-3f.pl.OM
 ‘The boys washed each other.’
- c. ʔtom səbʔut (nənɪ)hɪdɪdom/nɪssnɪssatom (tj'əgurom) təməʃaʃit'om
 ʔt-om səbʔut (nə-nɪ-)hɪd-hɪd-om/nɪss-nɪssat-om (tj'əgwr-om) tə-məʃaʃit'-om

³ The verb ‘hate’ is usually expressed with the negated verb ‘like’ in Tigrinya; so, it is more appropriate to say ‘not like each other’ instead of ‘hate each other’ as illustrated below:

- (i) (nənɪ)hɪdɪdom/nɪssnɪssatom ʔayfattəwun
 (nə-nɪ-)hɪd-hɪd-om/nɪss-nɪssat-om ʔay-fattəw-u-n
 (to-to-one-one-them/pro-pro-them NEG-3m.SM-liked-pl-NEG
 ‘They hate each other.’ Or ‘They don’t like each other.’

- D-f.pl men (to-to-)one-one-them/pro-they hair-them PASS-combed RED.-3f.pl.OM
 ‘The boys combed each other’s hair.’
- d. (nənti)hɪdɪdom/nɪssnɪssatom təmag^witom/təxatiʕom
 (nə-nɪ-)hɪd-hɪd-om/nɪss-nɪssatom tə-mag^wit-om/tə-xatiʕ-om
 (to-to-)one-one-them/pro-they PASS-argued-3f.pl.OM
 ‘They argued with each other.’
- e. ʔɪtom ʔawədat (nənti)hɪdɪdom/nɪssnɪssatom tərəgagihom
 ʔɪt-om ʔawədat (nə-nɪ-)hɪd-hɪd-om/nɪss-nɪssatom tə-ragadih-om
 D-f.pl boys (to-to-)one-one-them/pro-they PASS-kicked-3f.pl.OM
 ‘The boys kicked each other.’
- f.?? (nənti)hɪdɪdom/nɪssnɪssatom təs'əlaliʔom
 (nə-nɪ-)hɪd-hɪd-om/nɪss-nɪssatom tə-s'aliʔ-om
 (to-to-one-one-them/pro-they PASS-hate.RED-3f.pl.OM
 ‘They hate each other.’

Note that in (A11d), the verb ‘argue’ only takes the non-reduplicated verb form. In other words, the REC-2-STRATEGY is not available with the verb ‘argue’ in Tigrinya. This is simply because the verb ‘argue’ lexically requires more than two participants.

2.3.3. Oblique arguments – sentence like (A12), which involve reciprocals embedded in prepositional phrases do involve the two reciprocal strategies in Tigrinya. Tigrinya has a preposition and the reciprocals embedded in prepositional phrases translate as signifying reciprocals.

- A12a) ʔɪtom səbʔut hɪdɪdom nɪbil təfalit'əmo
 ʔɪt-om səbʔut hɪd-hɪd-om nɪ-bil tə-falit'əm-o
 D-f.pl men one-one-them to-them PASS-introduced-3f.pl.OM
 ‘The men introduced Bill to each other.’
- b) ʔɪtom təgwaʕazti (nənti)hɪdɪdom/nɪssnɪssatom təzəraribom
 ʔɪt-om təg^waʕazti (nə-nɪ-)hɪd-hɪd-om/nɪss-nɪssatom tə-z(ər)arib-om
 D-f.pl travels (to-to-)one-one-them/pro-they PASS-spoke(RED)-3m.pl.OM
 ‘The travelers spoke to each other.’
- c) ʔɪtom ʔax'ɪʔti biʕaʕba hɪdɪdom tarix səmiʕom
 ʔɪt-om ʔax'ɪʔti bi-zaʕba hɪd-hɪd-om tarix səmiʕ-om
 D-f.pl priests by-thing one-one-them story heard-3f.pl.SM
 ‘The priests heard stories about each other.’
- d) (nɪssatom) ʔabx'ɪdmi hɪdɪdom wɪhbto ʔanbirom/gədifom
 (nɪssatom) ʔab-x'ɪdmi hɪd-hɪd-om wɪhbto ʔanbir-om/gədif-om
 they at-infront one-one-them present put/left-3m.pl.SM
 ‘They left presents in front of each other.’

2.3.4 Other persons and numbers, etc. Tigrinya uses the plural pronoun (nənti)hɪdɪdna/nɪssnɪssatna ‘each other’ to mark coreference strategy as the following examples illustrate:

A13 REC-2 –STRATEGY

- a) (nɪ̃hna) (nənɪ̃)hɪ̃dɪ̃hɪ̃dnɑ/nɪ̃ssnɪ̃ssatnɑ tər(əʔ)aʔinna
 (nɪ̃hna) (nə-nɪ̃-)hɪ̃d-hɪ̃d-na/nɪ̃ss-nɪ̃ssatnɑ tər(əʔ)aʔi-na
 (we) (to-to-one-one-us/pro-we PASS-saw.(RED)-1pl.SM
 ‘We saw each other.’
- b) (nɪ̃skum) (nənɪ̃)hɪ̃dɪ̃hɪ̃dkum/nɪ̃ssnɪ̃ssatkum tər(əd)adɪ̃ʔu/təhagagəzu
 (nɪ̃skum) (nə-nɪ̃-)hɪ̃d-hɪ̃d-na/nɪ̃ss-nɪ̃ssatkum tərədadɪ̃ʔ-u/tə-hagagəz-u
 (we) (to-to-one-one-us/pro-we PASS-help.RED-2pl.SM
 ‘You(pl.) must help each other.’
- c) (nɪ̃hna) ʔarsɪ̃nɑ kɪ̃nhas'ɪ̃binna
 (nɪ̃hna) ʔarsɪ̃-na kɪ̃-n-has'ɪ̃b-i-nna
 (we) self-us FUT-1pl.SM-wash-be-1pl.SM
 ‘We will wash ourselves.’
- d) (nɪ̃ssatom) (nənɪ̃)hɪ̃dɪ̃hɪ̃dom/nɪ̃ssnɪ̃ssatom kuliʔaʔ yɪ̃n(əx')ax'əfu
 (nɪ̃ssatom) (nə-nɪ̃-)hɪ̃d-hɪ̃d-om/nɪ̃ss-nɪ̃ssatom kuliʔaʔ yɪ̃-n(əx')ax'əf-u
 (they) (to-to-one-one-us/pro-we always 3pl.SM-criticize.(RED)-m
 ‘They always criticize each other.’
- e) bɪ̃zuhat awədɑt (nənɪ̃)hɪ̃dɪ̃hɪ̃dom/nɪ̃ssnɪ̃ssatom tər(əʔ)agɪ̃hom
 bɪ̃zuhat awədɑt (nə-nɪ̃-)hɪ̃d-hɪ̃d-om/nɪ̃ss-nɪ̃ssatom tər-agɪ̃h-om
 many boys (to-to-one-one-us/pro-they 3pl.SM-kick.(RED)-m
 ‘Many boys kicked each other.’

The REC-2-STRATEGY (which uses -(nənɪ̃)hɪ̃dɪ̃hɪ̃dnɑ/nɪ̃ssnɪ̃ssatnɑ) involves multiple events of the same action (e.g., the event of kicking each other needs to happen more than ones in order to count the interpretation with this strategy viable).

2.3.5 No special strategy, different from the one illustrated in A13 is used with different clause types as the following model examples illustrate:

- A14a) sol ʔɪ̃tən ʔawald (nənɪ̃)hɪ̃dɪ̃hɪ̃dən/nɪ̃ssnɪ̃ssatən yɪ̃fatawwa yɪ̃-bil
 sol ʔɪ̃t-ən ʔawald (nə-nɪ̃-)hɪ̃d-hɪ̃d-ən/nɪ̃ss-nɪ̃ssatən yɪ̃-fatə-wwa yɪ̃-bil
 Sol D-f.pl girls (to-to-)one-one-them/pro-they 3pl-love-f.pl 3m.pl.SM-say
 ‘Sol says that the girls love each other.’
- b) sol ʔɪ̃tən ʔawald (nənɪ̃)hɪ̃dɪ̃hɪ̃dən/nɪ̃ssnɪ̃ssatən kɪ̃mogagəsa
 sol ʔɪ̃t-ən ʔawald (nə-nɪ̃-)hɪ̃d-hɪ̃d-ən/nɪ̃ss-nɪ̃ssatən kɪ̃-mogagəs-a
 Sol D-f.pl girls (to-to-)one-one-them/pro-they FUT-praise-3f.pl.SM
 hatitu
 hatit-u
 asked-3m.sg.SM
 ‘Sol asked/required that the girls praise each other.’
- c) sol ʔɪ̃tən ʔawald (nənɪ̃)hɪ̃dɪ̃hɪ̃dən/nɪ̃ssnɪ̃ssatən kɪ̃mogagəsa
 sol ʔɪ̃t-ən ʔawald (nə-nɪ̃-)hɪ̃d-hɪ̃d-ən/nɪ̃ss-nɪ̃ssatən kɪ̃-mogagəs-a
 Sol D-f.pl girls (to-to-)one-one-them/pro-they FUT-praise-3f.pl.SM
 kəmzəllowən hasibu

- kəm-zə-llo-w-ən ḥasib-u
COM-Rel-say-COP-3f.pl.SM thought-3m.sg.SM
- ‘Sol thought the girls should praise each other.’
- d) sol ḥtən ʔawald (nənṯ)ḥidḥidən/nissnissatən kɪmogagəsa
sol ḥt-ən ʔawald (nə-nṯ)-ḥid-ḥid-ən/niss-nissatən kɪ-mogagəs-a
Sol D-f.pl girls (to-to-)one-one-them/pro-they FUT-praise-3f.pl.SM
ḥatitu
ḥatit-u
asked-3m.sg.SM
- ‘Sol asked the girls to praise each other.’
- e) ḥtən ʔawald (nənṯ)ḥidḥidən/nissnissatən kɪmogagəsa
ḥt-ən ʔawald (nə-nṯ)-ḥid-ḥid-ən/niss-nissatən kɪ-mogagəs-a
D-f.pl girls (to-to-)one-one-them/pro-they FUT-praise-3f.pl.SM
dəlyən
dəly-ən
want-3m.sg.SM
- ‘The girls want to praise each other.’
- f) sol ḥtən ʔawald (nənṯ)ḥidḥidən/nissnissatən kɪmogagəsa
sol ḥt-ən ʔawald (nə-nṯ)-ḥid-ḥid-ən/niss-nissatən kɪ-mogagəs-a
Sol D-f.pl girls (to-to-)one-one-them/pro-they FUT-praise-3f.pl.SM
yətəsfu
yi-s’ib-ə
3sg-expect-m.SM
- ‘Sol expects the girls to praise each other.’
- g) sol ḥtən ʔawald (nənṯ)ḥidḥidən/nissnissatən kɪmogagəsa
sol ḥt-ən ʔawald (nə-nṯ)-ḥid-ḥid-ən/niss-nissatən kɪ-mogagəs-a
Sol D-f.pl girls (to-to-)one-one-them/pro-they FUT-praise-3f.pl.SM
yətəsfu
səmiḥuwwən
səmiḥ-u-wwən
heard-3m.sg.SM-3f.pl.OM
- ‘Sol heard the girls praising each other.’

2.4 Other types of local coreference

2.4.1 Possessives, alienable and inalienable – Tigrinya formally distinguishes alienable and inalienable possession. However, none of the above reflexive strategies are used, as the following translated examples illustrate. Just (in)alienable N+possessive suffix is employed to express possession in these model examples.

- A15a) p'awlos saʔnu t'əfʔuwwo
p'awlos saʔn-u t'əfʔ-u-wwo
Paul shoe-his lost-3m.sg.SM-3m.sg.OM
‘Paul lost his shoes.’

- b) p'awlos ?idu ?alɕilu/?aws'i?u
p'awlos ?id-u ?alɕil-u/?aws'i?-u
Paul hand-his raised-3m.sg.SM
'Paul raised his hand. (e.g., in class)'
- c) p'awlos ?idu ɕaridu /tə-ɕaridu
p'awlos ?id-u ɕarid-u /tə-ɕarid-u
Paul hand-his cut-3m.sg.SM/PASS-cut-3m.sg.SM
'Paul cut his hand. (e.g., accidentally)'
- d) p'awlos ?idu məmiru
p'awlos ?id-u məmir-u
Paul hand-his examine-3m.sg.SM
'Paul examined his hand.'
- e) p'awlos ɕankar-ɕankaritu təɕas'ifu/təgəmyu
p'awlos ɕankar-ɕankaritu tə-ɕas'if-u/tə-gəmy-u
Paul hand-his PASS-twist-3m.sg.SM
'Paul twisted his ankle (or 'stubbed his toe')

2.4.2 Reflexives and reciprocals in nominals – Tigrinya uses the element *nay* to express (alienable) possession and establish a reflexive relationship inside of a nominal phrase. Some languages use a different affix or form to establish a reflexive relationship inside of a nominal. Tigrinya often uses the prefix *ɕarsə-* 'self' to establish a reflexive relationship inside a nominal phrase in the form of a compound as illustrated by A16.

- A16) nay andrew ɕarsə-?ɕmnət nɕmeri ?anadiduwwa
 nay andrew ɕarsə-?ɕmnət nɕ-meri ?anadid-u-wwa
 of-Andrew self-faith to-Mary annoyed-3m.sg.SM-3f.sg.OM
 'Andrew's self-confidence annoyed Mary.'

- A17a) */??nay andrew ɕarsə-mɕffilat' nɕti məmhir məsit'uwu
 nay andrew ɕarsə-mɕffilat' nɕ-t-i məmhir məsit'-u-wwu
 of-Andrew self-faith to-D-m.sg teacher impress-3m.sg.SM-3m.sg.OM
 'Andrew's introduction of himself impressed the teacher.'

- b) nay andrew ɕarsə-nəx'əfeta nɕti məmhir məsit'uwu
 nay andrew ɕarsə-mɕflat' nɕ-t-i məmhir məsit'-u-wwu
 of-Andrew self-faith to-D-m.sg teacher impress-3m.sg.SM-3m.sg.OM
 'Andrew's evaluation of himself was too critical.'

- c) nay (nənɕ)ɕiɕɕidna/nɕssnɕssatna nəx'əfeta/gəmgam ?aziyu box'bowax' ?ɕyyu
 nay (nənɕ)ɕiɕɕidna/nɕssnɕssatna nəx'əfeta/gəmgam ?aziyu box'bowax' ?ɕyy-u
 of-each other evaluation very kind be-3m.sg.SM
 'Their evaluations of each other were too generous.'

Part 3 General details about the strategies

In section 2, we have seen several different strategies to encode reflexive or coreference relationship or meaning in Tigrinya. These are (n)-ፍላጎት-/ባህሪ-strategy, Pass/Caus-(ፍላጎት-/ባህሪ)strategy, Pass-Strategy, and object-null-strategy. Tigrinya also uses two reciprocal strategies (Rec-1 & Rec-2) to express reciprocal meaning. The following sections will study the properties of each of these strategies.

3.1 Marking

Tigrinya uses the following marking strategies for conconstrual (both reflexive and reciprocal) interpretations:

- 1) a. marking on a construed argument using a special nominal NP or ‘anaphor’ (e.g., (n)-ፍላጎት-u/ባህሪ-u ‘himself’)
- b. Marking on the verb. (e.g., passive-reflexive marker *t-* or causative marker *ʔa-*)
- c. Coconstrual is marked by dropping an argument. (as in Tigrinya Null-argument-strategy)
- d. Coconstrual is signaled by a special reduplicated NP and a reduplicated verb sometimes accompanied by a causative or passive prefix.

The marking strategy given in (1a) is similar to the English reflexive strategy type (e.g., herself), which marks just one of the coreferent NPs, prototypically the object in subject-object coreference. Where (1b) is marked there is often a special form of the verb, accompanied by different affix or clitic forms that change the verb's argument structure. In this case, either reflexive or reciprocal interpretation can be achieved with a preverbal affix *t-* or *ʔa-* accompanied by a special nominal NP; this strategy is called the Passive-(ፍላጎት-/ባህሪ-)strategy, as examples in (2) illustrate:

- 2) a.

joni	n-ፍላጎት/n-ባህሪ	nəti	məmhər	ʔafallitu
joni	n-ፍላጎት-u/n-ባህሪ-u	n-ət-i	məmhər	ʔa-fallit'-u
John	self-him/self-him	Acc-D-m.sg	teacher	CAUS-know-3m.sg.SM

‘John introduced himself to the teacher.’
- b.

joni	nጐባህሪ/nጐፍላጎት	kullጐገገ	yጐnək'if	
joni	nጐ-ባህሪ-u/nጐ-ፍላጎት-u	kullጐገገ	yጐ-nək'if	
John	to-self-him	always	3m.sg.SM-criticize	

‘John always criticizes himself.’
- c.

joni	(nጐባህሪ/nጐፍላጎት)	təxədinnu/təhas'ibu		
joni	(ባህሪ-u/ፍላጎት-u)tə-xədinn-u/tə-has'ib-u			
John	(self-him)	PASS-dress/wash-3m.sg.SM		

‘John dressed/washed himself.’

The form (n)-ፍላጎት-/ባህሪ- ‘self’ appears to occupy the position that an independent Accusative pronominal ((n)-ፍላጎት/aፍ- ‘me/him/her/you/us/them’) normally would; however, while the accusative pronominal requires a double representation on the verb, the special full NPs in Tigrinya normally do not, as in (3).

