THE TONES OF JINGHPAW AND LOLO-BURMESE: COMMON ORIGIN VS. INDEPENDENT DEVELOPMENT

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1.0. Introduction.

It is hard to imagine a question of more interest to Tibeto-Burman (TB) studies than that of the possible interrelationship of the tonal systems of Jinghpaw (Jg.) and Lolo-Burmese (LB). Jinghpaw occupies a key position in TB, for many reasons. First of all, thanks to Hanson 1906, it is one of the best documented languages of the family from a lexical point of view. Secondly, it is highly conservative phonologically (especially when compared to the "degenerate" LB group), preserving a rich array of prefixes, initial consonant-clusters, final stops and nasals, glottalized resonants, and other goodies. Finally, from the genetic standpoint, Jinghpaw stands at a unique crossroads. As its geographical position in northern Burma, the heartland of the TB speech area, might lead one to suspect, Jinghpaw seems to show special affinities with all major subgroups of TB simultaneously: Kuki-Naga, Garo-Bodo, Bodish or Himalayan, Nungish, and Lolo-Burmese.² Of all these interlocking relationships, however, the Jg./LB one has most impressed students of the problem, largely because the number of reliable cognates these languages share is so great.3

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² For an interesting discussion of Jinghpaw's crucial genetic position, see Burling 1971.

Benedict 1972 b, pp. 4-10, gives a clear statement of the issues involved in TB subgrouping.

³ See especially the two unpublished volumes of Jg./LB cognates collected in Benedict 1940.
Maran, a native speaker of both Jg. and Burmese, emphasizes (1971) the closeness of

If it could be demonstrated that the tonal distinctions of Jinghpaw are systematically related to those we must set up for Proto-Lolo-Burmese (PLB), this would be striking evidence that Jg. and LB do indeed constitute a tight genetic unit within TB. To this hypothetical subgroup we might give the name "Jiburish". The establishment of such a special relationship would have far-reaching repercussions for the theory of the development of tones in Sino-Tibetan as a whole.

If things were neat and simple in this world, there would be only three logically possible answers to our question. Either (a) the tones of Jg. correspond so regularly to those of PLB that there can be no doubt that the systems are genetically related (i.e., descendants of a single ancestor system at the proto-Jiburish [PJBL] stage); or (b) the Jg./LB tonal correspondences are so random that one can only assume that Jg. and LB tone-systems evolved independently through the operation of phonological processes internal to each; or (c) the tone-systems of Jg. and LB are suspiciously similar - i.e., more similar than their whole lexical-phonological relationship would seem to warrant - so that we might conclude that the tones of one language were borrowed from (or diffused into) the other language. Unfortunately, the present paper can provide no clear-cut choice among these possibilities, since in real life they are not mutually exclusive. On the basis of the present evidence, it looks as if the Jg. and LB tonesystems were once genetically related somehow; but this relationship has since been obscured by internal developments peculiar to Jinghpaw, so that only dim vestiges remain. One surprising new fact has come to light: the two-way tonal split in Loloish stopped syllables6 (a split which did not occur in Burmese) shows unmistakable correlations with a similar split in Jg. stopped syllables, though many details remain unclear.

1.1. Consonantal difficulties.

Our problem is complicated by the fact that there are still serious gaps in our knowledge concerning Jg./LB consonantal correspondences, both in syllable-initial and syllable-final position:

(1) Secondary voicing. It is clear that the basic TB manner-opposition for obstruents was a two-way contrast of *voiceless vs. *voiced.7 Daughter languages with a three-way opposition (e.g., voiceless unaspirated vs. voiceless aspirated vs. voiced) are assumed to have developed their third series secondarily, typically through the influence of certain prefixes. This is obviously the case in Written Burmese (WB) and Lahu (Lh.), our key Burmish and Loloish languages, respectively, whose voiceless unaspirated series descend from the PTB *voiced series, and whose voiceless aspirates descend from the PTB *voiceless series. The voiced obstruents of these languages are lexically much less frequent than either of the other two series. In the case of Lahu, it has been demonstrated that they arose primarily through the influence of a nasal prefix. A similar explanation (along with the operation of intersyllabic sandhic voicing) will probably work for WB as well.

Jinghpaw also has three series of obstruents, but the status of its voiced series is quite different. In the first place, they are not particularly infrequent at all, being roughly as common as the two voiceless series. We cannot very well invoke a nasal prefix to explain this voicing, since modern Jg. still boasts not one but two nasal prefixes, mo- and syllabic n-, which occur before all three series of root-initials, and which descend at least in part from the original TB nasal prefix. Nevertheless there is something funny about the Jg. voiced obstruents — they correspond with equal frequency both to PLB *voiceless and *voiced.9 We thus find abundant examples of all four of the following types of correspondences:

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(a) Jg. vless unasp / WB, Lh. vless unasp [< PJBL *voiced]</li>
(b) Jg. vless asp / WB, Lh. vless asp [< PJBL *voiceless]</li>
(c) Jg. voiced / WB, Lh. vless unasp
(d) Jg. voiced / WB, Lh. vless asp
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For the moment, therefore, all we can do is reconstruct (c)- and (d)-type correspondences as PJBL *voiced and *voiceless, respectively, with the lame addendum that Jg. "shows secondary voicing" in such cases. We shall see below in our discussion of Jg. correspondences to PLB Tone *1 that Jg. etyma with voiced obstruent initials seem to behave randomly with respect to their membership in the two main Jg. tonal classes (mid and

the Jg./LB relationship, to the point where he calls them "dialects of the same language" in some abstract historico-phonological sense. His arguments rest on a combination of phonological and morphological considerations. See my forthcoming Review of Maran 1971 (Matisoff 1973b).

⁴ The word "Jiburish" is derived through apocope and aphaeresis from Ji-(nghpaw), -bur-(mish), and (Lolo)-ish. With the present study I am redeeming a pledge made in Benedict 1972 b, p. 86 (note 253) and p. 195 (note 494), and in Matisoff 1972 (Preface).

⁵ For the most far-reaching attempt to date to reconstruct tones for the PST level, see Benedict 1972 a.

⁶ See Matisoff 1971, 1972a.

⁷ Benedict 1972b, p. 20 et passim.

⁸ Matisoff 1969, 1971, 1972a.

⁹ It was this fact which led Benedict (1940, p. 263) to state, "Voicing or unvoicing of the [Jg.] initial is of distinctly secondary importance, the primary demarcation being that between aspirated and unaspirated initials."

low). This indicates that the "secondary voicing" had a disruptive effect on the tone of the syllable — but more than this we cannot yet say.

(2) Disagreement in voicing. Another, quite distinct class of anomalous cases are those where Jg. and PLB disagree in voicing. A Jg./PLB cognate set is said to show disagreement in voicing if the Jg. form has a voiceless unaspirated initial while its LB cognates have aspirated ones, or conversely if the Jg. form has an aspirated initial while its LB cognates have plain ones. In cases like these, we assume a proto-variation in voicing, i.e. we assume that the daughter forms are descendants of morphological alternants within the same word-family. This is an entirely legitimate assumption, in view of the fact that the individual daughter languages are rife with such variation at the present time. 11

Since it is precisely variation in voicing which is the crucial factor in the development of tonal contrasts, it would be very dangerous to admit into evidence those sets of cognates which show both *voiceless and *voiced members (either as between Jg. and LB, or within either Jg. or LB), since it is usually impossible to determine what the "basic" manner of articulation may have been.¹²

Note that an etymon with a *voiced* Jg. initial (that does not vary with a voiceless one within Jg.) can never be said to "disagree" in voicing with its LB cognates, since it may descend equally well from a *voiced or *voiceless prototype (preceding section).¹³

(3) Spirantal instability. We are on no firmer ground with the spirants than with the obstruents. There is a bewilderingly large number of different correspondences between the Jg. spirants and affricates and those of LB, such that we must suppose that a great deal of variation went on in this

10 Let us henceforth refer to "voiceless unaspirated" by the simpler term plain. Similarly, from now on we shall simply say aspirated when we mean "voiceless aspirated."

area in the proto-language.¹⁴ We have well-attested alternations between PJBL spirants and affricates (e.g. *s ~ *ts),¹⁵ voiced and voiceless affricates (e.g. *ts ~ *dz), dental and palatal affricates (e.g. *ts ~ *tš), and even palatalized velars and palatal spirants (e.g. *ky ~ *š). Jg. ts sometimes corresponds to LB voiceless or glottalized resonants; in these cases we must often set up complex proto-clusters like *?ry.¹⁶

- (4) Jg. glottalized resonants. Hanson recognizes only ordinary (i.e. voiced) resonants, /w y r l/. Yet Maran, the best Jg. speaker in the Western hemisphere, vigorously maintains that Jg. has a full set of glottalized resonants as well, /?w ?y ?r ?l/.¹¹ It has been pointed out repeatedly, ever since Burling 1967, that glottalization can have a profound effect on the tone of a syllable.¹¹8
- (5) Ig. final -? vs. -k. The usual reflex of TB *-k is glottal stop in Jg. (Again Hanson never records this phoneme, and we must rely on Maran). Yet there is a good number of cases where Jg. does have a final -k. Many of these are obvious loanwords (nàmmùkdərā 'ocean', etc.), but some seem to be genuine Jg. descendants of excellent TB roots, like túk 'poison'. The conditioning factors for the split into Jg. -? and -k are still unknown.

1.2. Evaluating the tonal evidence.

Hanson does not record tonal distinctions at all, which is easily the greatest defect in his otherwise priceless dictionary.¹⁹ For all our tonal information we have Maran to thank.²⁰

WB has no distinction between dental and palatal affricates, so that the letters $1000 \, \text{C}/\text{may}$ be transcribed indifferently as "ts tsh dz" or "c ch j" [we adopt the latter course from force of habit]. The voiced affricate is rare and obviously of secondary origin, occurring mostly in loanwords. WB also does not distinguish between s and s, but we transcribe the letter 0000 as "s". There is no voiced spirant in WB.

Lahu also does not distinguish between dental and palatal spirants and affricates (though such closely related languages as Lisu and Akha do). The Lh. palatal affricates / c ch j / are allophonically dental before only one vowel, / i /. The Lahu spirants are / š y /, which also appear phonetically as [s z] before / i /. See Matisoff 1968, 1973 a for more details.

¹¹ We may call this "intra-language disagreement in voicing." Sometimes this variation is of morphological significance, reflecting regular affixational processes at earlier stages, like the plain ~ aspirated variation in Burmese simplex/causative verb-pairs. Often, however, no consistent semantic relationship is signalled by the variation. This is not surprising in view of the clusive meaning of most TB prefixes even in the earliest attested language, Written Tibetan (WT). See Wolfenden 1929.

¹² It is of course entirely possible that some of the sets I do regard as criterial contain disagreeing variants of which I am not aware. Please help me find them!

¹³ An analogy with distinctive-feature theory is appropriate here. Jg. voiced syllables are neutral or indeterminate with respect to the proto-contrast *vd/*vless. To "disagree" (in feature-terms, "be distinct") in voicing, two forms must rather be in a +/- or -/+ relationship with respect to the feature [voiced].

¹⁴ Modern standard Jg. has the voiceless spirants / s š /, the plain affricates / ts tš /, and the voiced affricates / dz ~ z, dž /, but no aspirated affricates or voiced spirants.

¹⁵ This is independent of the fact that certain regular Jg. reflexes of PJBL affricates may be simple spirants. Thus *dz seems regularly to give Jg. š, as in 'eat', PLB *dza / Jg. šá.

¹⁶ See for example 'eight' (Set 370 below), where Jg. mətsát corresponds to WT brgyad.

¹⁷ Personal communications, 1963 to the present. Maran also believes there is a contrast between plain and glottalized dental affricates, / ts / vs / ?ts /.

¹⁸ See especially Matisoff 1970.

¹⁹ As he delightfully puts it in his Preface (p. iv), "The tones are more important than

(1) Tonal variation within a word-family. Jg. abounds in tonal variations among morphologically related alternants of the same root-morpheme. Sometimes the alternants stand in a clear semantic relationship to each other, e.g. simplex to causative: myin 'be named', šəmyin 'give a name to'; lūm 'be warm', šəlúm 'heat something'; phún 'put on and wear', džəphūn 'clothe someone', etc. As these few examples show, there is no simple way of predicting what the tonal variation (if any) will be in any particular simplex/causative pair. Sometimes the variation obtains between a verb and a noun formed from the same root: thòi 'to light', nīnthói 'a day'. Very often the semantic relationship between the alternants is less precise and more unstructured (kún 'be bent', khùn 'overhang something'). Frequently, as in this last example, the alternants show consonantal variation along with the difference in tone.

In the most interesting cases, the tonal and/or consonantal variation within Jg. is directly paralleled in cognate word-families in LB. Thus, Jg. nā 'ear' / nà 'to hear' is analogous to WB nâ 'ear' / na 'listen' and Lh. nā 'ear' / na 'listen'; WB prûn 'be worn away' / phrûn 'wear something away' corresponds to Jg. brûn 'be destroyed' / phrûn 'demolish something'. A thorough study of these variational patterns is badly needed, and may indeed be the key to many current problems — but unfortunately is beyond the scope of the present paper.

For the purposes of this study, we steer clear of these tonally variable families as far as possible. Crucially important as they are, they raise too many problems for us to cope with in the present state of our knowledge.²¹

(2) Primary vs. secondary tones. Students of historical phonology are acutely aware that the sound-system of any language is never in complete equilibrium at a given moment in time. New elements are constantly creeping into the system on the one hand, while formerly distinctively opposed elements are losing their contrastive function on the other hand. The system is in flux. This means that the members of the inventory of contrastive elements in a language at a particular time are not all of equal time depth. Some contrasts have been around a lot longer than others. This is as true for tones as it is for vowels and consonants.

Differences in the historical status of tonal contrasts are observable synchronically in a variety of ways. Perhaps the two most suggestive indices are differential lexical frequency and involvement in morphological alternations. If a given tone is lexically much less frequent than its fellows, it is likely either to be a newcomer to the system (on the way in) or a lonesome remnant of an older tonal class that lost some of its members through later developments (on the way out). Similarly, if a tone is associated with a more-or-less productive type of morphological alternation (especially if it is otherwise of low lexical frequency), it is likely to have arisen relatively recently as a phonological device that the language exploits to reinforce a grammatical distinction that had been endangered through the decay of a segmental contrast.

Tones which have a large functional load in the lexicon of a language, and which do not owe an unduly large fraction of their occurrences to their participation in morphological alternations, we may call *primary tones*. Other tones are *secondary*.²² Familiar examples of secondary tones in Sino-Tibetan include the Lahu high-rising tone,²³ the Burmese creaky tone,²⁴ and Ancient Chinese departing tone.²⁵

In modern standard Jinghpaw, there are two primary tones in non-stopped syllables, mid-tone (~) and low-tone (~). The high-tone (~) is much less frequent lexically. ²⁶ Furthermore, it is involved in a crucially important type of noun-verb tonal alternation in word-families that have cognates under PLB Tone *2 (below 4.3). Even "more secondary" is the Jg. falling tone (^). Compared to the other three tones, /^/ occurs on only a tiny fraction of the lexicon in its own right (i.e. in word-families where it is not in variation with other forms of the same root under different tones): e.g. džəkhû 'nine', ləkhôŋ 'two'. ²⁷ Most cases of /^/ involve alternations with the low-tone, including (a) vocatives [kəwà 'father', wâ 'O father!']; (b) negatives [lù 'have', ń-lû 'not have']; ²⁸ deverbal nouns [thòi 'be light',

generally admitted by Kachin students, but they can be mastered only with the help of a native teacher, and it would be useless to burden these pages with tonal marks in regard to which no two Europeans would ever agree."

²⁰ Tones are recorded in Nishida 1960, and in the 1959 anonymous Chinese study, but I have preferred not to rely on these for a variety of reasons, mainly because I could not be sure the dialects were the same as Maran's standard.

²¹ Maran and I are planning to collaborate soon on a large-scale study of morphologically significant tonal variation in Jg.

²² Needless to say, this is a matter of degree. Some "secondary" tones are more "primary" than others by these criteria. Furthermore, the status of a tonal contrast can radically change through time. To rank tones on a primary/secondary scale only makes sense for a particular stage in a language's history.

²³ See Matisoff 1970 passim; 1973a, Ch. I.

²⁴ See below, 9.6. For a lucid account of morphological alternations involving the creaky tone in modern Burmese, see Okell 1969, pp. 18-21. Written Burmese has two primary tones, "1" and "2", deriving from PLB "Tone *1" and "Tone *2"; see below 2.0.

²⁵ See Haudricourt 1954; Downer 1959; Pulleyblank 1972.

²⁶ Despite its relative rarity, however, Jg. / / occurs with some of the best general TB etyma, especially in words which have LB cognates under Tone *2. See below 4.3.

²⁷ Most of these cases are words with prefixes of the shape Co-, which undoubtedly triggered the tonal aberration – though why this should have happened in certain words and not others is still a mystery.

²⁸ It is not hard to figure out how this happened in the case of negatives. The negative

Pəthôi 'illumination']; and adverbial derivatives [nì 'be near', Pənî-nì šà 'nearby'; tèm 'be closely shut', n-tēm 'sober, grave', Pətêm šà 'soberly']. We henceforth ignore /^/ completely, since it is obviously such a johnny-come-lately. (This is not to say that someday it may not achieve enormous importance in the system!).

