Secondary Suffixation in Puget Salish

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The fundamental descriptive unit of Puget Salish verb stems 1 is either a root or a root plus one of three suffixes, {-b} 'middle voice,' {-il} 'persistent,' or {-t} 'general transitive.'2 These four basic units are referred to as follows:

- 1. ?úx™ (go) class, suffixless
- 2. <u>lčíl</u> (come) class, takes {-il}
- 3. sáx b (run, jump) class, takes (-b)
- 4. <u>čáx vod</u> (club it) class, takes (-t)

All four classes can be expanded into various resolution constructions in roughly parallel fashien:3

Ch.-+?

Ch. -m

I. Non-transitive

II. Transitive

III. Passive

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The syntactic differences among I, II, and III are illustrated with ¿cíl 'arrive.' In the first category pronominal referents bear the same relation to the verb as other nouns. In I.1. there is no

agent nor goal for the $\frac{1}{2}$ and $\frac{2}{2}$ classes. The noun or pronoun simply happen to be caught up in acts of nature. In the $\frac{2}{4}$ class the noun or pronominal referent is the agent. This is also true of both cases in I.2.

?ułóč čed 'I began (under the influence of a spirit).'

?u½éč ti stùbš 'The man began (under the influence of a spirit).'

?ułčíl čed 'I arrived.'

?ułčíl ti stùbš 'The man arrived.'

In the transitive category the pronominal referents are agents but nouns are goals.⁵

'l arrived (for some special purpose).'

'ultis ced ti stubs 'I arrived in order to see the man.'

?ulčís ti stùbš 'Someone arrived in order to see the man.'

?u½číltx\(čəd 'I brought it.'

?u½číltx₩ čed ti stùbš 'I brought the man.'

?ułčíltxw ti stùbš 'Someone brought the man.'

In the passive category, as in the non-transitive, pronouns and nouns have the same relation to the verb.

?u½čísəb čəd 'I was visited.'

?ułčísəb ti stùbš 'The man was visited.'

?u<u>łčíltub</u> čed 'I was taken.'

?ułčíltub ti stùbš 'The man was taken.'

Many (but by no means all) roots of the three suffix classes can stand alone as complete predications. Thus, in the <u>lčíl</u> class we find (in addition to /léč/ itself) /pús/ 'get hit by a flying object' occurring as a possible utterance as well as /púsil/ 'throw.'

Moreover, a number of roots are found with two class suffixes (rarely all three). Compare $/pix^wil/$ 'fall through the air' with $/pix^wid/$ 'shake it off' and $/kag^web/$ 'make mats' with $/kag^web/$ 'stitch it.'

Therefore, it would seem that the root might be a more logical point of departure for the description of Puget stem classes. Except for members of the <a href="mailto:2úx"/2½ class"/2½ class"/2½ class, however, many roots are bound, and they are bound to only one suffix. Further, if all items were listed by the root, it would not be possible to tell which class a verb belongs to. Given <a href="mailto://except/legin"/legin"/legin"/legin (under influence of a spirit),' there is no way of knowing what suffix it requires in II.3. It could as well be */łéčed/; and, /c̃áx*/'clubbed (as by a branch whipping or snapping back across one)' might be expected to occur as */c̃áx*il/.6

Native speakers' sprachgefühl lends credence to the scheme adopted here. Just as schooled English speakers refer to verbs in the infinitive, so Puget Salish speakers recite lists of verbs in specific grammatical forms — precisely those presented here as being the fundamental descriptive unit. The significance of this can be appreciated when it is realized that all informants refer to all verbs in these four forms. Verbs of the 2úx class are always given in the form I.l. on the chart; the 1číl class in form I.2, never I.l. even for those roots that can occur without suffixes. All 2áx delass verbs are given in the form II.3. even though some of these roots also occur without endings.

In the chart on page 1 stem expansion by resolution suffixes is illustrated. There are three other major ways stems can be built, reduplication, lexical suffixation, and secondary suffixation. This

paper is concerned with the last of these.