- 3)

nəፍላጎት	nəta	məmhər	ʔafallit'əyyo
nə-ፍላጎት-u	n-ət-a	məmhər	ʔa-fallit'-ə-yyo
ACC-him	Acc-D-f.sg	teacher	CAUS-know-1sg.SM-3m.sg.OM

‘I introduced him to the teacher.’

Although the question of whether the affixes attach on the verb are clitics or agreement pronouns is open for a debate, clearly reflexivity in Tigrinya is marked by attaching a particular clitic/affix on the verb, often accompanied by special NP. In this case, one also add that in the presence of a direct and an indirect object, when the object marker appears on the verb, only the direct object becomes visible, never both.

3.2 Productivity

3.2.1 How productive is this strategy, with respect to which verbs or predicates allow it? Is the strategy in question *extremely productive*, *fairly productive*, or *not sure*?

The (n)-ፍars-/baፍl- ‘self’ and PASS/CAUS-(ጎars-/bəጎal- strategies are extremely productive; they can be used with almost all verbs that encode a reflexive or reciprocal meaning. The PASS/CAUS- strategy is also relatively productive; it is used with almost any type of verb except with ‘ashamed, embarrass, criticize, etc.’ types of verbs. What seems less productive, though, is the null-object-strategy for reflexives and reciprocals because it only applies to a small set of verbs, namely, grooming verbs in Tigrinya. This is a very skewed interpretation, however, one has to do a corpus-based frequency research in order to fully ascertain this *prima facie* tendency.

3.2.2 Is the use of this strategy lexically restricted to certain verb classes, or is it unrestricted (applies across all verb classes)?

The ((n)-ፍars-/baፍl-strategy has almost no exception; it seems not lexically restricted in its use. However, the other strategies are somehow restricted; for example, the verb marking strategy seems only possible with transitive verbs; it’s not possible with intransitive verbs like ‘die, fall, go, sleep, etc’, among other things. While the Null-argument strategy is only possible with grooming verbs, the special reduplicated NP and reduplicated verb strategy has few exceptions; it is not possible with emotive verbs such as ‘ashamed’ and intransitive verbs such as ‘run, sleep, etc’(but see the note in section 3.2.1).

3.3 Context of Use

3.3.1 How marked or natural is this strategy? For example, is this strategy typical of a particular social style or literary style, or does it sound old-fashioned? Is it considered formal or casual or is it used in any of these contexts? Is it the way people talk to each other in ‘normal’ contexts?

None of the strategies seem marked or unnatural or atypical in any social context. They all seem to enjoy equal social style, although often appear some contextual restriction that I could not be able to say at this point apart from the difference due to the type of verb or subjects involved.

3.3.2 Is special intonation or emphasis necessary, and if so, where (e.g., is it on the morpheme that constitutes the marker for the strategy or is it a contour on the verb, or perhaps a special contour for the whole sentence). For example, English has adverbial reflexives which look like object reflexives except they don’t apply to arguments of the verb, e.g. *John did it himSELF*, where upper case indicates stress.

No special intonation or emphasis is observed in all the strategies in Tigrinya at this point. Generally, prosody and suprasegmental features are less obvious in Ethio-Semitic languages including Tigrinya. more research needs to be done in order to fully determine whether special intonation is at play or not.

3.3.3 Is a particular discourse context (e.g., contradicting) necessary? For example, it is possible to get

coconstrual of subject and object in English with an object pronoun in special circumstances, as in B1.

- B1a) If Marsha admires just one person, then I suspect that she admires just HER.
- b) Marsha thinks I should trust no one but herSELF.

Some English speakers accept a pronominal object permitting she=her, but only with heavy stress on her as in B1a. If this sort of stress is required, we suspect that a simple pronoun is not normally a strategy for forming reflexive readings in English, and set the case aside. In contrastive environments, many English speakers also accept (B1b), where what is otherwise a reflexive is permitted to be non-locally related to its antecedent (the local antecedent should be I. Consider whether or not one of the strategies you have named may be described as only possible in such a specially stressed or marked environment.

Stress, like other suprasegmental features, is not commonly identifiable in Tigrinya and is not entirely clear whether it has any extra grammatical function at all. For emphasis and other discourse functions, namely, focus, Tigrinya uses separate lexical items such as *t'irah* 'only' and word order alternation. However, sometimes (n)-*ɕars-/baɕl*-strategy can be used to indicate emphasis or assertion (as in He **himself** took the car) as in the following example.

- B a). nɨssu ɕars-u/baɕl-u nə-t-a məkinawəsɨd-u-wwa
 He self-him Acc-D-f.sg car took-3m.sg.SM-3f.sg.OM
 'He himself (nobody else) took the car.'

3.4 Morphology

In this section we explore the internal structure or lexical properties of the form that supports a reflexive or reciprocal reading or any other form that is involved in the strategy (so, for example, if a given strategy involves both an affix on the verb and a special form of NP argument, answer for both parts).

3.4.1 Does the reflexive element, in its entirety, have a stateable lexical translation?

Yes, the reflexive elements have a stateable lexical meaning. Like in many languages, Tigrinya uses a reflexive consisting of a pronoun and a body part term e.g., *ɕars-* means 'head' (derived from the actual noun *riɕsi* 'head'), and a term *baɕl-* meaning 'owner.' Note, however, that these terms are bound forms; they don't appear independently.

3.4.2 If the term used as a reflexive or reciprocal can be used for a non-reflexive/non-reciprocal meaning, is it an ordinary noun that can be possessed by other pronouns? Is it some form of prepositional phrase or adjective? Is there anything further to say about its meaning in such cases?

The term *baɕl-* can be used as a non-reflexive or reciprocal phrase, as in the following:

- 1 a). *baɕl-gəza*
 own-house
 'a house owner'
- b). *baɕl-dʒoni*
 so and so-John
 'John and others or John et al.'

The term *ɕars-* also spills into other domains and receive a different interpretation; for instance, it can combine with words like *ʔimnət* 'faith' receives a non-compositional meaning *ɕarsə-ʔimnət* 'confidence'.

3.4.3 If the reflexive element has clear syntactic and part-of-speech sub-structure (e.g., head and modifiers, determiners, possessives) show it here. (This question can be very hard to answer for some parts or altogether. Provide as much information as you can, but if you do not see how to answer, say so and move on).

The reflexive is a combination of an independent noun plus possessive agreement affixes or clitics. In terms of the syntactic category of the reflexive items, they are diachronically nouns before they grammaticalize into pronouns. As pronouns, they can come as bound and independent forms.

(a) Agreement features etc.

All the affixes attached on the reflexive noun are possessive agreement affixes that can be attached to any possessed head noun as the following examples illustrate:

1 a).	Ɔars-əy/baɕl-əy	‘myself’	b).	məsʰaf-əy	‘my book’
	self-my			book-my	
	Ɔars-ka/baɕl-ka	‘yourself (m)’		məsʰaf-ka	‘your(m) book’
	self-your.m			book-your.m	
	Ɔars-ki/baɕl-ki	‘yourself (f)’		məsʰaf-ki	‘your(f) book’
	self-your.f			book-your.f	
	Ɔars-u/baɕl-u	‘himself’		məsʰaf-u	‘his book’
	self-him			book-him	
	Ɔars-a/baɕl-a	‘herself’		məsʰaf-a	‘her book’
	self-her			book-her	
	Ɔars-nna/baɕl-nna	‘ourselves’		məsʰaf-nna	‘our book’
	self-our			book-our	
	Ɔars-kən/baɕl-kən	‘yourselves (f)’		məsʰaf-kən	‘your(f.pl) book’
	self-your.f.pl			book-your.f.pl	
	Ɔars-kum/baɕl-kum	‘yourselves (m)’		məsʰaf-kum	‘your(m.pl) book’
	self-your.m.pl			book-your.m.pl	
	Ɔars-om/baɕl-om	‘themselves (m)’		məsʰaf-om	‘their(m) book’
	self-them.m			book-them.m	
	Ɔars-ən/baɕl-ən	‘themselves (f)’		məsʰaf-ən	‘their(f) book’
	self-them.f			book-them.f	

Note that the special reciprocal NP ‘one-another or one-one (reduplication of the pronoun ‘one’)’ strategy also uses the same possessive suffixes but only the plural forms as the reciprocal demands plural interpretation.

(b) Does this morpheme have a lexical meaning? Is it clearly or plausibly related to a lexically contentful word or morpheme? Give details as necessary.

Yes, both reflexive terms are related to a lexically contentful word; while Ɔars- is related to the body part ‘head’, baɕl- is related to the term ‘own’ (see also the full description in previous sections).

3.5 The agreement paradigm

3.5.1 Give the morphological paradigm of each reflexive strategy. Be sure to vary all features that could cause the form of the reflexive to vary, even if some feature is only relevant in combination with a single combination of other feature values (e.g., include gender even if it is only relevant in nominative uses of the reflexive).

1. The reflexive strategies:

a. the (n)-ḩars-/baḩl-STRATEGY

This strategy is used without changing the form of the reflexive ‘self’ but altering the affixes attached to it; the possessive forms are inflected for person, gender and number and are homophonous with the Accusative forms in Tigrinya except for the first and third person singular forms.

(1).	ḩars-əy/baḩl-əy	‘myself’	b).	nḩa-y	‘me’
	self-my			1-my	
	ḩars-ka/baḩl-ka	‘yourself (m)’		nḩaʔ-ka	‘you(m)’
	self-your.m			2-your.m	
	ḩars-ki/baḩl-ki	‘yourself (f)’		nḩaʔ-ki	‘you(f)’
	self-your.f			2-your.f	
	ḩars-u/baḩl-u	‘himself’		nḩuʔ-u	‘him’
	self-him			3-him	
	ḩars-a/baḩl-a	‘herself’		nḩaʔ-a	‘her’
	self-her			3-her	
	ḩars-nna/baḩl-nna	‘ourselves’		nḩa-nna	‘us’
	self-our			1-our	
	ḩars-kən/baḩl-kən	‘yourselves (f)’		nḩa-kən	‘you(f.pl)’
	self-your.f.pl			2-your.f.pl	
	ḩars-kum/baḩl-kum	‘yourselves (m)’		nḩa-kum	‘you(m.pl)’
	self-your.m.pl			2-your.m.pl	
	ḩars-om/baḩl-om	‘themselves (m)’		nḩuʔ-om	‘them(m)’
	self-them.m			3-them.m	
	ḩars-ən/baḩl-ən	‘themselves (f)’		nḩəʔ-ən	‘them(f)’
	self-them.f			3-them.f	

b. the REC-1/2-STRATEGY: special NP and verb reduplication marking strategy

This strategy only uses plural possessive suffixes that inflect for person, number and gender.

(2).

nḩssi-nḩssat-nna	‘ourselves’	nə-nḩ-hḩd-hḩd-nna	‘us one another’
2/3-person-our		Acc-Acc-one-one-our	
nḩssi-nḩssat-kən	‘yourselves (f)’	nə-nḩ-hḩd-hḩd-kən	‘you(f.pl) one another’
2/3-person -your.f.pl		Acc-Acc-one-one-your.f.pl	
nḩssi-nḩssat-kum	‘yourselves (m)’	nə-nḩ-hḩd-hḩd-kum	‘you(m.pl) one another’
2/3-person -your.m.pl		Acc-Acc-one-one-your.m.pl	
nḩssi-nḩssat-om	‘themselves (m)’	nə-nḩ-hḩd-hḩd-om	‘them(m) one another’
2/3-person -them.m		Acc-Acc-one-one-them.m	
nḩssi-nḩssat-ən	‘themselves (f)’	nə-nḩ-hḩd-hḩd-ən	‘them(f) one another’
2/3-person -them.f		Acc-Acc-one-one-them.f	

Note that the other reflexive strategies take a combination of the above two and verb marking.

3.5.2 For each morphological feature, what determines its value? (For example, agreement with the antecedent, or agreement, in the case of possessives in some languages, with the possessed N.)

In all the above strategies the possessive suffixes must agree with the antecedent and those attached on the verb always agree in person, number and gender with the subject. The reflexive NP is also marked for accusative Case, according to its syntactic function and position. In addition, while the ‘one-another or one-one-reduplication’ strategy always takes a plural affix form, the *ƴars-/baƴl*-reflexive strategy takes both singular and plural forms. Finally, while the reflexive forms are often optional because they are recoverable from the verb pronominal attaching affixes, in certain cases they appear obligatory (see more on the coming sections).

3.6 Interaction with verb morphology - Incompatibilities

3.6.1 Tense, Mood, Aspect.

TMA categories in Tigrinya are expressed using different verb paradigms and verbal affixes; while most anaphors are not affected by the different TMA forms, some do. For instance, the reflexive reading is not available with the present tense/imperfective aspect forms of the verb, such as ‘wash, know, think, wash’ (see section 2.1.3 for discussion).

- B3 a) * peter n̄baƴlu/n̄ƴarsu ȳfəlit'
 Peter (n̄-)baƴl-u / (n̄-)ƴarsu ȳf-əlit'
 Peter (to-)self-his / (to-)self 3m.sg.SM-knows
 ‘Peter knows himself.’
- b)* peter n̄baƴlu/n̄ƴarsu ȳħas'ib
 Peter (n̄-)baƴl-u / (n̄-)ƴarsu ȳħ-ħas'ib
 Peter (to-)self-his / (to-)self 3m.sg.SM-washes
 ‘Peter washes himself.’

3.6.2 Grammatical Function (GF)-changing - Consider GF-changing constructions or operations that affect the argument structure of a verb, adding, promoting, or demoting arguments.

In Tigrinya, grammatical function changing rules such as passives sometimes alter the interpretation of reflexives when they appear as by-phrases. Compare, the following:

- 1 a) ħagos mantilə k'əttil-u
 Hagos rabbit killed-3m.sg.SM
 ‘Hagos killed a rabbit.’
- b) ʔit-a mantilə bi-ħagos tə-k'əttill-a
 the-f.sg rabbit by-Hagos PASS-killed-3f.sg.OM
 ‘The rabbit is killed by Hagos.’
- c) ʔit-a mantilə bi-baƴl-/ƴars-a tə-x'əttill-a
 the-f.sg rabbit by-self-her PASS-killed-3f.sg.MO
 ‘The rabbit is killed by herself/itself.’ Or ‘The rabbit is killed herself.’
- 2 a) ħagos nə-t-a mantilə may hib-u-wwa
 Hagos ACC-the-f.sg rabbit water gave-3m.sg.SM-3f.sg.OM
 ‘Hagos gave water to the rabbit.’
- b) ʔit-a mantilə bi-ħagos may tə-wahib-a
 the-f.sg rabbit by-Hagos water PASS-gave-3f.sg.OM
 ‘The rabbit is given water by Hagos.’

- c)* ʔit-a mantilə bi-baʕl-/ʕars-a may tə-wahib-a
the-f.sg rabbit by-self-her water PASS-gave-3m.sg.MO
‘The rabbit is given water by herself/itself.’ Or ‘The rabbit is given water herself.’

There is some subtle differences between having a reflexive as a by-phase with the verb ‘kill’ and ‘give’ as the (un)grammaticality of (1c) and (2c) illustrate. See below sections for more restrictions.

3.6.3 (formerly 3.6.1) If you are aware of operations or morphemes that cannot co-occur with this strategy, then list them here, providing an example and a brief statement of what the incompatible morphemes or constructions are. So for example, if your language distinguishes accusative case from dative case, is one or the other case exclusively compatible or incompatible with a particular strategy?

Unfortunately, Dative and Accusative cases are not morphologically distinguishable in Tigrinya; so, it seems harder to test the incompatibility here.

3.7 Uses that are not quite coreference

The body of the questionnaire investigates uses of the identified strategies as coreference strategies, meaning that they express coreference or overlap between two logical arguments (or adjuncts) of a clause. Are there other uses of this strategy, in which it does not express coreference between two arguments or adjuncts (e.g., like locatives or directionals)? Many languages use reflexive morphology for purposes not obviously connected to reflexivization. If so, explain and provide a few examples. Some frequent uses of reflexive strategies:

3.7.1 Idiosyncratic or inherent. Some languages have verbs that lexically require a reflexive which does not appear to correspond to an argument. The uses are typically special idioms. [Example: English has a few such verbs, for example, perjure oneself. For this verb, *John perjured Bill is not possible. German has many more, such as sich erinnern, "to remember", as does French, such as s'évanouir, "to faint"] Are there such uses for the current strategy? If so, give examples of as many as possible. It may turn out that not all reflexive idioms you find make use of the same strategy. Martin Everaert has noted that most idiosyncratic (sometimes called 'inherent') reflexives in Dutch are formed with zich, but a small set of others are formed with zichzelf. Please be on the look-out for such contrasts.

I couldn't think of any inherent or idiosyncratic reflexive in Tigrinya at this point. Nevertheless, as pointed out above, reflexive pronouns when they combine with some nouns such as ‘faith, worry’, they give rise a different non-compositional or idiomatic, if you will, meaning. Compare ʕarsə ʔmnət/self faith ‘confidence’ and ʕarsə tʃ'ink'ət/self worry/ ‘depression’.