Prefixial Jg. syllables whose vowel is unstressed shwa are deemed to have no tone at all for our purposes, though Maran claims²⁹ that there is a high-low contrast even here.

The two-way tonal contrast in Jg. stopped syllables is undoubtedly secondary from the point of view of Sino-Tibetan as a whole,³⁰ though there is good evidence that it is of considerable antiquity, since it seems to correlate directly with the similar Loloish two-way split, as we shall see below 9.0–9.5.

1.3. Plan of this study.

We shall first consider PLB etyma under Tone *1 that correspond to Jg. words under the mid- or low-tone, confining ourselves to sets where neither PLB nor Jg. shows tonal variation. After that we shall do the same for PLB Tone *2. We shall then be in a position to judge whether there is any correlation between one of the primary PLB tones and either of the primary Jg. ones.

We will then proceed to compare the "less primary" Jg. high-tone with both PLB *1 and *2.31

The paper will conclude with a comparison of the Jg. and Loloish tonal splits in stopped syllables.³²

2.0. The primary non-stopped tones of PLB compared with Jg. cognate syllables. The basic correspondences between the two primary tones of Written Burmese and the tones of Loloish have been worked out by Benedict, ³³ Burling (1967) and Matisoff. It is convenient to refer to the two primary non-stopped WB tones by number: "1" and "2". WB Tone 1 has developed into Modern Burmese "low tone", and corresponds either to Lahu mid

tone (after *aspirated or *glottalized initials) or Lahu low-falling tone (otherwise).³⁴ The correspondence of WB Tone 1 to Lahu mid or low-falling tone reflects PLB Tone *1.

2.1. Ig. mid versus low correspondences to PLB Tone *1.

We shall begin by presenting lists of cognate sets divided according to the type of initial consonant-correspondence in the syllable, giving first the words where Jg. has mid-tone, then those where Jg. has low-tone. In section 2.2 we attempt to account for the double Jg. correspondence.

2.11. Stop or affricate initials.

- A. Jg. plain | WB, Lh. plain.
 - (1) where Jg. has mid-tone [15 exs. + 1?].85
- 'bustling, opulent'. Jg. tšīŋ 'close, closely woven; opulent' / WB cañ 'abound; be thronged, bustling'.
- 2. 'dissolve'. Jg. tūn (v.i.), šətūn (v.t.) / WB tun-tun 'too dilute'.
- 'dry (sun, fire), fry'. Jg. krāu 'dry up, be overdry', kərāu ~ gərāu 'dry over a fire' / WB krau ~ kyau 'fry'.
- 4. 'effaced'. Jg. prāi 'be effaced, settled and forgotten (feud), healed (old sore)', šəprāi (v.t.) / WB prai 'be wasted; become weak, less vivid'.
- 5. 'fly (v.)'. Jg. pyēn / WB pyam / Lh. pò.
- *'moon, month'. Jg. tā, šətā / WB nwai-ta '12th month', ta'-pôŋ 'name of 12th month'.⁸⁷
- 7. 'paint, daub'. Jg. tšā 'paint, daub, dye', gīn-tšā 'be smeared' / WB ca 'writing; a paper, document'.
- 8. 'pith'. Jg. krī, ?əkrī 'heartwood' / Lh. à-ke 'pith'.
- 9. 'plain (n.)'. Jg. prāŋ 'plain, moor' / WB praŋ 'the outside', ?əpraŋ 'open vacant surface'.

prefix n- is under intrinsic high tone (having itself been derived from something "more primary", probably *mo-). The speaker thus has to lower the pitch of his voice rapidly to pronounce a following verb on the low-tone. This abrupt lowering of the larynx is heard as a continuous drop from high to low, i.e. a "falling" tone.

²⁹ Personal communications.

³⁰ See Benedict 1972a.

³¹ A more complete study of non-stopped syllables would include a discussion of cases where Jg. and/or PLB shows tonal variation, as well as cases where WB has creaky tone.

³² A fuller treatment of stopped syllables would include cases where there is variation between stopped and non-stopped finals.

³³ Benedict 1972b, pp. 86-91.

³⁴ WB tone 1 and Lahu mid-tone are left unmarked in our transcription. Lahu low-falling tone is marked by a grave accent.

³⁵ The figures in square brackets refer to the number of available examples to illustrate the correspondence in question. Examples which are dubious in some way are counted separately, with their total followed by a question-mark. Thus "15 exs. + 1?" means "15 good examples plus one dubious example". The dubious examples are marked with an asterisk next to their gloss. Many of them are commented on in footnotes.

³⁶ This set could equally well be included in the category "Fusionally prefixed resonants", Class N below.

³⁷ This set shows a WB alternation between Tone 1 and creaky tone (symbolized by an apostrophe after the vowel). At any rate, the Jg. form is probably rather to be connected with WB la' (also creaky tone) and Lh. ha-pa 'moon'. See Benedict 1972b, p. 42. From now on we refer to "Benedict 1972b" by the initials "STC" (Sino-Tibetan: a Conspectus).

- 10. 'press against'. Jg. məkān 'press against, strain (as at stool), be in labor (woman)' / WB kan 'push a boat from land; recoil, as a gun'.
- 11. 'roast'. Jg. kəkāŋ / WB kaŋ / Lh. qo.38
- 12. 'smoothed out'. Jg. prī 'be smoothed over, leveled', šəprī 'to smooth, polish' / WB pre 'be loosed, untied; smoothed over, appeased, settled', phre (v.t.) / Lh. phi 'untie'.³⁹
- 13. 'sparrow'. Jg. ?ù-tsā / WB ca.
- 14. 'spleen'. Jg. sìn-pāi ~ kān-pāi ~ kūm-pāi ~ khūm-pāi / Lh. δ-pe.
- 15. 'stiff, aching'. Jg. kyīn 'stiff, aching', kyīn 'be in trouble' / WB kyañ 'feeling of numbness'.40
- 16. 'suppurate'. Jg. twī 'suppurate, as a boil' / WB twe 'flow moderately and incessantly'.
 - (2) where Jg. has low-tone [1 ex. + 2?].
- 17. *'true'. Jg. tèŋ, šətèŋ 'verify', fətêŋ 'truly' / Lh. ð-tè 'truth, something real'.
- 18. *'respect'. Jg. kò, ?əkô / WB kaw-raw.41
- 19. 'short'. Jg. tù / WB tui.

AA. Ig. plain ~ voiced | WB plain.

- (1) where Jg. has mid-tone [2 exs.].
- 20. 'ant'. Jg. ūkyīn 'ants (generic)', kəkyīn \sim kəgyīn 'common black ant' / WB kyañ 'large sp. of ant'.
- 21. 'happy, enjoy₁'. Jg. pyō ~ prō (Hkauri⁴²) ~ byō, šəpyō ~ šəbyō 'amuse, entertain' / WB pyaw 'be happy', phyaw 'make happy'.
 - (2) where Jg. has low-tone [1 ex.].
- 22. 'adhere₁'. Jg. tšùŋ 'stick, adhere to', džùŋ 'id.' (LM) / WB cuiŋ 'cohere', ?əcuiŋ 'a lump'.

38 The mid-tone in the Lh. form points to a prototype with glottalized initial (2.0 above), which perhaps is to be related to the velar prefix in the Jg. form.

- 39 The WB forms are a simplex/causative pair. The Lh. form descends from a variant with aspirated initial, rather than from the causative member of the pair, since the PLB causative marker was glottalization, which yields Lh. plain initials (but WB aspirated ones). See Matisoff 1969, 1970.
- 40 LaRaw Maran (henceforth LM) also cites krin 'stiff'. Jg. kān 'stretched, tense, taut' probably goes with WB kran' ~ kyan' 'tense, tight'.

41 Note the Jg. alternation between / / and secondary falling tone / /, in this set and the preceding one. 'Respect' may be a loan from Tai (cf. Siamese khawrób).

42 Hkauri is a Jg. dialect that displays both conservative and innovative features. On the conservative side is the retention of etymological final nasals in certain words where standard Jg. has lost them (e.g. gumran 'horse' vs. standard gumra; cf. WB mran);

- B. Jg. aspirated | WB, Lh. aspirated.
 - (1) where Jg. has mid-tone [5 exs. + 1?].
- 23. 'behind, retarded'. Jg. phāŋ 'be behind' / WB phaŋ 'procrastinate, delay'.
- 24. 'hunt, chase'. Jg. khwî / WB khwe 'check (in chess)' [also perhaps khwe' ~ hwe' 'push with the head, butt' with creaky tone].
- 25. 'perpendicular, superior'. Jg. thōŋ 'excel, be taller than others,' dìŋ-thōŋ 'stand as a column', thōŋ-lōŋ 'perpendicular' / WB thoŋ 'place upright; be proud, stubborn'.
- 26. *'prison'. Jg. thon / WB thon [prob. a loan into Jg. < Bs.].
- 27. 'surround₁'. Jg. khōi 'surround, as an altar with ornaments' / WB khrwe-ram 'surround, attend'.
- 28. 'time'. Jg. khyīŋ / WB ?əkhyin / Lh. khi43.
 - (2) where Jg. has low-tone [9 exs. + 2?].
- 29. 'bear, endure'. Jg. khàm / WB kham.
- 30. 'sneeze, blow nose'. Jg. khyì 'blow nose' / WB khye 'sneeze'.
- 31. 'coiled, curved'. Jg. khòn 'be coiled', ?əkhòn 'a coil' / WB khwan 'be bent, curved'.44
- 32. *'dilute, fade₁'. Jg. phòi 'vanish, disappear' / WB phyo 'dilute, make thin, dissolve' [also phyo' 'pale, faded; look sickly']. 45
- 33. 'exhausted'. Jg. khì, khì-bá / WB khe 'weak, inefficient (contempt.)'.
- 34. *'lion₁'. Jg. khàŋ-khyì / WB khraŋ-se' ~ khyaŋ-se' [loan into Jg. < Bs.].
- 35. 'mortar'. Jg. thùm / WB chum / Lh. che-má-qō.
- 36. 'spirit₁'. Jg. tsù, ?ətsǔ 'disembodied spirit' / WB ?əchu 'num. aux. applied to deities, pagodas, etc.'. 46
- 37. 'sterile, malfunctioning'. Jg. ù-thùm 'sterile bovine', mylt thùm 'exhausted in mind, discouraged' / WB thum 'numb, stupefied'.
- 38. 'white, silver'. Jg. gùm-phrò / WB phru / Lh. phu [see Set 100, below].

45 The vowel correspondence is irregular.

on the innovating side is the affrication of ph- to pf- (similar to the Lh. affrication of labials before |u|).

⁴³ The Lahu front velar reflects a variant with medial -r-. Note the -n/-ŋ final alternation in Jg. and WB.

⁴⁴ There are related WB forms with plain initials under Tone 2: kwâŋ 'bend into a ring, be circuitous', ?əkwâŋ 'a circle, ring, loop'. We could therefore have omitted this set on the grounds of tonal variation.

⁴⁶ We include this set here since Jg. has no contrast between plain and aspirated affricates. In our discussion of Tone *2 (below 3.11) we classify correspondences between Jg. /ts tš/ and Lolo-Burmese aspirated affricates as a separate subclass, BB.

- 39. 'wind around₁'. Jg. khàn 'to wind, bandage; tie up, be entangled' / WB ?əkhan 'a hank, something wound around'.
 - C. Jg. voiced | WB, Lh. plain.
 - (1) where Jg. has mid-tone [9 exs. + 2?].
- 40. 'accurate, exact'. Jg. bri, šəbri 'even out' (LM) / WB pri. 47
- 41. 'blanket'. Jg. phà?-džōŋ / WB con [first syll. of Jg. < Shan].
- 42. 'cubit,'. Jg. don / WB ton 'measure in cubits', ?əton 'a cubit'.
- 43. 'do, make'. Jg. dī / WB te 'do repeatedly and constantly' / Lh. te 'do'. 48
- 44. 'hammer'. Jg. sùm-dū / WB sam-tu.49
- 45. 'like, desire'. Jg. don / WB ton 'burn with lust', ton'-ta' 'long for'.
- 46. *'measure (n.)'. Jg. bye 'a measure of capacity' / WB prañ, ?aprañ.50
- 47. 'protect, shield'. Jg. məgā / WB ka.
- 48. 'related (by birth or marriage)'. Jg. do / WB taw.
- 49. *'star'. Jg. šəgān / WB krai / Lh. məʔ-kə [This set presents several irregularities].⁵¹
- 50. 'sufficient₁'. Jg. gūm, gūm-gūm / WB kum 'have plenty' [also perhaps Lh. qhε 'verb particle indicating frequent or excessive action', from an aspirated prototype].
 - (2) where Jg. has low-tone [9 exs. + 1?].
- 51. 'angry, rebellious'. Jg. bùn 'angry, violent with rage', sùpbùn ~ səbùn ~ sùbùn 'fury' / WB pun 'to rebel (obs.)', su-pun 'a rebel'. 52
- 52. 'body₁'. Jg. gùm-gù / WB kui(y).
- 53. 'body₂, corpse₁'. Jg. gòŋ 'physical body', n-gòŋ 'corpse' / WB ?əkoŋ 'animal body; dead body'.
- 54. 'buttocks'. Jg. dàn, mài-dàn, dàn-kān / WB tan.
- 55. 'father-in-law, respected male relative'. Jg. kəgù 'f-i-l', gû, ?əgû 'f-i-l, brother-in-law', kû (Hkauri) 'id.' / WB kui 'brother, esp. elder'. 53
- 56. *'filth1'. Jg. ?ogàn / WB kyan [Jg. lacks the medial -y-].

47 See "smoothed out", No. 12 above.

48 There is a related stopped Jg. form, dí? 'auxiliary forming transitives.'

49 These words belong to a large word-family ('to pound') which exhibits tonal variation.

50 The rhyme-correspondence is irregular. Loanword?

- 51 The Jg. -n is from PTB *-r (WT skar-ma). For a discussion of this set, see Matisoff 1972b, p. 279.
- 52 There is a Jg. variant with final stop: bù? 'have fever, be hot with rage', səbù? 'enrage, incite, provoke'. See No. 378 below.
- 53 The Jg. forms under the falling tone probably arose through vocative intonation. See above 1.2(2).

- 57. 'lay stone, pave'. Jg. dèn 'lay, as brick or stone', mədèn 'widen, expand' / WB tañ 'place in a position, build'.
- 58. 'noisy₁'. Jg. n-dàu 'loud, noisy' / WB taw 'loud rumbling noise'.
- 59. 'parrot'. Jg. k(y)ék-dàu / WB krak-tu-rwê ~ kyak-tu-rwê.54
- 60. 'pimple, wart'. Jg. tšīŋ-džòn / WB cwan.
 - CC. Jg. voiced | WB, Lh. aspirated.
 - (1) where Jg. has mid-tone [3 exs. + 1?].
- 61. 'clear, disencumber'. kəbrāŋ 'to separate, as contending parties', šəbrāŋ 'clear, as a road' / WB phyaŋ 'disentangle, separate parties in a quarrel'.
- 62. *'fixed, firm, in control'. Jg. džūŋ 'be fixed (post), firmly rooted (tree)' / WB chuiŋ 'have jurisdiction, have a right to'. 55
- 63. 'sit'. Jg. dūn / WB thuin.
- 64. 'thick'. Jg. dāu / WB thu / Lh. thu [There also exist WB derivatives under creaky tone: thu', ?əthu' 'thickness', du' 'thickness, multitude'].
 - (2) where Jg. has low-tone [6 exs. + 1?].
- 65. 'bile, gall'. Jg. šəgrì ~ səgrì / WB sâñ-khre / Lh. ò-ki.56
- 66. 'burn, boil₁'. Jg. džù 'burn, as wood; roast, broil' / WB chu 'boil, bubble'.
- 67. 'cover, envelop'. Jg. kìŋ-grùm, thìŋ-grùm, də̀grùm / WB khrum \sim khyum. 57
- 68. 'mosquito'. Jg. džì?-gròn / WB khran.58
- 69. 'strong'. Jg. nìŋ-gòn ~ n-gòn 'all, whole; great, strong', n-gùn 'strength' / WB khwan-â, â-khwan 'strength'.
- 70. 'summon, call to come'. Jg. gàu / WB khaw / Lh. qho.
- 71. *'sweet₁'. Jg. dùi / WB khyui / Lh. cho⁵⁹.
- 54 The first syllable of the WB forms means "fowl", and was probably borrowed into Jg. The second syllables seem genuinely cognate.

55 Related is No. 22 above, 'adhere'. Cf. also Jg. džún 'fix a post'. Maybe WB chuin is rather to be related to Jg. sēn 'appertain to'; see No. 82 below.

- 56 The first syllable of the WB form means 'liver', which is probably reflected in reduced form by the Jg. prefix as well. The correspondence between WB aspirated and Lh. plain stops points to a *glottalized initial at the PLB stage. See also 'sour', No. 95 below.
- 57 There is a TB variant with homorganic final stop: WT klub, Jg. grup.
- 58 The Lh. word for 'mosquito' is pí-cá-qô. The second syllable descends from *?gyak (< PLB *Low-stopped), and the third from *kâŋ (< PLB Tone *2). Either of these could be related to the Jg. and WB forms.
- 59 Benedict 1972b considers the Jg. and LB to descend from separate roots [*twi(y) vs. *kyuw or *khyəw], yet they seem certainly to be related. Cf. the Tangkhul Naga alternation between t ~ c in 'sugar-cane': tur-həy ~ cur-həy (Bhat 1969). For a similar example of Jg. dental corresponding to LB palatals see 'mortar', No. 35 above.