Secondary morphemes allow the class suffixes {-b}, {-il}, and {-t} to follow a stem that they otherwise could not. In many instances, secondary morphemes have the effect of changing the stem class. There are six:

- 1. the harmonics
- $2. \{-i-\}$
- 3. $\{-a-\}$
- 4. {-yi-}
- 5. $\{-ag^{w}_{-}\}$
- 6. $\{-u_{1}\}$

Harmonic suffixes provide for the resolution morphemes {-t} and {-b}.8 Except for athematic roots, harmonics reflect the root vowel:9

píxw-i-d 'shake it off' píxw-i-t-əb 'get shaken off' pús-u-d 'throw at it' pús-u-t-əb 'be thrown at'
$$\dot{c}$$
áxw-ə-d 'club it' \dot{c} áxw-ə-t-əb 'get clubbed' (The harmonic /ə/ is a reduced /a/.)¹⁰

Many roots do not have a root vowel other than epenthetic /e/. 11
These athematic roots belong to two classes, those requiring a
harmonic before {-t} and those that do not.

Requiring harmonics:

Not requiring harmonics:

°as-déč

?əs-k₩ə́ł	'spilled'	kwéł-ed	'pour it'
?əs-xéč	'think'	xéč-əd	'count it'
°əs−čéx	'split'	čéx-ed	'split it'

'lying on side'

Harmonics are never found with roots having three or more consonants.

déč-ed

'lay it on its side'

Some roots belong to both the $\underline{\check{c}ax^wed}$ class and the $\underline{sax^web}$ class. Those that take harmonics belong to two groups. One group requires harmonics before both $\{-t\}$ and $\{-b\}$, e.g., $/yiq-\underline{i}-d/$ 'weave it,' $/yiq-\underline{i}-b/$ 'make baskets.' The other group has a harmonic vowel only before $\{-t\}$, e.g., $/\beta il-\underline{i}-d/$ 'flatten it,' $/\beta il-eb/$ 'get flat.'

Some roots belonging to the <u>čaxwed</u> class but not to the <u>saxweb</u> class can, nevertheless, be expanded with {-b-i-}. ¹² If such roots require a harmonic vowel before {-t}, they also must have it before {-b-i-}. Compare /?ukwedáteb čed/ 'I was grabbed' and /?ukwedábiteb čed/ 'I was captured.'

Whereas the harmonics provide for {-t} (and {-b}) after certain roots, the secondary suffix {-i-} allows for {-t} to occur with a variety of extended stems:

(1) After the sax web class (excluding those whose roots belong also to the cax web class)

x wúyub <u>i</u> d	'sell to him'	cf.	x ^w úyub	'sell'
xáyəb <u>i</u> d	'laugh at him'		xáyəb	'laugh'
			xáyəbdx [₩]	'make him laugh!
bədčəb <u>í</u> d	'lie about him'		bédčeb	'lie, fib'
depsep <u>í</u> d	'talk excessively to someone'		qésqəb	'converse excessively'

tíčibid'wade out after him'tíčib'wade, swim'xá(ha)bid'cry because someonexá(ha)b'cry'is gone'

(2) After some lexical suffix stems 13 ?učelpáči(?)ìd 'twisted his wrist' cf. {-ači?} 'hand' ?učelčelpláxediteb 'hammer lock' {-l-axed} 'arm, wing' dxw? adyaxadid (Sk) 'open the door' {-y-axed} 'hinged door' ?udx vpúhìg ved iteb čeł 'the wind is blowing
in on us' {-(h)igwed} 'inside' {-šad} lexšádid 'give him light' 'light' ?ułíčšediteb 'his leg got cut' {-šad ~ šed} 'foot. {-uc(i)d} 'mouth, ?ábucdid 'take him his lunch' language; separation; covering'

A number of lexical stems are followed by $\{-t\}$ directly. There is no $\{-i-\}$, e.g., $/dx^w-xk^w-us-ed/$ 'turn it over,' $\{-us\}$ 'face, head, hair, top.' The presence of $\{-i-\}$ seems to depend upon the particular lexical affix rather than upon the root. Compare $/ki\dot{c}-\check{s}ed-\underline{i}-d/$ 'cut his leg' with $/ki\dot{c}-\grave{u}s-ed/$ 'cut his hair.'