3.7.2 Emphatic or intensifier. As in the English, The president himself answered the phone Tigrinya uses reflexives as emphatic expressions or intensifiers. This is particularly true with intransitive verbs as in the following:

- 1 a) ʕagos baʕl-u/ʕars-u məs'iʔ-
Hagos self-him came-3m.sg.SM
‘Hagos himself came.’ Or ‘Hagos came himself.’
b) ʕagos baʕl-u/ʕars-u gəyr-u-wwo

Hagos self-him did-3m.sg.SM-3m.sg.OM
 ‘Hagos himself did it.’ Or ‘Hagos did it himself.’

- c) ḥagos baʕl-u/ʕars-u kəyd-u nəyr-u
 Hagos self-him went-3m.sg.SM was-3m.sg.SM
 ‘Hagos himself went.’ Or ‘Hagos went himself.’

Tigrinya may also have transitive verb forms that require a local antecedent but seem to indicate a relationship with an antecedent that stresses how a particular participant related to an event. We see this with constructions in (2d, e).

- 2 d) ḥagos baʕl-u/ʕars-u ʕasa bəliʕ-u
 Hagos self-him fish ate-3m.sg.SM
 ‘Hagos ate fish himself.’ Or ‘Hagos himself ate fish.’

- e) ḥagos ʕasa baʕl-u/ʕars-u bəliʕ-u
 Hagos fish self-him ate-3m.sg.SM
 ‘Hagos himself ate fish.’ (only Hagos without being assisted by any other individual ate fish or Hagos did the fish eating, nobody else)

3.7.3 Middle. The argument structure of the verb is changed into a form that has an explicit patient, but no agent is present and an agent may or may not be implied. In English, this construction is not marked by any overt morphology, e.g., The tires on this car change easily. There does not appear to be any reflexive form used in English middles, but other languages use forms that are otherwise used to create reflexive readings. Greek uses passive morphology for middles, and as a reflexivization strategy.

Tigrinya uses a passive (tə-) and causative (ʔa-) verb forms with bound verbal forms to express middle. For instance the verb səbir- ‘broke’ if it is associated with the passive marker tə- it becomes (tə-səbir-) resulting ambiguous interpretation between a passive reading (‘it was broken’) and a middle reading (‘something broke (on its own accord)’). Similarly, if the verb gossiʕ- ‘burped’ is associated with the causative marker (ʔa-), the verb becomes ambiguous (ʔa-g^wissiʕ-) between a causative reading (‘he made someone burped’) or a middle reading (‘he burped (on his own accord/reflexive action)’). What is important to note is that these middle forms do not normally take reflexive forms (such as ʕars- or baʕl-); if they do, the interpretation will have a middle reading not a regular causative or passive, as in ʕarsu/baʕlu təsəbir-u/ʔa-g^wissiʕ-u ‘he/it is broken/burped on its won accord.’

3.7.4 Distributive, sociative, etc. Some strategies (reciprocal markers most frequently) can also be used to mean that some action was performed separately, or jointly, or repeatedly, etc. You should only report uses that do not involve coconstrual between two logical arguments.

As indicated above, Tigrinya may take some distributive reciprocal forms, both on the verb and the pronoun, to express an action that happens jointly or repeatedly. For example, the pronoun nissinissat- (a reduplicated form of the base pronoun form niss-) can be used with a reciprocal form of the verb (usually made using a passive marker followed by a reduplicated form of the verb, as in tə-səbabir-om ‘broke each other’) to express an action that happens repeatedly or jointly with a reciprocal meaning. For example, nissinissat-om tə-səbabir-om ‘they broke each other repeatedly’. This strategy is very productive as it applies to all plural pronoun forms in the language.

3.7.5 Deictic use - If the current strategy involves a nominal form (e.g., English himself) Can this form be used when the antecedent is physically present or otherwise prominent, but has not been mentioned (such that X does not refer to Bill or Mary)? (Suggest a context if necessary).

Yes, it is possible in Tigrinya but the interpretation somehow changes.

- B5a) bil baɸl-u/ɸars-u ʔay-rəʔay-ə-n
 Bil self-him Neg-saw-3m.sg.S-Neg
 ‘Bill did not see himself (somebody must have helped him)’
- b) meri nɨ-baɸl-u/nɨ-ɸars-u tɨ-fətw-o-do
 Mery OM-self-him 3m.sg.S-like-3m.sg.O-Q
 ‘Does Mary like (nobody else but) himself?’
- c) baɸl-u/ɸars-u tɨmali nɨ-banki kəyd-u
 self-him yesterday to-bank went-3m.sg.S
 ‘(Nobody else but) himself went to the bank yesterday.’

It is not entirely clear whether the same form can coreference to another participant in those contexts in Tigrinya. In (B5a), for instance, if the co-referencing pronominal changes from ə(=3msg.S) to o(=3msg.O), the interpretation changes to ‘Bill didn’t see himself (somebody must have helped him to see himself). The same is true in (B5b), but not in (B5c).

In Tigrinya, you can use simple pronominal objects but not reflexives coreferencing the speaker or hearer to encode the expressions given in (B6a). consider the following:

- B6a) bil niɸay/niɸaxa s’ərif-u-nni/ka
 Bill me/you insulted-3msg.S-1sg.O/2msg.O
 Bill insulted X. (X = speaker, X = addressee)
- b) bizuhatsəbat anchovies ay-fəti-wwu-n annə/nissika gin yi/ti-fətw-om
 many people anchovies Neg-like-3m.plS-Neg I/you but 1sg/2msg-like-3mpl
 ʔiyy-ə/xa
 be-1sg.S/2msg.S
 Many people do not like anchovies, but X likes them.
 (X = speaker, X = addressee)

However, none of those forms are employed in a sense like that of English generic one (which is not even acceptable for English speakers in non-subject environments as well). As far as I know, there is no independent pronoun with the meaning "arbitrary person" in Tigrinya, although impersonal pronouns are quite common in the language. Thus, the following examples are not translatable with a special arbitrary pronoun in Tigrinya.

- B7a) I don't like the way he speaks to one.
 b) One cannot be too careful
 c) Bill insults one before one can say a word.

3.7.6 Focus.

Please translate these question-answer pairs. (Numbers are out of sequence here for a reason)

- B15) ʔɨt-om harəstot nɨ-mən riʔ-om
 D-m.Pl farmers OM-who saw-3m.Pl.S
 ‘Who did the farmers see?’
 (Nɨssat-om) nɨ-ɸɨʔu riʔ-om-o
 2/3-person-3m.pl OM-him saw-3m.Pl.S-3m.sg.O
 ‘They saw *him*.’

(For example, the children are playing hide and seek in the yard, four girls and one boy, John. The farmers

entered the yard but they only saw John).

- B16) ገዥ-om harəstot nī-meri ʔay-raʔy-u-wwa-n
 D-m.Pl farmers OM-Mery Neg-saw-3m.Pl.S-3f.sg.O-Neg
 (nīssat-om) nī-ፍገገu riʔ-om-o
 2/3-person-m.pl OM-him saw-3m.Pl.S-3m.sg.O
 ‘The farmers didn’t see Mary. They saw *him*.’

3.7.7 Other. Are there other ways to use the strategy that do not express coreference (or reciprocal coreference) between two arguments? If so, give examples and a brief explanation here.

No, I don’t see any other different way at this point.

3.8 Proxy readings

One interpretation that the choice of coreferent strategy is sometimes sensitive to is proxy interpretation. A proxy reading is one where the coreferent argument is understood as a representation of or a "stand in" for the reference of the antecedent. This is often the case with statues, for example, or authors (e.g., Grisham) and their work. Feel free to substitute your favorite national author for Grisham.

The construction in (B8a) is ambiguous but the one in (B8b) is degraded (not fully acceptable) in Tigrinya.

- B8a) ʔas’s’e yəwhanīs ʔab-t-i biherawi məzəkīr ፍars-om ʔa-mogis-om
 King John at-m.sgnational museum self-them CAUS-admired-
 3m.Pl.S

‘King John admired himself in the national museum. (himself = statue of John)’ or
 ‘King John admired himself in the national museum (himself = King John).’

- b) ??meles bi-amharina ʔintəzəy-koynu bi-tigriñña ፍars-u ʔay-tə-nəb-ə-n
 Meles by-Amharic COM-become/be by-Tigrinya self-him Neg-Pass-read-
 3m.sg.S-Neg

‘Meles has not read himself in Tigrinya, though he has read himself in Amharic. (himself = Meles’s writings)

The differences emerge in English for cases like those in (B9). Imagine that the wax museum is having a special event, which the wax statues of each celebrity will be washed and dressed by the celebrity they represent.

- B9a)?? ʔas’s’e yəwhanīs ʔab-t-i biherawi məzəkīr səfəf-mislom
 King John at-D-msg national museum wax
 kə-y-gudaʔ-u ፍars-om bit’inik’ax’ə has’ib-om
 COM-Neg-damage-3m.Pl.O self-them carefully CAUS-admired-3m.Pl.S

‘King John washed himself carefully, so as not to damage the wax.’

- b) *ʔas’s’e yəwhanīs ʔab-t-i biherawi məzəkīr səfəf-mislom
 King John at-D-msg national museum wax-their
 kə-y-gudaʔ-u bit’inik’ax’ə has’ib-om
 COM-Neg-damage-3m.pl.O carefully CAUS-admired-3m.Pl.S

‘King John washed carefully, so as not to damage the wax.’

- c) ?? ʔt-a tewasaʔit səfəf-misla kə-y-gudʔ ፍars-a bit’inik’ax’ə has’ib-a
 D-f.sg moviestar wax-her COM-Neg-damage herself carefully CAUS-washed-
 3f.sg.S

- ‘The movie star dressed herself carefully, so as not to damage the wax.’
- d) *ʔit-a tewasaʔit kə-y-gudʔ-ət bit'inik'ax'ə has'ib-a
 D-f.sg moviestar COM-Neg-damage-3f.sg.O carefully CAUS-washed-3f.sg.S
 ‘The movie star dressed carefully, so as not to damage the wax.’
- e) ʔas's'e yəwhanıs ʔab-t-i mırʔit ʕars-om tə-məlkit-om
 King John at-D-m.sg show self-them PASS-saw-3m.Pl.O
 yixunimbər zı-tə-məlkət-u-wwo nəgər ʔay-fətəw-u-wwo-n
 but REL-PASS-saw-3m.sg.S-3m.Pl.O thing Neg-liked-3m.sg.S-3m.Pl.O
 ‘King John saw himself in the show, but he didn't like what he saw.’

The judgments for Tigrinya in these cases is that the null strategy in (B9b,d), possible normally for the verbs dress and wash, are not acceptable here, at least not in the intended sense resulting in ungrammaticality or grammatically degraded construction. However, (B9c) permits a reading that the movie star dressed her statue, in a way that does not damage the wax, it does not mean that she dressed another person, a reading possible for (B9b) in English but not in Tigrinya. (B9e) is possible under the reading where an actor is playing the part of King John's and King John is in the audience watching his counterpart on stage.

Since proxy reading does not seem to be generally acceptable, the following are ungrammatical in Tigrinya. that is Proxy readings do not require locality, but cases like B10a-c which seem to be generally possible in English are not in Tigrinya.

- B10a) *meles nıss-u amharına sɨbux' kəm-zı-xʔil yı-zarəb
 Meles 2/3 person-m.sg Amharic good like-COM 3m.sg.S-say
 ‘Meles says he sounds better in Amharic. (where he = Meles's writings)’
- b) *ʔas's'e yəwhanıs nıss-u sɨbhx' kəm-zı-xon-ə hasib-u
 Meles 2/3 person-m.sg good like-COM-be-3m.sg.S thought-3m.sg.S
 ‘King John thought that he looked handsome. (he = statue of King John)’

I'm not sure whether there is long distance proxy reading either in Tigrinya.

I find those examples hard to replicate in Tigrinya. For this reason, I take for now that proxy readings or ‘assumed identities’ for that matter is unavalinable in Tigrinya.

B11a) Mark Twain and Victor Hugo did not read each other in Berber.

- b) Marlene and Castro did not see each other in the audience, but they did see each other on the stage/in the show.

3.9 Ellipsis

Consider the following examples, which all have an ellipsis of one sort or another. In (B12), there is missing structure that is parallel or identical to stated structure and it is interpreted as if it is there.

- B12a) meles kab-bil nıʕax'əb nı-baʕl-/ʕars-u yı-fətu/məg^wus
 Meles from-Bill more OM-self-him 3m.sg.S-like/admire
 i. ‘Meles likes/praises himself more than *Meles likes* Bill.’
- b) meles kab-bil zı-fətu-o/məgus-o nıʕax'əb
 Meles from-Bill COM-3m.sg.S-like/admire-3m.sg.O more

- ii. n̄-baɕl-/ɕars-u ȳt-fətu/məgus
 OM-self-him 3m.sg.S-like/admire
 ‘Meles likes/praises himself more than Bill *likes him* (=Meles)’
- c) meles n̄-baɕl-/ɕars-u ȳt-fətu/məgus kab-bil n̄-baɕl-/ɕars-u
 Meles OM-self-him 3m.sg.S-like/admire from-Bill OM-self-him
 z̄t-fətu-o/məgus-o n̄ɕax’əb
 COM-3m.sg.S-like/admire-3m.sg.O more
 iii. ‘Meles likes/praises himself more than Bill *likes himself*’

Tigrinya seems to allow the first and second strategies (i)-(ii). Although it does not seem to allow anaphor ellipsis. This is especially true for (iii), where another anaphor is required in order to get that interpretation. For (ii), however, since the verb is co-indexed with the pronominal affix (= -o ‘3m.sg.O’), the elided anaphor can be recovered from it.

- i. Sherman likes/praises himself more than *Sherman likes* Bill.
- ii. Sherman likes/praises himself more than Bill *likes him* (=Sherman).
- iii. Sherman likes/praises himself more than Bill *likes himself*.

Please try to formulate sentences like those in (B12a) (an/or B12b, if that is possible) trying out each of the non-reciprocal strategies in the first clause and determining for each strategy which of the readings i-iii. are possible. If you have several strategies in your language, then we expect you will have many examples as translations of (12a,b) for whatever verb works with the strategy in question. Please adjust the examples to use appropriate verbs for the strategy you are testing, and if there are generalizations about which verbs go with which strategies more successfully, that would be very interesting to know. Remember to try both affixal and argument anaphor strategies, if your language has both.

PART 4 Exploration of syntactic domains

This section is more exploratory than the preceding ones, and so we rely more on your linguistic expertise and your sense of what we are looking for in the pattern of anaphora in your language. Soliciting examples for all possible combinations of syntactic factors would be a prohibitive task. We present selected combinations of syntactic factors and ask you be on the lookout for any significant interactions between these factors and the strategies they allow, such as distance from the antecedent, type of antecedent, and some details of interpretation. Some of the information asked for here will be redundant with respect to earlier information, but please bear with us, as we are establishing broader paradigms of what is possible for each strategy. Please read these instructions carefully, and return to them if unclear about how to handle a question.

In this section you will be asked to construct a variety of sentence types and test their acceptability. In typical cases, an English sentence will be provided as a guide with one argument marked "X" and the X argument is to be construed as coreferent with some other designated argument (e.g., X = John). When you are asked to provide a reciprocal example, change John to some plural subject of the form John and Bill or the boys or the girls, but do not use other sorts of subjects unless you are instructed to do so (we are avoiding certain kinds of complications that arise with quantified subjects that we will ask about separately below).

To show how we would like you to proceed in this section, we begin with a relatively simple elicitation. Construct a relatively simple transitive sentence, such as John hit Bill, providing gloss and translation. Now

use each coreference strategy in your list to change the sentence you constructed into a reflexive. For example, for a sentence like John hit X where X is John, try each strategy and determine whether or not the outcome is successful for a reflexive or reciprocal reading. For English, we might describe four strategies as IMPLICIT, X-SELF, EACH-O and O-another (one another) as well as the pronominal strategy which, in English, does not normally work for coargument coreference. As a native English speaker, I might respond as follows.

- X1a)*John hit.
- b) John hit himself.
- c)*The boys hit.
- d) The boys hit each other.
- e) The boys hit one another.
- f)*John hit him

Remarks: *Example (X1c) is not possible with any interpretation, reciprocal or reflexive. The IMPLICIT strategy is limited to certain verb classes, as mentioned in section 2.1.3.*

Now suppose that the verb chosen had been wash. As a native English speaker, I might respond as follows.

- X2a) John washed.
- b) John washed himself.
- c) The boys washed.
- d) The boys washed each other.
- e) The boys washed one another.
- f)*John washed him.

Remarks: *Examples (X2a) and (X2b) contrast, although the difference is unclear to me. You could say John washed himself clean, but not *John washed clean. I am not sure why. Example (X2c) can have a reflexive interpretation like (X2a), but (X2a) is * if it is intended to have a reciprocal reading like (X2d) or (X2e). The implicit (null) strategy, as mentioned in section 2.1.3, is limited to verbs of grooming, etc., so I will not test it further with verbs it is not compatible with.*

Now suppose the example is constructed as follows, where what we are seeking to test is whether or not the possessive of an argument of the main predicate (verb in this case) can be represented by one of the coreference strategies that we have identified as holding between coarguments.

- X3a)*John saw himself's mother.
- b)*John washed mother,
- c)?John and Bill saw each other's mother.
- d)?*John and Bill saw one another's mother.
- e) John and Bill saw their mother.
- f) John washed/saw his mother.

Remarks: *I had to change the verb to wash to test the implicit strategy, since that strategy is generally impossible with see, but it doesn't help and plurality wouldn't make a difference. We don't have a possessive x-self form, but a pronoun works for coreference here with a singular or plural antecedent. For some reason, the reciprocals sound odd in this construction, but they improve a lot if we replace mother with mothers.*

Then I would accept (X3c) completely, but maybe (X3d) is still ?. Incidentally, the plural pronoun in (X3e) does not appear to have a reciprocal reading, but maybe it is just vague.