- CCC. Jg. voiced | WB, Lh. plain ~ aspirated.
 - (1) where Jg. has mid-tone [1 ex.?].
- 72. *'foot; marrow'. WT rkaŋ-pa 'foot; marrow-bone' / Jg. ləgō ~ ləgōŋ 'foot' / WB khraŋ-chi 'marrow' / Lh. δ-chɔ-pwε (Burling 1967) ~ δ-cɔ-pɔ (Matisoff).60
 - (2) where Jg. has low-tone [2 exs.]61.
- 73. 'destroy₁'. Jg. brù (v.t.), byù (v.i. and v.t.), dùm-brù 'scatter, disperse' [cf. also brūn 'be destroyed, abort (fetus)'] / WB prui (v.i.), phrui (v.t.).
- 74. 'fall apart, pulverize'. Jg. gyl 'cave in (as a river-bank), break off (as limb from tree)' / WB kre 'reduced to particles, digested; bruised', khre ~ khye (v.t.) [The Jg. form gyí? 'have a bruise' reflects a variant with stopped final].
 - D. Ig. aspirated (or w-, or plain) | WB voiced, voiced ~ aspirated.
 - (1) where Jg. has mid-tone [4 exs. + 2?].
- 75. *'all'. Jg. kōm-dòm 'all, everything' / WB gywam 'all together, good and bad without distinction'.62
- 76. 'barking deer'. Jg. khyī / WB khye ~ gyi / Lh. chi.
- 77. 'go around'. Jg. phyīn 'go around', kəwin 'turn' (Hkauri), kəyin 'rotate' / WB bhin 'wheel'.
- 78. 'raft, float (n.)'. Jg. phōn / WB phon ~ bhon. [Loanword?].
- 79. *'sweet2, suitable'. Jg. wõi, ?õi 'feel sweet to the taste' [< Shan 'sugarcane'? Cf. Lh. nà?-wē-šī 'candy'.] / WB phwai ~ bhwai 'fit, proper, desirable', ?əphwai (n.).
- 80. 'what'. Jg. phā / WB ba.
 - (2) where Jg. has low-tone [1 ex.?].
- 81. *'cowlick'. Jg. bòi 'have flexure or cowlick' (Hkauri)⁶³ / WB bwe 'circular flexure in hair of animals'.

- E. Jg. spirant | WB, Lh. aspirated affricate.
 - (1) where Jg. has mid-tone [3 exs. + 2?].
- 82. *'concern, relate to'. Jg. sēŋ 'concern, relate, appertain' / WB chuiŋ 'have a right to; concern' [see note 55].
- 83. *'semen; fat₁'. Jg. zū 'semen' / WB chu 'fat' / Lh. chu 'fat', nī-chu 'semen' (dial.; nī 'penis').⁶⁴
- 84. 'speak'. Jg. sū 'speak; convey news of a tragedy, call to a funeral' / WB chui 'speak'.
- 85. 'ten'. Jg. šī (ší in comp.) / WB chay / Lh. chi.
- 86. 'weigh'. Jg. šīn ~ šēn / WB khyin / Lh. chi.
 - (2) where Jg. has low-tone [one ex.].
- 87. 'person'. Jg. məšà ~ məšàŋ (Hkauri) / Lh. cho [The Lh. form corresponds to the Jg. nasal variant].
 - EE. Jg. spirant | WB plain affricate.
 - (2) where Jg. has low-tone [one ex.].
- 88. 'enjoy₂'. Jg. šàm 'do for pleasure; be ready, as for an undertaking; be ripe, as a boil' / WB cam 'enjoy'.
 - F. Jg. plain | WB, Lh. aspirated.
 - (1) where Jg. has mid-tone [2 exs.].
- 89. 'crowded'. Jg. prāŋ 'to swarm, as insects after a rain', 'be crowded' (Hkauri) / WB phyaŋ 'much, abundant', phraŋ 'many' (Tin).
- 90. 'hill, ridge'. WT sgaŋ 'spur, projecting hill' / Jg. ləkāŋ 'ridge connecting two hills; froenum of tongue' / WB khaŋ 'knoll, rising ground', hlya-khaŋ 'uvula, palate' / Lh. qhɔ 'hill, mountain'.
 - (2) where Jg. has low-tone [one ex.].
- 91. 'patch, mend'. Jg. pà 'be mended', kəpà 'mend, patch' / WB pha 'mend, patch', ?əpha (n.).
 - G. Jg. aspirated | WB, Lh. plain.
 - (1) where Jg. has mid-tone [four exs.].
- 92. 'full, fill'. Jg. phrīŋ 'be full', džəphrīŋ 'to fill' / WB prañ 'be full',

⁶⁰ Two roots are really involved here (STC: note 128, p. 39; note 218, p. 70).

⁶¹ In both of these cases the WB forms constitute simplex/causative pairs.

⁶² Jg. shows no trace of the medial -y-, though the medial -w- is regularly reflected by the -o- vocalism.

⁶³ LM confesses he is not sure of the tone of this word. Benedict now feels (personal communication) that all correspondences of Jg. -oi to WB -we are invalid, though I feel this is too harshly conservative a position.

⁶⁴ The standard Black Lahu form is nī-ḡ̄̄̄̄ 'penis-liquid'. Alternatively, the Jg. form could be related to WB sui 'penis', sûi 'testicles', sut 'semen'. (Cognate to WB sûi is Lh. -ṣ̄̄̄̄̄̄ 'intact male animal', as in i-mû-ṣ̄̄̄̄ 'stallion', nû-ṣ̄̄̄̄̄ 'bull', etc.). We would then be free to identify WB and Lh. chu with Jg. sáu 'oil, grease'. See below, No. 271.

- phrañ 'to fill' [also perhaps Lh. pe 'be plenty'; Lh. bî 'full' reflects a PLB Tone *2 variant with pre-nasalized initial].
- 93. 'handle₁'. Jg. nìŋ-khū 'hilt', nìŋ-khūŋ 'handle' / WB kuiŋ 'lay hold of', 'lakuiŋ 'handle'.
- 94. 'shell'. Jg. khōi 'mollusc' / WB krwe 'sp. of shellfish; cowrie' / Lh. jù 'bead, shell', jù-šī 'cowrie' [note the Lh. voicing].
- 95. 'sour'. Jg. khrī 'sour, acid', məkhrī 'pickled, soured bamboo sprouts' / Lh. ci ~ ce 'sour'. 65
 - (2) where Jg. has low-tone [3 exs. + 2?].
- 96. 'burn₂, boil₂'. Jg. khrù 'be burned', thìŋ-khrù 'a fire' / WB krui \sim kyui 'boil to a pulp, melt' [see No. 66].
- 97. *'flint, anvil'. Jg. phài 'flint' / WB pe 'anvil' / Lh. pì-te 'id.' [connection doubtful].
- 98. *'oblique, slanting₁'. Jg. khyè, n-khyè / WB kai [There are also a number of related forms with Jg. final nasal: khyèn 'to tip (as scales)', gyèn 'lean', kyēn 'incline'].
- 99. 'ruined, crippled'. Jg. thèn 'broken, ruined', myìt thèn 'discouraged', myì? thèn 'blind', džəthèn 'to injure (v.t.)' / WB tañ 'elephant born with only one tusk'.
- 100. 'white2'. Jg. phròn / WB pron 'shining' [cf. No. 38 above].
- 2.12. Spirantal initials.

H. Jg. s / WB s / Lh. š.

- (1) Jg. has mid-tone [2 exs.].
- 101. 'die₁'. Jg. sī / WB se / Lh. ši.
- 102. 'give food'. Jg. sāŋ 'give, replace, substitute (as an equivalent)' / WB saŋ-put 'give offering of food'.

HH. $\mathcal{J}g$. § | WB s.

- (2) Jg. has low-tone [3 exs.].
- 103. 'gather, store'. Jg. šù / WB sui.
- 104. 'only'. Jg. šà / WB sa.
- 105. 'this'. Jg. šìŋ 'thus; this' / WB sañ 'this' [There is also a WB creaky-tone variant, sañ'].

- 2.13. Nasal initials.
 - I. Jg. nasal | WB, Lh. plain nasal.
 - (1) where Jg. has mid-tone [2 exs. + 1?].
- 106. 'awed'. Jg. ?ənā 'be deterred by feelings of respect' / WB â-na 'id.'.
- 107. *'I, me'. Jg. ηāi / WB ηa / Lh. ηà.66
- 108. 'you'. Jg. nāŋ / WB naŋ / Lh. nò.
 - (2) where Jg. has low-tone [one ex.].
- 109. 'wound, scar'. Jg. n-mà / WB ?əma-rwat.67
 - J. Ig. nasal | LB voiceless nasal or plain ~ voiceless nasal.
 - (1) where Jg. has mid-tone [3 exs. + 1?].
- 110. *'downward'. Jg. nām, khà?-nām 'downstream' / WB nwam 'sink; sediment', hnwam 'to humble (v.t.)'.68
- 111. 'dream'. Jg. māŋ / WB hmaŋ 'somnambulize' [The usual LB words for 'dream' have the stop final -k. See Matisoff 1972a, set 144].
- 112. 'mushroom'. Jg. kəmü / WB hmui / Lh. mù [The Lh. form reflects a *plain nasal].
- 113. 'odor of frying'. Jg. sənāu 'smell of something boiling, frying, or singeing' / WB hñaw 'smell offensively when subjected to action of fire', ?əhñaw (n.).
 - (2) where Jg. has low-tone [2 exs.].
- 114. 'illness'. Jg. ?ənà / WB ?əna / Lh. nà 'be sick', na 'be cured'.69
- 115. 'enough₁, sufficient₂'. Jg. ŋàm 'to remain over, as leavings after a meal' / WB ŋam 'be enough, sufficient' / Lh. ŋɔ 'enough', ŋɔ-ŋɔ 'almost enough'.⁷⁰

68 Jg. shows no trace of a medial -w-.

⁶⁵ For a related set see 'bile, gall', above No. 65. The Lahu form here reflects a PLB **pky- initial. Also involved is the WB kyañ 'sour', but this is not directly cognate to either of the Lh. variants (WB -añ corresponds rather to Lh. -e).

⁶⁶ Two separate related roots are involved here, PTB *ŋa and *ŋay. See STC, sets 406 and 285.

⁶⁷ Note the interplay between the nasal prefix in Jg. and the glottal prefix in LB. See Matisoff 1972a, p. 48, note 28.

⁶⁹ The second Lh. form reflects a *glottalized prototype. This root is probably related to the word for 'spirit', with suffixed -n ~ -t. See below, No. 366; also STC, p. 159 and Matisoff 1972a, p. 58.

⁷⁰ The Lh. mid-tone points to a *glottalized prototype. The usual Lh. reflex of *-am is -o (see No. 116 below), but neither the syllables no nor nu occurs in the language, so that -o is the regular Lh. reflex of *-am after the velar nasal.

- 2.14. Resonantal initials.
 - K. Ig. simple or prefixed resonants | WB, Lh. voiced resonants.
 - (1) where Jg. has mid-tone [5 exs.].
- 116. 'fathom, cubit2'. Jg. lām, ləlām / WB lam / Lh. lò.
- 117. 'forfeit, pay damages'. Jg. yō / WB lyau.
- 118. 'itch₁'. Jg. yām / WB yâ-yam.
- 119. 'leak'. Jg. yūn, kəyūn / WB yui.
- 120. 'tree, kind of'. Jg. məlēm 'kind of tree', məlēm-tūm 'its seed, used as a weight', lēm 'a weight, about one ounce' / WB lim 'Terminalia bialata'.
 - (2) where Jg. has low-tone [5 exs.].
- 121. 'easy'. Jg. lòi 'easy; of early growth', ?əlôi 'easily', n̄-lôi 'of early growth', səlòi 'an early bean' / WB lwai 'easy'.
- 122. 'flash, flutter'. Jg. làm 'to flash, as bright steel', gəlàm 'flutter', kəlàm 'gleam', pəlâmlá? 'butterfly' / WB phəlam 'moth' / Lh. pù-lú-qā 'butterfly'.'¹ In Matisoff 1972 a, I related the Lh. form to a different root, PLB *k-luk ~ *k-luŋ 'maggot' (WB lok).
- 123. 'long₁'. Jg. gəlù 'long' / WB lu 'be disproportionately tall'.
- 124. 'pierce₁'. Jg. gəlùn 'thrust, pierce' / WB lwan 'a gimlet; bore with a gimlet'.
- 125. 'place₁, subject, matter'. Jg. rà 'a place', šərà 'place; occasion, subject matter' / WB ra 'verb formative denoting object of an action, or place of being or action', ?əra 'thing, subject, matter; place, situation' / Lh. kà 'classifier for places'. [PTB *k-ra; see No. 267].
 - L. Ig. ?- plus vowel or vocalic ingress | WB ?- plus vowel.
 - (1) where Jg. has mid-tone [4 or 5 exs.].
- 126. 'bulge'. Jg. ʔūm 'puckered', mū-ūm 'to bud', nèʔ-ūm 'prepuce' / WB ʔum, ʔəʔum 'bulge, protuberance' mum 'to bud' (< *mu-ʔum?) [Also perhaps related is the WB Tone 2 word ʔûm 'pillow'].
- 127. 'conquer, overcome'. Jg. ?ōŋ / WB ?oŋ.
- 128. 'hold in mouth; enclose'. Jg. məʔūm 'hold in the mouth' / WB ʔum 'plaster over, cover over' [This root is prob. related to No. 126].⁷²
- 129. 'murmur'. Jg. wū 'murmur, mumble, mutter' / WB ?u 'make noise; howl' / Lh. nà?-ú 'conversation, chat'.⁷³
- 71 The first elements in the words for 'butterfly, moth' are from the TB root *buw 'insect'.
- 72 See STC, set 108 (p. 36); set 364 and note 239 (p. 78); and note 479 (p. 181).
- 73 This root has TB *-r, as shown by the WT cognate hur 'noise, din, clashing, cracking, roar; a low, humming noise; talk, babbling, chitchat.' See Matisoff 1970, set 69.

- 130. 'standing water'. Jg. ʔūŋ 'fill, as a lake', ʔīŋ 'stand, as water', šəʔīŋ 'to flood, deluge' / WB ʔuiŋ 'stagnant; a pond' [WB also has a Tone 2 variant: ʔûiŋ 'collection of humors'].
 - (2) where Jg. has low-tone [2 exs.].
- 131. 'nauseated'. Jg. ?òn-òn, gō-òn, wòn 'feel squeamish' / WB ?an 'retch, vomit'.
- 132. 'strength, maturity'. Jg. ?àn 'be in full strength', ŋā-?àn 'a young bull' / WB ?an, ?aŋ 'strength'.
 - M. Jg. resonant or ts- | LB voiceless resonant.
 - (1) where Jg. has mid-tone [5 exs.].
- 133. 'boat'. Jg. lī / WB hle / Lh. ho.
- 134. 'hundred'. Jg. lətsā / WB ra / Lh. ha [WT brgya].
- 135. 'religious offering'. lū 'to give', ?əlū 'religious offering' / WB hlu 'make religious offering', ?əhlu (n.).
- 136. 'slanting2'. Jg. rawī 'gently sloping' / WB hrwe 'be oblique'.
- 137. 'spirit₂, image'. WT hla 'god; image of a god' / Jg. mīn-lā, nūm-lā 'ghost', sùm-lā 'picture' / Lh. ò-ha 'spirit; image'.
 - (2) where Jg. has low-tone [4 exs.].
- 138. 'if, when'. Jg. yàn / WB hlyan.
- 139. 'long₂'. Jg. rèn 'be too long; protracted', šərèn 'lengthen, let out' / WB hrañ / Lh. yì 'long', ši 'length'.
- 140. 'small₁, few'. Jg. ?lòi 'few', ?ə?lòi (adv.) / WB hlwa 'very thin', ?əhlwa 'thin layer' [Note the pre-glottalization in Jg.].
- 141. 'sting'. Jg. məlèn 'sting', pəlèn 'sting, as of bee; point of serpent's tongue' / WB hlam 'spear'. 74
 - N. Fusionally prefixed resonants.75
 - (1) Jg. has mid-tone [2 exs. + 2?].
- 142. *'horn'. Jg. n-rün / WB khrui / Lh. kho.⁷⁶

⁷⁴ The correspondence between Jg. -en and WB -am is usually associated with a medial -y- (see 'fly', No. 5 above). But Jg. lacks an ly- cluster. What about the WB form? Benedict has shown ("Secondary infixation in Lepcha", Studies in Linguistics 1, no. 19, 1943) that aspiration of an initial consonant can be reflected at a later stage by a medial -y-. Perhaps the aspiration in hlam reflects a development in the opposite direction: *lyam > hlam!

^{75 &}quot;Fusional" resonant clusters are those where a prefix (usually a reduced form of a once fully-meaningful syllable) becomes absorbed into a root beginning with a resonant

143. 'otter'. WT sram / Jg. šərām / WB phyam / Lh. gà-so-lo.

144. *'rattan'. Jg. rī, rīm / WB krim.77

145. 'tiger; cat'. Jg. šərō 'tiger', šərōŋ 'id.' (Hkauri) / WB kroŋ 'cat' / Lh. gò 'wildcat'.