Only a few of the seventy or so lexicals have been checked for the occurrence with $\{-i-\}$. In addition to $\{-us\}$, the following are not found with $\{-i-\}$: -ap 'bottom, tail'

-apšəb 'neck, stem'

-dup 'distributive'

-al-ikw 'patterned activity'

-qid 'head, top.'14

Some speakers occasionally use {-i-} after {-qs} 'nose, point'; but no pattern has been discovered. Other speakers never allow it after

{-qs}.

(3) After a small number of miscellaneous stems:

q w úqwad <u>i</u> d	'drink it'	cf.	q₩úq₩a?	'drink'
			q [₩] ú?	'fresh water'
qádad <u>i</u> d	'steal it'		qáda?	'steal'
d x^wq əd <u>f</u> d	'commit adultery'		qédəb	'fornicate'
há?l <u>i</u> d	clean it up,		há?ł	'good'
g Pg	polish it'		há?ləb	'good weather'
			há?łil	'be well'

In the preceding cases {-i-} creates category II stems. With two roots this suffix also makes stems for category III. The roots involved are {%al} 'cover body' and {tak* ~ tag*-} 'buy.' These belong to a small class of roots that take the transitive suffix {-š}. The construction is unusual. All other category III forms retain the transitive suffix which {-b} then follows: root - transitive suffix - {-b}. These two, however, lose {-š} before {-i-b}. Rather than the expected */%ál-š-i-b/, we find /%ál-i-b/ 'it was put on someone.' (Compare /%ál-š/ 'put it on,' /%ál-tx*/ 'wear it,' /%ál-tu-b/ 'lend someone something to wear.') The same is true of /tág*-i-b/ 'bought.' (Compare /tág*-š/ 'buy it,' /ták*/ 'bought,' /tág*-tx*/ 'bought,' /tág*-tu-b/ 'bought.' The meaning of {tak* ~ tag*-} is not exactly 'buy' as the identical glosses for this variety of expansions indicate.)

In the discussion thus far all cases of {-i-} involve the same

IC structure: stem - i - suffix. However, {-i-} also occurs in a

different nierarchy. Some sequences /-b-i-/ have the IC arrangement

stem - b - i -. This second structure obtains when {-b} is not a part of the underlying stem; that is, when {-b} is impossible without {-i-}. Whereas both /xwúyub/ 'sell' and /xwúyubid/ 'sell to him' occur, we find only /?úpbid/ 'seat self on his lap' never */?upub/. Note also that the root {xwuyu} (and many others) never appears without {-b}, but {?up} (and many others) does:

'happen to sit on his lap'

?úpud '(she) holds him on her lap'

√2úptx 'seat him on someone else's lap.'

{-b} is impossible without {-i-} following two types of more
complex stems:

(1) The reflexive

Xəlábut<u>bid</u> 'understand him' cf. Xəlábut 'understand' qəlqəlálitut<u>bid</u> 'dream about him' qəlqəlálitut¹⁶'dream'

(2) Stems in {-il-u1}

?eldilulbitubul 'come in order to eat with us'

cf. ?éłed 'eat'

?əldilul 'go somewhere in order to eat'

debebilulbitubul 'come in order to pick berries off us'

debeb 'pick berries'
debebílul 'go in order to
pick berries'

{-a-} creates stems that take the suffixes {-b} and {-t}. It expands three kinds of stems, root, distributive, and a third somewhat more heterogeneous group. The significance of {-a-} is not understood. With distributive stems it performs the same function as the harmonics:

ledledád 'trample it' cf. léded 'step on it'
gweigweiád 'looking around for it' gwéied 'look for it'
gweigweiáb 'looking all about' gwéieb 'seek'

In the heterogeneous group it is conveniently glossed 'by means of, with' when {-b} follows; when {-t} follows, the meaning is apparently instrumental. 17

čələsáb¹⁸ with the hands' cf. čáles 'hand' '(travel) by boat' putáb pút 'boat' 'awl for weaving' yídibàd yídid 'weave it' yídib 'make baskets' ceddisbad19'fork' cədəd 'stick into it' 'tooth, pin' -dis