These are examples of the sorts of responses you might give for your language when you provide sentences for us with gloss, translation, and any commentary that you feel would help us understand.

4.1 Clausemate coconstrual

The following questions will provide a broad outline of the types of predicates that allow the use of each strategy.

4.1.1 Verb class restrictions

4.1.1.1 Canonical transitives - Can this strategy be used with ordinary transitive verbs, such as the verb meaning "see"? Give some examples, including the following.

- C1a) bob *(nɪ-ʕars-u/baʕl-u) riʔ-u
 Bob OM-self-him saw-3m.sg.S
 ‘Bob saw X (himself).’
- b) ʔɪt-a səbəyti *(nɪ-ʕars-a/baʕl-a) gəlis'-a
 D-f.sg woman OM-self-her described-3f.sg.S
 ‘The women described X (herself).’
- c) ??nɪssɪxat-kum nɪ-ʕars-kum/baʕl-kum jelliʕ-kum
 2/3 person-2m.pl OM-self-your kicked-2m.pl.S
 ‘You(pl.) kicked X (yourselves).’
- d) nɪssɪxat-om (nɪ-ʕarsat-om/baʕlat-om) ʕamogis-om
 2/3 person-2m.pl OM-self-your praised-3m.pl.S
 ‘They praised X (themselves).’

Remarks: The verbs ‘see, describe’ and ‘kick’ are not possible with reflexive or reciprocal interpretations unless they accompany the reflexive or reciprocal pronoun. The verb ‘praise’, however, seems to have either a reflexive or reciprocal reading even if we dropped off the reflexive or reciprocal pronoun. Note that *example (C1c) is less grammatical with the verb ‘kick’*. It gets better with reciprocal reading when we use *nənɪhɪdɪd-kum/nɪsnɪsat-kum* ‘each other or one another’.

4.1.1.2 Commonly reflexive predicates - Can this strategy be used with verbs of grooming, inalienable-possession objects, etc? Give judgements on the following. Provide some additional examples of your own.

- C3a) (i) dona (nɪ-ʕars-a/baʕl-a) tə-ħas'ib-a
 Donna OM-self-her PASS-washed-3f.sg.S
 ‘Donna washed X. (X = Donna).’
- (ii) dona (nɪ-ʕars-a/baʕl-a) ħas'ib-a
 Donna OM-self-her washed-3f.sg.S
 ‘Donna washed X. (X = Donna).’
- b) (i) don (tʃ'ogri-u) tə-xoris'-u
 Don hair-his PASS-cut-3f.sg.S
 ‘Don cut X's hair. (X = Don).’ or ‘Don cut his hair.’
- (ii) don (nay-ʕars-u/baʕl-u) tʃ'ogri xoris'-u

- Don of-self-him hair cut-3f.sg.S
 ‘Don cut X’s hair. (X=Don)’
- c) (i) ʔt-a g^wal [key fəllət’-ət] (nɪ-ʕars-a/baʕl-a) tə-harid-a
 D-f.sg girl Not know-3f.sg.S OM-self-her PASS-cut-3f.sg.S
 ‘The girl cut X [unintentionally] (X = the girl).’
- (ii) ʔt-a g^wal [key fəllət’-ət] (nɪ-ʕars-a/baʕl-a) harid-a
 D-f.sg girl Not know-3f.sg.S OM-self-her PASS-cut-3f.sg.S
 ‘The girl cut X [unintentionally] (X = the girl).’

Remarks: The examples in (C3) seem to be possible in both the passive strategy and non-passive strategy to express reflexive meaning even if we dropped the reflexive pronoun. The meaning, in each of the strategies, however seems to vary; for example, (C3ai) without the reflexive pronoun can get a regular passive reading, while that’s not possible with (C3aii). Similarly, (C3aii) is ambiguous between two meanings: *Don cut his own hair by himself and Don cut his hair in a barber.*

4.1.1.3 Psychological predicates. Please provide examples for verbs like those below, even if nothing exact seems appropriate for the current strategy, marking them according to the level of their acceptability based on the scale given above.

- C4a) joni nɪ-ʕars-u/baʕl-u yɪ-fəriħ/ yɪ-s’əħ?
 John OM-self-her 3f.sg.S-hate/fear
 ‘John hates/fears X (himself).’
- b) *joni nɪ-ʕars-u/baʕl-u ħafir-u
 John OM-self-her ashamed-3f.sg.S
 ‘John is ashamed of X (himself).’
- c) ? joni nɪ-ʕars-u/baʕl-u tə-tʃ’ənnix’-u
 John OM-self-her PASS-worried-3f.sg.S
 ‘John is worried about X (himself).’
- d) * joni nɪ-ʕars-u/baʕl-u tə-ħabin-u
 John OM-self-her PASS-proud-3f.sg.S
 ‘John is proud of X (himself).’
- e) joni nɪ-ʕars-u/baʕl-u yə-tʃ’ənnix’/ʃəgɪr/ħəgus
 John OM-self-her 3f.sg.S-PASS-worry/trouble/please
 ‘John worries/troubles/pleases X (himself).’

Remarks: (C4a) seems impossible with the verb ‘hate’ if we drop the reflexive pronoun; although that is completely OK with ‘fear.’

4.1.1.4 Creation and destruction predicates. Provide examples in addition to (C5) using verbs of creation (e.g., "sew", "make", "form") or destruction (e.g. "kill", "eliminate", "make disappear").

- C5a) ʔt-a səbəyti *(nɪ-ʕars-a/baʕl-a) kɪ-tə-bɪrs ʔyy-a
 D-f.sg woman OM-self-her FUT-PASS-3f.sg.S be-3f.sg.S
 ‘The women will destroy X (herself).’
- b) * ʔt-ən məxayɪn *(nɪ-ʕarsat-ən/baʕlat-ən) hanis’-ən
 D-f.pl machines OM-self-them.f built-3f.pl.S
 ‘The machines built X (X = themselves).’
- c) ʔt-a səbəyti *(nɪ-ʕars-a/baʕl-a) k’ətill-a
 D-f.sg woman OM-self-her killed-3f.sg.S

- d) ʔit-a səbəyti *(ni-ʔars-a/baʕl-a) ʔat'fi?-a
 D-f.sg woman OM-self-her disappeared-3f.sg.S
 'The woman made X disappear (herself).'

Remarks: all the verbs in (C5) are not possible without a reflexive pronoun (C5b) is ungrammatical; beside, (C5b) is ungrammatical with both reflexive and reciprocal reading even with a reflexive or reciprocal pronoun although am not sure whether it is so due to the subject is inanimate or the verb 'construct' doesn't take a reflexive.

4.1.1.5 Verbs of representation. Reflexive versions of these verbs include instances where individuals act on their own behalf, rather than have someone act in their name or for them.

- C6a) ʔit-om ʔawodat *(ni-ʔarsat-om/baʕlat-om) tə-wəkill-om
 D-m.pl boys OM-self-them.m PASS-represented-3m.pl.S
 'The boys represented X.'
- b) joni *(ni-ʔars-u/baʕl-u) tə-zarib-u
 John OM-self-him PASS-spoke-3m.sg.S
 'John spoke for X.'

Remarks: (C6a) doesn't have a reflexive or reciprocal reading unless it's associated with a reflexive or reciprocal pronoun. The same is true with (C6b), reflexive reading is attained unless reflexive pronouns is involved.

At this point you might want to reconsider your answer to section 3.7.1, where we asked you about idiosyncratic or inherent reflexives - perhaps some of the ones you looked at earlier belong to some pattern that you might alert us to here.

 At this point, we should have some idea of the verb classes for which local coreference strategies succeed, and so from this point on, in formulating sentences testing the usage of a given strategy, use only predicates that would not be excluded for that strategy based on the verb class restrictions you have already given us. For example, if the current strategy cannot be used with the verb "see", then there is no need to show that, for example, reverse binding with "see" (e.g. *Himself saw Joe, see 4.1.3.6 below) is ungrammatical; instead, start with a predicate that is compatible with the that strategy.

4.1.2 Argument position pairings

4.1.2.1 Subject-indirect object - The preceding questions asked mostly about subject-object coreference. Can this strategy be used to express coreference between a subject and an indirect object? Choose verbs that have an indirect object in your language.

- C7a) ? meri ʔit-i hɪyab ni-ʔars-a/baʕl-a hib-a
 Mary D-m.sg gift OM-self-her gave-3f.sg.S be-3f.sg.S
 'Mary gave the gift to X (X = Mary)'
- b) ? joni ʔit-i gəza ni-ʔars-u/baʕl-u ʔarʔiy-u
 Mary D-m.sg gift OM-self-her showed-3m.sg.S
 'John showed the house to X (X = John).'

For comparison, also provide judgements for the following:

- C8a) *meri nĩ-ƣars-a/baƣl-a ʔt-i hĩyab hib-a*
 Mary OM-self-her D-m.sg gift gave-3f.sg.S be-3f.sg.S
 ‘Mary gave X the gift (X = Mary)’
- b) *joni nĩ-ƣars-u/baƣl-u ʔt-i gəza ʔarʔiy-u*
 John OM-self-him D-m.sg gift showed-3m.sg.S
 ‘John showed X to the children (X = John)’

4.1.2.2 Oblique arguments - Give some examples with oblique arguments, in whatever forms your language allows. Choose verbs that take oblique arguments in your language and if your language has morphological case, look for arguments that are not in the normal case for objects (e.g., not in the Accusative). For example, in German, the verb helfen meaning "to help" takes an object that is casemarked Dative even though the objects of hit and see would be casemarked Accusative. If your language does not have overt Case, then focus on the indirect objects of ditransitive verbs (e.g., in English, Alice in Dan gave Alice a book is the indirect object of a transitive verb) and prepositional objects, but be sure to consider these sorts of argument types whether your language has casemarking or not.

- C9a) *dan nĩ-ƣars-u/baƣl-u tə-zarib-u-wwo*
 Dan OM-self-him PASS-spoke-3m.sg.S-3m.sg.O
 ‘Dan talked to X.’
- b) *dan nĩ-meri bĩ-zaƣba ƣars-u/baƣl-u tə-zarib-u-wwa*
 Dan to-Mary by-matter self-him PASS-spoke-3m.sg.S-3f.sg.O
 ‘Dan told Mary about X (X = Dan)’
- c) *dan nĩ-ƣars-u/baƣl-u məs’haf hib-u*
 Dan OM-self-him book gave-3m.sg.S
 ‘Dan gave X a book.’

4.1.2.3 Subject-adjunct - Provide some examples of coreference between a subject and an adjunct, e.g., a locative PP. If appropriate translations are not prepositional objects, try to construct appropriate examples.

- C10a) *meri təmən ʔab-dĩriʔ-a riʔ-a*
 Mary snake at-behind-her saw-3f.sg.S
 ‘Mary saw a snake behind X (X = Mary)’
- b) *meri nĩ-ƣay bĩ-mixnĩyat zĩ-s’əhaf-ətt-o ƣankəs’ s’əwiʔ-at-nni*
 Mary OM-me by-reason COM-wrote-3f.sg.S-3m.sg.O article called-3f.sg.S-1sg.O
 ‘Mary called me because of an article about X (X = Mary)’
- c) ? *joni nĩ-meri bĩ-ƣars-u/baƣl-u mixnĩyat ʔanadid-u-wwa*
 John to-Mary by-self-him reason offended-3m.sg.S-3f.sg.O
 ‘John offended Mary because of X (X = John)’
- d) ?? *nĩ-hna nĩ-ƣars-nna/baƣl-nna bĩ-z-əy-əgədis sħix’-nna*
 OM-us OM-self-our by-COM-NEG-matter laughed-1pl.O
 ‘We laughed in spite of X’

4.1.2.4 Ditransitives and double complements- Can the strategy be used to indicate coreference between the two non-subject arguments of a verb?. If there is more than one way to express the two non-subject

arguments of a verb like "give", give examples for each type of construction. In English, for example, we would want examples both of the type "show Hal the book" and "show the book to Mary." (where X = Mary for C11a-d). For example, for (C11c), Bill gave Hal himself, which is admittedly pragmatically awkward, but imagine for (C11a) that John is showing Mary his image in the mirror - imagine Hal had never seen a mirror before.

- C11a) joni nɪ-meri nɪ-ɕars-a/baɕl-a ʔarʔiy-u-wwa
 Jon to-Mary OM-self-her showed-3m.sg.S-3f.sg.O
 ‘John showed Mary to X.’
- b) joni nɪ-ɕars-a/baɕl-a nɪ-meri ʔarʔiy-u-wwa
 Jon OM-self-her to-Mary showed-3m.sg.S-3f.sg.O
 ‘John showed X to Mary.’
- c) joni nɪ-meri nɪ-ɕars-a/baɕl-a hib-u-wwa
 Jon to-Mary OM-self-her gave-3m.sg.S-3f.sg.O
 ‘John gave Mary X.’
- d) joni nɪ-ɕars-a/baɕl-a nɪ-meri hib-u-wwa
 Jon OM-self-her to-Mary gave-3m.sg.S-3f.sg.O
 ‘John gave X Mary.’
- e) meri nɪ-t-om ʔawedat bɪ-zaɕba ɕarsat-om/baɕlat-om/nɪssi-nɪssat-om/hɪd-hɪd-om
 Mary OM-D-m.pl boys by-matter self/self/each other/one-one-them.m
 hatit-/negir-at-om
 asked/told-3f.sg.S-3m.pl.O
 ‘Mary told/asked the boys about themselves/each other.’
- f) meri nɪ-t-om ʔawedat nɪ-ni-ɕarsat-/baɕlat-/nɪssi-nɪssat-om/hɪd-hɪd-om
 Mary OM-D-m.pl boys Acc-Acc-self/self/each other/one-one-them.m
 ʔarʔiy-/ʔafalit’a-/negir-at-om
 asked/told-3f.sg.S-3m.pl.O
 ‘Mary showed/introduced/presented the boys to each other.’

4.1.2.5 Two internal arguments or adjuncts - Consider coreference between two arguments of adjunct NPs in the same clause, neither of which is a subject and neither of which is a direct object (if your language has such constructions - if not just say so and move on). Consider X=Hal in (C12). If I were answering for English, I would say that (C12c) is successful with the pronoun-SELF strategy, (C12b,d) fail with both pronoun-SELF and the independent pronoun strategies, and C12a is marginal with the independent pronoun strategy.

Coreference between two non-argument adjuncts renders ungrammatical in Tigrinya.

- C12a) Bill talked about Hal to X.
 b) Mary talked about X to Hal.
 c) Mary talked to Hal about X
 d) Mary talked to X about Hal.

4.1.2.6 Clausemate noncoarguments

Possessives - Give examples based on the following sentences, and/or by constructing analogous examples from reflexive sentences from the previous sections. For each of (C13) and (C14), X = Nick.

The following examples also produce ungrammatical constructions in Tigrinya.

- C13a) Nick telephoned X's mother.
 b) Nick combed X's hair.

- c) Nick spoke to X's boss.
 - d) Nick put X's book on the table.
 - e) The king gave Nick a prize in X's village.
 - f) 'The boys washed X's face.'
- C14a) Nick's father admires X.
- b) Nick's ambition destroyed X.
 - c) Nick's mother sold X's car.

Please provide translations and judgments for the following examples where the plural pronoun is coconstructed with the boys or the politicians.

- X20a) ʔit-om ʔawodat $\text{nɪ-nay-ɕarsat-/baɕlat-/hɪd-hɪd-om}$ sili riʔ-om
 D-m.pl boys OM-of-self/self/one-one-them.m picture saw-3m.pl.S
 'The boys saw pictures of themselves/each other/them.'
- b) meri nɪ-t-om ʔawodat bɪ-zaɕba $\text{nay-ɕarsat-/baɕlat-/nɪssi-nɪssat-/hɪd-hɪd-om}$
 Mary OM-D-m.pl boys by-matter of-self/self/each other/one-one-them
 sili negir-at-om
 picture told-3f.sg.S-3m.pl.O
 'Mary told the boys about pictures of themselves/each other/them'
- c) ʔit-om polətikəNatat $\text{nə-nɪ-ɕarsat-/baɕlat-/hɪd-hɪd-om}$ k-t'əx'ax'-u təlɪm-om
 D-m.pl politicians Acc-OM-self/self/one-one-them.m attach-m.pl planed-3m.pl.S
 'The politicians planned attacks against each other.'
- d) * ʔit-om polətikəNatat $\text{nə-nɪ-ɕarsat-/baɕlat-/hɪd-hɪd-om}$ k-t'əx'ax'-u ʔamsi-om
 D-m.pl politicians Acc-OM-self/self/one-one-them.m attach-m.pl faked-3m.pl.S
 'The politicians faked/simulated attacks against themselves/them.'

4.1.2.7 Demoted arguments - Refer back to the range of grammatical function-changing operations (such as passive, antipassive, applicative, possessor ascension, dative alternation) that you considered for section 3.6 (if you did that). For each one, construct some representative non-reflexive examples. Then apply each coreference strategy to various pairs of arguments and report their grammaticality status. It might be easier to go back to 3.6 to do what is asked there once you have done this section.