2.2. Analysis of the mid vs. low Jg. correspondences to PLB Tone *1.

As a first gross attempt at analyzing the above data, we might total up the over-all number of cases of Jg. mid as opposed to low tone, without regard to the type of root-initial consonant in the syllable. As one might expect, this does not tell us much. There are 70–85 cases of mid-tone, and 52–60 cases of low-tone, or 57–59 $^{0}/_{0}$ versus 43–41 $^{0}/_{0}$, respectively, out of our total of 122 to 145 sets. ⁷⁸ In other words, the mid-tone predominates, but not overwhelmingly by any means. We are still well within the range of random deviation — too close to a 50–50 $^{0}/_{0}$ split to be sure that any conclusions can be drawn at all.

The only hope of getting anywhere is to try correlating the ratio of mid/low occurrences with particular types of root-initial consonants. The 19 classes and subclasses of initials we have recognized are not all equally criterial in this regard. If we look back over the examples in section 2.1, we see that the initial-classes are of four kinds:

(a) Classes containing too few examples. It is not worth considering classes that only contain two or three examples under each Jg. tone, especially if the class is suspect on other grounds. Thus we can dismiss Class F (Jg. plain / WB, Lh. aspirated) and Subclass CCC (Jg. voiced / WB, Lh. plain ~ aspirated), both because of their small size and because of the "disagreement in voicing" which they show [above 1.1(2)]. On the other hand, it

/w y 1 r/ to form units that may superficially look like "intrinsic" consonant clusters. A fusional cluster is posited when one language has a word beginning with a simple resonant, while another has a cognate with a consonant before the resonant (or alternatively, when two cognates have different prefixial cognates before the same resonant). For discussion, see Matisoff 1969, pp. 184–199 and Matisoff 1972a, pp. 25–26, 68–70. In this category we could also have included 'dry (sun, fire)'. See note 36.

76 We posit a root *k-ru-ŋ, where *k- is the "animal-matter prefix." This is somewhat dubious, however, since there is not much evidence for a -ŋ suffix in TB. It would be nice to find a Jg. dialect variant without a final nasal!

77 Other TB languages point to a medial -w- in this root: Lushai hrwi, Digaro tərui ~ təroi, Abor tərü 'cane' (PTB *rwi[y]). See STC, No. 201, (p. 47).

78 I may have been somewhat arbitrary in deciding which sets were "certainly directly cognate" as opposed to those which were "doubtful." This is perhaps inevitable. At any rate, I have not juggled the data in order to fit any preconceived scheme I had in mind. All I can hope is that any errors of judgment have been random, so that they will more or less cancel each other out.

would be rash to throw out Classes H and HH, even though they contain only 2 and 3 examples respectively, since between them they constitute our entire corpus of sets with *spirantal initials, and they show a 100 % correlation between the Jg. initial (s- vs. š-) and the tone (mid vs. low). Similarly, the subclass EE (Jg. spirant / WB plain affricate) contains only one example, but we cannot disregard it since it is germane to our evaluation of Class E (Jg. spirant / WB, Lh. aspirated affricate). Finally, Class I (Jg. nasal / WB, Lh. plain nasal) has only 3–4 members, but it achieves added importance if we lump it with Class J (5–6 members), where LB shows variation between plain and aspirated nasals.

So for the moment, all we are getting rid of on "example paucity" grounds is classes F and CCC.

(b) Classes with lots of examples but a random distribution of Jg. mid vs. low. Into this category falls the numerous Class C (Jg. voiced / WB, Lh. plain), with 9-11 mid and 9-10 low members. Class CC (Jg. voiced / WB, Lh. aspirated) is a little different, with 3-4 mid and 6-7 low (i.e. showing a fairly marked correlation with the low tone), and perhaps should be combined with Class B (see below).

We may throw out Class G (Jg. asp / WB, Lh. plain), both because of the disagreement in voicing and because of the random nature of the tonal split (4 mid, 3-5 low).

Finally, and with a touch of regret, we are forced to disregard the important resonantal classes K and M, where Jg. resonants correspond to LB plain and aspirated resonants, respectively. Class K has five mid and five low, while Class M has 5 mid and 4 low. (On the other hand, the quasi-resonantal classes L and N show a strong correlation with the midtone). If there is any patterning here, we have yet to find it.

(c) Classes where the mid-tone predominates significantly. In this category falls our pride and joy, Class A (Jg. plain / WB, Lh. plain), where the mid-tone predominates 15–16 to 1–3 (84–94 9 /₀). [If we add in Subclass AA, where Jg. shows plain \sim voiced variation, we get 17–18 to 2–3 (82–89 9 /₀).] This seems well outside the realm of chance or randomness, and points to a definite correlation between PJBL *voiced stops and Jg. mid-tone, in words corresponding to Lolo-Burmese Tone *1.

Interestingly enough, in sets where WB shows secondary voicing (Class D), the Jg. mid-tone predominates by a score of 4–6 to 0–1 (86–100 $^{0}/_{0}$). It is possible that this fact will eventually shed light on the conditions which led to this secondary voicing in WB.

Classes E and EE should be considered in conjunction with H and HH.

In E and EE, Jg. spirants correspond to LB aspirated or plain affricates, respectively; while in H and HH, Jg. spirants correspond to LB spirants. Although it would be nice to have more examples, it looks as if there is a correlation here between the Jg. mid-tone and PJBL *voiceless spirants (and *voiceless affricates which spirantized in Jg.), and conversely between Jg. low-tone and PJBL *voiced spirants and affricates. Although much remains unclear about these spirantal correspondences [above 1.1(3)], it is safe to say that Jg. s descends from older *s, while Jg. š derives sometimes from *š and sometimes from *z. In classes EE and HH, where Jg. has low-tone, the only Jg. spirant we find is š (presumably < *z).

Note that the situation for spirants is the opposite of that which we noted for the stops. For stops the Jg. mid-tone is associated with *voicing, while for proto-initials which developed into Jg. spirants the mid-tone is associated with *voicelessness. This is not at all implausible, in view of what is known about the very different tonal effects of stop vs. spirantal initials.79

Another fact should be mentioned here. The total number of our cognate sets involving Jg. and PLB Tone 1 words that reconstruct with *spirantal initials is very small (5), when compared to the number we find where LB has Tone 2 (15). This points to a wholesale tonal shift in syllables with spirantal initials from a hypothetical PJBL Tone *1 to Tone *2, paralleling developments elsewhere in Sino-Tibetan.80

In nasal-initialled syllables (classes I and J taken together), Jg. mid-tone predominates slightly to the tune of 5-7 to 3. Apparently it made no difference whether the nasal was prefixed or not, since there is no correlation between the Jg. tone and the voicing or voicelessness of the nasal in the LB cognates.

Finally, Jg. mid-tone predominates in two classes which are harder to pigeonhole: Class L (Jg. ?- + vowel / WB ?- + vowel)81 and class N ("fusionally prefixed resonants"), with scores of 4-5 to 2, and 2-4 to 0, respectively.

(d) Classes where the low-tone predominates significantly. The most important class in this category is B (Jg. asp / WB, Lh. asp), where the low-tone

79 See e.g. Burling 1967, esp. in connection with PLB Tone *2.

81 Strangely enough, we have no examples of Jg. ?- / WB ?- correspondences in words where WB has Tone 2! Here there has perhaps occurred a shift from *2 > *1 — opposite in direction from that which we hypothesized above for the spirants.

predominates by a score of 9-11 to 5-6. While this is not so lopsided a percentage as we found on the other side of the ledger for Class A, it is still about 2 to 1, or approximately 67% low, a figure which seems significantly non-random. We are now in a position to say with some confidence that, in words corresponding to PLB Tone *1, Jg. mid-tone is associated with *voiced stop initials, while Jg. low-tone shows a fairly strong correlation with *voiceless stop initials.82

In syllables whose initials became Ig. spirants (E and EE, H and HH), the situation seems to be reversed, as we saw in the preceding section. Here it is *voicelessness that is associated with the mid-tone, and *voicing with the low-tone.

The Jg. low-tone has no special affinity for sonorant initials (nasals or resonants).

We cannot yet decide whether the above facts support the hypothesis of a systematic relationship between the primary tones of Jg. and those of LB. First we have to look at the Ig. correspondences to PLB Tone *2 words. If we find that the Jg. mid and low tones are conditioned differently according to whether they correspond to PLB *1 vs. *2, that would be convincing grounds for deducing that the two tonal categories were separate already at the PJBL period. If on the other hand we find that the developments into Jg. mid vs. low were conditioned on the same basis regardless of the tone of the LB cognate, that would be grounds for concluding that the Jg. tones arose independently, through the operation of phonetic processes internal to Jg. itself.

3.1. Ig. mid vs. low correspondences to PLB Tone *2.

As we did for the sets involving PLB Tone *1 words, we shall first list the available cognates according to the initial-class of their syllables, giving first the words where Jg. has mid-tone, then those where Jg. has low-tone.

3.11. Stop or affricate initials.

A. Jg. plain | WB, Lh. plain.

(1) where \lg has mid-tone $\lceil 7 \text{ exs.} + 3 \rceil$.

146. *'bean, pea'. Jg. prēņ, šəprē, šəprēņ (Hkauri) / WB pâi.83

⁸⁰ Benedict 1972a (pp. 28, 33) postulates a shift from Sino-Tibetan "Tone *B" to Chinese Tone A in roots with spirantal initials. At a much more shallow time-depth, I have pointed out a similar shift from PLB *1 > *2 in syllables with s- in Telford's dialect of Lahu (Matisoff 1973a, Ch. I).

⁸² If we lump class CC (Jg. voiced / WB, Lh. asp) with B, we get a somewhat lower percentage (58%) of low-tone items. But we should probably refrain from including these sets, since we threw out the other classes where Jg. had voiced stop initials (C and CCC).

⁸³ WB Tone 2 is symbolized by a circumflex. The regular Lahu tonal reflex of PLB Tone *2

- 147. 'elephant grass'. Jg. kūŋ-džī, kūŋ-nāŋ / WB kûiŋ.
- 148. *'flat₁'. Jg. pā / WB prâ / Lh. pâ.84
- 149. *'flower'. Jg. nàm-pān 'flower', bān 'plant, as in a nursery' / WB pân 'flower'. 85
- 150. 'grow'. Jg. tū 'grow (plant, body)', tšətū 'a growth', ?ətū 'interest (money)' / WB tûi 'advance; be augmented', ?ətûi 'interest'.
- 151. 'terra firma'. Jg. krīŋ 'firm, stable', krīŋ-mùŋ 'hill' / WB krāñ 'dry land, ground'.
- 152. 'lobe (of ear); hood (of cobra)'. Jg. ləpyēn 'lobe (of ear); vent (of gun)', pū-pyēn 'cobra' / WB ʔəpyâñ 'any flabby, pendulous substance', pâ-pyâñ 'cheek-fold, jowl; gill (of fish)'.
- 153. 'put together'. Jg. tōi 'put together; lead or tow (as with rope)' / WB twâi 'put together, connect (as with rope)', ?ətwâi 'two or more things tied together'.
- 154. 'single; one'. Jg. tāi 'single', ?ətāi 'one, as of a pair', gùn-tāi 'single', sìn-tāi 'only' / Lh. tê 'one'.86
- 155. 'snake; vermin'. Jg. pū, ləpū 'snake' / WB pûi 'bug; invertebrate' / Lh. pû 'bug'.
 - (2) where Jg. has low-tone [3 exs.].
- 156. 'depend, rely upon'. Jg. tšù, mətšù / Lh. cû.
- 157. 'move'. Jg. pyòn 'move, float, sail (Bhamo dial.)' / WB prôn 'change place, remove'.
- 158. 'reverence'. Jg. kù 'show reverence; be cautious', ?əkù 'carefully' / WB kûi 'trust, rely; receive as teacher'.
 - AA. Ig. plain ~ voiced | WB plain.
 - (2) Jg. has low-tone [1 ex.].
- 159. 'tube,'. Jg. pròn 'opium pipe' (Hkauri), pyòn 'tube, pipe', bròn

is the high-falling tone (circumflex), except after PLB *voiceless spirants or *glottalized initials, where the regular reflex is the very-low tone (macron). See Burling 1967. The Jg. form for 'bean, pea' may represent a dissyllabic prototype like *pai-reng (Benedict, personal communication); at any rate this word has been identified as an early loan into TB from Mon-Khmer. (Cf. Harry L. Shorto, "Mon-Khmer contact words in Sino-Tibetan", MS, 1973).

84 See Matisoff 1972a (No. 111) for stop-finalled PLB variants of this root. To the forms given there add Lh. pê?-nê? 'shallow' < *?pyak. The lack of a medial glide in the Jg. form is unexplained.

85 This root could have been saved for category AA below, since Jg. shows plain ~ voiced variation. However, it is the plain variant that is clearly the direct cognate to the WB form. This word may be a loan into Jg. (Benedict, personal communication).

86 A stop-finalled variant of this root is attested by WB tac 'one', Lh. ti 'only'. See Matisoff 1972a, sets 31 and 48.

'tube', byòn 'stove-pipe, funnel' / WB prôn 'blowpipe'. [Some of the Jg. forms may be borrowed < Shan < Burmese].

- B. Jg. aspirated stop | WB aspirated stop.
 - (1) where Jg. has mid-tone [2-3 exs.].87
- 160. *'punch, thrust'. Jg. thwī 'box, give a blow with the fist' / WB thûi 'thrust, stab, strike' [Loan into Jg.?].
- 161. 'snow, ice, frost'. Jg. khyēn, gyēn / WB khyâm 'cool, cold' [Note the voiced Jg. alternant].
 - (2) where Jg. has low-tone [2 exs. + 1?].
- 162. *'lion2'. Jg. khàn-khyì 'lion' / WB khyê-sac 'leopard cat'.88
- 163. 'neglected'. Jg. phyì 'be neglected and thus destroyed' / WB phê 'be broken down in strength or ability, by hard labor or severe punishment'.
- 164. 'sneeze₂'. Jg. kəthì / Lh. há-thî ~ hé-thì.
 - BB. Ig. plain affricate | WB, Lh. aspirated affricate.
 - (1) where Jg. has mid-tone [2 exs.].
- 165. 'pus; decay'. Jg. mətsəwī 'pus' / WB chwê 'be decayed, crumbling'.
- 166. 'still, peaceful'. Jg. tsīn 'still, quiet', ?ətsīn 'id.', ?əsīn 'calm' / WB châñ- 'soothing, pleasant, quiet'.
 - (2) where Jg. has low-tone [3 exs.].
- 167. 'instruct; authority'. Jg. tšùm 'authority, legal or rightful power; a legal or divine command' / WB chûm-ma' 'to instruct, discipline'.
- 168. 'medicine'. Jg. tsì / WB chê / Lh. nâ?-chî.
- 169. 'soaked'. Jg. tšàm 'be soaked; pervade, overrun', ?ətšàm 'strength, pervasive mastery over all things [LM]' / WB châm 'scatter or sprinkle'.
 - C. Jg. voiced | WB, Lh. plain.
 - (1) where Jg. has mid-tone [3 exs. + 2?].
- 170. 'brass, copper'. Jg. məgrī / WB krê / Lh. kî.

88 The Jg. form may be a loanword. For an assignment of the first syllable, see 'lion₁', No. 34 above.

⁸⁷ The set 'door; be open' really belongs in this class, though we have included it under Class DDD below (No. 193), because of the secondary voicing in Mod. Bs. [təgâ]. Yet it is written with kh-, /tam-khâ/.

- 171. 'cross over'. Jg. gau 'cross something precarious, as a stream on a log' / WB kû 'cross over; transfer'.
- 172. *'early'. Jg. džāu / WB câw, ?əcâw.89
- 173. *'leap, dance'. Jg. gān, kəgān, khān 'leap, bound, gallop, canter' / WB ka' 'dance' / Lh. qā 'dance'.90
- 174. 'worth; classified as to value'. Jg. dan 'be worth (a certain amount)' / WB tân 'extend from one point to another; begin to be capable of bearing young', tân-tu 'be equal, on a par', ?ətân 'line, row, class'.
 - (2) where Ig. has low-tone [2 exs. + 1?].
- 175. *'headman'. Jg. ?əgyì 'headman', səgyì 'chief of caravan' / WB krî, ?əkrî 'great, large', su-krî 'thugyi; subcollector' [Cf. Siamese phûujàj-bâan 'headman' ("great person of the village")].91

176. 'rest, repose; tired1'. Jg. bàn 'be at rest', ləbân 'repose' / WB pân 'tired'.92

- 177. 'utterly; as much as possible'. Jg. dàn 'fully; over and above', dàntha 'all, the whole', dan 'the amount of rice one man can carry' (n.), dàn 'be capable of lifting' (v.) / WB tân 'measure of capacity'.
 - CC. Ig. voiced stop or affricate | WB, Lh. aspirated stop or affricate.
 - (1) where Jg. has mid-tone [4 exs. + 1?].
- 178. 'goad; plowshare'. Jg. nūm-džōn, mədžōn, ñ-džōn, šīŋ-džōn 'a goad', nà-džōn 'plowshare' / WB khrwân ~ khywân 'elephant-goad'.
- 179. 'impudent; fierce'. Jg. džū 'brazen, impudent', ñ-džū 'fierce' / WB chûi 'vicious, injurious, wicked'.
- 180. 'knot'. Jg. gìn-dūm, kìn-dūm 'to knot; a knot' / WB thûm 'tie in knot', ?əthûm 'a knot'.93
- 181. *'sun; shine'. Jg. džān 'sun' / WB thwân 'shine, emit light; be distinguished'.94
- 182. 'swelling; knob'. Jg. dù?-bōŋ 'goiter'; ?ùm-bōŋ 'ornamental knob on

90 This root is set up as *ga'r for TB (see STC, p. 18). The final *-r is reflected by Jg. -n, and also perhaps by the WB creaky tone.