čeddísbàd²⁰'toothpick'

With root stems, {-a-} narrows the significance of the stem giving it a more specialized sense.

cf. q Wéced q wcáb 'slip' 'slide it' sə?sx\áb sáx Web 'broad jump' 'jump, run' dx cútàb 'think' cút 'say' cúuc 'tell him' 'helper, luck' k^wáx^wəd kwx wád 'help him' tpád²¹ 'stab him' tp<u>á</u>d 'have knife in hand ready to use on him' tú?àd 'salivate' tú?ud 'spit on him' xwtád 'take it down from xwítild 'knock it down from height' height' x Witil 'fall from height' pedádub cooked in the péded 'bury it' ground' tsádub 'cooked in a pan' tésed 'bake it' (lit: 'decold ťés 'cold weather'

There are a number of forms involving the derivational prefix $\{g^{w}=-\}$. The IC structure of these forms is not certain. It may be $g^{w}=-\operatorname{root}-a-$ or $g^{w}=-\operatorname{root}-a-$. There is some evidence to support either interpretation. Both may be

accurate depending on the particular word.

gwecútàd 'make a fuss' cf. dx wcútàb 'think' cút 'say' cúuc 'tell him' gwekelad 'behave, keep still' Xəlád 'figure it out' Xəlcút 'keep still' Xəlábut 'understand' gweqwibad 'get ready' gweqwibicut 'get self ready' q**™**íbid 'fix it' 'mesmerize, anesthetize' 'foolish, senile' gwəqp<u>á</u>d qép gwesebád 'be quiet, shut up' gwetdwad 'faint, pass out'

One other case may involve {-a-}. The analysis is uncertain.

Some ?uxw class verbs apparently mark imperative mood with this morpheme, e.g., /?(a)%á(ha)xw/ 'come on, let's' ({?a%} 'come,' {-haxw} 'change effected'). In allegro speech the form is usually /?a%áxw/.

In the southern area it is /?á%ahaxw/. Compare also northern /?úxwaxw/ 'go now' (presumably {?uxw-a-haxw} with southern /?úxwahaxw/.

The secondary suffix {-yi-} indicates that someone else is responsible for an act; the expected agent is replaced by some other actor. {-yi-} is realized as /-ii-/ in Snohomish, /-ši-/ in the southern dialects, and /-yi-/ in Skagit. It is potentially the

widest distributed of the secondary suffixes. It provides for {-t}

in th	he following en	vironments:			
(1)	After roots of	the ?ux class			
	?áb <u>yì</u> d	'give to him' cf.	?áb	'reach, extend'	
	?íšł <u>yi</u> d	'paddle in his place'	?íšł	'paddle'	
	?úx [₩] y <u>i</u> d	'fetch it for him, go in his place'	²úxٍ w	'go'	
(2)	After roots of	the <u>čáx wed</u> class			
	k ^w əd <u>yí</u> təb	'took it (a switch) to him' (i.e., whipping	k ^w edád g)	'grab it'	
	łíč <u>yi</u> d	'cut it for him'	łíčid	'cut it'	
	¥ ág ™ <u>yi</u> d	'stitch it for him'	¥ág [₩] əd	'stitch it'	
(3')	After stems in	{-il}			
	p úsil<u>yi</u>d	'throw for him'	púsil	'throw, toss'	
			púsud	'throw at him'	
	ť účil <u>yi</u> d	'shoot for him'	ťúdil	'shoot'	
			túdud	'shoot at it'	
(4)	After stems in	{-b}			
	łíćib <u>yi</u> d	'cut cattails for her'	łíčib	'cut cattails'	
			łíčid	'cut it'	
	¥ág ₩əb <u>yi</u> d	'make mats for her'	¥ág₩əb	'make mats'	
			¥ág₩əd	'stitch it'	
(5)	After all lexical stems				
	¥álšəd <u>yi</u> d	'put shoes on him for her'	Xal	'cover body'	
	dx ^w ?ədwyáxəd <u>yi</u> d	l'open the door for her'	dx ^w ?əd ^w yáxəd	'open the door'	
(6)	After $\{-dx^{w}\}^{23}$				
	¥áldx ^w yid	'manage to get it on for him'	¥ál	'cover body'	