Example: (C15a-c) have been passivized. If your language has passive, construct reflexive and non-reflexive versions of each one as above. For English, the by-phrases in (C15a,b) are not interpretable as "alone" (see 3.6) and are not generally regarded as acceptable with by herself.

- C15a) poli bɪ-ɕars-/baɕl-a tə-mogis-a
 Polly by-self-her PASS-praised-3f.sg.S
 'Polly was praised by X.'
- b) poli bɪ-ɕars-/baɕl-a tə-hagiz-a
 Polly by-self-her PASS-helped-3f.sg.S
 'Polly was helped by X.'
- c) * nɪɕtəy bɪ-poli bɪ-zaɕba ɕars-/baɕl-a yɪ-fɪlət
 small by-Polly by-matter self-her 3f.sg.S-PASS-know
 'Little is known by Polly about X (X = Polly).'
- d) * ʔit-i sɪmʔi bɪ-ɕars-/baɕl-u tə-məxix-u
 D-m.sg wax by-self-him PASS-melted-3m.sg.S

‘The wax melted itself.’

There are more subtle cases, like (C15d), where the interpretation is not equivalent to "the wax melted", but requires an odd agency for the subject such that it acted on itself to melt itself. The latter interpretation requires some sort of animacy for the subject, but the problem for C15d in this regard is can be mitigated, insofar as it is possible to imagine a fairy story in which an animate wax character Max commits suicide, hence Max melted himself.

4.1.3 Properties of antecedents

4.1.3.1 Pronouns, person and number - Consider all possible person/number combinations for the subject of the following sentence. (Once again, start with a predicate that allows use of the current strategy, if the verb meaning "see" does not). If there is any variation in judgements, provide examples for the entire paradigm. Otherwise, provide a couple of representative examples. However, in some languages, a strategy that works for singulars does not work for plurals (Danish, for example, shows such asymmetries), and in other languages, a strategy that works for third person does not work for first and/or second person. It is intended here that X is the pronoun or anaphoric reflexive strategy that would be coconstrued with the subject to produce a grammatical result.

- C16a) ʔanə ʕars-/ nɪ-baʕl-əy riʔ-ə
 I OM-self-my saw-1sg.S
 ‘I saw X.’
- b) nɪss-ka ʕars-/nɪ-baʕl-ka riʔ-ka
 you.m self-your.m saw-1sg.S
 ‘You saw X.’
- c) nɪss-ki ʕars-/nɪ-baʕl-ki riʔ-ki
 you.m self-your.m saw-1sg.S
 ‘You saw X.’ (etc.)

Repeat with the following sentences, or other suitable examples from section 4.1.1.

- C17a) ʔanə ʕars-/ nɪ-baʕl-əy tə-has'ib-ə
 I self-/OM-self-my PASS-washed-1sg.S
 ‘I washed X.’
- b) ʔanə ʕars-/ nɪ-baʕl-əy yɪ-s'ələʔ
 I self-/OM-self-my 1sg.S-hate
 ‘I hate X.’
- c) ʔanə nɪ-dʒoni bɪ-zaʕba-y nəgir-əy-o
 I OM-self-my by-matter-my told-1sg.S-3m.sgO
 ‘I told John about X.’
- d) ʔanə təmən ab-t'ɪxay riʔ-ə
 I snake at-near saw-1sg.S
 ‘I saw a snake near X.’
- e) ʔanə nɪ-ʕars-/nɪ-baʕl-əy tə-fətawi ʔəyy-ə
 I OM-self-my PASS-liked be-1sg.S
 ‘I am liked by X.’

- f) ?ʔanə n̄-ʕars-/n̄-baʕl-əy wəladit dəwill-ə
 I OM-self-my mother phoned-1sg.S
 ‘I telephoned X’s mother’
- g) ?abo-y n̄-ʕars-/n̄-baʕl-u yə-d̄n̄ix
 father-my OM-self-my 3m.sg.S-PASS-admire
 ‘My father admires X.’

4.1.3.2 Animacy or humanity- If animacy plays a role in choice of strategy or if a strategy is restricted to human (or metaphorically human) entities, please give examples showing both success and failure of the strategy in a way that illustrates the difference.

All objects in Tigrinya are addressed with some form of gender (feminine or masculine). So, as long as the reflexive and its antecedent have the same agreement features the construction remains grammatical.

- C18a) tarix n̄-ʕars-/n̄-baʕl-a t̄-dəḡim
 history OM-self-my 3f.sg.S-repeat
 ‘History repeats X’
- b) ?ʕzz-i ʕaynet ʕassa n̄-ʕars-/n̄-baʕl-u ȳt-bəliʔ
 this-m.sg type fish OM-self-him 3m.sg.S-eat
 ‘This type of fish cannibalizes X.’
- c) ?ʕt-a mekina n̄-ʕars-/n̄-baʕl-a tə-tʕfiʔ
 D-f.sg machine OM-self-her 3m.sg.S-PASS-destroy
 ‘This machine destroys X (e.g., after you use it)’

4.1.3.3 Pronoun types - If your language has more than one class of subject pronouns (e.g., clitic and non-clitic), repeat the tests of the previous section for each type. Also repeat for null pronouns, if applicable.

Tigrinya has both an independent and dependent pronouns; however, the choice of each pronoun type doesn’t seem to play a role in the choice of strategy. This is because the dependent pronouns are always realized as affixes on the verb and the independent pronouns are droppable.

4.1.3.4 Quantifiers - Provide judgments for the following sentences, where X is a pronoun corresponding to the subject successfully, or X is the anaphoric (reflexive) strategy that achieves a reflexive (coconstrued) reading.

- C19a) nəfsi-wəkəf səbəyti n̄-ʕars-/baʕl-a riʔ-a
 Every woman OM-self-her saw-3f.sg.S
 ‘Every woman saw X.’
- b) nəfsi-wəkəf kolʕa n̄-ʕars-/baʕl-u has’ib-u
 Every woman OM-self-him washed-3m.sg.S
 Every child washed X.
- c) nəfsi-wəkəf təməharay n̄-ʕars-/baʕl-u ȳt-s’əliʔ
 Every woman OM-self-him 3f.sg.S-hate
 Every student hates X.
- d)??nəfsi-wəkəf k’olʕa təmən ?ab-t’ixiʔ ʕars-/baʕl-u riʔ-u
 Every child snake at-near self-him him saw-3f.sg.S
 Every child saw a snake near X.
- e)??nəfsi-wəkəf kolʕa n̄-ʕars-/baʕl-u wəladit dəwill-u

Every child OM-self-him mother phoned-3m.sg.S
 Every child telephoned X's mother.

- f) ʔabo nəfsi-wəkəf kolʕa nɪ-nay-ʕars-/nɪ-baʕl-u yə-dɪnɪx
 father every child OM-of-self-him 3m.sg.S-PASS-admire
 Every child's father admires X.

Repeat, replacing the quantifier "Every N" with "No N", and if any quantified antecedents behave differently from these, please provide the same paradigm.

Note that Tigrinya uses a double negative construction with those kinds of negative quantifiers.

- C19a) walla-hanti səbəyti nɪ-ʕars-/baʕl-a ʔay-rəʔay-ət-n
 Noone-f woman OM-self-her Neg-saw-3f.sg.S-Neg
 'No woman saw X.'
- b) walla-hadə kolʕa nɪ-ʕars-/baʕl-u ʔay-ħas'əb-ən
 noone.m child OM-self-him Neg-washed-3m.sg.S-Neg
 No child washed X.
- c) walla-hadə təməharay nɪ-ʕars-/baʕl-u ʔay-yɪ-s'əlɪʔ-n
 noone.m woman OM-self-him Neg-3f.sg.S-hate-Neg
 No student hates X.
- d)?? walla-hadə k'olʕa təmən ʔab-t'ixiʔa ʕars-/baʕl-u ʔay-rəʔay-ət-in
 noone.m child snake at-near self-him him Neg-saw-3f.sg.S-Neg
 No child saw a snake near X.
- e)?? walla-hadə kolʕa nɪ-ʕars-/baʕl-u wəladit ʔay-dəwəll-ə-n
 none.m child OM-self-him mother Neg-phoned-3m.sg.S-Neg
 No child telephoned X's mother.
- f) ʔabo walla-hadə kolʕa nɪ-nay-ʕars-/nɪ-baʕl-u ʔay-yə-dɪnɪx-in
 father noone.m child OM-of-self-him Neg-3m.sg.S-PASS-admire-Neg
 No child's father admires X.

4.1.3.5 Questioned antecedents - As in (C19), X is coreferent with the wh-word in all of the following (if C20e is possible in your language). If your language leaves question words in situ, translate accordingly, and if your language allows both in situ and fronted questions, then provide examples of both possibilities and judgments for each of the coreference strategies.

Tigrinya uses wh- in situ strategy and the coreference of wh-elements must be specified for gender on the verb; the following examples are illustrated by using just the 3m.sg pronoun.

- C20a) mən nɪ-ʕars-/baʕl-u riʔ-
 who OM-self-him saw--3f.sg.S
 Who saw X?
- b) mən nɪ-ʕars-/baʕl-u has'ib-u
 who OM-self-him washed--3f.sg.S
 Who washed X?
- c) mən təmən ʔab-t'ixiʔ ʕars-/baʕl-u riʔ-
 who snake at-near OM-self-him saw--3f.sg.S
 Who saw a snake near X?
- d) mən nɪ-ʕars-/baʕl-u wəladit dəwill -u
 who OM-self-him mother phoned--3f.sg.S

Who telephoned X's mother?

- e) ʔabo mən nɪ-nay-ʕars-/nɪ-baʕl-u yə-dɪnɪx
father who OM-of-self-him 3m.sg.S-PASS-admire
Whose father admires X?

4.1.3.6 Reverse binding - In the following examples, the full NP ('antecedent') appears in the lower (prototypically, object) position. Try to translate these into your language. It is expected that many sentences constructed in this section, possibly all, will be unacceptable in many languages (as *Himself saw Fred is in English). Naturally, any examples which are not ungrammatical are of particular interest.

All of the following examples are ungrammatical in Tigrinya as well.

C21a) X saw Fred.

- b) X saw us. (X=us)
- c) X saw a snake behind Fred.
- d) X impressed Fred
- e) Bill spoke to X about Fred.
- f) Bill told X about Fred
- g) X was praised by Fred.
- h) X is liked by you. (X = you)

If the current strategy permits a possessive position to be coreferent with its antecedent, please indicate if an anaphor or a pronoun is possible in the position of X, which should correspond to George in all of these examples.

None of these are also grammatical in Tigrinya. However, in some cases where there is information structuring, the antecedent may follow the pronoun for other extragrammatical reasons.

C22a) X telephoned George's mother.

- b) X's mother wanted to improve George.
- c) X's mother worried/impressed George.
- d) Mary told X's mother about George.
- e) A picture of X's mother fell on George.
- f) A picture of X's mother pleased George.

In some languages, it is possible to scramble the positions of argument nominals so that objects can precede subjects, or perhaps the order of arguments in the VP is less fixed. In translating these cases we want you to preserve the linear order of X before its antecedent and providing a judgment accordingly, insofar as the unmarked word order of your language allows.

Please let us know, however, if word order in your language is fluid enough to scramble arguments in such a way that the linear order between X and its antecedent could change (e.g., in English, this would be a form of topicalization, such as John, his mother loves, which English informants do not always agree about). This we will not explore directly in this questionnaire, but we want to know in case we choose to do follow up research on this phenomenon.

4.1.4 Some matters of interpretation

4.1.4.1 Distribution, reflexivity and reciprocity - Select and translate a simple example illustrating the using a clausemate coreference strategy successfully, such as (C23).

- C23) (i) ገዥ-ጌን ገላገላቲ $\text{ነገ-ፍላገል/ነገ-ባላገላገል-ጌን ሃይ-ከገዥ-ላ}$
 D-f,sg women OM-self-her 3-help-f.sg.S
 The women help X.
- (ii) ገዥ-ጌን ገላገላቲ $\text{ነገሥ-ነገሥል-ጌን/ነጌ-ነገ-ከገዥ-ከገዥ-ጌን ሃይ-ተ-ከገገላገላ-ላ}$
 D-f,sg women 2/3person-f.pl/Acc-OM-one-one-f.pl 3f.sg.S-help.Redup-f
 The women help X.

Which of the following meanings can this example have? Say which it can have and which it can't have. We will say that if the form in place of X permits at least (C24a) or (C24f) as a reading, then the form in question permits a reciprocal interpretation.

In Tigrinya, (C23) refers to the meaning given in (C24d) and (e).

Remarks: *if X replaces themselves then (C24d,e) are clearly possible, while (C24b,c) are possible, but maybe not the first interpretations I would think of. However, the data in (C24b,e) are not possible. On the other hand, if X refers to each other, constructions of the (C24a,e) type are clearly possible and probably (C24f), but not (C24b,d) and (C24c) as well.*

- C24a) Each woman helps all (or almost all) of the women, excluding herself.
 b) Each woman helps all of the women, including herself.
 c) Each woman helps at least some of the other women.
 d) Each woman helps herself.
 e) The women together as a group help the women together as a group.
 f) Each woman helps one of the women other than herself, such that all of the women are helped by one of the others.

Remarks: *If I were answering this for English, I would say for themselves in place of X that (C24d,e) are clearly possible, while (C24b,c) are possible, but maybe not the first interpretations I would think of. However, (C24b,e) are not possible. On the other hand, if I were answering for each other, (C24a,e) are clearly possible and probably (C24f), but not (C24b,d), and I am not sure about (C24c).*

Translate each of the following examples, which are compatible with collective action, and state their possible interpretations as above.

- C25a) ገዥ-ጌን ገላገላቲ $\text{ነገ-ፍላገል/ነገ-ባላገላገል-ጌን ገላገላገላ-ጌን}$
 D-f.pl women OM-self-them.f praised-3f.pl.S
 The women praised X.
- b) ገዥ-ጌን ገላገላቲ $\text{ነገ-ፍላገል/ነገ-ባላገላገል-ጌን ክ-ከገዥ-ላ ገዥ-ጌን}$
 D-f.pl women OM-self-them.f Fut-3f.sg.S-help-f be-3f.pl.S
 The women will support X.
- c) ገዥ-ጌን ገላገላቲ $\text{ነገ-ፍላገል/ነገ-ባላገላገል-ጌን ስገላገላ-ጌን}$
 D-f.pl women OM-self-them.f photographed-3f.sg.S
 The women photographed X.
- d) ገዥ-ጌን ገላገላቲ $\text{ነገ-ፍላገል/ነገ-ባላገላገል-ጌን ክከገዥ-ጌን}$
 D-f.pl women OM-self-them.f betrayed-3f.sg.S
 The women betrayed X.

In light of these observations, which of the local coreference strategies in your language permit only

reciprocal readings, which ones permit only reflexive readings, and which ones permit both?

All the above examples permit reflexive readings; reciprocal readings are only obtained if reciprocal pronouns and verb forms are used as we've seen in (C23) above.

If this strategy can have both reflexive and reciprocal readings, can you think of some predicates in which it is ambiguous? For example, in German, Die Kinderen wassen sich can mean either "the children are washing themselves" or "the children are washing each other."

4.1.4.2 Reciprocal readings - Complete this section only if your strategy allows a reciprocal reading (i.e., permits a reading like those in (C24a) or (C24f). If the strategy is ambiguous, make sure to use verbs that allow the reciprocal interpretation.

Tigrinya uses a different strategy for reciprocal reading.

a) Which of the following verbs can the strategy be applied to?

It looks like the verb "meet" and "fight" can not take a reciprocal strategy in Tigrinya while the other verbs can.

C26) "meet", "see", "fight", "speak", "hit"

b) Does the strategy allow the constructions where X is understood to be a reciprocal which has a plural antecedent consisting of John and Bill (i.e., it would be understood as "John and Bill saw each other"). Are both "see" and "meet" possible in (C27), or is only one sort of verb acceptable?

This reading is not possible even with the reciprocal strategy.

C27) John met/saw X with Bill (Meaning: "John and Bill met/saw each other.")

c) Is there any difference in the range of interpretations permitted for (C28a) as opposed to (C28b), or any difference in reciprocal strategies that support these interpretations? If so, tell us what you think the problem is and provide pairs like these for subsequent tests in this section (and let us know if male/female gender pairings introduce any complications).

In Tigrinya, the reciprocal reading is obtained through the introduction of a different verb form and pronoun; therefore, C28a may favor this strategy as opposed to the regular reflexive strategy. (C28a) has a reciprocal reading while (C28b) has a regular reflexive reading.

C28a) joni-n meri-n n̄ss-n̄ssat-om/n̄-n̄-h̄d-h̄d-om t̄-mogwagwis-om
John-and mary-and 2/3person-f.pl/Acc-OM-one-one-f.pl 3.S-praised.Redup-m.pl
John and Mary praised X.

b) ʔt̄-ən ʔan̄sti n̄-ʕarsat-/n̄-baʕlat-ən ʔamogis- ən
D-f.pl women OM-self-them.f praised-3f.pl.S
The women praised X.

Remarks: In some languages, a different reciprocal is favored or required when the antecedent phrase refers to pairs (or perhaps distributed groups) rather than large pluralities.

d) Can the strategy express reciprocity between a subject and an indirect object?

C29a) joni-n meri-n n̄ss-n̄ssat-om/n̄-n̄-h̄d-h̄d-om t̄-zerarib-om
John-and mary-and 2/3person-f.pl/Acc-OM-one-one-f.pl 3-spoke.Redup-m.pl.S
John and Mary spoke to X.