91 Probably a loan from Bs. > Jg.

92 These forms belong in the same word-family as Set 297, below. The PTB form is reconstructed with final -l. See STC, No. 29 (p. 20).

93 Related is the stop-finalled variant 'wrap up' (Jg. thùp), below No. 347.

sword'; ū-bō(ŋ) 'head'; šəbōŋ, džìt-bōŋ 'urinary bladder' / WB phôn 'rise (blister, bubble, bread); a knob, cornice, facing; bladder'.

- (2) where [g. has low-tone [1 ex. + 1?]].
- 183. 'dog'. Jg. gùi / WB khwê / Lh. phi.
- 184. *'mark, (v.)'. Jg. dèm 'to mark, blot, spot; stamp, print' / WB thîmhmat 'designate; set up memorial', ?əthîm-?əhmat 'token, memorial: sign, signal' [Cf. Chin].95

CCC. 7g. voiced | LB plain ~ aspirated.

- (2) Ig. has low-tone [2 exs.].
- 185. 'bank (river); precipice'. Jg. nìn-gàm 'riverbank', n-gàm 'precipice' / WB kâm, khâm (obs.), hmut-khâm 'a lip; brim or upper edge of vessel' [also perhaps Lh. qō 'hollow thing', lò-qá-qō 'dry river-bed, gully'].
- 186. 'narrow'. Jg. gyèn / WB kyâñ 'narrow', khyâñ 'make narrow' / Lh. cē 'narrow'.
 - D. Jg. plain | WB, Lh. voiced.
 - (1) Jg. has mid-tone [1 ex. + 1?].
- 187. 'peacock'. Ig. ?ù-tōn / WB ?u'-dôn.
- 188. *'visit; do for pleasure'. Jg. tšāi / Lh. gî [in both languages the word often occurs as an auxiliary verb: "V for pleasure"].
 - DD. 7g. voiced | WB voiced.
 - (1) where Ig. has mid-tone [one ex.?].
- 189. *'trap, ambush'. Jg. gyām 'lie in wait for; hunt, as game', khám 'to trap', məkhám 'trap' / WB gyâm 'a trap'.96
 - (2) where Jg. has low-tone [2 exs.].
- 190. 'flour'. Jg. dùn, šədûn 'flour' / WB dûin 'flour sieve'.
- 191. 'startled, turbulent'. Jg. bròn 'be startled', kəbròn 'unruly, turbulent' / WB brôn-chan ~ byôn-chan 'tumultuously'.

⁸⁹ The Jg. and WB forms are all probably loans from Tai *jaw (cf. Siamese cháaw), with Jg. retaining the voicing of the donor language. Note that the loan could not have been via Shan, which has saw. (Benedict, personal communication.)

⁹⁴ The initial correspondence is peculiar. This set is reconstructed with a palatal affricate for PTB, *tsyar or *car (STC, No. 187 [p. 47]).

⁹⁵ The Jg. and WB forms may be loans from Tai *teem 'note, write, paint' ~ *tim (Ahom, Khamti), with the Jg. form showing secondary voicing. (Benedict, personal communi-

⁹⁶ We would expect the first Jg. form to be gyen (see note 74).

- DDD. Ig. aspirated or w- | WB, Lh. voiced ~ asp or voiced ~ plain.
 - (1) where Jg. has mid-tone [3-4 exs.].
- 192. 'cost, value'. Jg. phū 'be of value, be worth', džəphū 'price' / WB ?əphûi, ?əbhûi 'price' / Lh. ò-phû 'id.'.
- 193. 'door; be open'. Jg. khā 'be open', məkhā 'be open, as the mouth', tšīŋ-khā 'door' / WB təgâ (< tam-khâ) 'door'.87
- 194. 'dove, pigeon'. Jg. khrū / WB khrûi [pronounced with voiced initial in Mod. Bs. /džôu/] / Lh. gû.
- 195. 'grandmother'. Jg. wōi, kəwōi, ʔəwōi / WB phwâ, bhwâ, ʔəphwâ, ʔəbhwâ.
 - (2) where Jg. has low-tone [2 exs.].
- 196. 'dig'. Jg. thù / WB tû 'dig', thû 'a natural hole or cavity in the earth' / Lh. dû 'dig', tū 'bury'.
- 197. 'wild, uncouth'. Jg. phràn, n-phràn 'wild' / WB prân 'violent, virulent' / Lh. bî 'tangled, matted, bushy', bî-šâ?-á-nâ? 'barbarian' [If we throw out the Lh. form as unrelated, this set belongs in Class G, below].
 - E. 7g. spirant | WB aspirated affricate.
 - (1) Jg. has mid-tone [one ex.].
- 198. 'cold (weather)'. Jg. kəšūŋ 'be or feel cold', n-šūŋ tā 'winter' / WB chôŋ 'cold season'.
 - F. Jg. plain | WB aspirated.
 - (1) where Jg. has mid-tone [one ex.].
- 199. 'basket'. Jg. sìŋ-krā, sìŋ-krāŋ (Hkauri) / WB khrâŋ.
 - (2) where Jg. has low-tone [one ex.].
- 200. 'dried up₁'. Jg. kàn / WB khân.
 - G. 7g. aspirated | WB, Lh. plain.
 - (1) where Jg. has mid-tone [2 exs.].
- 201. 'betel'. Jg. bù-khōm / WB kwâm.
- 202. 'well, pit'. Jg. khà?-thūŋ / WB re-twâŋ / Lh. gì-tû 'a spring', gì-tō 'river-bed'.
 - (2) where Jg. has low-tone [4 exs.].
- 203. 'awake, alert; dawn'. Jg. phràn 'awake', myìt phràn 'clear-headed',

- džəphràn 'arouse' / Lh. šó-pō 'morrow' [Cf. WT spyan 'skillful, clever', but the medial is wrong].
- 204. 'mount; take advantage of'. Jg. khràu 'mount, bestride' / WB krâu 'take advantage of another; overreach'.
- 205. 'thicket, wooded tract'. Jg. džəthùn / WB tûin.
- 206. 'thin'. Jg. phà, ?əphà; džəphà 'make thin' / WB pâ / Lh. pâ.
- 3.12. Spirantal initials.
 - H. $\mathcal{J}g. \ s \ | \ WB \ s \ | \ Lh. \ \S \ [< PJBL *s].$
 - (1) where Jg. has mid-tone [2 exs. + 1?].
- 207. 'lizard'. Jg. ñ-sāŋ sòn, kəsāŋ sòn 'jungle lizard' / WB sâŋ-kyô 'large brown earth lizard; skink'.
- 208. *'scent'. Jg. sūŋ ~ sīŋ 'a smell' / WB sâŋ 'emit pleasant odor' [The vowel correspondence is off].
- 209. 'three'. Jg. məsūm / WB sûm / Lh. šê? ~ šē.
 - (2) where Jg. has low-tone [4 exs.].
- 210. 'blood'. Jg. sài / WB swê / Lh. šī.
- 211. 'fruit'. Jg. sì / WB sî / Lh. šī.
- 212. 'liver'. Ig. məsin / WB ?əsâñ / Lh. ò-šɛ.
- 213. 'old'. Ig. sà / Lh. δ-šā 'something old', hε-šā 'an old field'.
 - HH. $\mathcal{J}g$. \check{s} , $\check{s} \sim d\check{z} \mid WB \mid Lh$. $y \mid \{ < PJBL *z \}$.
 - (1) where Jg. has mid-tone [1 ex.].
- 214. 'hold, grip; use'. Jg. šūm ~ džūm 'hold onto', ləšūm 'handhold', gìnšūm 'embrace' / WB sûm 'use' / Lh. yê 'id.' [cf. WT zum 'take hold of, seize'].
 - (2) where Jg. has low-tone [1 ex.].
- 215. 'child, son'. Jg. šà / WB sâ / Lh. yâ. 97
 - HHH. Jg. š / WB s / Lh. š [< PJBL *š].98
 - (2) Jg. has low-tone [4 exs.].
- 216. 'flesh, meat, animal'. Jg. šàn / WB sâ / Lh. šā [Note the suffix in Jg.].
- 217. 'know; news'. Jg. šì 'news' / Lh. šī 'know' [WB has a variant with
- 97 The WB and Lh. forms descend from PLB *za (Tone *2). Another variant *dza (Tone *1) also exists in LB, reflected by Lh. cà- 'prefix in men's names'. It is hard to say which variant is the direct cognate of the Jg. form.
- 98 In the absence of a Lh. cognate, we cannot be sure whether Jg. š / WB s reflects older *š or *z.

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- creaky-tone, si' 'know'. See also Jg. tšē 'know' and WT ses, with final
- 218. 'noisy2'. Jg. šài 'noisy', ?əšài 'excited, stirred up', gəšài 'be known widely (LM)', gəšái 'to confuse' / WB sâi 'noisy'.
- 219. 'roar'. Jg. šò, kəšò, gəšò 'roar, as a cataract' / WB sâw-sâw 'loudly and noisily'.

HHHH. Jg. ts | WB s.

- (2) Jg. has low-tone [one ex.].
- 220. 'stale'. Jg. tsù / WB sûi.

HHHHH. $\mathcal{J}g.$ $z \mid WB$ $s \mid Lh.$ $\tilde{s}.$

- (2) Jg. has low-tone [0-1 ex.].
- 221. *'sand'. Jg. zài-brù / WB sâi / Lh. šê-šī. $^{100}\,$
- 3.13. Nasal initials.
 - I. Jg. nasal | LB plain nasal.
 - (1) where Jg. has mid-tone [7 exs.].
- 222. 'assistant'. Jg. khrīŋ-māŋ 'chief's assistant' / WB mâŋ 'ruler, governor, controller, official'.
- 223. 'curse'. Jg. səŋām 'a curse' / WB ŋâm-ŋok 'use loud, violent language' [cf. WT rnam 'to rage'].
- 224. 'cattle'. Jg. ŋā / WB nwâ / Lh. nû. 101
- 225. 'encounter; copulate'. Jg. nyā 'meet; frolic; screw' / WB ŋrâ 'meet with, find; copulate'.
- 226. 'five'. Jg. məŋā / WB ŋâ / Lh. ŋâ.
- 227. 'reprove'. Jg. nyēŋ 'reprove' / WB ŋrâŋ 'contradict, deny; refuse to do'.
- 228. 'white-headed bungarus'. Jg. ŋān 'w.-h. b.' / WB ŋân 'goose'.
 - (2) where Jg. has low-tone [5 exs.].
- 229. 'horse'. Jg. gùm-rà, gùm-ràn (also khòm-ràn [Hkauri-LM]) / WB mrâŋ / Lh. í-mû [Note the metanalysis in Jg.].

101 Benedict 1974 has identified this word as an early loan into TB < Austro-Thai.

- 230. 'near'. Jg. nì 'near', šənì 'bring near', ʔənî 'nearness' / WB nî, ʔənî / Lh. nê.
- 231. 'scattered; pulverized'. Ig. man 'be scattered, as dust', kaman 'to shatter, scatter, spatter' / WB man-lwan 'dust raised by gentle wind'.
- 232. 'sky'. Jg. ləmù / WB mûi [written mûigh] / Lh. mû. 102
- 233. 'tail'. Ig. n-mai / WB ?əmrî / Lh. me-tu.
 - J. Ig. nasal | LB aspirated or plain ~ aspirated nasal.
 - (1) where Ig. has mid-tone [2 exs.].
- 234. 'defraud, coerce'. Jg. nyēn 'defraud', šənyēn 'coerce' / WB ñâñ 'sigh, moan', hñâñ 'oppress, bully'.
- 235. 'drawers'. Jg. nī 'menstrual drawers', ?ənī, bənī 'menstruation cloth' / WB hnî 'spread out, for purpose of receiving and supporting', ?əhnî 'something spread out for child to lie on; diaper'.
 - (2) where Jg. has low-tone [2 exs.].
- 236. 'faded'. Ig. nyùi 'faded, wilted, withered' / WB hñûi 'dull, faded, wilted' [see also ñui ~ nrui 'dark in color' (Tone *1)].
- 237. 'rosemallow'. 103 Jg. džàn-nyàn 'sp. of rosemallow' / WB hnân 'tuberose, land-lily'.
 - K. Ig. resonant | LB plain resonant.
 - (1) where Ig. has mid-tone [8 exs. + 1?].
- 238. 'eagle, vulture'. Ig. kəlān / WB lân-ta'. 104
- 239. 'handle, stalk'. Ig. ū-lān 'axe-handle', gìn-lān 'stem, stalk, handle' / WB lân-pak 'kind of net', lân-yañ 'sail; mast', lân-lê 'a bow'.
- 240. 'hero; bold'. Ig. yē 'daring', šərē 'hero, leader, captain' / WB râi 'bold, courageous' [cf. perhaps Thai ráay 'fierce']. 105
- 241. 'man'. Ig. wā / Yellow Lahu và [YL low-tone (') corresponds to standard Black Lahu high-falling tone].
- 242. 'mix'. Ig. yāu 'be mixed', kəyāu 'intermix, be in confusion' / WB râw 'mix, mingle'.
- 102 There is a Jg. variant with stopped final, mù? reflecting an old TB doublet *r-mu'k (STC, note 236 [p. 77]). Maybe there is more to the final -gh in the WB form than meets the eye! (The usual explanation is that it is a learned false-etymology concocted by grammarians influenced by Pali/Sanskrit megha 'cloud'.)
- 103 A swamp plant with an edible stem and a nice flower (LM). The WB aspiration may possibly have something to do with the medial -y- in the Ig. form. See note 74, above.
- 104 This root is probably an Austroasiatic loan into TB. See STC, note 225 (p. 72).
- 105 Lh. yè (Tone *1) 'steadfast, brave' is probably a loan < Bs.

⁹⁹ It is possible that Lh. šī must be assigned to a PLB *creaky prototype (just like the WB form), instead of to PLB *2. Perhaps Lh. very-low tone is the "regular" reflex of PLB *creaky tone after spirantal initials. But we have no other examples.

¹⁰⁰ This word is definitely a loan into TB from Tai *draay > *zaay. Note the retention of voicing in Jg., as in 'early', No. 172 above. The Lh. form looks like a loanword from Bs. Native Tone *2 words regularly have Lahu very-low tone after sibilant initials, not high-falling tone.

- 243. 'pine, fir'. Jg. mərāu 'pine or fir' / WB thâŋ-rû 'id.'.
- 244. 'road, way'. Jg. lām / WB lâm [Probably related is the Tone *1 Lh. morpheme lo 'directional noun-particle'].
- 245. *'salt'. WT rgyam / Jg. yām 'sp. of fruit-salt' / WB yâm 'gunpowder, saltpetre' [Connection doubtful].
- 246. 'surround₂; enclosure'. Jg. wāŋ 'surround; a circle', kəwāŋ 'go in circular waves', šəwāŋ 'inclose, shut in' / WB wâŋ 'enclosing fence' [see No. 248].
 - (2) where Jg. has low-tone [6 exs. + 1?].
- 247. 'belly'. Jg. wàm-pūm 'stomach complaint' / WB wâm 'belly', wâm-pu 'swelled abdomen' / Lh. gô- 'belly'.
- 248. 'circle, ring'. Jg. wan 'be in a circle, be coiled', kawan 'encircle' / WB wân 'round; to surround', ?awân 'circumference' [see No. 246].
- 249. 'male'. Jg. là, ?əlà 'male' / WB ?əlâ 'not castrated'.
- 250. 'mark₂, line; boundary'. Jg. mərì 'to mark, line, rule' / WB rê 'write,
- 251. 'pull down, raze'. Jg. rùn 'pull down, demolish', šərùn 'id.' / WB rûn 'pull with difficulty; struggle; warp'.
- 252. 'round'. Jg. lùm / WB lûm [cf. WT zlum, Atsi l?ùm].
- 253. *'violent, wild2'. Jg. rùn 'become violent, as a disease' / WB rûin 'wild, as an animal; coarse, vulgar' [Relationship uncertain].
 - L. $\mathcal{J}g$. ?- + vowel | WB ?- + vowel.

There are no examples of this initial-correspondence in sets with WB words from Tone *2.

- M. Jg. resonant | LB aspirated resonant.
 - (1) Jg. has mid-tone [8 exs.].
- 254. 'flea'. Jg. khələwī \sim khəl
ī / WB khwê-hlê [The first element is the word for 'dog', reduced in the case of Jg. to a prefix].
- 255. 'four'. Jg. məlī / WB lê / Lh.
 $\mbox{\^o}.$
- 256. 'heart'. Jg. səlūm / WB hnəlûm < hnac-lûm. $^{106}\,$
- 257. 'hurry; quickly'. Jg. lèwān 'hurry, be swift', áləwān 'in haste' / WB hwân 'strong, violent; burst up'.
- 258. 'heavy'. Jg. lī / WB lê / Lh. hô.
- 106 This set belongs to the same word-family as 'round' (No. 252 above). The heart is a 'round' organ. The hnac in the WB form is the numeral 'two', because of the twolobed appearance of the organ.