'manage to get it on for him'

?exwslèkwedxwyitebeb 'want to be able cf. lékwed 'put it in to eat his food the mouth' (without his consent)'

(7) After {-tx*} 'causative'²³

'vix tx yid 'take it for him' cf. 'vix 'go'

°úx, wtx w 'take it'

xwúyubtxwyid 'sell it for him' xwúyub 'sell'

xwúyubtxw 'sell it'

x wúyubid 'sell to him'

{-agw-} provides for {-il}. Most examples in the present corpus comprise roots of the <u>čaxwed</u> class. (The glosses are expanded in parentheses to show the situations in which such constructions are spoken.)

bəčág il 'lie down for cf. béč (Snoh) 'fall down from a rest' standing'

bečád (Snoh) 'put it down'

dəg <u>*ág *</u>il 'get inside' dək 'be inside'

dəg wad 'put it inside'

jídagwil 'enter the water' jíd 'drown'

jídid 'immerse it'

jídagwis 'soak in (mineral) jídcut 'soak in water' water (to cure a

disease)'

qwcágwil 'slide down' qwéced 'slide it'

qwcágwis 'slide down after it' qwcáb 'slip'

qwiqwcawil 'ice skate, go sledding'

(With attenuative stems $\{-ag^{W}-\}$ has the allomorph /-aw-/.24)

dwibagwil 'get out of canoe, dwib 'be disembarked' car, etc.'

dwibagwis 'get off (the bus because one happens to see a friend on the street)'

'get out of (his car because of his insults)'

šíg ^w ag ^w il	'come out of the water'	šík ^w (Sk)	'low tide'
		šíg ^w id	'pull it out of the water'
šíl <u>ag</u> wil	'come out from under something'	šílid	'dig to uncover something lost'
šúl <u>ag</u> ™il šúl <u>ag</u> ™is	'go under (a fence)' 'go under something	šúl	'happen to get knocked under (a bush)'
	after it'	šúlud	'put it beneath'
		šúlalik [₩]	'put in the oven'
%íq <u>ag</u> wil	'come out of(the brush)'	¥ qíl	'come out of hibernation'
%íq <u>ag</u> wis	'come out of (the brush in order to be seen)'	¥íq	'come out of (hidding place)'
		%íqdx₩	'manage to extract it'
díl <u>ag</u> wil	'board, mount'	dílil	'be on board, mounted'
		díl	'ride'
		dílid	'load it'
xwtágwil	'climb down from height'	x witil	'fall from height'
xwt <u>ág</u> wis	'climb down from height after it'	xwítild	'drop it from height'

The corpus has only one example of $\{-ag^{w}-\}$ after a member of the $\underline{sax^{w} = b}$ class and one after a $\underline{2cil}$ class form.

púsəb <u>àg</u> wil	'(a fish) comes to the surface'	púseb	'float, surface'
yú ⁹ ybil <u>àw</u> il	'play dead'	yúbil	'(person) starves, (animal) dies'

{-uł} means to proceed to some place in order to perform the action of the underlying stem. It does not belong to the same category as the preceding secondary morphemes. {-uł} is a final suffix in contrast to the others which form a base for further suffixation. (Stems ending in {-uł} can be expanded only by the constitute {-b-i-}. See (2) on page 8.)