- b) *joni-n meri-n nɪss-nɪssat-om/nə-nɪ-hɪd-hɪd-om tə-raxib-om
 John-and mary-and 2/3person-f.pl/Acc-OM-one-one-f.pl 3.S-met.Redup-m.pl
 John and Mary met with X.
- c) joni-n meri-n nɪss-nɪssat-om/nə-nɪ-hɪd-hɪd-om ʔɪzz-i məs'haf
 John-and mary-and 2/3person-f.pl/Acc-OM-one-one-f.pl this-m.sg book
 tə-wəhahib-om
 3-give.Redup-m.pl.S
 John and Mary gave this book to X.

e) Long-distance reciprocal readings - For any of the strategies that permit a reciprocal reading, can the following sentence be translated to mean "Bill thinks he likes Mary, and Mary thinks she likes Bill"?

- C30) joni-n meri-n nɪss-nɪssat-om/nə-nɪ-hɪd-hɪd-om kəm-zɪ-fətətəww-u
 John-and mary-and 2/3person-f.pl/Acc-OM-one-one-f.pl COM-3-like.Redup-m.pl.S
 yɪ-hasb-u
 3-think-m.pl
 Bill and Mary think that they like X.

4.1.4.3 Sociative readings

Please translate these sentences, more than one way, if possible. Please be sure to let us know if any of the reciprocal or reflexive strategies can be used to achieve these readings.

- C31a) ʔɪt-ən ʔahbay bɪhansab kəyd-ən
 D-f.pl baboons together left-3f.pl.S
 The baboons left together
- b) ʔɪt-ən ʔahbay bɪhansab ʕasa bəliʕ-ən
 D-f.pl baboons together fish ate-3f.pl.S
 The baboons ate fish together

The reciprocal or reflexive strategies are not used in these examples.

4.1.4.4 Antipassive readings

- C32a) ʔɪt-i ɡɪʃɪlla səbat yɪ-nəkɪs
 D-m.sg panther people 3m.sg.S-bite
 That panther bites people.
- b) ʔɪt-i məŋɡɪsti səbat yɪ-ʔasɪr
 D-m.sg government people 3m.sg.S-arrest
 The government arrests people.
- c) bil səbat yə-mogɪs
 Bill people 3m.sg.S-praise
 Bill praises people

4.2 Cross-clausal binding

Cases of coreference across clause boundaries fall into two major categories: in some cases, the coconstrual strategy permits relations between arguments in different clauses just in case the distance across clauses is determined by a relationship that is in principle local. In languages like English, the X-SELF strategy can be used to relate the thematic subject of a subordinate clause to the subject of the immediately higher one, as in (X4).

X4) John expects himself to win.

The position of himself is taken to be uniquely the thematic subject of to win (not the object of expect, except for Case assignment), since other diagnostic tests show that the infinitive subject is uniquely selected by the lower predicate (as in examples such as John expects all hell to break loose, where all hell is never selected as an argument of any predicate except break loose in English). However, in this construction, which is relatively rare crosslinguistically, the antecedent of himself is still found in the local domain of its Case-assigner, expect and hence of the subject of expect. Other languages permit just the subject of a complement clause to be an anaphor anteceded by the matrix subject, but still the relation is very local. Slightly less local relations are possible in languages that permit anaphors, forms that must have a configurational antecedent, to find it in a higher clause if intervening clauses are all infinitives, as in Norwegian (X5), or across subjunctive clauses, as in Icelandic (X6) (if the intervening verbs are not subjunctive, then SIG cannot be used in (X6)).

- X5) *Jon* bad oss forsøke å få deg til å snakke pent om *seg*.
Jon asked us try to get you to talk nicely about SEG
"Jon asked us to try to get you to talk nicely about him."
X6) *Jón* segir að *Haraldur* elski stúlkuna sem hafi kysst sig.
Jon said that Harald loves-SUBJ the-girl that kissed-SUBJ SIG
"Jon said that Harald loves the girl that kissed *him*."

Other languages have forms that appear to require an antecedent can find their antecedent across almost any sort of higher tensed clause, as in Chinese.

- X7) *Zhangsan* shuo *Lisi* chang piping *ziji*
Zhangsan say Lisi often criticize ZIII
"Zhangsan says that *Lisi* often criticizes *him*."

However, in many long distance antecedency cases like Chinese ziji, there are quite a number of semantic and discourse conditions that appear to restrict the effect, or only permit it under certain interpretations. This section explores whether or not a given strategy permits a non-clausemate antecedent and if so, just how far away the antecedent can be and what sorts of conditions restrict it.

4.2.1 Coreference relations across typical tensed clausal complement

Please translate each example in this section choosing predicates that seem to most closely match the ones employed below. Check each strategy and supply judgments about the results. Don't forget to use the simple pronoun strategy, which in many languages may be the only one that works.

It may turn out that coconstrual across clauses will reveal a new strategy that does not correspond to any of the ones used up to now. For example, your language may require the use of a particular kind of pronoun to achieve coreference when the antecedent is the thematic believer, speaker or experiencer of a higher verb. A pronoun in a complement to such a verb may not be able to refer back to the antecedent unless it has a form that is not used for clausemate coreference in a matrix clause. If that is the case, then your language probably has "logophors". If you think this is so, say so and we will explore that at a later point.

If the strategy you are testing involves marking on the verb ("verbal reflexive"), take care to apply it to the

embedded clause. In other words, the anaphoric argument should be in the embedded clause, its antecedent in the matrix clause. For example, in French, the reflexive clitic (which counts as a verbal affix in our empirical designation) is on the lower verb in (X8) but its antecedent is Jean, the subject in the higher clause. As it happens, this relationship is unacceptable in French, at least with Jean as the antecedent.

X8) Jean a dit que Marie s'aime. (*SE = Jean, OK SE = Marie)
 Jean has said that Marie SE loves
 "Jean said that Marie loves him."

In section 4.1.1.2, you will be asked to construct a sentence like (X9), still with the meaning of (X8) where SE=Jean (the reading with Marie fails for another reason).

X9)**Jean s'a dit que Marie aime. (SE=Jean, Marie)
 Jean SE-has said that Marie loves
 "Jean said that Marie loves him."

It seems that the SE strategy in French is stubbornly local, in that the SE argument must be close to its thematic source (it represents the object the verb 'love' of the lower clause) and yet SE must be itself closer to its antecedent than embedding in a tensed sentence allows, so neither reading (Jean or Marie for SE) succeeds in French. What does succeed in French for Jean as antecedent is (X10) (which employs an independent pronoun in the form of a clitic) but not (X11), where the clitic corresponding to the object of "love" has moved from the lower verb to the higher one, again moving too far from its thematic source (the object of 'love'). In other words, it looks like it is a function of clitics, whether SE or pronominal, to be close to their thematic source, but what can count as the antecedent is different, in that SE must have a local antecedent and the clitic pronoun must not.

X10) Jean a dit que Marie l'aime. (OK pronominal l' = Jean, *pronominal l' = Marie)
 Jean has said that Marie him-loves
 "Jean has said that Marie loves him."

X11)*Jean l'a dit que Marie aime. (clitic pronoun = Jean/Marie)
 Jean him-has said that Marie loves
 "Jean has said that Marie loves him."

In what follows, please be careful to use verbs compatible with the strategy you are testing, as determined by your answers earlier in the questionnaire. If the strategy does not permit a subject argument to be marked, please try to formulate what it would look like and mark it unacceptable according to the strength of your judgment. It is just as important to tell us which readings do not work as it is to tell us which readings do, so please pay particular attention to indicating which is which.

4.2.1.1 Tensed complement, long distance relations, anaphor in situ - Please provide translations for all of these sentences where X is Jack.

D1a) jak (ʒars-/baʒl-u) nʃfuʒ ʔɣy-ə ʔɰl-u
 Jack self-him smart be-1sg.S said-3m,sg.S
 Jack said that X is smart.

b) jak dzordʒ (*ʕars-/baʕl-u)kəm-zɪ-fətww-o yɪ-fəllɪt'
 Jack George (self-him) COM-Re.3m.sg.S-like-3m.sg.O 3m.sg.S-know
 Jack knows that George likes X.

c) jak (ʕars-/baʕl-u) nɪfuʕ kəmzxonə bil kəm-zɪ-təzarəb-ə yɪ-fəllɪt'
 jack (self-him) smart be-3m.sg.S bill COM-Rel. 3m.sg.S-said-3m.sg.S
 3m.sg.S-know
 Jack knows that Bill said that X is smart.

d) jak wendi (*ʕars-/baʕl-u)kəm-tɪ-fətww-o lisa kəm-tɪ-fəllɪt' yɪ-ħasɪb
 jack wendy (self-him) COM-Rel.3f.sg.S-like-3m.sg.O Lisa COM-3f.sg.S-know
 3m.sg.S-think
 Jack thinks that Lisa knows that Wendy likes X.

e) jak n-alis (*ʕars-/baʕl-u)kəm-zɪ-fətww-a lisa kəm-tɪ-fəllɪt'
 yɪ-ħasɪb
 jack to-Alice (self-him) COM-Rel.3m.sg.S-like-3m.sg.O Lisa COM-3f.sg.S-
 know 3m.sg.S-think
 Jack thinks that Lisa knows that X likes Alice.

f) sara n-jak lisa (*ʕars-/baʕl-u)kəm-tɪ-fətww-o nəgɪr-at-o
 jack to-Jack Lisa (self-him) COM-Rel.3f.sg.S-like-3m.sg.O told-3f.sg.S-
 3m.sg.O
 Sarah told Jack that Lisa loves X.

g) sara jak n-wendi (*ʕars-/baʕl-u)kəm-zɪ-fətww-a nəgɪr-at-o
 jack Jack to-Wendy (self-him) COM-Rel.3m.sg.S-like-3f.sg.O told-3f.sg.S-
 3m.sg.O
 Sarah told Jack that X loves Wendy.

If any of the above examples, or any analogous examples you provide, are grammatical using a particular coreference strategy, we consider this strategy to be a long-distance coreference strategy. Some subsequent questions depend on whether or not we are dealing with a long distance strategy. For this questionnaire, the term "long-distance strategy" includes ordinary independent pronouns, as in the French case above (and it is what is often employed for English as well), as well as long-distance anaphors (sometimes these are forms used as local reflexives but that can also be used at a distance) and logophors (loosely speaking, pronouns that are used for the person whose perspective is being reported - there will be more on these later).

Although there is no morphological marking of the distinction in English, sometimes a difference in factivity makes a difference for what we are studying and we want you to consider this difference. In English, verbs like admit presuppose that the proposition of what is admitted is true (e.g., John admitted that he was guilty implies that he was indeed guilty - adding "but he was mistaken" is very odd) while other verbs do not carry this presupposition (e.g. John suspected he was late, but he was mistaken is not at all odd). If this semantic distinction is marked morphologically in your language, please let us know for the following two "Jack" sentences, and if there is also an additional difference in which coreference strategies succeed, then provide as full a "Jack" paradigm for each verb type in accordance with what is possible.

D2a) jak meri kəm-tɪ-fətww-o ʔamin-u/tə-x'əbill-u
 Jack mary COM-Rel.3m.sg.S-like-3f.sg.O admitted-/PASS-accepted-3m.sg.S
 Jack admitted that Mary loved X.

b) jak meri kəm-tɪ-fətww-o tə-t'ərat'ir-u
 Jack mary COM-Rel.3m.sg.S-like-3f.sg.O admitted/accepted-3m.sg.S

Jack suspected that Mary loved X.

Please also test adjuncts, such as those in (D3), where X = Jeff.

- D3a) jef ela mis-ʔas'əlləm-ətt-o n-meri ʔamarir-u-ll-a
Jeff Ella with-blamed-3f.sg.S-3m.sg.O to-Mary complained-3m.sg.S-PP-3f.sg.O
Jeff complained about Mary when Ella blamed X
- b) jef mis-dəxəm-ə/kɪdmi/dθri mɪ-dkam-u gəza tə-məmllis-u
Jeff with-tired-3m.sg.S/before/after to-tiring-his home PASS-returned-3m.sg.S
Jeff returned home when/before/after X became tired.
- c) jef meri mis-s'əhaf-ət-ll-u /kɪdmi/dθri mɪ-s'haf-a gəza tə-məmllis-u
Jeff Mary with-wrote-mf.sg.S-PP-3m.sg.O/before/after to-write-his home PASS-returned-
3m.sg.S
When/before/after Mary wrote to X, Jeff returned home.
- d) jef meri kəy-raʔəy-ətt-o kəyd-u
Jeff Mary Neg-see-3f.sg.S-3m.sg.O left-3m.sg.S
Jeff left without Mary seeing X.
- e) meri n-jef kəy-rəxəb-ətt-o konin-att-o
Mary OM-Jeff Neg-meet-3f.sg.S-3m.sg.O condemned-3f.sg.S-3m.sg.S
Mary condemned Jeff without meeting X.

We are naturally interested if there is any difference in the way that complements and adjuncts behave. Please do not forget to test reciprocal strategies in these long distance contexts (adjusting for plural antecedents), but if none of them work, it is not necessary to provide examples for all of them. Just let us know. However, if any of the distinctions above reveal contrasts such that some permit reciprocals and others don't please let us know and we will probably be interested in some follow-up questions.

Reciprocals don't seem to work in those contexts.

Please also let us know if differences in gender, plurality or person make a difference for which strategy succeeds. For example, if you replace Jack in all of the Jack sentences with first person "I" or second person "you" does the pattern change in any way? If so, we will follow up about this in section 4.4, so set it aside for now.

Change in gender, number or person do not bring any difference in these contexts.

4.2.1.2 Climbing from tensed complements - This test applies particularly to reflexives in close association with a verb, either as affixes or clitic pronouns, but there are some languages where a form of focus movement can place a more an argument-marked anaphor in a higher clause.

Change the examples in the previous section so that the higher verb is marked (but the sentence still expresses coreference with an argument of the embedded clause). For example, this sort of climbing is possible in French if the clause is of a very minimal type (a "small clause"), as in John se croix intelligent, interpreted as "John believes [himself (to be) intelligent.]"

4.2.2 Long distance relations and the variety of clausal embedding types

Consider what a list of major clause embedding types in your language would include. In English, it would include, besides tensed complements like those in the last subsection, infinitives, bare infinitives, gerunds, subjunctives (a lexically restricted class) and small clauses, each of which are illustrated in brackets in (X12).

- X12a) I hope [to leave]
 I hope [for Bill to leave]
 I expect [Bill to be unpleasant]
 I persuaded Bill [to leave]
 b) I made [Bill leave]
 c) I saw [someone leaving]
 d) I require [that he speak softly]
 e) I consider [Bill unpleasant]

In this subsection, we want you to construct sentences along the lines of those presented for tensed clauses above adjusting for the different complement clause types allowed in your language (which may be radically fewer than those in English, or may involve types of complementation not found in English). Then test each clausal type for the success or failure of each coreference strategy.

For subjunctives, if your language permits them and if your language permits them to have lexical subjects, the tests can probably proceed on the model of tensed clause complements. However, some of these clausal types require some adjustments if they require null subjects. For example, in providing data for infinitives (if your language has infinitives), and where X = Edgar, we want you to give us a range of examples where the infinitive subject is not controlled by the matrix subject. In other words, the understood subject of the infinitive (the understood giver or talker) should never be Edgar, but Bill (or else we will actually testing just a clausemate strategy instead of a long distance one). Thus in (D4a), for example, Bill is understood to be the one trusting, and we want to test whether or not X could be Edgar, and if so, which form makes the possible (in English, it is the otherwise independent pronoun him).

- D4a) edgər bil n-k-amn-o hatit-u
 Edger Bill OM-COM-trust-him asked-3m.sg.S
 Edgar asked Bill to trust X.
- b) edgər bil məs'haf n̄-k̄-h̄b-o hatit-u
 Edger Bill book to-COM-give-him asked-3m.sg.S
 Edgar asked Bill to give a book to X.
- c) edgər bil n̄-k̄-zar̄b-o hatit-u
 Edger Bill to-COM-talk-him asked-3m.sg.S
 Edgar asked Bill to talk to X.
- d) edgər bil b̄i-zaʃb-u n̄-k̄-zar̄b hatit-u
 Edger Bill by-matter-him to-COM-talk asked-3m.sg.S
 Edgar asked Bill to talk about X.
- e) edgər bil n-k-amn-o t̄-s'əby-u
 Edger Bill OM-COM-trust-him PASS-expected-3m.sg.S
 Edgar expected Bill to trust X.
- f) edgər bil n̄-k̄-xəfl-o aziz-u
 Edger Bill to-COM-pay-him ordered-3m.sg.S
 Edgar ordered Bill to pay X.
- g) edgər n̄fuʃ kəm-z̄t-xon-ə bil n̄-k̄-zar̄b aziz-u
 Edger smart COM-3-be-3m.sg.S Bill to-COM-talk ordered-3m.sg.S
 Edgar ordered Bill to say that X was smart.
- h) edgər n̄ʃu?-u meri ʔafk'ir-att-o ʔill-u bil n̄-k̄-zar̄b aziz-u

3m.sg.S Edgər self-him Mary loved-3f.sg.S-3m.sg.Obe-3m.sg.O Bill to-COM-talk ordered-
 Edgar ordered Bill to say that Mary loved X.

If infinitives in your language permit lexical subjects, either by exceptional Casemarking, as in (D5), or by a more general strategy (in English tied to the complementizer for) as in (D6), please also provide examples of this type.