- 259. 'long and narrow'. Ig. loi, din-loi 'be long and narrow, as an underground passage' / WB hlwâ 'a shield, oblong and convex'.
- 260. 'penis'. Jg. mənē / WB lî / Lh. nī [cf. WT mdže].
- 261. 'young man; grandchild'. Jg. məlī 'young man; father-in-law', ?əlī 'chief's male child', ù-lī 'stud bull', wəlī 'male human being' / WB mrê [< mliy Insc.] 'grandchild' / Lh. hō, hwē 'id.'.
 - N. Fusionally prefixed resonants
 - (a) where Ig. has mid-tone [2-3 exs.].
- 262. 'buffalo'. Jg. ?ū-lōi, ŋā-lōi / WB kywai [< *k-lwai] [Prob. a loan into TB; cf. Siamese khwaay < PTai *grwaay].
- 263a. 'go'. Ig. sā / WB swâ [For an alternative Ig. cognate to the WB form, see No. 263b].
- 264. 'tooth'. Jg. wā / WB swâ.
 - (b) where Ig. has low-tone [0-1 ex.]
- 263b. 'go'. Jg. wà / WB swâ.
- 3.2. Analysis of the mid vs. low Jg. correspondences to PLB Tone *2.

We shall first romp through the data in Section 3.1, and then proceed in 3.3 to a comparison of the Jg. mid/low distribution in cognates to PLB Tone *1 words vs. Tone *2 words.

We have listed a total of 119 sets containing Jg. cognates to PLB Tone *2 words. Of these, perhaps 15 are of doubtful validity, giving us a data base of 104–119. Of this number, 55–66 sets show Jg. mid-tone $(53-55^{\circ})_{0}$, while 49-53 sets have Jg. low-tone $(45-47^{\circ})_0$.

(a) Sets with obstruental initials. We may dismiss from consideration classes F and G, where Jg. and LB "disagree in voicing".

Class A (Ig. plain / LB plain) shows a fairly strong correlation with Ig. mid-tone, 7-10 to 3 (or 7-10 to 4, if we include Subclass AA), for a score of 64-71 % mid. This is an appreciably (18 %) lower percentage than what we found in sets with similar initials where LB has Tone *1 (82-89 % mid), yet the mid-tone is still clearly predominant.

Class B (Jg. aspirated stops / LB aspirated stops) is notable both for its small number of examples and for the random distribution of the Jg. tone: mid 2-3, low 2-3. At the same time, there is a relatively large number of examples where Jg. affricates ts, tš correspond to LB aspirated affricates (Subclass BB), 107 but these also are split randomly as regards their tone (2 mid, 3 low), for a total (B plus BB) of 4-5 mid vs. 5-6 low.

The sets where Jg. or LB show secondary voicing display a random distribution of the Jg. tones. In Classes C, CC, CCC, where it is Jg. that has the voicing, the figures are 7–10 mid vs. 5–7 low. In Classes D, DD, DDD, where LB has the voicing, the score is 4–7 mid vs. 4 low.

At this point, we might try to compensate for the small size of our sample of Tone *2 *voiceless obstruents by adding in all the sets with secondary Jg. or LB voicing where aspirates predominate otherwise: i.e. Class CC (Jg. voiced / LB aspirates), with 4–5 mid and 1–2 low; and those members of Class DDD where Jg. aspirates or w correspond to LB voiced ~ aspirates (3–4 mid, one low). For good measure let us toss in Class E (Jg. spirant / LB aspirated affricate), containing one member in the mid-tone. We are thus adding to our previous total (B plus BB), 9–10 mid-tone words and 3 low-tone words:

Whether or not we are justified in including these latter classes, the midlow distribution in sets reflecting *voiceless Tone *2 obstruents is quite different from what we found in Tone *1 words, where the low-tone predominated. For further juggling with these figures, see the next section, (3.3).

- (b) Sets with spirantal initials. Here two facts are noteworthy. The total number of examples (13-15) is very large compared to what we found for Tone *1 (5 exs.), and the Jg. low-tone predominates overwhelmingly: 3-4 mid vs. 10-11 low. This preponderance is independent of the voicing or voicelessness of the proto-spirant.
- (c) Sets with nasal initials. The data here are inconclusive. Overall the mid-tone predominates, 9 to 7, but this is well within the random range. In Class I (Jg. nasal / LB plain nasal), even though the mid-tone is numerically superior (7 to 5), the words with low-tone are the better cognates, including such items of core vocabulary as 'horse', 'near', 'sky', and 'tail'.

To be sure, the mid-tone words in this class include such basic words as 'cattle' and 'five', but the former is suspected of being a loanword [see note 101], and numerals tend to be tonally peculiar anyway.

(d) Sets with resonantal initials. The large class K (Jg. resonant / LB plain resonant) behaves randomly with respect to the Jg. tone, 8–9 mid vs. 6–7 low. In Class M, however, where LB points to an aspirated resonantal initial, the distribution is truly striking: 8 mid vs. 0 low. Here at least we seem to have a solid fact.

Sets with fusional resonantal clusters also favor the mid-tone (2-3 to 0-1), but the sample is not very large.

3.3. Comparison of the mid/low dynamics in Tone *1 and Tone *2.

We said above (p. 175) that if the distribution of Jg. mid vs. low tone appeared to be conditioned on the same basis regardless of the tone of the LB cognate, we would have to conclude that the Jg. tonal distinction arose independently through the operation of phonetic processes internal to itself. Having examined all the data thus far, it is still impossible to give an all-or-nothing explanation of the facts.

In syllables reflecting *voiced obstruental initials (Jg. plain / WB, Lh. plain), the Jg. mid/low split can clearly be seen to be an independent development. No matter how we slice it, the mid-tone predominates, regardless of the LB tone, to the tune of 64–89 $^{0}/_{0}$, with the mid-tone 18 $^{0}/_{0}$ more preponderant in Tone *1 than in Tone *2.

In syllables reflecting *voiceless obstruental initials, the situation is much less clear. In Tone *1 words, the low-tone predominated by about 67 % of Tone *2 words, however, the examples were very few and the tone-distribution random. [When we added in the Tone *2 words showing aspirates associated with secondary voicing, the total showed the mid-tone in the lead, 12–15 to 7–9. So far it does look as if there is a significant difference in the Jg. tonal fate of *voiceless obstruental syllables according to the tonal class of the LB cognates. If we now try the experiment of returning to the Tone *1 sets, adding in the ones showing aspirates associated with secondary voicing, i.e. Classes CC and D, we still get a total of 12–16 mid vs. 15–19 low. In other words, the basic correlation between Tone *1 *voiceless obstruents and the low-tone remains unchanged.] Some pieces are still missing from the puzzle, however — and to fit them in will involve a consideration of another Jg. tone we have barely mentioned so far: the high-tone /'/. See Section 4.

With spirantal syllables there is a huge difference between Tone *1 and

¹⁰⁷ In sets containing LB cognates under Tone *1, there was only one case ('spirit', No. 36) of a Jg. affricate corresponding to an LB aspirated affricate, so we did not set up a separate subclass for it.

Tone *2, as we have already noted. The Tone *1 examples are few (2 mid, 3 low), and seem to be split on the basis of the particular proto-spirant involved. The Tone *2 examples are three times as numerous, and show a striking affinity for the Jg. low-tone regardless of the particular protospirant.

Nasal syllables show the most random behavior of any major initial-class. In Tone *1 words the mid-tone predominates slightly, and this is also true for Tone *2. But given the greater number of mid-tone words overall in both *1 and *2, regardless of initial-type, this is not particularly impressive.

Resonantal syllables present a confused picture, but at least we can say that there are some significant differences in mid/low patterning with respect to the tone of the LB cognates. In Tone *1 words the mid/low split is random, whether the LB initial was a plain or a voiceless resonant. In Tone *2 words, on the other hand, the patterning is random only in the case of sets where LB has plain resonants. In those with LB voiceless resonants, there is a $100~{}^{0}/{}_{0}$ correlation with Jg. mid-tone (8–0).

Syllables where Jg. and WB both have initial glottal stop plus vowel all belong to Tone *1 (7 exs., split 4-5 mid, 2 low).

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To sum up:

The Jg. mid/low split seems independent of the PLB tonal class in syllables with *voiced obstruents, *nasals, and *plain resonants.

The Jg. mid/low split shows significant correlations with the PLB tonal class in syllables with *voiceless obstruents, *spirants, *voiceless resonants, and *glottal stop.

4.0. Sets where Jg. has the high-tone |' |.

The Jg. high-tone is probably the key to the whole problem, since it shows the most asymmetrical behavior with respect to the two primary tones of Lolo-Burmese.

First, as far as the number of total occurrences in reliable cognate sets is concerned, there are twice as many cases where Jg. high-tone corresponds to PLB *2, as there are where Jg. high-tone corresponds to PLB *1. This in itself is remarkable, since the persentage of mid- and low-tone correspondences is, overall, almost exactly the same regardless of the PLB proto-tone. (It will be remembered that for Tone *1 sets, Jg. mid-tone syllables are $57-59~^0/_0$ of the total, and low-tone syllables are $41-43~^0/_0$; for Tone *2 sets, the figures are $53-55~^0/_0$ mid and $45-47~^0/_0$ low).

Furthermore, the less numerous high-tone/Tone *1 correspondences are scattered with respect to the type of initial consonant in the syllable. The only initial-class to have more than one or two members is spirantal. In sharp contrast, in high-tone/Tone *2 words there is a bunching of examples: fully 12–14 of the 35–40 examples are syllables where LB has aspirated obstruental initials.

We shall first list all our examples, and then discuss them.

4.1. Where Jg. high-tone corresponds to PLB Tone *1 [17 exs. + 2?].

Jg. plain / Lh. plain:

265. 'dwarf; lop off'. Jg. krúm 'trim, lop, prune' / Lh. chɔ-kε-nε 'dwarf', qhɔ-kε-nε 'barren, treeless mountain'.

Jg. aspirated / WB aspirated:

266. 'create'. Jg. phán / WB phan.

Jg. voiced / Lh. plain:

267. *'earth; place₂'. Jg. gá 'earth' / Lh. kà 'classifier for places' [< *r-ka; cf. Nung rəga 'land']. 108

Jg. voiced affricate \sim s- / WB plain:

268. 'be on lookout'. Jg. džói 'be on the lookout, alert', sói 'gaze at, catch a glimpse, glance', ?əsói 'id.' [there is also a mid-tone variant, ?ədžōi] / WB cwe 'squint, peer from one eye'.

Jg. aspirated / WB voiced:

269. 'chief'. Jg. ń-thúŋ 'head (as of bed); top, excellence; supreme' / WB duiŋ 'petty chief, as of gambling house; an official'.

Jg. aspirated / WB plain:

270. 'meet₁'. Jg. khrúm / WB krum \sim krim 'meet with, find'.

Jg. s / WB, Lh. aspirated affricate:

271. *'oil, fat₂'. Jg. sáu 'luscious; oily', ?əsáu 'oil, grease' / WB chu 'fat' / Lh. chu 'id.' [For an alternative identification of the LB forms with Jg. zū 'semen', see above No. 83.]¹⁰⁹

¹⁰⁸ We are hypothesizing a metathesis of the prefix with the root-initial in the protolanguage to account for the two Jg. forms ra 'place' [see No. 125 above] and gá 'earth'. See also STC, set 97.

¹⁰⁹ The identification with 'semen' is actually far preferable. Benedict puts Jg. sáu (Lushai thau, Dimasa, Bodo thau) into a separate TB root (*sa·w) from the Lolo-Burmese forms, which he derives from TB *tsow. See STC, sets 272 and 277.

272. 'similar'. Jg. sám 'appear, seem; habit, disposition', n-sám 'appearance, mien; character' / WB cham 'share the character or nature of'.

Jg. s, š / WB s:

- 273. 'die₂'. Jg. són 'die', ?əsón 'spirit of woman dead in childbirth' / WB swan 'non-viable (eggs, roots)'.
- 274. 'file, razor'. Jg. rét-sán, tèn-sán 'file' / WB san-tûn 'razor'.
- 275. 'small₂'. Jg. šói 'small, weak, paltry' / WB swai 'slender and tapering', ?sswai (n.).
- 276. 'sound, voice'. Jg. n-sén / WB ? sam 'sound, report, rumor'.

Jg. nasal / WB nasal:

- 277. 'corpse₂'. Jg. mói 'corpse' / WB mwe 'relics of the body of a Buddh', ?əmwe 'inheritance'.
- 278. 'work'. Jg. ?əmu / WB ?əmu 'deed, action'.

Ig. resonant / WB plain resonant:

279. 'chew'. Jg. məyá 'chew' / WB ya 'make a quid of betel', ?əya 'a betel quid'.

Ig. resonant / LB voiceless resonant:

280. 'breeze, wind'. Jg. bùŋ-lí / WB le / Lh. mû-ho.

Fusionally clustered resonants:

- 281. 'hint'. Jg. réŋ 'vital part (Hkauri)', kréŋ 'vital part', lərêŋ 'id.; to hit, hint, insinuate' / WB rañ 'aim at, have reference to'.
- 282. 'right (side)'. Jg. khrá / WB ya / Lh. ša [The Jg. velar is to be explained by metanalysis with *lak- 'hand'].
- 4.2. Where Jg. high-tone corresponds to PLB Tone *2 [35 exs. + 5?].

Jg. plain / LB plain:

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Jg. voiced / WB, Lh. plain:

283. 'dirt, filth2'. Jg. khəgrəwí / WB krê, ?əkrê / Lh. kî 'to rot'.

Jg. plain or plain ~ voiced / WB, Lh. voiced:

- 284. 'tube₂, bottle'. Jg. n-túm, n-dúm 'bottle; bamboo tube' / WB dûm 'tube filled with gunpowder' / Lh. ò-dɛ 'bamboo tube'.
- 285. 'bird sp.'. Jg. ?ù-tsəwí 'kind of bird' / WB jwê 'kind of bird'.

Jg. aspirated / WB, Lh. aspirated:

- 286. 'bitter'. Jg. khá / WB khâ / Lh. qhâ.
- 287. 'embrace; cover₂'. Jg. phúm 'embrace, hug; roost, as a hen' [possibly related is Jg. phùm 'lie, as an animal'] / WB phûm 'cover'.
- 288. 'smoke'. Jg. khú 'be smoky' [?wàn-khùt 'smoke'110] / WB khûi / Lh. mû-qhô.
- 289. *'push; hit'. Jg. thú 'push, shove' [also rothù 'hit, strike', with low-tone] / WB tûi 'push, butt, shove against', thûi 'thrust at, stab, strike' [also perhaps Lh. thû 'be in a state of sexual desire'].¹¹¹
- 290. 'shit'. Jg. khyí / WB khyê [Lh. qhê is irregular (we would expect *chî); perhaps it is a loan from Shan (cf. Thai khîi)]. 112
- 291. 'spit'. Jg. mèthwí / WB thwê (v.), tam-twê (n.).

Jg. voiced / WB, Lh. aspirated:

- 292. 'excess'. Jg. džán 'be in excess', mədžán 'very' [also perhaps džàn 'a verandah', i.e. 'the part of the house that sticks out'] / WB chân 'exceed others, be extraordinary'.
- 293. 'oily; corpulent'. Jg. byú 'oily (Hkauri)' / WB phrûi ~ phyûi 'be full in flesh, fat, corpulent; swell up'.
- 294. 'put, place'. Jg. dá [dàt (Hkauri)
110] / WB thâ / Lh. tā. 113
- 295. 'steal'. Jg. ləgú [ləgùt 'thief']110 / WB khûi / Lh. qhô [WT rku].
- 296. 'thorn'. Jg. džú 'thorn' [džùt 'be pierced'¹¹⁰] / WB chû 'thorn', cû 'to prick, pierce' / Lh. í-chû 'thorn', jû? 'pierce'.
- 297. *'tired₂'. Jg. bá 'be tired', šəbá 'tire someone out' / WB phâ [see No. 176 and note 92, above].
- 298. 'urine'. Jg. dží \sim tší 'urinate' [džìt 'urine']¹¹⁰ / WB chî 'urine (medical)', sê 'piss (vulgar)' / Lh. jî.
- 110 For a discussion of this crucially important alternation between Jg. high-tone and the low-stopped tone, see below 4.3.
- 111 This set shows LB alternation between *voiced and *voiceless stops, and variation between Jg. high- and low-tones, so we are not really justified in including it here.
- 112 qhi is an impossible syllable in Lahu, so perhaps the vowel was lowered to accommodate the borrowed word while preserving the velarity of the initial. On the other hand, Benedict (personal communication) informs me that in Tai there exist archaic doublets of this root with the rhymes -ay and -ee; conceivably such a variant was the source of the loan into Lahu.
- 113 The correspondence between WB th and Lh. t, as well as the Lh. very-low tone, point to a glottalized *?t- for PLB. The source of this glottal element was *s-, as shown by the WT forms sta 'preparation, arrangement', stad 'put on, lay on.' These latter forms show the same alternation between open-syllable and final dental stop as the Jg. pair. See below.

299. 'youngest sibling'. Jg. šədói 'last-born child', wá-dói 'father's younger brother', nú-dói 'mother's younger sister' / WB thwê 'be youngest', mi'-thwê 'mother's younger sister'.