With the possibility of one (known) exception, {-u}} provides for the class suffix {-il}. Stems never found with {-il} alone can be expanded by the sequence {-il-u}}.

debebílul 'go berry picking' cf.débeb 'pick berries'

júbelik "iluł 'go to a dance' júbelik " 'dance'

júbud 'kick him'

delbiluł 'go camping' dél(e)b 'spend night away from home'

tíwililul 'go to church' tíwil 'pray'

The possible exception is /gwadíluł/ 'go (there) to sit.' In all other cases involving {-il-uł}, the IC structure is clearly stem - il - uł. {-il} alone is impossible. Beside /gwadíluł/, however, we find the following:

gwedil 'sit down, sit up'

gwadis 'sit beside someone'

gwéd 'below'

Thus, the more obvious analysis is $/g^{\text{w}} = d - i1 - u^2/.25$

Footnotes

- The term <u>verb</u> is not rigorously defined here. It refers to those words that occur more often as predicate heads than as any other part of a sentence. They are translated by English verbs and adjectives.
- 2 {-b} 'middle-voice' has cognates in all Salish languages I know of. In Squamish, Kuipers calls it intransitive. See his <u>The Squamish Language</u> pp 68, 78, 80ff. In Clallam, the Thompsons refer to it as the involvement suffix. Their discussion of its meaning is highly insightful. See <u>Clallam</u>: <u>A Preview</u> by Laurence C. and M. Terry Thompson, in press. A detailed consideration of this suffix was presented to the Second International Conference on Salish Languages in my paper "The Morph /-(a)b/ in Snohomish."

There are two allomorphs: /-b/ after vowels and /-ab/ after consonants. After /1/ either allomorph occurs.

(-il) 'persistent' also has cognates in a number of Salish languages, usually with the shape /-i/. It refers not so much to the inception as to the continued state or activity, a growing or developing. (This view of {-il}, which has eluded me for several years, I owe to Professor Thompson.)

There are two allomorphs of $\{-il\}$: /-i-/ before $\{-s\}$, a transitive suffix and /-il/ elsewhere.

- $\{-t\}$ 'general transitive' refers to intended acts where an object is implied. It is neutral with respect to the agent's degree of control over the outcome (in contrast with $\{-dx^w\}$ which indicates a lack of full control).
 - {-t} has four allomorphs: /-d/ finally after a vowel, /-ed/ finally

- after a consonant, (either /-d/ or /-ed/ finally after /l/), /-c-/
 before {-ut} 'reflexive,' and /-t-/ elsewhere (except that /t + s/
 becomes /c/).
- 3 Compare with the Thompsons' discussion of control constructions in Clallam, <u>ibid</u>.
- Like -, the · represents a morpheme boundary but also shows that the particular root is always bound to the suffix.
- Nouns are goals if the verb is predicate head. If a noun heads the predication, it is the agent of verbs in category II. See my paper presented to the Third International Conference on Salish Languages, "Directive Phrases, a consideration of one facet of Puget Salish syntax."
- Predictability has not been utilized to its fullest extent. The

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- 7 In addition, several prefixes figure in stem expansion.
- 8 They also provide for {-š} which replaces {-t} after a few roots in Skagit. Compare Skagit /degw-á-š/ 'put it inside' with Snohomish /degw-á-d/. These suffixes might be considered allomorphs of the same transitive morpheme. See page 7 and footnote 15.

- 9 This contrasts with Squamish where the "vowel is often -- but by no means always -- identical with the (last) vowel of the stem to which the suffix is added." Kuipers, <u>ibid</u>., p. 68.
- 10 The /ə/ of words like / \dot{c} áx w əd/ 'club it' is significant whereas the second vowel of forms like /tésəd/ 'hit it with fist' is merely epenthetic. This distinction is revealed when the stems are expanded with $\{-b\}$:

/caxweteb/ 'get clubbed'
/tésteb/ 'get hit with fist'

In the first, the vowel is a harmonic and remains. In the second, the vowel is epenthetic and disappears.

- 11 The epenthetic /e/ disappears from athematic roots consisting of two voiceless consonants when a stressed vowel immediately preceeds or follows.
- 12 See page 7 ff.
- Compare with the similar phenomenon in Squamish. Kuipers, <u>ibid</u>., p. 119.
- 14 Squamish agrees with Puget in requiring a secondary suffix with the lexicals for hand, <u>arm</u> and in not having one after <u>neck</u>. The languages differ in their treatment of the lexical for <u>foot</u>. Puget requires {-i-}; Squamish does not.