- D5a) edgər ɬars-/baɬl-u nɪ-kɪ-ɬɪwət yɪ-s'ɪb-ə
 Edgər self-him to-COM-win PASS-waited-3m.sg.S
 Edgar expects X to win.
- b) edgər bil nɪ-kɪ-Sɪɬr-o yɪ-s'ɪb-ə
 Edgər Bill to-COM-defeat-him 3-waited-3m.sg.S
 Edgar expects Bill to defeat X.
- D6a) edgər ɬars-/baɬl-u kəm-zɪ-ɬɪwət yə-təsf-u
 Edgər self-him COM-3-win 3-hope-m.sg.S
 Edgar hopes for X to win.
- b) edgər bil kəm-zɪ-Sɪɬr-o yə-təsf-u
 Edgər Bill COM-3-defeat-him 3-hope-m.sg.S
 Edgar hopes for Bill to defeat X.

If the coreferent nominal can be a possessive, provide also examples like the following:

- D7a) edgər bil nɪ-haw-u nɪ-kɪ-Sɪɬr-o yɪ-s'ɪb-ə
 Edgər Bill to-brother-his to-COM-defeat-him 3-waited-3m.sg.S
 Edgar expects Bill to defeat X's brother.
- b) edgər bil nɪ-haw-u kəm-zɪ-Sɪɬr-o yə-təsf-u
 Edgər Bill to-brother-his COM-3-defeat-him 3-hope-m.sg.S
 Edgar hopes for Bill to defeat X's brother.
- c) edgər haw-u nɪ-kɪ-Sɪɬr-o yɪ-s'ɪb-ə
 Edgər brother-his to-COM-defeat-him 3-waited-3m.sg.S
 Edgar expects X's brother to defeat him.
- d) edgər bil nɪ-haw-u kəm-zɪ-Sɪɬr-o yə-təsf-u
 Edgər Bill to-brother-his COM-3-defeat-him 3-hope-m.sg.S
 Edgar hopes for Bill to defeat X's brother.

Now try all of these "Edgar" sentences with climbing, such that the X argument is raised into the matrix clause. If this is not possible at all, just say so and set the issue aside, but if it is possible for some sentence types and not others, please provide examples for each Edgar sentence. Such sentences might look something like (D5c,d) and (D6c,d), if they are possible at all (and abstracting away from VO/OV word order, etc.)

- D5c) edgər ɬars-/baɬl-u yɪ-s'ɪb-ə kɪ-Sɪɬr
 Edgər self-him 3-expect-m.sg.S COM-defeat
 Edgar X-expects to win.
- d) edgər ɬars-/baɬl-u yɪ-s'ɪb-ə bill nɪ-kɪ-Sɪɬr

- Edgar self-him 3-expect-m.sg.S Bill to-COM-defeat
Edgar X-expects Bill to defeat.
- D6c) edgər ɸars-/baɸl-u yə-təsf-u kəm-zɪ-Sɪɸr
Edgar self-him 3-hope-m.sg.S COM-3-defeat
Edgar X-hopes for to win.
- d) edgər ɸars-/baɸl-u yə-təsf-u bill nɪ-ki-Sɪɸr
Edgar self-him 3-hope-m.sg.S Bill to-COM-defeat
Edgar X-hopes for Bill to defeat.

If your language permits small clauses, such as English John considers Mary intelligent, where intelligent is thus predicated of Mary, then try the following tests, where X = Tom.

- D8a) tom ɸars-/baɸl-u bɪlhi kəm-zɪ-xon-ə yɪ-xos'ɪr
Tom self-him intelligent COM-3-be-3m.sg.O 3-consider-m.sg.S
Tom considers X intelligent.
- b) ? tom meri kəm-tə-fk'ɪr-o yɪ-xos'ɪr
Tom Mary COM-3-love-3m.sg.O 3-consider-m.sg.S
Tom considers Mary fond of X.
- c) ? tom n-meri kəm-zə-naded-a yɪ-xos'ɪr
Tom to-Mary COM-3-angry-3f.sg.O 3-consider-m.sg.S
Tom considers Mary angry at X.

Remember to test all strategies, reciprocal and reflexive, for all of the clause types you provide evidence for. Be alert to differences in the person of the antecedent, but save your evidence about such cases for section 4.4. Finally, provide paradigms like the Jack, Edgar or Jeff paradigms for any form of embedding that we have not discussed up to now.

Note: If your language permits verb serialization, special issues may arise for some of the questions we have been raising. If this is the case, please let us know that verb serialization is possible in your language and alert us to any sorts of patterns that you think we might be interested in. We will address these issues in follow up research.

[Tigrinya does seem to allow verb serializations but am not sure whether that has effect on the different strategies employed to encode reflexives or reciprocals.](#)

4.2.3 Backwards anaphora

If your language permits sentential subjects like those in D9, please indicate if coreference succeeds where X is a pronoun or anaphor coconstructed with Oliver. Your language may not have a verb like implicate, but if so, try a verb that seems close, if possible. If your language does not permit clauses to be subjects without head nouns, then try something like “the fact that X was late upset Oliver.” *English permits the independent pronouns strategy to be used for such cases, but not all speakers like every example.*

- D9a) (nɪssu) mɪ-dɪŋuway-u nɪ-oliber anadid-u-wwo
(He) CM-late-his to-Oliver upset-3m.sg.S-3m.sg.O
That X was late upset Oliver.
- b) (nɪssu) mɪ-dɪŋuway-u zər'ɪyy-o oliber gəbənəNa mɪnbar-u 'ɪyy-u

- (He) CM-late-his show-his Oliver guilty was-3m.sg.S be-3m.sg.S
That X was late suggested that Oliver was guilty.
- c) (nɪssu) mɪ-dɪŋguway-u oliber gəbənəNa kɪməsɪl gəyr-u-wwo
(He) CM-late-his Oliver guilty seem did-3m.sg.S-3m.sg.O
That X was late made Oliver look guilty.
- d) (nɪssu) mɪ-dɪŋguway-u n-olibər yə-k'alɪ?
(He) CM-late-his to-Oliver 3 m.sg.S -implicate
That X was late implicated Oliver.

Section 4.3 Principle C-type effects

In English it is not possible to interpret he=Malik or he=the boy in (E1), except in some exceptional discourse circumstances such as extra stress and/or focus (and then not for everybody). For all of these examples, give judgments that indicate whether or not it is possible in normal discourse circumstances for the pronoun to be either Malik or the boy.

It does not seem possible in Tigrinya ‘he/his’ to refer to ‘the boy’ or ‘Malik’.

- E1a) He criticized Malik.
b) He said Mariam criticized Malik.
c) He criticized the boy.
d) He said Mariam criticized the boy.
- E2a) His mother criticized Malik.
b) His mother said Mariam criticized Malik.
c) His mother criticized the boy.
d) His mother said Mariam criticized the boy.
- E3a) The man who he liked criticized Malik
b) The man who he liked criticized the boy.
c) The man who liked him criticized the boy.

Now consider whether or not, in place of the pronoun, the name Malik could work as the antecedent for either Malik or the boy could work as the antecedent for the boy in the following sentences, again, paying attention to whether special discourse circumstances must be appealed to make the sentence sound natural (e.g., in English, (E4a) would sound natural if preceded by “Everyone criticized Malik. Bill criticized Malik, Mary did, and even Malik criticized Malik”, but this is one example of what I mean by a special discourse circumstance).

- E4a) * malik n-malik nəx'if-u-wwo
Malik OM-Malik criticize-3m.sg.S-3m.sg.O
Malik criticized Malik.
- b) * malik maryam n-malik nəx'if-a-tto ?ill-u
Malik Mariam OM-Malik criticize-3f.sg.S-3m.sg.O said-3m.sg.S
Malik said Mariam criticized Malik.
- c) * ?t-i wəddi nə-t-i wəddi nəx'if-u-wwo
D-m.sg boy OM-D-m.sg boy criticized-3m.sg.S-3m.sg.O
The boy criticized the boy.
- d) ?t-i wəddi maryam nə-t-i wəddi nəx'if-u-wwo ?ill-u
D-m.sg boy Mariam OM-D-m.sg boy criticized-3m.sg.S-3m.sg.O said-

3m.sg.S

The boy said Mariam criticized the boy.

- E5a) ?addə malik n-malik nəx'if-a-tto
 MotherMalik OM-Malik criticize-3f.sg.S-3m.sg.O
 Malik's mother criticized Malik.

- b) ?addə malik maryam nə-malik nəx'if-a-tto ?ill-a
 MotherMalik Mariam OM-Malik criticize-3f.sg.S-3m.sg.O said-3m.sg.S
 Malik's mother said Mariam criticized Malik.

- c) ?addə-t-i wəddi nə-t-i wəddi nəx'if-a-tto
 Mother-D-m.sg boy OM-D-m.sg boy criticize-3f.sg.S-3m.sg.O
 The boy's mother criticized the boy.

- d) ?addə-t-i wəddi maryam nə-t-i wəddi nəx'if-a-tto
 ?ill-a
 Mother-D-m.sgboy Mariam OM-D-m.sg boy criticize-3f.sg.S-3m.sg.O said-

3m.sg.S

The boy's mother said Mariam criticized the boy.

- E6a) ?t-i malik zifətw-o səbʔay n-malik nəx'if-u-wwo
 D-m.sg Malik Rel-liked-3m.sg.O man OM-Malik criticize-3m.sg.S-

3m.sg.O

The man who Malik liked criticized Malik

- b) ?t-i ?t-i wəddi zifətw-o səbʔay nə-t-i wəddi nəx'if-u-wwo
 D-m.sg D-m.sg boy Rel-liked-3m.sg.O man OM-D-m.sg boy criticize-

3m.sg.S-3m.sg.O

The man who the boy liked criticized the boy.

- c) ?t-i nə-t-i wəddi zifətw-o səbʔay nə-t-i wəddi nəx'if-u-wwo
 D-m.sg D-m.sg boy Rel-liked-3m.sg.O man D-m.sgboy criticize-3m.sg.S-

3m.sg.O

The man who liked the boy criticized the boy.

Now consider whether the boy = Malik for the following examples

None of these examples refer to the boy=Malik in Tigrinya.

- E7a) The boy criticized Malik.
 b) The boy said Mariam criticized Malik.
 c) Malik criticized the boy.
 d) Malik said Mariam criticized the boy.
 E8a) The boy's mother criticized Malik.
 b) The boy's mother said Mariam criticized Malik.
 c) Malik's mother criticized the boy.
 d) Malik's mother said Mariam criticized the boy.
 E9a) The man who the boy liked criticized Malik
 b) The man who Malik liked criticized the boy.
 c) The man who liked Malik criticized the boy.
 d) The man who liked the boy criticized Malik

4.4 More on long distance anaphor strategies

Strategies that allow coreference across tensed clause boundaries, but where the marked argument is one that is not a typical pronoun, we will call "long distance anaphor strategies", hereafter, LDA strategies. In some languages, the LDA form is the same form that is used in clausemate anaphora, while in some cases, the LDA form is that of a pronoun of a special type or else it is an anaphor of a type that may be used in a more local strategy as well (to form reflexives, for example) . In many other languages, such as English, there is no long distance anaphor, and the independent pronoun strategy is used.

If your language uses a special pronoun for LDA, it may be that the special pronoun has other uses. In some languages a special pronoun of this type is particularly required when referring back to the reported speaker or believer (a logophoric antecedent), as in D10.

D10) *John* believes *he* is guilty.

In other words, a language with this strategy would have a special morphological form for he just in case he refers to John (but not if it refers to someone else). We will call this a "logophoric" pronoun strategy, and in some languages, this form of pronoun has only this use.. English does not have such a form, but if your language does, then we will eventually ask you more questions than those that are found in this section.

[I don't think Tigrinya has any logophoric pronouns that serve the same purpose.](#)

4.4.1 Position of the antecedent - Long-distance coreference is often constrained in ways that local coreference is not (especially: subject-orientation). Which possible syntactic positions can be occupied by a long-distance antecedent of the current strategy? Construct examples and give judgments where X = Zeke.. In English, the independent pronoun strategy is all that works for these (i.e., where X= he or him). If your language is like English, then the reflexive form does not work in the position of X where X=Zeke. If your language does not use the simple independent pronoun, but another form, be sure to show not only the form that works, but the one that doesn't.

- D11a) *leri mayk (niʃiʔu) kəm-zəy-fətw-o ni-leri nəgir-u-wwo*
 Larry Mike (him) COM-Neg-liked-3m.sg.O to-Larry told-3m.sg.S-3m.sg.O
 Larry told Zeke that Mike does not like X.
- b) *zeki mayk (niʃiʔu) kəm-zəy-fətw-o ni-leri nəgir-u-wwo*
 Zeke Mike (him) COM-Neg-liked-3m.sg.O to-Larry told-3m.sg.S-3m.sg.O
 Zeke told Larry that Mike does not like X.
- c) *zeki ni-mayk kəm-zəy-fətw-o ni-leri nəgir-u-wwo*
 Zeke to-Mike COM-Neg-liked-3m.sg.O to-Larry told-3m.sg.S-3m.sg.O
 Zeke told Larry that X does not like Mike.
- d) *leri zeki ni-mayk kəm-zəy-fətw-o (niʃiʔu) nəgir-u-wwo*
 Larry Zeke to-Mike COM-Neg-liked-3m.sg.O (him) told-3m.sg.S-3m.sg.O
 Larry told Zeke that X does not like Mike.
- e) *leri mike n-zeki kəm-zay-fətw-w-o zeki kəm-zɪ-hasɪb yɪ-fəlɪtʔ*
 Larry mike to-Zeke COM- 3f.sg.S- Neg-like-3m.sg.O Zeke COM-3f.sg.S-know
 3m.sg.S-think
 Larry knows that Zeke thinks that Mike does not like X.
- f) *zeki mike n-zeki kəm-zay-fətw-w-o leri kəm-zɪ-hasɪb yɪ-fəlɪtʔ*
 Zeke mike to-Zeke COM-3f.sg.S-like-3m.sg.O Larry COM-3f.sg.S-know 3m.sg.S-think
 Zeke knows that Larry thinks that Mike does not like X.
- D12a) *adde zeki mike (niʃiʔu) kəm-zay-fətw-w-o tɪ-hasɪb*

- mother Zeke Mike (him) COM-3f.sg.S-Neg-like-3m.sg.O 3f.sg.S-think
 Zeke's mother thinks that Mike does not like X.
- b) adde zeki n-mike (niSSu) kəm-zay-fətww-o ti-hasib
 mother Zeke to-Mike (he) COM-3f.sg.S-Neg-like-3m.sg.O 3f.sg.S-think
 Zeke's mother thinks that X does not like Mike.
- c) zeki mike kəm-zay-fətww-o yi-hasib
 Zeke Mike COM-3f.sg.S-Neg-like-3m.sg.O 3m.sg.S-think
 Zeke thinks that Mike does not like X.
- d) * nay zeki debdabe mike ?ay-fətww-o-n ?ill-a
 of Zeke letter Mike Neg-like-3m.sg.O-Neg said-3m.sg.S
 Zeke's letter said that Mike does not like X.
- e) zeki meri kəm-zay-t-fətww-o səmi?-u
 Zeke Mary COM-Neg-3f.sg.S-like-3m.sg.O heard-3m.sg.S
 Zeke heard that Mary did not like X.
- f) zeki meri kəm-zay-t-fətww-o tə-nəgir-u-wwo
 Zeke Mary COM-Neg-3f.sg.S-like-3m.sg.O PASS-told-3m.sg.S-3m.sg.O
 Zeke was told that Mary did not like X. (if your language permits passive)
- D13a) zeki (ʒars-əy) tə-xəddin-ə nəyr-ə ?ill-u
 Zeke (self-my) PASS-dressed-1sg.S was-1sf.S said-3m.sg.S
 Zeke said that X had dressed X.
- b) zeki (ʒars-əy) k'osill-ə nəyr-ə ?ill-u
 Zeke (self-my) wonded-1sg.S was-1sf.S said-3m.sg.S
 Zeke said that X had wounded X.
- c) zeki (ʒars-əy) tə-wək'k'it'-ə nəyr-ə ?ill-u
 Zeke (self-my) PASS-tattooed-1sg.S was-1sf.S said-3m.sg.S
 Zeke said that X had tattooed X.

Consider potential antecedents in other non-subject syntactic positions, as allowed by your language (e.g., in English, John related to Bill that Mary had slandered him where Bill = him).
 This non-subject syntactic position doesn't seem to be available in Tigrinya.

4.4.2 Antecedent properties

4.4.2.1 Person - Please replace Zeke in the Zeke paradigm of 4.4.1 with first and second person pronouns, and report the results. Even if most of the examples pattern exactly as third person cases do, please be careful to include sentences corresponding to (D13) in the Zeke paradigm.

Replacing 'Zeke' with first person singular seems perfectly grammatical in Tigrinya.

4.4.2.2 Quantified antecedents - Review the examples in the Jack, Zeke and Edgar paradigms, replacing these names with "every child" and "no child" or "many children". Report all examples that differ in acceptability from the examples you have already provided for those paradigms. If there are no differences, just provide a few representative examples.

Tigrinya succeeded in replacing the above personal names with quantified antecedents. At this point there is no variation in acceptability even with covert pronouns, which is possible in Tigrinya.

Note: Try overt and null pronouns as the coreferent NP if your language has both.