Jg. aspirated / Lh. voiced:

300. 'pillow'. Jg. bùŋ-khúm [also perhaps pūŋ-khùm 'stool'] / Lh. ú-gê.

Jg. aspirated / WB plain:

- 301. 'plug up; deaf'. Jg. phán, nà-phán, ləphán 'deaf' / WB pân 'obstruct', nâ-pân 'deaf' / Lh. pô 'deaf'.
- 302. 'tree'. Jg. phún / WB pûn- 'morpheme in tree names'.

Jg. plain / WB aspirated:

303. 'dried up₂ (as a stream)'. Jg. kán / WB khân [LM also cites an 'adverbial' Jg. form with low-tone, khàn].

Jg. spirant / WB, Lh. plain affricate:

304. 'eat'. Jg. šá [šàt 'food, rice'110] / WB câ / Lh. câ 'eat', cā 'feed'114

Ig. spirant or affricate / WB spirant:

- 305. 'abound; myriad'. Jg. són 'be abundant' / WB ?əsôn 'ten thousand', sôn- 'quintillion', sôn-sôn 'in large numbers'.
- 306. 'rub₁, shave'. Jg. lèsəwi 'whittle off', ùsəwì 'id. (Hkauri)', gəsəwi 'rub up against, as an affectionate cat' / WB swê 'whet, rub to sharpen, polish'.
- 307. 'store up'. Jg. sím 'store up, put away' / WB sîm 'gather in; take possession of; put a stop to'.
- 308. 'very; to a painful extent'. Jg. tšíŋ 'very; painfully intense' / WB sâñ 'very ill'.

Jg. nasal / WB, Lh. nasal:

- 309. 'arrow'. Jg. məlá, pəlá / WB hmrâ.
- 310. 'fish'. Jg. ŋá / WB ŋâ / Lh. ŋâ.
- 311. 'from, in; be located on, perch'. Jg. ná 'ablative or locative particle', kó?-n-ná 'from' / WB nâ 'alight, perch' / Lh. nâ 'perch, as a bird' [Cf. WT na 'locative particle', gnas 'a place, spot'; see STC, set 414].
- 312. 'kind, sort'. Jg. ?əmyú / WB ?əmyûi.

Jg. resonant / WB, Lh. plain resonant:

- 313. 'bamboo'. Jg. kəwá / WB wâ / Lh. vâ.
- 314. *'barley'. Jg. múk-yó / WB mu'-yâw [Undoubtedly a loan into Jg. < Burmese].
- 315. 'bet, wager'. Jg. lón / WB lôn.
- 316. 'bite'. Jg. kəwá, gəwá 'bite' / WB wâ 'chew'.
- 317. 'itch2'. Jg. kəyá / WB yâ [WT g-ya].

Jg. resonant or spirant / LB aspirated resonant:

- 318. *'lose, be defeated'. Jg. súm / WB hrûm [Peculiar initial correspondence].
- 319. 'slice, shave'. Jg. məli 'to smooth, scrape, shave' / WB hlî 'cut with a sliding motion; cut a slice'.
- 320. 'squirrel (flying)'. Jg. səló 'flying squirrel', rù? 'animal resembling squirrel living in trees and feeding on fruit' | WB hrû 'flying squirrel' | Lh. fâ?-šū 'great flying squirrel'.
- 321. 'wither, fade2'. Jg. wái / Lh. hwē.

Fusional resonant clusters:

322. *'separate'. Jg. rán, šərán, mərán, kərán, lərán / perhaps Lh. gî / WT ḥbral, ḥp'ral.

4.3. Ruminations on the historical status of Jg. high-tone.

As we have seen (4.0–4.2), the occurrences of Jg. high-tone are gratifyingly asymmetrical with respect to the two primary tones of PLB. It is quite clear that /'/ has special affinity for PLB *2, and that this affinity is most marked after certain types of initials.

Let us start with a negative fact. There is an almost total antipathy between /'/ and *voiced obstruental initials, whatever the tone of the LB cognates. Thus, there is only one etymon under Tone *1 with Jg. /'/ where the initial correspondence is Jg. plain / LB plain (No. 265), and under Tone *2 there are none at all.

The situation is totally different for syllables with *voiceless initials, at least as far as Tone *2 is concerned. 116 There are no fewer than 5–6 cases

¹¹⁴ The Jg. form san 'meat, flesh' is < TB *sa-n, and not to be directly connected with the 'eat' root (TB *dza).

¹¹⁵ The final -? in the second Jg. form is irregular. Benedict suggests (personal communication) that rù? may be a loan < Tai; cf. proto-Tai *(kə)rook 'squirrel'.

¹¹⁶ There are relatively so few examples of /' / corresponding to PLB *1, and these are scattered so randomly with respect to the type of initial in the syllables, that we shall have no more to say about them. Thus there is only one example of a Tone *1 word with Jg. asp / WB asp. initial under Jg. /' / ('create', No. 266) — and even this may be a loanword into Jg.

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of /' | in words with Jg. asp | LB asp initials, including that archetypically important etymon 'bitter'. To these we may add 7–8 more examples where Jg. has secondary voicing (Jg. voiced | LB aspirated), including such excellent etyma as 'steal', 'thorn', and 'urine'. For good measure, we may throw in 'pillow' (No. 300), where an old nasal prefix (cf. Nung məkhim) has caused secondary voicing in Lahu, but where Jg. retains an aspirated initial. Finally, No. 285 ('kind of bird') has a Jg. affricate corresponding to a WB voiced affricate — since Jg. has no aspirated affricates, and since we know the WB voicing is secondary, this word may also descend from a prototype with *voiceless initial. This gives us a total of 14–16 examples, a huge number when one considers the lexical infrequency of |' | compared to Jg. mid- and low-tones. See the following charts:

PLB *1	Jg. mid	Jg. low	Jg. high	PLB *2	Jg. mid	Jg. low	Jg. high
B Jg. asp / LB asp	5-6	9–11	1	B, BB117 Jg. asp / LB asp	4–5	5–6	5–6
CC Jg. vd / LB asp	3-4	6– 7	0	CC Jg. vd / LB asp	4–5	1–2	7–8

The correlation between voicelessness and Jg. /' is not confined to obstruental initials. There are 5 examples (Nos. 304–308) of Tone *2 words under Jg. /' where the Jg. initial is a voiceless *spirant*, including the important etymon 'eat'.

Finally, of the seven good cognate sets with resonantal initials (Nos. 313, 315–317, 319–321), six have a voiceless element in the initial cluster. In Nos. 318–321, the WB and/or Lh. forms reflect PLB *voiceless resonants, while in 313, 316, and 317 the Jg. root-initial consonant is preceded by the voiceless prefix kə-.

Incidentally, this correlation between Jg. /'/ and voicelessness is just what we would expect on universal phonetic grounds: high tones are typically associated with voicelessness, and low tones with voicing.¹¹⁸

We come now to a very curious set of facts. If we look back over the Tone *2 words where Jg. has /'/, we find that six of the very best examples are word-families where Jg. shows alternation between an open syllable

¹¹⁷ If we leave out Class BB, whose members are affricates, the preponderance of |' | is even more striking:

B Jg. asp / LB asp	mid	low	high
	2-3	2-3	6

118 See Matisoff 1970, 1972a.

under /' / and a variant with suffixed dental (-t) under the low-stopped tone. For all of these six sets there are good WT cognates which display the same open-syllable/dental-suffix alternation. The WT forms mostly have voiced initials; 4 of the 6 Jg. pairs of forms show secondary voicing of the initial; but 5 of the 6 Lolo-Burmese cognates have aspirated (< *voiceless) initials. Obviously we are dealing with roots that were both prefixable and suffixable in the proto-language, though several different prefixes were apparently involved. Here are the sets:

(288) 'smoke'. Jg. khú 'be smoky', ʔwàn-khùt 'smoke' WT du 'smoke', dud 'smoke'¹¹⁹
WB mî-khûi / Lh. mû-qhô.

(294) 'put, place'. Jg. dá 'put, place', dàt 'put, place, fasten (Hkauri)'
WT sta-gon 'preparation, arrangement', stad 'to put on,
lay on'
WB thâ / Lh. tā [< PLB *?ta].

(295) 'steal'. Jg. ləgú 'steal', ləgùt 'thief'
WT rku 'steal', rkun-ma 'thief'
WB khûi / Lh. qhô 'steal'.

(296) 'thorn'. Jg. džú 'thorn', džùt 'be pierced', šədžút 'cause to be pierced'¹²⁰

WT ḥdzu 'enter', ḥdzud 'put, lay'

WB chû 'thorn', cû 'to prick, pierce' / Lh. í-chû 'thorn', l²¹

(298) 'urine'. Jg. dží ~ tší 'urinate', džit 'urine'
WT gči 'urinate', gčid 'id.', gčin 'urine'
WB chî, sê 'urine' / Lh. jî 'id.'.

¹¹⁹ The WT d- looks prefixial to me. Cf. 'six' WT drug / Jg. krú? (<*d-ruk). In my view, Tibetan first lost the velar initial [cf. the Nung form for 'smoke' (məö)], and then re-prefixed a d- to the root. See STC, pp. 114-117. Benedict [personal arguments] steadfastly refuses to accept the validity of this comparison, however, and considers the WT forms to be quite independent of the Jg. and LB ones.

¹²⁰ Note the tonal alternation between the Jg. simplex and causative forms.

¹²¹ There is a related TB word-family with final velar stop: WT hdzugs, zug, hdžug 'prick, pierce; put into, put down into', Jg. tšók 'to pierce; be pierced', Lh. jû? 'pierce'. See below, No. 353, and Matisoff 1972a, No. 107.

(304) 'eat'.

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Jg. šá 'eat', šàt 'deer; rice; food' WT za 'eat', zan 'food' WB câ 'eat' / Lh. câ 'eat', cā 'feed'.

These sets show evidence for every TB prefix in the book. In (288) we have *d-; in (294) we find *s- (> PLB *?-); in (295) we have *r- (> Jg. la-); in (296) we find *h- (i.e., PTB *?-); and in (298) we have both *gand *N- (the latter underlying the Lh. form with voiced initial). Only in 'eat' (304) does the root never appear prefixed — and this is the only one of the six not to have LB aspirates.

What does all this mean? Why have we found no examples of this sort of Jg. tonal- and final-alternation in Tone *1 sets? Was it the dental suffixes122 which somehow caused all these words to assume the same tone? If so, why are the tones still all the same in the unsuffixed variants of the families? How do we explain the disagreement in voicing between LB on the one hand and WT on the other? Is the Jg. voicing in 4 of the 6 sets actually "primary" instead of "secondary"?

These are questions we cannot yet answer, and which we have perhaps not even posed in the right way. But maybe the following hypothesis is not too far off the track. Suppose that at an early stage after the separation of Jg. from the Proto-Jiburish stock the regular reflex of PJBL Tone *2 was a high tone much like the present-day /'/. At some later date a far-reaching tonal convulsion arose in Jg. which obliterated many of the traces of the earlier proto-system, and which led to a largely random distribution of the new Jg. mid- and low-tones both in words which had belonged to PJBL Tone *1 and PJBL Tone *2. The earlier high-tone gave ground to the newer mid- and low-tones, except after Tone *2 voiceless initials, where it made a last-ditch stand. Perhaps its survival here was due to the natural compatibility of highness of pitch and voicelessness of initial; having survived, it could then be exploited in morphological doublets, where it could be distinctively contrasted with variants under the low-tone, thus making for a maximal pitch-difference between the alternants.

Note that under this interpretation, the Jg. high-tone is not secondary at all in the sense of 1.2(2) above. In the historical sense it might be primary. Only from the point of view of the present-day language, where it is lexically less frequent than the mid- and low-tones, could we call it "secondary".

If the above reasoning is correct, we could then say that the extent of

the survival of /' was somewhat different according to the particular type of *voiceless initial involved: obstruents, spirants, or resonants:

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- (a) PJBL Tone *2 syllables beginning with *voiceless stops regularly developed Jg. /'/, with only a smattering of cases showing a development into Jg. mid- or low-tone.
- (b) PJBL Tone *2 syllables beginning with *affricates developed into Jg. mid- or low-tones, under conditions which are not yet understood.
- (c) PJBL Tone *2 syllables beginning with *spirants (or with *voiced affricates which developed into Jg. spirants - see 'eat' No. 304) assumed either Ig. /' or Ig. low-tone, and only very rarely Ig. mid-tone. The basis for the split into /' and /' is not yet understood.
- (d) PJBL Tone *2 syllables beginning with *nasals show a triple development into Jg. mid-, low-, and high-tone, the basis for which remains totally unclear.
- (e) PJBL Tone *2 syllables beginning with *plain resonants developed either Jg. mid- or low-tone — but almost never acquired Jg. high-tone.
- (f) PJBL Tone *2 syllables beginning with *voiceless resonants developed either into Jg. /'/ or Jg. mid-tone, and never into Jg. low-tone. The basis for the split into /'/ and /-/ is not yet understood.

To sum up: there is an enormous amount which remains unclear about the Jg. correspondences to PLB Tone *1 and *2 — but at least the problems are different in each case - that is, the Tone *1 mysteries are different from the Tone *2 mysteries. This is perhaps enough to justify our view that the tonal systems of Jg. and PLB had a common origin, which later developments internal to Jg. have largely obscured.

5.0 Sets where PLB shows variation between *1 and *2.

5.1 PLB *1 \sim *2 / Ig. mid-tone

5.2 PLB *1 \sim *2 / Jg. low-tone

5.3 PLB *1 \sim *2 / Jg. high-tone

6.0 Sets where the PLB tone is unvarying but where Jg. shows tonal variation.

6.1 PLB *1 / Jg. mid \sim low

6.5 PLB *2 / Ig. mid \sim low

6.2 PLB *1 / Jg. mid ~ high

6.6 PLB *2 / Jg. mid ~ high

6.3 PLB *1 / Jg. high \sim low

6.7 PLB *2 / Jg. high \sim low

6.4 PLB *1 / Jg. mid \sim low \sim high 6.8 PLB *2 / Jg. mid \sim low \sim high

¹²² For discussions of these suffixes see Wolfenden 1929 (pp. 56 ff.), 1936, 1937; also STC (pp. 98-103).

7.0 Sets where both Jg. and PLB show tonal variation.

PLB *1 \sim *2 / Jg. mid \sim high or mid \sim low or high \sim low or mid \sim high \sim low.

8.0 Sets where WB has the creaky tone.

- 8.1 WB creaky / Jg. mid
- 8.2 WB creaky / Jg. low
- 8.3 WB creaky / Jg. high
- 8.4 WB creaky / Jg. tonal variation
- 8.5 WB creaky ~ *1 / Jg. mid or low or high or variation
- 8.6 WB creaky ~ *2 / Jg. mid or low or high or variation
- 8.7 WB creaky | Jg. stopped syllable. 123

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9.0. Ig. | PLB tonal relationships in stopped syllables.

It is a pity that we are running out of time and space, because it is precisely in the realm of stopped syllables that the relationship between the Jg. and PLB tonal systems is the clearest!

I have already discussed the two-way tonal contrast in Loloish stopped syllables at considerable length.¹²⁴ As is well-known, WB has no tonal contrasts at all in stopped syllables, standing in sharp opposition to the Loloish languages. In Matisoff 1972a I more-or-less tacitly assumed that the Loloish "tonal split" was an innovation, and that the original PLB stopped syllables were all under a single tone. I am now forced to abandon that view, since there is a striking agreement between the two-way Jg. contrast and that of Loloish. It now appears that it was Burmese which innovated by losing the two-way contrast which went back to the PJBL stage, and Loloish which was conservative.¹²⁵

We refer to the two Loloish stopped tones as "High" and "Low". Loloish High syllables show a very strong correlation with the Jg. low-stopped tone (20–25 examples). There are only about 7 cases of High syl-

lables corresponding to Jg. high-stopped words, and these examples are all weak. The situation is somewhat less open-and-shut with regard to the Jg. correspondences to Loloish Low syllables — but even here we can say that the regular correspondence is Loloish Low / Jg. high-stopped. The considerable number of cases where we find Loloish Low / Jg. low-stopped can be explained quite convincingly as having arisen through the influence of various prefixes, in particular the nasal prefix (and in the case of roots with resonantal initials, a voiceless k- prefix).

Let us quickly look at the evidence:

- 9.1. Jg. low-stopped tone corresponding to Loloish High. [20-25 exs.].
- 323. 'bean2'. Jg. nò? / Lh. nô? [TSR 140].126
- 324. 'blow'. Jg. kəwùt / Lh. mô? [TSR 143].
- 325. 'clench, crumple'. Jg. tšùp, šùp / Lh. chi?, Akha tsu^ [TSR 66]. [This root shows -u- ~-i- alternation].
- 326. 'climb, rise'. Jg. thà? / Lh. tâ? [TSR 98].
- 327. *'cover₃; top'. Jg. gàp, məgàp 'cover' / Lh. qhô? 'top' [Relationship uncertain].
- 328. 'deer'. Jg. šàt / Akha tseh^ [The Jg. form may be derived from the root 'eat'. See No. 304 above].
- 329. 'eye'. Jg. myì? / Lh. mê? [TSR 145].
- 330. *'flat₂, shallow'. Jg. byèp 'low, squat' / Lh. pê?-nê? 'shallow' [Relationship uncertain; see note 84].
- 331. *'fold; embrace; one of a pair; side'. Jg. bà? 'be folded' / WB phak, bhak 'embrace; one of a pair' / Lh. ò-pá 'side' (Low), Akha pa 'side' (High) [TSR 72].
 [This set is not criterial, since there is tonal variation within Loloish
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- 332. 'free; loosen'. Jg. lòt 'be free', šəlòt 'set free' / WB lwat, kywat 'be free, loose', hlwat, khywat 'set free, loosen' / Lh. lê? 'slippery, smooth', Akha leh^ 'take off clothes'.
- 333. 'grind'. Jg. krìt / Lh. g\$? [TSR 94].
- 334. *'key; lock'. Jg. zò? / Ahi and Sani dzu 44 [TSR 79].127
- 335. 'layer, fold; add, repeat'. Jg. kəthàp / Lh. thô? [Related to 'pack into', TSR 85].
- 336. 'loose, unsteady, shifting'. Jg. šàp / Lh. šô? 'fall down'.