15 Complete assimilation to $\{-i-\}$ may account for the absence of $\{-\check{s}\}$. See under $\{-yi-\}$ page 10.

No other {-s̄} roots known take {-i-b}. Instead, the {-s̄} is replaced by {-t} before {-b}, e.g., /xál-s̄/ 'mark it,' /xál-t-eb/ 'get marked,'

I do not believe that $-\underline{\underline{s}}$ and $-\underline{\underline{t}}$ are allomorphs of the same morpheme. Some roots are found with both, especially in Skagit, e.g., $/\beta t \underline{\underline{s}}$ and $/\beta t \underline{\underline{d}}$ (both glossed 'put it away'). The difference is not understood.

/qelqelálitut/ 'dream' is derived from /qelálitut/ 'spirit power' which in turn comes from a root {qel} 'hear' (?), a connector {-al-}, which figures in many lexical stems, and /?itut/ 'sleep.' This last is derived from a bound root {?it} plus the reflexive suffix {-ut}. (Kuipers interprets the Squamish cognate ?itut 'sleep' differently. He suggests that the suffix is a reduplication, ibid., p. 108.)

17 There are other affix constructions that also seem to mean instrumental. The two most common are /-t-ed/ and $/se-x^w-/$.

tú?k\d 'tape measure' cf. {tu?k\dark ~ tug\dark - 'figure, reck-on, measure'

šícted 'a file' {šic} 'rub, file'

sex\dark ?ig\dark = 1 (Sk) 'ladder, stairway' {?ig\dark = 1} (Sk) 'climb a tree, stair'

sex\dark g\dark = dil (Sno)'chair' {g\dark = d-il} 'sit'

18 For example, /čələsáb tə sə?ìbəšs/ 'walking on his hands.'

- 19 In allegro speech /cədədisəbəd/.
- 20 In allegro speech /čəcədísbəd/.
- 21 The vowel of this form is a harmonic.
- 22 This prefix occurs on both the inflectional and derivational levels. As an inflectional prefix it has optative meaning. In derivations its significance is unknown.
- $\{-dx^w\}$ indicates responsibility for but lack of full control over an act. It is in paradigmatic relationship with $\{-t\}$. Both occur with the $\underbrace{\check{c}ax^w}_{=d}$ class. $\{-tx^w\}$ 'causative' is found with the other three classes. $(\{-t\}$, of course, also turns up in the $\underline{sax^w}_{=b}$ class, III.6., but only by virtue of $\{-i-\}$.)

The allomorphs of $\{-dx^w\}$ and $\{-tx^w\}$ are $/-(a)dx^w/$ (often assimilated to $/-tx^w/$ in allegro speech) and $/-tx^w/$ when final. Elsewhere they are /-du-/ and /-tu-/. The fact that $\{-yi-\}$ follows the position-final allomorphs testifies to the secondary nature of the constructions.

- Other examples of $/g^{W}/\sim /w/$ alternation are given in my Stem List of Puget Salish under \underline{W} .
- 25 These two IC structures embracing the same sequence of suffixes is like the phenomenon pointed out on page 7 ff. regarding {-b-i-}. One of the more intriguing and sometimes exasperating problems in Puget Salish morphology is determining affix and particle hierarchies. The language is in the process of coalesing a variety of formerly

freer elements. In addition to several cases where the same series of suffixes belong to different IC's, there are instances of identical sequences of elements sometimes representing individual formatives and sometimes a single formative composed of several historical components. For example, /bid/ is a single suffix after such roots as {dil} 'ride' and {dal} 'obstruct the view of':

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    /dílbid/
    'vehicle'
    cf. /dílid/
    'load it'

    /dílagWil/
    'mount, board'

    /dálbid/
    'shadow'
    /dáld/
    'block the view of it'

    /dáličted/
    'umbrella'
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In other forms /bid/ represents three morphemes:

/tič·i·b-i-d/ 'wade out after it'

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/sáxw·əb-i-d/ 'run after it' /sáxw·əb/ 'run, jump'
/sáxw·əb-yi-d/ 'run after
it for him'
/sáxw·əb-txw/ 'kidnap him'
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/ťíč·i·b/

'wade'

Problems of this sort are further complicated by homonymy and morphophonemic alternations.