4.4.2.3 Split antecedents - Sometimes coreference is permitted when the antecedents for the anaphor or pronoun are separate arguments. Please provide examples that correspond to those in the Ozzie (male) and Harriet (female) paradigm. In all cases, X = Ozzie and Harriet (together). For example, in English, (D14d) would be "Ozzie told Harriet that Bill dislikes *them*," where them would be Ozzie and Harriet.

D14a) *Ozzie talked about Harriet to X.

b) *Ozzie talked about X to Harriet.

c) ozi n-haret (*niʔiʔom) ki-n-lək'k'ix' ʔallə-nna ʔill-u-wwa
 Ozzie to-Harriet (them) Fut-1.pl.S-leave COP-1pl said-3m.sg.S-3f.sg.O
 Ozzie told Harriet that X should leave.

d) ozi bil (niʔiʔom) kəm-zi-s'əlʔ-om n-haret nəgir-u-wwa
 Ozzie Bill (them) COM-3f.sg.S-dislike-3m.pl.O to-Harriet told-3m.sg.S-3f.sg.O
 Ozzie told Harriet that Bill dislikes X.

e) ozi bil (niʔiʔom) kəm-zi-s'əlliʔ-om haret tih-hasib ʔill-u
 Ozzie Bill (them) COM-3f.sg.S-dislike-3m.pl.O Harriet 3f.sg.S-think said-3m.sg.S
 Ozzie said that Harriet thinks that Bill dislikes X.

4.4.2.4 Discourse antecedents - Sometimes, LDA strategies do not have to have antecedents in the same sentence if the discourse connections between sentences is strong. Please translate the following scenarios using only the acceptable strategies that permit the corresponding English pronouns all to refer to Mark (English allows only the independent pronoun strategy). Then give please tell us which strategies do not work, providing a translation and gloss, if it is significantly different from your acceptable translations of (D15) and (D16) (save time by setting aside cases where a given strategy could not ever work in the relevant grammatical position, e.g., English *himself* can never be the subject of a tensed sentence). Suppose that in the following scenarios we are being told what was going on in Mark's mind.

D15) mark wədd-u dəhan sil-zəy-nəbər-ə fərih-u
 Mark son-his safe COM-Neg-was-3m.sg.S feared-3m.sg.S

Mark feared that his son was not safe.

nay-kərəba ʔazmad-u kə-ʔx'ub-om silə-zəy-kaʔall-ə haʔfir-u
 Of-close relative-his protect-them COM-Neg-able-to-do-3m.sg.S ashamed-

3m.sg.S

He was ashamed that he could not protect his closest relative.

dək'k'i akotat-u ʔintay yi-ʔasbiʔ-u-wwo
 children ancle-his what 3f.sg.S-think-3m.pl.S-3m.sg.O

What would his cousins think of him?

D16) mark siʔl-u ʔab-t-i wərəx'ət mis-rəʔay-ə tə-dəns'iy-u
 Mark picture-his at-D-m.sg paper with-saw-3m.sg.S PASS-shocked-

3m.sg.S

Mark was shocked to see his picture in the paper.

Kull-om dəgəft-u kəglil-u-wwo ʔiyy-om
 All-them supporters-his abandon-3m.sg.S-3m.pl.O be-3m.pl.S

All of his supporters would abandon him.

kəməy ʔiyy-u nədiʔ-u zi-nəgir
 how be-3m.sg.S mother-his Rel-3/2person-tell

How would he tell his mother?

The following scenario concerns what Morris is reporting to us about Mark, where all of the English pronouns are understood as referring to Mark, not to Morris. Please translate using any (or every) strategy for coreference with Mark that works (including the independent pronoun strategy). Then give please tell us which strategies do not work, providing a translation and gloss, if it is significantly different from your acceptable translations of (D17). If your language permits null subjects understood as pronouns, don't forget to consider that strategy.

D17) *moris lomaʕanti n-mark məʃəgərit məʃalti nəyr-a ʔill-u*
Morris today to-Mark difficult day was-3f.sg.S said-3m.sg.S

Morris said it was a difficult day for Mark.

fələma, moris makinniʔ-u kəm-zi-tə-sərəx'-ət nəgir-u-wwo
first Morris car-his COM-Rel-3f.sg.S-PASS-stolen told-3m.sg.S-3m.sg.O

First, Morris told him that his car had been stolen.

dəhriʔu, n-sərah ʔi -ti-wəssd-o tax'si ki-x'os'ir nəyr-u-wwo
then to-work COM-3f.sg.S-took-3m.sg.O taxi Fut-hire was-3m.sg.S-

3m.sg.O

Then he had to hire a taxi to take him to work.

Moris harix'-u kəm-zi-xəwin hasib-u
Morris upset-3m.sg.S COM-3m.sg.S-be thought-3m.sg.S

Morris thought he might be angry.

Now suppose that Mark has recently been in the news and he is the topic of our conversation. Speakers A and B use pronouns to refer to him. Please translate using the strategy or strategies in your language that permit coreference with Mark. Once again, please tell us which strategies do not work, providing a translation and gloss, if it is significantly different from your acceptable translations of (D18).

D18) A: *rəʔəy mark ʔall-o*
Look Mark exist-3m.sg.O

Look, there's Mark!

B: *bət'aʕmi k'ondʒo ʔiyy-u*
Very handsome be-3m.sg.S

He is so handsome.

A: *səbəyt-u gin ki-xəwin ʔay-dəll-in.*
Woman-his but Fut-become Neg-want-Neg.

I would not want to be his wife though.

kull-ən ʔanisti ʔiyy-ən zə-ssadidə-ʔo
all-f.pl women be-f.pl Rel-chase-3m.sg. 3m.sg.O

All the women are chasing him.

B: *bətəwəsaxi ʕars-u ʔaziyy-u zi-niʔid ʔill-ə yi-ʕasib*
Moreover sel-him very-m Rel-praise be-1sg.S 1/3sg-think

Also, I think he praises himself too much.

In considering your responses to this subsection, are there any generalizations that you think would be of interest to us in understanding the circumstances or nuances of meaning that a given choice of coreference strategy might reflect?

It looks like the reflexive – both covert and overt pronoun – strategies are predominately used.

4.4.3 Blocking Effects

The agreement features of nominals intervening between an anaphor and its antecedent can sometimes affect the grammaticality of coconstrual in some languages.

4.4.3.1 Features of intervening subjects - The following examples test for an intervening subject that is mismatched for person, gender, or number. Construct more examples if you suspect that other feature combinations are relevant in your language. In each case in (D19), X = Larry, unless designated otherwise. If the only successful strategy permitted here is the independent pronoun strategy, then please indicate this.

In all these cases the pronoun seems optional.

- D19a) leri joni (niʕiʔu) kəm-zə-xbīr-o yi-ħasīb
 Larry John (him) COM-Rel-respect-3m.sg.O 3m.sg.S-think
 Larry thinks that John respects X.
- b) leri ʔane (niʕiʔu) kəm-zə-xbīr-o yi-ħasīb
 Larry I (him) COM-Rel-respect-3m.sg.O 3m.sg.S-think
 Larry thinks that I respect X.
- c) leri meri (niʕiʔu) kəm-tə-xbīr-o yi-ħasīb
 Larry Mary (him) COM-Rel-respect-3m.sg.O 3m.sg.S-think
 Larry thinks that Mary respects X.
- d) leri ʔit-om ʔawədat (niʕiʔu) kəm-zə-xbīr-u-wwo yi-ħasīb
 Larry D-m.pl boys (him) COM-Rel-respect-3m.sg.S-3m.sg.O 3m.sg.S-think
 Larry thinks that the boys respect X.
- e) ʔit-om sebʔut ʔit-om ʔawədat (niʕiʔom) kəm-zə-xbīr-u-om yi-ħasīb -u
 D-m.pl men D-m.pl boys (them) COM-respect-3m.sg.S-3m.pl.O
 3m.pl.S-think-3m.pl.S
 The men think that the boys respect X. (X = the men)

Same tests, with the intervening subject in an intermediate clause:

- D20a) leri dawit (niʕiʔu) kəm-zə-xbīr-o ʔbil kəm-zə-fəlliɾt' yi-ħasīb
 Larry Dave (him) COM-respect-3m.sg.O Bill COM-know-3m.sg.O 3m.sg.S-think
 Larry thinks that Bill knows that Dave respects X.
- b) leri dawit (niʕiʔu) kəm-zə-xbīr-o ʔane kəm-zə-fəlliɾt' yi-ħasīb
 Larry Dave (him) COM-respect-3m.sg.O I COM-know-3m.sg.O 3m.sg.S-think
 Larry thinks that I know that Dave respects X.
- c) leri dawit (niʕiʔu) kəm-zə-xbīr-o meri kəm-tə-fəlliɾt' yi-ħasīb
 Larry Dave (him) COM-respect-3m.sg.O Mary COM-know-3f.sg.O 3m.sg.S-think
 Larry thinks that Mary knows that Dave respects X.
- d) leri dawit (niʕiʔu) kəm-zə-xbīr-o ʔit-om ʔawədat
 Larry Dave (him) COM-respect-3m.sg.O D-m.pl boys
 kəm-zə-fəlliɾt'-u yi-ħasīb
 COM-know-3m.sg.O 3m.sg.S-think
 Larry thinks that the boys know that Dave respects X.

- e) ?it-om seb?ut dawit (niʕiʕom) kəm-zə-xbīr-om ?it-om ?awodat
 D-m.pl men Dave (them) COM-respect-3m.sg.O D-m.pl boys
 kəm-zə-fəlliʕt' -u yī-ħasīb -u
 COM-know-3m.sg.O 3m.sg.S-think-3m.pl.O

The men think that the boys know that Dave respects. (the men = X)

4.4.3.2 Positions of the intervener - The above interveners were subjects (the most common case). We now look for interveners in other positions.

The following examples rely only on person mismatches (where X = Walter). If you also found number or gender mismatches above, give some examples. Once again, if all of these examples are only acceptable with the independent pronoun strategy, then just say so and provide translations.

The independent pronoun strategy is used here as well except in (D21d). note the optionality of those pronouns.

- D21a) walter dawit (niʕiʕu) kəm-zə-xbīr-o bil n-hari kəm-zi-nəgər-o
 W Dave (him(self)) COM-respect-3m.sg.O Bill to-Harry COM-told-3m.sg.OM
 yī-ħasīb
 3m.sg.S-think

Walter thinks that Bill told Harry that Dave respects X.

- b) walter dawit (niʕiʕu) kəm-zə-xbīr-o bil n-ʕay kəm-zə-nəgər-nni
 W Dave (him) COM-respect-3m.sg.O Bill to-me COM-told-1sg.O
 yī-ħasīb
 3m.sg.S-think

Walter thinks that Bill told me that Dave respects X.

- c) walter dawit (niʕiʕu) kəm-zə-xbīr-o n-ʕay nəgīr-u-nni
 W Dave (him) COM-respect-3m.sg.O to-me told-3m.sg.S-1sg.O

Walter told me that Dave respects X.

- d) walter dawit bīzaʕb-u zi-təs'ahfə məs'ħaf n-ʕay hib-nni ?ill-u
 W Dave abou-him Rel-wrote-3msgS book to-me gave-3m.sg.O said-

3m.sg.S

Walter said that Dave gave me a book about X.

4.4.4 Islands

Do syntactic islands affect the acceptability of the current strategy? For all the examples in this section, Ira = X. As in 4.3, if the independent pronoun strategy is all that works, please say so, translate, and move on, but if more than one strategy works, please let us know which ones do. Also, if your language permits more than one type of pronoun, be sure to test both kinds (including null arguments interpreted pronominally).

The independent pronoun strategy is the one that seems at play with the following examples. Note that the pronoun is sometimes optional and sometimes not required except in indirect question type (cf.(D2d)).

- D22a) ira meri (?? niʕ?a) sīlə-tī-s'əlʔ-a təx'əym-a
 Ira Mary (?? her(self)) COM-Rel-3f.sg.S-hate-3f.sg.O resent-3m.sg.S

Ira resents the fact that Mary hates X.

- b) ira nə-t-i (?? niʕ?a) z-fət-wa səbʔay tə-xībīr

- Ira OM-D-m.sg (?? her(self)) Rel-like-3f.sg.O man PASS-3f.sg.S-respect
Ira respects the man who likes X.
- c) ira ʔit-i (?? niʔa) z-fət-wa səbʔay bəliḥ ʔiy-y-u tī-bīl
Ira D-m.sg (?? her(self)) Rel-like-3f.sg.O man smart be-3m.sg. 3f.sg.S-say
Ira says that the man who likes X is intelligent.
- d) ira bil *(niʔa) tə-riʔ-u-wa ḥatit-a
Ira Bill (her(self)) COM-saw-3m.sg.S-3f.sg.O asked-3f.sg.S
Ira asked whether Bill saw X.
- e) ira məʕas bil (niʔa) kəm-zi-rəʔəyy-a ḥatit-a
Ira when Bill (her(self)) COM-Rel-saw-3f.sg.S asked-3f.sg.S
Ira asked when Bill saw X.
- f) ira dʒordʒ (niʔa) kəm-zi-səʕab-a ʔay-tə-gənzəb-ət-in
Ira George(her(self)) COM-Rel-followed-3f.sg.O Neg-PASS-realized-3f.sg.S-Neg
Ira did not realize that George followed X.
- g) ira meri s'ibx'ti kəm-zi-xon-ət-in (?? niʔa)
Ira Mary beautiful COM-Rel-be-3f.sg.O-and (?? her(self))
kəm-tī-mirʔow-a-n təzarib-a
COM-Rel-3f.sg.S-marry-3f.sg.O-and said-3f.sg.S
Ira said that Mary was pretty and that she would marry X.

4.4.5 De se reading

Sometimes an interpretation of identity with an antecedent is tinged by a different meaning distinction. There is a famous ambiguity in D23 depending on whether or not the subject of believe is aware that he is referring to himself. The distinction is between two readings where his=Oedipus, that is, we are not interested, for these cases, in readings where his is not Oedipus. Now imagine that Oedipus thinks his step-mother (Step) is his biological mother - he just calls her "mother", because Step is the only mother he has ever known. Now let us suppose that Oedipus is the only one in town who is unaware who his biological mother (Bio) is, perhaps because Bio is a notorious person of whom polite people do not normally speak. People in town, in spite of what they know, generally refer to Step as Oedipus' mother, since no one wants to bring up the subject of Bio. Then Bio, long out of town, makes a surprise visit to the town to see Oedipus, whom she finds scowling in his front yard, angry at Step because she has punished him.. Bio spends some time with Oedipus, as others watch suspiciously, but Bio does not tell Oedipus who she is. Oedipus thinks Bio is nice. Then someone says D23a or D23b.

D23a) *Oedipus* thinks/says *his* mother is nice.

b) *Oedipus* thinks/says *his* mother is mean.

Now his in both examples is to be coconstrued with Oedipus, but his mother in (23a) refers to Bio, whom he does not know is his mother, while (D23b) refers to Step, who is the only one Oedipus thinks is his mother (though others know otherwise), and Oedipus is angry at her just now. In some languages, a different morphological form, a different pronoun for example, is used to distinguish the two readings. If your language is like English, then there is no morphological distinction between the pronouns in (D23a,b). Just say so and move on.

However, other languages have such a morphological distinction (often it is like the logophoric distinction, discussed above, but not always). For example, Adésolá (2004) reports that Yoruba permits a non-logophoric

pronoun (a weak pronoun) to be coconstrued with the matrix subject, but the logophoric marked one (the strong pronoun) is still distinguished insofar as it must be *de se*. The verb meaning 'believe' selects for the logophoric complementizer *pé* and the pronouns are distinguished as weak (w) and strong (s).

- D24a) Olú gbàgbó pé ilé rẹ̀ ti wó.
Olu believe that house he(w) ASP fall
b) Olú gbàgbó pé ilé òun ti wó.
Olu believe that house he(s) ASP fall
Both: "Olu believes that his house has collapsed."

As Adésolá remarks, "...a strong pronoun [*òun*] is used when self-reference is intended by the reported speaker (or believer) [15b], while a weak pronoun [*rẹ̀*] is used when the reported speaker (or believer) does not know that he was in fact referring to his own house [15a]." The weak pronoun does not have to refer to Olu, but the strong one must.

If there is such a distinction in your language, then translate the examples indicating the difference in pronouns and we will ask you more about it after we get the questionnaire responses. If you don't understand what is asked for in this section, skip it or ask for assistance.

[I don't think there are any logophoric or non-logophoric pronouns that can be coconstrued with the matrix subject in Tigrinya.](#)

PART 5 Final thoughts

5.1 - Having looked at the details of each strategy individually, do you have any general comments on differences in meaning between the various strategies, conditions that would cause one or another to be preferred or required, etc.?

[In general, Tigrinya, like English, uses the independent reflexive pronoun to encode reflexive reading. However, unlike English, Tigrinya uses other strategies such as the causative, passive etc. with special form of the verb to express reciprocal reading as well. For example, Tigrinya favours the causative and passive strategies for grooming verbs with plural arguments.](#)

5.2 - Are there any properties of the questionnaire that you think could be improved, made more relevant, or more flexible? Is there any part of the questionnaire that you thought was unsuccessful at addressing what seems to you an important class of phenomena for our anaphora project? Please make us aware of any way in which you think we could improve our data collection.

[The questionnaire is pretty readable, and explores very interesting ideas in the realm of anaphors. Nevertheless, it is rigorous and time taking!](#)