¹²³ Cases of WB creaky / Jg. stopped are briefly listed below, 9.6. Otherwise sections 5 through 8 remain to be written. For now let us merely note that a fuller treatment of Jg. / PLB tonal relationships will have to include a discussion of these matters.

¹²⁴ Matisoff 1971, 1972a.
125 Despite this reinterpretation, most of what was said in Matisoff 1972a about the phonetic causes of the split remains valid — i.e., even if the split dated from PJBL times, it still reflects an even earlier stage where there was no tonal contrast in stopped syllables. The contrast arose in a complex way through the influence of the voicedness or voicelessness of the pre-JBL initial consonant cluster of the syllable, as outlined in "TSR".

¹²⁶ These references are to Matisoff 1972a, "The Loloish Tonal Split Revisited."

¹²⁷ This word looks like a loan < Ch. so/suâ? (, with secondary voicing [Benedict, personal communication].

- 337. 'moisten, soak'. Jg. mədī 'be moist', mədìt 'moisten' / Lh. tî? [TSR 109].
- 338. 'peck at'. Jg. thòk, kəthòk 'strike lightly' / Lh. thô? 'peck; strike with curved instrument' [TSR 15; but why does Jg. have -k?].
- 339. 'pinch, squeeze'. Jg. nyàp / Lh. nô? \sim nû? [TSR 147].
- 340. 'run'. Jg. gàt, kəgàt / Akha ceh^ (< PLB *kyat) [TSR 18].
- 341. 'scale (of fish)'. Jg. ŋá-sèp / Lh. ò-šê?.
- 342. 'scratch'. Jg. məkhrèt / Lh. gê? [TSR 97].
- 343. *'split lengthwise'. Jg. šìt / Lh. jî? (but Akha ceu.) [TSR 88]. [This example is not criterial, since Loloish itself shows tonal variation].
- 344. 'squirt, gush'. Jg. phrùp 'squirt' / Lh. pû? 'classifier for rain-showers'.
- 345. 'stroke, rub2'. Jg. məsòp / Lh. šô? [TSR 116].
- 346. 'wind around₂, encircle'. Jg. bàt / Lh. pê? 'classifier for pieces of land', Akha beh 'the rafter that goes lengthwise on the posts at the side of a house' (cf. Jg. dīŋ-bàt 'crossbar, stringer, beam; an arch, a space, as between two posts and a top-bar').
- 347. 'wrap up'. Jg. thùp / Akha taw^ [TSR 23]. [There is a related root with a front vowel. See below, No. 352].
- 9.2. Jg. high-stopped tone corresponding to Loloish HIGH [7 dubious exs.].
- 348. 'abate; shadow'. Jg. kríp 'die down, abate' / WB rip 'throw a shadow' / Lh. δ-ḡ3̂? 'shadow' [TSR 189].

 [We reconstruct this root as *k-rip for PLB, though the k- does not overtly appear, and makes its presence felt only by its perturbation of the tone.]
- 349. *'cut by a blow; hack'. Jg. tók / Lh. tô?, Akha deu^ [TSR 101]. [Relationship doubtful. Why does the Jg. form preserve the final -k?]
- 350. *'destroy₂'. Jg. pyák, phyák, byák / Akha pya^'tear down' [TSR 64]. [Maran reports a Jg. low-stopped variant with "adjectival" meaning. Why does Jg. have -k?].
- 351. *'gun'. Jg. sənát / Lh. nâ? [This is an obvious loanword into Jg. from Burmese se-nat (θəná? in mod. pronunciation).]
- 352. 'to package, squeeze, fasten tightly'. Jg. mətép / Lh. thî?, Akha toe [This set seems to be related to No. 347 above, where Jg. has low-stopped tone.]
- 353. 'pierce₂'. Jg. tšók / Lh. jû? [TSR 21, 107].

 [These forms belong to a ramified word-family that includes open-syllabled variants as well as forms with final -k. See No. 296 above].

- 354. 'wipe'. Jg. kətsút / WB sut / Lh. šî? [TSR 120]. [This set shows -u- ~ -i- alternation within LB].
- 9.3. Ig. high-stopped tone corresponding to Loloish Low [19 exs. + 4?].

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- 355. 'bedbug; lac insect; pitch-pine; cochineal'. Jg. šəkrép 'bedbug' / WB khrip 'lac' / Lh. a-kí 'pitch-pine' [TSR 46].
- 356. *'scoop up; draw water'. Jg. khyóp 'grab up, scoop up' / Ak. k'aw. 'draw water' / WB khap 'id.' [These are not perfect cognates, since the LB forms show no trace of medial -y-. Lh. qho is from a nasal-finalled variant, *kam.]¹⁸⁰
- 357. 'goat; deer'. Jg. tšít-sà 'deer' / Lh. á-chè? 'goat' [TSR 27].
- 358. 'poison'. Jg. túk / Lh. à-tà? [TSR 113].
- 359. 'six'. Jg. krú? / Lh. khò? [TSR 35].
- 360. *'speckled, spotted'. Jg. prú? / Lh. bù? [TSR 89]. [This set is not criterial, since there exist Loloish Нідн forms as well.]
- 361. 'stick, adhere₂, join a group'. Jg. káp, šəkáp 'adhere', tšáp 'be intimate with' / WB kap 'join, unite; adhere' / Ak. gaw, 'join a group'.
- 362. 'stop up, obstruct'. Jg. tsút, mətsút / Lh. chì?. [This root shows -u- ~ -i- alternation.]

(b) Spirantal Initials

363. *'descend'. Jg. ?yú? / WB sak / Lh. yà? [< PLB *zak] [TSR 121]. [This root shows an unusual -u- ~-a- alternation.]

(c) NASAL INITIALS

- 364. 'brains'. Jg. nú? / Lh. ú-nò? [TSR 156].
- 365. 'son in law'. Jg. dà-má? / Lh. à-má [TSR 153].
- 366. 'spirit₃'. Jg. nát / Ak. neh. [TSR 136].
- 367. *'squeeze'. Jg. mənát / Lh. ní, Ak. nyeh. [< PLB *?nyit] [This root shows an unusual -a- ~ -i- alternation.]¹³¹
- 128 To the sets in this group may be added one old loanword, 'device, machine': Jg. džák, WB cak 'wheel', Lh. cà?, ò-cà? 'machine', ult. < Pali cakka < Skt. cakra.
- 129 Lh. high-rising tone /' / is a regular reflex of PLB Low after certain types of initials. See Matisoff 1970, 1971, 1972a.
- 130 Another root showing variation between the presence or absence of medial -y- is 'run' (No. 340 above). In the case of 'run', however, it is Jg. which lacks the medial while Loloish has it.
- 131 A better Jg. cognate of these Loloish forms is probably nip 'to shade, as a tree; be overcast, as the sky.' Cf. WB nip 'be kept down', hnip 'keep down, oppress.' See TSR, No. 159.

(d) RESONANTAL INITIALS

- 368. 'below, lower side'. Jg. lawú? / Lh. há [TSR 173].
- 369. 'day of 24 hours'. Jg. yá? / Lh. há 'night; spend the night' [TSR 174].
- 370. 'eight'. Jg. mətsát / Lh. hí [TSR 171].
- 371. 'enough₂; many'. Jg. ló? 'many', ló?-sá? 'enough' / Lh. lò? 'enough' [TSR 164].
- 372. 'lick'. Jg. mətá? / WB lyak / Lh. lè?, lé (cf. WT ldag) [TSR 179].
- 373. 'now; present time'. Jg. yá? / Lh. yà?-ni 'today', yà?-pi 'tonight', yà?-šē 'just now' [cf. WB ya'-khu 'present time', with creaky tone. See below 9.6.]
- 374. 'pig'. Jg. wá? / Lh. và? [TSR 168].
- 375. 'reap'. Jg. rét 'be sawed, saw' / Lh. gò? 'reap' [TSR 169].
- 376. 'sleep'. Jg. ?yúp / Lh. yì? [TSR 180]. [This root shows -u- ~ -i- alternation.]
- 377. 'stand'. Jg. tsáp / Lh. hú [TSR 175].
- 9.4. Ig. low-stopped tone corresponding to Loloish Low [15 exs. + 1?].

(a) STOP INITIALS

- 378. 'angry'. Jg. bù? 'have fever; be hot with rage' / Lh. bò? 'be angry'.
- 379. 'bent, crooked'. Jg. məgò? / Lh. qò? [TSR 2].

 [This root shows *voiced ~ *voiceless alternation in Tibeto-Burman.

 See Benedict 1972 b, p. 125.]
- 380. 'boil₃'. Jg. prùt, šəprùt / Ak. pu..

 [Lh. bì reflects an open-syllabled variant with pre-nasalized initial.]
- 381. 'dried up₃, brittle; rustling'. Jg. kròp 'rustle, as dry leaves; be dry, hoarse' / Lh. gô 'be dried up', gò? 'dried-up thing' / WB khrwap 'rustlingly'.
- 382. 'swollen; protuberant'. Jg. bòp 'calf of leg', khūm-bòp 'foam, bubble' / Lh. phò? 'swollen' [TSR 92].
- 383. *'tea; leaf'. Jg. phà? 'tea-plant' / Lh. phà? 'leaf' [TSR 29].
- 384. 'vomit'. Jg. n-phat / Lh. phè? [TSR 38].

(b) Spirantal Initials

- 385. 'breath; air'. Jg. sà? 'breathe', n-sà? 'breath' / Lh. šá [TSR 123].
- 386. 'kill'. Jg. sàt / Ak. seh. [TSR 124].

(c) NASAL INITIALS

387. 'early morning'. Jg. mənàp / WB mənak / Lh. tê nà?. [This root shows alternation between -p and -k.]

- 388. 'seven'. Jg. sənìt / Lh. šī, Ak. shi, [TSR 128].
- 389. 'snot'. Jg. ?ənèp 'snot', nyèp 'be soft; mucus', ?ənyàp 'soft, sticky, viscous' / Lh. nú [TSR 152].
- 390. 'swallow'. Jg. məyù? / Ak. myo. [TSR 137, 169a].

(d) RESONANTAL INITIALS

- 391. 'ashamed'. Jg. kəyà? / Lh. yà?+to [TSR 182].
- 392. 'fireplace rack; wall'. Jg. ràp, kəràp / Lh. gò?-pa 'wall' (Low, < *rap), Ak. g'o^-ba (High, < *k-rap).
- 393. 'leech'. Jg. wôt / WB krwat / Lh. vè? [TSR 167].
- 9.5. Conditioning factors for the double Jg. correspondence to PLB Low.
- (a) Stop initials. Where Jg. has high-stopped tone, the Jg. initial is plain voiceless unaspirated (except for No. 356, which is an imperfect set). Where Jg. has low-stopped, either the Jg. initial is voiced (Nos. 378, 379, 382), or the Lh. initial is voiced, pointing to earlier pre-nasalization (Nos. 380, 381). In 384, it is Jg. that shows the pre-nasalization. In 378, both the Jg. and the Lh. forms have voiced initials. No. 383 has an unprefixed Jg. aspirate but this set is of doubtful validity anyway.
- (b) Spirantal initials. There are too few examples to say for sure, but one of the two cases where Jg. has low-stopped tone has the nasal prefix.
- (c) Nasal initials. As usual with the nasals, no pattern of conditioning is discernible.
- (d) Resonantal initials. Here the conditioning is quite clear. Jg. high-stopped words outnumber the low-stopped ones by a score of 10 to 3. In the three low-stopped cases, the resonant is preceded by a k- prefix in Jg. and/or LB.

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If the above analysis is correct, we see that Jg. tones in stopped syllables stand in a "flip-flop" relationship to those of Lolo-Burmese: Jg. high-stopped tone almost always corresponds to LB Low, while Jg. low-stopped tone often corresponds to LB High. The cases where Jg. low-stopped tone corresponds to LB Low are harder to evaluate, but seem to be secondary developments due to the influence of various prefixes. Jg. is probably to be considered the innovator in its phonetic reversal of the high- and low-tone-classes, given the fact that the Loloish split in stopped syllables was explained in TSR in conformity with the general principle that voicing

leads to lower tones and voicelessness to higher ones. Jg. may thus be grouped with the two aberrant Loloish languages, Nasu and Lü-ch'uan Lolo, which also underwent a phonetic reversal of the two stopped tonal classes [TSR, pp. 5, 8].

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9.6. Appendix: cases where Jg. stopped tones correspond to WB creaky tone.

It has long been suspected that the WB creaky tone arose through the influence of some final consonant. (Cf. for example 'know' WT ses, WB si'). Jg. evidence for this view has been hard to come by, since Hanson did not indicate final glottal stop. In hopes, therefore, of contributing to creaky-tone studies, we have assembled a number of cases where WB creaky tone seems to correspond to a Jg. stopped syllable. Of the 13 cases so far discovered, however, no more than 3 or 4 seem to be genuine cognates. The rest are either loans from Bs. into Jg.; or mere "look-alikes" (i.e. not cognate at all); or else due to secondary developments within Bs., whereby an originally stopped syllable lost its full glottal closure through destressing, leaving only a glottal "creak" instead of a real glottal stop.

Those remaining cases which do look like true cognates all have Jg. low-stopped tone. Perhaps this has some deep significance!

- 9.61. Apparent loans from Burmese into Jinghpaw.
- 394. 'fermented rice'. Jg. tsá?-pá? 'fermented and intoxicating rice' / WB ca'-pâ 'paddy; plant of grass genus'.
- 395. 'show, exhibit'. Jg. pyá? / WB pra'.
- 396. 'coax, urge'. Jg. khyò? / WB khyau'.
- 397. 'draw out; diminish'. Jg. šò? 'take, pull, or draw out; deduct, as from a price; redeem, as a pawned article; seduce', rò? 'untie, unbind, loose' / WB hlyau' 'loosen, make lax; lessen, diminish, reduce'.
- 9.62. Sets where the Bs. creaky tone is clearly secondary.
- 398. 'not; nothing'. Jg. má? 'nothing, for nothing (only used in comp.)' / WB ma' 'not'.

[But Loloish points to Tone *2 as the intrinsic tone of this etymon: Lh. mâ. In Mod. Bs. the morpheme is pronounced simply with unstressed shwa, ma-].

- 399. 'shoulder'. Jg. phà?, kəphà?, ləphà? / WB pa'-khûm.
- 373. [see above] 'now; present time'.
- 362. [see above] 'stop up, obstruct'.

- 9.63. A "look-alike" for 'night'.
- 400. 'night'. Jg. šənà?, lənà? / WB nya'.

 [There is a general TB root for 'night' with initial y-, *ya (STC, No. 417). The WB form is to be analyzed as a fusion of this root with a preceding morpheme 'day' (WB ne') or 'sun' (ne). See STC, note 285. Benedict considers the Jg. forms to descend from a quite separate root with initial nasal].
- 9.64. Possibly genuine cognates.
- 401. 'assist, support'. Jg. mà? / WB ma'.
- 402. 'close, cause to adjoin'. Jg. n-di? / WB te'.
- 403. 'gleet'. Jg. rì?, ?ərì? 'gleet, gonorrhoea, or the like', n-yì 'purulent discharge' / WB ri², yi², ?əri² 'gleet, run, as pus from a sore (applied to any slimy, filthy discharge)'.
- 404. 'converge, meet2'. Jg. zù?, džù? / WB cu' 'collect, gather'.

Summary:

This paper investigates the relationship between the tonal system of Jinghpaw (Jg.) and that of the Lolo-Burmese (LB) group of the Tibeto-Burman (TB) family of languages. Are there systematic correspondences between these tone-systems? If so, do they reflect a common genetic heritage from an earlier stage of TB, or are they merely the result of convergent, parallel, independent development?

More than 400 Jg./LB cognate sets are presented and classified according to their tonal correspondences, with particular attention paid to the influence of the syllable-initial consonants on the tonal developments. Certain non-random patterns of correspondence emerge, notably (a) in non-stopped syllables where Jg. has high-tone and LB has "Tone *2"; and (b) in syllables ending in original */-p-t-k/, where the two-way Jg. high-low contrast correlates strikingly with a similar tonal split in Loloish.

Many questions of detail remain to be solved, but even as it stands the discussion is relevant to several larger issues: the proper subgrouping of the TB family; the dubious utility of tone-correspondences in establishing fine degrees of genetic relationship; the question of whether the remote Sino-Tibetan proto-language already had contrastive tone; and the process of tonogenesis (tone-birth) in general.

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